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"THEN THEY THAT FEARED THE LORD SPAKE OFTEN ONE TO ANOTHER."

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THE CHURCH

Only One Life

'Tis not for man to trifle: life is brief,
And sin is here.
Our age is but the falling of a leaf,
A dropping tear.
We have no time to sport away the hours;
All must be earnest in a world like ours.

Not *many* lives, but only *one* have we;
One, only one.

How sacred should that one life ever be—
Day after day filled up with blessed toil,
Hour after hour still bringing in new spoil!
—Anon.

"And He Believed in the Lord"

The above statement is God's testimony of Abraham, who believed that God was able to do just what He said, even though there seemed to be tremendous obstacles in the way. Though what the Lord told him was contrary to nature, and to all human appearances a tremendous problem for solution, he, nevertheless, accepted God's statement as truth, and, as a result, God made him a righteous man. And we are told in the Word of God that this statement, quoted as the heading, "was not written for his sake alone, . . . but for us also, . . . if we believe on Him that raised up Jesus our Lord from the dead." Rom. 4:23, 24.

When, four years ago, the word of the Lord came to this people that the Lord had inaugurated a plan whereby our schools could

be free from debt, to many it seemed an almost impossible thing. There were many obstacles, and the plan itself seemed such a strange way to accomplish so mighty a task. Who would naturally have thought that hundreds of thousands of dollars could be raised by the selling of "Christ's Object Lessons"? But God said that it could and would be done; and every one who accepted this statement as the word of the Lord knows how remarkably and wonderfully God demonstrated His truth.

The writer well remembers when the testimony was first read, what an impression it made upon his soul, and what a burden seemed to rest with it. God had said that not only was it to be done, that this book was to be sold for the relief of our schools, but that it was to be a test to the people of God, to see if they would be willing to deny themselves, and sacrifice for the work of God. Having Canaan in view as the objective point, and the personal presence of Jesus Christ as the goal of ambition, and righteousness by faith as the sole means of obtaining these blessed results, what could be done, save to obey what the Lord has said?

Immediately obeying the word of the Lord, the Lord opened wonderful doors and avenues whereby the book could be sold. Angels of God did certainly go with and before the work to prepare the way. People were met in offices, in stores, in factories, in warehouses, on the street, in the roads, on the sidewalks, in the

street-cars, on the steam cars, in churches, in the homes, and in every other place where access could be obtained. Scores and hundreds of the books found their way into the homes of the people, as well as into the hands of ministers. No less than eight or nine ministers advertised the book before thousands of people on Sunday and other evenings, recommending it as highly as any of our own brethren could do, as well as doing all in their power to circulate it. Scores of names were given among their best people to purchase it, and one minister, of his own accord, secured a horse and buggy and drove us around from house to house among his parishioners, and waited without to care for the horse while we entered the homes to sell the book.

Then the Lord said that this book would be a blessing in the homes of the people, would convert sinners, and heal backsliders. What joy it brought to the soul to see the tears run down the faces while the precious truths contained in this blessed volume were read to them. Angels, indeed, did accompany the truths of this book.

Then the Lord said that this book would be a means of uniting the churches in love and fellowship. What a pleasure it was to the writer one day to see the brethren and sisters who had been estranged from each other for more than a score of years, in the same church, lay aside all differences and estrangement, and heartily unite as one in carrying

out the plan of God. What a joy it was to see them greet each other as brethren and sisters in the Lord, and manifest a spirit of love and co-operation that almost surprised themselves. But this is what God said it would do; and it was even so. Blessed be God for His precious word!

And how truly has the four-fold promise been fulfilled,—a blessing to the people who have received the book, a blessing to the church that has sold the book, a blessing to the worker who has sold the book, a blessing to the school that has received the money to relieve the indebtedness. Never has there come a greater blessing into the life and experience of the writer than was received while selling the scores and many hundreds of these books.

May God help us, one and all, to do our part as has been indicated, that the reproach may be rolled away from the people of God, and we be found, like Abraham, to be friends of God, because we obey His voice and keep His charge. "And he believed in the Lord; and He counted it to him for righteousness," "and he was called the friend of God." Gen. 15:6; James 2:23.

G.

"By the terms of our stewardship we are placed under obligation, not only to God, but to man. To the infinite love of the Redeemer every human being is indebted for the gifts of life. Food and raiment and shelter, body and mind and soul,—all are the purchase of His blood. And by the obligation of gratitude and service thus imposed, Christ has bound us to our fellow men. He bids us: 'By love serve one another.' 'Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these My brethren, ye have done it unto Me.'"

