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Our Words

And must I be to judgment brought,
And answer in that day
For every vain and idle thought,
And every word I say?

Yes; every secret of my heart
Shall shortly be made known,
And I receive my just desert
For all that I have done.

That awful Judge of quick and dead,
The watchful power bestow;
So shall I to my ways take heed,
In all I speak or do.

—Charles Wesley.

Sketches of the Past — No. 64

In our last article we were noting the course pursued by Brother Andrews in his discourse upon the Law, the first heard by myself on that subject from a Seventh-day Adventist. After noting Colossians and Ephesians he called attention to Heb. 7:11-13, “If therefore perfection were by the Levitical priesthood (for under it the people received the law), what further need was there that another priest should rise after the order of Melchizedec, and not be called after the order of Aaron? For the priesthood being changed, there is made of necessity a change also of the law. For he of whom these things are spoken pertaineth to another tribe, of which no man gave attendance at the altar.”

With the idea of the two laws he made it very readily appear that this change of the law could not refer to the Ten Commandments. “Why,” he in-

quired, “should the change of the priesthood from the tribe of Levi to the priesthood of Christ, who was of the tribe of Judah, make any necessity for changing the Ten Commandments? To have that law, which said our priest should be of the tribe of Levi, still binding, would place us in a difficult position. The statement made in the 18th and 19th verses of this chapter clears up the whole matter, ‘For there is verily a disannulling of the commandment going before for the weakness and unprofitableness thereof. For the law made nothing perfect but the bringing in of a better hope did [but it was the bringing in of a better hope, margin]; by the which we draw nigh unto God.’

“The Ten Commandments do not point out a hope to the sinner; but the Aaronic priesthood, properly understood, did point them to the effective priesthood of Christ, by which sins could be taken away. The moral law, convincing the sinner of his sins, leaves him in that position described by the apostle Paul in Rom. 7:24, ‘O wretched man that I am, who shall deliver me from the body of this death?’ He is here speaking of the law, of which one precept is ‘Thou shalt not covet.’ In the eighth chapter, verse five, he speaks of the work accomplished for us by faith in Christ, as bringing us to the position where ‘the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.’

“He then shows that by virtue of Christ’s work, and the indwelling of the Holy Spirit, the law of ten commandments, which is declared to be spiritual, holy, and just, and good, can be obeyed. What would be the force of the apostle’s

reasoning if the law of ten commandments was abolished at the cross?”

Having thus clearly satisfied our minds on these scriptures, Brother Andrews proceeded to notice the First-day Adventist position that the past dispensation was a law dispensation, and the present one a gospel dispensation. One of our props on that position was the words of Christ in Luke 16:16: “The law and the prophets were until John: since that time the kingdom of God [the gospel] is preached, and every man presseth into it.” He very readily showed us, by quoting the 17th verse, that instead of this text showing that the law and prophets existed only until John, and since that time only the gospel, John was the greatest prophet which had ever arisen, and since John’s time it is law and prophets, and the gospel in fulfillment of the words of the prophets. This he made to appear as he forcibly quoted the words, “And it is easier for heaven and earth to pass, than one tittle of the law to fail.” “SO,” he said, “it appears that not even a point in a letter of that law, written in Hebrew, a point by which one letter is distinguished from another, is to pass away.”

By this time you may be assured we began to realize that our “no-law theory” was sliding sand. But now, to “cap the climax,” he called our attention to Matt. 5:17-19, the text which I mentioned in a former article which had already puzzled me as to the abolished law theory. He read the text, “Till heaven and earth pass,” and said, “That is an event to be accomplished in connection with Christ’s second coming. So that *till* is until His coming. What until then? ‘One jot [*yod*, the smallest letter in the Hebrew] or one tittle shall

in no wise pass from the law.' So, every letter and point of letter is to stand until Christ comes; but here is another *till*. What is that?—'Till all be fulfilled.' All what fulfilled? Not the law, for this second word fulfil is not in the same number, gender, and person of the word law, but is the same as the word prophets in the 17th verse. So, not a letter, or point of a letter is to pass until all God's prophecies are fulfilled. That is virtually saying it will not pass in all eternity, for it will take eternity for the fulfilment of all the prophecies. That it is the ten commandment law of which the Saviour thus speaks is made plain by His proceeding to quote the sixth and seventh commandments in illustration of His subject. See verses 21 and 27.'

