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The Dedication of the New School

But little has been said respecting the new school property as yet. There are between 1,700 and 1,800 acres of land in the place, one hundred being rich bottom-land in a high state of cultivation. Thirty acres are in alfalfa, and twenty acres in fruit of various kinds. Forty-five tons of prunes have been gathered, and there are more to be picked. There are also in the cellar two thousand quarts of canned fruit that came to us with the place.

There are ten buildings on the premises. The main building is 105x45 feet and is three stories high. It contains twenty-nine bedrooms, a dining-room that will seat one hundred and fifty, and a kitchen with all facilities to cook for three hundred people. Besides the main building there are six cottages of from three to eleven rooms each; so there is plenty of room to accommodate a hundred and fifty students and the teachers without building. There are three barns, one for horses, one for cows, and the other used for storage of hay and feed.

There are three large springs which yield an aggregate flow of three hundred thousand gallons of water daily. The water is raised to the highest elevation by hydrathic rams and then forced to all the buildings, and the grounds can be watered in the driest season.

There is plenty of wood to last as long as the world stands, and saw-timber enough to replace all the buildings and have sufficient left for a small township. There are carpentry and blacksmith shops well equipped with tools; all kinds of farming implements, wagons, carriages, horses and cows. There are also over a hundred tons of good hay in the barns.

A large hall, which was formerly used as a dance-hall, will serve as the chapel, and will seat over two hundred. Adjoining it were billiard-rooms and a bowling-alley, which have been converted into five or six good class-rooms. These buildings are all well furnished and in good repair.

Wednesday, September 29, the day of the dedication, was a day of interest. Sister White was present, and spoke in the highest terms of what she had found on this place. She said that the providence of God had led in the matter, after our being disappointed in not securing the Sonoma property. But had we secured that property, it would have taken \$50,000 above the purchase price and five years of hard labor to bring it into as good and practical a condition as this place is.

Elders Cottrell, White, Corliss, the writer, and others made remarks suitable for the occasion, and after the dedicatory exercises between eighty and ninety persons were served to a hygienic dinner prepared by the teachers and students. The day passed pleasantly, and all seemed to be happy.

About fifty students had already arrived, and many more are expected. Prof. C. W. Irwin; who stands at the head of this new school, has successfully demonstrated, the problem of manual labor, both financially and in developing all-around missionaries for foreign fields.

In this school we have heeded the fol-

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lowing instruction: "Schools are to be established away from the cities, where the youth can learn to cultivate the soil, and thus help to make the school selfsupporting." Again, "The usefulness learned on the school farm is the very education that is most essential for those who go out as missionaries to many foreign fields."—"*Testimonies on Education.*" S. N. Haskell.

Dedication of Pacific College

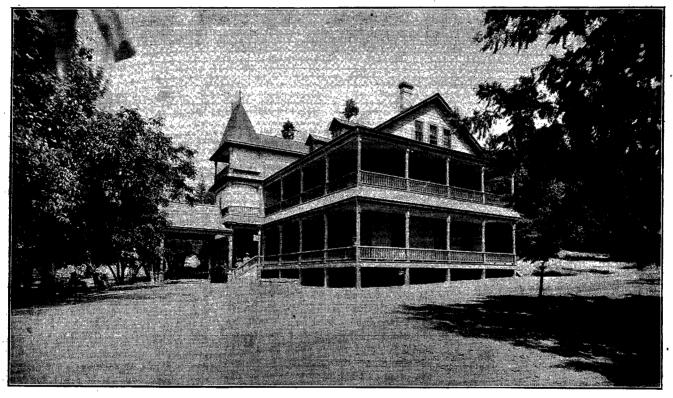
September 29 was the date set for the dedication and opening of the new Pacific College. Much had to be done to transform the place from a summer resort to the needs of a college. But Elder A. O. Tait with several young men, prospective students, accomplished wonders in a few days, and at the appointed time things were fairly ready for business.

At 10 A.M. the chapel, 36x54 feet in size, was well filled with those who had come to participate in the exercises. Following song and Scripture reading, prayer was offered; and after another appropriate song, Prof. C. W. Irwin, president of the faculty, spoke of the positive indications of God's providence which put in our possession the wonderful facilities at hand, and then followed. with a brief outline of the school's policy. He said that the expectation was to educate pupils fully, physically and morally, as well as intellectually. In other words, the heart and hand would receive equal attention with the head, so that pupils would be prepared to meet every

issue in life, and be qualified to do things, whether in the ordinary walks of life, or amid the strain of foreign mission service. He believed an education was incomplete without this, and so God was to be the guide, not only in the selection of studies, but in the number to be carried, and the division of time in the matter of class and manual work.

Sister E. G. White followed in her usual forceful way, speaking from Zechariah 3. Her excellent remarks are nothing but prosperity and rich blessing was in store for us. His words were very encouraging, and were well received.

Elder W. T. Knox spoke in his usual happy way, saying that the present gathering was a sure token of what God is willing and waiting to do for His people. Referring to our discouraging situation of the last two years, because of no college facilities, he believed that God had specially wrought in our behalf, to place us once again on vanin our school work. Having given more time than any of the others to the negotiation for securing the new college site, he briefly, but interestingly, recited the long strain which terminated in the present location. He called attention to the highly fertile soil of the place; the abundance of pure, soft water; the great amount of wood for immediate use; and the splendid isolation of the property, so congenial to the needs of pupils in prosecuting their studies. He con-



Ladies' Dormitory, Containing Dining-room, Kitchen, Etc.

reported in full elsewhere in this paper, to which the attention of the reader is directed.

Elder S. N. Haskell devoted a few minutes to the history of the negotiations which resulted in securing the school property. He strongly endorsed previous remarks concerning the need of an all-around education. Referring to the amount of cash yet to be raised to pay the full purchase price, he said he could fully trust the people of California to sustain the enterprise financially, because they were learning to believe all that God has said regarding our closing educational work. He was sure that tage ground. Coming as we have to property so nicely fitted for our work, God has but brought us to enter into other men's labors.

Elder W. C. White followed the general trend regarding the nature of educational work most needed. He reviewed previous attempts to found schools on other than true industrial lines, citing Battle Creek, College View, Healdsburg, and other places. He thought that now we were starting Pacific College on lines that will meet God's approval.

Elder H. W. Cottrell believed that we had at last reached the era of prosperity sidered it an ideal place for securing an all-around education.

