"Then They that Feared the Lord Spake Often One to Another."

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## The Church

#### To-day

Sow, for the hours are fleeting,
And the seed must fall to-day;
And care not what hands may reap it,
Or if you shall have passed away
Before the waving corn-fields
Shall gladden the sunny day.

- A. Proctor.

#### You Are at Liberty

You will call to mind that Sabbath, Feb. 6, 1909, is the time for the annual contributions for the Religious Liberty Department of the work.

In the early days of the opening of the Legislature this month at Sacramento, Cal., the National Reform lobbyists were soliciting legislators to lobby a Sunday-rest bill through the Legislature. We should remember our heavenly calling, and thus be constantly more active than they are, for we are working for a more noble cause - religious liberty. We now have our liberty, and should, incidentally, use our utmost influence to preserve it, while our life work should be to enlighten the people concerning the evils of religious legisla-Our God-given liberty will be abridged by evil legislation some day; but during the tarrying time let us labor to warn others of this poison, and of the final deliverance of the just at the coming of the King.

The funds of our Religious Liberty Department have been fully expended by the heavy demands of the past year, and the indications are that the future

demands on it will be heavier than ever before.

Shall we not have the most liberal offering this year in the interests of the enlightenment of the public and our liberty that we have ever had? All men love their religious liberty. You are at liberty; give liberally. H. W. Cottrell.

#### The "Daily Bulletin"

It has been decided by the General Conference Committee to issue a Daily Bulletin during the next session of the General Conference in Washington, D. C., May 13 to June 6. In this will be given full reports of all the proceedings of the business sessions as well as the discourses and talks given along lines of interest to all. The paper will contain from sixteen to thirty-two pages, as may be required each day to give full reports of the proceedings. The subscription price will be fifty cents for the entire term of nearly four weeks.

In order to enter the Bulletin as second-class matter in the mails, and thus secure pound rates, it is necessary that a paid subscription list be presented at the same time that application is made to the post-office department. It will, therefore, be necessary that orders be sent in at as early a date as possible. If you want to be sure to keep in touch with all that is done at this, the most important session of the General Conference ever held, send in your name and fifty cents at once to your tract society. Also can you not secure some subscriptions from other members of your church? Remember that this should be attended to as soon as possible to help the publishers in securing pound rates in mailing, and that you may be sure to receive full reports of all the meetings.

#### Two Mass Meetings

On Sunday evening, January 17, at Swall's Hall, Mountain View, Cal., Rev. G. L. Tufts, who is the state organizer for California, and the district secretary of the International Reform Bureau, and also the author of the Sunday-Rest Bill now before the California Legislature, was the speaker at a mass meeting. His subject announced on the hand bills was "What an Adventist Might Do on Sunday under the Proposed Law."

The evening services in the several Protestant churches were discontinued, and all were invited to come and hear the arguments to be presented. The hall was filled with attentive listeners.

The speaker spoke for one hour, and labored hard to show that it was not a religious measure that was pending before the Legislature, but a civil act pure and simple. For this reason the speaker thought that the Adventists were wasting time in opposing the measure, since they were exempted by the proposed bill. But notwithstanding the use of much varnish to cover up the religious purpose of the proposed bill, the moral aspect would crop out, and many of the citizens of the town could see the weakness of his arguments.

At the close of the meeting it was announced that another meeting would be held in the same hall on the following evening, when the remarks of Mr. Tufts on the Sanday-Rest Bill would be reviewed.

The attendance was larger by 150 people than on the previous evening. The best of attention was given. Elder J. O. Corliss was the leading speaker, supplemented by Elders Wilcox and Tait.

A few moments were spent in reviewing the specific charges made by the

speaker on the previous evening, and then the attention of the audience was directed to the provisions that already stand upon the Civil Code, passed in 1893, requiring all employers to give their employees at least one day's rest in seven. This is a purely civil enactment, hence it is unnecessary to enact another measure of a similar nature if the proposed Sunday-Rest Bill contained no religious phase. But as the speakers took up the Sunday-Rest Bill in particular, the religious phase of it was well portrayed before the minds of the large audience present.

