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Sketches of the Past — No. 129

June 6, 1863, in the home of Brother Henry Hilliard, Otsego, Michigan, Sister White had that wonderful vision on disease and its causes, and health reform. As she spoke to our people on the subject, and published what had been showed to her, it moved our ministers to action in teaching these health principles. During the year 1864, Sister White wrote six articles on “Disease and Its Causes.” These, with other matter bearing on the subject of health, were published in six pamphlets, of about sixty-four pages each, and afterward bound in one volume entitled “How to Live.” In the preface of this book we read: “We are deeply impressed with the great fact that

grains and fruits are the proper food for man. These are the best, and generally the cheapest, which is a worthy consideration for the poor. Cheerful toil or exercise, proper rest in sleep, air, water, and light are Heaven’s great remedies. To use these properly should be the study of the people.”

In the first of the six numbers of the pamphlets, Sister White thus spoke of flesh eating: “Swine’s flesh, above all other flesh-meats, produces a bad state of the blood. Those who eat freely of pork can but be diseased. . . . The eating of pork has produced scrofula, leprosy, and cancerous humors. Pork eating is still causing most intense suffering to the human race.

“There are but few animals that are free from disease. Many have been made to suffer for the want of light, pure air, and wholesome food. . . . They are prepared for the market, and people eat freely of this poisonous animal food. Much disease is caused in this manner. Many die of disease caused wholly by meat eating. Yet the world does not seem to be the wiser.”

Sister White told us that, from the light given to her, the disease of the animals would increase, until it would become dangerous to eat their flesh, and that the Lord was sending light to His people, that by reform in diet they might be better fitted to stand when increasing disease and plagues should come upon mankind. As to how this prediction of increase of disease from flesh eating is advancing, we quote the following respecting *cancers*, as developed from flesh eating in the one city of Chicago, Illinois, up to 1908. From *Current Literature* we read of Chicago: “In 1866 but one death in every thousand was from cancer, whereas in 1886 this had increased to

one in each 164. In 1905 it was one in twenty-three deaths, while in 1906 one in twenty and eight tenths was due to this cause.”

In *Physical Culture*, for July, 1910, we read of a lady who was visiting the Chicago packing-houses. She innocently inquired of the chief food inspector about beef creatures that had “lumpy jaw.” With much earnestness he replied: “Woman, don’t you know that lumpy jaw is cancerous poison? Consult any medical authority about this disease actinomycosis. I believe the great increase of cancerous disease in this country is caused in part by the eating of such meat.”

While from the year 1863 to the spring of 1865 the terrible war in the United States interfered with any great success in our public efforts to advance the message, it seemed to be the Lord’s time for instruction in health reform—that which afterward should be “as the right arm and hand to the body” in the rapid advancement of the work.

In the fall and winter of 1864-65 the national situation became more and more desperate. To raise the Union army to its full quota which it had finally mustered on the battle-field, 2,859,132 men, one draft was not sufficient. When the second call was made for a draft of 300,000 men, the home-born were not so plenty as in 1861-62. A large bounty had to be offered to secure the enlistment of foreign-born to fill the quota. A \$300 extra bounty in some places secured the men. It was on this wise that Battle Creek, Michigan, escaped the draft for the second time.

When, toward the last of 1864, a third draft of 300,000 men was ordered, it looked to able-bodied Seventh-day Adventists is if they would all be taken this

time. Our only hope was in seeking deliverance from the Lord. In the *Review* of January 31, 1865, a request was made to our people, that the second Sabbath in each month be set apart as a day of fasting and prayer that God would interpose in behalf of the non-combatants, and bring the cruel war to a speedy termination. In compliance with this request, the first general fast to be observed by the Seventh-day Adventists for this purpose was appointed by the General Conference for February 11, 1865. This was followed by another appointment for the 25th of the same month, and the first four days of March as days of humiliation and prayer to God, in harmony with Rev. 7:3, that the winds might be held -- the war closed -- that the sealing message of the third angel might go forward. These fast-days were earnestly observed by our people. What followed? -- In less than one month news came flashing over the wire, April 2, "Richmond is taken;" April 9, "Lee has surrendered, the war is at an end." The draft was never made.