Elder J. O. Corliss added a few words of hearty congratulation for the pleasant surroundings, expressing himself fully in accord with the plans for the school, and said he believed our people. would not be backward in sustaining the contemplated work on the hillside.

Prof. G. W. Rine, who has been selected as a member of the faculty, looked forward with pleasure to his anticipated work; and after some reference to personal matters affecting his connection with the school, he closed with some excellent advice to the student body, fifty of whom were present.

Elder A. O. Tait closed the speechmaking of the day, following in line with others regarding the wonderful facilities so providentially placed in our hands for ideal school work.

The dedicatory prayer was then offered by Elder S. N. Haskell. In most solemn and earnest petition, the blessing of God was sought for the prosperity of the work in educating young men and women for the service of the Master. Teachers and students were together commended to God's grace in their appointed work, and one could but be reminded of the reported presence of God at the dedication of the temple of old.

With an appropriate song the exercises closed, Elder Cottrell pronouncing the benediction. These exercises will not be soon forgotten by those present. We shall confidently look for the manifestation of God in and around that school, because His leadings have been so apparent in its establishment. We sincerely hope that many of our youth will be able to avail themselves of the opportunity of an education at that place, and that it may in deed and in truth become a school of the prophets.

J. O. Corliss.

Report of the Dedicatory Exercises of Pacific College

Angwin, Cal., Sept. 29, 1909

At 10 A.M. quite a company of friends and students of the school met in the assembly hall on the new college property to participate in the dedicatory services. Prof. C. W. Irwin, the president of the faculty, opened the meeting, and acted as chairman throughout.

"Wake the Song of Joy and Gladness" was the opening song, after which the following beautiful Scripture lesson was read by Elder S. N. Haskell:

"And I have given you a land for which ye did not labor, and cities which ye built not, and ye dwell in them; of the vineyards and olive-yards which ye planted not do ye eat.

"Now therefore fear the Lord, and serve Him in sincerity and in truth: and put away the gods which your fathers served on the other side of the Flood, and in Egypt; and serve ye the Lord." Joshua 24:13, 14.

"I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help. My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth. He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: He that keepeth thee will not shumber. Behold, He that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep. The Lord is thy keeper: the Lord is thy shade upon thy right hand. The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night. The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil: He shall preserve thy soul. The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even forevermore." Psalms 121.

"I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the Lord. Our feet shall stand within thy gates, O Jerusalem. Jerusalem is builded as a city that is compact together; whither the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, unto the testimony of Israel, to give thanks unto the name of the Lord. For there are set thrones of judgment, the thrones of the house of David. Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: they shall prosper that love thee. Peace be within thy walls, and prosperity within thy palaces. For my brethren and companions' sakes, I will now say, Peace be within thee. Because of the house of the Lord our God I will seek thy good." Psalms 122.

After prayer by Elder J. O. Corliss, Professor Irwin made the following remarks:

"We have met together this morning under peculiar and I believe auspicious circumstances. I believe God has been leading, and that gives me confidence to believe that He will continue to lead in• this enterprise. If I did not think God was leading in the enterprise in which I was about to launch, I should certainly have no desire to have a part in it.

"It may be fitting this morning for me to make a few remarks touching the kind of work that we hope to do in this institution. I believe that for years the Spirit of God has been endeavoring to teach us a better way as far as our educational work is concerned.

"Something over thirty years ago, we received instruction, through the spirit of prophecy, that we were to conduct a line of school work different from what the world had conducted up to that time. We were instructed that the whole man should be educated. Not only the head and the heart, but the hand also should receive training.

"But like the children of Israel in the wilderness, we as a people seem to have been exceedingly slow to comprehend the light that God has given us, and much slower still to act upon that light. We struggled along under various difficulties, as did the children of Israel in the wilderness, with a great deal of complaining, of murmuring, and of fault-finding. And now we have come to the place where we are endeavoring to get back onto the platform that God gave us at that time for our educational work.

"Any system of education which serves to develop only one part of man is defective. A system which would develop mind only is defective. A theological training even, if it develops only the intellect largely and not the physical, is defective. Certainly a school which trains only the physical, and which endeavors to produce muscle without brain, is defective. But the happy combination of the intellectual, the moral, and the physical produces just such an education as we believe God is pleased with. It is such an education as this that we shall endeavor under the direction and guidance of God to give in the school in this place.

"As a people we have been exceedingly fortunate in receiving light, although we have been slow to comprehend this light on the great subject of education. This light was given us before the world was awakened on this subject. Later on, other men began to promulgate the doctrine of physical, intellectual, and moral training combined. In our educational work, as well as in our medical work and in other lines, the world has comprehended some of these things, while we have been slow to see and act upon the light given.

"Some days ago there was placed in my hands a clipping from a paper, written by Elbert Hubbard, the editor of *The Philistine*. Mr. Hubbard, as the name of his paper would indicate, is a man who perhaps is not in sympathy with Christian education, but he has a great deal to say in criticism of the modern school, and of the work done in colleges at the present time. Among other pertinent expressions, he makes use of this: 'The college of to-day does not prepare young men and women to fight the battles of life, but the tendency is to prepare them to escape the battles of life.'

"In our work here, our object shall be to prepare the young men and women who come to this institution to meet the battles of life, and not to try to escape them. In order to meet the battles of life, we must be prepared for every emergency that might arise. And not only must we be equipped with a certain . amount of training of the intellect and heart, but we must learn to do things as well.

"You have doubtless observed that we are living in an exceedingly practical age. I believe that is good in many respects. I do not know why that same element should not enter into our educational work. I believe that we as a people ought to be the most practical people in all the world, because we have a message to carry to the world in this generation, and it must be carried rapidly. We must have a class of people educated and trained to do this work, who know how to do things and to do them well. It is folly to send off to foreign lands young men and women who can not do the common duties of life in the home land. The best preparation, the best credentials any young man or woman can offer is that he is able to do the common duties of life.

"Men may have great intellects, they may have a great amount of education, as the world regards education, they may be exceedingly brilliant as far as mental training and the capability of expressing themselves are concerned, but still be utterly useless in a foreign field. Our own history as a denomination has demonstrated this fact. We have had many brilliant men among us who were able to hold an audience spellbound by their oratory, or by their writings, and yet how many of these men have sunk out of existence as far as our work is concerned. How many of them have gone out as lights in the darkness!

