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Educational Department

Conducted by C. Sorenson.

Why Should I Attend Keene Academy?

THIS question is often asked by young people who have excellent advantages near home in the state schools. Why can not I finish up the course in our city high school, or state normal, as the case may be, and then devote a year or two to the special points of our faith in the Academy? Will not such a course prepare me equally well for the work in the cause?

To this question the answer would be most emphatically, No. I will illustrate this by a few examples. In the study of science from the Christian standpoint, the study is from nature to nature's God. In the popular education of today, the phenomena of nature are made to serve as the basis of somebody's vague philosophy of evolution. In the study of history from the Bible standpoint, the principal thought is not the achievement of some so-called great man, but the true centre of study is the outworking of God's great plan. In the study of geography, commercial relations do not take the chief place. The great reason why we study other lands and peoples is that we may better fulfill God's commission to carry this message to every nation, kindred, tongue and people. Along with, and forming an integral part of every subject is the word of God. In physiology, the chief thought is to learn how to best preserve the body as a fit temple for the indwelling of the Holy Spirit.

A course of literary work as carried forward in the schools of the day, with ever so much Bible

attached, will never take the place of a course in a Christian school where everything out of harmony with the Bible is excluded, and every subject is taught from the standpoint of the Bible.

The writer now calls to mind two very promising young men who, after completing the course of study in the state university, spent several years in obtaining a special preparation for our denominational work. The young men began to drift away from the simplicity of the faith. One of the most heart-rending scenes was when the mother of these two young men, after relating her sons' experience at one of our camp meetings, said in conclusion, "My sons are well educated by the men of our town; but, O, my God, my sons have no God."

How is it with you, dear brother or sister? Are you seeking to satisfy the soul hunger of your son or daughter at the tables of Babylon, where it may turn ashes between their teeth?

Notes from the Department of Mathematics.

THE total enrollment in this department is 93.

THE class in higher arithmetic recites in three divisions. Mrs. Sorenson has charge of divisions B. and C.; and division A. numbering seventeen members, is in charge of the writer. The class in elementary algebra contains fourteen members. They are using "Well's Algebra for Secondary Schools," a book just off the press, which is the best elementary algebra that we have ever used.

IN plane geometry there are ten students. This class uses "Wentworth's Text." Some of the members, on account of entering late, are finding the work quite hard.

The class of four in plane trigonometry are just finishing their work. They will study "Sensenig's Advanced Algebra" the remainder of the year.

MR. A. D. Field, who is studying Analytics and Calculus, teaches a class of two in intermediate algebra and solid geometry.

IT is the constant effort of the instructors in this department to secure thorough work, to pass over nothing until it is perfectly clear to every student. We emphasize *quality*, and endeavor to secure a reasonable *quantity* of work.

W. H. BUXTON.

The German Department.

THE four students taking second year German are translating *Der Weg Zu Christo*, the German edition of "Steps to Christ," and are making a review of the German Grammar. They will soon take up the study of Schiller's "Tell" in connection with German composition. We hope to see a large class of beginners in German next year.

W. H. BUXTON.

NOTES.

SINCE the last Educational Department several new students have entered. Among the recent arrivals are Miss Claribelle Nelson and Mr. Smith, both of San Antonio.

Miss Lou Oliver, of Arkansas, who attended the Academy in '98 and '99, and has since taught school in her home conference, is again pursuing work at the Academy.

AN order was placed with the Livingston Seed Co., of Columbus, Ohio, for garden seeds amounting to something over \$20.00.

OUR new steam laundry is in successful operation. This means a saving of labor over the old way.

Arkansas Department.

The Keys of the Kingdom.

(Continued.)

"Be ye followers of me even as I am also of Christ." 1 Cor. 11:1. Paul was a follower of Christ, a member of Christ's body, the church; but if Peter's head was on Christ's body, Paul would have to follow Peter instead of Christ.

"But I would have you know that the head of every man is Christ." Verse 3. "For by one spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether we be Jews or Gentiles, whether we be bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one spirit." 1 Cor. 12:23. Putting the last two verses together, we have this glorious truth, viz: Every man whose head is Christ is baptized by the Spirit of Christ into Christ's body; and Christ's body needs but one head, and that head is Christ. "Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter."