J. N. Loughborough.

Our Wisdom or God's?

The truth of God is infinite, capable of measureless expansion, and the more we contemplate it, the more will its glory appear. The truth has been opened before us, and yet the words of Paul to the Galatians are applicable to us. He says: "O foolish Galatians, who hath bewitched you, that ye should not obey the truth, before whose eyes Jesus Christ hath been evidently set forth, crucified among you? This only would I learn of you, Received ye the Spirit by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith? Are ye so foolish? having begun in the Spirit, are ye now made perfect by the flesh? Have ye suffered so many things in vain? if it be yet in vain."

Education alone will not fit a man for a place in the work, will not enable him to obtain a knowledge of God. Hear what Paul has to say on this matter, "For Christ sent me not to baptize, but to preach the Gospel: not with wisdom of words, lest the cross of Christ should be made of none effect. For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved it is the power of God. For it is written, I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and will bring to nothing the understanding of the prudent."

Through successive ages of darkness, God has permitted men to make the experiment of finding out God by their own wisdom,—not to demonstrate their inability to His satisfaction, but that men

themselves might see that they could not obtain a knowledge of God and of Jesus Christ save through the revelation of His word and the Holy Spirit. When Christ came to the world, the experiment had been fully made, and the result made it evident that the world by wisdom knew not God.

Even in the church God has allowed men to test their own wisdom in this matter, but when a crisis has been brought about by human fallibility, God has risen mightily to defend His people. When the church has been brought low, when trial and oppression have come upon His people, He has more abundantly exalted them by a signal deliverance. When unfaithful teachers came among the people, weakness followed, and the faith of God's people seemed to wane; but God arose and purged His floor, and the tried and true were lifted up.

When piety is left out of the heart, the people of God separate from the source of their strength, and pride, vanity, extravagance and display follow. There are idols within and idols without; but God sends the Holy Spirit as the reprover of sin, that His people may be warned of their apostasy, and rebuked for their backsliding. When men are led to realize that their human wisdom is but foolishness, then it is that they turn to the Lord to seek Him with all the heart, that they may find Him. When the precious manifestations of His love are gratefully acknowledged and appreciated, the Lord pours in the balm of comfort and the oil of joy.

Science and literature can not bring to the darkened minds of men the light which the glorious gospel of the Son of God can bring. No wonder Paul exclaims, "I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ; for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth." The gospel of Christ becomes personality to those who believe, making them living epistles, "known and read of all men." In this way the leaven of godliness passes to the multitudes. And heavenly intelligences are able to discern the true elements of greatness in the character.

The wisdom of men may or may not be valuable, as experience shall prove, but the wisdom of God is indispensable; and yet many who profess to be wise are willfully ignorant of the things that pertain to eternal life. Miss what we may

in the line of human attainments, we must have faith in the pardon brought to us at infinite cost, or all of wisdom attained to on earth will perish with us.

Were the Sun of Righteousness to withdraw His bright beams from the world, we should be left in the darkness of eternal night. Christ spake as never man spake. He poured out to men the treasures of heaven in wisdom and knowledge. He is the light that lighteth every man that cometh into the world. Every phase of truth was evident to Him. He did not come to utter uncertain sentiments and opinions; but only to speak truth established upon eternal principles. Then why take the unstable words of men as exalted wisdom, when a greater and certain wisdom is at your command?

The converted soul lives in Christ. His darkness passes away, and a new and heavenly light shines into his soul. "He that winneth souls is wise." "They that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars forever and ever." The work that is done through the cooperation of men with God is a work that will never perish, but will endure through the eternal ages. He who makes God his wisdom, who grows up to the full stature of a man in Christ Jesus, will stand before the world to show forth the praises of Him who hath called him out of darkness into His marvellous light.

