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

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The Church

We know not that we'll meet again
The ones we meet to-day,
Until we stand before the throne
On God's great Judgment-day.
How earnest, then, we ought to live
Each day as 'twere our last,
That we a glad account may give,
When all these days are past.

—Sophia V. Parker.

Sketches of the Past. No. 58

On Jan. 4, 1849, I went to the home of Mr. Thompson, where I found good lodgings, and in the evening spoke to a full house. I had much studying to do in preparing discourses, as I did not wish to introduce a subject until I had it well in mind. I gave five discourses in that place, and then started for a point a few miles west of Kendall Corners. There was an Adventist there by the name of Rice, and the schoolhouse near to his house was called "Rice's Schoolhouse." I circulated an appointment, and that evening had the schoolhouse packed with people. I spoke on the Lord's coming.

In the discourse I claimed that the "archangel" of 1 Thess. 4:16 was Christ. There was an aged minister in the audience. He objected to the claim that Christ was ever called an angel. The people seemed to believe him more than they did the writer. He tarried over night at Brother Rice's, the same place where I stopped. Our talk was continued there. He asked Brother Rice if he had any work treating on that sub-

ject. He was handed Elias Smith's Dictionary, and found that Smith took the same position that I had advocated, applying the text in Thessalonians in the same manner that I had applied it, backing it up with other scriptures, which added also to my stock of information. This aged minister then engaged in family worship, and prayed the Lord to help him to light from whatever source it might come, if even from a little child.

I had an appointment for the next evening. Brother Rice and I went to the schoolhouse, lighted up, and built a fire to warm the house, but no one came to hear; so, of course, that ended my third attempt at preaching.

The next morning with grip in hand I started on further west, not knowing where I should stop, or what I should find. About noon I came to a large stone schoolhouse, called the "Two-Bridge Schoolhouse." I was impressed that there would be a good place for meetings. I called at the nearest house. They gave me my dinner, and pointed out where the trustees lived. I saw them, and had an appointment given out in the school. The house was filled the first night. At the close of the discourse, I told the people I was a stranger there, and would be pleased to receive entertainment with some of them. A Mr. Beardsley, who lived only a little way from the schoolhouse, arose and said, "Come home with me. You are welcome to make your home there as long as you stay." He became interested at the very first discourse, and will here say, lest I forget it, he accepted all the truths I presented during my stay in the district.

It was fine sleighing and moonlight

nights, and I had a packed house every evening. I gave in that place eleven discourses, covering the ground of the fall of man, the restitution, nature of man, state of the dead, future punishment, saints' inheritance, Christ's personal coming, and signs of His coming near. The eleven discourses were all that I had fully prepared for delivery. So I stopped that series of meetings with my eleventh discourse. I then returned to my home for a little rest, and to see that my widowed mother had wood fitted for her comfort.

While at home the Adventists in that place wished me to speak to them. This I did, which seemed to satisfy them that I had not made a mistake in deciding to preach the Gospel. They handed me money to help me on my way. One motherly sister in the company expressed fears that some might take advantage of me, as I was only a youth. The Brother Boughton, who, as I stated in a former article, encouraged me to make the start, quoted to the sister Paul's advice to Timothy: "Let no man despise thy youth." So they all encouraged me to go on, giving assurance that they would pray for me.

J. N. Loughborough.

The False "Gift of Tongues"

One member of the band who went forth into foreign lands equipped only with the "gift of tongues" has returned to admit the gift was not of God. A year or more ago the movement so named was rife in parts of this country and several accounts of "manifestations" were presented in this paper. Now *The Evangelical Messenger* (Cleveland) gives the story of Mabel Collins,

"a pretty girl of eighteen years," who, having succeeded in returning home after wanderings in India and South America, "looks like a woman of fifty." The story in her own words is this:

"We were driven out of New York. We were members of the Holy Ghost sect and we had the gift of tongues and went out to teach the rest of the world the real Christ. We decided to sail to London. We escaped a great shipwreck, but they would not receive us there. Then six of us got the call to go to India. We went from London and reached Calcutta in July. Mr. McElroy, who led us, thought we could do great things in India.

