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Earth's Last Moments

Time speedeth on, adds lightning to her flight;

Soon earth will reach her goal of darkest night.

Now, just before all pain and wo subside
God says: “In Me a little moment hide,

“From lust of flesh and eye, and pride
of life,

And noise and clangor of unholy strife.
Then short will be My work in righteousness,

And what the curse had smitten, I will
bless.”

Again the ceaseless years will come and
go.

But not in darkness, death, and sin, and
strife,

Soul-longing, and a hope no goal doth
know.

All will be joy, and life—eternal life.

This change for all the blest is soon to
come;

But brother, sister, O, with anxious
thought

Press great petitions home! Ignore despair.

Cry, cry to God for help to lift the light,
That all who will, may in that glory
share.

—Selected.

The Church

Sketches of the Past—No. 127

For two weeks after the Hull and Jameson debate at Paw Paw, Michigan, Hull, in Battle Creek, seemed like a man half “off his base.” Finally he seemed to arouse to some sense of his condition. He got Brother and Sister White and Elder Cornell to come with him to my house in Battle Creek for a talk and a praying season for him. This was on November 5, 1862. In the praying season Sister White was given a vision on his case, remaining on her knees during the entire vision. It was there decided for Hull to go with Brother and Sister White in meetings with our churches in Michigan. This he did, and measurably recovered himself from his sad condition.

In the spring it was decided by the General Conference Committee that Hull and I labor during the summer with the tent in New England States. This would take him away from those who knew of his trials. It would also place him among those who knew not of his past experience, and give him a chance to recover himself if he would. On June 6, 1863, in the Otsego vision, his case was again shown to Sister White. What she saw in these two visions is found in volume one of the Testimonies, pages 426-483.

Hull and I left Battle Creek on June 2, 1863. We held meetings in Rochester,

Adams Center, and Bucks Bridge, New York, at Wolcott, Vermont, and Washington, New Hampshire. As Hull spoke in these meetings on Bible truths he seemed like himself again. From July 10 to August 16 we held a tent meeting at North Newport, New Hampshire. Here more than a score accepted the truth, and were baptized. All seemed to go well until near the close of the meetings. Then Hull came to me with his “old doubts.” We went off together into the woods for a praying season. He was relieved, and said he would take hold again in earnest.

We pitched the tent for a second series of meetings in Manchester, New Hampshire, and had meetings in the tent and in a hall from August 27 to September 20. Quite a number in Manchester embraced the truth. Toward the last, Hull's objections came upon him again in great force. In the evening of September 20 he gave his last discourse among Seventh-day Adventists. His text was Rev. 7:14, “Great Tribulation.” He exhorted all to hold fast to the truth, and said: “If I should give up the whole truth, that would make no difference with you. Hold fast to the truth.”

After meeting, he said to me, “I am going home to Ligonier, Indiana, in the morning.” On the morning of the 21st of September I went with him to the station. Just before taking the cars, he said to me, “I am not going to preach any more.” In six weeks from that time he was associating with the Spiritualists, and remained in their ranks to his death, which occurred in San Jose, California, in the spring of 1907.

The first annual session of the Michigan Conference was held in Monterey, Michigan, in September, 1862. At this

conference seventeen organized churches were voted into the conference. It was at this conference also that the plan was adopted of paying ministers a certain sum per week for their labor. The ministers, on their part, were requested to report the time spent in the conference, with their receipts and expenses, and the conference receiving this report was to make proper settlement.

The war that was in progress in the United States in 1862, was in 1863 assuming gigantic proportions. Several calls had been made for volunteers. 600,000 men were either in the field, in Southern prisons, or slain in battles. Then came a call for three hundred thousand more men. Those responding to this call had a song of four verses which they sang, entitled, "We Are Coming, Father Abraham." I will quote the fourth verse:

"You have called us, and we are coming
by Richmond's bloody tide,
To lay us down for freedom's sake, our
brothers' bones beside,
Or from foul treason's savage grasp to
wrench the murd'rous blade,
And to the face of foreign foes its frag-
ments to parade.
Six hundred thousand men and true have
gone before;
We are coming, Father Abraham, three
hundred thousand more."

Of the situation about this time, we read in "Eggleston's School Geography of the United States," page 325: "At the beginning, many of the Northern people, who were in favor of the war to preserve the Union, had been opposed to the abolition of slavery; but as the struggle went on, the feelings of the North against slavery increased. On the 22d of September, 1862, President Lincoln announced that, if any portion of the country should remain in arms against the government, he should declare the slaves in that part of the country free. On the first day of January, 1863, a proclamation declared the slaves free in those regions yet in arms against the United States."

