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### Some Helpful Hints.

**H**YGIENE is a knowledge of those laws by which health is preserved. To maintain health in every part of the body, attention must be given to bathing, clothing, light, and air. The bath is very essential to health. Impurities from the body are constantly thrown out on the skin, forming a coating. If this coating remains, the pores become closed, and bodily impurities are retained, or else removed by the lungs, kidney, etc. The excretions from the skin should be removed daily. A clogged skin overworks the other excretory organs, causing many different diseases.

Clothing does not impart heat but is useful in preventing the escape of bodily heat. It should be loose-fitting and porous. A loose-fitting garment is warmer than a tight-fitting one. Tight clothing disfigures the body and hinders the circulation. Under garments should be frequently and thoroughly washed. Bodily moisture retained in the clothing, becomes a source of irritation to the skin. Many a young lady by changing her warm home garments for lighter clothing, in dressing for a party, has laid the foundation of a fatal disease. Wet clothing should

be removed immediately. The skin should then be rubbed with a dry towel until reaction takes place. We should have plenty of pure air, for it brightens and purifies the blood. Working in dark, damp rooms exercises an injurious effect upon both body and mind  
SUSAN HASKELL.

### The Oklahoma Campmeeting.

**W**E have finally decided to have our campmeeting at Dover in a beautiful grove about half a mile west of town. It is a delightful place with plenty of shade, and running water on one side. I know our people will all be satisfied when they reach the ground and find a shelter from the wind and shade from the sun.

Now, brethren, we ask you to come. We will try to have everything ready when you come so that you can enjoy yourself in the Lord. Don't let anything keep you away from the meeting. The Lord calls his people together to seek him. Joel 2:15-17. We know we are living in a solemn time when we ought to seek the Lord with all our hearts. Soon probation will close and these opportunities will be past. Who can tell whether we will ever have another meeting after this. You may say, We have heard that over and over again. But dear brother, it will not go on that way always; a change will come, and that very suddenly, before we are aware of it. Let every one prepare to come. Seek the Lord now that he may open the way for you if it seems hedged up.

We will have good help at our camp meeting to look after the different interests. Besides our laborers we will have Elder Rupert, Elder McCutchen from Texas, Elder Fields from Arkansas; also Elder Shultz will be back from Europe and no doubt will be with us. He will have much to tell us about the needy fields he has been visiting, and I know you

will be glad to see and hear him. We also expect the principal of Keene Academy and prof. Koonz to represent the educational work. But best of all, the Lord has promised to be where his people meet together in his name. Let us all come and bring the angels of the Lord with us, and let us expect great things, for the Lord has great blessings in store for us. We are often too soon satisfied with small things. I believe the Lord is well pleased if we ask for great things, so let us do it. We will say more about our meeting later on. We expect to get the usual rates on the railroad, but we will announce that later on.  
G. F. H.

### Oklahoma Conference.

THE ninth annual session of the Oklahoma Conference will be held in connection with the campmeeting at Dover August 21 to September 1. The Conference will convene Friday August 21 at 9 A. M. Let all remember that according to changes made in our constitution at the last session of the conference all members in good and regular standing are now delegates to the Conference. We hope that all our people will attend and especially let our isolated brethren attend that all our churches may be represented as matters of much importance will come up for consideration. We want to see our people all take a great interest in the work of God and make these Conference meetings just as interesting as any other meeting.  
G. F. HAFNER.

MRS. E. C. John and Miss Jessie, wife and daughter of Dr. A. Allen John, of the City of Mexico, left for that metropolis one day last week, to remain all summer. Otto, her son, and Miss Nina, her daughter, remain in Keene until fall, to be ready to attend school when the Academy opens.

THE coming of the railroad to Keene has raised the price of land about thirty per cent.

## Oklahoma Department.

### A Visit to Gip and Putnam.

I HAVE just come back from a visit to the above places where sister Syp is working and I found the people pretty well interested in the truth, especially at Putnam where sister Syp just lately held a series of meetings.

It seems every one that I met is convinced of the truth and quite a number have comenced to keep the Sabbath and others are still holding back. They have not the power to step out boldly on the Lord's side yet. We baptized six on Sunday and organized them into a little church. Three of them were from the Ruth church and two were re-baptized. The outside people were real anxious that we should organize a church. They felt good when they knew we were organizing one. Some have said to me that several other ministers have tried to raise up a church but did not succeed. They could not interest the people and keep order: They said Mrs. Syp is the first one that kept the attention of the people. The truth was something new to them. They were tired of listening to those popular preachers. The Lord has certainly blessed sister Syp's efforts. There is no prejudice whatever and a good begining is made and quite a few are in the valley of decision. I was well pleased with the work that is done and if those that have already accepted the truth will hold out faithful and will let their light shine, others will be brought in and a large company will thus be raised up.

At Gip we had some good meetings with the brethren. The quarterly meeting was held with that church. The Lord came very near with his good Spirit. Brother and sister Syp will put up a tent at Taloga. We hope the Lord will even bless them more at that place than at the first. May God raise up more faithful laborers that put their whole soul in the work, that will not give up until something is accomplished.

G. F. H.

WE wish all our church officers would be prompt in making out their reports. Also we wish to ask them to be sure to tell us what it is for when they send us money. We do not always know to what church those belong who send us tithes, etc.

