

WHAT WAS THE MIND OF ELLEN WHITE  
ON THE LAND DEAL

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Dear Brother White:-

I enclose you in this a letter I have just sent to America. This morning I mailed one to you and one to him. <sup>To A. A. A. (to the Sec. Conf.)</sup> In the one I sent to you I sent a copy of the one I sent to him. In this I send another copy which speaks for itself. I am now glad that I have sent you my correspondence on the land question which we have had. I think however we have written them in America on this subject which I did not send you a copy. But it is not very encouraging to find such words in our Sentinel, especially with the elements we find over here.

I hope you will call your mother's attention to the position we have taken and see if she has any light on the subject. — If in taking that land ~~have~~ we violated any principle of the gospel. I write this to you without making any allusion to it to her. Now I write this so you can have how it is and how it will be looked upon at this end of the line. ~~Our brethren here are none too loyal anyway. I mean in particular the Wessel family. Not all of them but many of them, or I will put it another way, some of them.~~ Such articles do not help the cause any over here. But the main question is, are we right in it or are we not. If we know what the right is, we shall fight it out on that line and that line alone.

But whether we are right or wrong that is not the way to convert us and make us feel very good over here. I suppose they will not believe until they send over here someone who will investigate and settle it for themselves.

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I came and very probably am not sound in the faith according to their views so they will have to send another. I was glad that Brother Sisely was here so in some things that had to be decided it was not my opinion alone that had to be taken. And if we had him here at the present or some other person it might help some on this question.

You have the matter before you and now if you do not object I wish that you would read the letters to her copies of which I have sent you or in some way get it before her mind so we can know her mind on the matter.

I write this in great haste, ~~so if it is possible, get it on the same boat I sent the letter on just before this.~~

In hope,

(Signed) S. N. Haskell