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### SABBATH FURTHER DISCUSSED

(In answer to recent sermon by Rev. J. H. Lelper at the Baptist church April 21st on "God's Ownership of the Sabbath.")

My reply first appeared in the morning Register of Sunday, April 28, but was so mutilated by omissions, additions, etc., that nearly every point was reversed or clouded. We trust this was due either to their rush or inefficient help. But in any event we believe the principles involved should have a fair hearing. So by permission of publication in this valued sheet I have rewritten the article, giving some additional testimony. This is not a controversy between the Rev. Mr. Lelper and myself. Neither is it over the Sabbath question as such, whether it shall be the seventh day Sabbath, which Mr. Lelper clearly proved to be God's Sabbath from creation to the cross, and God's memorial of the resurrection. Although the Rev. J. H. Moore, in the Register of May 2d, takes issue with Rev. Lelper and says:

"There is no divine authority for calling the first day of the week (Sunday) 'Sabbath.' And there is no man who makes that claim who can successfully hold an investigation with the Seventh Day Adventists, because it cannot be shown by divine authority that Sunday was ever called 'Sabbath.' And 'Sunday is not a biblical name, but is only used to distinguish one day from another. In fact it originated through idolatry. And to call Sunday Sabbath is to make a false distinction."

Then he instructs Rev. Lelper as to the name of the day, but agrees that the first day of the week should be enforced by law.

Now it is not a question as to what name the federated movement may finally decide to call the day, or whether it shall be the "seventh" or "first" day of the week. But it is a question of civil and religious liberty. A question whether the American public shall be coerced by civil enactments to keep a day, or whether they shall unfurl the banner of our national constitution and declare their right and privilege to choose for themselves which day they shall keep, and what they shall choose to call that particular day, or whether they keep any day at all. Choice or compulsion is the question.

Who does not know that human laws have never made one Christian, or saved a single soul from eternal ruin, and that attempts to enforce religion by law have caused more cruelty and human bitterness and hatred in the world than all other causes combined? And since no amount of legislation or compulsion can make men believe in God, why, oh why should men be so eager to enforce their religious opinions and practices upon others?

I ask every candid reader to settle the question from our constitution, if it is the province of the government to set up a state theology? Then, if matters of religion are wholly outside the legitimate field of civil government, why should not every loyal citizen oppose all Sunday legislation?

Is not the whole duty of civil government in this respect to protect each individual citizen in his choice of days, and his peculiar theological opinions as long as they do not conflict with civility?

Notwithstanding these facts, in the synopsis of Rev. Mr. Lelper's sermon as recorded in the Register of April 28d he says:

"It is the duty of the church to call attention of the state or municipality to violation of the Sabbath, and it is the province or duty of the state or civil authorities to put a stop to such violations and punish the miscreants."

And in the Oregonian of February 1st, 1906, is a report of a convention in which as field secretary Mr. Lelper states:

"That the state had authority to compel observance of the Sabbath."

And that this is the accepted position of the entire association I quote from the strongest organ advocating these statements, the Christian-Enforcer upon all who come among us the laws of Christian morality."

The Rev. M. A. Gault, a district secretary of the National Reform Association, says:

"Our remedy for all these malific influences is to have the government simply set up the moral law, and recognize God's authority behind it, and lay its hand on any religion that does not conform to it."

And the Pittsburg Chronicle says: "Representatives of the Allegheny County Sabbath Observance Association

called upon the mayor and urged him to enforce the law universally without respect to belief."

Dr. David McAlister says:

"Those who oppose this work now will discover, when the religious amendment to the constitution is made, that if they do not see fit to fall in with the majority they must abide the consequences."

The Rev. Mr. Lelper in the Register article referred to undertakes to sustain all this Sabbath legislation by interpreting the work of Moses. He says:

"God gave Moses the basis of all civil jurisprudence as well as law for individual conduct. It is indicative of God's will and purpose toward nations that He placed the tables of stone on which the law was engraved, to Moses, the political leader of Israel, and made him their custodian and not Aaron, the ecclesiastic. From this act of God there can be but one conclusion, viz.: Civil government is an ordinance of God and is bound to protect the decalogue against the assaults of its foes."