"Without Me," Christ said, "ye can do nothing." Our faith, our example, must be held more sacredly than we have held them in the past. The word of God must be studied as never before; for it is the precious offering that we must present to men, in order that they may learn the way of peace, and obtain that life which measures with the life of God. Human wisdom, so highly exalted among men, sinks into insignificance before that wisdom that points out the way cast up for the ransomed of the Lord to walk in. The Bible, received and studied as the voice of God, tells the human family how to reach the abodes of eternal happiness, and secure the treasures of heaven. "All scripture is given by inspiration of God and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works." Mrs. E. G. White.

The Field

North Carolina

Thinking my friends in California would be glad to hear from me again, I avail myself of the columns of the RECORDER to communicate to them such news concerning my work and myself as I trust will be of general interest to all its readers.

Last September we bought a home in the country, suitable for my son and his family, where he can have the benefit of manual labor, a good climate, excellent water, and freedom from the care and nervous strain, which, with a high altitude, broke down his health while in charge of the work in Mexico, and necessitated his being released from that field. He has improved very much under these favorable conditions, but it will require a long time for him to recover sufficiently to make it safe for him to take up field work again. The reason for this is because he had become so reduced in flesh and so nervous by the conditions under which he labored in Mexico, and this decline had been going on for three or four years.

In December, the secretary and treasurer of the North Carolina Conference, Jessie V. Bosworth, died, thus leaving these offices vacant. The conference committee elected me to fill the vacancy and the conference headquarters have been changed from Hickory to Greensboro. The Southern Publishing Association decided at its annual meeting in January to discontinue its branch office at Hickory, and establish one for the Southeastern Union Conference at Atlanta, which would be a more central location for the members of this union.

It was our plan when we came to the southland to establish an industrial school as soon as we could see our way clear to do so. We have seen no opening thus far, although there are some favorable indications at present for a school of some kind in the near future. We shall watch the opening providence of God, and be prepared to take up whatever work in this line the Lord gives us to do.

My present work as secretary and treasurer of the conference is congenial

to me, because of many years' experience in such work, and it does not require all my time so as to confine me closely at the desk and deprive me of daily labor in the open air, amid the trees, fruits, and flowers. It is really a pleasure for me, in my crippled condition and declining years, to be situated so I can labor in the cause at home, doing work adapted to my condition, and not be subjected to the risks and inconveniences of traveling or of city life, which are a great dread to me.

I feel very grateful to God for His gracious care and guidance, and to my brethren for their kind and generous regard for my welfare. "Surely goodness and mercy have followed me all the days of my life." I trust that by faithfulness to God and loyalty to His cause I may ever have His approval and merit the confidence of my brethren.

My son-in-law, J. B. Greenwood, and his family, have recently come from California and located near us. In fact, his place joins my son's place and mine, so we can cooperate together in many ways.

In my next report I will write concerning the conditions here, politically, socially, religiously, and agriculturally.

I read the RECORDER with deep interest, and rejoice in the progress of the cause in California which it chronicles.

Pray for us and the work here.

M. H. Brown.

CALIFORNIA

Vallejo and Woodland

The little company at Vallejo has struggled along faithfully for some years. Their efforts are being rewarded, for their place of worship has been enlarged to almost double its capacity, and recently six were added to their number by baptism.

The little church school is doing good work under the instruction of Miss Bingham.

It was my privilege to spend a few weeks with them recently, during which time the main features of the good old message were taken up. The church responded nobly to the effort, and are greatly rejoiced in the result.

Since then I have been at Woodland, where we have held meetings for two weeks now. We are looking for some

to take their stand on the commandments of God. One dear soul, eighty-one years old, has already done so, and is waiting for baptism. Others are deeply interested.

From here I shall probably go to Chico to attend for perhaps a day or so the camp-meeting there, and will then plan to go to Lake County for the balance of the season.

We desire to be remembered in your prayers, that the truth of God may be victorious in the hearts of men.

April 22.

J. H. Behrens.

Wheatville and Lindsay

In my last report I was holding meetings in a schoolhouse at Wheatville. These meetings were conducted three weeks, with good attendance, and the best of attention. A few are now reading who are deeply interested.

There is no church organization at Wheatville, and only two of our people were living there. However, as a result of the meetings, three adults accepted the message, which brings into the Sabbath-school that we organized several children, and together with the now five adults, they have a nice little school.