"Wealth gotten in haste shall be diminished, but he that gathereth by labor shall have increase."

THE FIELD

Mississippi

The Lord is still at work in Mississippi. July 2, five were baptized in Laurel, where we held our last series of meetings, and last Sabbath five were baptized at Ellisville, where we held our first series of meetings last fall.

On the 10th inst. a church of seventeen members was organized at Ellisville. This makes the fifth church organized in this conference since last November. The others were brought out largely as a result of our mission school work. I think there are from sixty to seventy-five more Sabbath-keepers in the state than there were one year ago. A few, it is true, have moved in from abroad.

We trust our kind California people will see that their investment in this part of God's vineyard is not without results. The Southern Missionary Society has begun a good work, and if our people will liberally respond to assist, a still greater work can be accomplished.

Now is the time to work, for tomorrow the doors may be closed in some places forever which are open to-day. I expect to try to interest some of our Northern friends in this work. I shall probably be away from home one or two months, and while away I hope to visit the friends of my childhood in old New York State.

H. G. Thurston.

Meridian, Miss., July 12.

Bowman, Ga.

Elder F. R. Shaeffer and I commenced meetings in our tent at Elberton, May 4, and closed them July 10. As a result of our work there, three or more have begun to observe the Sabbath. These are all grown persons, and some of their children keep the Sabbath with them. We are now only twelve miles from there, and expect to visit and help them frequently.

We came here the 12th, and our tent has not been large enough to hold the people. The grove in

which our tent is pitched was secured from an infidel. Other denominations have tried to get the grounds on which to hold tent meetings, but have always failed. We believe the Lord worked for Brother Shaeffer in giving him favor with this man.

Brethren and sisters, pray for the work in Georgia.

H. F. Courter.

July 19.

WESTERN OREGON

A Call to Service

Souls are perishing on every hand. The Saviour is calling for consecrated Christians, who will co-operate with Him in soul-saving. There are many ways in which this may be done. The first and greatest need for consecrated Christian workers is in their own homes and around their firesides. When one has proven his ability to work for the Lord in his home field, he may branch out, and expect God's blessing to attend his efforts elsewhere. The Lord is calling for laborers, and we should find our place and in His fear seek to fill it.

No doubt a burden for the ministerial and medical work is falling on many. We also know the tender Spirit is striving with others to circulate the printed page, in this way giving to the world the message which is due at this time of Jesus' soon coming.

I have but lately taken up work in western Oregon, and am not acquainted with many of the workers in this conference, but I would like to hear from all who are now canvassing, those who expect to do so later, and every one who would like a preparation for this important branch of the Lord's work. We are now planning to assist all such worthy persons to get a preparation for the work, such as we hope will help them to become soul-winning canvassers.

Will not all such persons kindly write me at 285 Salmon Street, Portland, Ore.?

F. E. Fairchild,
State Canvassing Agent.

UPPER COLUMBIA

Spokane Sanitarium

The "Recorder" readers are doubtless more or less interested in the loss sustained by the Spokane Sanitarium, so we present at this time some of the facts connected with that loss.

The fire originated in a small building at the rear of the building destroyed, at about 4:30 A. M., July 7. The alarm was given as soon as the blaze was discovered. The city fire department arrived before the large building had caught fire, but did not seem able to accomplish much. Every patient's room in the building was occupied at the time, but all were rescued without injury to any. The lady nurses occupied the upper floor of the house. In getting the sick people to safety, many of them neglected their own personal belongings till too late, and so lost all they had. This is a severe loss to them.

The loss to the institution is about \$15,000; insurance, \$7,500.

Our work at the time of the fire occupied two large buildings, one of which we owned, and one was rented. The rented building, the larger, was spared. The number of patients was a little smaller at the time of the fire than usual, there being but twenty-three in all. It was gratifying to see all these stay with us, although our treatment facilities were destroyed. A large unoccupied basement in the remaining building has been fitted up into very commodious treatment rooms, and we are now doing as much or more business than for a short time before the fire.

The insurance on the property was sufficient to pay all indebtedness of every nature, and leave us a small cash surplus. Besides, we have the lots on which the burned building was located and the business we are now doing. Our indebtedness had been reduced about one-half in the last two years. Our loss will equal that or a little more, so that financially we are about where we were then.

But we trust that we are richer in wisdom.

Our board has not yet decided what shall be done in the future. For some time previous to the fire we felt the need of a city office and treatment rooms. These have been secured since, and in them we can care for our city patronage, a thing we could not do with our facilities at the sanitarium.