Peter was a man in Christ Jesus, and, like the rest of the disciples, was baptized into the body of Christ by the Spirit of Christ, and became a part of the body; and like all the rest of the members he had Christ for his Divine Head, and so could not be that head.

What practical lesson can we draw from this? Why, that any member of the body that exalts itself to "master," or divine headship in the home or church of Jesus Christ, is actuated by the principles of the papacy.

"My brethren, be not many masters, knowing that we shall receive the greater condemnation." Jas. 3:1. Many masters in the lamb-like body of Christ changes it to a cruel, nondescript beast with many heads to plan war upon each other, and mouths to bite and devour each other and blaspheme the name of God, and horns to gore and kill, and nails more cruel than brass and iron to tear and destroy.

"Thanks be unto God who giveth us the victory through Jesus

Christ, our Lord" and not Peter. If the church was built on Peter our hope would be vain, for Peter cannot lift himself out of the dust and ashes, much less the rest of the flock. The "keys of the kingdom" are powerless in the hands of a dead man.

"I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death. Write the things which thou hast seen, and the things which are, and the things which shall be hereafter."

In future articles we shall try to show what the keys are, and their use.

J. A. OPPY.

Field Reports.

GENTRY, DECATUR AND SPRINGDALE.—Since my last report I have spent some time at home. Was with the Gentry brethren one Sabbath, and with the Decatur church the first Sabbath in the year and had a profitable and spiritual meeting with them, as we followed our Lord's example in the ordinance of humility. They are of good courage.

I have been with the Springdale church for a few days, and have held five meetings with a very good attendance from the outside. On Sabbath, January 12, they had their quarterly meeting and election of officers for the present year.

V. B. WATTS.

CHEROKEE CITY, ARK.—December 30 Lester Littell and myself came to this place and began meetings. This is a small place seven miles northwest of Gentry. I had previously been here last summer, at the request of a resident brother, and held two or three meetings in his brother's house, and by the request of the Holiness people spoke once in their chapel; and upon their invitation I promised to return at some future time and hold a regular series of meetings, but being hindered by home duties I was not in shape to do this until fall. In the meantime, however, I

had been over several times and spoken to attentive and appreciative audiences, the Holiness people, especially seeming very kind and eager to hear.

When I was finally ready to go, their regular preacher was there and hard at work, so we must wait which we did for over two months, when they finally moved their meeting about four miles over into the Territory.

Brother Littell being at home consented to come with me and see what could be done. The first night we used the chapel Brother Littell preached on the coming of the Lord, which brought on such a storm of opposition from the Holiness people that we moved the meetings to the Christian church where we have since held forth.

While the weather has been the most unfavorable I nearly ever saw we have had a regular attendance of a few, and at times when the weather looked a little more favorable we had a good crowd. The town and vicinity is deeply stirred, and were it not for the weather the house would be filled. The Holiness people, despite their avowed interest to hear, will not attend.

The Lord has greatly blessed Brother Littell in preaching, and the truth has been presented in power. We confidently expect fruit from our labors. Two families have already expressed themselves as convinced that we have the truth though we have barely touched the Sabbath, having spoken on it but once. Pray for the work here. C. N. EASTMAN.

Our Needs at Home.

ANOTHER year has passed with its blessings, perplexities, disappointments, temptations and victories. God has blessed you wonderfully the past year, not only in a spiritual way, but also with temporal blessings, as the tithe and offerings indicate. Day by day the offerings for the \$150,000.00 fund are coming in. This is as God would have it; He wants us to re-

alize that we have the world to warn.

But we must not overlook the things and duties that are resting upon us here in our own conference. Last year we bought several small tents and went in debt for part of it, trusting to your liberality for the money to pay for them. It was also voted at conference to raise \$75.00 for the Spanish work in this Union Conference. Now this money has not been raised yet. We need \$100.00 for this work just as soon as it can be raised.