Following this, another national fast was appointed for April 30, 1863. Our people could join in that fast, as the government was lining up more in harmony with the testimony of Isaiah 58. I was holding meetings at that time in North Liberty, Indiana. On that day there was a joint meeting of the Methodists and Baptists of North Liberty, held in the Methodist meeting-house. I was

invited to give the address on the occasion, and did so, taking as my text, "Righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin is a reproach to any people." Prov. 14:34.

J. N. Loughborough.

The Field

Baltimore, Maryland

Since leaving Riverside on the 8th of May, we have been homeless, and quite travel-stained. We visited the Angwin school, also the St. Helena Sanitarium. We enjoyed this privilege very much, and were enabled to renew some old acquaintances.

We left San Francisco the 12th for the East via Salt Lake, thence over the Denver and Rio Grande route to Denver, thence to Chicago over the Union Pacific, and over the Baltimore and Ohio to Washington, D. C.

We visited our people at Salt Lake, Denver, Chicago, and Washington, D. C. In all these places we found the work onward and the workers of good courage. The headquarters of the denomination reflect very great credit to the leaders. I spoke twice to the students at the seminary, Takoma Park, D. C.

Last Sabbath we had the privilege of meeting with our people in the large city of Baltimore. We like the place and the people.

My work will be to act as pastor of the church in this city, and act in the capacity of city evangelist. There is plenty to do. We know that God has directed in our coming, and we are of good courage. We often think of our dear people in Southern California, especially in Riverside. We desire to express our deep appreciation for every courtesy shown us during our stay in Southern California.

We shall always be glad to hear from our friends. Our address is Ellamont St., Walbrook, Baltimore, Maryland.

F. W. Paap.

Pacific Union Conference Notes

Knowing that our people will be interested to learn of the progress of the work throughout the field, I will report briefly. I am glad to say that the work in Southern California is progressing very favor-

ably. The field work is constantly moving forward. We are planning on having at least as large a force of laborers in the field this summer as we have had hitherto, notwithstanding the fact that several of our strong workers have gone to other fields within the last few months. We are endeavoring to supply their places with younger men; and while these have less experience, we believe that, with the blessing of God, we shall still see the work carried forward energetically and with success.

Our institutions are enjoying a good degree of prosperity. The patronage in the various sanitariums is equal to that of former years, and in some cases much in advance, so that we hope to be able to present a very much better financial report this year than formerly.

I am not so well acquainted with the work in the other conferences; but as far as I have been able to learn of the situation, it is encouraging. We had a most excellent camp-meeting at Reedley. The Lord came very near, and we believe the plans that have been laid for the work for the coming year will result in a larger degree of progress than in the past.

We are nearing the end of this work, and the success of the past will not suffice for the present. I am glad to say that our laborers throughout the field are determined to press the work forward with all the energy and power that God will bestow upon them. They are full of courage, and we can look forward to the future, I am sure, with the assurance that the blessing of God will attend the efforts of all His people.

The attendance at the Sacramento camp-meeting is better than that of the Stockton camp-meeting last year, and the meeting has started out in a very encouraging way. The Lord greatly blessed the meetings Sabbath. Large numbers came forward seeking the Lord, a number for the first time; and others, some of whom had backslidden, gave their hearts wholly to God. We expect a rich outpouring of the Holy Spirit before the meeting shall close.

Let us unitedly press the battle to the very gates of the enemy, with the assurance that the Lord will be with us and crown our efforts with success.

E. E. Andross,
Pres. Pacific Union Conf.

CALIFORNIA

The Last Word

This is our last opportunity to say anything in behalf of our coming camp-meeting. We need not repeat our earnest desire for a large attendance. We are sure that our people will be greatly benefited by attending. The best help that we could secure on the Pacific Coast, will be in attendance. Everything the committee can do to make the meeting a success will be done. The camp-meeting outfit has already been shipped, and the erection of the tents is going on.

We sincerely hope the brethren and sisters will let no ordinary thing hinder them from attending this meeting. Our Saviour emphasizes the dangers of these times by the startling words: "And take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting, and drunkenness, and cares of this life, and so that day come upon you unawares. . . . Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass."

There is danger that worldliness may so take possession of our minds that we will lose sight of heavenly things. Come, brethren and sisters, make an effort to attend. Come at the beginning and stay till the close. Brother, come. Bring your wife. Bring the children. It may be they will be converted, and that will be worth everything to you. Break away from home cares for a week, and get out of the cities, and breathe the pure, free air of heaven for a few days. Let us all come in touch with God and the Holy Spirit. Let nothing hinder. Come early and stay till the close.

E. W. Farnsworth.

Work in the California Conference

At the present time there are four series of meetings being carried on in this conference.

Elders Stevens and Rine are holding meetings in San Francisco. They have rented a hall on Mission Street, between Sixteenth and Seventeenth. Their meetings have been in progress for about a month. The interest has not been great, but some are in constant attendance, and it is hoped that several will embrace the truth.