S. Yarnell.

Upper Columbia Canvassers

From the canvassers' reports it appears that our force is largely handling the health books. It is, however, a fact that all of the agents, with one exception, are handling some of our religious books in connection with the health books. A large portion of our territory has been worked very thoroughly with such books as "Great Controversy," "Daniel and Revelation," "Prophecies of Jesus," etc., as well as with the health books, and the territory is now being worked again successfully by handling the two lines of books together. Thousands of dollars' worth of religious books are being sold which are simply reported as helps.

Sister Fannie Gillaspy, in sending in her two weeks' report, ending July 16, wrote: "I spent two days the first week in taking orders amounting to \$40. The second week I spent one day, after driving eight miles. I took orders amounting to \$30, and returned home by six o'clock in the evening."

One of our canvassers, who thought he had been in a hard field, counted his sales for the week on Friday morning, which amounted to \$51. He thought that it was useless to try any farther in that neighborhood, as he had traveled up the valley for fifteen miles, and had visited every family, with the exception of five or six, and had not taken an order nor sold a help. However, he decided to give them all a call before he left, and the result was \$25.50 worth of sales by

noon; \$9.25 of this amount were cash sales.

Brother Edwin Sargeant, in a recent letter, remarked about the many books that he finds in his territory the same as the one he is now handling. He writes: "Don't understand at all that I am downhearted, for if I can sell but a few of these excellent books I feel that some good is being accomplished."

A number of applications to enter the canvassing work have recently been made. Among them are those not of our faith. Shall we allow the Lord to lay the burden of our work upon others? T. G. Johnson.

WESTERN WASHINGTON

Etna

On March 13, 1903, I organized a church of eight members at this place. Two have joined by letter since, and two more made application for membership last Sabbath, and were accepted. The Spirit of God was present, and eleven of the youth presented themselves for baptism. On the next day we met at the home of a brother, and one more made a start. We repaired to the edge of Lewis River, where the water is pure and clear as a crystal, and there I baptized the twelve,—six boys and six girls. The sweet Spirit of the Lord came upon us. Every heart was full of praise.

That same afternoon I went up the river eight or ten miles to the home of another brother. Three of his children had desired baptism. The eldest son was away, not to return till the next Sabbath. As my time was limited, I counseled with them, and decided to baptize the two. Then another child requested baptism also, and still another, but the parents thought that the fourth was too young, as he lacked a few days of seven years. At the river's edge, however, he again urged his rights. The mother consented, and I baptized him. He seemed to realize his responsibilities as much as his older broth-

ers. The parents wept for joy to see all their children move forward in the way of righteousness. We all felt the power of the Spirit of God resting upon us, and praise His name. These unite with the Etna church, making, in all, twenty-eight members at present. The Etna church expects soon to build a schoolhouse for a church school. As the brother above mentioned is alone, he expects to have a family school for his children.

On July 9, I met the Ridgefield church. They are erecting a building for their church school. There will be twelve or fifteen pupils. This church is moving forward in the counsel of God.

A. J. Stover.

Sara, Wash.

MONTANA

Pony

We came to this town with J. C. Foster early in July, and have since been laboring faithfully for the Master. During the first two weeks bad weather interfered very much with the work, but, in spite of the weather and other drawbacks, we are beginning to see evidences of God's Holy Spirit working upon the hearts of the people, and a deep interest in His Word seems to be taking root in the hearts of some.

As Elder Foster's health was very poor from the first, the bulk of the work fell upon Mrs. Holden and me. The people did not seem much inclined to come to the tent, so we decided to carry the truth to their doors, which is resulting in thorough house-to-house visiting, with a steadily growing interest. We have in every case thus far found a welcome in the homes, and the people are very agreeable and friendly.

We are sorry to report that Elder Foster's health grew worse, and we finally thought it best for him to leave us. He is a good soldier in the Master's cause, and while here he seemed determined to hold out even longer than he

should have done; but Tuesday morning there seemed to be no light in his staying any longer, and he left for home on the noon train. Mrs. Holden and I have been alone for a few days, but expect Elder J. A. Holbrook will be with us at noon to-day. He will doubtless remain with us a week or ten days.

Due to our house-to-house work, our attendance at the evening services is increasing, and we feel sure that the Lord has not sent us here in vain. Wednesday evening Mrs. Holden gave a Bible study on the judgment to a very attentive audience. There were about sixty present to hear the reading, and we feel certain that God was with us. The Master's work is the joy of our lives.

