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Be still sad heart! Beyond the skies
Which darkly lower, the sunlight lies;
And still beyond, the great all-wise,
Thy Father reigns above.

—Viola Smith.

GENERAL ARTICLES.

THE ADVANTAGES OF A TRAINING SCHOOL AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

When it was decided that the headquarters of the denomination were to be located at Washington, D. C., at once the advantages in the establishment of a training school at the same place were apparent.

Certainly here in connection with the general offices where many of the great problems of the advancing message must be worked out, would be an ideal place for an institution of this kind.

The Location.

The importance of the location in itself should not be overlooked. Washington is rapidly becoming one of the most prominent cities of the world. Here are gathered from all over the country the men who make the laws of the land. The great government departments with their thousands of officers and clerks are located here.

Here are also gathered the representatives of the various foreign nations of the world.

Washington differs from other places in that it is not a factory or commercial city. The hours for labor are short, and the people have much time for study and thought. This makes it a favorable place for our ministers and Bible workers to present the truth and for students in the training school to have an actual experience in the various lines of work they are fitting themselves for.

Here students will have access to the Congressional Library, considered one of the finest of its kind in the world; also the Smithsonian Institute, the National Museum, the Patent offices, the Art Gallery and other places containing collections for study and information.

Industrial Employment.

In the construction of buildings for the offices of the General Conference, the Publishing house, the Sanitarium, and even in the erection of the school buildings themselves, an opportunity will be furnished from the very start in giving employment and training to the students.

Here may be actually worked out plans and methods of education that have long been considered and discussed. The experiences in the establishment of all of our schools in the past will be available, and considered with a view that the mistakes may be avoided and successes taken advantage of.

The Plan.

Just as soon as the time arrives to begin vigorously pushing the work of building, it is desired that the actual

work of school commence. The superintendents and foremen will have completed their plans, and, as far as possible, the work of building, of laying out and beautifying the grounds will be done by student labor. The plan of study and labor will be so combined that the students will be able to meet much if not all their expenses. Especially will this be so while the buildings are in progress of construction.

The Climate.

As may be observed from a glance at the map, the climate of Washington is such that much out-door work may be done. The winters are short and comparatively mild, thus the building season is much longer than in the north.

Class of Students Wanted.

Especially during the first year of the school should only those come who are able and willing to work. Certainly others would not wish to fit themselves for any line of missionary endeavor. While the students are pursuing their studies, helping in the construction of the buildings, and in other lines of employment, opportunities will also be found for Bible work, canvassing, and other forms of religious work, as the student may have the ability to undertake.

Young men will be wanted who can be trusted, who can work, and who are willing to consecrate their lives to the Master's service, and to be trained for whatever responsibilities He may have for them. Such young men are always in demand, and will find here a wonderful opportunity for just the training they need.

A number of earnest, devoted young

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women will also be furnished with employment, for much will be found that they can do that will assist them largely, if not wholly, in defraying their expenses.

When to Come.

Announcements will be published as soon as definite arrangements have been made for the work to begin. No one should come without first having made definite arrangements. Correspondence is invited, and full instruction and information will be given on request.

W. T. Bland.

A LIVE ISSUE.

About the first of May, the **Southern Watchman** of Nashville, Tennessee, will issue a special number on the "Second Coming of Christ and the signs just preceding it." This number is to contain 24 pages, printed in two colors. There will be an appropriate and striking cover design, and the issue throughout will be profusely illustrated.

Some of the special signs that will be considered are, "Among the Nations," "War Preparations," "The Eastern Question," "Capital and Labor," "The Trusts," "The Money Problem," "Troublous Times," etc.

It will be a brief, clear-cut presentation of the live issues of the hour from a prophetic stand point; and, in view of the present difficulties in the far East, it will be of the keenest interest to all. The publishers will spare no pains in making this a most timely, interesting and valuable number in every respect.

Although, as stated above, this special number will contain twenty-four pages and be printed in two colors, yet it will be furnished at the following low rates: single copies, 5 cents; 5 to 24 copies to one address, 4 cents per copy; 25 or more copies to one address, 3 cents per copy.

THE CENTRAL UNION CONFERENCE.

This meeting was held at Omaha, Nebraska, March 4-14. Thinking our people will be glad to know something about what was done, and as but few take **The Central Advance** in which the conference reports appear, we take this way of speaking to you.