Then looking forward to our coming camp meeting, we will need a new tent for that purpose, as well as some small ones. This will mean the expenditure of another hundred and fifty dollars.

Now, brethren, I know of no other way of raising it but by appealing to your liberality. Cannot the fourth Sabbath in each month be set apart as a day of making offerings for this part of the work until the desired amount is raised?

V. B. WATTS.

✦ Texas Department ✦

Field Reports.

CUSSETA.—It was my privilege to be with the Cusseta church January 5 at their quarterly meeting. A goodly number were present and seemed to enjoy the meeting very much. Brother Jesse Davis was elected elder for the coming year. Brother Davis is teaching their school, and everything is moving along harmoniously. We hope to see a prosperous year for this church through 1907.

E. B. HOPKINS.

EAST TEXAS.—FROM January 3-13 I was in the eastern part of Texas, visiting Longview, Palestine, and Avinger.

At Longview we dedicated their new church to the Lord, Sabbath January 5th at 3 P. M. At the opening of the service, Brother Culpepper, the elder, gave an in-

teresting account of the steps taken to raise means to build, and, although the church will need some additional work, yet it was built in good condition, and free from debt. They have a successful church school conducted by Sister Atha Davis.

At Palestine it was my privilege to visit Elder T. J. Butler, who was preaching this message when I was a boy. He is now feeble with age, living in quiet. May the Lord deal tenderly with these aged veterans, and give them the will, and the strength to successfully battle with the foes that still confront them. I also visited with Brother Lawhon and family. This brother, though suffering deep physical affliction, with his family is of good courage, looking forward to the time that will very soon come, where physical weaknesses will be banished.

My next visit was at Avinger. Their quarterly meeting was held January 12. The whole day was one of marked blessing. Victories were gained that will mark a turn in the future of some, if they will hold their ground by faith. In the evening the election of officers was held. This church is in a timbered country. Homes can be secured cheap. They have a good church school. Sister Ramsey is their teacher, and is making the church school a help to all. Elder Hale joined us at Avinger, bearing half the burden of the meetings from Thursday night to Sabbath night. We then came to Keene to be present at the annual audit that had been set for Monday January 14th.

CLARENCE SINTEE.

The State Secretary's Letter.

IN all our work it matters not what we are engaged in, if we have an aim, and keep pressing onward with that aim in view, we are more sure to succeed. Success comes as the result of striking in one place continually.

Now, we as young people have a

definite aim, "The Advent message to all the world in this generation." To carry this out we must have well arranged plans, and work steadily toward our aim.

As a usual thing plans can be carried out best by having an organization. Consequently we find ourselves organizing into Young People's Societies, not to pull off from the church, but to add one more detachment of troops to the time-worn army. It means the gathering up of the fragments of strength that otherwise would go to waste and be lost. The Master says, "Gather up the fragments that nothing be lost."

Verily, I believe it means a fulfillment of Mal. 4:5, 6, (please read) therefore a most important work for the church to foster at this time. Surely there is nothing of more importance to mankind than a preparation for the "great and dreadful day of the Lord."

The Lord has promised to pour out his spirit upon all flesh. Joel 2: 28, 29. (Please read.) Notice that verse 12 says, "Turn unto me with all your heart," and verse 13 says, "Rend your hearts, and not your garments, and turn unto the Lord your God."

The spirit of God will not be given unless the whole heart is turned, or given unto the Lord. The phrase, "with all your heart," comprehends in it what it really means to study this message, and also its reception into our hearts and the appropriation of its principles for ourselves and for others.

A thorough preparation of heart is the essential, a full surrender to God the call, and an experimental knowledge of the truth a necessity that we may be able to stand in the crucial period which we shall have to meet and which we are meeting.

What may our Societies accomplish?

They may answer the call to the young people of today. "God calls upon the you to work, work for

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may wish to advertise places, or other
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News Notes.