W. H. Holden.

July 22.

CALIFORNIA

The Young People at the Oakland Camp-meeting.

This meeting was held at Bushrod Park, June 1-12.

Early in the meeting Elder B. F. Richards was elected to the superintendency of the young people's work in this conference, and took charge of this branch of the work on the camp-ground. He was assisted by the writer and others. At the second meeting an earnest corps of workers was secured from among the young people. These made it their business to canvass the ground for those who were in need of help. We did not accomplish all we desired in all cases, but many were helped into the clear light.

The deep, positive experience of many of the young people shows a marked growth during the past year. It was an inspiration just to stand before them and look into their faces.

An interesting feature of nearly every testimony was the expression of an earnest desire to be wholly consecrated to God for service. Brother Spicer's talks helped all to include in this consecration the thought of a thorough preparation for service.

At the close of this meeting, fifteen of the young people, together with five older candidates, left a grave behind them in the baptismal font of the Oakland church and arose to walk in a new life. This service was followed by an earnest season of prayer for the reception of the Holy Spirit.

God is surely preparing the young people to do a mighty work in the earth. Let none fail nor be discouraged. To me this was the best camp-meeting I ever attended.

B. L. Howe.

420 Dolores St., San Francisco.

One Day at the Dispensary

One patient, who has been in bed for many weeks, is now able to get out without assistance. I have been to treat her three times a week for three months, and hope she will soon be able to come to the dispensary.

Mrs. R., previously mentioned as the old lady whom I moved from the damp room three years ago, is much in need of a room with kind, congenial people. I hope plans now on foot may mature which will place her in a "rest cottage," where dear old people like her may find care and love for their last days.

There were six patients at the dispensary this afternoon. We began our work with a short study on the promises that belong to us through faith. After our study, we had prayer.

There were two new patients anxious to know what they could eat and how they could regulate their lives so as to be in harmony with nature's laws, so long broken. Both were suffering severely from rheumatism. Another rheumatic patient, who had suffered much of many physicians, found relief after having the painful knees fomented for one hour, the electric light for fifteen minutes, and the hot spray, followed by the cold needle spray.

One sister came in to-day to assist, and one to learn how to give treatments. The women's

department closes at five, when the men come for treatment. Mr. Speedie cared for four during the evening. One young Jew, who had found Jesus and given up Judaism, lost home, friends, and earthly prospects. He was very much run down physically, but is slowly improving.

A German came in for his third treatment. Having lost his health in a distant state, he sold what little he had, and brought his family to California, seeking health. They are in great need, but are too proud to accept charity for food, yet come for treatments. The other two were rheumatic cases, who have been coming for some time.

I left the dispensary at five P. M., to make two calls on my way home. One was on the poor paralytic mentioned by Sister Bainbridge in her report a short time ago. The sisters were so glad to see me, and expressed their joy not only in words, but in tears.

God has blessed us very much this month, and our courage is good. The harvest is white, but the laborers are few.

Mrs. Andrew Speedie.
420 Dolores St., San Francisco.
July 11.

Modesto

Our meetings still continue with interest at this place. We held our second Sabbath service July 23, and organized a Sabbath-school of twenty-four members.

In our social meeting a gentleman arose and said: "I must speak of the light that has flooded my soul the past two weeks at these meetings. I have been a member of the Baptist Church for many years, and at different times have asked my pastor why we worshiped on the first day of the week, and he would explain and smooth it over, not quite satisfactorily to my conscience. But now it is clear to me that the seventh day is the Sabbath, and I can not resist the Spirit. This is the first Sabbath I have ever kept in my life. I thank God for the light, and mean to walk in it.

Pray for me." We are very thankful to God to see fruit appearing so soon. Others are deeply interested, and we pray they may soon decide for the right.

The town is billed for a four days' show in a large pavilion next week. I do not know what effect this will have on our attendance. But we may expect they will have the larger audience. Pray for the work here.

C. M. Gardner and family.

From California Canvassers

Sister Mable Stone writes: "I am of good courage, and am determined that, by God's help, I will make a success of the can-

vassing work. I ask an interest in the prayers of you all."

Susie Barker says: "The Lord is blessing us, and directing our footsteps to the most needy. We have the privilege of speaking words of cheer to the suffering and encouraging them on the Christian pathway."

Myrtle Blake writes: "I trust in God, and He will help us to make a success, even if the territory is hard. The carnival here has interfered with our work somewhat. I meet with many who are anxious to listen to the Word, but too poor to buy; but in this way the message is carried from door to door, for which I thank the Lord."

