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"A Sower went forth TO Sow" MATTHEW 13:3

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NOW.

Time was, is past; thou canst not it recall.
Time is, thou hast; employ the portion small.
Time future is not, and may never be.
Time present is the only time for thee.

And He Believed In The Lord.

The above statement is God's testimony of Abraham, who believed that God was able to do just what He said, even though there seemed to be tremendous obstacles in the way. Though what the Lord told him was contrary to nature, and to all human appearance a tremendous problem for solution, he, nevertheless, accepted God's statement as truth, and as a result God made him a righteous man. And we are told in the word of God that this statement, quoted as the heading, "was not written for his sake alone.....but for us also,..... if we believed on Him that raised up Jesus our Lord from the dead." Rom. 4:23,24.

When, four years ago, the word of the Lord came to this people that the Lord had inaugurated a plan whereby our schools should be freed from debt, to many it seemed an almost impossible thing. There were many obstacles, and the plan itself seemed such a strange way to accomplish so mighty a task. Who would naturally have thought that hundreds of thousands of dollars could be made by selling "Christ's Object Lessons?" But God said that it could and would be done; and every one who accepted this statement as the word of the Lord, knows how remarkably and wonderfully God demonstrated His truth.

The writer well remembers when the testimony was first read, what an impression it made upon his soul, and what a burden seemed to rest with it. God has said that not only was it to be done, that this book was to be

sold for the relief of our schools, but that it was to be a test to the people of God, to see if they would be willing to deny themselves, and sacrifice for the work of God. Having Canaan in view as the objective point, and personal presence of Jesus Christ as the goal of ambition, and righteousness by faith as the sole means of obtaining these blessed results, what could be done, save to obey what the Lord had said?

Immediately obeying the word of the Lord, though not having read scarcely any of the book at the time, the Lord opened wonderful doors and avenues whereby the book could be sold. Angels of God did certainly go with and before the work to prepare the way. People were met in offices, in stores, in factories, in warehouses, on the streets, in the roads, on the side-walks, in the street cars, on steam cars, in churches, in the homes, and in every other place where success could be obtained. Scores and hundreds of the books found their way into the homes of the people, as well as into the hands of ministers. No less than eight or nine ministers advertised the book before thousands of people on Sunday and other evenings, recommending it as highly as any of our own brethren could do, as well as doing all in their power to circulate it. Scores of names were given among their best people to purchase it, and one minister, of his own accord, secured a horse and buggy, and drove us around from house to house among his parishioners, and waited without to care for the horse while we entered the homes to sell the book.

Then the Lord said that this book would be a blessing in the homes of the people, would convert sinners, and heal backsliders. What joy it brought to the soul to see the tears run down the faces while the precious truths contained in that most blessed volume were read to them. Angels indeed did accompany the truths of that blessed book.

Then the Lord said that this book would be a means of uniting the churches in love and fellowship. What a blessed pleasure it was to the writer one day to see the brethren and sisters who had been estranged from each other for more than a score of years in the same church, lay aside all differences and estrangement, and heartily unite as one in carrying out the plan of God. What a joy it was to see them greet each other as brethren and sisters in the Lord, and manifest a spirit of love and co-operation that almost surprised themselves. But this is what God said it would do; and it was even so. Blessed be God for His precious word!

And how truly has the fourfold promise been fulfilled,—a blessing to the people who have received the book, a blessing to the church that has sold the book, a blessing to the worker, who has sold the book, a blessing to the school that has received the money to relieve the indebtedness. Never has there come a greater blessing into the life and experience of the writer than was received while selling the scores and many hundreds of these books.

May God help us one and all to do our part as has been indicated, that the reproach may be rolled away from the people of God, and we be found like Abraham, to be friends of God, because we obey His voice and keep His charge. "And he believed in the Lord; and He counted it to him for righteousness," "and he was called the friend of God." Gen. 15:6; James 2:23.

G. G.

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A Call for Means.