Mr. H. J. Ridings, Superin-
tendent of Schools of JohnsonCounty, visited the Keene public
school last Thursday. He express-
ed himself as pleased with the
school, especially the opening ex-
ercises.Mr. William Lake, of Kingston,
Mo., is visiting his sister and hus-
band, Elder and Mrs. N. W. Allee.ELD. W. M. Cubley, wife and
son started last night for Corpus
Christi, where they will labor for
some time, possibly until camp
meeting.Mr. Wat. Reed returned home
this morning from his trip to South
Texas.MRS. E. M. Giddings reports the
honor roll for the public school for
the month ending January 11th to
contain the names of Miss Edna
Patterson and Mr. Dee Hestand.
The parents are cordially invited to
visit the school.

Another Landmark.

THE student of prophecy will
have plenty to do lately in
marking the fulfillment of the
signs showing the end of all things
at hand, which are occurring in
rapid succession. The latest of
these is the terrible earthquake by
which the city of Kingston, Jamai-
ca, was totally destroyed at 3:30
p. m., a week ago last Monday, the
14th inst. The island being some-
what isolated and all the cables to
it except one being destroyed by
the earthquake, it has been diffi-
cult to obtain news. Nothing in
the way of details was received for
several days, but these are now be-
ginning to come, and they show
that it was a great disaster. The
best accounts place the number of
bodies already recovered from the
ruins at over 500, and the injured
in the hospitals at many hundreds
more. It is reported that the site
of Kingston is slowly sinking, and
fears are entertained that the whole
thing may slide off into the sea.

The West Indian Union Confer-
ence began in our church in the
city of Kingston on the 11th, and

was in session at the time of the
earthquake. A large number of
our people from all the islands
were gathered there, and some
fears were entertained that there
might have been loss of life among
them; but we have the promise of
God in Spirit of Prophecy, Vol. 1,
pp. 85-85, that when these terrible
catastrophes come in judgment on
the world our people will be shield-
ed. Knowing the great interest
there would be to hear from there,
as professor Hughes and family and
Elder Bender and wife had just
left us for that field, I telegraphed
to Washington for information,
and today received the following
telegram:

"Evans has cabled the word
'safe,' no further information."

(Signed) A. G. Daniells.

From this we would know that
God has fulfilled his word and had
a care for the lives of his servants
in the hour of destruction. We
know not where the next blow will
strike, so let us be diligent in giv-
ing the message to the world.

Pacific Press Notes.

WORK on our new factory has
been delayed on account of our not
being able to secure material as fast
as needed, but the building is now
all enclosed and the inside finishing
and painting is nearly done. We
hope to be able to move in the first
of next month. All who have seen
the factory pronounce it a model,
both for convenience and economy.
In many respects it will be better
than the old building, but will not
cost half as much. We are study-
ing how to economize in every way
we possibly can.

FOR the past few weeks we have
had very cold, stormy weather, and
this has hindered the work more or
less. The hills and mountains on
either side of us have been covered
with snow,—a thing very unusual
for this part of the country. It has
been impossible to keep the tem-
porary sheds in which our work is
now being carried on warm enough

to be comfortable, but all seem to be cheerful and are trying to make the best of the situation, hoping soon to be more comfortably housed.

THURSDAY, the 10th, steam was turned on the new factory for the first time, and this will help dry out the cement floor.

THE annual meeting of the stockholders of the Pacific Press Publishing Company and members of the Pacific Press Publishing Association will be held here at Mountain View in Wednesday, January 30, 1907. At this meeting directors will be elected for another term and plans laid for carrying on the work during the year.

WE are glad to say that the subscription list of our pioneer missionary paper, the *Signs of the Times*, has been increased quite rapidly during the past few weeks. The first of November we were printing only about 14,000 copies, but we hope that before the close of the year the list will call for 100,000 copies. This will easily be accomplished if we can have the hearty co-operation of our brethren and sisters, and this we have been promised.

WE have just issued a little booklet setting forth what the next volume of the *Signs* will contain, and we would like to place one of those in the hands of every Seventh-day Adventist. They can be had free for the asking, either from the Pacific Press or your Tract Society.

WE are bringing out a series of church school readers to be called the "True Education Reader Series," a full description of which appeared on the second page of the *Signs* under date of January 16. Book No. 2 is now ready, and others will follow immediately. This series was adopted by the General Conference at its educational convention held in College View, Nebraska, June 29 to July 10, 1906. The books are intended not only for use in our church schools and col-

leges, but in every family where there are children.

