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The Harvest.

A grain of corn is very small
 'Tis scarcely anything at all;
 But sow a handful of them wide,
 And you will reap at harvest-tide
 A plenteous heap of ripened gold,
 More than your joyful arms can hold.
 A trifling kindness here and there
 Is but a simple, small affair;
 Yet if your life has sown them free,
 Wide shall your happy harvest be
 Of friends, of love, of sweet good-will,
 That still renews, and gladdens still.

GENERAL ARTICLES.

Our Youth and Children.

The greatest problem before us to-day as a people, is the salvation of our youth and children; not merely the saving of them in the kingdom, but the saving of them to the cause of our Master now. Where is there a father or mother who would not give all their earthly possessions could they see that bright looking noble son or daughter breasting the tide of evil that is sweeping over this fair land and carrying so many with it, not only doing the right themselves, but here and there bringing to the solid rock, a companion, a friend, a stranger and by

the power of God and his strong cord of love, tie them fast to the throne. I do believe there is a way by which this can be done; namely, by establishing good schools, not large ones, where hundreds are brought together, but where a few can be educated for God and his cause. Of course this will require more schools, but I tell you, dear ones, it will pay. I have watched the workings of our academy here at Palisades the few months it has been running, and I see from week to week a coming up on the part of the children and youth who are in attendance. Yes, it did cost money and someone had to sacrifice. But will it pay, you may ask. Yes, if only my boy is saved by it. Would it pay if your dear boy should be found in the kingdom as a result of one such school? I am sure I hear you say, O yes! In the establishing of this school at Palisades no general call was made for money, but a few men gave of their means, men whom God raised up to start this work in our conference. We yet hope that our friends on the east side of the Rockies will remember us with a few dollars, for the thing for us to do is to help each other in this great work of saving our sons and daughters.

Our dear children must have an education and we must plan to this end; and now the next thing in this conference is an academy for the east side, located at Campion station on the beautiful plot of more than six acres, donated by Brother Hankins. And now, beloved, your committee has chosen March 18th, at which time a collection is to be taken up in every church throughout the conference. Come, let us occupy until he comes. Please, dear brethren and sisters, let us help each other all we can. Let us stand shoulder to shoulder in the great conflict. "But thus saith the Lord, even the cap-

tives of the mighty shall be taken away, and the prey of the terrible shall be delivered; for I will contend with him that contendeth with thee and I will save thy children." Isaiah 49:25. Let us contend with our substance as well as with our pen and voice. Send all donations to Mrs. B. L. Herrell, 1112 S. 11th St. Denver, Colo.

G. F. Watson.

Colorado Conference Committee Proceedings.

At the recent meeting of the Conference Committee in Denver, January 16 and 17, the following recommendations were unanimously passed.

"That we ask Elder C. H. Bates, of Cripple Creek, to labor in District No. 3."

THE STATE ACADEMY.

"That we call upon all our churches and companies throughout the conference to set apart Sabbath, March 25th, as a day of special offerings and pledges to raise \$1,500, to build the Eastern Slope Industrial Academy, as voted by the conference at Longmont."

We trust that the offerings for this day in all our churches will be large, and the pledges liberal, for this is one of the most important home enterprises this people have ever undertaken. It being the policy of our committee to keep out of debt, we can only proceed as the money comes in. The amount called for is very moderate, but with economy it will erect a good academy building on the beautiful site donated by Brother W. A. Hankins, at Campion, Colorado. Will not all make an earnest effort to swell the offerings and pledges on the date mentioned, to the \$1,500 mark, that the school may be built in time for the summer work?

ECHOES FROM THE FIELD.

No building can be started until we hear from this offering.

CAMPMEETING.

The Rocky Mountain Lake Park, Denver, was secured for our State campmeeting and conference, August 9-28. This includes a worker's meeting, August 9-16, at which all the workers will be present and our local church officers are especially invited, as much instruction will be given on all phases of church order and work. The conference proper will be held August 17-27. There is, of course, considerable expense incurred in securing such a beautiful place as Rocky Mountain Lake Park. To help meet this expense, the following plan is proposed: "That on our State campmeeting advertising matter we print paid advertisements, solicited from the business men of Denver, and that we ask Elder L. A. Spring to come to Denver early in August and solicit for, and get up the same."

