

To the Messenger

I enjoyed a visit of two Sabbaths, with the St. Louis church June 13 and 20, after an absence of three years. Elder Murrel, former pastor of the church, was in the pulpit both Sabbaths.

Next Sabbath I intend to visit the colored church with whom I worked years ago. I expect to receive sufficient benefit, musically, this week, to repay me for coming to St. Louis if there were no other inducements. The thirteenth annual convention of the Missouri Music Teachers' Association begins Tuesday and will continue through Friday. Three of my former teachers will take prominent parts. The world-famed organist, Charles Galloway, will give an organ recital. The great E. R. Kroger will be heard in piano recital. One of the most interesting features of the convention will be a paper by Mr. Galloway in which he will severely criticise the character of music used in Sunday-schools. He will charge that rag time and dance music accompanied by religious words, is a common thing in Sunday-schools.

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