NOTICE the report of tithe, etc., for the last quarter.

### A Trip to the Panhandle.

I HAVE been in the Panhandle of Texas the last few days. I visited the church at Hereford, and held some meetings with the brethren. I found them of good courage in the message (work of God). Most all the brethren came from other parts of Texas to that place and have been in the truth for years. Some of them were already out in the canvassing work and I believe they ought to be out now. They are planning to go again as soon as they can. The country is very thinly settled up and it is pretty hard for canvassers to get around as the houses are far apart, but the people are pretty well fixed financially and a canvasser might do well after all. We have ordered a tent for that part of the field and want to start the work in Amarillo, which is a good sized town. There are several towns along the railroad which ought to be worked. We have quite a large territory to work in the Panhandle with not very many people but they must hear the message as well as the rest and we are responsible to bring them the message. So let us remember the work and workers there.

The church took their quota of Object Lessons and also some of the book, Monitor of Health. They are willing to help push the work in their territory.

G. F. H.

### Principles of Health.

**M**EDICAL missionary work is indeed the helping hand of the gospel ministry. It opens the way for the entrance of truth."

The human race is fast passing off the stage of action. Sin is the transgression of the law of God. And the violation of the law of our being is disregarding the great Moral Code. The world is sick in sin. We are invited to "take the living principles of health reform in the communities that, to a large degree, are ignorant of what they should do."

"We as a people must make an advance move in this great work; ministers and people must act in concert." Healthful Living, page 36. "This branch of the Lords's work has not received due attention, and through this neglect much has been lost." Ibid., page 37. Knowing

these things to be true, is it not well that we put on the whole armor of Christ and go forward to do valiant work for the Master?

The Lord has said "you have no time to lose in establishing the work in the Southern field." Review and Herald, No. 21 page 20, 1902. Great and solemn events are soon to take place: and the Lord says, "I will scatter; and I will also gather together a people to serve me." "God's judgments are in the land. To the whole world the warning message is to be given." Ibid.

It is true, disaster, sickness, sorrow, trouble, and death are witnesses of God's judgments. "My brethren, what are you going to do in regard to the Southern field? With earnest effort, you are to strive to establish memorials for God throughout the southern states. A great work is before us in the south." Ibid.

We are to take a greater interest in the southern work than we have taken. And the work should be started now. "Soon it will be too late to do anything. Soon our opportunities to work will have passed by forever."

"To rescue the fallen race from the thralldom of sin, Christ came to the world, and died on Calvary. He gave his all to us; what are we willing to give to him?"

May the Lord by his grace help us to surrender all to his service now and then we shall praise him for his wonderful love to us throughout eternity.

C. B. RUNNELS.

How many "Monitors" are you planning to sell?

LAY your plans now to attend the camp meeting; you can not afford to miss it.

BROTHER Will McReynolds and wife have returned to their claim at Osceola.

IF you fail to get any papers or book ordered by us, be sure to tell us about it and we will see that you do get them.

ELDER Haffner just returned from Putnam, where sister Syp is holding meetings. Several were baptized and a small church organized.

BROTHER R. M. Rockey, formerly of this office, has a position as book keeper at the Boulder, Colorado, Sanitarium. We trust he will enjoy his work.

## Tithe Report.

REPORT of Tithe, First Day Offering. Haskel Home, and Sabbath School Donations received by the Oklahoma Tract Society for quarter ending June 30, 1902.

Alva, tithe \$76.72; Sabbath school offering, \$.98. Altona, tithe \$73.90; S. S. offerings, \$5.70. Anvil, tithe \$10.68; S. S. offerings, \$5.28. Ardmore, tithe \$32.70; S. S. offerings, \$4.34. Orphan's Home, \$2.31; Banner, \$39.80; S. S. offerings, \$3.18; First Day Offerings \$1.10. Cooper, East, tithe \$88.20; F. D. O. \$6.50; S. S. O. \$11.25. O. H. \$12.10. Cooper, West, F. D. O. 10 00; S. S. O. 8 13. Concord, tithe 2 90; S. S. O. 2 91. Claremore, tithe 17 00. Cashion, tithe 16 50; S. S. O. 2 36; O. H. 1 15. Dover, tithe 30 50; F. D. O. 1 20; S. S. O. 1 20; O. H. 1 55. Enid, tithe 150 30; F. D. O. 22 28; S. S. O. 6 42. Guthrie, tithe 41 32; O. H. 1 28. Gage, tithe 94.87. S. S. O. 2 26; O. H. .43. Gip, tithe 4 71. Carney, tithe 3 49; S. S. O. 2.00. Glenella, S. S. O. 9 34. Isolated, tithe 425 56. Isabella, S. S. O. 1 93. Jennings, tithe 2 00; S. S. O. .70; O. H. .54. Kingfisher, F. D. O. 1 40; S. S. O. 1 15. Lexington, S. S. O. .36; O. H. \$1.00. Lahoma, tithe 104 06; F. D. O. 3 50. Linden, tithe 14 41; S. S. O. 2 15. Lehigh, 6 65. Mount Zion, tithe 6 90; F. D. O. 1 00; Miama 11 39; S. S. O. 1 21. McLeod, O. H. .89. Norman, tithe 1 10; S. S. O. 1 35. Oleta, S. S. O. .80. Oklahoma City, tithe 261 43; F. D. O. 24 95; S. S. O. 9 96; O. H. 6 65. Okeene; tithe 21 28; F. D. O. 7 65; S. S. O. 8 30. Omega, S. S. O. 11 80. Osceola, tithe 32 67; O. H. .67. Purdy, S. S. O. .60. Perry, tithe 38 92; F. D. O. 1 41; S. S. O. 2 13; O. H. 2 08. Parkland, tithe 16 06. Ruth, tithe 12 50. Richmond, S. S. O. .67. Rhea, S. S. O. .75. Segar, tithe 24 .91; S. S. O. 1 44; O. H. .97. Shawnee, tithe 52 69; F. D. O. .75. Shattuck, tithe 10 90; F. D. O. .50; S. S. O. 5 00. Salem, tithe 13 50; F. D. O. .80. Shelly, S. S. O. 1 28. Tulsa, tithe 2 00. Wanamakee, tithe 2 00; S. S. O. 1 90; O. H. 1 41. Waukomis, tithe 65 55. F. D. O. 2 25; O. H. 2 50. Wilburton, tithe 11 00; S. S. O. 1 53; O. H. .67. Watonga, tithe 14 50. Wright, tithe 3 05. Total tithe 1838 62; F. D. O. 85 29; S. S. O. 120 25; O. H. 35 31.