At the close of the meeting a number of the business men came forward and signed the petitions.

Altogether the two mass meetings held were very profitable occasions for the cause of religious freedom.

## The Field

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#### Cuautla the Beautiful

(Continued)

I thought that I had seen beautiful banana gardens and other luxurious tropical vegetations in Natal, South Africa, but I never saw anything in Africa to compare in tropical beauty and fertility with the Cuautla valley.

There are several large sugar haciendas in the neighborhood, one having thirty-six miles of railway to transport the sugar-cane from the field to the mill, where its juice is converted into sugar. These sugar plantations are owned by wealthy Mexicans, and the land under irrigation is valued at \$350 U.S. currency per acre.

We think that we have beautiful palms in Southern California, but as a matter of fact there is no part of California which is sufficiently tropical to produce such magnificent palms as grow in the frostless Cuautla valley.

With Brother John I visited a palm avenue on one of the great haciendas, which was lined on either side with royal palms, growing some forty feet in height, and having beautiful, smooth trunks from one and one-half to two feet in diameter. The cocoanut and date palm seem to reach perfection in this sun-kissed valley.

Dr. John informs me that the heat is

not nearly so oppressive during the summer in Cuautla as in the Mississippi valley.

Cuautla is the cleanest city that I have seen in the Republic of Mexico. It also has a nice, clean fruit and vegetable market, which is open to the public every day in the year. The markets in the larger Mexican cities are often very filthy and nauseating, but the authorities of this little Mexican city insist on cleanliness both in the market and in the streets, as the latter must be swept and sprinkled twice each day.

While in Cuautla Dr. John took me to visit one of the public schools for girls. There are scarcely any mixed schools in the Republic of Mexico. Separate school buildings are provided for each sex, which are not supposed to be in close proximity to each other. The school which we visited was for girls, or niñas. I do not know that I have ever seen a better appointed school in the United States than this one in Mexico is. It consists of four departments, each assembled in a commodious, well-lighted, well-ventilated and thoroughly clean room.

The climate of Cuautla is such that the doors and windows can be left open during the entire year. The principal of the school, a young Mexican lady, came to the door to meet us, and to show us through the entire building. The moment that we entered one of the rooms the students would all arise and stand perfectly quiet while we were inspecting the room. We were shown a large court or patio, where the children play, a well-appointed gymnasium and a lavatory, where there were a large number of clean washbowls and towels, with plenty of flowing water. I have never seen schoolrooms better supplied with historical, natural history, and other charts on scientific subjects than was in this school in the quaint little city of Cuautla, State of Morelos, Old Mexico. The children were as neat and tidy as in the best-appointed schools in the United States.

The government of Mexico regularly selects some of its best teaching talent, and sends them to different parts of the United States, so that they can keep abreast of the best school methods.

I was impressed, from Dr. John's experience in Cuautla, that our nurses and some of our young people, prepared by education and consecration to teach missionary schools, could carry on an excellent work in many parts of the republic. Some of our nurses who have gotten acquainted with Mexican physicians have all the work that they can do among the Mexican people.

I am impressed that our nurses can frequently carry on a work which our physicians as such can not do, for in many of the states of the republic it is almost impossible for our physicians to pass the examinations required. Doubtless there is some discrimination in these examinations in favor of the medical students of the republic.

There is a desire on the part of many of the Mexican people to learn the English language; and I am anxious for the time to come when we will have a number of centers in various parts of the republic where some of our loyal missionary nurses and teachers will find remunerative employment.

In visiting the different parts of the Republic of Mexico I am strongly impressed that every true Seventh-day Adventist, as well as every department of our work, should give a positive message that is distinct from that given by every other denomination, or else we have no excuse for existence as a separate people.

Dr. John has found it impossible thus far to secure Seventh-day Adventist nurses to carry on his work, and has been dependent upon help secured from other denominations, and in some instances upon those who make no profession of Christianity. There is ample field for missionary nurses in Mexico.