As our papers and ministers call for means, some inquire why so much money is required. Such do not seem to realize that our message is a world-wide one, a message that must be carried to every nation, kindred tongue and people.

We are engaged in a campaign which will last until final victory is gained for the cause of God. Satan, the leader of the host of sin, does not propose that his vast army shall stack arms and display the emblem of surrender until he has contested each inch of ground with every soldier, which, in the last days constitute the blood-washed army of Prince Emmanuel.

In order to spread abroad the glorious truth of these last days, couched in the three-fold message of Rev. 14:6—14, the Lord has ordained certain agencies which shall constitute powerful means to proclaim and publish broadcast the truth which is to purify and sanctify a people who, without sin, spot, or wrinkle, shall be prepared for translation.

Prominent among the agencies are publishing houses, sanitariums, treatment rooms, and training schools. These will, if managed by judicious, converted individuals, accomplish much good. In order that the work may be carried on, buildings must be erected, or rented, at various important centers of population.

It seems that through the leading of Providence, our work is to be established in Washington, D. C. Certainly as this nation has become a world power, and is to-day exerting a powerful influence which pulsates throughout the commercial, political, social, and religious world, it seems most fitting that the last world-wide message should spread abroad its truths through the printed page from the capital city of the last, youngest, and most energetic of all world powers.

To accomplish this most glorious result, and aid in finishing the gospel work in the world, a publishing house, sanitarium, and school are to be established in Washington. In order that such may be the case a fund of at least \$100,000 must be raised. The buildings should be erected soon; therefore the money should be raised immediately.

This can be readily accomplished if all composing our ranks will donate as God has prospered them. Why not contribute now? Why wait until camp-meeting or some other time for some one to come and arouse an enthusiasm and then give on the spur of the moment? Let us deliberately study the situation now, and give as we are capable, and as the circumstances demand.

Because we can not give ten, one hundred, or even one thousand dollars, do not conclude we can do nothing. Every dollar will aid. We should be thankful that there are those who can and are willing to send smaller amounts. Remit to your tract society or direct to the treasurer of the General Conference, 222 N. Capitol Street, Washington D. C. The brethren are ready to proceed with the work at Washington, so send in immediately.

S. H. Lane.

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Revision Of The Church School Manual.

At the Educational Council of the General Conference, held at College View last summer, it was recommended that the Church School Manual be revised to correspond with the conclusions reached by that council. For good reasons the revision has been delayed. The author now sees opportunity to perform this work during the month of July, and as the plates of the first edition were destroyed in the Review and Herald fire, he desires to embrace this opportunity to make the revision as thorough as possible. Accordingly he would invite all, especially teachers who have used the book, to send him their suggestions and criticisms at once.

What should be omitted? What should be added? What should be changed? These are the questions he would like to have answered. Especially and accordingly would he invite adverse criticism; from such criticism the revision will receive most benefit. If any would feel more free to make their suggestions anonymously, let them be assured their suggestions will be welcomed and carefully considered.

Address all such communications by July 1 if possible to Prof. C. C. Lewis, Box 6, College View, Neb.

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The Union College Year Book.

The Union College Year Book will soon be ready. It will contain the usual information concerning facilities, plan of work, courses of study, expenses, etc., which will be of interest to those who think of attending school the coming year. Our German, Swedish, and Danish-Norwegian people will be especially interested in the description and courses of study of the Bible school, conducted in each of these languages for the training of gospel workers; because these are the only schools of the kind in the United States. All who are watching the working out of the educational problem of the denomination will want to study the announcement of new plans (a) for industrial classes, (b) for promoting self-government among students, (c) for adapting the courses of study to the training of laborers for the missionary departments of the Third Angel's Message, (d) for the conduct of the College Home, etc.,

Union College is the only school in the denomination which still offers courses leading to degrees. Many will want to see what these courses are. Let all who wish copies of the new Year Book address at once the President of Union College, College View, Neb.

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Notice Again.