Secretary of Oklahoma Tract Society.

T. J. EAGLE,

## Notice

To all who have accounts with the Tract Society.

On July 1 the Oklahoma Tract Society lacked over \$600.00 of having sufficient funds on hand to settle its bills. We are expected to pay all bills on the first of each month, but unless all that have accounts with the Society pay their bills, or at least a of them, it will be impossible to do so. I know you are all interested in the work in this conference and desire to see it move forward, and will do what you can to relieve the situation when you are aware of the condition of things at this time. We hope to have all bills settled by the time of the annual camp meeting, but unless you come to our assistance it will be impossible to do so. Let all pull together. If you can not pay your bills in full do what you can and it will be appreciated. Of course you are not expected to pay for the "Parables" until they have been disposed of, but we hope all will make every effort possible to dispose of them between this and the camp meeting. Please read Deut. 15:5,6.

I wish to ask all that have tithe and offerings of any nature to send to the Tract Society to state to what church it is to be credited. By complying with the above request it will avoid mistakes and delays to some extent at least. All orders for Sabbath-school supplies and other publications should be sent to the Tract Society and not to the Secretary of the Sabbath-school department.

T. J. EAGLE.

Secretary.

THE quarterly meeting at Oklahoma city was not very largely attended last Sabbath, but those present enjoyed much of the blessing of the Lord.

ELDER Sommerville reports ten or twelve who are keeping the Sabbath at Paul's Valley, where he and brother Bonde held a tent meeting.

## Brown and Coleman Counties.

**A**BOUT the first of June Brother Etheredge of Fisher County came to this part of the country to look after the isolated and scattered Sabbath-keepers. After getting them together and preaching to them

a few times they decided to meet at Madge in Coleman County on July 4 and 5 and organize a church. Brother Etheredge then went to that place and commenced a meeting June 20. By request the writer went to assist him July 1 and found a good interest and good congregations to hear the word spoken. The interest seemed to increase, some people coming as far as eight miles to attend the meeting.

On July 4 the Sabbath-keepers mentioned above came in, and on the Sabbath we organized a church of twelve members. Nine of them were old members; the other three I baptized Sunday morning. The ordinances were celebrated, and the Spirit of the Lord came in among us and touched every heart. Some very humble confessions were made, voices of praise and thanksgiving were heard, and tears flowed freely.

Officers were chosen and ordained. The little church seemed to realize the importance of getting nearer to each other to live, so as to have a church school. A committee was appointed to press that matter.

One brother offered to give the land and one hundred dollars to build the house; another the land and two hundred dollars. The committee will meet next Sunday to inspect the several localities and select the most suitable place to establish the school. The brethren and sisters seem to be aroused to the importance of doing something for their children. A donation of five dollars was taken for the Christiana Publishing House. Eight subscriptions were taken for the *Union Record*. There are in this locality ten other Sabbath-keepers, some of them not yet ready for church membership, and it is to be hoped that they will soon be ready.

The meeting closed last night with a large congregation and a deep interest. It did seem that it was almost if not quite wrong to close, but I had already made an appointment to go to Palo Pinto County, and Brother Etheredge had to leave to meet the Roby church in quarterly meeting, which will meet July 11. We leave the people and the work in the hands of the Lord and hope that soon arrangements may be made to give the message more fully in this community.

T. W. FIELD.

THE RECORD only 50 cents a year.

## Events Connected With the 1000 Years of Revelation 20.

BY ELDER G. G. RUPERT.

## THE DESTINY OF THE WICKED.

[Continued from last issue.]

The pit here mentioned is explained by Job. "If I wait, the grave is my house: I have made my bed in the the darkness. I have said to corruption, thou art my father; to the worm, thou art my mother, and my sister. And where is my hope? As for my hope, who shall see it? They shall go down to the bars of the pit, when our rest together is in the dust." Job 17; 13-15. The devil and his angels are also reserved till the judgment, which takes place at the end of the thousand years. "And the angels which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, he hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the judgment of the great day." Jude 6. The earth is reserved unto that day.