Brethren Beddoe and Fries are holding meetings in a hall in Elmhurst. There is quite a good interest manifested. Six

or eight have already begun the observance of the Sabbath, and twenty more are deeply interested. We expect there will be a good church gathered out.

In Richmond Brethren Taphouse, Nelson, and Hutchinson have been holding a tent meeting. The tent is located in the central part of town, and easy of access from all parts. The attendance has not been large at this meeting, but the brethren are hopeful that some will accept the truth. We greatly desire the prayers of the people, that God will add to the church in Richmond such as shall be saved.

Brother Snyder has been holding meetings twice a week in the church in Alameda. The interest has been good. The members of the Alameda church have cooperated with Brother Snyder very earnestly, and have assisted in every way all they could. As a result, there has been a good interest in the meetings from the first. About twelve have been baptized, and as many more seem to be ready to decide in favor of the truth. We request the prayers of God's people that a large number of souls may be added to the Alameda church.

Brethren Hare and Bressie have been holding an interesting meeting in one of the suburbs of Eureka, in Humboldt County. They have had a good interest, and several have already decided to obey. We do not know just the number. We understand that Brother Hare has baptized about fifty souls, and they have united with the churches in Humboldt County during the past year.

We are encouraged by these tokens of good in our conference. To see that God is at work is the joy of our hearts. Let all the people unite in prayer that God may work more mightily, and that more souls may be brought into the truth.

E. W. Farnsworth.

California Conference Seventh-Day Adventists

Forty-First Annual Session

The forty-first annual session of the California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held at Santa Rosa, California, in connection with the camp-meeting June 20 to 30, 1912, for the election of officers for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of other business which may properly come before the assembly. The first meeting will be at 10 A.M., Thursday, June 20.

Each church shall be entitled to one

delegate without regard to numbers, and one additional delegate for every twenty members.

E. W. Farnsworth, *President*.
Claude Conard, *Secretary*.

California Conference Association of the Seventh-Day Adventists

Notice of Annual Meeting

The sixteenth annual meeting of the California Conference Association of the Seventh-day Adventists, a corporation, will be held in connection with the forty-first annual session of the California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, at Santa Rosa, California, June 20 to 30, 1912, for the purpose of electing a board of seven directors, and transacting such other business as may properly come before the meeting. The first meeting will be held at 9:00 A.M., June 24, 1912.

G. A. Irwin, *President*.

J. J. Ireland, *Secretary*.

St. Helena Sanitarium Siftings

Rabbi Mayer May, of San Francisco, is a sanitarium guest.

Miss Ethel R. Page, of Lodi, is visiting her friend, Miss Celia Wallack.

H. Excell Giddings, of Dallas, Texas, arrived at the sanitarium this week, and will make his home with Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Giddings.

Mrs. Cora Bunch and Miss Jessie Johnson will leave this week for Southern California. The former will visit friends and relatives, and will attend the camp-meeting at Santa Monica. The latter will go to her home at Escondido. Both are members of our last graduating class, and we trust they will enjoy their well-earned vacation.

Myrtle B. Hudson.

ARIZONA

Conference Items

Another brother was baptized in the Phoenix church on June 1. Thus one by one the subjects of the kingdom are made up.

Three faithful canvassers are now in our field. Two of them are meeting with very encouraging results, while the third is in rather difficult territory for the time being.

On the 15th of May we moved into our new conference and tract society headquarters. It seems good to all to have a permanent, commodious, and comfortable conference home.

Arizona will send two teachers to the Portland institute. The persons chosen to care for the interests of the children and youth in the Phoenix church in this line for the coming year are Brother D. E. Pettis and Sister Emma Wheeler.

After nearly seventeen years of faithful and devoted service to the cause that she loves, Sister M. T. Poston has resigned her official position as secretary and treasurer of the Arizona Conference, and will retire to private life—and yet not to private life, for while relieved from official responsibility, which she has carried for more than seven years in our conference, her love for the message and for blood-bought souls will not permit her to enjoy the privacy and “well-earned rest” to which many feel that they are entitled after passing middle life, and therefore she will engage in the line of work which occupied her mind in Los Angeles and Oakland for nearly half a score of years, namely, Bible work. Several months ago Sister Poston reached the decision to retire from office and be a self-supporting Bible worker, thus giving us ample time to select some one to fill her position. Sister Poston’s careful handling of the department entrusted to her care, combined with the business talent of Elder H. G. Thurston, created a fund which enabled us to make the recent purchase of property in the city of Phoenix, suitable for a permanent home for the conference and tract society. The sale of donated property in Alamogordo, New Mexico, and other funds which have come in, have so nearly replaced the funds withdrawn for the purchase of our conference property, that we do not feel the strain on the treasury. Sister Poston takes special delight in our being settled in permanent and convenient headquarters before her retirement, which will take place on the first of July. Sister Mabelle H. Kalfus has been chosen to take up Sister Poston’s official duties. Sister Poston’s nature is such that she would not be pleased with personal praise. Suffice it to say that there is not a single member of the Arizona Conference who does not highly appreciate the character and the services of our retiring sec-

retary. There is certain reward for faithfulness in the service of the Master all along the way, but the fulness of it will soon be bestowed when the King comes to reckon with His servants.