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY.

"That the Tract Society order a supply of the tract "An open letter to the ministers of Washington, D. C.," and urge their use throughout the conference."

FINANCIAL.

It was the desire of all to send out still more workers in addition to those new ones recently employed, but it appeared financially unsafe and unpractical to do so at present.

ENCOURAGEMENT.

Most encouraging reports of progress come from our Colorado conference workers, both at home and abroad, for which we thank God with all our hearts.

A very encouraging letter was read from Elder A. G. Daniells, president of the General Conference, in which he expresses his complete confidence in the Colorado conference and its administration, and his intense gratification at its proved loyalty through recent trying experiences. We are determined to continue in line with the whole work and order that God has given to this people.
H. M. J. Richards, Secy. Conf. Com.

FIELD REPORTS.

Alamogordo.

We have just organized a church of twelve adult members at Alamogordo. Nine of the twelve were baptised. Two others will be added later. Several more are keeping the Sabbath, but do not see their way clear to come into the organization at present. Brother Herbert Crip-

pen was ordained to the eldership of the church. The Lord came very near and his spirit was present in a rich measure. We left the brethren and sisters at Alamogordo, feeling that their prospects as a church are very bright. We are now on our way to Roswell. Please remember us in your prayers.

Milo D. Warfle.

Las Vegas.

Sister Lida Moore writes that though there are numerous difficulties and obstacles to be met in the work in Las Vegas, yet there are encouraging features also. A number are now at the point of deciding for or against the truth. They have recently held an enjoyable and profitable Sabbath-school convention. May the Lord bless Sister Moore's efforts in that city.

South Africa Missions.

Dear Brethren:—The time will soon be here for me to return to Africa. We need the money that was given and pledged for the South African missions. Will those who pledged to this work please settle promptly? If there are others who are moved to assist, let them do so now.

This money is greatly needed for aggressive work in the interior. Let there be no delay. W. H. Anderson.

Report of the Plainfield Mission, Sept. 30, 1904.

CHURCH WORK.

When we came to this place, the church which was supposed to have been here, was not in existence. True, there were a few boys and their wives, who professed to believe the Sabbath doctrine; but all these with one exception, are now polygamists, as their then manifested faith was to be bought with gold. At this time there is no church organization at this station, though I have baptised a number whom I supposed, after the instructions given from the Bible, would be able to stand firm for the truth and for Christ; but alas, most of these have become drunk with the desire to get money, and with a few exceptions, have gone in search of the same. Some of them love the Lord, as many of them write good letters and always speak of their temptations and their victories through Jesus. Those who have remained with us are earnestly engaged in the work, take an active part in all the meetings at the station and are always anxious to go out

to the villages to speak of the love of Jesus to the people, and to help them in many ways. This is encouraging and we are earnestly praying that they may stand and prove light-bearers in this message. There are only about five or six villages on and near this station and they are very small ones. We are hoping the seed sown will bring abundant harvest of souls for the Master. We are still holding our Sabbath evening prayer and social meetings, and also our early Sabbath morning services. At these meetings the instruction is given to the boys, who go to the villages, along some line we have previously studied through the week, and we are praising God for a place to work for Him in this closing message. I cannot say when we will have a church at this place; when Elder Hiatt was here I laid the matter before him and he advised me to not be in a hurry.

SCHOOL WORK.