"Besides me, there were three girls from New York and two from Philadelphia. We nearly starved in Calcutta and went to the north. We reached Benares a month later. There two of our girls disappeared. They were very pretty and there were some Indians we met who liked them very much. We were destitute, and the girls—well, they just vanished. We didn't complain to the authorities, because we knew pretty well where they had gone. They are now in harems and I can't blame them much. We did not have the real gift, and life was far more terrible than I can tell you.

"Again we went north to Lucknow. Another girl, Mabel Charles, of New York, was taken from us one night after we had camped for the night. There were some wild hillmen who rode down and stopped at our camp. Next morning all were gone. There were only three of us left, Mr. McElroy and Lillie Thomas and I, and we went back to Calcutta. From there we sailed to Buenos Aires to join the others. We had even harder times in Argentina than in India. Then my parents succeeded in getting me home. Our gift of tongues was not from God. It was from some devil."—*Literary Digest*.

The Field

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Items of Interest

Dr. T. J. Evans, who for the last few years has been connected with the Boulder Sanitarium, is now enlisted

among the workers in Southern California, and will assume charge of the city treatment rooms in Los Angeles.

Dr. J. E. Colloran, a physician and surgeon of considerable experience, has been secured to take the superintendency of the Glendale Sanitarium, to fill the place made vacant by the resignation of Dr. Kay. It is expected that Dr. Colloran will assume charge early in February.

A medical missionary rally is to be held especially for the Southern California workers February 13 and 14, at Los Angeles. It is proposed at this meeting to bring physicians and nurses in closer touch with each other, and at the same time plan a systematic campaign on principles pertaining to health reform. There is no question but that homes are wide open for the embrace of these principles, and thousands are dying because they know them not. "If these things be in you, and abound, they make you that ye shall neither be barren nor unfruitful." This meeting is open to all, and we hope that many will attend from the churches in close proximity to Los Angeles.

Loma Linda Notes

Dr. John Hopkins, who for several months has had charge of the Paradise Valley Sanitarium in the absence of Dr. Cummings, stopped over one day at Loma Linda on his way East. Dr. Hopkins will take charge of the Moline (Wis.) Sanitarium.

Dr. A. W. Truman and wife, late of Minnesota, arrived at the sanitarium several days ago. The doctor is anxious to get an all-round experience in institutional and field work in order to bear some responsibility in carrying the truth to every nation, kindred, tongue, and people.

The young people's meeting held on Friday evenings is one of the most enthusiastic and profitable meetings of any held. At almost every meeting personal letters are read from some of the workers who are out in the regions beyond doing service for the Master. Thus the missionary spirit is kept burning in the hearts of the students, and many of them are almost impatient to get the needful preparation so that they may enlist and go to the front.

The young men connected with the sanitarium have organized a society, the effect of which is to meet together and practise public speaking. The subjects assigned are the Bible truths, and after they are prepared, the subject is to be delivered to the society. A board of council, made up of some of the faculty, is to be present and offer helpful suggestions on points that will advantage them and second presentation. It is hoped that this will prepare the young men for active field experience.

So far in the training classes this year it has been the plan of the faculty to arrange so that some of the more advanced students may spend a part of each day in practical field work. If the sick are found, treatment is administered; if they have no physician, one is called from the sanitarium. Where needy families are found, they are ministered to. At every home visited either a tract or paper is left, or an opening made for Bible readings. To hear the reports of these workers as they give their experiences at young people's meeting, is to renew the resolve that every plan and future ambition will be held subservient to Christ and His work.

