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Faithfulness in the work of God.

The Lord calls upon all his people to improve the ability he has given them. Times that will try men's souls are just before us; and those who are weak in the faith will not stand the test of those days of peril. The great truths of revelation are to be studied; for we shall all want an intelligent knowledge of the word of God. By Bible study and daily communion with Jesus, we shall gain clear, well-defined views of individual responsibility, and strength to stand in the day of trial and temptation. He whose life is united to Christ by hidden links will be kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation.

Great changes are soon to take place in the world and every one will need an experimental knowledge of the things of God. It is the work of Satan to dishearten the people of God, and to unsettle their faith.

He tries in every way to insinuate doubts and questionings in regard to the position, the faith, the plans, of the men upon whom God has laid the burden of a special work, and who are zealously doing that work. Although he may be baffled again and again, yet he renews his attacks, working through those who profess to be humble and God-fearing, and who are apparently interested in, or believers of, present truth.

It is unsafe to cherish doubt in the heart even for a moment. The seeds of doubt which Pharaoh sowed when he rejected the first miracle, were allowed to grow, and they produced

such an abundant harvest that all subsequent miracles could not persuade him that his position was wrong. He continued to venture on in his own course, going from one degree of questioning to another, and his heart became more and more hardened until he was called to look upon the cold, dead faces of the first-born.

What is our position in the world? We are in the waiting time. But this period is not to be spent in abstract devotion. Waiting, watching, and vigilant working are to be combined. God is at work, and we are not doing one-half that must be done to prepare a people to stand in the day when the son of man shall be revealed. Woe be to the man that shall in the least degree seek to hinder the work which God is doing. We must labour for others; we must try to weaken the hold of our brethren upon their earthly treasures; for many will sell their birthright to eternal life for worldly advantages. We should be fervent in spirit, serving the Lord. The lamp of the soul must be trimmed, and we must have the oil of grace in our vessels with our lamps.

Every precaution must be used to prevent spiritual declension, lest the day of the Lord overtake us as a thief. That day is not to be put far off; it is near and no man should say, even in his heart much less by his works, "My Lord delayeth his coming," lest for so doing his portion be appointed with hypocrites and unbelievers.

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The Field Work.

ST. JAMES.

I am still of good courage. My spiritual muscles have been moving from strength to greater strength, in consequence of the pressure that is on every side. I attribute all to the power of God; to Him be the praise.

There was quite a break in my work, which compelled me to remain silent for some time; but the stones are being piled back in the gap, and the wall is rising in shape and proportions.

The heavy rains have caused much difficulty in crossing from place to place, so that all my appointments have not been filled, but whenever an opportunity was seized and meetings held, there many hearts were found resting on the comforting assurance "Lo I am with you always."

I am just in from Axe and Adze. The enemy is wrath with the little company there; but they are determined to overcome through the merits of the blood of Jesus. An apostate brother, is the source of much worry and annoyance to them. He rolled away some of the pillars upon which the meeting house is erected, and declared that he will not rest until the house is overturned. In his last attempt, (with the help of a lever) he succeeded in displacing the building. He then applied to some of our bitterest opponents for help. They said, "We will not help you in pushing down, but as fast as you can remove the shingles and boards, we will assist you by burning them." This sinful course and wicked conclusion came as a result from an article in the "Baptist Reporter" of June 1st, in which the writer was settling the faith of many readers of that paper, against Seventh-day Adventists and their work. The brethren have returned and readjusted the pillars, but not content with

the continual worry, have come to the conclusion, to build another meeting house upon a different locality. An effort is already being made in that direction. Be of good cheer, I have overcome the world, may be heard by the ears of faith as our leader bending over the battlements of heaven, looks approvingly upon the condemned, but tried, faithful few, as the conflict rages thick and hard. Help us over here with your prayers brethren

M JONES

MANCHIONEAL.

We removed here June 19th, and have ever since been enjoying much of the rich blessings of God. The enemy is hard at work, so much that some of his agents have promised "to pull us from our house, and beat the 7th day out of us."

A few nights ago, I had the opportunity of presenting the truths of the perpetuity of God's law to a large number of people. Mr. Duggan asked me to speak on this subject for two nights, and he for two nights also, on the fulfilment and abolition of the law. Arrangements were made, for holding the meetings on the Fruit Company's wharf. Large crowds attended, God blessed the unworthy instrument, and the message was given in power. In spite of all the light and truth from the word of God, the people still desire the old get-to-heaven-anyhow-way. As the better class of people are on the no law side, the ignorant ones all believe that we are antichrists, and our doctrine "that of devils." The town is not more than a quarter of a mile each side, yet there are five rum shops, one drug store, one cloth store, ten or twelve rope tobacco sellers, and scores of idle young men and boys.