G. W. Reaser.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

San Bernardino

Three weeks ago we began a series of meetings in this city, and thus far we have a good attendance and perfect attention. Fruit is already appearing, and quite a number are under deep conviction.

A quantity of tracts have been given away, and many persons are anxious to investigate for themselves.

The Holy Spirit has convicted, and we expect to see other honest hearts converted to God’s great message, who will thus escape the awful wreck just before us.

Other places are calling for help, and we shall be glad to enter there as soon as possible, and as God shall direct. We are indeed thankful for having a part in this blessed ministry.

F. I. Richardson.

H. G. Thurston.

San Jacinto

About eighteen years ago, this place, famous for its sulphur mud baths and conditions favorable for asthmatics, had a tent effort, but no visible results were accomplished. When my wife and I arrived in the town, we were the only representatives here of our people.

To enable us better to get a foothold, we opened a free reading-room in the center of the town. At a reasonable rental we were enabled to get the use of a room 30 x 30, in connection with four living-rooms. We fitted up the large room with chairs, tables, lounges, and racks for the literature, of which we had a liberal supply of books, tracts, magazines, and papers.

We then began house-to-house work with back numbers of our magazines furnished us by Brother Lloyd out of the free literature fund. Before giving out these papers, we placed on them, with a rubber stamp, the following: “Additional literature or information on these or kindred subjects may be obtained at the free reading-room over San Jacinto hardware store.”

The local paper announced that our

work was conducted by Latter-day Saints. The publisher afterward corrected this mistake, and in so doing gave our work considerable favorable mention.

We were successful in arranging for evening studies with several families. Through the instrumentality of the reading-room, we made the acquaintance of a jeweler, and appointed studies in his home. His wife endeavored to prove to him that we were wrong in our religious views. In this effort, she convinced herself that we had the truth. Having the courage of her convictions, she with her husband took a stand for the truth.

We have been endeavoring to follow the instructions of the Spirit of prophecy, in keeping the health reform in the front. In the reading-room we gave a series of cooking lessons, which were attended by prominent ladies of the town. Twice a company came over from Loma Linda and delivered health lectures. As a result, the Christian minister and his wife gave up the use of coffee, and we have studied with them on the prophecies.

Although considerable prejudice exists against our work, some are favorable, as was manifested by the banker asking me to teach his class in the Methodist Sunday-school, and by the president of the parents’ and teachers’ association requesting me to speak before that body at the high school on “School Lunches.”

D. D. Fitch.

The Reedley Camp-Meeting

The first camp-meeting in our union conference closed last Sunday night at Reedley. This was Central California’s meeting. Those who attended throughout felt that indeed it had been good to be there. From the very first a spirit of consecration and earnestness was present. The people had come for a definite blessing, and in spite of the intense heat, faithfully attended every meeting, and showed in many ways their appreciation of this opportunity for study and communion and fellowship with others of like precious faith. About 350 persons were encamped on the ground, which was located off the railroad lines just a block, so that as the people passed on the train they could read the large sign “Seventh-Day Adventist Camp-Meeting.”

During the first few days Pastors J. H. Behrens, J. O. Corliss, and E. W. Farnsworth, and Dr. D. H. Kress took

the burden of the ministerial work. The Lord greatly blessed in the presentation of the Word. In the workers' meeting it was declared that this should be a camp-meeting of education.

Pastor E. W. Farnsworth struck a chord that met response in one of the first meetings with his fellow laborers when he said, "Brethren, I feel deeply that the thing that is now needed is to get every one of our people prepared to have a definite part in helping to extend the message." He emphasized the need of our people's getting into closer touch personally with their neighbors and friends, and putting forth constant intelligent effort to win them, and reach them with the truth for this time. The Lord wonderfully helped as the different leaders and speakers worked to give practical assistance.

Dr. D. H. Kress's health and temperance talks were most practical. He showed the people how to live in harmony with the laws of health, and how to interest those about them, and use these God-given principles in helping their neighbors. His question box was crowded with questions, and his expert advice was greatly appreciated.

Pastor Corliss gave special instruction in religious liberty principles, and outlined our present situation and the turn that the initiative gives in legislation. In view of the need of the education that all the people should receive now, he urged our people to be active.