Report of California Church-school Work, Eighth Month, 1903-04

NAME OF SCHOOL	No. Boys Enrolled.....	No. Girls Enrolled.....	Total Enrolment...	No. New Pupils	Average Daily Attendance...	Average No. Belonging.....	Per cent of Attendance...	Tardinesses....	No. Visits by Board	No. Visits by Others	Scholarship.....
Healdsburg:—											
Advanced Department	17	32	49	0	24.2	25.6	94.0	16	0	8	.....
Intermediate Dep't.....	23	27	50	2	28.6	29.9	95.6	27	0	4	.....
Primary Department...	29	31	60	3	31.5	36.2	87.1	60	1	2	.....
	69	90	159	5	84.3	93.7	90.0	103	1	14	.....
Oakland:—											
Advanced Department	11	11	22	0	15.5	16.5	94.0	33	0	0	.....
Intermediate Dep't.....	17	20	37	3	17.1	18.6	92.0	37	0	5	.....
Primary Department...	21	19	40	3	23.5	24.7	95.2	21	0	20	.....
	49	50	99	6	56.1	59.8	93.8	91	0	25	.....
Fresno:—											
Advanced Department	24	21	45	0	30.3	31.0	98.0	13	0	0	.....
Primary Department...	15	15	30	0	16.9	17.7	95.6	12	0	15	.....
	39	36	75	0	47.2	48.7	96.0	25	0	15	.....
San Francisco:—											
Advanced Department	9	15	24	1	15.5	17.0	90.0	4	0	0	90
Primary Department...	16	12	28	1	15.2	17.2	88.4	21	0	6	89
	25	27	52	2	30.7	34.2	89.2	25	0	6	89
Sanitarium	21	23	44	0	26.2	29.8	88.0	39	0	2	.....
Hanford	19	24	43	0	31.5	35.0	90.0	0	0	2	.....
Eureka	16	14	30	0	15.5	18.0	82.2	0	2	6	88
Red Bluff.	6	19	25	0	12.0	13.4	89.4	10	1	11	90
Reno	3	11	14	0	12.3	13.2	93.0	0	0	0	83
Alameda	7	4	11	0	6.4	7.0	91.0	6	0	0	93
Glennville	3	1	4	0	4.0	4.0	100.0	6	0	2	93
Alton	4	7	11	0	4.5	5.0	90.0	0	1	2	93
Sebastopol (No report).....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Totals.....	261	306	567	13	330.7	361.8	91.4	305	5	85	90

The total enrolment is much reduced this month because so many of the schools have closed. The per cent of attendance on the average number belonging remains high. The tardinesses are considerably reduced, which is a creditable thing. But the visits by members of the church school boards are very limited indeed. This is to be regretted.

J. S. Osborne,

Church School Sup't, California Conference.

Healdsburg, June 19, 1904.

Conference Tithe Receipts for May.

Bakersfield, \$4.10; Berkeley, \$3.50; Burrough, \$45.00; Chico, \$53.23; Dows Prairie, \$23.50; Eureka, \$109.05; Fresno, \$16.80; Grass Valley, \$2.90; Hanford, \$14.50; Healdsburg, \$25.50; Lockwood, \$2.50; Oakland, \$547.78; Pepperwood, \$10.00; Personal, \$82.80; Petaluma, \$31.05; Red Bluff, \$51.00; Reno, \$310.60; San Francisco, \$200.00; San Jose, \$171.24; Sebastopol, \$34.78; Susanville, \$12.90; St. Helena, \$82.85; Vacaville, \$11.54; Woodland, \$57.00. Total, \$1,904.12.

FOR JUNE.

Alameda, \$125.37; Armona, \$4.50; Arroyo Grande, \$25.00; Berkeley, \$146.03; Buckeye, \$13.60; Burrough, \$54.00; Hughson, \$6.00; Crows Landing, \$10.00; Dinuba, \$32.30; Ferndale, \$41.45; Fresno, \$2.50; Hanford, \$40.95; Healdsburg, \$8.10; Lemoore, \$57.05; Lockwood, \$89.60; Lodi, \$103.70; Monterey, \$7.00; Napa, \$10.00; Oakland, \$573.90; Personal, \$78.35; Placerville, \$20.60; Reno, \$10.50; Sacramento, \$150.25; San Francisco, \$208.50; Sanitarium, \$19.72; San Luis Obispo, \$18.80; Sebastopol, \$9.35; St. Helena, \$97.75; Vacaville, \$3.50; Vallejo, \$20.70; Valencia St., \$97.75; Woodland, \$21.15. Total, \$2,107.97.