VOLUME 6, 7 and 8 of the Testimonies are just off the press, and orders can now be filled. The other volumes will be pushed to completion as soon as possible.

It must be remembered that we have only two cylinder presses in operation at the present time, and the *Signs* and *Little Friend* have to be printed on these, as well as all the book work. For several weeks—yes, nearly all the time since the fire—we have kept the presses running night and day, but have been unable to meet the demand. Soon we will have more presses in operation (those being restored from effects of the fire) and then we can get out our work more promptly.

BRETHREN H. H. Hall and E. R. Palmer have just left for Walla Walla, Washington, to attend a canvasser's institute and bookmen's convention to be held at the college January 15 to 22. After this convention Brother Hall will go east, attending meetings in Montana, Nebraska, Minnesota and returning by way of Alberta and the Canadian Pacific Railway, stopping at points of interest on the way. This northern territory is becoming quite an important center for our book work.

C. H. JONES.

Obituary.

SISTER Dona B. Simms, (colored) was born June 4th 1872, at Silex, Pope county, Ark. In 1891 she was united in marriage to C. W. Simms. Four children were born to them, but they all died in infancy. At the age of 26 she was converted and joined the C. M. E. church. She lived a faithful member of that church until about two years ago she accepted present truth and joined the Seventh-day Adventists church. About two months before her death she stated that the Lord had visited her during the "night season" and instructed her to warn the people of her home town, (Russellville, Ark.)

they were not keeping the Commandments, especially the fourth one. So with much feebleness of body she went from house to house and also preached on the street, delivering the message she felt the Lord had laid upon her, until she was forced to take her bed. She departed this life about 6 o'clock, Sunday morning, Jan. 13th. 1907. Her funeral was conducted by the writer at the former church (C. M. E.) as we have no church edifice here. Although she had left them and had very recently condemned their course of life in no uncertain language, the people seemed to love her still, as the church was crowded and also quite a large procession followed her to the cemetery. She leaves a husband, mother, two brothers, and seven sisters to mourn their loss. No one of her relatives except her husband is with her in the truth. All we can say of Sister Simms, she died as she lived—a consistent Christian.

J. W. DANCER.

The \$150,000 Fund.

WE are certain that all our people are interested in the work of supplying the fields and building up the institutions for which this plan of raising \$150,000 was instituted. The first \$50,000 of this amount is to be sent to the South.

At the earnest request of those interested, we have prepared leaflets setting forth the situation and the needs here. One of these is entitled, "Why \$50,000 is Appropriated to the Work in the South," and contains statements by Elder George I. Butler, Prof. J. E. Tenney, Dr. F. A. Washburn, Dr. M. M. Martinson, Chas. F. Curtis, I. A. Ford, Lyman D. Randall, and J. S. Washburn, in regard to the institutions to be assisted by this fund,—the Nashville Sanitarium, the Huntsville School, the Southern Training School, the Graysville Sanitarium, the Atlanta Sanitarium, and the Southern Publishing

Association. Pictures of all these institutions appear in the leaflet. find it a splendid ground for work farther a-field.

It is a comprehensive and clear statement of the present needs of the South to be supplied by this fund. The distribution of literature, both selling it and giving it away, is a splendid way to reach the people. Many times the Lord uses a leaflet to let the light of truth into some mind. We can all carry a few tracts, and pass them to those with whom we come in contact.

The other leaflet contains statements from the Testimonies calling for help for the work in the South, and definitely locating the headquarters for the Southern work in Nashville. Only a few statements, selected from the great volume of Testimonies that have been sent out for many years appealing to our people to help the work in the South, are quoted, among these some of the very latest. These leaflets will be of great interest. We will gladly furnish them to any one who desires them, if you will apply to us at 610 Meridian St., Nashville, Tenn.

J. S. WASHBURN.

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him. Make an entire change in your course of action. You can do a work that those who minister in word and doctrine cannot do. You can reach a class whom the minister cannot affect."