All took hold in making the missionary meetings educational and practical. Incident after incident was given showing the remarkable openings for work with the printed page, and results that are coming. The people were responsive, and showed their missionary interest by purchasing about \$41 worth of tracts, several thousand magazines, and more than 150 small books and pamphlets, to use in distribution and loaning as they come in contact with the people.

Brother J. W. Rich, assisted by Prof. J. L. Jones, took the burden of the young people's work. A body of excellent young people were present—almost a hundred. The meetings with them were inspiring and helpful. Sister T. D. Robison had charge of the children's meetings, and the plans for the Sabbath-schools. These were well organized. The Sabbath-school donations for the two Sabbaths amounted to upwards of \$200. The doctrines of Seventh-day Ad-

ventists were nightly preached, and the attendance from the town of Reedley was very good. Pastors E. E. Andross, G. A. Irwin, and W. C. White gave help the latter part of the meeting. Dr. T. J. Evans was present a day and spoke once, as was also Brother H. H. Hall, of the Pacific Press.

Pastor H. A. Aufderhar, of Colorado, had charge of the German work at the camp. About seventy-five Germans were encamped, and regular services were held for them each day.

While the truth was preached to a limited number at the camp, outlines of the leading talks and sermons were furnished daily to the *Fresno Republican*, the *Fresno Herald*, two dailies in Visalia, and some of the reports were sent to the Hanford papers. "Declares Christ Is Coming," says the headline of the morning *Republican*, and it gives the texts, and refers to the conditions the speaker used in support of his belief. The reports were quite full, and during the course of the meeting we were able through these newspapers to tell thousands of people about our belief on the second coming, on the Sabbath, our attitude toward temperance, our convictions with reference to religious liberty, of the growth of the Sabbath-school work, of the growth of our publishing work, of our work for foreign lands, of our school work, of why Adventists are vegetarians, and many other points concerning the work that is carried forward by this denomination. May the Lord's Spirit attend these reports as they are read. Not a single report sent in was changed, and only one sent the *Republican* slightly reduced.

The Lord richly blessed in the services during the Reedley meeting, and all went away from it feeling that it had been a real blessing to them. Several of the workers were obliged to leave on Thursday and Friday to be in attendance early at the Sacramento meeting, which began last Thursday night. It is almost half over, and is well attended. From reports that come, an excellent work is being accomplished there also.

J. R. Ferren.

"Ten thousand times ten thousand
In sparkling raiment white,
The armies of the living God
Mount up the steeps of light.
'Tis finished, all is finished,
This fight with death and sin.
Open wide the pearly portals,
And let the victors in."

Educational

Loma Linda Church School

The Loma Linda church school this year has been the largest in its history. We have had a total enrolment of ninety in the first eight grades, employing three teachers, Mrs. H. C. Nelson, Mrs. Florence Casey, and Mrs. J. I. Robison.

The missionary spirit has been active in all the rooms, each having its regularly organized missionary society, except the primary room. Here missionary meetings were held under the direction of the teacher.

Early in the school year we saw the need of keeping the children busy outside of school hours, if we wished the influence that the school exerted on the pupils to be carried into their every-day work. So we called the parents together and laid the plan before them of giving each child a talent of fifteen cents to be invested as he thought it would yield the greatest increase. The talent money was soon raised among the parents and friends.

When the plan was presented to the children, they took hold of it heartily. One can scarcely imagine the various ways invented to invest the talents. The very next morning a little third grade boy had his goods (pin-wheels) on the market; others were soon selling popcorn to the nurses and students; some of the girls made aprons, shoe-bags, neckties, handkerchiefs, etc.; others baked cakes and made candies; some of the smaller children ran errands for neighbors; many planted missionary gardens, and realized good profits from them; some had missionary chickens; some of the boys made sloyd models; others sold oranges. And so the talents grew, and pennies became dimes, and dimes dollars.

At the closing exercises of our school, held on May 30, the talents were called in with the increase. The exercises were held in the open air in the early evening, and at the close each child as he dropped his money in the box, told briefly how he earned it. It certainly was inspiring to see the children come with the dollars they had earned for the Master. It was a surprise to all to find that they had gathered \$158.28 for the needy fields.

The school has been especially interested in the building of a girls' school

in Korea, and this sum will go for the work in that field.

James I. Robison,
Principal.

Young Peoples' Corner

Personal Work

[Paragraphs from a talk given at the Volunteer convention in the Carr Street church, Los Angeles, April 27.]

Of the factors in missionary endeavor available to our Volunteers, none is more important or far-reaching than personal work.