Some time ago we called attention to the fact that the General Conference Association of Battle Creek, Mich., will soon close out its business and cease to exist. And further, that some of our church property had been deeded to that Association and the deeds had not been sent in. Hence when we asked them to transfer all of the property held by them in trust for Kansas churches, to the Kansas Conference Association, these church deeds could not be made out, since the General Conference Association at Battle Creek does not know that this property has been deeded to it.

Since we spoke of this some have attended to it but it is evident that some have not seen the notice as there are yet more than a dozen churches not yet heard from. I have just sent a notice to the Review calling for all such deeds to be sent to our office in Topeka, 821 W. 5th Street. I thought it possible that some one who is a church officer might not be taking the WORKER though such should not be the case. We hope this matter will not be neglected by any of our churches. If your title is made to the General Conference Association and has not been sent to them, but is recorded in your county, it will be hard ever to transfer it, if you wait till the General Conference Association has become non-existent. If you will send us your deed we will attend to it with others of the same character, all at once. Please do not put it off.

C. McReynolds,

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Circulating Library.

I am pleased to learn that some of our churches are taking hold of this matter in earnest. We explained the plan a few weeks ago in the WORKER, but to repeat briefly it is this;—bring your books from your shelves, put them together. They will form a good sized library. In some churches it will make a large one. Choose a competent young person to have charge of it and let each book be numbered. Then let each member of the society take out to his neighbor three or four books; let him look them over and choose the one he would like to read. Loan it to him for one month. Make a record of the book loaned, by name and number with date and report each loan to the meeting of the society. They do not fail to call for it at the end of the month and get that book and loan another or re-loan the same one if the party desires it longer.

In this way hundreds of our best books will be put into service and a blessing will come to all who engage in it.

C. McReynolds.

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D. D. is used as an abbreviation for a good many things but we will insert "and" and use it for Do and DON'T.

Do order your books from Pacific Press, 18 west 5th St., Kansas City, Mo. Do order your papers (except the KANSAS WORKER) from the same place. Do order your tracts and lesson quarterlies from the same place. They will carry accounts with our librarians and workers, as the Topeka office did. DON'T order the KANSAS WORKER from the Pacific Press, but from the Kansas Tract Society. DON'T send tithe to Kansas City but to our state treasurer, Florence P.

Rice. DON'T send Sabbath-school donations, annual or weekly offerings or missionary donations of any kind to Kansas City. Just send money there to pay for what you have bought. The Kansas City office is the center of commercial business. The Topeka office is the center of missionary effort and work in the Kansas Conference. DON'T get mixed up.

C. McReynolds.

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The Annual Audit.

Arrangements have now been completed for the meeting of the committee, July 3-5, to audit the accounts of the workers for the year ending June 30. This work has usually been done at the time of the camp-meeting and has brought an extra burden upon the Conference Committee and officers at a time when many other matters claimed their attention. Since there will be rates over all roads at the date set for this work, it will cost no more to do it then than at the camp-meeting. The committee chosen to do this auditing is the Conference Committee and J. D. Rockey, Rossville, L. W. Cornell, Ottawa, J. P. Yates, Eureka, J. W. Shidler, Pontiac, Wm. Lindsey, El Dorado, W. D. Lunderback, Hutchinson, John R. Ogden, Wichita, H. Osterloh, Wellington. All of these brethren have consented to come on the above named date. We expect to commence on the 3rd in the afternoon. All of the workers are expected to make out their reports and mail them not later than Thursday June 30. Then they will be received in due time.

C. McReynolds.

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Field Reports.

Leavenworth.

We wish to say to the readers of the WORKER, that the truth is onward in this place, and we are of good courage and are realizing many blessings from Him who is the source of all such. There have been several of our people leaving the city of late and while we miss them from our number here, yet are glad to know that some of them are actively engaged in the canvassing work.