"Knowing this first, that there shall come in the last days, scoffers, walking after their own lusts, and saying, where is the promise of his coming? For since the fathers fell asleep all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation. For this they are willingly ignorant of, that by the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of the water and in the water: whereby the world that then was, being overflowed with water, perished: but the heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the day of judgment and perdition of of ungodly men \* \* \* But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also, and the works that are therein shall be burned up. Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness, looking for and hastning unto the coming of the day of God, wherein the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat? Nevertheless we according to his promise, look for a new heaven and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness." 2 Peter 3: 3-13. Let the reader notice that this earth is reserved unto fire unto the day of judgment for the punishment of ungodly men, at which time the apostle says the earth and the atmospheric elements will melt with fervent heat. But out of this he says there is a promise that a new heaven and a new earth will come forth in which will dwell righteousness. Not even a trace of sin is left. Now, turning to the close of the thousand years, we quote the scripture recorded in Rev. 20:12-15. "And I saw the dead small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works. And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell (the grave) delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to his works. And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire." Verse ten of this chapter says, "And the Devil that deceived them was cast

into the lake of fire and brimstone," and verse nine says, "And they went up on the breadth of the earth and compassed the camp of the saints, and the beloved city: and fire came down from God out of heaven, and devoured them." This shows that the whole transaction is to transpire here on earth, and it further shows that this earth is the lake of fire.

The punishment is said to be the second death. All die the first death, both good and bad. Not so here. These are only those whose names are not found in the book of life. The fire which melts the earth and the heavens comes down from God out of heaven. Malachi, an Old Testament writer, describes it thus: "For behold, the day cometh, that shall burn as an oven: and all the proud, yea, and all that do wickedly, shall be stubble: and the day that cometh shall burn them up, saith the Lord of hosts, that it shall leave them neither root nor branch. But unto you that fear my name shall the Sun of Righteousness arise with healing in his wings; and ye shall go forth, and grow up as calves of the stall. And ye shall tread down the wicked; for they shall be ashes under the soles of your feet in the day that I shall do this, saith the Lord of hosts." Mal. 4: 1-3.

John in his comparison of the righteous to wheat and the wicked to the chaff, says, "I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: But he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall baptize you with the holy Ghost, and with fire; whose fan is in his hand, and he will thoroughly purge his floor, and gather his wheat into the garner; but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire." Matt. 3: 11, 12. The prophet Obadiah says, "For as ye have drunk upon my holy mountain, so shall all the heathen drink continually, yea, they shall drink, and they shall swallow down, and they shall be as though they had not been." Verse 16. And from the Psalmist David we read, "But the wicked shall perish, and the enemies of the Lord shall be as the fat of lambs: they shall consume; into smoke shall they consume away." Ps. 37: 20. Another writer says they shall be "folden together as thorns." Others compare them to dry branches, hay, wood, and stubble. They have no right to the tree of life, they have fought no good fight of faith to gain eternal life; they are not resurrected immortal as the righteous are. I Cor. 15: 50. Thus we see that the teaching of endless torment is untrue. The idea of going to hell at death is unscriptural. Men who teach these things are false teachers, only deceiving the people. The doctrine arose with those who wanted to scare people into religion. I am glad that to a great extent, the time is past when this manner of teaching is accepted. Religion is a principle, or it is nothing. God is a God of both justice and mercy, or he is not worthy of any mans service or recognition. The Bible appeals to the intellect and conscience of men.

Is God willing that any should perish? "But if the wicked will turn from all his sins that he hath committed, and keep all my statutes, and do that which is lawful and right, he shall surely live, he shall not die. All his transgressions that he hath committed, they shall not be mentioned unto him: in his righteousness that he hath done, he shall live. Have I any pleasure at all that the wicked should die? saith the Lord God: and not that he should return from his way, and live?" Eze. 18: 21-23. Also in verses 31 and 32 we read, "Cast away from you all your transgressions, whereby ye have transgressed; and make you a new heart and a new spirit: For why will ye die, O house of Israel? For I have no pleasure in the death of him that dieth, saith the Lord God: wherefore turn yourselves, and live ye."

THE school trustees have purchased Woodruff's house on East Avenue for a public school house.

BROTHER O. J. Corwin, returned from Hillsboro and Itasca last Wednesday. He reports splendid crops and good times in that section of country.

PROF. J. F. Taylor, son of Elisha Taylor of this place, arrived in Keene this week from Temple, Texas. Prof. Taylor, it is said, has been engaged to teach the public school.

THE Texas Campmeeting begins at Handley, six miles east of Fort Worth, on the Texas and Pacific railway, on next Thursday, the 24th instant, and continues until the 3d of August.

ELDER A. W. Jenson, who has been away from Keene for the last five months canvassing and carrying the Message in the Southwestern part of Texas, returned home one day this week.

THE prospects for a large attendance at Keene Academy, next year, seem to be splendid. A large number of pupils are expected from Oklahoma and also from Arkansas. The Panhandle will also furnish a number of students.

THE study of the Spanish Bible, and other religious works in that language, will be one of the features at the next term of Keene Academy. The object is to prepare workers for the Mexican and other Spanish speaking fields.

THE prospects for a splendid campmeeting are good. The location, Handley, is said to be one of the best that could be had in the State, and we should have one of the best camp meetings ever held in Texas, both as to interest and attendance.