Our enrollment has been 66. Attendance has been good, and although some of the village children have been dropped new ones have taken their places. The interest is very good. Our first session is at 8 a. m. instruction to the teachers. This session lasts for one hour and a half. The next session commences at 10 a. m., and lasts two hours; these are the village children and the field boys who are just beginning English. Their studies are reading in the Mang'anja and English primers, writing, arithmetic, spelling. The advanced classes in English are from 6 a. m. to 12 m. After dinner they enter school at 1:30 for two hours; their studies are reading, spelling, writing, arithmetic, translating into good English. At 6:30 p. m. all come together for a preparation of the next day's lesson; at 7:30 p. m. I give them a Bible lesson, time one hour. We have twenty-four boys staying with us on the station and five women. These as a rule are the only workers we have on the farm. These boys are not very far advanced in their Bible study, so it is slow work getting the message before them, though six of them are doing well, and I am giving them instruction in the book of Daniel. We are hopeful as the work is the Lord's. My daughter, Mabel, has charge of the school-work, with the assistance of one native teacher. Morning and afternoon sessions open with prayer and singing.

INDUSTRIAL WORK.

At 5:30 a. m. the bugle is blown and all report for duty; a short Bible service is held then all go to the field to prepare

ground for the crops, as I am planning to plant corn, potatoes, beans and other garden stuffs, also some peanuts. Last year we raised about thirty-five or forty tons of corn, which I hope to sell at a good market price, to help with the expenses of the place. I have sold and delivered ten tons but as yet I have been unable to collect any means. Our cotton crop was a failure, on account of the continued rains and the severe cold weather. I have not given up in despair, but shall try again this season. The cattle are on the increase, and ere long will be of some benefit to the farm. We also have thirty-seven goats, and they are doing well. I am looking to him, the giver of all good gifts, to give us an abundant harvest and the blessing he sees we need, as we feel that we are passing under the rod of sorrow and disappointment for this station.

FINANCE.

While our demands in this respect have not been large we have not been able to meet them, on account of the failure to collect the corn money. We have realized very little from our garden stuff, as the birds and rabbits destroyed nearly all of it; now I am trying again. As for our butter we have no market for it whatever. The market we might furnish is fifty miles away and by the time we get it there by native carriers it is all oil, and unmarketable. In fact there is nothing to be done along this line as we are too far from the market. As for our chickens they are dying off very fast.

HEALTH.

We are having fever frequently but not long at a time. To God be all the praise. The boys are enjoying good health. The natives are hearty and well with the exception of now and then a headache. The people in the villages on the station are dying off very fast. We have not been able to determine the cause. Our courage and hopes are good and we are singing praises to him, from whom all blessings flow, and with you we desire to remain faithful until he comes.

OUR VISITOR.

Brother W. S. Hyatt, president of the S. A. U. conference, gave us a short visit from July 25 to August 24, 1904. We were indeed glad to see him, and gave him a warm welcome among us, and we felt from the first that we should be greatly benefitted by his visit; our expectations were realized. We feel now, and know that by the counsel and advice given, we shall be greatly blessed and the station helped much. In the plans laid, the work, we believe, will prosper. The

month ended altogether too soon, but we bade him goodbye and pray that God's blessing will accompany him on his journey to the different missions, to help them as he has helped us.

Yours in the work,
Thomas H. Branch.

The Dear Old Review.

Who among us in Colorado can afford to do without the dear old *Review*? You may ask why do we need the *Review* in Colorado more than in any other conference. Because of the condition of affairs. Colorado has made history faster during the last year than any other state in the Union, and in making this history, she has rapidly fulfilled prophecy, and, in fulfilling prophecy she has called to every believer in the second coming of Christ to get ready, "for the coming of the Lord draweth nigh."

And now dear ones, what periodical can you find that will keep our hearts aglow as to this most important event, the second coming of Christ, as the *Review*? Do you want me to tell you how many of these good papers are taken in our conference? On September 15, 1904, the list showed 336! Then came the missionary campaign and on December 15, 1904, the list stood at 395, showing an increase of 59; and yet there are many, many families who do not have this church paper, and therefore are without the help that it is able to give. For almost twenty-six years I have had it's weekly counsel, and I often think, what would I do without it. Dear brother, sister, just give this dear messenger of truth a place in your home for one year and you will not let it depart. Send all subscriptions with price, one dollar and a half, to the Colorado Tract Society, 1112 So. 11th St., Denver, Colo.

G. F. Watson.

Liberty.