G. W. Reaser.

#### ARIZONA Morenci

This has been a day full of experiences for me, and I can only exalt, extol, and praise the Lord, for He is a prayer-hearing and prayer-answering Saviour. My cup seems full to overflowing, and I rejoice in God, and can utter the abundant memory of His great goodness and speak of His wonderful works to the children of men. Ps. 28: 6, 7; 71:8, 15, 16, 19; Isa. 61:10; 63:7; Ps. 107:8, 15, 31; 145:7.

I began work here just one week ago, having left Globe on the 3d inst. The Lord has blessed from the very first day here, but somehow in the last two or three days I seemed to get behind on my daily desired number of "Christ's Object Lessons." It looked as if I could not catch up, or the way was hedged up as to getting orders for this priceless little volume. This morning I decided that this would not do; that I would endeavor to get seven orders, the Lord helping me, to day for "Object Lessons" if I had to let my regular canvassing work go in order to do it. I asked the good Lord to help me, and break the spell of indifference the people seemed to manifest toward this book, to turn the tide.

No one ever sought the Lord faithfully in vain. He never disappoints those who earnestly and truly seek Him. It was not long till the Master had given me three orders for "Object Lessons." One gentleman who took it also gave me over \$7.00 in other orders. Among them was one for "Patriarchs and Prophets," full morocco, gilt, \$4.75. Then other orders began to accumulate.

I came back to my lodging about 3:30 P.M. for prayers and for dinner. When I started out about half-past four o'clock, I still had four "Object Lessons" orders to secure. I asked the dear Lord to give them to me. I was shortly enabled to book every one of them. As I stepped out of my quarters, I was attracted to a shop less than fifty yards distant. There I met a man who at once placed his order. Before I had closed with him another man came in. He was quickly led to decide he must have the book also. About then another man came down the street horseback. I felt confident in this party lay another sale for me, and I soon ascertained that he was going not far away. Soon I was with him, and it was the book that appealed to his mind, and he also must have one.

I passed outside, and a few steps away saw a fine looking, well-dressed Mexican gentleman sitting in front of a warehouse, trying to find solace in a bottle of beer while evidently waiting for the clerk to come and open the place so he could secure what he wanted. Soon after I approached him he was induced to place his name for the book, wishing it for his thirteen-year-old daughter. Thus in a brief time, in four successive exhibitions, as many orders were secured.

Then I again took up my other work on regular canvassing; success followed. On my return at twilight I felt I would be so pleased to have two more "Object Lessons" sales before I closed the day's work, and asked the Lord to grant them. I was directed or led to a place, and speedily was rejoiced to have secured them. This makes nine "Object Lessons" orders for to-day.

But after all, through God's blessing, I did not to-day have to let my regular canvassing work "go to the winds," or "throw it all overboard," for the Master gave me over \$42 in other orders for books, outside helps, etc., above the nine for "Christ's Object Lessons." Such lessons are truly refreshing. A day's experiences like these teach our dependence wholly on power from above. that our success, our all and in all is from God alone. O how willing He is to give it to us. How He longs to impart to every one who will ask, believe, and receive. All honors are to our God alone and evermore.

Walter Harper.

#### CALIFORNIA

#### California Conference

The Oakland church are prepared to give entertainment to all regularly appointed delegates; other visiting brethren will provide for their own entertainment. We trust there will be a good attendance of our visiting brethren and sisters at this conference.

Furnished rooms can be secured from two to three dollars a week in the city, and there are restaurants and delicatessen stores and lunch-counters near the church.

We would advise all who have no friends with whom they can stay in Oakland, to plan to reach there in the morning; then they will have all day to look for furnished rooms, or lodging, and thus avoid hotel bills. Those who may wish to stop at hotels will find several large ones within good walking distance of the church.