The potency of the personal equation is recognized in all fields of activity. Often the success that comes to a politician is not because of mass-meetings and the distribution of campaign literature, but rather because he personally meets his constituents, learns to know them, becomes their friend. He leaves a kindly word of praise or sympathy as he travels in his district. Thus he wins a constituency that will stand by him in the hour of political trouble.

The evangelist realizes the mighty influence of personal work. He convinces of truth in the public service, but he wins the heart in the home of the interested one. The results of a series of meetings depend far more on the minister as a personal worker than as a public speaker. How well we remember the minister who came to our little country town with his tent and charts! His diction was not that of the college man, nor was he a golden-tongued orator. He had little need of these accomplishments to draw us night after night to that tent on the vacant corner lot. The man was so filled with the love of Christ that when he called to invite us to the meetings, the sunshine of Christian happiness streamed into every dark corner of our hearts, and we could hardly wait for the opening night. During the after-visits to our home, his kindly, gentle interest in the little ones made children and parents his firm friends, and thus opened the way for the presentation of these truths that are so dear to us.

Christ depended on personal work in the important task of choosing His disciples. It was not in public assemblage, but quietly and personally, that those men who were to be the prime movers in

the world-wide promulgation of the gospel, were called to discipleship.

The most sublime sentence recorded was uttered by our Saviour, not to thrill a vast assembly, but while doing personal work—that message of life and hope, “For God so loved the world,” was spoken to a single being in the quietude of the night.

The dictum, “Charity begins at home,” might well be amended to read, “Personal work begins at home.” In every church and society there are young people who are being lured to everlasting death by the sirens of pleasure. The glitter and glamour of the world are chains of iron binding them to the sinking ship. We are urged by the Spirit of prophecy to put forth strong efforts to rekindle in the hearts of these young people a burning love for Christ and the message. There is no more effective way of accomplishing this end than by personal work.

The more we give of ourselves in missionary endeavor, the greater will the results be. If it is tract work, let each member have a definite territory in which to distribute the seeds of truth. Then seek to become acquainted with the people. Be courteous, kind, and pleasant, and those to whom the tracts have been given will be led to read them.

To achieve the greatest results from mailing our missionary papers, letters should be written to the recipients of the periodicals. This application of personal work has brought many to the knowledge and acceptance of the truth.

Our Leader has given to us the work of visiting the sick, comforting the sorrowing, performing little acts of Christian kindness. It is in this work especially that we should give of ourselves. Many are discouraged in the struggle for sustenance, and wearied in fighting the battles of life. To such let us bear a message of courage. And may it be said of us, “They helped every one his neighbor; and every one said to his brother, Be of good courage.”

Chas. E. Nixon.

“Learning without thought is labor lost.”

“Look up and not down,
Look out and not in,
Look forward and not back,
And lend a hand.”

Missionary Volunteers

As we look over the home field we see evidences of progress. Our recent local conventions have brought new impetus to our missionary work. More of our societies are giving to missions. More young people are taking the reading course. More are striving for the Standard of Attainment, and a very large number are observing the Morning Watch.

But we must do increasingly more. The motto of each should be, “Nothing but my best is good enough.” Let us not forget to inspire our comrades with the dignity and importance of our work and the honor accorded to us in having a part in it, as well as the necessity of forming right habits in order that we may faithfully represent it to others.

It should be our constant aim to foster the missionary spirit among our youth, using all good means to arouse a keener interest in this world-wide movement. The times are fairly bursting with opportunities for Christian service, and from our great Commander comes the message, “*Speak to My people that they go forward.*”

The following items of missionary endeavor were reported by our Volunteer societies for the quarter ending March 31:

Letters written	758
Letters received	202
Missionary visits (personal work) ..	995
Bible readings or cottage meetings held	279
Subscriptions taken for periodicals ..	77
Papers sold	105
Paper mailed, lent, or given away	12,465
Books sold	105
Books lent or given away	388
Tracts lent or given away	17,957
Hours of Christian help work	1,374
Articles of clothing given away	412
Number of meals provided	306
Signers obtained to the temperance pledge	18
Offerings for foreign missions ...	\$86.34
Offerings for home missions	\$139.32
Offerings for local society work ..	\$93.96
Number of conversions of young people	5
Pocket League members	260

Ernest Lloyd,

Young People's Sec., S. Cal.

“In every position in life there is a demand for ability and common sense.”