Is it not clear that the main object of the association is to enforce the observance of a "Sabbath" by legal enactment? Now I do not ask the readers or members of the Sabbath Association to take my interpretation of Moses, and his work, but go to the record and in Numbers 12 and Hebrews 3 you will find that Moses was "faithful in all his house as a servant or mouthpiece" for the Lord, and that Christ "was faithful to Him that appointed Him as Moses was in all his house," and I invite the entire association, both national and state, to point to one act in the "faithful" leadership of either Moses or Christ where they ever undertook to enforce or coerce any principals of the decalogue through the legislative bodies of state or nation, but they confined their punishment for violation to their household of faith.

Christ entreats, beseeches and by love's most bewitching means tries to win souls to come to him, but compels no person to make the choice, and says "Ye will not come that ye might have life."

"But choose ye this day whom ye will serve," etc., are all plain scriptural injunctions, but there is no principle of coercion in the word of truth.

In conclusion does not Christ give the ultimatum to all this controversy in one single sentence: "Render to Caesar (civil government) the things that belong to Caesar, and to God the things that belong to God," and has not the Rev. Mr. Lelper, as a mouthpiece of the Sabbath Association, thoroughly established "God's ownership of the Sabbath?" Then as an association should you not render to God his Sabbath, and let Caesar attend to the civil affairs? And if not, why not?

Believing that the good citizens of Eugene will see that all religious legislation is subversive not only of good government, but sound Christianity, and that it can result only in religious persecutions and political corruption, and that they will continue to place in office men that will forever maintain the principles of our national constitution, to give every man the privilege of worshipping according to the dictates of his own conscience, I am, yours for civil and religious principles.

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### MAKING IMPROVEMENTS AT FOLEY SPRINGS

to Convey Hot Water to Hotel—Will Build Double Deck Porch on Hotel.

A. A. Haflinger, proprietor of the Foley Springs summer resort, arrived down from the springs last night, made a few purchases of supplies and left during the day on his return trip. He ordered a supply of iron pipe with which to place the hot water of the springs to the hotel. He says the saw mill at Blue River has resumed operations for the season and he will build a double-deck porch on the hotel as has been contemplated for some time past, and which was mentioned by the Guard several weeks ago when Mr. and Mrs. Haflinger were here on their way to the springs to open the resort for the season.

Walter Spencer, an employe of the Fischer sawmill on the Mohawk, in the city suffering from a gunshot wound in his foot, while handling a rifle yesterday, the bullet accidentally discharged, the bullet entering the foot to a considerable depth

### SIGNOR CARUSO FLIRTS WITH GIRL FROM AMERICA

Paris, May 14.—Signor Caruso, the tenor, is now much in evidence in Paris, where he is stopping with his wife and children. As he was returning from a concert at the Trocadero, where he received an ovation, driving in the Champs Elysee in an automobile filled with flowers, the automobile was caught in a jam, and stopped beside a carriage in which a beautiful American girl, well known in the



ENRICO CARUSO. Famous Italian tenor singer, with the Metropolitan Opera House in New York.

American colony, was sitting. Signor Caruso took a rose from a bouquet, kissed it and threw it into the lap of the fair American, who smiling bowed and raised the flower to her lips. The crowd saw the incident and shouted "Bravo, Caruso!" He waved his hand as the automobile, released from the jam, proceeded on its way.

### WOULDN'T LIKE TO BE ICEMAN IN KANSAS CITY

Kansas City, Mo., May 14.—Walter A. Powell, judge of the circuit court of Independence, today assessed fines aggregating \$23,000 against three ice companies convicted of maintaining a pool for restricting the manufacture of ice, in violation of the state anti-trust law.