THIS office has lately printed three thousand Spanish tracts on the Sabbath question. The matter is principally citations of scriptural texts bearing upon the subject, and so arranged that they are at once striking and convincing to the reader. Only 50 cents per hundred; send in your orders.

MRS. C. D. Johnson of Temple, formerly of Cleburne, visited our little village Wednesday last. She was accompanied by her bright little Vesta Maydia. This little girl is one of those orphaned by the terrible Galveston flood, and was at that time six weeks or two months old. She has received the name Vesta from Galveston.

### Learn to Forgive

**L**EARN how to forgive. Do not carry an unforgiving spirit with you through life. It will hurt you more than anything else. It will destroy the happiness of many around you; yet its chief feeding ground will be found in your heart. You hate your neighbor. Yonder is his dwelling, one hundred and fifty yards away.

Suppose you pass by a wood fire, and as you pass you pluck a half-consumed brand from it, flaming and gleaming, and, thrusting it under your garment to hide it, you start for your neighbor's dwelling to burn it. Who gets the worst of it? You will find your garments on fire and yourself burned before you can harm your neighbor.

So is he who carries an unforgiving spirit in his bosom. It stings the soul like an adder shut up there. I know of some who call themselves Christians who are miserable because of their own revengefulness. Forgive your enemies, and get down on your knees and pray for them, and salvation will come into you like a flood. "Father, forgive them" Sweet prayer and blessed example.—*Bundle of Sticks.*

### Corsicana.

Seeing your good reports in the RECORD, I am minded also to report. My work has been varied as you will see. I visited the churches at Corsicana, both white and colored. There was one added to the white church and under the labors of Brother Thomas Defreeze, several have united with the colored brethren.

I sold my quota of "Object Lessons," and took a number of orders for "Object Lessons" to be delivered this fall and also some orders for other books, and besides this, doing general missionary work, distributing about three thousand pages of literature, and a great many periodicals. I have also given many missionary talks in the highways and hedges, and a number of sermons on the subjects of the Soon Coming of Christ, the Hour of God's Judgment, and the Importance of Keeping the Commandments of God and the Faith of Jesus, publicly and from

house to house, endeavoring to sow many seeds of truth. I find many doors open to receive the truth. At one place I was requested to hold a protracted meeting, and a number seemed anxious among all classes, and many acknowledge that we have the truth, and hope some will accept the joyful privilege of keeping the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus. ELSHA TAYLOR.

**A**RISTOCRAT" and "plebeian" are only comparative terms. Some years ago Professor Geddes, of Edinburgh, moved his family into a slum district, where they hoped to do friendly work among the poor. One evening he asked a distinguished statesman to dine with two local guests, a chimney sweep and a scavenger. The statesman accepted with unfeigned pleasure; the scavenger said he would come; but the chimney-sweep refused to sit down with the scavenger. At another time the family on the first floor of the decrepit tenement they inhabited told Professor Geddes that if he continued to speak to the family in the garret, he must drop their acquaintance. "If the angels have any fun in them," wrote Horace Walpole, "how our distinctions must divert them!"—*Bible Echo.*

**T**HE magistrates seem to be having a difficult task on hand, in trying to decide questions of conscience," observes an exchange published in London, England. "The law allows the 'conscientious objector' to vaccination to receive a certificate of exemption, but it seems that a man's statement to that effect is not sufficient. He must prove to the satisfaction of a magistrate that he is conscientious. Of course the thing is impossible, for in a case of that kind no one can do more than solemnly declare his conscientious convictions. The result is that the granting of the exemption depends wholly upon what the magistrate believes. The worst feature about the matter is the precedent that is set, that a man's conscience may be a subject of legal examination. The Inquisition was built upon that."

It is said that the flint which forms the substratum of London is nothing but petrified sponges. An examination of the fossil sponge, or flint, shows its structure.

**Good Temper.**

**G**OOD temper is like a sunny day, shedding brightness on everything. It is temper which creates the bliss of home, or disturbs its comforts. It is not in the collision of intellect that domestic peace likes to nestle; her home is in the forbearing nature, in the yielding spirit, in the calm pleasures of a mild disposition anxious to give and receive happiness. Goethe says, "He is the happiest, be he king or peasant, who finds peace in his home." But peace cannot be found till sought for, and when once obtained, requires cultivation, and the most effectual culture is good temper. It is a fortune in itself, and has the same effect in the domestic circle as the sunshine has on all outside. For as the warm sunshine and the gentle breeze melt the glacier, so the voice of kindness will touch the heart which could not be subdued by severity. Good temper in the morning will lighten the cares of the day, and make all household affairs progress smoothly. Good temper at night will be fraught with sweetest memories free from regrets, if death claims a dear one in the darkness.—*Selected.*

**T**HE preparations were all made. Untold sums had been expended on beautiful robes and flashing jewels, titled persons from many countries had assembled to witness the ceremony, and the whole empire was on the tiptoe of expectancy,—but the king of England was not crowned on coronation day. What a disappointment! How many anticipations were never realized!

Another coronation day is near at hand. The preparations are being made rapidly. The invitation is now being sent throughout the world, "Come; for all things are now ready." "There shall be delay no longer." There will be no more postponement. The King of glory will be crowned.

"O that with yonder sacred throng,  
We at his feet may fall!  
We'll join the everlasting song,  
And crown him Lord of all."