REPORT OF BOOK WORK FOR WEEK ENDING MAY 31, 1912

Agent	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Helps	Value	Delivered
Arizona						
J. A. Kindsman	B.R.	48	22	\$6.50	\$72.50	
W. O. James	C.K.	37	42	3.00	66.00	
2 Agents		85	64	\$9.50	\$138.50	
California						
W. W. Peterson	P.G.	25	20		\$73.00	
A. B. Wentworth	P.G.	18	7		26.50	
2 Agents		43	27		\$99.50	
Southern California						
J. A. Starr	D. & R.	37	20		\$71.00	
C. C. Bunch	Heralds	30	9		22.50	
Enos Potts	P.G.	25	5		24.00	
3 Agents		92	34		\$117.50	

Missionary Work

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Missionary Items

The following letter was written by an Armenian brother who is doing excellent work with our literature:

“I received your letter and the papers you sent, and feel obliged to you. I wish to write my observations, which I have noticed while distributing our papers. I wish to say that the people are friendly, generally, to us, but sometimes I meet those who refuse our papers, saying, ‘I am infidel,’ ‘I am Lutheran,’ ‘I am Spiritualist.’ Those who accept our papers sometimes say: ‘This is fine paper;’ ‘The Adventist papers our best in market;’ ‘How much do you charge this fine book?’ ‘How is that you give away such beautiful book?’ ‘God bless you—you are the only one who don’t ask a single cent for your paper;’ ‘Give me another. I wish to give to my friends.’

“A boy, after reading the *Signs*, said: ‘Listen! I read the paper which you gave me, and it is the best paper I ever read. Please give me another one.’ The *Little Friends* go like hot cakes. A boy, after reading a few lines from the *Little Friend*, said to his mother, ‘This is the best paper I ever read, and I have been looking for such a paper.’

“I wish to relate to you in a few words how I felt when I first began to give away our papers by myself. Two years ago, when Brother Wood (former

librarian Paradise Valley) told me to give away our papers to the people, I began to tremble, and told him that it was impossible for me to do so, but to please him I consented to go with some one and give away the papers. I remember very well how I felt when one Sabbath afternoon I was told to give away one hundred papers without help. I became so discouraged that I was just going to throw the papers on the street and return to the sanitarium, but in a minute I heard a little voice whisper to my ears, saying: ‘This is the Lord’s work. The angel of the Lord will go before.’ Since then I have no more trouble to give away our papers, and I feel pleasure to do so. But let nobody think it is easy job to give away our papers, which are unpopular. But the angel of the Lord will go before us. Sometimes I meet some folks, but being pleasant with them dare not to refuse the papers. Some talk against the message. Then I must be quiet. I tell them I am giving away the word of God. Sometimes I see fierce dogs by their doors. Of course I don’t go around them, but I just leave the paper at the gate. Sometimes people call me in to answer questions, which I am glad to do.

“I wish to say that people are tired from cheap papers, and wish something better. A lady said: ‘I don’t read Catholic or Mormon papers. I wish to take your *Signs*, because the Adventists are practical Christians.’ A gentleman said: ‘I read only good papers. I don’t care for Los Angeles *Times*, but I take yours.’

“Before closing my letter, I wish to

say that I observe the following rules when I give away our papers.

“1. Cheerfulness.

“2. To have burden to give the message to some one who don’t know the truth.

“3. To have knowledge about present truth as much as possible.

“4. Patience.

“Truly the harvest is ripe, but the workers are few. The angels are holding yet the winds. I am of good courage and hope you are so.”

Ernest Lloyd.

Special Notice

- 10 pound package Malted Cereal . . \$1.20
- 10 pounds Graham Crackers 1.20
- 5 pounds Cereal Coffee75
- 2 cans (1 pound) Nut Cero or
Nut Loaf50
- 1 large jar Peanut Butter25

\$3.90

Freight prepaid to any point for \$3.00. Address Sanitarium Food Company, Sanitarium, Napa County, Cal.

Obituary

BINGHAM.—Mrs. Clara B. Bingham fell asleep in Jesus March 20, 1912. The immediate family remaining are a husband, two daughters, and an adopted son. She also leaves a mother, three sisters, and two brothers. Mother was sixty-two years of age. She died at our home in Sonoma, California, but was buried near Lodi, California, Elder D. T. Fero officiating at the services. The cause of her death was paralysis of the heart.

A. H. Bingham.

Love

- Justice is Love holding the balance.
- Mercy is Love being gracious.
- Eloquence is Love talking.
- Prophecy is Love foretelling.
- Faith is Love believing.
- Charity is Love acting.
- Sacrifice is Love offering itself.
- Patience is Love waiting.
- Fortitude is Love suffering.
- Endurance is Love abiding.
- Hope is Love expecting.
- Peace is Love resting.
- Prayer is Love communing.
- Sympathy is Love tenderly touching.
- Comfort is Love soothing.
- Soul-saving is Love rescuing.
- Soul-developing is Love helping.
- Enthusiasm is Love burning.
- Work is Love laboring.
- Sanctification is Love perfecting.

—Anon.

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THURSDAY, JUNE 13, 1912

Brother B. E. Baldwin addressed the Lodi church Sabbath, presenting practical points on the subject of prayer.