So suddenly was the terminus of the war effected that the public journals, like the *Chicago Tribune*, and the cities celebrating the event, gave credit to the Lord for the closing of the war. Even E. M. Stanton, secretary of war, began his letter of congratulation to Grant, in response to the news of the victory, with the words, "Thanks be to the almighty God." So did the Seventh-day Adventists, and rejoiced that the strife had ceased.

J. N. Loughborough.

Camp-Meeting Press Reporting

During the four camp-meetings in this union conference -- Reedley, Sacramento, Santa Rosa, and Glendale -- special effort has been made to pass on interesting items from the proceedings and services to the newspapers. Much of this has been published, reaching thousands with some facts about the work of Seventh-day Adventists who otherwise might learn nothing about them. The *Fresno Republican* and the *Fresno Herald* carried the reports of the Reedley meeting all through Central California. They told of the growth of the Sabbath-school work, of the educational work, of the foreign mission work, and in a simple, direct way gave points on the second coming of Christ, the perpetuity of the law of God, and why we keep the Sabbath. To quote from a report in the *Fresno Republican* of June 9: "Many inquire why Sev-

enth-day Adventists observe Saturday instead of Sunday. To this question, recently one of their leaders explained that they regard God's moral law -- the Ten Commandments -- binding in all dispensations. They claim that according to the fourth commandment, the only Sabbath outlined in Scripture is the seventh day, or Saturday; 'this being the day that was set apart before Paradise was lost, and which will be observed in Paradise restored.' In support of this they quote Genesis 2:2, 3, and Isaiah 66:22, 23. They say that the facts upon which the Sabbath institution is based confine it to the seventh day, as they are not true of any other day, and that the terms 'Jewish Sabbath,' applied to the seventh day, and 'Christian sabbath,' as applied to the first day of the week, are names of human invention, and not Scriptural in fact, nor true in meaning."

While the Sacramento dailies were a little more cautious about putting in extracts from sermons, we had opportunity to give much information about the growth of the work in the Northern California Conference, tell of the different departments of their work, and quote from foreign missionaries who had gone out from them.

The two Santa Rosa dailies and one or two papers in Petaluma contained during the camp-meeting in Santa Rosa 17½ feet of news, a column in width, about our work. These reports have points touching almost every doctrine of Scripture. Prof. H. R. Salisbury gave one or two talks on the foreign mission work of the denomination, and extracts from these carried out to the readers of the *Republican* and the *Democrat* that "in spite of the persecution in Russia, there are now 4,000 Seventh-day Adventists there, and the church is gaining at the rate of 700 a year," that in Africa "they have pushed from Cape Colony northward into the interior, and there are 4,000 native boys and girls in their Christian schools in that country." This and much other information regarding the work in South America, Austria, the Orient, and other parts of the world, was given.

More than forty press notices of the Southern California Conference and camp-meeting of Seventh-day Adventists held at Glendale appeared in the Los Angeles papers. Some of these were accompanied by large pictures occupying in space almost half a page. These widely circulated daily papers carried in this way a

large amount of Bible truth to their readers. The dedication of workers to foreign fields, amount given for foreign work, the fact that one thousand new Sabbath-keepers a quarter are added in Europe, that one hundred young men are needed to fill openings in China, that forty converts have recently been baptized in Persia, and scores of other interesting missionary items, were given space. Monday morning's *Times*, *Examiner*, and *Tribune* each carried a sermon from the camp. Our readers may be interested in one by Elder W. A. Spicer, which went to the 600,000 readers of the Los Angeles *Examiner*. It is reproduced below just as it appeared in the Monday morning sermon department.

Some one may ask, Does it cost to get all this publicity in the newspapers? -- No, it has not cost a cent so far as charges by the papers are concerned. They do not pay for our news items. If written in an interesting, attractive way, they are glad to get them. I believe the Lord has helped in this work, and that in His own good way He will allow some of the seed thus sown to fall where it will create inquiry and lead persons to an investigation of the third angel's message.