Elder E. T. Russell was re-elected

president, and Elder R. C. Porter vice-president. The one feature of this meeting that cheered my heart was the earnestness on the part of many for a deeper work, a better fitting up for the great work to be done. The greatest move I ever witnessed among the ministry took place the last Sabbath of the meeting. This encouraged the laity of God's people, and a Sabbath day's march was made toward the kingdom.

The studies given by Elders Daniels and Prescott were the best I ever heard. Elder Warren worked faithfully for those who attended the evening meetings, and his efforts were not without fruit. To me this meeting is a bright spot in my Christian life, and I am sure all the Colorado delegates will say the same. A marked coming up among the ministry and people was seen during this meeting. Courage for the last great struggle filled many hearts which we trust is not for a moment, but for all time, as long as there is a soul that will repent.

Dear brethren and sisters of the Colorado Conference, let us rally for the conflict, as one man would meet a fire. Our Lord is coming. Get ready. Get ready.

G. F. Watson.

OUR COMMITTEE MEETING.

On my return from the Conference held at Omaha, and the College Board meeting held at College View, the following members of our conference committee met in our office in Denver, March 28th: Elders H. M. J. Richards, W. Ziegler, G. W. Anglebarger and Dr. W. W. Hills. Brother E. E. Farnsworth, and Sisters Herrell and Watson were invited to take part in the council.

Among the many matters of interest to be considered was the filling of the place made vacant by the removal of our beloved Brother Phillips. After much thought and prayer, Brother Farnsworth was selected to look after the book work in connection with his other work. All the book agents in our conference should address all correspondence intended for the State agent, to E. E. Farnsworth, at our office in Denver.

Another point which was decided at this meeting is the location of our conference camp-meeting. Longmont is the place chosen, and the date, Au-

gust 18-28, 1904. More will be said about this at another time. The work for the summer was planned, such as local camp-meetings, tent meetings, etc.

I have been in many committee meetings, and never do I remember of having so much of God's good spirit and guidance, and so say all who were present. Remember us in prayer.

G. F. Watson.

THE FAMILY BIBLE TEACHER.

We have once before called attention to this little publication, and some in this conference are using it with excellent results, but we believe it is a work that should receive attention in every church. It consists of a series of twenty-eight Bible studies, following each other in about the same order as the subjects are presented in a series of tent lectures. They are neatly printed on a four-paged leaflet, nine by six inches, and contain questions and answers and explanatory notes, and the truth is presented in an attractive manner. In Kansas City, Mo., Elder Merrill is personally using three hundred of these each week, and considers it the most practical and the easiest way to do missionary work he has ever tried. Each week one of these leaflets is left with the family, and then from week to week the interest is watched, and in a short time an interested class of readers is developed and Bible readings are called for. Any one with no experience in Bible work can carry on this line of work. We wish every church would order a few sets and try the work. They can be furnished at ten cents per set, post paid.

FIELD REPORTS.

FARMINGTON, N. M.

Since leaving Bayfield, Colorado, I have spent a week with the church at Farmington, N. M., where we enjoyed some profitable meetings. The church was well filled each evening, showing that there is quite a little interest to hear the truth among those not of our faith. I hope to go back there soon to see what can be done for them. May the Lord direct, and to Him be ascribed the glory.

M. Mackintosh.

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CHURCH SCHOOLS.

Colorado is planning an advance move in the church school work, and I trust every one will note the following. To make a school a success we must begin in season to prepare for it, and then work for it as long as it is in session. It is not too early for our churches to begin a campaign in the interests of this work. Money will be needed, and it will be much easier to begin now, and be gathering it in, than to wait till the time for school to open and then try to raise all the funds. Last year there were calls for about fifteen teachers, but when we came to look over our list of available teachers we found only one who was ready for the work. Others were gathered in who had more or less of a preparation till we have had seven church and family schools the past winter. This year we hope to have enough trained teachers to supply all the calls. A teachers' training school will be held in eastern Kansas, which will last eight weeks, and it is hoped that all who are planning to take up the church school work will attend this school. Good teachers, who have had real experience in this branch of the work, will be in attendance, and from the present plans I believe this summer school will be the most practical of any ever held among this people. In the next *Echoes* an outline of the proposed course of study and plan of work will be given. What I wish now, most of all, is the names of from fifteen to twenty young men and women who will attend this institute and teach our schools the coming year. The Central Union Conference, in view of the distance our teachers have to go to attend the institute, have made an appropriation of ten dollars for each one who will attend from Colorado, to assist in paying fare. I would like at once to hear from those who are thinking of attending the summer school this year, and will our conference workers, and church officers, and any one else send me the names of those whom you think should be in this work. God has spoken decidedly on this question. How many of us will respond? I hope to visit quite a number of the churches in the interests of the church school and canvassing work in the next few weeks.

