

Register of the

Albert E. Horsley Diaries
(Pseud. Harry Orchard)

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Scope and Content:

Albert E. Horsley was born in Northumberland County, Ontario, Canada, March 18, 1866 and died at the Idaho State Penitentiary, April 13, 1954. He used as a pseudonym, Harry Orchard. Horsley lived a life of violence staying just ahead of the law for a number of years. Soon after murdering former Idaho Governor Frank Steunenberg using a bomb, he was arrested and sent to the Idaho State Penitentiary at Boise. Mrs. Steunenberg, the widow of the assassinated man, was instrumental in winning Horsley to Christ by her message of forgiveness sent to him along with Christian literature. He was baptized in 1908 and never deviated from his walk with God. Though never freed, he rejoiced in the soul freedom that he ever had in Christ.

He wrote the story of his life, particularly his Christian experience. He asked LeRoy Edwin Froom to edit the manuscript. It was published in 1952 under the title, *Harry Orchard, the Man God Made Again*. This book has been instrumental in turning criminals to righteousness.

The collection consists of six diaries written by Albert E. Horsley (Harry Orchard).

Arrangement

The diaries are arranged in chronological order.

Provenance

During academic year 1996-1997, Elsie Froom (relative of Leroy Edwin Froom) donated Horsley's diaries to the Adventist Heritage Center under Jim Ford. In the annual report for that year, the donation was recorded as follows: "Elsie Froom donated many books from the library of LeRoy E. Froom. Also nearly 200 photographs, and material employed by L.E. Froom in writing his book on Harry Orchard." These diaries contain telltale markings from a red pencil, which resemble Froom's markings elsewhere. These diaries are almost assuredly the "materials" referenced in 1997.

Use

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