### TAFT WINS FIGHT IN BUCKEYE STATE

Columbus, Ohio, May 9.—Chairman Arthur Vorys, the manager of the Taft forces in Ohio, said today: "The purpose of Taft's friends in agitating the question of the choice of Ohio Republicans for the presidency was to dispel the notion that he would not get the united support of Ohio. The events of the past few weeks seem to have culminated today in the voluntary withdrawal, without stipulation, of all opposition and in the complete demonstration that the Republicans of Ohio are solidly for Taft for president and the movement will go forward now with every prospect of his nomination."

### TWO MORE IDAHO MEN ARE INDICTED

Lewiston, Idaho, May 9.—J. B. West, former register of the Lewiston land office, and one of the best known politicians in Northern Idaho, and I. N. Smith, a prominent attorney, of Lewiston, were yesterday advised in a notification from U. S. Attorney Rulik that they had been indicted for alleged conspiracy against the government in the land fraud cases. One was indicted by the federal grand jury at Boise March 22 and the other April 19.

### GETTING MAGAZINE WRITER WANTED BY LOCAL OFFICERS

Wallace Wyoff, the Outing Magazine writer, who was here several weeks ago, having gone up the McKenzie river to write up that portion of the county for his publication, is wanted by the local officers for larceny by baillee. A warrant has been issued from Justice of the Peace Bryson's court, charging him with keeping a shotgun which he rented from W. H. Kay, of this city, at the time of his trip up the McKenzie. Wyoff's whereabouts is not known at the present time.

### A Narrow Escape

G. W. Cloyd, a merchant of Plunk, Mo., had a narrow escape four years ago, when he ran a jimson bur into his thumb. He says: "The doctor wanted to amputate it, but I would not consent. I bought a box of Bucklen's Arnica Salve and that cured the dangerous wound." 25c at W. L. De Leno's drug store.

It's too bad to see people who go from day to day suffering from physical weakness, when Rocky Mountain Tea would strengthen them. Tea or tablets, 35 cents. Linn Drug Co.

### FORTY-ONE CHARTER MEMBERS M'KENZIE CAMP

Forty-one is the number of charter members of General McKenzie camp No. 31, Sons of Veterans, which was mustered in in G. A. R. hall last night. The mustering in officer was Hon. Chas. H. Baker, commander of the local post of G. A. R. There was a large attendance of the G. A. R., as well as of the W. R. C., besides the Sons of Veterans and their families, and a delightful evening was spent.

The officers of the camp were installed as follows: Captain, W. Crane first lieutenant, W. W. Martin; second lieutenant, H. K. Shirik; first sergeant, M. S. Huddle; sergeant of the guard, John Anderson; color sergeant, W. A. Bell; principal musician, Bert Vincent; corporal of the guard, E. E. Quimby; camp guard, A. C. Beamer.

Rev. O. C. Wright, L. M. Travis, and W. A. Bell were appointed as committee on constitution and by-laws.

### The Charter List

The charter members of the camp are as follows: Will G. Gilstrap, W. F. Gilstrap, Ernest Gilstrap, Wm. A. Crane, W. W. Martin, M. S. Huddle, H. W. Hall, John Q. Anderson, H. N. Mount, F. M. Day, E. G. Stickle, Guy Lester, Lent Lester, Wm. H. Vincent, Wm. G. Martin, Earl A. Pryor, Harvey A. Wheeler, F. T. Blank, A. C. Beamer, Joseph H. McClintic, Merrit B. Huntley, W. J. Bowman, R. J. Moore, Jos. C. Merkel, Ora C. Wright, Ernest U. Lee, Lee M. Travis, H. K. Shirik, E. J. Moore, J. M. Wells, Wm. G. White, Benjamin F. Crum, T. K. Johnson, E. E. Quimby, W. A. Bell, O. Temple, J. McCormick, Charles H. Fisher, J. H. Miller, A. B. Anderson, Charles L. Strubin.