About a dozen of the workers from the sanitarium, including manager, physicians and other helpers, drove over to Riverside, Sabbath, the 30th, and held an enthusiastic meeting on subjects pertaining to the right arm of the message. Forenoon and afternoon meetings were held, and as the various truths connected with the medical missionary phase of the work were emphasized, the church responded heartily to the call. The psalmist says, "Thy people shall be willing in the day of Thy power," and it is certainly a fact that if ever there was a people willing to walk in all the ways of the Lord, blameless, it is the people gathered out by the third angel's message. If the light shining upon the health reform principles has grown dim in some of the churches, it is largely because we as sanitarium workers have not demonstrated their advantage in a practical way before the people. Why should not our especially favored workers get away from the sanitarium routine on Sabbaths, and visit churches and isolated members? It will certainly work as it did with the Loma Linda effort above

referred to—the workers will be more refreshed than those for whom they have to forth the effort.

J. R. Leadsworth.

CALIFORNIA

St. Helena Sanitarium Siftings

The sanitarium is enjoying a good patronage for this time of year. Nearly every room in the hospital has been occupied recently.

Brother Clifford Howell, from Tennessee, E. S. Ballenger, from Southern California, and E. C. Chapman, from Australia, were among our recent visitors at the sanitarium.

Brother Clyde Lowry, who has been connected with the business department of the sanitarium for the last year and a half, has been released from his duties to assist Elder Corliss as stenographer for the Religious Liberty Association.

Elder E. E. Andross, president of the Southern California Conference, occupied the chapel pulpit Sabbath morning, January 30. His subject was "The Great and Terrible Day of the Lord," with special reference made to the fulfillment of prophecy in recent events.

Urban Robinson, brother of D. E. Robinson, who some nine years ago went to Manila as an army nurse, has returned to this country for a few months' visit. A little gathering of his old friends extended him a welcome at the home of W. C. White, Thursday evening, January 28.

January 30.

M. L. E.

Berkeley Church

The week of prayer season at Berkeley was begun Sabbath, Dec. 12, 1908, the first meeting being conducted by our elder, Dr. A. J. Sanderson. The service was followed by an interesting social meeting. The services continued every evening throughout the week, and were well attended considering the rainy weather and large territory over which our church membership is scattered. The sweet influence of the Spirit of God was present, and enjoyed by all whose good privilege it was to be in attendance.

The blessing of the Lord has been with our church during the past year in

a good degree. The Thanksgiving effort, as planned by the *Review and Herald*, was a real success, and quite a nice sum was obtained as a result of the gathering. At the close of the week of prayer our annual offering was larger than at any time previous.

An excellent interest has been maintained in our Sabbath-school throughout the year, the donations being larger than at any time in the history of our school, and all our contributions for the past three years have been given to foreign missions.

We have in our school a birthday offering box, into which each pupil on his birthday may place an offering—a penny for a year is the rule, as many pennies as they are years old. In honor of the one who organized and established our church and Sabbath-school in Berkeley, we at the close of each year send the contents of this box to the foreign field in which he is now laboring. I will give a quotation from Elder Chas. T. Everson's last acknowledgment of this offering: "The kind donation from the Berkeley church was used to help a young priest who accepted the truth in Genoa. He was canvassing and struggling along to make ends meet while advancing the message. The canvassing work in Italy is not an easy matter. It is as hard to sell a tract for one cent here as it is to sell a book in America for one dollar. So we aid our struggling canvassers when we can, and your birthday offering came in as a God-send in that direction. I am indeed grateful for the interest that the dear Berkeley church manifests in our work among this people that have been held down so long in the thralldom of priestcraft and superstition."

I trust that all our churches in the denomination have enjoyed a prosperous year.

Mrs. Helen W. Martin,
Treas. and Lib.

December 31, 1908.

Pollasky

We were asked at camp-meeting to send in reports that might be interesting and helpful. Although mine does not belong in the teachers' department, it is pertaining to my school—my Sunday-school.

Sixteen bright children, aged five to fourteen, five boys and eleven girls,

compose the little band—"my borrowed family," as I sometimes call them. We opened school Sunday morning, October 11, with four little girls. Gradually the number has crept up, until last Sunday there were sixteen. I think every child in Pollasky, with the exception of a babe three years of age and three Mexican children, belongs to the school.