There are more yet in Wheatville to be gathered out. Some prominent ones who have admitted the truth of the Bible studies given are still in the valley of decision.

April 15, in company with Brother C. W. Fuller, I came to Lindsay in answer to a pressing call for meetings. We have pitched our tent and held three meetings. The first one was well attended, and we have been greeted with an increased attendance each evening since. We believe the Lord has some to be gathered out at this place.

April 19.

F. E. Brown.

Red Bluff

Brother Charles Cloos was found dead, March 24, in a gulch about eight miles east of Red Bluff. His death is a profound mystery, but it is believed to be a case of murder, though some seem to think it to be an accident. It was found by the coroner that he had been shot directly through the body about the location of the heart.

Evidence shows that he was moved twenty-seven feet from the spot where he was killed. The shooting was heard

Monday, the 22d, but Brother Cloos was not found till Wednesday, the 24th, having been pitched down the bank.

Not long ago Brother Cloos accepted the truth of God's word. He was thought much of by all. Though his death came very unexpectedly, we feel to praise the Lord that he had commenced walking in the light of truth.

Brother Cloos was 23 years of age, and leaves a mother, five brothers and two sisters. The mother has accepted the message, and other members of the family are interested.

The funeral services were conducted by the writer in the Red Bluff church.

J. R. Patterson.

March 28.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

The Burbank Meeting

E. M. Adams and myself began a series of meetings in a store room at Burbank, March 26. The first night was very stormy, but in spite of the downpouring rain about thirty were present. The interest has been good, there being about thirty-five or forty who have attended regularly.

This is my first series, and Brother Adams is only a beginner.

We have been well favored in the way of music. Locally we have no one even to preside at the organ, but by the kind faithfulness of the Fernando Academy department of music, and our Los Angeles and Glendale friends, we have been most favored with good music. Some of the Fernando students have driven down, a distance of twelve miles, two or three evenings each week. This faithfulness has been a great factor in holding our congregation.

Last Sabbath, the Los Angeles chorus class of about twenty voices, under the direction of Mrs. B. E. Fuller, spent the day and evening with us and rendered some very valuable help. The many surprises of good music have been a drawing card.

We have presented the Sabbath question, and the people are in the valley of decision. We invite all of our people to join in this series of meetings at the family altar.

E. S. Ballenger.

E. M. Adams.

ARIZONA

Bisbee

I shall soon be through with my delivery here and have one or two more places at which to call, then I return to California for a short rest.

The Lord does greatly bless. Last week I filled over 125 orders. I have worked very hard for about the last six months. During that time the Lord enabled me to make three canvasses and deliveries. All honors to God alone.

April 18.

Walter Harper.

Teachers' Exchange

Mountain View

The present enrolment in our primary department is only twenty. Several families have moved away, and we have thereby lost some of our little people. But we have some splendid little workers left to us who are abundantly sufficient to make things interesting and lively.

It is most gratifying to see the little ones so devoted to their books, so anxious to prove diligent in each day's work.

As an incentive to neatness and carefulness, we have kept their daily written work on file, hanging it up on wires stretched across one side of our room. Of course only the most carefully prepared work goes up, and at the end of each month it is made into neat little books, and taken home to the parents. The desired results were early realized.

One enjoyable feature of the work this term has been the Bible nature work. The third and fourth grades have thoroughly enjoyed the new Bible Nature Series No. I. The amount of information contained in this book is certainly astonishing, but the important facts worth remembering can be firmly fixed in the children's minds by thorough, systematic reviews. A set of cumulative review questions has been a most valuable aid.

The work in arithmetic has also been pleasing. It is surprising how readily the children can master the fundamental operations of arithmetic, provided they have a clear insight into number relations, and have thoroughly mastered certain number facts. The children of the second grade have experienced little difficulty in making an intelligent mastery

of the combinations of addition and subtraction, and are able to add and subtract with unusual rapidity. I am thoroughly converted to the fact that primary arithmetic should be largely formal work.