'DIVINE PROPHECIES ARE BEING FULFILLED'

"Extracts from sermon of Pastor W. A. Spicer, of Washington, D. C., secretary of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, at Glendale S. D. A. annual camp-meeting. Subject, 'The certainties of the Advent Movement.'"

"In the work that Seventh-day Adventists are attempting to do they are not dealing with speculative philosophy, but with the facts of fulfilling prophecy. This was the key-note of apostolic preaching. On the Day of Pentecost Peter stood up before the multitude and said: 'This is that which was spoken by the Prophet Joel.' He bore witness to the multitude gathered that that which the prophets had declared concerning those times God was fulfilling before the eyes of men. So Paul testified throughout his ministry. The burden of apostolic preaching was to declare to men in that generation the fulfillments of the prophecy concerning that time. The witness was borne that there was a living God in heaven doing things on earth before the eyes of men.

"So in these last days prophecy is fulfilling, and the gospel message to the world is keyed to the same note which rang out in apostolic days. 'That which God declared by the prophets of old, the same hath He fulfilled before the eyes

of men to-day.' What all men need is to know the living God, and the living and the true God is represented in Scriptures as distinguished by two great features. These are His creative power, by which He made the world, and His ability to utter prophecies—'to declare the things to come, and to bring them to pass.'

"The sacred books of the heathen know nothing of exact historic prophecies, because they are written by men. But, when we open the Scriptures of truth, we find that it is not man talking about God, but it is God talking to man.

"In the days of the ancient prophets were described the rise and fall of Babylon, of Persia, of Greece and Rome; and true to His word, the course of human history has moved forward in exact fulfillment of these prophecies. Things like this do not come by chance.

"There is a living God in heaven who declared the end from the beginning. And that sure word calls in these last days for a special message of preparation for the coming of the Lord. This message is outlined in Revelation 14:6-14, which represents a movement arising and spreading to all the world just before the coming of the Lord, declaring the hour of God's judgment at hand, according to the prophecies of Holy Scripture, and calling all men to forsake tradition, and to keep the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus.

"It is for this message that Seventh-day Adventists stand, and to carry which they are giving the energies of their lives, believing that when the message has been preached as a witness to all nations, then shall the end come."

In closing, I might say that I have a few sets of Brother W. L. Burgan's lessons on newspaper reporting designed to assist our ministers, teachers, and others who can, to supply items concerning our work to the papers. These are for free distribution among those who will study them and put their suggestions into practice, and will be sent on request. Please enclose five cents to cover postage.

J. R. Ferren.

Religious Liberty

Sunday Rest Movement Still On in California

Late despatches from Sacramento reveal the failure of the advocates of the

proposed Sunday closing law to secure the necessary number of signatures to their petitions to compel the submission of the issue to a vote of the people in November. Only 8,714 valid signatures were obtained in the entire state prior to August 7, and the proponents of the measure now are diligently engaged in the endeavor to obtain enough more on supplemental petitions to insure the presentation of the matter at the next state election in 1914.

While it is improbable that enough signatures will be secured to compel the submission of the proposed law at any subsequent election by this canvass, it is doubtless the intention of the advocates of the measure to continue their efforts hereafter, even if it should be necessary to prepare petitions in an entirely new canvass. The issue, therefore, is still on, and unparalleled opportunities are offered now to present the truth in California.

Hitherto it has been difficult to make the average citizen realize the limits to which misguided men will go eventually to compel the observance of Sunday as the Sabbath. Now they perceive to some extent the fanatical nature of the demand for Sunday laws, and they will read the literature published in opposition to such enactments. They are specially interested in the text of the proposed law itself, and the criticisms directed against the law, based on the inconsistencies of the proposed act and the guaranties of civil and religious liberty contained in the constitutions of state and nation.