This is a very small town in resident population, but a very large one in drunken revelings, vice, and shame. At the first meeting I asked the little girls how many of them had ever heard of or knew who Jesus was. I could scarcely credit the fact when the answer came in the negative, save when the name was heard in profanity. I told them as simply as I could of the beautiful plan of redemption, and how they listened!

For the next lesson we began a more minute study of this plan by beginning with creation, our memory verse being Gen. 1:1. Extra copies were sent to children whom they might invite to attend.

When the numbers had sufficiently increased, the starting of a nice children's library was suggested, which met with hearty approval. The pupils were also anxious to earn the money for it. Anticipating their willingness to work for the money, I had sent for quite a number of Bible wall mottoes. These I helped them sell, and within a very short time we had \$4.50 to expend for books, besides having paid for the mottoes.

"Making Home Happy," "Making Home Peaceful," "Left with a Trust," "Story of Joseph," "Uncle Ben's Cobblestones," and "Sabbath Readings," comprised the first lot ordered. Since then we have added "Christ Our Saviour," "Elo the Eagle," "Native Life in India," "Among the Northern Icebergs," and "Life on the Kongo."

The last three books named have not been paid for, as they just arrived; but the children are now turning their donations toward buying library books. A penny a week was the amount asked of each one with which to purchase cards, but much more has often been given, and having now a good supply of cards the children were anxious to turn the account toward books. Soon all will be paid for. They have also purchased one-half yard of blackboard cloth, on

which memory verses are written. It delights my heart to hear them repeat their verses from the first given them to the twelfth. Then I erase the first three words with accompanying texts, which has been a start or reminder for each verse, and we begin a new list.

We are following the line of study in "Best Stories." Each family has one of these books with the exception of the last two children. Shall see if their mother will not be willing for me to get one for them also.

Old copies of *Little Friends* and *Instructors* were sent me for a time, but now my sister, Mrs. Gibson, living in Humboldt County, furnishes a club of six copies of *Little Friends*. These furnish one to a family, and are much enjoyed.

New Year's I gave each child a small memorandum book tied with ribbon in which to keep his verses, having copied in each book all verses we had committed. They were much pleased with these.

A picnic is planned for Sunday P. M., January 24, if the weather permits.

The Liberty number of the *Signs* was sent as a gift by the children to their parents.

We have to use great care in missionary efforts in this place, for peculiar conditions exist, but we hope, trust, and pray that good seed is being sown.

January 24. Mrs. E. C. Boger.

Arcata Experiences

I have been quite busy selling papers of late in Arcata, Humboldt County. I did not think so many could be sold, but by trying it was done. Some of those *Signs* called the *Present Issue* were sold; also some of the older ones of December, and quite a number of tracts, such as "Seal of God," "Waymarks to the Holy City," "We Would See Jesus," and "Gospel Message for To-day."

By this means I could find how the people stand. I found quite a few good souls, and the way opened up for Bible-readings. Two nights a week many are invited, but of course all do not come. However, one is very much interested. The enemy is working hard to keep her back. She is on probation in the Methodist Church. She says she will not join them. Please pray for this dear soul.

August Glatt.

"Go Ye Into All the World"

This precious command includes every town and hamlet, roadside farm and school district in California as well as every other state or country in the world. Yes, and more than that, it includes in the "ye" every man and woman who has ever heard the gospel. All may not go physically from their homes to distant lands, but means and prayers and influence may go for or in the place of each one, and thus the full force of the command be obeyed in deed and in truth.

In obedience to this command, a young brother is teaching a public school in Amador County, Cal., and if ever any place looked like the "utmost part of the earth," it is certainly Plymouth—a worn-out, run-down, mining town with more saloons than all other places of business combined. His credentials and previous experience gained for him the principalship of the school, and, following that, a place on the program of the teachers' institute held in that county was awarded him.