We can hardly realize that another year's work is nearly finished. It is certainly a great privilege to leave the results of our work with God. It is discouraging to measure results ourselves, but when we realize that the work is God's, and we are simply His humble instruments, surely we can believe with all confidence that God will bless our feeble efforts, and cause His name to be glorified.

Frances Fry.

April 21.

Mountain View

How many boys and girls are saying, "One month more and school will close." So it is at Mountain View. Eight months of our school life are in the past.

One pupil remarked the other day, "My! it doesn't seem eight months since I started to school." Another, "The term has been so short. I don't see where the time has gone." So it is with many boys and girls, perhaps, and thus it should be.

We have enjoyed our work here, and believe that the year has been a profitable one to all concerned. There are many lessons we have tried to impress upon the children's minds. This closing month we wish to review these lessons, and thus impress them more deeply.

As to the real results, we leave them to our Father, who only knows.

J. W. Rich.

April 25.

Frances A. Fry.

A Call

We have just been handed the following letter from Thos. H. Davis, Valparaiso, Chile, in which we are sure our readers will be interested.

"Valparaiso, Chile.

"Mr. H. H. Hall,

Pacific Press Publishing Assn.,
Mountain View, Cal.

"Dear Brother:

"Since coming here to Valparaiso I have been thinking of writing to you about your sending a couple of young men to Valparaiso from the States. Valparaiso has something like 200,000 in-

habitants, and a large population of English and German-speaking people. There are no canvassers working here at present, and if two could come they could work with English-speaking people while they were learning the language.

“Elder Balada and family are located here now, and offer their home to any one coming to work in Valparaiso. I am of the same opinion as yourself, that we need English-speaking canvassers to instruct the natives. Elder Balada has a growing church here, and if a couple of our experienced canvassers would come they could do well, and be a help to these young men who are just beginning in the colporteur work.

“You see any one coming now would have an advantage we did not have in 1894, as there are churches established in several places. The colporteurs out in the field are of good cheer.

“Let me hear from you about any hopes of young men for Valparaiso.

“Yours in the work,

(Signed) “Thos. H. Davis,

“Casella 43, Correo 3,

“Santiago, Chile.”

General Conference Bulletin

I am sure every reader of the RECORDER would be most happy if it were convenient for him or her to be in attendance at the forthcoming General Conference to be held in Washington, D. C., May 13 to June 6, 1909. Several of our brethren are going to the conference at private expense, but home cares will doubtless deprive many from attending this spiritual feast.

If you can not attend in person, I am sure you will pray for those who are there and have to carry the burden of the meeting. You should then, by all means, keep in touch with the conference proceedings by securing the daily *Bulletin*. The cost is 50 cents. This is but a small amount in comparison with the cost to those who pay their transportation both ways across the continent.

So, dear brethren, let nothing prevent you from ordering the *Bulletin* at once so that your name will be listed early, and that there may be nothing to prevent your receiving it on time. To have the *Bulletin* daily will be the next best thing to being there in person. This is

now the eleventh hour in the day to order the *Bulletin*.

You will hear, you will see, you will know, if you order the *Bulletin*. You are at liberty. Order the General Conference *Bulletin*, price only 50 cents, from your state tract society at once to avoid delay.

H. W. Cottrell.

“Signs of the Times Monthly” for May, 1909

(Continued from page 6.)

This number will contain a “Religious Liberty Department” in which attention will be called to the Sunday legislation that has been dealt with by so many legislatures in the various States during the past winter.

Interesting articles will appear in the Home and in the Temperance Departments, as usual.

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Scholarships

“I’ve hear’n tell that this is a place where a feller can git an education if he’ll work fur it,” said the boy Booker T. Washington, when he arrived at the Hampton school after his long walk. There are many places and ways for earning an education nowadays, as is shown by the fact that nearly one third of all the students in our universities and colleges are working their way. It isn’t so much money that is needed as pluck.

Every young man or young woman who desires it, can have a Christian education and be in the Lord’s work while earning it. Hundreds have won their way by selling our denominational books. Many have found a way into school by means of the periodical work.