"We want young men and women to have a thorough, sound preparation, that they may go out as solid workers for God. At the present time, the conditions in foreign lands, and in our own country as well, demand men and women of this kind. A man may go out into a foreign field like China, or India, or Japan, or Africa, and all his fine-spun theories and all his oratory may be of no use to him there. But the man who can go out and sit by the side of a native, help him in his difficulties, show him how to make a success of his work in this life, will win the confidence and respect of his people, and be enabled to do a great work for them.

"Men who have not had this training, have sometimes gone out to take charge of various lines of work; and because they have had no practical experience, have wasted thousands and thousands of dollars that our people have contributed for the work of God. This thing ought not to be. We ought to send out men who can do a different kind of work than this; and it is my fondest hope that we shall train such workers in this institution. If we do not give this practical training. I shall be greatly disappointed. I believe I bespeak the sentiments of those who have been called to labor with me in this place, when I say that that is the kind of education which we desire to give.

"Now we have come to an important time. I believe that God has directed hitherto. The proprietor of this place himself has made the statement that he believed he had been working on this place all these years to get it ready for us. I believe he has. I believe that God has directed in the selection of this property, and that He is about to do a great work here.

"We shall have difficulties and obstacles to surmount. Some things may be conducted in a way that is a little different from what you have seen or heard before. But we want the guidance of God in these matters. We shall endeavor to study most diligently to carry out the instruction that has been given us through the spirit of prophecy. I am exceedingly glad, and I know you are, that Sister White is able to be with us on this occasion, and to give us additional instruction. There is much in the volumes of her writings, pertaining to the subject of education, which we do not understand, which we have not begun to put into practise as yet; but I trust that we shall study these writings as never before, and that we may be better prepared to do the work before us.

"The guiding motive in this educational system that we hope to start, will be the Word of God, supplemented by writings of the spirit of prophecy. This shall be the guide in all our work. It shall be the guide in the kind of workwe shall do, in the studies which shall be offered, in reference to our industrial instruction, with regard to how many studies students shall carry, how much time they shall put in study and how much time in work, when we shall arise and when we shall go to bed, and in reference to the relation of young men and women in this place. There is not a single feature of educational work but what is touched in these writings; but we have been slow in carrying them out.

"I trust that we shall have your prayers and your cooperation, that this school may be a great success, under God. There is no reason why it should not be. There is no reason why the fame of this school should not go out through all the United States as a special place where God is leading in the system of education, not to glorify man, but to glorify the great principle involved."

Mrs. E. G. White was then introduced by the chairman, and she spoke in a very earnest and forceful way:

" 'And he showed me Joshua the high priest standing before the angel of the Lord, and Satan standing at his right hand to resist him.'

"Joshua here stands as the representative of God's people. Satan is represented as trying to revive Joshua's past sins, or the past sins of the people of God, so that he shall lose his confidence in God, and his hold upon heaven. But we find that Christ stands ready to resist the work of Satan. We read:

" 'And the Lord said unto Satan, The Lord rebuke thee, O. Satan; even the Lord that hath chosen Jerusalem rebuke thee: is not this a brand plucked out of the fire? Now Joshua was clothed with filthy garments, and stood before the angel. And he answered and spake unto those that stood before him, saying, Take away the filthy garments from him. And unto him he said, Behold, I have caused thine iniquity to pass from thee, and I will clothe thee with change of raiment. And I said, Let them set a fair miter upon his head. So they set a fair miter upon his head, and clothed him with garments.

"And the angel of the Lord stood by. And the angel of the Lord protested unto Joshua, saying, Thus saith the Lord of Hosts; If thou wilt walk in My ways, and if thou wilt keep My charge, then thou shalt also judge My house, and shalt also keep My courts, and I will give thee places to walk among these that stand by.'

"The time had not yet come for Joshua to be glorified. There were those who were watching him, watching for an opportunity to make apparent his defects and failures. Joshua had repented of his past sins, and Christ had pardoned them, but here Satan was bringing them all up before him that he might place him in a false light. And Christ declares what He will do for Joshua and for all who, like Joshua, are seeking to stand justified before Him. The words were spoken: 'If thou wilt walk in My ways, and if thou wilt keep My charge, then thou shalt also judge My house, and shalt also keep My courts, and I will give thee places to walk among these that stand by.'

"" 'Hear now, O Joshua the high priest, thou, and thy fellows that sit before thee: for they are men wondered at: for, behold, I will bring forth My servant the BRANCH. For behold the stone that I have laid before Joshua; upon one stone shall be seven eyes: behold, I will engrave the graving therof, saith the Lord of Hosts, and I will remove the iniquity of that land in one day. In that day, saith the Lord of Hosts, shall ye call every man his neighbor under the vine and under the fig-tree.'

"There is a time coming when God will let it be understood that His people are preferred before transgressors, and we need to stand in a position where it can be seen that our dependence is upon God. Then the Lord will open ways before us that we do not now discern,ways by which He will exalt and honor us.

"I believe we have seen this in the case of our school location. We thought that in the Buena Vista property at Sonoma we had secured wonderful advantages. We were much pleased with the place, and felt it would answer our purpose, although we knew there would be nearly everything to provide except. the one large, costly house. But as time went on, and the trade was not completed, although the owner had a portion of the money in his hands, we felt that we were being kept out of the place for some purpose. I counseled our brethren, saying, 'Tell them to put us in possession of the place or to hand us back our money."

The next thing I heard was that they had handed back our money.

"Then the brethren went to work to find another place, and in a little while there came the word that the Angwin property could be secured. Later, when I visited this place, and marked its many advantages, I wondered how we could have found another site that would better suit our needs than the one we have found here.

"During the time of waiting I did not feel discouraged. I felt that the Lord knew all about our perplexities and our needs. When I would kneel before of God through His works. And here, by the study of His handiwork, we can learn how to present God to others. I thank God with heart and soul and voice for the abundant advantages we have. We realize that the Lord knew what we needed, and that it is His providence that brought us here. Our disappointment in regard to the Buena Vista estate was great; and it was hard to know that all our expectations concerning it must be given up; but we thank the Lord that the matter has worked out to the glory of God. Let us be thankful, and let us give expression to our thankfulness.



View from Front Veranda of Ladies' Dormitory

Him in prayer, I would say, 'Lord, You know all about it; You know we have done what we could to secure a school property; You know that our plans have been broken up. We have waited long; now, Lord, give us the place that we should have.' And when the word came that this place was found, I said, 'The Lord has prepared the way for us.'