A banquet was tendered the teachers of the county, by the teachers of Jackson, the county-seat and entertaining city. Toasts were in order, and by a beautiful Providence guiding, the county superintendent requested our brother, Mr. M. A. Reese, to respond to "Our Flag."

Being well informed by previous study, and prepared by God's grace in the love of the truth, Brother Reese recognized this opportunity as a call from God, and he listened as the Holy Spirit became his teacher. He gave a short history of the discovery and settlement of the United States, the founding of the government, the adoption of the Constitution and the raising of the stars and stripes as the standard of the new nation.

The stand this infant people took for civil and religious liberty led easily to the subject of the complete separation of church and state. Every teacher present (there were over one hundred), every invited guest, the state superintendent of public instruction, and other institute leaders from various parts of the state heard that part of the third angel's message. It was new to them, and not a few were attracted by it.

The county superintendent and others remarked to me on the excellent address, and wondered that so young a man

should have studied so deeply into the science of government and kindred topics.

Let us praise God for lights such as these set in the dark places of earth. Let us not fail to sustain them by our prayers.

Mrs. Augusta C. Bainbridge.

ARIZONA Kingman

We take this opportunity to let you know that the work in Kingman is encouraging.

For the first time the third angel's message is stirring this place, and the enemy is also at work. He has hedged up the way for holding public meetings.

After this it was decided to do house-to-house work, and we soon began to hold cottage meetings. Cottage meetings are held every night in some part of the town with an attendance of about thirty each week.

It is certainly encouraging to see how some are seeking for the truth. We always give the people the privilege of asking questions. Last evening one lady said, "Why do not the preachers tell us about these things?" Her attention was called to 2 Tim. 4:3, 4. She said this was certainly the truth; and that it was so interesting she could listen all night to it. Our subject was Daniel 7. All seemed very thankful to have met us.

It does our hearts good to have a humble part in this work. Pray earnestly that we may be channels through which the Lord can bless this people.

Georgé and Lillie Sims.

Box 321.

January 26.

Morenci

Since the close of last Sabbath, up until to-day, I have seen some of the marked tokens of our Father's loving care and answers to prayer. How the good Lord longs to bless! and we will surely see of His salvation if we only place ourselves in the channel of divine blessing.

Last Sabbath I kept as a day of fasting and prayer to draw nearer to God, to have more power from above. The Lord did come graciously near. Praise His holy name. On my return from my lonely mountain Bethel, after the close of the Sabbath, I met two men sitting alongside the railroad track.

They proved to be two of my customers for books. One of the men had ordered "Christ's Object Lessons," not knowing anything of "Patriarchs and Prophets," as I had not shown or mentioned the latter work to him. The other party had ordered "Patriarchs and Prophets," not having had "Object Lessons" called to his attention. I felt impressed to try to get their orders now, each for the book mentioned that they had not ordered. I had sought the Master for power to prevail with man; to make my words and efforts effective. I believed He would hear and answer.

The man who had already given his name for "Patriarchs and Prophets" readily ordered "Object Lessons," but I had no book to show him; I could only describe it to him. Then the other man who had placed his order for "Object Lessons" told me to call Monday at his place, and he would tell me then if he could take "Patriarchs and Prophets," as he had to do some figuring on money matters first, to see how he was coming out. I could only tell him of the book, as I had nothing to show him then. I called Monday, and he placed his order for it. When I called at his shop there was another man there at the same time. He also ordered "Patriarchs and Prophets," and by a little inducement and persuasion took "Object Lessons" also. How the Lord does work!

A few days ago I met a gentleman who in 1906 bought "Patriarchs" of me at Clifton, Ariz. He was so well pleased with it that I told him of a most wonderful and important book by the same author, that he ought to have. I had no book or prospectus to show him, but on my word and description he placed his order for "Great Controversy." May the Lord bless it to his soul's salvation.