S. N. Haskell, Pres. California Conf.

#### Railroad Rates to the Oakland Conference

Word has just been received from the Southern Pacific, Santa Fe, and Northwestern Pacific railroad companies that the usual reduced rates of a fare and one third for the round trip will be

granted to the annual conference in Oakland, February 3 to 10. This is, of course, provided that there are fifty or more paying full fare in attending the meeting. The reduced rate will be upon the receipt-certificate plan; that is, the purchaser will pay full fare in going to the meeting, and at the time of buying the ticket will ask the ticket agent for a certificate-receipt for the amount paid. This receipt when signed in Oakland by the secretary of the conference, will entitle the holder to return home at one-third fare.

It is imperative that the receipt be secured when the ticket is purchased. Otherwise claims for the refund of full fare paid, both going and coming, will not be considered by the railroad companies. It is often the case that someone forgets to ask for a receipt when the ticket is purchased and later tries to secure the reduction by a claim to the company. Such can not be considered. Hence it will be well for each one to be sure that he comes within the provisions of the companies' rules in all respects.

Claude Conard,

Secretary California Conf.

#### St. Helena Sanitarium Siftings

Elder S. N. Haskell occupied the pulpit at the chapel Sabbath morning, and will speak to the family again Sunday evening, January 17.

Among recent visitors at the institution are Dr. Silas Yarnell and wife from Spokane, Wash., and Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Hopkins from Paradise Valley Sanitarium.

Brother L. M. Bowen, having completed the necessary work in preparing the annual report, has returned to his ranch to enjoy the balance of the six months' vacation given him.

Mrs. A. C. Selmon, M. D., recently from China with two little Chinese children, Ruth and Paul, arrived at the Sanitarium this week after having spent several years with her husband in that difficult field. She is taking a much-needed vacation to recuperate her health.

The program presented by the Medical and Missionary Endeavor Society, Jan. 2, 1909, was as follows:

- 1. Opening Exercises.
- 2. Secretary's Report. Mrs. Pearl Young.

- 3. New Year's Greeting to the Members. Dr. H. F. Rand.
- .4. Paper.—"Ways in Which to Improve Our Work the Coming Year."
  Mrs. J. L. Whitney,
  - 5. Open Discussion by Members.
  - 6. Question Box for Nurses.
  - 7. Reading of Next Program.

These meetings are proving not only interesting, but very beneficial to the members.

The church treasurer furnishes the following report for Quarter ending Dec. 31, 1908:

Tithe Received\$	1,218.80
Foreign Missions	<b>56.1</b> 0
Sabbath-School	
Collections	60.45
Expense	44.48
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 Expense
 44.48

 Church School
 286.78

 Home Missions
 129.39

 Harvest Ingathering
 56.39

 Annual Offering
 585.75

 Miscellaneous
 138.39

 Total for Quarter
 \$2,576.53

Total collections for year ending Dec. 31, 1908, \$9,381.09; while in 1905 it was \$5,298.29.

M. L. E.

January 16.

#### SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

#### Glendale Sabbath-School Convention

On the 26th of December, 1908, a Sabbath-school convention was held in Glendale, Cal., at which about two hundred and fifty were in attendance from our own and neighboring towns and the city of Los Angeles. Prof. E. S. Ballenger spoke on "The General Purpose of Sabbath-School Work," He said it had a specific purpose; that it was easy to teach the usual things, but we are to teach those in our charge facts, and also learn how to teach them to others; how to become acquainted with Christ and have the new birth. Then the work has just commenced, and they must be taught how to grow symmetrically. Personal work has been sadly neglected, and should be done not only by the officers, but by the teachers, and especially by those in charge of the children.

Mrs. E. S. Comstock gave a most interesting paper on "What Has Been Accomplished," giving many valuable statistics as to the growth of the Sabbath-school work from its early establishment in our denomination to the present time. In mentioning some experiences as a child, when attending services which were attended by not only Seventh-day Adventists, but Methodists and Baptists, when all-day sessions were held and people came from far and near, she spoke of the way in which houses were thrown open to all who attended these meetings and asked, "Is not this unselfish hospitality a thing of the past? Are we not apt to feel it is enough to give dollars, and not our time and thought to the work of sending the message?"