Personal work is the most effective way to reach people. Many times Jesus had only one person as his audience. He helped people out of their physical troubles, and then they were more ready to listen to his spiritual advice.

There are innumerable things we can do to help others, visiting the sick and helping to cheer them in their hours of pain, doing the chores about the place, washing the dishes, making the house tidy and helping the tired mother with her fretful little one. These kindnesses can be shown to the wayfarer and neighbor, but much more can be done at home. Every look at our loved ones, every word we speak to them, and every step we take is either conducive to the happiness or unhappiness of our own dear ones at home. If we study the situation in our own homes, and make the most of our opportunities for service there, we will

The distribution of literature, both selling it and giving it away, is a splendid way to reach the people. Many times the Lord uses a leaflet to let the light of truth into some mind. We can all carry a few tracts, and pass them to those with whom we come in contact.

Then our contributions to missions should be carefully looked after, and the spirit of giving be fostered. God gave the greatest gift that the universe could give, Christ Jesus, for us, and should we not be willing to give of our possessions, and ourselves, too? Then if we keep ourselves consecrated to the Lord, (and that implies all that we have) and follow the progress of the work in the home and foreign fields, when the call comes for us to go, it will be only natural for us to go, for our means have gone before, and we are a part of the work. "Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also."

Let us be more thorough in our work for the Lord during the year, and plead with God that he will use us to bring souls to him.

EARNEST S. TAYLOR.

Oklahoma Department.

Donations Received on State Fund from June 18 to Aug. 26, 1906.

W. McMoren,	\$ 5.00
Andrew Nelson,	15.00
A. J. Voth,	15.00
John Cox and wife,	6.00
B. F. Stuckey,	2.31
S. W. Abel,	2.14
V. O. Cole,	5.00
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John Franske,	5.00
Ezra Fillman,	5.00
J. M. Fittro,	5.00
Cashion Church,	23.25
A. W. Bunnell,	1.00
Total,	\$204.39

The Addington Church School.

ONE month of our school is now in the past, but not lost. We have as industrious a band of workers in our school as could be gathered together. There are almost thirty in regular attendance, and not a lazy one in the number.

A spirit of "help one another" exists, and each one has an individual interest in the school, and strives to maintain a high standard of deportment. Our few rules are student framed and are zealously obeyed. The patrons are not sparing in words of praise, and we all know what an incentive to thorough work that is. The Lord is certainly blessing us here.

Our opening exercises vary; but at present we are reading early experiences of the Advent people. We are all deeply interested in these readings. We spend our intermissions in hard play, and then come in to our work with rested minds and tired muscles.

Our Bible classes seem to be the most interesting to all, and the aim of almost everyone is a preparation to carry the message to the world. In arithmetic one is not held back for another, but each one is required to so thoroughly understand the work furnished that they can help those that follow when they need help.

Last Friday was used as Patrons' Day. Our program consisted of songs, recitations, essays, and several reviews of the month's work. The reviews were conducted by members of the classes, and I find it a model and interesting mode of holding examinations. Our visitors pronounced it a treat, and said many other encouraging things, which help to inspire us to better work in the future.

I feel a heavy responsibility for each of these entrusted to my care, and I know that without an abiding trust in our Father I cannot discharge my duty in a manner pleasing to him. Pray for me that I may have heavenly wisdom to enable me to instruct my flock in

the fear of the Lord. May the Lord bind the hearts of the parents, students and teachers together in this work, that our church schools may be a success.

MRS. NAOMI HICKMAN.

Secretary's Letter for Young People's Day.

Dear Fellow Youth:

WHILE I was thinking as to what I should write you in regard to the subject that has been assigned me, the words in 2 Cor. 3:2 came to my mind. "Ye are our epistle written in our hearts, known and read of all men." And again, "Ye are the epistle of Christ."

Each one of us is an epistle that is known and read of all men that we come in contact with. The first of importance in our work, then, is that we be an epistle of Christ, so that when we come in contact with others our influence may be good. There are many lines in which the youth can find opportunity for helpful effort. The question of importance to us is, "How can we accomplish the most good in the few probationary days that will still be ours to work in?" The Lord has told us over and over again to organize into bands for Christian service, and the co-operation will prove an assistance and an encouragement. In unity there is strength. "United we stand, divided we fall." It is acquaintance that awakens sympathy, and sympathy is the spring of effective ministry.