We hope soon to see their places refilled by others whom the Lord is calling out of Babylon into the light of present truth. Since we last reported, others have begun the observance of the Sabbath and a few are just in the valley of decision. We were sorry to have Sister Edwards leave our company as we can see so much to do and so few to do the work. We are very grateful for the assistance in the work here rendered by Elder J. W. Norwood in making a special effort for outsiders. For the last few weeks he has been conducting meetings here on Sunday afternoons, which is much appreciated by the church with also some outside interest. Just recently two adults have united with the church.

Plans are being made and work arranged to interest as many as possible in these all important truths. Chief among these is the work with the lessons of the *Family Bible Teacher* which has been visiting several homes each week for some time and we are now enlarging our number of readers, also our workers, for in this way

all who love the truth and have a desire to work for the Lord can have a part.

Lillie Hornbeck.
Nancy Bland.

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Oakley.

DEAR BRETHREN OF THE KANSAS CONFERENCE. Perhaps you would like to know what we have been doing out here in the short-grass country. I want to say that we had a good camp-meeting. The spirit of God was in our midst and the brethren had a real feast of good things. The outside interest was good, and we have much to praise God for in this part of the field. Elders McReynolds and Ogden were in attendance, and also Brother and Sister Kelley were connected with us in this work at Oakley. Brother C. W. Hardesty was present with a good supply of books and Bibles. We believe that this camp-meeting was a success. Let your prayers ascend to the throne of God in our behalf.

T. Godfrey.

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Moline.

There are certainly many who love and appreciate the truth. In my work this week, I stopped at a place where, besides the lady of the house, there were a young married niece, and a grandmother 87 years of age, visiting. After taking the order from the lady of the house for P. of J. the grandmother, who seemed quite spiritual, was asking me questions, and in answer I read a page in "Steps to Christ from chapter on the Privilege of Prayer." By the time I had finished reading the page, they were getting out money, and I sold three copies of Steps to Christ for cash, one to each of them. May the Lord water the seeds of truth.

J. W. Wilson.

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Nicodemus.

I began meetings in Nicodemus, Graham county, Kansas, June 3rd. The interest is good. The attendance has been quite large; only one night that the attendance was less than 100. The building I am holding meetings in, can not accommodate the congregation. The Lord only knows what the result of these meetings will be. Prayers need to ascend for the work in western Kansas. It is a needy field.

Sydney Scott.

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Obituary.

Segebartt:- Died at Argonia, Kansas, June 11, 1904, of Inflammatory Rheumatism, Hulda Helen Segebartt, aged 8 years, 2 months, 23 days. She bore her suffering with patience. Just before passing away, she looked up into her father's face and said, "Papa, it is Sabbath to-day, isn't it?" Hulda was the youngest of thirteen children, and held the heart-strings of her parents, brothers and sisters. She was laid away to rest till the Life-giver shall call forth his lambs from the land of the enemy. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer, from I Thess. 4:13.

V. W. Robb.

Conference Officers Directory.

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News and Notes.

The Summer Normal at Atchison began Tuesday, June 21.

The work on the Sanitarium began in earnest last Tuesday, June 12.

Brother Peckover reports much interest in the *Family Bible Teacher* study in Paola. He thinks that place is ripe for the message.

Brother Max Hill passed through Topeka enroute for Atchison where he will be in attendance at the teacher's institute. He taught the church-school at Wellington.

Sister Belle Emerson has been at Wellington and Wichita attending the Young People's and Sabbath-school conventions, which were enjoyed by all those in attendance.

Elders Crane and Sutton are having an interesting time at South Haven. They are having a friendly investigation of the Sabbath and law with a Christian minister and large crowds are listening.

Miss Florence Barbee, who has been teaching the church school at Pontiac, Kansas, the past winter, spent a few days in Topeka, visiting with her sister, Mabel, stenographer at this office. She left Monday for Atchison where she will attend the Summer Normal.

Believing the readers of this paper will be interested in hearing something of the manner in which the *Special Signs Number of the Southern Watchman* is being received, we will state, that since the first copies were sent out, orders have been coming in so fast that we have been obliged to run our presses both day and night a considerable portion of the time. However, we now have a stock ahead, and will probably be able to fill all orders promptly.