In 1883 Sister White suggested that collections be taken for missionaries, and in 1885 \$700 were sent to Australia. In the past twenty years over a half million dollars have gone for missionary work in foreign fields. Many other subjects were touched upon, showing how the work has been increasing to its present degree of efficiency.

Mr. Ernest Lloyd spoke on "What Can Be Accomplished," saying that no one without love for the work can do anything, but the faithful worker need never despair, for he will be used of God to draw others to the work of the Master. Duty combined with love will accomplish much, and love will lead us in all spiritual things, for it is the interpreter of Christ. We must be a praying people, and saturated with love for the work.

Prof. Milton P. Robison told of the "Necessary Qualifications to Make Efficient Teachers." All need the Christian graces wherever children are. One must have quiet, firm control, and with it common sense, which he especially defined. Thorough preparation is necessary not only in the lesson questions, but by all the helps available.

The children's exercises were well carried out, each one having a part to perform, showing thought and care in preparation. An essay on "What Kind of a Teacher I Like," by Elliot Colby, contained some very good suggestions for teachers to follow, not only with children, but with those of older growth.

Elder E. E. Andross spoke on "The Duties of Parents." Our first responsibility is to our children, not to those outside. They are the most sacred charge committed to any one, and a responsibility that few seem to appreciate.

No parent should leave the work of training a child to the teacher. He quoted from the sixth chapter of Deuteronomy as showing what parents should do. The truth is being given in our lesson studies, and our best writers are asked to prepare them, and they should be carefully studied, beginning the first of the week, and talking of them each day. The children will soon be tried, and it will be difficult for them to adhere to the truth unless they are instructed at home in the right way. The responsibility rests on the parents, and only when that fails is it given to teachers, though they should always cooperate. We should never be too busy to give our time to the children committed to us, and we may never get into the kingdom if we let them slip from us. God still lives, and through prayer we may still be able to bring them back if we only ask power from God. Let our constant effort be to reach the heart and lay it at the feet of Jesus, and pray that when our work is finished we may bring our children with us and say, "Here am I and the children that Thou gavest me."

Mrs. Ida B. Hibben gave a most interesting talk on "The Master Teacher's Methods Applied to the Children." She quoted from Rom. 1:20, and then said that the invisible things which must be grasped by the eye of faith can be understood by the things of nature, and that somewhere among the things which God has created there will be something found to explain everything; but the spiritual truths will be found in Christ. His stories and object-lessons were simple, but all have lessons to be drawn from the teachings He gave us. Jesus was what He taught, and the truth in the life has the deepest impression on the child life. We must draw from the fountain fresh for the children, and get in close connection with the Fountain of Life, the source of all life. She then gave some simple illustrations used in teaching the children, impressing the text upon the mind by the use of the things of nature.

Dr. B. E. Fulmer took for his topic, "How to Increase the Missionary Spirit." He said we must realize the work God has for us to do. We have forgotten so many things, but should remember that we as a people have a specific work to do. We must seek a

closer walk with God, and realize the beauty of the work in which we are engaged, and then the missionary spirit will be fuller. We must not keep all the blessing for ourselves, but pass it on to others, or it will dry up and avail us nothing. We must impress on the recipient the need of telling this truth to others. We too often fail to think of the places near by as being missionary fields, only looking to those afar off. Many have been asked to teach who could do all asked of them; but so many refuse the responsibility, and should ask what excuse they will have to offer to God later. We must let the truth take hold of our hearts, and then go before our classes and talk from the heart, never forgetting that the measure of one's ability is the measure of one's responsibility. He urged that we be as definite in our missionary efforts as in our lessons, giving to a definite field.

Music added to the interest of this convention, and the offering was given for the purpose of bringing a colored girl, who is a graduate of the Huntsville school, to the Loma Linda Training School, which has offered to give her a year's training as a missionary nurse to go among her own people, if means could be found to pay her fare to that point.

In conclusion it was said that we felt that many mistakes had been made, and we want to have a greater consecration, that His Spirit may be manifest in our lives both at home and in the school, and that we may serve Him better each day.

Mrs. E. M. Stanley.

January 12.