**N**EARLY all of the Keene people who are in the faith, are making preparations to attend the campmeeting this year.

THE SOUTHWESTERN UNION RECORD, only 50 cents a year.

**T**HE school farm has raised a splendid crop of tomatoes this year. There will probably be two hundred bushels of them. Brother and Sister Creager have already canned about seventy-five gallons.

**E**LDER Rupert returned to-day from his trip to the Arkansas campmeeting which began at Little Rock on the 10th instant. The Oklahoma campmeeting will begin on August 21 and end on September 1. Elder Rupert expects to attend this one also.

**R**AYMOND, the Cleburne restaurateur, and wife, were visitors in Keene last Thursday afternoon. They were much pleased with our rural town and its surroundings. "An ideal place for a school," they said, "and this is the place where all who love the Lord and his teachings should educate their children."

**T**EXAS CONFERENCE.—W. A. McCutchen, president of the Texas Conference, gives official notice that the third annual meeting of the Texas Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists, is appointed to be held in connection with the Texas Conference and campmeeting at Handley, Texas, July 24 to August 3, 1902, for the election of officers and trustees for the ensuing year, and the transaction of any other business that may come before the meeting.

**B**RO. Edward Harris and wife, and Sister Alma French, who left Keene for Palestine, Texas, in the latter part of May, this year, to engage in a tent meeting and conduct

a school of health and, also, canvass for some of our literature, returned to Keene last Friday, the 17th instant, feeling well pleased, and much encouraged in the work they had done. They report quite an interest in the health work, and the people expressed a desire that they might return to that field again in the fall. If arrangements can be made, they will probably do so.

**T**HE Coronation Number of the *Signs of the Times* has put in appearance. The copy that "came" to this office presented an attractive and pleasing aspect. It probably sold readily.

**Spanish Tracts.**

**T**HE following tracts in the Spanish language are for sale at this office. These tracts are especially adapted for distribution among Spanish-speaking Catholics. Price, ½ cent each. ¿Que Dia Guarda V., Y Porque? (Which Day Do You Keep, and Why?)

La Sentencia Contra la Esterilidad. (The Sentence against Sterility.)

La Virgen. (The Virgin.)

La Eternidad. (Eternity.)

No para Ira Sino para Salud. (Not for Wrath But for Salvation.)

Profecia de Isaias, Capitulo 44:9-20. (Against Image Worship.)

La Victoria Por la Fe. (Victory by Faith.)

A Los Que No Tienen Dinero. (To Those Who Have No Money.)

La Biblia. (The Bible).

Un Libro Notable. (A Notable Book).

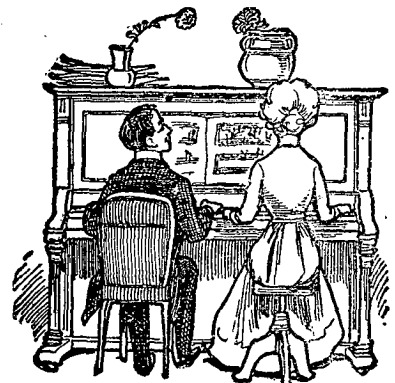
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**Cleburne, - - - - - Texas.**

Church Schools.

THE season is here when there should be special attention given by all the churches as to their desires concerning the school the coming year. First, whether they will have a school or not; second, who will teach the school; third, have they money to pay the teacher; fourth, how long a term will they hold; and other questions that will naturally come up should be considered at once by those who contemplate carrying out this line of work in their church.

There are some things that should be carefully avoided. First, not to get a teacher that is not qualified; second, when you hire a teacher make the church responsible to pay them the price agreed to beforehand. Avoid a loose manner of doing the business pertaining to the hiring of the teacher. I mention these things as we come in contact with the results of such work where it has been done. The teachers have sometimes been neglected so they have been discouraged in their work. We would advise a call of the church and let them unitedly act in the matter so there is no misunderstanding. Hire the teacher on contract plainly stated and then live out the contract. We think first there should be an understanding that those who have children be the first ones to bear the burden; then in case they are not able, then help should be furnished by the church. But no one is so responsible as the parents to bear these burdens. All should work unitedly. It is a great cross for our girls to leave their positions of teaching other schools where they command large wages to teach a church school, and we should not expect too much of them. This class of laborers are just as entitled to their pay as any class among us. Do not impose on them by low wages and short terms.

This is a matter that demands careful consideration by the conference committees to see that proper help is furnished, and the help looked after financially. These teachers should be especially Bible teachers so when their school is out they can continue in the Bible work during the year. Thus becoming directly under the charge of the conference. When this is done we will have it more as it should be in my opinion. We would

recommend that all churches that desire a school taught the coming year proceed at once to find out how many pupils they have, the amount sure to be raised, and convey this information to the proper one selected to look after the school interests in the conference, so arrangements can be made at once for teachers and such things as will be wanted. It can't be done too soon. This will give the teachers a chance to know whether they can depend on a school or not the coming year. Otherwise they will be compelled to look elsewhere for employment. Teachers are to be had if we will find out in time how many we need. But they can't wait till everything else is gone on uncertainties. A man can rustle around and take care of himself better than our girls. They should know in time what they can depend on in their work.

G. G. RUPERT.

A Letter from E. E. Woodruff.