To meet this demand for trustworthy information, and thus to call attention to the binding obligation of God's law as opposed to human enactments, two tracts have been prepared, one by Elder W. M. Healey, entitled "The Proposed Sunday Law: An Analysis of Its Provisions," and another entitled "A Yoke of Bondage: Proposed Sunday Law Violated the Safeguards of the Constitution," in which the proposed law is shown to be opposed to the plain provisions of the constitution of California and of that of the United States. These tracts will have an immense circulation, and the need of their circulation is everywhere apparent. The first costs \$5 a thousand and the second \$3 a thousand. They ought to be used together, as both are important and they supplement each other effectively. It is hoped they will be used generously all over California. Every tent's company ought to have a liberal supply of these

tracts for use while the issue is recognized as pending by the general public. Order from your tract societies. These prices are specially reduced for this state, and cover the cost, including expressage or postage.

J. F. Blunt,
Secretary Religious Liberty, Dept.

The Field

CALIFORNIA

Pacific Press Notes

During the first seventeen days of August, our book department shipments have been 19½ tons.

We are now receiving from various points about one thousand tons of paper and other supplies each year.

Up to August 1, our subscription book business has increased over the same period of 1911 a little over \$27,000.

During the past two weeks orders have been received for 2,100 copies of "Coming King" Spanish to be sent to Buenos Aires and Valparaiso, South America.

We have just received the following letter from a gentleman in New York:

"I have been all around New York City for a book that I understand you publish, entitled 'Christ's Object Lessons,' illustrated. Will you kindly let me know the price and what extra it will cost to mail same to Shannon, New Brunswick, Canada? Or if it can be bought here in New York, please let me know who handles it. Enclosed find addressed envelope."

This is only one of six or eight letters referring to the same book, which we have received during the past few weeks.

We have also just received a letter from a man in Alberta, Canada, which shows the possibilities wrapped up in old wornout and torn tract pages:

"I have been reading some old wornout and torn-up tracts of yours, and there is something about them that makes me feel hungry and thirsty for something different from what I have been brought up to. I am over 50 years old, but never felt so, only within the last year. I am as yet a Sunday-keeper, but am willing to join your side when I am convinced in the matter. I wish you

would send me everything that is free, and also price-list of those that are not free, and help me in your way to become of some service in the Master's cause."

We have been glad to forward this letter, together with our reply, to the conference president, and trust this gentleman may soon be in possession of the entire truth. Certainly such communications as these are evidences of the fact that people are longing for light. Shall we now put forth greater efforts than ever before to satisfy that longing?

H. H. H.

St. Helena Sanitarium Siftings

Mrs. Reuf, self-supporting missionary from Burma, gave an interesting lecture on that country, in the chapel, Sunday evening. At its conclusion, the audience, which was composed of guests and helpers, donated the cost of an electric battery to be used in the treatment rooms at Rangun.

The food factory entertained the sanitarium family and neighbors on Sunday evening. The sanitarium band rendered some fine selections while the visitors were served with choice samples of health foods. Before the gathering left, Elder W. C. White gave a brief history of our health food factories in this and foreign countries.

A. D. Fowler.

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA

Conference Notes

Elder J. H. Behrens went to Glendale on the 15th inst., expecting to return about the 19th.

Brother Leslie Rice has accepted the secretaryship of the young people's work in Central California.

Elder E. H. Adams baptized eight candidates in Kings River last Sabbath. It is expected that a church will be organized at Reedley in the near future.

Elder F. M. Burg, president of the Southern California Conference, made the office a pleasant call this week. We were glad to meet Elder Burg, and wish him success in his new field.

Miss Emily Johnson spent about two days in Fresno this week, and succeeded in placing 200 Temperance *Instructors*. We hope that soon some one will take

up the work in Fresno with all our magazines.

Mrs. Myrtle Rice has taken up the work of secretary of Sabbath-school work laid down by Mrs. Robison.

Our worthy secretary of educational and Sabbath-school work, Mrs. T. D. Robison, will take a vacation, going to the mountains with her husband, hoping that the change of climate will prove beneficial to his health.