"We are very grateful to the Lord of Hosts for this possession; for we have here just what we hoped to have in the Buena Vista estate — a place where we can study the works of nature, and in the woods and mountains around us learn God wanted us here, and He has placed us here. I was sure of this as I came on these grounds. The advantages I see in the cultivated soil go far beyond my expectations. And I am thankful that so many are here to-day to see these things for themselves. I believe that as you walk through these grounds, you will come to the same decision, that the Lord designed this place for us, and that it has been the work of His providence that has brought it into our possession.

"Now we need not wait any longer; our school can assemble and the work

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begin at once. And at its very beginning, let us determine to walk humbly with God. Let us seek to make such a representation as is given to us in the words I have read to you to-day. If we will do this — if we will walk in God's ways and keep His charge — the light of Heaven will certainly shine upon us. If we will resolve to do our best here, exercising the physical muscles equally with the brain powers, if we will work for the harmonious development of all the powers of the being, the blessing of the Lord will rest upon us in large measure.

"There is a sanitarium a few miles from here. The two institutions can work together harmoniously. Professor Irwin and his fellow workers, and Dr. Rand and his associate helpers, can cooperate in their efforts.

"Let us take advantage of the privilege placed before us of adding to our faith virtue. This is something that all, both teachers and students, should appreciate. 'Add to your faith virtue,' the apostle writes, 'and to virtue knowledge; and to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness; and to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity. For if these things be in you, and abound, they make you that ye shall neither be barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.'

"This is a wonderful representation. 'If ye do these things,' the apostle declares, 've shall never fall: for so an entrance shall be ministered unto you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.' Let us make the most of the benefits offered. Let us work out the plan that God has laid down for us, and seek in our lives to glorify Him. An eternal life-insurance policy is offered to all. The securing of it rests with every individual soul. Teachers and students may have a hope that is big with immortality and full of glory. I thank God that this is our privilege."

At this juncture Professor Irwin asked those present who intended to enter as students in the school to rise to their feet. Forty-five responded. It was understood that there were others on the premises who were not present at the meeting.

Elder Haskell then made the following remarks:

"There are a few of us that are in

sympathy with Sister White's remarks that she is thankful that we have this place. We felt that we must have a place for the conference school. There are over a thousand of our young people in this conference that are not attending our schools. They are some of our most active young people. They have been going to one place and another, and we have needed a conference school. It seemed as though we must have one. I have felt this ever since I have been connected with the conference, and the Healdsburg College closed.

"I need not here mention the circumstances, for you are all familiar with them, but some questioned how we finally came around to this place. It has been in the providence of God, and I am thankful that we are here. I am thankful that the Lord's providence has shaped things just as it has. He has heard the prayers of God's people for a conference school, and I am thankful to see about fifty young men and women that have arisen who are coming to this school. Only a few weeks ago we did not have it at all, but we believed that God would give us one. We had that faith, and so Elder Cottrell and a few others of us have worked just as hard as we thought we could to secure a place. And when our attention was called to this place, it seemed to me that we could not wait one week hefore it was secured.

"So we wrote at once to Sister White a description of the property as nearly as we could, and when she had received the information, had thought the matter over, and had given an encouraging word for it, we were thankful, and I do not think that any time was lost before the place was secured.

"Now we have it, and what we need especially is God's blessing that He may magnify His name in the education of youth to go to the world or wherever God's providence may call them to carry the light of present truth. We are here simply to prepare for the coming of God. The beginning and ending of all our aims and objects in life is to carry the truth to the world in this present generation, and see the salvation of God that will go forth to the ends of the earth. We are to carry out the purpose of God in giving the light to the darkened portions of this earth.

"I am thankful therefore for the prospect that is right before us here

this morning, that the Lord's blessing is here.

"Some may question, What are you going to teach in the school? I have heard some criticisms already made. Some say you can not get the Californians to work. The only reply I have made is, Give them an opportunity and see. Give them an opportunity to cultivate the physical with the intellectual, and you will see that you will have the cream of California in the effort put forth.

"I know that God's hand is in this work. I have seen His providence over His work for fifty-seven years, and I have never seen God undertake to do a thing when His people would believe in Him, but that that thing was brought around.

"I remember well what Sister White's testimony was when the first school ground was selected in Battle Creek. She spoke decidedly as she spoke this morning about the physical and the intellectual being combined in order that we may have all-around men and women that will carry the truth to the ends of this earth. She also pointed out the ground in Battle Creek that we should have. Did we get it? No, because we did not believe it could be obtained. So the matter passed by, and we erected the college where it was erected. I refer to the fair ground. We had not the means; we thought we could not raise the money. I think if we had had faith, we could have gotten the means. God has not a people on the face of this earth that He can not use when it comes to a crisis. and it has been demonstrated right here in this conference. We have paid the forty thousand dollars already, and the balance will be paid in due time. Not such a move has been made among our people that that amount of money should be paid in cash in so short a period of time as it has been done here in California. Don't you think that God is in it? I believe He is. There is no obstacle so great, there is no Red Sea that is so deep, but what God Himself can divide it when He says to His people, Go forward. It is God that divides the sea, and on either side are the walls of ice, as it was when they crossed the Red Sea. I suppose it was the coolest walk that Israel ever had, when they went over. It was a warmer climate than here in California.

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"God wants us to believe these things, and the highest education that we can get is to learn to believe God, that when God speaks, that is so, not because we can see it is so, but because God says And when this faith is exercised so. in His word, we shall see wonderful things accomplished by His people and . through His people in this closing work of the Gospel. I have often remarked what Elder Andrews frequently said to me when we were talking about what would be done and what could not be done. Putting his hand on my shoulder, he would say, 'Young man, mark these words: When this message closes; God will not go out the back door.' And I do not expect He will.

, "His truth will triumph not only in one phase of the work, but in every phase of the work there will be a manifestation of the power of God, so that the world will see that it is God that has done it, and not man. May the Lord help us, and inspire us with a confidence and a courage to go forward until we can see fully the purpose of God carried out in every respect. May the Lord add His blessing. There is much that I might say, but what I have said is sufficient to show how I feel in reference to the place, and how some of these brethren feel in reference to the place that has been selected here. It is God's providence that has given it to us, and we thank His precious name."