This precious boon that we call liberty and that cost the life of many a good man, is being slowly but surely stolen from the people of the United States. When once those who are clamoring for oppressive laws in order to enforce their ideas of Sabbath-keeping (Sunday-keeping) attain their end the tide of evil will just begin to flow and it will not be long after that until the floodgate of tyranny will be opened wide. Now is the time for us to work and bring the truth for these times before the people of Colorado. I do hope that the letters that are being sent out from our state office will not be

passed by unheeded, but that all will work with well directed plans to place the truth before all. Send in your orders to our state office for the open letter tract, and then use them wherever you go. We, as a conference, must be awake to the privilege of the hour.

Sometime ago our conference committee chose Elder F. M. Wilcox of the Colorado Sanitarium to act as a Religious Liberty secretary, and we hope to hear from his pen soon. "Let us work while the day lasts." G. F. Watson.

A Live Issue.

Though we, as a people, are continually expressing our belief in the theory that we are soon to lose our religious liberty; that the dragon voice of religious persecution and tyranny may be expected at any time to summon many of us before the courts and sentence us to imprisonment, and worse penalties, yet when the reality comes, we are startled. We ask ourselves the question, Are we ready to face the issue and its consequences?

A letter just received from E. K. Cassell, of Raton, N. M., informs us that a determined move is on foot to enforce the Sunday law in that county. The Chief Justice of the Territory has ordered the sheriff to "vigorously enforce the law" and to "see that evidence is collected against any violators of the law, that it may be presented at the next grand jury, which meets in March." Doubtless there will be interesting developments in this case in the near future, as Brother Cassell expresses his determination to stand firm for the principles which we, as a people, have always held. Brethren and sisters now is the opportune time to use thousands of the new Religious Liberty leaflets and the "Open Letter."

M. M.

Pledges for the Huntsville School.

Those who were in attendance at the Longmont campmeeting last August will remember that a collection was taken for the benefit of the colored school at Huntsville. While the cash collection was liberal, yet the majority was pledges, the most of which are due the first of January. Work was begun on the building at Huntsville, with the expectation that money would be received in sufficient amounts to pay bills as they accumulated and although the work was laid out on as broad a scale as we could hope donations would warrant, yet the demand for admission has been such that we have recently been compelled to turn away worthy students for lack of room. Certainly this fact, when known, will be sufficient to stimulate all who have made pledges to pay them just as soon as possible. Already fully \$1,000 have been received as a direct result of my visit to the late campmeetings. This has been a great help to the school. We sincerely hope that every one who made a pledge will, at the earliest possible moment pay it, so that the work on the buildings may be completed. Smith Sharp.

NOTES AND ITEMS.

Elder Zeigler was in Denver Sabbath, February 4. He had expected to baptize some new converts from Arvada, but the matter was postponed to another time.

Elder Watson and Brother Farnsworth have been holding a series of meetings at Palisade, but have been greatly hindered in their work by extremely unfavorable weather, and also an epidemic of measles.

We have received a very encouraging report from Sister Puderbaugh, of Idaho Springs. Elder Svensson was with them a few days recently, and they enjoyed some good meetings and much of God's blessing.

Elder Aufderhar went to Sugar City last week to work among the German people of that place for a while. We trust he may meet with success and that many may be led to a saving knowledge of the truth.

Elder G. F. Watson came to Denver Sunday and went on to Boulder, having been called there by the death of Mrs. Dr. Washburn. On Monday he went to College View to attend an important council meeting.

Brother C. A. Fredrick of the Paonia Gazette, was in the city Monday, the 23rd, to attend a meeting of the Colorado Editorial Association. We acknowledge a pleasant call from him, and were encouraged by the good reports of the progress of the work in his locality.

Elder G. M. Alway and wife of Rocky Ford have gone to Ogden, Utah, for a few weeks to assist Brother Alway's nephew in a series of meetings in that city. We trust that the blessing of God and the prayers of all our people in this conference will go with them, and success will attend their efforts. Their address is 597 Cross St., Ogden, Utah.