E. E. Farnsworth.

WHAT CAN WE DO?

What can we do to lift our conference tent fund to a place where we will not feel afraid of embarrassment when we come up to our annual conference and camp-meeting? I know of no other way but to ask help of you, dear brethren and sisters. If each one of us would help a little we could have this line of our work abreast with other lines. It is impossible to hold state camp-meetings without money.

Your committee voted to raise \$300 for this fund, and I wonder what church will be the first to respond. I hope the elder in each church will see that his church has an opportunity to help in this most worthy object. Come, dear brethren, let us lift all together. Let us raise every dollar of our tent fund for the coming camp-meeting before the meeting is held, so that there will be no debt incurred this year.

G. F. Watson.

CANVASSERS' INSTITUTE AT HYGIENE.

A Canvassers' Institute will be held at Hygiene, beginning Sunday, May 1, and continuing at least ten days. We expect that Brother G. Phillips will be with us to give us the benefit of his long experience in the book work. As far as we know now, this will be the only training school we will have in the conference this spring, and so we are anxious to have all prospective canvassers attend this one. Are there not those in other parts of the conference whom the Lord is calling to this important branch of the work? As the conference committee have asked me to look after the interests of the canvassing work, I am anxious to get in correspondence with all the workers already in the field, and also all those who may feel a burden to enter the work in the near future. God has a rich blessing awaiting those who will faithfully do the work of the evangelistic canvasser. Questions concerning the institute, or any other feature of the work will be gladly answered.

E. E. Farnsworth.

WASHINGTON, D. C.

Our public meetings are held in a very good hall, located in a most central position, accessible to all parts of the city. Brother W. A. Spicer

spoke Sunday evening, March 6, on the subject of Russia in prophecy, the coming Armageddon, and the sealing work, and we believe that all saw the old truth in a new and startling light.

The work here is onward. It was the most successful meeting we have ever had in all my experience in Washington.

No building is as yet in progress. Plans are being laid, and we are hoping that a good amount of money will be sent in before a

Foundation Stone

has been laid or a nail driven. We have often been told that our people much prefer to pay for our institutions before they are built, rather than after. We believe it is so. You who read this article have the privilege of proving this to be true.

Very few will come in person, but all can send that which represents their love and sympathy for the work, and their faith in this move. You can send the representative of your strength, your energy, that which stands for your very heart, your treasure, the "sinews of war."

Up to the present date, March 8, the actual amount of money sent in for the purpose of paying the expense of the removal to Washington, and of building the institutions to be erected here, is \$3,144.57. We are glad for this good beginning; but there will need to be the giving of large sums by a goodly number to make up the \$25,000 needed by the first of May.

We thank the Lord that he has sent to us special directions in regard to the character of the buildings to be erected in Washington. We quote from a letter of instruction written February 15:

(Concluded next week)

The
Seven
Seals
and the
Seven Churches
is the title of a pamphlet
just issued as
Bible
Students
Library No. 184.
This pamphlet will be a
most excellent help in the
Study
of this quarter's
Sabbath
School Lessons.
Price ten cents.

NOTES AND ITEMS.

Dr. Eva A. Reed, of Greeley, Colorado, spent a few days in Denver last week visiting friends.

Sisters Celia Green and Pearl Weirick, returned last week from a week's visit with friends in Boulder.

Elder Watson spent Sabbath and Sunday with the Greeley church at which time quarterly meeting was held.

Last Sabbath afternoon, Elder Richards held quarterly meeting with the Arvada church, and reports a very interesting and profitable service.

Sister Carrie Dowden has been taking a much needed rest from her work at Ouray. She is spending a short time at her home at Grand Junction.

Have you read the new book, "The Lover's Love"? It presents God as he is, a God of love, and there is not a chapter in the whole book but would warrant the title, "God is Love." Price, seventy-five cents.

Quarterly meeting was held in the Denver church last Sabbath with a large attendance. Many were present who had not met with us for some time, and enjoyed the blessing which God bestowed on this occasion.