### NEW STONE QUARRY WILL BE OPENED

C. McAlpin Has Leased Tract on College Hill from J. S. Luckey, and Will Market Brown Rock for Building Purposes.

C. McAlpin, who is employed as cutter in Lake's marble works, has leased a tract of land on the south slope of College Hill and will open up a new stone quarry there. The work will begin next week. Samples of the stone are on exhibition at the marble works, and they appear to be a very good building material. There is a large quantity of the stone on College Hill, and the deposit will be worked extensively. The stone is different from the Fairmount stone, which is used exclusively in building operations here now. It is of a light brown color and is said to be harder than the other, which is blue in color. Mr. McAlpin thinks there will be a good demand for building stone from now on for several years, and expects to do a prosperous business. The land on which the quarry is located is owned by J. S. Luckey, the brewer. It is said that before the Fairmount quarries were opened this stone was used altogether in building operations here.

### ARE DEVELOPING COAL PROPERTIES

W. Hutchings, president of the Great American Mining Company, arrived here this morning from Portland for the purpose of overseeing the beginning of the work of developing the coal properties which the company has secured south of Eugene, in the vicinity of Crewell, as previously mentioned by the Guard. A gang of Japanese laborers arrived up from Portland this afternoon and were at once taken to the mines to open up the property. Mr. Hutchings while in the city this morning purchased a large order of picks and shovels, wheelbarrows and other implements that are used in coal mining and they were started for the scene of operations during the day.

The great American Company is financed by Chinese capitalists and it is said they have no stock for sale. The backers of the enterprise have plenty of money and are determined to find out whether or not coal in paying quantities exists in this locality. The experts who have examined the deposits say they are of the opinion that a very large vein can be found if the proper depth is reached and the company will spare no expense to reach it.

If a good supply of marketable coal is found there it will mean much to Eugene and the upper Willamette valley. This company asks no help from the people and is operating on an independent basis. It should be given every encouragement by the citizens of Eugene.

One of the biggest Dolly Varden trout ever seen here was brought down on the McKenzie stage last night for G. W. Griffin. It weighed 19 1/2 pounds, and was 28 inches long. Lou Beebe caught it and three other big ones Sunday.

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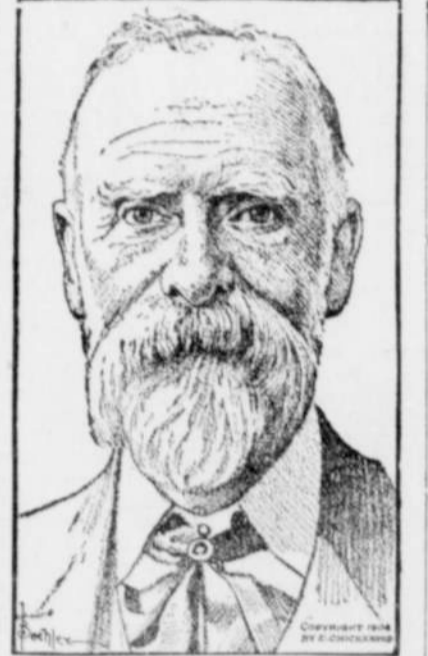
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### JAMES BRYCE SPEAKER AT CENTENNIAL

Norfolk, Va., May 12.—The three hundredth anniversary of the landing of the first English colonists was celebrated on Jamestown island today with patriotic exercises and addresses, the speakers including Hon. Jas. Bryce, British ambassador to the United States, Governor Swanson, of Virginia, and Dr. Thomas Nelson Page. Scores of boats were pressed into service to carry the thousands



JAMES BRYCE. New British ambassador to the United States and author of "The American Commonwealth."

### OF VISITORS FROM NORFOLK AND THE EXPOSITION GROUNDS TO THE HISTORIC ISLAND.

Much rivalry has developed among the crews of the different warships in preparing the floats and electric displays, and as a result the naval spectacle will undoubtedly be the most beautiful ever witnessed anywhere.

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