W. T. Knox:

"I assure you I am very glad to be with you on this occasion, and to see such a representation of our people up here on the top of the mountain, and of them such a goodly proportion as students. I believe we are beginning the work of this institution under most auspicious circumstances, and that this gathering this morning is but a token of the success that will be realized in the years that are to come. I do not know that I have very much to say this morning to you concerning the work in which we are all so much interested. Our presence here is evidence that we are in sympathy with the work of an all-around education such as has been briefly outlined to us by Professor Irwin and the other speakers. "There have discouragements come to

"years, and previous to that even, when the work was going hard at Healdsburg. For two years past, we have been without a college. Different ones interested in the educational work have been striving to have circumstances so changed and conditions brought about that would enable us to carry forward the work as it has been outlined to us in the past.

"All doubtless that are here are aware of the many discouragements realized during these past two years. I do not suppose that any have been more keenly disappointed in this matter than those who are here upon the stand. For about a year we believed and hoped, and finally this belief and hope were greatly tempered by doubts, that we had secured a location near Sonoma. Those of us who were entrusted with accomplishing the transfer of the property to the conference, for the school, found ourselves confronted by a very hard proposition. We did not doubt that God would place the school there, and that He would be glad to see it started there; but we had many difficulties with which we were obliged to contend. One of the greatest was a very hard man with whom to deal. Now I have nothing to say against him, nor have I anything to say for him, only that he was so constituted that it was a most difficult thing for the committee to deal with him. All manner of obstacles were raised, all manner of difficulties were encountered, some of them real, and some imaginary. Every compromise was made that reason could ask, and we even went beyond reason. Finally we were brought right up to the proposition, and we could get no further, and were obliged to call the deal off after a year, and demand back the money.

"Now my heart was not only filled with disappointment in that matter, but with discouragement before we came to that crisis; and yet I had no doubt that somewhere God had a place that He would have this school started in, and I have no doubt this morning that we have found it, that God has brought us here. I believe that this is recognized by God's people. Of those whom I have been permitted to meet who have come up here to see the place and have examined it, I have yet to find the first one who has raised any objections. It is true they speak of the long grade and the dust that we pass through in summer, but they say, 'When we get there it is all right.'

"And I think, too, that it is some-

thing wonderful that even those who are not of us as a people recognize that God's hand has been guiding us and has been directing the previous owners in preparing a place for the people of God. One of the most noticeable and encouraging features in all this matter, to me, has been the peaceful way in which this property has been acquired by us, the quietness, the pleasantness with which all the negotiations have been carried forward. As far as I know, there has not a single question arisen between Mr. Angwin and this people, not a single difficulty, not the slightest hitch or jar. Everything has been just as it should be between brothers negotiating with brothers. This to me is also an evidence that God wanted us to have this place, that He has moved upon the hearts of men to prepare it for us, and as was outlined in the Scripture reading, we are entering into other men's labors.

"Now I have confidence also that God not only has prepared this place for us, and brought us here, but if we will continue to cooperate with Him, and seek to work along lines that He has marked out for us, that the ultimate to which we are aiming will be fully realized by us in our educational work; that here will be found a place where God's plans, God's purposes in educating our young people, and preparing them for work in the great field, will be fully realized by God and by us. I also have confidence to believe that these men and women who in the initial enterprise have been called of God to take active part in the work - that they will, and that the students will seek to place themselves in full cooperation with God, that this may be accomplished."

W. C. White:

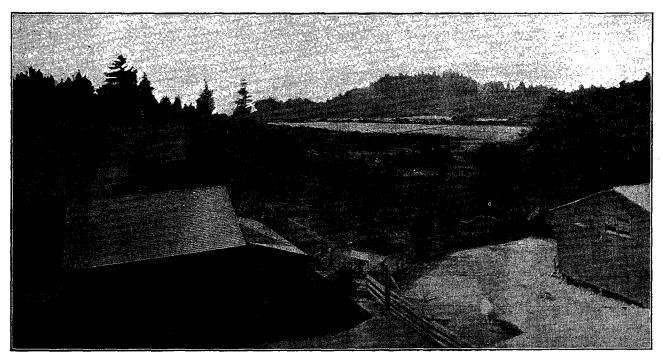
"It was about thirty-five years ago that the leaders of the Seventh-day Adventist people opened in Battle Creek their first college. As has been stated this morning by Brother Irwin, special instruction was given about a year or two before as to the character of school that we should establish. A clear and distinet intimation was given that it would be pleasing to God if we should establish schools where there could be many industrial educational enterprises — manufacturing, and opportunifies to learn trades.

"When we came face to face with the matter of location, our brethren turned aside from the great opportunity to get fifty acres, and bought eleven. They built a three-story brick building; and when it came to opening the school, and the question was raised with reference to the instruction given, as to the character of school that we should have, they said, 'We do not know how to carry out this instruction. We have here teachers that are accustomed to teaching in the ordinary way, and we will have to open up along lines with which they are familiar. Later on, when we learn how to do these things, we hope to undertake them.' deavored to lay a broader foundation for the real work that needed to be done in the training of missionaries. Therefore industries were introduced, and much good work was accomplished. But after a series of years we found that we were seriously handicapped by our surroundings. We found that in both of these places the settlement grew about us closer and closer until our work was choked.

"Then a few years later — about nineteen years ago — schools were established in College View and in College Place. There we started on the right mind when we established the school.

"The same thing was done in College Place in a slower way. There land was sold sometimes to teachers in the school, and they built houses and sold them to the Philistines. They went on in that way until the very land that God meant we should use as a training farm became a village, in which the majority were Sunday-keepers and could inflict Sunday laws upon us right on our grounds.

"About twelve years ago we began school work in Australia, and we had not only the lessons taught us by these



Partial view of orchard and meadow land showing workshop in the foreground, and to the left end-view of amusement hall, now used as chapel.

"But having once started in the wrong place and in the wrong way, we never found an occasion to change our plans, until at the end of nearly ten years we began to eat the fruit of our faulty work. There was no home for the students. They lived in the homes of families, and they soon became the dominating influence. At the end of nine years we had a crisis, in which the college closed for a year. So we had to learn by what we suffered.

"About twenty-five years ago, we opened up in South Lancaster and in Healdsburg. In these schools we enplan. We secured plenty of land. But in these centers where we might have done that which we should have done freely, we spoiled it. In College View the scheme to raise money was by selling land, selling lots, building up a village. In fact they at one time incorporated themselves as a city, and loaded themselves down with perplexities and taxes, and all the political burdens of a city corporation. After awhile they ended that, but they could not undo the selling of land and surrounding themselves with a community that choked out from the school very much that we had in experiences, but we had direct and frequent counsels. Testimonies were given us over and over again to save us from repeating the experiences of these other places, but you would be astonished if we should tell you how slow we were to learn the lesson. It took much repetition and the most positive instruction to save us from repeating these identical experiences.