Young people are asking, “Can I earn a scholarship by selling the Temperance Number of the *Instructor*?” You certainly can. As an extra inducement the Review and Herald will remit to the treasurer of the school you desire to at-

tend all you have paid for papers over three cents per copy, when you have sold enough for a half or a whole year’s scholarship in that school. This makes seven cents profit on every paper. The profits on two thousand papers will pay for a year’s tuition in most of our schools and five hundred more papers ought to pay your expenses while doing the work.

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A recent report from the business manager of Glendale Sanitarium informs us that that institution is well filled with guests.

According to present plans, the Southern California conference and camp-meeting will be held in east Hollywood, on the line of the Hollywood electric road.

We learn from Chico, Cal., that Brother J. W. Bressie has been selected by the school board to continue in charge of the conference intermediate school at that place.

Elder J. O. Corliss and wife leave for Washington, D. C., May 2. They go by way of College View, Neb., where he is to preach the baccalaureate sermon at Union College on the eighth.

Brother John Nichol, formerly an experienced canvasser in Great Britain and Australia, but who for the past few years has been connected with the engineering department at Loma Linda Sanitarium, has accepted an invitation to connect with the work in British Columbia and assist in training missionary canvassers to work in that field.

There is a medical missionary council to be held in connection with the General Conference. In planning for this there has been assigned for study of medical missionary topics one hour each day throughout the session. In addition, one entire day and evening will be devoted to the consideration of the vari-

ous phases of the medical work. At the close of the conference, there will be a medical missionary council lasting three days, devoted to the solution of practical questions relating to the medical work.

The following individuals are expected to attend the General Conference, delegate's credentials having been issued to them by either the General or Pacific Union Conferences: H. W. Cottrell, S. N. Haskell, J. O. Corliss, M. C. Wilcox, H. Shultz, W. M. Healey, W. C. White, C. H. Jones, J. J. Ireland, H. F. Rand, E. E. Andross, H. G. Thurston, S. G. Huntington, R. S. Owen, A. O. Tait, J. R. Leadsworth, H. G. Lucas, I. C. Colcord, E. D. Sharpe, J. A. Burden, Mrs. S. N. Haskell, Mrs. H. W. Cottrell. The latter two are to go at private charges.

Help Wanted

Two men to do farm work which consists chiefly of haying and cultivating melons and corn; also a woman or girl to do housework. Please write at once to Leonard R. Doty, Ripon, Cal.

Examinations Ready

The examination questions for the seventh and eighth grades of the schools in the California Conference are now ready, and a number of the teachers have already received them. Those who desire these tests should make application to Claude Conard, Mountain View, Cal.

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Sonoma College Site

Seven months have now elapsed since we entered into a written agreement with Henry Cailleaud to purchase from him his Sonoma ranch for a college site. We requested Mr. Cailleaud to furnish us a county certified abstract of the property, that we might ascertain, before obligating ourselves for such a large sum of money, that a clear title could be furnished of the holdings. In other lan-

guage, we did not desire to get into any legal entanglements over the title to the property after we came into possession of it.

It was thought the abstract could be furnished us in a few weeks, but it took the county searcher of records over five months to get it out and place it in our hands.

We then placed it with a competent lawyer for his examination and opinion. After about one month, he reported as his findings twenty-two errors in the title. Some of these are of rather a grave nature.

We have regretted that we have not been enabled to keep all the people informed in regard to the progress we were making. The facts are that for months we have lived in constant expectation that within a few days or weeks at most we would be in actual possession of the estate.

We are now prepared for the first time to say to our brethren, and speak very advisedly, that it will require several weeks, or months, and possibly a longer period of time, to correct the title.

H. W. Cottrell.
W. T. Knox.

"Signs of the Times Monthly" for May, 1909

The May number of the *Signs of the Times Monthly* magazine is one of the best numbers ever yet issued. The illuminated cover design is very attractive. Following are titles of some of the leading articles:

"The Great Controversy," by Mrs. E. G. White.

"Evolution or Creation?" by George McCready Price.

"The Chapman-Alexander Movement," by Elder R. A. Underwood.

"The Sabbath Question," by Elder C. L. Taylor.

"The Seventh Chapter of Daniel," by Elder E. J. Hibbard.

"The Emmanuel Movement," by Elder Geo. W. Rine.

"Are You Willing?" by Elder W. B. White.

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