The young people's society of Armona has voted to send five hundred pounds of dried fruit to our workers in China. It is hoped that other churches will contribute so that at least one thousand five hundred pounds will be sent.

The tent effort at Reedley has closed, and the tent has been shipped to Bakersfield, where Elder Adams expects to engage in an effort to awaken a new interest and strengthen the work already there. The church at Bakersfield is alive, and will render good help in this effort.

We are glad to report progress in our Sabbath-school department. As a result of the "thirteenth Sabbath" plan, and systematic planning on the part of Sabbath-school officers, our offerings to missions during the past quarter have amounted to \$973.55. This is more than twice as much as was given during a quarter when this conference was organized.

G. A. Wheeler.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA-

NEVADA

Conference Items

Prof. I. C. Colcord met with the Stockton church Sabbath, August 10.

Prof. A. C. Haughey, who recently arrived from Michigan, spoke to the brethren and sisters of the Lodi church Sabbath, August 10.

Elder and Mrs. C. L. Taggart spent Sabbath and Sunday, August 10 and 11, with the little company at Esmeralda. Three more were baptized at that time.

A number of our church school teachers returned from the summer school at Portland, Oregon, the past week. All report an enjoyable as well as profitable time.

Brother Wilbur Holbrook, who recently returned from New Pine Creek, where Elder W. S. Holbrook and Brother W. P. Dayton are conducting a tent effort, reports that the work is progressing nicely at that place, and that quite an interest exists. We hope for results from this effort, in the near future. May the Lord bless our workers in that section of the field.

Elder A. J. Osborne writes: "I returned about 7:25 last evening from my trip with Brother M. A. Reese in the mountains, delivering books and baptizing some of his converts. I baptized two sisters, both with families — one a widow with six children, the oldest 13 years, I believe. I was favorably impressed with her earnestness. Brother Reese has been doing some good work for these people. He was very successful in his deliveries. We were gone four days. The roads were quite rough, and we walked every step of the way, carrying books. I carried seven books, besides my satchel with my clothes for baptism. We arrived at Indian Diggins at 9:00 P.M., Monday evening. We missed our road once in the darkness, but we were happy to be carrying books to enlighten souls. I suggested to Brother Reese that we were carrying light in the darkness." Elder Osborne sends us a subscription to the *Review and Herald* for the sister he has just baptized. Does not this report encourage us to pray for our faithful laborers?

Elder N. W. Kauble reports the following: "During the month of July I have visited Corning, Willows, Sacramento, Linden, Manteca, Hughson, and Dos Palos. At Corning I had the pleasure of renewing acquaintances with brethren and sisters whom I was acquainted with in Minnesota many years ago. It was a great pleasure to find these people full of courage and hope. Several families have lately moved to Corning. This addition has brought no little encouragement to the believers living at that place. A good live Sabbath-school has been organized, and it is hoped that before long these arrivals will present letters to the Corning church. At all of the above mentioned places, I enjoyed meeting with the good brethren and sisters. The greater portion of the time was spent in visiting. At Dos Palos there is an excellent outside interest in hearing the message for this time. The courage and hope of the brethren and

sisters in general are indeed inspiring. Sabbath, August 10, I met with the brethren and sisters of the Turlock church. The work is onward at that place, and all seem filled with courage and determination to go forward in the truth.

Merl Horton.

Obituaries

STEAVERNS.—Lillie Isabelle Steavens died May 31, 1912, after an illness of fourteen months, at Selma, Fresno County, California. Lillie was born at Red Cloud, Nebraska, October 29, 1901, being 10 years, 7 months, and 2 days old. After her baptism at Red Cloud, she lived a life that showed she had indeed died to self and was raised to walk in newness of life, following in the footsteps of Jesus.

Words of courage and comfort were spoken by the writer, from James 4:14, services being held from the Adventist church at Selma. The interment was made in the Odd Fellows' Cemetery of Selma. She will rejoice to meet her father and mother, three brothers, and a sister, in the resurrection morning, her last wish being that the individual members of her family might be saved.