Therefore to awaken sympathy and the spirit of sacrifice in us for those still in darkness round about us, and the suffering millions in the regions beyond, we must become acquainted with them. In this closing work of the gospel there is a vast field to be occupied, and more than ever before the work is to enlist helpers.

"With such an army of workers as our youth, rightly trained, might furnish, how soon the message of a crucified, risen, and soon-

coming Saviour might be carried to the whole world! How soon might the end come,—the end of suffering and sorrow and sin! How soon, in place of a possession here, with its blight of sin and pain, we might receive our inheritance where the righteous shall inherit the land, and dwell therein forever; where the inhabitant shall not say, I am sick, and the voice of weeping shall be no more heard."

There is a work for the youth to do that otherwise might be left undone. They can reach a class which the minister cannot affect. As our sympathies shall broaden and our love increase, we shall find everywhere a work to do. God's great human household embraces the world, and none of its members are to be passed by with neglect. "The Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many." This was the one great object of his life; and this should be the one great object of our lives and our young people's organizations.

"God might have committed the message of the gospel and all the work of loving ministry to the heavenly angels. He might have employed other means for accomplishing his purpose. But in his infinite love he chose to make us co-workers with himself."

Shall we not, then, go to work as never before, doing all there is in our power to carry the "Advent message to all the world in this generation?" Strength comes by exercise; activity is the very condition of life, in the spiritual as well as in the natural world; and inactivity results in degeneration and decay. A man who would refuse to exercise his limbs would soon lose all power to use them. Thus the Christian who will not exercise his God-given powers, not only fails to grow up into Christ, but he loses the strength that he already had.

We need not go to heathen lands, or even leave the narrow circle of the home, if it is there that our

duty lies in order to work for Christ. We can do this in the home circle, in the church, among those with whom we associate, and with whom we do business.

"You are not to wait for great occasions, or to expect extraordinary abilities before you can go to work for God. You need not have a thought of what the world will think of you. If your daily life is a testimony to the purity and sincerity of your faith, and others are convinced that you desire to benefit them, your efforts will not be wholly lost."

The humblest and poorest of the disciples of Jesus can be a blessing to others. We do not realize enough how much good we can accomplish by attending the young people's meetings regularly. This is where our work as a society begins. We will not only receive at these meetings blessings for ourselves, but will be a blessing to others. Here is where we can talk about the work, lay plans, exchange experiences, work and pray together. Prayer is the key in the hand of Faith to unlock heaven's storehouse. It is the essential part in our work. It is the power upon which the progress of the message to earth's remotest bounds depends.

We can also give our means to this great work. Seventy-five members giving an average ten cents a week will support a Bible worker in many of our missions; or giving even a much smaller amount each week, the society could order a club or two of our good papers and send them out week by week. The results of this work we may never fully realize until the day of final reward, but the Lord surely will not fail to bless this work.

There are many other lines of work in which we can lend a helping hand in carrying the Advent message to those who still remain in darkness, such as carrying the "Family Bible Teacher" from house to house, establishing branch

Sabbath-schools and gathering in children not of our faith to instruct. Parents who can be approached in no other way are frequently reached through their children.

There is the grand work of carrying the printed page into the homes of the people. "If there is one work more important than another, it is that of getting our publications before the public." Certainly there are some more among our youth upon whom the Lord has laid this work, who ought to heed His call and carry our good books into the homes of many who are without the ark of safety.

Other lines of work might be mentioned; but if we are wholly consecrated to God, he will surely impress upon us the work that we should be engaged in. We hope that if heretofore we have not been found in the work where the Lord would have us, this day will be the means of starting us in the right way.

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A J Jensen,	Round Rock	C K	35	14	19 00	2 00	21 00	14	19 00
M Cleckner,	Austin Co	Misc				10 65	10 65		
V E Cleckner,	"	Misc				17 70	17 70		
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