## Teachers' Exchange

# St. Helena Intermediate School

Sensing the importance of Christian education, the St. Helena church have erected an addition to their church building, valued at about seven hundred dollars, for school and Sabbath-school purposes. The building reflects credit on the faithful promoters of this work, and in those who liberally contributed noney and labor for its completion. One prother donated an elegant teacher's lesk; a sister of the church placed an organ; another brother gave a large air-

tight heater; benches, book-shelves, drawers, desks, were installed. There are 195 square feet of blackboard surface.

The enrolment of our school has increased from thirteen to seventeen, representing seven grades from the first to the tenth. The problem of one teacher overseeing both intermediate and primary work is solved in this school by a division of the program. The primary and grammar grade pupils attend sessions from nine till twelve, and from one till two-thirty.

The session for the ninth and tenth grades continues only from one in the afternoon till four, this time being spent wholly in recitation of lessons. Pupils of this grade are considered sufficiently advanced to study without the supervision of a teacher. Two of the pupils of these grades put in a half of each day at remunerative labor.

The officers of the St. Helena church have given one Sabbath morning service each month to the young people of the church and school for a missionary meeting.

The work of the Bible class of the intermediate grades has recently been greatly strengthened by the use of about twenty volumes of Biblical commentaries loaned from the private library of one of the friends of the school.

Frances Cameron.

January 12.

#### Healdsburg Church School

Three and a half months of our school year have passed into eternity with the year 1908, which has just departed from us, never to return.

During this time, while the Lord has been doing great things for us, Satan has also been working hard trying in many ways to defeat the good accomplished, but I am very thankful to be able to say that the Lord has given us the victory over every attack of the enemy, and that we are making progress.

The total enrolment of the school is forty-one, twenty-five of whom are enrolled in my department, with an attendance of twenty-three, representing grades five, six, seven, and nine.

In this department we have two Bible classes. The fifth and sixth grades are learning many precious lessons from the study of the life and teachings of Christ, our only perfect Pattern. The seventh and ninth grades are learning many no

less interesting and valuable lessons from the study of the prophecies of Damel and Revelation connected with history. In the ninth grade one of our regular studies is ancient history, which helps us greatly in understanding and appreciating these prophecies.

We selected our own course of study for the ninth grade, which is as follows: Prophecies, algebra, ancient history, etymology, rhetoric, and composition. We find the work not only very interesting, but also practical.

Our work is now going on quite smoothly and most of the pupils are working very loyally.

Some of the children, who had not already done so, have given their hearts to the Lord.

I have tried to impress upon the minds of the children and young people of my department the importance of having a definite aim in life; and nearly all are planning to enter some definite branch of the Lord's work or become missionaries to various needy fields. Among those mentioned are Mexico, South America, Africa, India, and Spain.

Although we, as church-school teachers, are not in a position to have much of this world's goods, and although many of us have entered this work at a sacrifice and loss to ourselves from a worldly view, yet when we see the children giving their hearts to the Lord, and getting right down to hard work with the view of getting a preparation to carry the gospel to these dark and needy fields, it makes us lose sight of the little sacrifice we have made in order to engage in this work; or if we think of it at all, we feel that we are indeed abundantly repaid for it. Therefore, fellow teachers, let us ever remain the humble instruments in the Master's hands, through which He may work to His glory.

We were greatly honored some time ago by a visit from Sister E. G. White. She gave a very interesting and helpful talk on the subject of our opportunities and how we should improve our time.

Although I have had many trials dur, ing the past few months, yet I am of good courage in the Lord, and thankful for the manifestations of love and blessings to me, in this as well as other ways. I am also very thankful to Him

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 21, 1909.

Elder H. W. Cottrell is spending the week among the churches in the Sonoma Valley.

Brother J. F. Blunt, who is assisting Elders Corliss and Healey in their work in the Legislature at Sacramento, was called home last Friday morning by telegram stating that his father was dead in Los Angeles. Brother Blunt returned to Sacramento the fore part of this week.

