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Dear Brother,
Since the meeting of the Executive Committee, several little matters have come to my attention which it is desirable to have inserted in the document on "Origin of American Sabbath Union", about to be printed:

1. To add to Honorary members, Hon. Wm. H. Howland of Topronto.
2. To add to the incomplete list of Vice Presidents -- For New Mexico, Rev. W. R. Connelly; for Arizona, Rev. R. A. Wines; for Alaska, Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D. Lithe
3. To add to Executive Committee, Mr. R. R. Doherty, Ph. D., Mr. C. B. Fairchild, Mr. Wm. Irwin, Rev. W. J. Simmons. Mr. Pair child is the editor of a railroad paper in New York that has strongly endorsed our movement; Mr. Irwin a well known lawyer, a foster son of Dr. Hall and Rev. W. J. Simmons is a colored Baptist --- an honorary appointment as he lives in Louisville, to offset two colored Methodists already in the Board.
4. To change the title "Organizing and Financial Secretary" (which ir. Crafts increasingly dislikes) to "Field Secretary", which I find is used for work corresponding to his in the Evangel-
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Among my first recollections of liother is the scene 48 years ago when sitting behind the head of the dying husband of her youth she tenderly adjusted the pillow and repeated the hymn she had taught him by singing it.

> Swift as my fleeting days decline,
> The appointed hour draws nigh, When from the busy scenes of time I must retire and die.

Her baptism six months later in the ruming waters of Mas on's Brook in her native town of Leeds Me., deeply impressed me though but seven years old. Henceforth I looked upon my Mother as a Christian. No matter what I was or what the other boys were, Mother was one of Christs Church. Her widow's life with the sole care of three children was not an easy one. Nor were her cares and labors greatly diminished, when by marriage to our kind second father, Col. John Gilmore, we were added to a large household in which were three unmarried step children, living on a large farm seven miles from any village, where she was often destitute of adequate domestic help. Her excellent husband though never lacking in outward respect for religion was not a member of any church. The wife and Mother must decide and lead in all distinctly religious duties. It was her decision that never allowed our absence from the Church or SabbathSchool. Her plans and energies supplied us with clothing and enforced lessons of truthful)fness, industry, study and demeanor. She insisted that we should do right and by persuasion, reproof, prayer and sometimes punishment she secured her object, as well perh haps as most mothers who have no better dispositions to deal with.

In those years when afflicted by ill health overworked, anxious and nervously exhausted, unobserved except by our Heavainly Father and but little thanked by thoughtless childhood, she wrought for us tha for which we feel most graieful to-day. Her repeated admonitions were, "Attend School." "Be Scholars*" "Be Christians." "Do something wor th while." "Be Somebody"

Our three miles ride in crowded carriages to the "Center Meeting House ${ }^{\text {" }}$ our Winter walks of a mile over bleak hills to the District school on Quaker Ridge -- how little necessary the se seemed to us then How important now.

Your present pastor and his revered predecessor have spoken fiuting and touching words to-day, testifying to the Christian earnestness and exemplary life and character of our Mother during these thirteen years in which she has lived at Glencoe. But you cannot know and honor our mother of course as we do. I do not mean as her children but as those who were with her when she was bearing the burden and heat of her life's day.



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December 24th, 1888.

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