Brother James Harvey, of 1729 Grove St., Oakland, Cal., again calls for denominational papers. Let us do what we can by supplying literature to assist Brother Harvey in his missionary endeavors in the city of Oakland.

Some of the brethren outside of the local conference who have been in attendance all or part of the time during the Sacramento camp-meeting are Elders E. E. Andross, J. N. Loughborough, and J. O. Corliss, and Brethren J. F. Blunt, H. H. Hall, J. J. Ireland, A. A. Cone, and J. R. Ferren. A good meeting is well under way.

Elder Corliss just telephones us that the Religious Liberty series of the *Signs* was presented at the Sacramento camp-meeting at the early morning hour. Over \$450 was subscribed, which will cover something over 3,500 sets. A thousand of these sets are to be used in the city of Sacramento in connection with the tent meetings which are being held in that city.

Brother F. A. Lashier, so well known and loved in California, died in Reno, Nevada, last Sabbath morning, June 8, at 10 o'clock. This news comes unexpectedly to his many friends, and saddens their hearts. Brother Lashier has been connected with our work in various capacities, prominent among which was his managership of Healdsburg College. For about two years his home has been in Reno, Nevada. He has lived a practical Christian life, doing faithful home missionary work. The RECORDER family extend loving sympathy to those bereaved.

From a letter of June 5, written by Brother H. F. Courter, Safford, Arizona, we take this item: "As the Arizona Conference did not have the means to employ me this year, we determined to settle where there was a chance for missionary work. We have a light horse and buggy, and expect to go out through the country and distribute reading-matter and give Bible studies to those who become interested. I am preaching every Sabbath to a small company of Mexicans who keep the Sabbath. I speak yet in English, and it is translated into Spanish."

Remember June 29

June 29 is the date of the next thirteenth Sabbath offering to be taken in our Sabbath-schools.

The brethren in South Africa, continually urged on to new conquests by the terrible need of lost millions, have been endeavoring to open a new mission station in the "dark continent." Some time ago they made a request of the government for a grant of land in the Selukwe Reserve in Mashonaland. The government has recently acceded to their request, and given us this desirable tract, which is reported to be well watered, fertile, and well adapted as a mission station where the banner of the truth can be unfurled.

Pastor R. C. Porter, president of the South African Union, wrote a very touching appeal some months ago, asking for an appropriation that would enable them to undertake the work of erecting buildings and otherwise equipping the station with the things that are necessary to carry forward the work properly. But for lack of funds, the General Conference Committee was forced to deny the request, and let millions still wait in darkness.

But we are glad they need wait no longer. The General Conference Committee has invited our Sabbath-schools in the United States and Canada to give the thirteenth Sabbath donation to the opening of this station in the Selukwe Reserve. The thirteenth Sabbath comes June 29. Thus our Sabbath-schools, that have furnished means to pioneer the way with the message into so many lands, have an opportunity to establish fully another mission station in the midst of heathen darkness. Should more be donated than is actually needed to open this station, the surplus will be used in the dark land of Africa.

We anticipate a liberal response in all our Sabbath-schools to this call on June 29. Some will perhaps want to give quite liberal donations. Many will give dollars. Whole conferences have already adopted the idea of having a "dollar day" each quarter in the Sabbath-schools. The idea is a good one. The thirteenth Sabbath is a good time for churches that are behind on the fifteen cents a week per member to make up their deficit.

Notice

Absent members of the Carr Street, Los Angeles, church, not replying to this notice, giving present address, or to letters received from the church clerk, by July 1, will be dropped from the list.

Winifred Harris, Clerk,

259 So. Hill St.,
Los Angeles, Cal.

For Sale — My Relinquishment

In order to attend college, I will sacrifice 160 acres of homestead land in Sonoma County. Four miles from store. Railroad will run through place. Many springs, house, garden, orchard — 60 fruit-trees — 500 vines, 25 acres tillable when cleared. Write for particulars to Clarence Moon, Geyserville, Sonoma Co., Cal.

Rates to the Santa Rosa Conference and Camp-Meeting

June 20 to 30, 1912

As usual, the railroad companies will grant reduced rates to those attending the camp-meeting.

Upon purchasing ticket for Santa Rosa, ask the agent to give a receipt for the amount paid, stating that you are going to attend the Seventh-day Adventist Conference. This receipt will be signed by the secretary of the meeting, on the camp ground, and will then serve as a certificate upon presentation of which to the ticket agent at Santa Rosa return ticket can be secured for one third of the fare paid in going. Reduced rate can not be had unless receipt is secured.

Receipts can be obtained under this plan for tickets purchased June 10 to 30, and are good for return June 20 to July 5 inclusive.

Fifty persons must be in attendance holding receipts before rates can be secured for any one returning.

Claude Conard.