"Now during these thirty-five years there have been great changes in our school work. Instead of one college, as thirty-five years ago, we have to-day more than a dozen colleges, between

twenty and thirty seminaries, and a larger number of intermediate schools. I suppose there are more students in our schools to-day than there were Seventh-day Adventists all told when the Battle Creek College was established. When we established our school in Healdsburg, we thought it would serve the whole Pacific Coast. There were then, I suppose, about as many Adventists on the Pacific Coast as there are now in this one conference of which we are members. So the work has grown. But much better and much more encouraging than our growth in numbers, is the development we have made in experience. so that our schools to-day may accomplish a greater work in training men to be successful missionaries.

"It is only a few years ago that we had the greatest difficulty in getting a clear financial report from our men sent into the foreign fields, because of the lack of education in bookkeeping and business affairs. Time and time again I have known men with whom we had business dealings who were good evangelists, good, earnest workers, many of them good teachers, who were not able to furnish a clear business statement. After much correspondence, and a painful effort to secure this, I have met them and asked, 'Why is there so much trouble here? Was not bookkeeping in the course that you took in Battle Creek?' "' 'O, yes,' they would reply, 'bookkeeping was in the course, but my professor advised me to take Latin or German instead.'

"When we had been struggling in Australia with our accounts and our business, I said to one of our principals, 'Can't you keep these books? Did you not study bookkeeping in the college?'

"''Yes, it was in my course, but the professor advised me to take New Testament Greek.' We have had similar experiences over and over again.

"I am glad that we have been learning even by sad experience that it pays in our schools to teach the practical things. I asked one man, "Why do you study Latin?"

", "Why, so I can teach it."

""" "Well, what good will it be to the one that learns it from you?"

"" "Well, what good will it do to the one that learns it from him?"

"He can teach it."

" "But what good will it do in a practical way?"

"It is hard to tell. Now there is a reason for studying Latin. There is a reason for studying Greek. But for a large part of our students, there is a hundredfold more reason for studying the things that they can use in their business experience, and use in their evangelistic work and their work in caring for the souls and bodies of men.

"I am glad that God has given us a place here in which we can use in a natural way the experience that He has given us as to what needs to be taught and what needs to be learned in order to fit men to be efficient workers at home and abroad.

"Now it has been a most trying experience in places like Healdsburg and South Lancaster, where we wanted to carry out these plans, but found we were located wrong. We had to plan and devise, and do farming and do other work in the most unnatural ways, in order to keep up the educational process. But in a place like this, work will come just as naturally as can be. In supplying the every-day needs of the place itself, we shall find opportunities to learn very many of the practical things that we want to teach.

"I am thankful for a place that has buildings so well suited to our use, that has good farming lands right close to these buildings, that has stables and barns all prepared for us. It seems a most wonderful thing, and I thank God that He has given us this evidence of His love and care, and that our school work may go forward without delay."

In introducing Elder H. W. Cottrell, Professor Irwin made the following remarks:

"It is well known to this audience that Elders Cottrell and Haskell have carried the burden of raising the funds for purchasing this institution. I have spent some time with Elder Cottrell in viewing various sites for the college, and I can speak from personal knowledge when I say that Elder Cottrell has worked very hard on behalf of this school. In view of this fact, it is certainly fitting that he should now address us."

In substance, Elder Cottrell said: "I shall endeavor to take but a few minutes of your time. I wish to say that I heartily endorse what Sister White has said pertaining to the school and its location, and what others have also presented. I believe this day will mark a new era in our work. Brother White has referred to the first college established by this denomination. Will say that I was but a boy then, and I had ten dollars in the locating of that college. In the locating of this college I have had experience. I know the locating committee has had a real experience in looking out and settling upon a location.

"We were perfectly willing to locate the school at Sonoma, as has been mentioned; and I wish to add only this one thought, that it was not the fault of your committee in any particular whatsoever that the school was not located there. We kept our written contract to the letter until we were told positively by the seller of the property that he would not clear the title; and of course we knew, and know now, that you would not want \$45,000 invested in a property without a title. We counseled with Sister White, and she said, 'Call it off, and demand your deposit money.' This was done. She advised me at that time, while in Washington, to come home and look out another location. I did so; and others also did just as good work in the time they had to devote to it.

"This property was sought out. The committee found many good properties, but taking them all together, we regarded this superior to all others. When we look at this property, with its fertile soil, just as good soil as there is anywhere; look at its abundant water supply; at these numerous buildings so well adapted to college use; its millions of feet of saw-timber; its almost unlimited quantity of wood; its excellent climate as the result of the elevation, and then best of all at its very desirable isolation, away from the rush and bustle and turmoil of the busy world, away out here where we can put ourselves actually to prayer and study -- everything as has been described in the writings of Sister White all these years: I want to add, to my mind it is unsurpassed by any property we possibly might have sought out anywhere. It is all in our favor.

"I regard further, brethren, sisters, and friends, that there are possibilities, unlimited possibilities, lying just in the reach of the students who enter and remain with a school like the one described with such environments. Unlimited opportunities lie in your reach and in the reach of all such as may be added to the school; provided, however, that the lives of these students are thoroughly consecrated to God; that they are bent and settled on this one purpose that they may by the attending of this school better fit themselves for service in the Master's cause.

"I am surprised that it has been possible for us to gather together in so short a time forty or fifty students. I did not think it was possible. I had no idea we should get over twenty-five or thirty students at the very most. But I know, brethren, that the Lord most certainly has wrought for us. He has wrought for us in the selection; He has wrought for us in our being able to purchase. And I bespeak for this school a wonderful experience and a grand success. I believe it awaits us, and I hope we may stand shoulder to shoulder, hand in hand, and heart to heart, in an effort to make it succeed."

Elder .Corliss:

"What I have to say will consume but a very few minutes. I can only add my testimony to that of those who have preceded me, that my heart is full of gratitude to God for the way He has led us in these educational matters.

"Since coming here I have taken occasion to talk with many of the students who are present, and I have not found one but what has said, 'O, this is splendid! This is grand! It is the finest place that I have ever seen for a school!" When students feel this way, it seems to me that every condition is at hand for a successful school here on this hillside. I believe that God has been leading all the way.