Elder F. M. Wilcox and Brother Burlingame, of Boulder, were in the city last week in the interest of the sanitarium work. The work at the sanitarium has held up well during the winter months and the prospects are good for the coming summer.

A meeting of the Conference Committee was held in Denver on Monday of last week. Plans were laid for the summer's work, and some perplexing problems were discussed and decided upon after prayerful deliberation. We had hoped for a report of this meeting, but it has not yet been received.

The office received a pleasant call from Brother C. A. Frederick, of Paonia, Colorado, on his way to College View last week. He reports most encouragingly of the work in his locality, and says many are studying the precious truths of God's Word. May he give the increase as seemeth good to him.

Quite a number of our churches are adopting the "ten-cents-a-week" plan with excellent results. We hope it

will not be long until all have done so. This plan, if faithfully carried out, will meet the necessities of the Mission Board, and finish the Lord's work in the earth quickly. Shall we not consecrate all we are and have to His service.

The Sabbath-school lessons for this quarter can be obtained in the Spanish language. This is an excellent opportunity not only for our Spanish speaking brethren to study the truth in their own language, but for all to place these valuable studies in the hands of every Spanish speaking person possible. These lessons contain truths for these times.

Testimony Volume 8, is now ready for shipment, and we are daily expecting a supply at this office. Notice second page in the last Review for table of contents. Several have already sent in their orders, but we trust many more will do so at once, and thus avail themselves of the good things the book contains. Price cloth, 75 cents; Flexible leather, \$1.25.

Elder Watson returned from College View on the 23rd ult., after an interesting and profitable council meeting with the Central Union Conference Committee and the Union College Board. All departments of the work received prayerful attention, and an earnest effort was made to place all lines on a footing which will enable them to be pushed as never before.

Brother Cyrus W. Jameison, who will be remembered by many as the "boy canvasser" who used to be with us in Colorado, has returned to Denver from the South, where he has spent several years in school. He expects to engage in nursing until the opening of the fall term of school, at which time he will enter the Boulder University for a medical course.

The new edition of "Great Nations of To-day," by A. T. Jones, is a book of great importance at the present time. It contains a presentation of the great nations in their rise, relations, career, and their destiny in connection with a treatise on the Seven Trumpets, The Three Woes, The Third Angel's Message, Babylon, The Beast and His Image, The Commandments, The Hour of God's Judgment and The Setting Up of the Everlasting Kingdom of God. President Roose-

velt's portrait is on the front cover. It has the message for this time and will sell readily to those who are interested in the Eastern question. Price, twenty-five cents.

We are in receipt of a very neat little book, entitled, "A Retrospect," by J. Hudson Taylor. It is written in behalf of missionary work, and will awaken and encourage interest in the far-away fields, and show how wonderfully God works for his children when they trust him. This book may be secured by sending four new subscriptions to the Life Boat at thirty-five cents each.

Elder Richards returned to Colorado last week, having spent some time in visiting the industrial school at Stuart, Iowa, and in counsel with the Union Conference officers at College View. He was present with the Denver church at its quarterly meeting, and spoke most earnestly to us from Matt. 23: 37-39. May we be able to see more of the love of God, and let its transforming influence be seen anew in our lives each time this wonderful subject is presented to us.

The Denver church feel very sorry to lose Brother and Sister Farnsworth, even for a few weeks, as they have taken hold of the work earnestly, and are especially needed just at this time. It was hoped that Brother Farnsworth might remain in Denver during the summer to follow up the work begun, and to connect with the tent work in charge of the singing, which is an important factor in all tent efforts. Brother Farnsworth had felt for some time, however, that he must be free to spend a portion of his time in the interest of the educational work; consequently it has been arranged for him to attend the summer school to be held in the Union Conference, and also to visit some of the churches in behalf of the school work. He has also been asked to look after the canvassing work in the churches he visits, and to carry on this work in connection with his other duties until camp-meeting. We trust that the rich blessing of God may attend him.

REPORT OF CANVASSING WORK				
For four weeks ending April 2, 1904.				
	Hrs.	Ord.	Val.	Helps.
Daniel and Revelation.				
R. M. Dennis.....	143	24	\$47 25	\$12.30
Bible Readings.				
John K. Lane.....	165	52	127.50	16.50
TOTALS.....	308	76	\$174.75	\$28 80
DELIVERIES.				
R. M. Dennis.....			Books.	Value.
			10	\$24.75