

United States, the man for the hour, such a man as Abraham Lincoln, for instance, would appear and take the helm of this government."

For the purpose of doing all in our power toward educating the people, by showing the need for reform, by convincing men and women that we might have what we all ardently desire, a pure government by and for the people, if we would work unselfishly to that end, we decided that we would organize an outer work with a free platform for the discussion of all national, social, ethical and economic subjects, to be known as the Temples of Brotherhood; but which should not be connected with or controlled by any inner or outer organization, and that we would affiliate with all other similar organizations and work for the unifying and purifying of all reform elements in whatever direction such might lead. For the purpose of organizing this movement, we had decided to call a convention to meet on the 15th of April. Recent events have rendered it impossible to do this at the anticipated time, and we are reluctantly obliged to postpone it until later in the year. But I cannot too strongly assert, that aside from the beliefs and reasons outlined above, The Temple as a body has nothing to do with present political parties or methods. It is one body of students of occultism under the teaching of one whom we have had ample reason for believing a true leader and teacher of mankind, and who is one of the seven Masters, four of whom are known to some extent to many true students of occultism. With all such students, we believe that in order to further our own evolution, if for no higher motive, we must lose no opportunity for furthering the evolution of all the atoms of "the great Orphan" Humanity, with whom we may be able to come into contact or to influence. We have also been told that, "while all the great teachers or Masters work incessantly to benefit humanity, each one has his cyclic opportunity for engaging more particularly in each division of the great work;" and the teacher above mentioned is simply using his own cyclic opportunity in the outer work, at present assisted by the others on inner or more secret lines of work.

We cordially invite correspondence from all our comrades of all divisions of Theosophical thought, and cannot too strongly reiterate our former statements of a hearty desire to co-operate with any and all who hold to the belief in the Brotherhood of Man and the Father-Motherhood of God or the Higher Self.

Trusting I have not infringed upon the good nature and time of our friends of THE LAMP.

I am, in all sincerity,

Your Comrade and Sister

"B. S."

Syracuse, N.Y., Feb. 28.