It is interesting, indeed, to see how pleased our people are with their experience with Family Bible Teacher. Every day its circle of friends enlarges. Two thousand five hundred sets have been taken by our people in the Colorado Conference since our last campmeeting, and yet there are scores of our members who have not even seen this excellent set of readings. Send ten cents and get a trial set, and you will want more.

A convention of more than usual interest was held by the Denver Sabbath-

school, February 4th. Several excellent papers were read and many vital truths relating to the importance of Sabbath-school work as a factor for winning souls to Christ, were presented to a large and appreciative audience. The presence of the Lord seemed very near, and we are sure our school will be greatly blest and benefitted by this convention.

Elder K. C. Russell, chairman of our Religious Liberty Bureau, writes, "I am pleased to note your lively interest in this branch of the work. Your position concerning your people sending in petitions against the bills now in Congress is being realized by us, for we are receiving quite a number of petitions from Colorado. Petitions are coming in from all over the country, and we propose to keep a continual stream flowing into Congress until these bills are acted upon." We hope that not one of our churches will fail to do their duty in sending in one or more of these petitions.

Obituaries.

Lydia Rook was born at Camden, Ohio December 10, 1836, and died at Laird, Colorado, January 15, 1905, being sixty-eight years old. She was married to William Rook in 1856, and was the mother of eight children, five of whom are still living. At the age of sixteen she united with the Baptist church of which she remained a member until May, 1904, when she joined the S. D. A. church at Wray, Colorado. She was a faithful and consistent Christian, and her hope was expressed in the request that the song, "Safe in the Arms of Jesus," be sung at the funeral service which was conducted by the writer.

Meade MacGuire.

Beeler, Christian Fridrick William—Born in Germany in 1827 and died in Berthoud, Colorado, Jan. 6, 1905. Aged 77 years. Brother Beeler has long been a most faithful member of the Seventh Day Adventist church, having been converted under the labors of Elder A. O. Burrill at Longmont and united with the church in 1880. His exemplary christian life and that of his family who follow in the ways of the truth is recognized by the whole community. The funeral services were conducted by the writer in the new United Brethren church of Berthoud, at 11 a. m. Sunday, January 8. Text, Rev. 14: 12-14.

H. M. J. Richards.

Hayes—Died at Idaho Springs, Colo., Dec. 18, 1904, of nervous prostration. Mrs. Elizabeth Hayes, aged 74 years.

The deceased was born in Missouri in the year 1830, and accepted the truth at Gold Hill seventeen years ago. Two weeks before she died, she said: "I have served the Lord for fifty years, I am now ready to be offered up." The last words she spoke were, "I suffer much, but the Savior suffered more." She leaves husband and children to mourn their loss. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer from Rev. 1:18.

S. F. Svensson.

Bidler, David—Died in Durango, December 1, at the home of his mother. Brother Bidler was a most devoted and earnest christian.

J. W. Blackstone.

Union College.

Perhaps the ECHOES family would be interested to know something of what the students at Union College are doing to speed the message. Our branch Sabbath-school in Lincoln opens up some new fields.

The week before Christmas the needs of the work were set before the students and a collection was taken which amounted to \$10.50. The Sanitarium and College families united to raise money for the purchase of a steel range costing \$46 for the Nashville Agricultural and Normal school. This is in addition to the regular annual offering.

The Lord is blessing in the work here and we are of good courage.

Cush Sparks.

Notice of General Conference Meeting.

In answer to several inquiries in regard to rates to the General conference at Washington, D. C., I can say that the rate will be about \$45 for the round trip from Denver. The rate for a berth that will accommodate two will be about \$4.50 making \$2.25 for each person. We can have a sleeper clear through to Washington without change if we have a party of eighteen. I have already on my list ten who expect to go. Any others who are thinking of going, and will write me as soon as convenient so that I may know what to plan on, will find it to their interest to do so. I am informed that this will be the grandest meeting our people have ever held.

I expect to have something more definite to offer by the next issue of the paper, so let me hear from all who wish to attend.

H. Williams,
220 W. 6th Ave., Denver.