Obituary

Died—In Jacobson Valley, July 11, 1904, of heart failure, John Colgrove Brayton, aged 72 years, 11 months, 6 days. He was born in New York State and came to California in 1870, spending the most of his time since then in Humboldt County. He accepted present truth in 1901 and was baptized by Elder Gardner. He lived a consistent life and was highly respected by his neighbors and friends. He leaves a widow and five children to mourn their loss of a loving husband and father. A large concourse of people attended the funeral services, conducted by the writer.

Andrew Brorsen.

538 F St., Eureka, Cal., July 21.

Annual Meeting of the California Medical Missionary and Be- nevolent Association.

The seventh annual meeting of the California Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association was held at Sanitarium, Napa County, California, on Wednesday, June 15, 1904.

The meeting was full of interest, and important plans were considered which will no doubt have an important bearing upon the future of our medical missionary work.

The president of the association, Dr. T. J. Evans, stated in his address that during the past year no particularly aggressive work had been done for the field in the starting of new enterprises, but that the energies of the association had been largely devoted to efforts to place every institution already established on a self-supporting basis; that we had not felt justified in going ahead with new enterprises, while permitting those already established to languish. The board have studied into the condition and running of every branch that has not been paying expenses, and have tried to find out the reason why, and to make such changes as would result in gain to the work, instead of loss. He stated that the St. Helena Sanitarium, during the past year, had been wonderfully blessed of God, not only in the number of patients, but in a financial way, and, instead of a loss from month to month, that there had been a gradual gain for nearly every month during the year; that, in the interests of economy, the number of employees was reduced to the lowest number consistent with first-class work.

Reference was also made to the transfer to the Review and Herald Publishing Association at Washington, D. C., of the "Pacific Health Journal," and that the first number to be issued from the Washington office would bear the imprint of the Review and Herald office in July, 1904.

The work of the St. Helena Sanitarium Training School was also referred to briefly, and it was stated that the school had been doing a good work during the year in preparing workers who had gone out to different parts of the field.

L. M. Bowen, business manager of the St. Helena Sanitarium, presented a comprehensive report of the condition and work of the institution for the year, making interesting comparisons with the results obtained in previous years. In part, he said:—

"While the prospects from a financial standpoint were not flattering at the beginning of 1903, we are glad to be able to report that the progress during the year was very satisfactory, and that, as a result of the twelve months' work, a substantial gain was realized. Owing to the depressed conditions existing in January and February of 1903, the entire sanitarium family was called together, and it was unanimously decided that each one, so far as possible, should

donate towards the running expenses for four weeks, each one giving what he felt able to contribute. Some worked for their board only, while others gave their entire salary for that time. This spirit of co-operation has prevailed throughout the year, and its influence for good can not be estimated.

"While the income from patients, amounting to \$45,500, was \$2,500 less during 1903 than it was during 1902, the last year showed a gain in net worth of \$3,255, as compared with a loss of \$7,400 for the previous year. The indebtedness of the St. Helena Sanitarium was, during the year, decreased \$5,300. The amount of charity work done amounted to \$3,000.

"A resolution passed at the annual meeting in 1903 requested that all branches of the work should bring their expenditures as low as consistent with good service. The pay-roll for 1903 was \$3,400 less than for the preceding twelve months, and other expenditures have been decreased accordingly. There has been no money borrowed for improvements or running expenses. As the result of hard work and careful attention to duty on the part of all employees, we have been able to give satisfaction and hold the confidence of those who have come to us for medical attention and care.

"The first five months of the present year show the average number of patients in the institution to be fifty-one, as compared with an average of thirty-nine during the same period in 1903."

Elder C. L. Taylor, the chaplain of the sanitarium, reported that a good spirit prevailed among the helpers in the institution.

Dr. H. E. Brighthouse presented a report of the work at the San Francisco branch, St. Helena Sanitarium, since January 1, 1904, speaking of the various changes under way, including the placing of the treatment-room work under the charge of Brother Boger and wife, on a profit-sharing basis, in order to encourage and develop individual responsibility.

It was stated that the San Francisco Dispensary, which is conducted in the basement of the Laguna Street Church, had been running about a year and a half; that it was opened free from debt; that there had been one nurse maintained by the conference at the dispensary since it was started, devoting a portion of her time to outside visiting and missionary work in the homes of the people, and the remainder of her time in giving treatments and instructing others to engage in that work; that the work at the dispensary had been gradually growing, and, at the present time, from four to fourteen treatments are given each afternoon in the ladies' treatment rooms; that the income was sufficient to pay all expenses, with the exception of the time of the nurse and physician, the expense of which was being borne by the conference and this association jointly.