The annual meetings of the Pacific Press Publishing Company and the Pacific Press Publishing Association will be held at the main office in Mountain View, Monday, January 25. The regular business and reports of the office will be considered, and a board of directors elected for the coming year.

The business and assets of the Pacific Press Publishing Company have been turned over to the new organization known as the Pacific Press Publishing Association. This change went into effect Jan. 1, 1909, and places the business of that office on a broader foundation than heretofore. The same general policy will be followed, except on a larger scale, and the management will remain practically the same. change will affect the branch offices in Kansas City, Portland, and Canada as well as the main office at Mountain View. All correspondence should hereafter be addressed, and all moneys made payable, to the Pacific Press Publishing Association instead of to the Pacific Press Publishing Company.

It is with regret that we have to announce the receipt of word from Kansas City, Mo., of a fire in the church there a few days since. The exact extent of the damage has not yet been ascertained by us, but we understand that the interior of the building was quite badly burned. The fire occurred during the bookmen's convention recently held at that place.

Elder Corliss, who has been in Sacramento for the past two weeks in the interests of the religious liberty work, spent several days the fore part of the week at his home at Mountain View. Elder Corliss reports very interesting times with the legislators at the State capital. Several committee hearings relative to the Sunday-Rest Bill and the Constitutional Amendment bave been promised, and Elder Corliss is full of courage and enthusiasm in his work.

We have just received a program and announcement of the bookmen's convention to be held at Mountain View, January 23 to February 1. This is in the form of a tastily printed booklet of twenty pages and cover. Among the names of those from abroad who have parts on the program, we note the following: Elder W. B. White, president of the North Pacific Union Conference; Elder O. K. Butler, missionary secretary of the same field; C. E. Weaks, general canvassing agent for that territory; T. G. Johnson, A. E. Everett, T. L. Copeland, Lee Moran, A. D. Guthrie, E. M. Oberg, C. L. Davis, W. E. Gillis, and H. A. Green, tract society secretaries and field missionaries and canvassing agents in the North Pacific Union Conference; Elder E. E. Andross, E. S. Horsman, and L. T. Curtis from Southern California; also C. G. Bellah, W. D. Reavis, James Cochran, J. F. Beatty, C. M. Cottrell, and others from various parts of the United States and Canada. This bids fair to be a very interesting and prosperous occasion.

#### Notice!

Sabbath, February 6, is the time for the annual offering for the Religious Liberty Department, in all our churches. We trust all our churches will remember this offering.

> S. N. Haskell, Pres. California Conf.

#### Man to Manage a Farm

Wanted.—A good Seventh-day Adventist man, or man and wife preferred, to manage and work on 400 aere mountain stock and hay farm, sixty miles from Stockton, and eight miles from Angel's Camp, Cal. F. H. Davis,

Angel's Camp, Cal.

### Annual Meeting of the California Conference

The thirty-eighth annual meeting of the California Conference will convene at Oakland, Cal., Feb. 3, 1909, and continue until February 10. The first meeting of the session will be held at 9:00 A. M., February 3.

Each church is entitled to one delegate for the church, and one additional delegate for every twenty members. A full delegation is earnestly desired.

S. N. Haskell, President. Claude Conard, Secretary.

#### Annual Meeting of the California Conference Association

The thirteenth annual meeting of the California Conference Association of the Seventh-day Adventists will be held in connection with the thirty-eighth annual session of the California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, at Oakland, Cal., Feb. 3 to 10, 1909, for the purpose of electing a board of seven directors and transacting any other business that may come before the meeting.

The first meeting will be held at 9:00 A. M., February 4.

H. W. Cottrell, President. Claude Conard, Secretary.

## Healdsburg Church School

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for His many blessings manifest in our school.

I wish all my fellow teachers a Happy New Year and much of the blessing of the Lord upon their work.

Jan. 3. W. H. Jones, Principal.

"Tis easy enough to be pleasant, When life flows on like a song;

But the man worth while, is the one who can smile

When everything goes dead wrong. For the test of the heart is trouble, And it always comes with the years, And the smile that is worth the praise of the earth

'Is the smile that comes through tears.''