"From the very first, when I came here to look at the place, it seemed as though there could be no question whatever but that we were in the leadings of God's providence, and I believe so still. I have thought what a wonderful opportunity there is here for students not only to learn from books, but to learn from God's handiwork; and that they can learn from the opportunities that will be given them here those things that will fit them for work in the foreign field.

"Brethren, I am simple-hearted enough to believe that we have not very much more time in which to prepare for the coming of the Master. I believe that God has placed within our reach the means and the opportunity by which we may do our part in helping to close up the work successfully here upon the earth, and I can only pray for God's blessing to rest upon the efforts put forth here that His name may be glorified all the way."

Prof. G. W. Rine was then called upon by the chairman, and responded with a few remarks on our educational work, and gave some advice for the benefit of those who should attend the school. A part of what he said is given below:

"I feel sure that I am not called upon to say very much this morning. If I am to become a fixture here, as I have been at dear old Healdsburg, I shall have repeated opportunities to speak; so perhaps these students will sometimes hear from me, especially when all these teachers are indisposed or are away from the place.

"I can assure you that I have been most agreeably surprised repeatedly since I came here. This morning Brother Covell courteously showed several brethren and myself around, and we saw some of the wonders by which we are surrounded, and there was added surprise after surprise. Each new thing that we found seemed more extraordinary than the preceding one. • I somehow could not shake off the impression that I had come into an extraordinary place, although I am a very ordinary fellow. But if you attach a very ordinary man to extraordinary circumstances and surroundings, perhaps after all you will not have a mere cipher.

"I can assure you that I am interested in this institution, and in this enterprise. My heart is in it. Sister White and all these brethren have spoken with reference to that this morning. I am thankful for the privilege of being connected with the work here. There is nothing higher and nobler, there is nothing more inspiring, there is nothing that will afford one more discipline and training, than to engage in teaching. I am not sorry that I am here this morning. I wish a few circumstances were a little different from what they are. I wish that my family might be with me, but that does not seem possible this year.

"I am so glad that we all have our hearts set on the giving of a practical education, a training and a discipline that these young men and young women and the older ones can apply to the prosecution of the affairs of every-day life,

an education that will help us to do the world's work. But when I say the world's work, I do not mean it in the ordinary sense of that term, but the work that God has for us to do in this world while we remain in it. This is the kind of education that I can heartily endorse. It is the kind of education that I want to help to give, an education that will help you to meet the exigencies of life as you go out to work for God and humanity. I believe every young man and young woman aspires to become a proper agency in God's hand for the promulgation of His work in the earth. You want to have that kind of training which will make you most useful in that high work, to which He has called you."

Elder Tait:

"I have been interested in industrial education all my life. I have been interested in it because I thought it was a practical thing. I have been interested in it also because in my study of the Bible and the spirit of prophecy that has been given us to aid in interpreting the Bible, I find that this is a very essential feature in educational work.

"I believe we have an excellent place; in fact, the only practical place I have seen with our schools in America, to carry out industrial training. We have ideal conditions here to carry forward such training. I believe we are here in the providence of God. I believe God hedged up the way for us to get other places and opened the way for us to get this one. I believe that we shall see the wonderful movements of God's Spirit and God's power among us here, and with all those who are connected with this institution in whatever capacity.

"I have had many opportunities to connect with schools, but I have never felt free until the opportunity came to connect with this one. I believe we have a practical opportunity to do a practical work, and we shall make an awful blunder if we do not make a success of the school here. So I say that I am thankful for this opportunity, and desire to go forward with the young men who shall come here for the training of the hand as well as the heart and the mind."

The dedicatory prayer was then offered by Elder S. N. Haskell, as follows:

"Heavenly Father, we praise Thee, and we bless Thy name for Thy goodness and mercy that have been over us all the days of our life. We thank Thee for Thy providence that we have seen in connection with Thy work, and especially we thank Thee for Thy providences that have been seen in this conference in the selection of this place for a school. And now we ask Thee especially to add Thy blessing to it. We pray that Thou wilt work with those connected with it, as Thou hast worked with Thy people in securing the means to pay for it.

"Precious Saviour, we remember what Thou hast done in the past, how Thou didst bring Thy people out of the land of Egypt into the wilderness, and Thou didst promise to make them a light in the world, and that from them the truth should go to every nation and kindred and tongue and people. But Thy people did not keep Thy commandments. Then Thou didst test them again and again, and Thou hast worked for them over and over again, and Thou hast never left Thy people in this earth.

"Here we are in the very closing scenes of this world's history, and Thou hast made known Thy providence to Thy people here in California. We thank Thee for it, and we pray that as we bring these buildings, as we present this land and this place that Thou hast given us, to Thee, Thou wilt accept them, and accept those that labor here to instruct the youth to fit them to be missionaries to go forth and carry the light of truth. We ask that Thou wilt accept it all, and let Thy blessing rest here upon this people and upon this institution. O, we pray that Thou wilt do something here that the world will have to acknowledge, It is God that has done it. Let there be a rift made in the cloud, and let the salvation of God be seen. Let the power of the Highest rest here on those connected with Thy work.

"Thou God of Jacob, we pray that Thou wilt draw divinely near, that Thou wilt bless the labor of the hands of those that come to this place. Bless him who stands at the head of the school, and bless every one connected with it. We know Thou art God, and Thou hast a care for Thy people, and nothing is so dear to Thy heart as Thy people here upon the earth, especially when Satan is making his attacks upon the work and upon Thy people.

"Great God, deliver Thy people, we pray Thee, and hasten the time when the

truth shall bear off the victory. We commit ourselves to Thee. We commit this institution into Thy hands, with everything connected with it. Accept it for Jesus' sake, and accept us. Forgive us our sins, and heal every wound that sin has made. Strengthen every weak point in our character. Fit us up with Thy people for what Thou art preparing for us. And eventually, when the conflict is over, and Thou dost gather Thy people from this earth, grant that the fruit of this institution may be gathered from different parts of the earth, and Thy name get honor and glory throughout the ages, world without end. We ask these favors through Christ our Redeemer. Amen."

News Items from Pacific College

The first cold weather at the new conference school was unexpected, and found them without sufficient stovepipe to put up the stoves; so all had to keep warm the first Sabbath with one heating-stove in the young ladies' dormitory, and one in the young men's cottage. Stovepipe was ordered at once, and they will be all ready for the next cold spell, as there are plenty of stoves on the premises to keep the buildings comfortable.