Dr. C. F. Dail, physician at the Eu-

reka branch of the St. Helena Sanitarium, submitted a written report of the work at that branch, in which he reported, in part, that something like 1,200 treatments had been given during the year 1903, and that, as a direct result of the influence of the sanitarium work, a number of persons had become interested in the truth; that literature was being distributed, and efforts being made to keep the great truths for this time before the people.

Brother T. D. Sanford, who, since Jan. 1, 1904, has been in charge of the treatment rooms at Sacramento, on a self-supporting, profit-sharing basis, submitted a report, in which he stated, in part, that the opportunities at that place for disseminating truth are singularly manifest by the nature of the patronage enjoyed by the branch there; that nearly all of the 1,756 treatments given at the Sacramento Branch, in 1903, were to the professional and business men, who universally entertained a very high regard for our work. He stated that, although the year 1903 had exceeded in the number of treatments the work of the previous year, the present year was still more promising, and new friends were being added almost every day; that, at the present time, the branch was giving attention to patients for nearly all of the best physicians in Sacramento; that over fifty kinds of tracts were kept constantly on hand in the waiting rooms; and that the spiritual side of the work was increasing in interest.

The report of the institutional worth of the California Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association, including the five institutions now being operated under the auspices of this association, namely, the St. Helena Sanitarium and its branches at San Francisco, Sacramento and Eureka, and the San Francisco Dispensary, was presented by the secretary, accompanied by the certificate of Brother J. J. Ireland, the auditor, showing the aggregate net worth of the association to be \$10,596.03, a gain during the year 1903 of \$491.32.

Thereupon, after discussion, it was moved, seconded and carried that the report of the secretary, upon the certificate of the auditor, be accepted and approved.

The secretary also reported that this association is now the owner of 1,420 shares of Rural Health Retreat Association stock, as compared with 1,962 shares owned one year ago.

The following persons were elected as directors of the association for the ensuing two years: L. M. Bowen, J. A. Burden, B. F. Richards, A. S. Kellogg.

Association credentials were voted to the following:—

For missionary licenses: Physicians—H. E. Brighthouse, C. F. Dail, T. J. Evans, Margaret Evans, W. O. Upson. Nurses—E. C. Boger, Mrs. E. C. Boger, W. A. S. Beals, Lenore Lacey, Mrs. Edith M. Speedie, Peter Rosenfelt, Mrs. Peter Rosenfelt, T. D. Sanford, S. J. Whitney, Pauline Anthony, Eliza-

beth Boyd, Lucy Mulquim, Roslie Sorenson and Mrs. S. J. Whitney.

The following resolutions were adopted:—

1. We indorse the action of the board of directors in placing the work of the San Francisco and Sacramento branches of the St. Helena Sanitarium on a profit-sharing basis, and recommend that this plan be extended to all the institutions, excepting the St. Helena Sanitarium, in which this association is financially interested or obligated.

2. In view of the ever-widening medical missionary field, and the many demands for an enlarged force of consecrated and qualified physicians and nurses, we recommend a co-operative plan in harmony with the following outline:—

(a) That private enterprises operating in harmony with the recognized principles of our denominational medical missionary work be invited to unite with this association in more aggressive medical missionary work.

(b) That we tender the good offices of this association, in counsel and co-operation, to such qualified workers as may be desirous of engaging in individual medical missionary work.

(c) That the incoming board of directors be authorized to carry this co-operative plan into effect in such a way as may be proper in each individual case.

(d) That general funds accruing as a result of this co-operative plan be used for the extension of the work in new fields.

3. We recommend the appointment, by the incoming board of directors, of a committee of three to provide health and temperance medical missionary literature for general distribution.

Whereas, There are those who are desirous of investing means for the purpose of establishing a home for aged persons and orphans;

4. Resolved, That we recommend the incoming board of directors to carefully study this question, and that we invite the co-operation of the California Conference Committee, and of our people generally, in the execution of such plan as may be feasible.

5. Resolved, That we indorse the action of the board of directors in entering into an arrangement with Mrs. E. G. White for the publication of "Ministry of Healing," and we recommend that a thoroughly organized campaign be inaugurated for placing this book in the hands of the people.