There is much to encourage any how as the message is going. Souls

are deciding, and soon him for whom we long and sigh will appear to our joy. Pray for the work here, that some may be snatched from the terrible burning of sin and delusion. Be of good courage is our watchward.

L. RASHFORD.

PORT MARIA.

The inhabitants of this town have not been given that public opportunity of hearing the message as many other towns; though house to house Bible work, and Bible-class studies at my home have been held to some extent. These efforts have added two to our ranks who are now standing for the truth. Our company here consists of four baptized and three unbaptized members. The three unbaptized ones have recently begun to keep the Sabbath. Their determination has been the result of Sunday evening meetings, which I have been holding at a place called Trinity, (a mile from the town) since May.

Our Sabbath school numbered four on Sabbath 9th; but four more have been added, and now we are praising God for the increase. We are holding our Sabbath school at Trinity, where the interest has recently arisen. It is a good place for our school. Brethren remember this corner of the vineyard in your prayers.

W. BRECHER.

A VISIT TO WILLOWDEEN.

Monday morning July 23, the Conference Committee started from Kingston, on a visit to the property of the West Indian Industrial School. In due time the railway station at Bog Walk was reached, where we were met by Elder Beckner and three of the boys. We had a pleasant walk over the well kept road, from the station to the property. As we passed through the common we could

see that busy hands had been at work; and our hearts were gladdened when we reached the house and looked over the plains to see what God has given us. Truly it can be said, sung, and shouted, "Praise God from whom all blessings flow." From the depths of my heart, I say, praise Jehovah for our school property.

The house has two stories, and is large enough to accomodate Elder Beckner and wife, eight boys who are now labouring with him in preparing the ground, and the house-keeper and cook. The out houses are good, and there is a large cement tank near by. After breakfast we began to look around for a suitable place on which to erect the school building, and the best spots for the farm and pasture. These were harmoniously agreed upon, and the work of clearing will soon be entered upon.

Willowdeen with its 66 acres of land is an ideal place in which to train our boys and girls, so that they may go out as ambassadors for Jesus, and proclaim with the power of the Third Angel, "Prepare to meet thy God O Israel."

Brethren remember you have a part in this work. Send in your pledges so that the work may not be hampered, but that all may move forward as a mighty stream, and soon our eyes behold the mountains and hills and valleys and plains of every island in the Caribbean, covered with an army of youthful missionaries, who have been trained in our school, have consecrated themselves to the Master's work, and have gone out to every tongue and people to proclaim God's message to the wayward, lost, and disinherited sons of Adam that they may come to Jesus, be born again, and thus become sons of God, heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Jesus Christ.

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Field Notes.

Four persons were recently baptized at Hamilton Mountain, and six at Chapelton by Elder Fletcher.

On July 7, our second East Indian convert was baptized at the Kingston Church by Elder Beckner. We are expecting a supply of tracts written in the East Indian language, with which to work among these people

Elder Strickland has returned after an absence of six weeks, as a delegate from the Jamaica Conference, to the fourth annual session of the East

Caribbean Conference held at Port o Spain, Trinidad. He has returned in better health, and a full determination to stand faithful to his post of duty, and to press on as never before, until the work is finished and the King of Kings appear.

To S.S. Superintendents and Secretaries.

We are indeed sorry having kept you so long out of your S.S. Secretary's Record Books. Be pleased to exercise a little more patience as we expect them in a few days hence, when all will be well.

MRS. J. B. BECKNER

OBITUARIES.

Pitkin. —Died at Allman Town, June 18, 1906, of tuberculosis, Arthur Pitkin, aged 24 years. Brother Pitkin embraced present truth under the labours of Elder Richardson, and lived a consistent Christian life to the end. The sufferings of his last illness were borne with a Christian fortitude long to be remembered by all who were with him. He fell asleep in the sweet hope of a glorious resurrection at the coming of the Lord. The funeral discourse was preached by Brother N. Johnston.

Dorman.—Died at Long Mountain Road, June 7, 1906, of heart failure, Mrs. Jane Dorman, aged 41 years. Some months ago Sister Dorman received a heavy stroke of paralysis, and since then she suffered very much. She committed her case into the hands of the Lord, and seemed to have perfect confidence that she would be restored to health, nevertheless she said, "The Lord's will be done; and this attitude she maintained till the very last. On the morning of the 7th, while trying to do some work in the garden, she received another stroke and died an hour later. She had no fear of death, her peace having been made with God, and she calmly fell asleep in Jesus to await the morning of the great resurrection.