WE give the following extracts concerning The Southern Training School of Graysville, Tenn., from a letter received at this office from E. E. Woodruff, who recently went to that place to be foreman of the school farm.

"We have a handy place close to the school grounds. I took up the work as foreman on the farm the first of June. We have made some changes in regard to the business part and are putting it on a better basis. We have shipped five hundred and twenty-eight crates of peaches; have received two hundred and thirty dollars and have got more out I have not heard from yet. They haven't got as large an orchard as the Keene school, but they believe in taking care of the trees. I will get about \$500 out of the orchard this year. They could do just as well with the Keene school orchard if the trees were taken care of and they would have hands enough to do the work. There is no objection to forty hands here if there is work for them to do. We are working hard to get up a new canning plant, 14x50 feet with shed all along on the south side. We will be ready to go to work by next Monday in full blast. We are making arrangements to put out ten acres in strawberries, six in black

berries, a large pear orchard, and more peaches.

"They have commenced on a new sanitarium. They have had one running for some time, but had nothing but two large dwellings. They will soon have the new building up."

Motherhood.

MOTHERHOOD is life lost in love. It is life in its fruitage. It is life multiplied. Maternity brings with it a joy of the sweetest, a love of the purest, and a care of the tenderest type known to the human heart. Motherhood carries with it a sacredness peculiarly its own. The happy mother smiles in calm contentment upon the tiny infant, which lies cradled in her maternal arms. Motherhood is the child's ideal heart-home where virtue dwells the whole year round. It is the consecrated altar upon which noble sons and devoted daughters daily place their peace offerings of love and devotion. The mother sways the empire of young hearts, and guides the crafts of young lives. Her mission is one of love and mercy. She who rocks the cradle helps to rule the world. The mother should be a sacred refuge for her beloved boy from all the snares of life; for that same heart is the holy sanctum for her darling daughter, who is ever shielded by its love and watchful care. Motherhood sits on the throne, at the fountain-head of life, and presides over the first years of our existence. The world is cradled in maternal arms. The mother holds in her hands the secret springs of influence which govern the nations. She molds the minds which move the world.

W. J. GREGORY.

"It is expedient for me that Christ is on the throne of heaven; for he there has all power, not only in heaven, but on earth; and if my faith be what it should be, there shall remain no reason why that power should not be exerted gloriously, first in my heart, and then in the hearts of those within my reach."

For Sale.

EIGHT and two-tenths acres of land with house, barn, and other outbuildings; 80 fruit trees, consisting of peaches, apples, and plums, 40 of which are in bearing;  $\frac{1}{8}$  acre asparagus; and  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre of blackberries and dewberries. Only 15 minutes walk from Academy. Address J. N. SEAMAN, Keene, Texas.

## German Department.

„IHR WOLLT NICHT KOMMEN.“

„Und ihr wollt nicht zu mir kommen, daß ihr das Leben haben möchtet.“ Obgleich diese Worte an den ungläubigen Juden gesprochen wurden von dem Heiland, enthalten sie dennoch sowohl Verdammung als Trost für alle Schichten der Leute, sowohl zuvor als seit den Tagen Christi auf der Erde. Der Weg zum Heiland schlicht gemacht worden ist vom Abfall der Menschen in Eden bis zur jetzigen Zeit. Durch alle diese Jahrhunderte haben Männer und Weiber, es kommt nichts darauf an in welchen Abgründen der Sünde sie eingestunken worden sind, an den Sündebergenden Christum kommen können. Die Einladung ist zu Allen erteilt worden. Niemand ist verachtet worden. Obgleich Viele mit den gegenwärtigen Dingen um sich so beschäftigt gewesen sind, daß sie die gütige Einladung zu vernehmen gefehlt haben; tönt noch immer das Wort „komm.“

Das Wunder ist daß nicht Wehrere kommen. Man findet das Leben die Fülle in dem Unschuldigen; aber die Menschen wählen den Tod lieber als das Leben. „Ihr wollt nicht kommen.“ Unerhört! Wenn für das Kommen allein das ewige Leben zu finden ist, warum denn kommen so Wenige? Der Himmel wundert sich, indem die teuflische Kriegsmächte stellen sich fester, und drängen vorwärts zum Untergang diejenige für die der Sohn Gottes sein Leben ausgegossen hat.

Es giebt nur einen Weg. Durch unsere eignen Bemühungen können wir das Leben nicht gewinnen. „Ich bin die Thür; so Jemand durch mich eingehet, der wird selig werden.“ „Ich bin der Weg und die Wahrheit und das Leben; Niemand kommt zum Vater denn durch mich.“ „Und ist in keinem Andern Heil, ist auch kein anderer Name unter dem Himmel den Menschen gegeben darinnen wir sollen selig werden.“

Und doch kommen die Menschen nicht. Die Verheißung des Lebens steht auf die Bedingung daß die Sünder kommen wollen. Gott zwingt keinen Menschen zu kommen. Er hat es nimmer gethan und wird es nimmer thun. Jedoch liegt alles darauf daß ihr zu ihm mit einem Herzen voll der Sorge und der Reue kommt. Dies ist das Verlangen. „Und wer zu mir kommt, den werde ich nicht hinausstoßen.“ Joh. 6: 37.