6. In view of the ever-increasing cost of material and labor in the production of health foods, we recommend the release of the Sanitarium Food Company from the original discount of 33 1-3 per cent on health foods ordered directly from the factory allowed to members of this association.

7. We recommend that this association make special effort to extend the principles of healthful living and rational treatment, by means of schools

of health, lectures, demonstrations and house-to-house work.

Later, the newly elected board of directors met and organized by electing the following: T. J. Evans, president; E. E. Parlin, secretary and attorney; L. M. Bowen, business manager and treasurer; J. J. Ireland, auditor.

E. E. Parlin,
Secretary.

June 23, 1904.

MISSIONARY WORK

THE BOOK WORK

Report of the Canvassing Work in the Upper
Columbia Conference for the Two
Weeks Ending July 16, 1904

HEALTH BOOKS

	Hrs.	Ord.	Value.
A. D. Guthrie	72	46	\$250 00
C. H. Allen.....	98	27	185 30
L. J. Hughes.....	71	26	107 00

HOME HAND-BOOK

T. G. Johnson.....	82	16	138 25
G. S. Garner.....	71	16	84 60

LADIES' GUIDE

Mrs. F. Gillaspay.....	26	18	70 00
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GREAT CONTROVERSY

L. B. Ragsdale	97	19	108 35
Edwin Sargeant.....	67	5	65 65
Total.....	584	173	\$1,009 15

George Muller, in 1895, said: "Prayer and faith, the universal remedies against every want and every difficulty, and the nourishment of prayer and faith, God's holy Word, helped me over all the difficulties. I never remember, in all my Christian course, that I ever sincerely and patiently sought to know the will of God by the teaching of the Holy Ghost, through the instrumentality of the Word of God, but I have been always directed rightly; but if honesty of heart and uprightness before God were lacking, or if I did not patiently wait upon God for instruction, or if I preferred the counsels of fellow men to the declaration of the Word of the living God, I made great mistakes."

Christianity wants nothing so much in the world as sunny people, and the old are hungrier for love than for bread, and the oil of joy is very cheap, and if you can help the poor on with a garment of praise, it will be better for them than blankets.—Henry Drummond.

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The Vegetarian Restaurant in Seattle has been moved from Third Avenue to Union Street near Second Avenue.

Elders Snyder and Martin are holding Gospel meetings in a tent at Thirty-fifth Street and Tacoma Avenue, Tacoma, Wash.

Elder W. B. White will be present at the workers' meeting and camp-meeting that will be held in Provo, Utah, Aug. 10-17. He will also attend the camp-meeting in Coos County, Ore.

Brother F. Miller and family sailed for Australia Thursday, July 28, on the steamship, "Sonoma." Brother Miller has proved himself an efficient and conscientious workman in the Pacific Press for a number of years, and he now returns to his native land to connect with the Echo Publishing Company.

We are very thankful for the interest which our laborers are taking in the "Recorder," as indicated by the many subscriptions that are coming to the office. We trust the work will be continued until each family of our people are in touch with the work that is being prosecuted in this field.

Brother T. H. Davis, of Esmerelda, Cal., returned to the South American field last week, to again engage in the work as a missionary canvasser. He has spent several years in Chile, but was compelled to return to his home in

California some time ago on account of failing health. His health is much improved, and he now goes to Quito, Ecuador.

Elder O. Soule, of Roseburg, writes:—

"Six adults and four children have taken their stand for God's commandments at South Deer Creek. A Sabbath-school has been organized and regular Sabbath services are held, as a result of a series of meetings I have just completed there."

Brethren E. L. Stewart, F. M. Burg, A. J. Breed, J. L. Kay, S. A. Anderson, C. M. Christiansen, H. W. Decker, and T. L. Ragsdale, Drs. Simmons and Yarnell, with the president and secretary of the Union Conference, met at College Place, Wash., Tuesday, July 26, to consider questions pertaining to the educational work in the Walla Walla College district in general, and of the college in particular. A number of days were devoted to the questions that came before the council. In connection with this council the board of managers of the Spokane Sanitarium also held some important meetings.

Full particulars regarding the burning of the Spokane Sanitarium are given in this issue by Dr. Yarnell, the superintendent of that institution. Later another report of the fire was received from Brother S. A. Anderson, treasurer of the sanitarium. He says:—

"We very much regret that it has been found necessary for us to pass through this fiery trial, but we are glad that no lives were lost and that the Lord's mercy is extended to us even in this affliction. Our prayer is that the Lord may give us willing minds to learn the lesson He has for us and fit us to do His work better in the future."

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