Here at Morenci, something over one week ago, while canvassing at a large new concentrator, I got the name of the engineer for "Patriarchs and Prophets." There are three shifts of eight hours each. A little later I called on another engineer on a different shift. He placed an order for "Patriarchs," and I just saw the third engineer on the other eight-hour division of time, and he also must have "Patriarchs," in one of the best bindings. So by the

grace of God I was enabled to place a copy of this most excellent book in the hands of each engineer at this new \$500,000 Arizona Copper Company's concentrator.

These are not all the orders I have in the same building for this book. After meeting the last engineer, I made my way down to the power house, where I met a bright young colored man firing the boilers. He had already sent for "Object Lessons," but now on being introduced for the first time to "Patriarchs," he must also have one.

Some of these things call my mind back to my work in Montana in 1885, twenty-four years ago this spring. One day I was at a little mining town called "Comet," some thirty miles out from Helena. I was canvassing for "Sunshine at Home," and clubbed the *Signs of the Times* with it for three months. That day I had taken eighteen orders. About dusk I went out among the snowbanks to thank God on my knees for His blessings on the day's work, thinking my day's work was practically ended. But then I did call at a few places afterwards. Soon I had twelve additional orders, making thirty for the day. Up to this time that was the largest number of orders I had ever secured in one day.

I called that evening after dark at a miner's cabin that was vacant when I was there early in the day. Four men were in, and one more belonged there who was then absent. Each of those four ordered "Sunshine at Home" with *Signs*, three months, and one of them ventured to order one for the absent member. When I came later in the spring to fill the orders, the man absent on the first occasion was then present, but the individual who had ordered a book for him was not at home. But the first absentee paid for book for the later absentee, so all came out well. I trust the good old *Signs* sent there will be good seed sown in fruitful soil, and bring forth a harvest for Christ in that great day.

On the same day I secured the thirty orders, I was using an old "Thoughts on Daniel and the Revelation" prospectus to enter up my orders on its blank pages. One of the "Sunshine" and *Signs* subscribers saw it and asked me what it was I had in my hands. I gave a few words in answer to his query,

not thinking anything would come of it. To my surprise he said he wanted also one of those "Daniel and Revelation." I was pleased to see that he had it later on.

O. I see so much to do here, and all over Arizona,—far more than I can do;—plenty of hard work and good success for energetic workers. These Mexican-Spanish people buy books in their language very readily. All honors to God alone.

Walter Harper.

January 18.

Teachers' Exchange

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA Better Teachers

The betterment of our church schools and also of the higher schools among us is what we are striving for. We want to make these schools as successful as possible. We can never have good schools through the work of inferior teachers. Our aim must be to increase the efficiency of our teachers from year to year. The school work in the Pacific Union Conference has been growing better all of the time; but there is still room for improvement.

We find also that in union there is strength, confidence, and success. Our union institute in Healdsburg during the summer of 1908 gave force to the church-school work. I know that, as a result of that work, we have better schools than we ever had before.

In order to have the work grow, it has been decided to continue the plan of having union institutes, and the next one will be held in Southern California, possibly at Fernando, from July 8 to August 4. We expect a large attendance, and the instruction given will be of the greatest benefit. We expect through this means to secure what we are all anxious to have—better teachers.

H. G. Lucas.

Papers and Tracts Wanted

Any of our general denominational papers and tracts will be thankfully received for use in missionary work. They should be sent post-paid to 1068 3d St., Oakland, Cal. James Harvey.

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The thirty-eighth annual session of the California Conference has just closed in Oakland, Cal. A very profitable meeting was held, and the sweet Spirit of the Lord seemed to pervade the session throughout.

The following named parties were elected at the recent annual meeting of the California Conference Association, as its Board of Directors for the present year: H. W. Cottrell, S. N. Haskell, W. T. Knox, E. E. Parlin, W. E. Whalin, L. M. Bowen, and J. E. Scoggins.