Wednesday, the opening day, was fair, but Thursday and Friday were stormy days, well calculated to expose young people to that unpleasant disease, homesickness; but bright, sunny faces were the rule of the day, in spite of the dull weather. And in answer to the oft repeated question, "How do you like it here?" invariably the cheery answer came back, "It is grand! I like it very much."

Regular class work began on Friday, and the whole premises assumed the air of a well regulated school. Teachers and students were all as busy as bees, and everybody seemed to drop into his proper place without any effort.

Sabbath morning all the school met in the chapel for Sabbath-school, and Prof. C. W. Irwin acted as superintendent for the day. A committee was appointed to select officers for the coming quarter. Elder Haskell spoke at eleven o'clock.

In the afternoon (Sabbath) the woods

all around the school premises resounded with merry voices, for almost everybody spent the afternoon under the trees. S. N. H.

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Central California Intermediate School Items

A letter from two of our pupils, who are taking the nurses' course at Glendale Sanitarium, reports progress, and enjoyment in their work.

We are looking forward with pleasure to the Biblical institute to be held in Armona by Elder S. N. Haskell from November 26 to December 5.

Our school rally was postponed for a few weeks, as word could not be gotten to the different churches in time to begiven out to those who wished to attend.

Four of our pupils, who have been awaiting baptism for some time, went forward in that ordinance with those who took their stand at the close of Brother Fred Brown's meetings in Lemore.

School opened with a good attendance, although a number are detained at home for a few days to assist in necessary work. We all greatly enjoy our improved facilities, consisting in part of a new school-room, class-room, hall, encyclopedias, etc.

We have been so fortunate as to secure the promise of Dr. M. B. Hudson, of Battle Creek Sanitarium, that she will connect with our school as soon as she can be released from her duties at the sanitarium. Dr. Hudson has had several years' experience in the medical work, and is also a trained nurse and an experienced teacher. We anticipate great good to our school from her connection with it.

October 4.

Lenore E. Howe.

Another Opportunity

Every young person who is anxious to become thoroughly prepared for service in the Master's work will be glad to learn of another opportunity for selfimprovement. Early in October a series of Missionary Volunteer society lessons on Bible Doctrine will begin. No young (Continued 3d column, next page.)

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Brother W. R. Beatty has returned to California from a tour in the Northwest and Canada for the Pacific Press. He attended some camp-meetings in Washington and Oregon, and took charge of the Canadian branch of the Pacific Press at Regina after Brother C. M. Cottrell left, until another man could be found to take the work.

A splendid home for sale at a bargain. Modern cottage, 5 rooms, pantry, bath, etc., fine screened porch. Lot 100x150 feet, family orchard consisting of peaches, prunes, apricots, figs, olives, almonds, and variety of berries. Neat barn, cement walks. Two blocks from church school, church, and Pacific Press. Address, F. J. Brainerd, Mountain View, Cal.

Notice from the Review and Herald Publishing Association has been received at our office that, because of the increasing tendency to order the Sabbath-School Worker for three months and six months, subscriptions for the Worker for less than a year can not be accepted. The price is too low to admit of more frequent changes on the list than one a year.

Under date of September 30, Elder J. Adam's Stevens writes from Fallon, Nev.: ''Have gotten well started with the work here, and expect to stir up an interest before I am through. Have finished canvassing the town, and have sixty readers for the 'Family Bible Teacher.' I am planning to use a horse and buggy, and make a canvass of the country district about Fallon. Will probably begin meetings the latter part of the month, in the church."

The following sad news is conveyed in a letter recently received from Elder M. Serna, of Arizona: "Two sisters were killed on September 9 at Clifton, Ariz., by a large stone rolling on them. They were Sister Cipriana Bonilla, and her daughter Babla Bonilla, eleven years of age. Sister Bonilla leaves two girls and two boys ranging in age from five to nine years. Although very much grieved on account of the accident, Brother José Bonilla finds comfort in Rev. 14:13."

WANTED.— A strong lad to learn the baking trade. Apply by stating age, etc., to Sanitarium Food Company, St. Helena, Cal.

S. S. Barnard.

WANTED.— Two cashiers at the Vegetarian Cafeteria. Must have recommendations. Address E. G. Fulton, 259 S. Hill St., Los Angeles, Cal.

Practical Gardener Wanted

The St. Helena Sanitarium desires to secure the services of an experienced gardener to take charge of the sanitarium grounds and gardens.

Homes Near the Pacific College

The St. Helena Sanitarium has about two hundred acres of orchard and vineyard land located about one mile from the Pacific College. This tract has been subdivided into five, ten, and twenty acre lots, which are offered to parties desiring the advantage of the college, at prices ranging from \$45.00 to \$75.00 per acre.

Arizona Annual Conference

The eighth annual session of the Arizona Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held in the Seventh-day Adventist church in Phœnix, Arizona, November 8 to 14, 1909. The first meeting of the session is called for November-8, at 10 A.M.

The purpose of calling this meeting

is to consider such matters as should come before the conference at this time, and also for the election of officers.

All who attend can secure special rates to Phœnix and return, on account of the Territorial Fair.

> H. G. Thurston, President, Mrs. M. T. Poston, Secretary.

Another Opportunity

(Continued from page 11.) person can afford to pass through life without obtaining a personal knowledge of the truth, for Christ says, "Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free." Unless we know the truth how shall we be able to detect the many false "isms" which Satan is rapidly pressing into circulation? Then will not every young person make a careful personal study of these lessons? This will make them more interesting to the society and more profitable to the in-

dividual. Seize this opportunity to anchor a little more securely to the sure Rock of Ages! Seize this opportunity to become better fitted to give this saving truth to others.

Missionary Volunteer Dept.

Mission Notes

The South African Union Conference recommends that Brother J. V. Willson take the work of the International Tract Society in connection with his duties as secretary and treasurer of the union, on his return. A Brother Billis is recommended to carry on the work at Kimberley baths, where Brother and Sister Willson have labored so long and faithfully.

In Mexico a young man has recently joined the forces of book workers, who has had fourteen years' experience as Bible colporteur. During this time he has had a good training in enduring hardness as a good soldier of Jesus Christ, which will no doubt stand him in good hand as he labors on for his Master with the blessing of increased light upon his pathway. On one occasion he was stoned into unconsciousness, while his brother suffered martyrdom in the same manner as did Stephen of old, only this martyr was strapped to a tree. The truth lives on, and does its work upon hearts. May God bless this dear brother, and give him abundant success in his labors.