Die Menschen dürfen Land und Wasser

anziehen, die größten Heldenthaten ausführen, unermeßliche Güter erwerben, selbst in der Schrift fleißig suchen, da sie hoffen dadurch Gottes Gnade zu verdienen; und doch, indem sie das Einzige welches not ist verlieren, gewinnen sie nichts. Andererseits ist alles schlimmer wie verloren. Indem sie den Sohn Gottes verlieren, haben sie alles verloren. Die Juden haben den Messias in dem niedrigen Mann von Nazareth nicht anerkannt. Sie suchten in der Schrift für das ewige Leben; aber sie verfehlten des Lebens, weil sie verfehlten des Sohnes in dem der Vater das ewige Leben verborgen hatte. Unter den Juden wandelte Einer der größer war denn Abraham, Salomo oder Mose: und dennoch war er ihnen ein gemeiner Mann. Da nun es klar wurde, daß er der Verheißene war, wollten sie nicht zu ihm für das Leben kommen. „Wer da glaubet an den Sohn Gottes der hat solches Zeugnis bei sich. Wer Gott nicht glaubet, der macht ihn zum Lügner; denn er glaubet nicht dem Zeugnis, das Gott zeuget von seinem Sohn. Und das ist das Zeugnis daß uns Gott das ewige Leben gegeben hat; und solches Leben ist in seinem Sohn. Wer den Sohn Gottes hat, der hat das Leben; wer den Sohn Gottes nicht hat, der hat das Leben nicht.“ 1 Joh. 5: 10-12.

Dies meint nicht das ein Mensch der das ewige Leben hat in Jesu nicht einschlafen kann. O nein! Er mag wohl in dem Grabe ruhen; aber sein Leben, das ewige Leben welches Gott in seinem Sohn verborgen und an uns überliefert hat, ist in Christo verborgen; und er wache oder schlafe, es ist in ihm sicher. „Denn ihr seid gestorben, und euer Leben ist verborgen mit Christo in Gott. Wenn aber Christus, euer Leben, sich offenbaren wird, dann werdet ihr auch offenbar werden mit ihm in der Herrlichkeit.“ Kol. 3: 3, 4.

Lieber Leser, hast du der gütigen Einladung des Herrn geachtet? Hast du ihn in den Tempel der Seele eingeladen? Bist du zu ihm geeilt mit deiner Last des Nummers der Sünde und der Sorge? Hast du ihn in deinem Leben anerkannt? Ist dein Leben versichert in ihm? Hast du das Zeugnis geglaubt das Gott von seinem Sohn gegeben hat? Oder machst du durch deinen Unglauben Gott zum Lügner? Wenn du Ruhe von deinen Sünden nicht erfahren hast, wenn du zu ihm nicht gegangen bist, eile zu ihm. Zaudere nicht. Ein Feind verfolgt dir, dein Leben wegzunehmen. Ohne Christum bist du nicht einen Augenblick sicher. „Und der Geist und die Braut sprechen: komm! und wer

„höret, der spreche: komm! und wen dürstet, der komme; und wer da will, der nehme das Wasser des Lebens umsonst.“

T. E. Bowen in „Signs of the Times.“  
—Uebersetzt von W. H. Burton.

## DAS GROSZE WELTALL GOTTRS.

Um einen Begriff der Größe der Erde zu bilden, man blicke auf die Landschaft von der Spitze eines gebräuchlichen Kirchenturms. Dann gedenke du daß um einen ziemlich richtigen Begriff der Größe der Erde zu bilden, muß man auf 900,000 ähnliche landschaften schauen. Stelle 500,000 Erden wie die unsere neben einander; konnte sie der äußerste Reif des Saturns leicht einschließen. Dreihundert Tausende Erdfugeln konnten in der Sonne aufgefüllt werden, so sie hohl wäre.

Um den nächsten festgesetzten Stern zu erreichen, muß man 33,000,000 km. reisen; und wäre die Schnelligkeit so groß wie diejenige einer Kanonenkugel, so würde man 500,000 Jahre verlangen um durch den Raum zu reisen. Auf einer hellen Nacht kann ein ordentliches Menschenauge um 1,000 Sterne in der nördlichen Halbkugel entdecken.

Die meisten dieser Sterne senden ihr Licht aus Räumen die wir nicht abmessen können. Wie groß müssen sie wohl sein! Um diese 1,000 Sterne drehen sich im Kreise noch 50,000 Sterne verschiedener Masse. Außerhalb der einzelsterne sind wir mit Sternensystemen bekannt, die um einander schweifen. Doch sind wir nur einen kleinen Weg in den weiten Raum gegangen. Außer der Grenzen unseres Gesichts und unserer Einbildungskraft giebt es ohne Zweifel noch größere Räume.

Nordsternen. (Copenhagen.)  
—Uebersetzt von W. H. Burton.

„Sehet zu und hütet euch vor dem Geiz; denn niemand lebet davon, daß er viele Güter habe.“

Sendet die Berichte ein. Wir hoffen daß unsere Freunde dem „Record“ mit Drucksachen, Abonnenten und Gebeten beistehen werden.

THE Dallas, Cleburne, and Southwestern railway has a grading force between Egan and Keene. The contractor has agreed to finish ten miles of the road in ninety days, that is from Egan to Cleburne, and we may safely expect the cars in Keene in about two months. The Keene depot will be built about four hundred yards west of the Academy building near the residence of Samuel Bayliss. This will inaugurate a new era in Keene, and we must be up and doing to keep up with the times.