At the annual meeting of the California Conference which has just closed in Oakland, Cal., the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: For president, S. N. Haskell; secretary and treasurer, Claude Conard; executive committee, S. N. Haskell, H. Shultz, E. D. Sharpe, J. H. Behrens, G. A. Snyder, B. L. Howe, and A. Brorsen.

The Seventh-day Adventist 1909 Year Book is just out. The following are some of the gains which are shown for 1908: Nine local conferences organized, making a total of 102; 134 workers were sent out to foreign fields during the year; 14 schools of higher grade were established, making a total of 81; four new publishing houses were established, making in all 26; 11 sanitariums started, making 113 in all; total number of Seventh-day Adventist members increased to over 100,000. Much valuable information is contained in this book. It can be had from your tract society for 25 cents a copy.

Elder M. C. Wilcox was again chosen editor of the *Signs of the Times* weekly, with A. O. Tait associate editor. Also Elder A. O. Tait has been chosen editor of the *Signs of the Times Monthly*, and Elder Wilcox as associate editor. Miss Blossom Wilcox was chosen by the Pacific Press Board as editor of *Our Little Friend*.

The following departmental officers and managers of branches were chosen by the Board of Directors of the Pacific Press Publishing Association: Manager of the Book Department of the main office, H. H. Hall; manager Kansas City Branch, Jas. Cochran; manager Portland Branch, J. F. Beatty; manager Canadian Branch, C. M. Cottrell.

At the annual meeting of the Pacific Press Publishing Association held at Mountain View, January 25, the following Board of Directors was chosen: H. W. Cottrell, C. H. Jones, M. C. Wilcox, H. H. Hall, H. G. Childs, A. O. Tait, B. R. Nordyke, W. B. White, W. T. Knox, S. N. Haskell, E. E. Andross, R. A. Underwood, and E. T. Russell. The following organization was effected: President, H. W. Cottrell, vice-president and general manager, C. H. Jones, secretary and treasurer, H. G. Childs.

A 1909 Book-Mark

The General Conference Sabbath-School Department has provided some attractive book-marks for use during the year 1909. They are of satin ribbon, nine inches long, and give the Sabbath-school memory verses for the year, and the Lord's Prayer. "Pretty," "neat," "dainty," "useful," "appropriate," are some of the commendatory words we hear. Many Sabbath-school and church-school teachers gave them to their pupils as New Year's gifts. They are nice for any one who uses a book-mark. The price is six cents each; on all orders of five or more to one address, five cents each. Send cash with order. Address Sabbath-School Department, Takoma Park Station, Washington, D. C., or your state Sabbath-school secretary.

Spiritualism

Our readers are no doubt aware of the fact that the subject of Spiritualism has received special attention during the

last few months in the columns of the leading magazines in this country, and that the public mind is greatly agitated over the question. Scientific men are puzzled and do not know how to explain the strange phenomena, although various theories are advanced by different ones. Nearly all, however, admit that there is something supernatural about it.

Now is the opportune time to call attention to what the Bible says concerning this great deception. This opportunity to disseminate light will be placed within the reach of all in the March number of the *Signs of the Times Monthly* magazine. This will be largely given over to the examination of this question in the light of prophecy. Some very strong articles from our leading brethren, covering the various phases of the subject, will appear in that number, and it ought to have a wide circulation. The times demand it.

Here are the titles of some of the leading articles that will appear in this issue:

1. *Spiritualism as Predicted by the Prophets, and the Facts of Fulfilment.* By Elder W. A. Spicer.
2. *Great Deceptions Predicted.* By Elder R. A. Underwood.
3. *The State of the Dead.* By Elder C. L. Taylor.
4. *Origin, History, and Destiny of Satan.* By Elder M. C. Wilcox.
5. *Victory.* By Mrs. E. G. White.
6. *Ministration of Good Angels.* By Max Hill.
7. *The Rise of the War Spirit, and Its Relation to Modern Spiritualism.* By Elder A. O. Tait.

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