Paul E. Scoggins.

JONES.—James M. Jones, of Manteca, formerly of Healdsburg, was killed Thursday, June 6. He was driving a team of mules, which ran away, and threw him off the wagon, under the wheels. He was found by a neighbor, with his head buried in the sand. He was buried June 8, in East Union Cemetery, services being conducted in the church building at that place. Brother Jones was born in Cass County, Michigan, November 5, 1849. His wife and four children sorrow for their loss.

Less than two months before his death, he wrote specific directions for his burial in case of death, the sum of which was that there should be an old-fashioned funeral, dispensing with an undertaker and with modern customs, and incurring small expense. These instructions were carried out almost literally by the family, and all arrangements were, through the kind cooperation of neighbors, carried out in an orderly and creditable manner.

A large gathering of neighbors testified to esteem and sympathy.

D. T. Fero.

REPORT OF BOOK WORK FOR WEEK ENDING AUGUST 9, 1912

Agent	Book	Hrs.	Ords.	Helps	Value	Delivered
California						
H. Bonde	P. G.	38	14		\$55.00	
O. H. Shrewsbury	G. C.	23	10		30.00	\$65.00
R. W. Paul	P. G.	24	6		27.00	
Mrs. H. Bonde	P. G.	26	6		21.00	
Byron Rice	G. C.	23	6		21.00	35.00
L. D. Trott	P. G.	15	4	\$3.00	18.00	3.50
Otto Woesner	Heralds	25	7		14.00	56.00
Geo. R. Bailey	Heralds	30	5		10.00	4.00
Geo. Greer	Heralds	8	4		9.50	96.00
G. A. Ferry	Heralds	34	1	4.00	6.00	2.00
10 Agents		246	63	\$7.00	\$211.50	\$261.50
Central California						
Tressa Belvail	Heralds & G. C.	41	60	\$4.25	\$161.75	
J. W. Rich	P. G.	43	31		137.50	
Mrs. E. Saylor	Heralds	10	3		6.00	
3 Agents		94	94	\$4.25	\$305.25	

Fill Up the Ranks

“God has His workmen in every age. The call of the hour is answered by the coming of the man.” “Who will go forth now with our publications? The Lord imparts a fitness for the work to every man and woman who will cooperate with divine power. All the requisite talent, courage, perseverance, faith, and tact will come as they put the armor on. A great work is to be done in our world, and human agencies will surely respond to the demand.”

In times of crisis in the gospel work, God has called men into the ranks who have successfully met the issues. Bold and courageous men have risen in defense of truth in times of danger; and when special difficulties and hardships have had to be met, strong men have shouldered the burdens. As we draw nearer the close of our work, we look for difficulties to increase. But with these added perplexities, we may expect to see those take hold of the work who are determined to win.

Our hearts were filled with sadness recently as we learned of the death of one of our number. Almost the last words before his operation, Brother Bond said to me, “I do not dread the operation as much as I dislike to give up the work.” During the three weeks previous to this, his work in the field had been filled with spiritual blessings to himself and others. From this work we may expect to see souls saved in the kingdom.

One of our number has fallen at his post, another has taken his place in the field this week. When the raking fire of

the French made great rents and gaps in the ranks of the British army at the battle of Waterloo, the command came; “File up! File up!” Silently the men took the places of their fallen comrades, perhaps only to be likewise stricken down; but the solid ranks, thus maintained, met and hurled back Napoleon’s last desperate charge, and gained the day.

We may have to stand our ground while others charge; but in holding our position lies the victory, and the time to move forward follows. We are moving forward, and the advance shall be steady and sure.

J. T. Thompson.

Selling “Daniel and the Revelation” to Chinese

In my canvassing work in Mendocino County, California, I had some interesting experiences in meeting the Chinese, notably young men, educated to read English. They bought the book readily, and seemed interested in its contents, from the cheapest cloth at \$3.00 to as high as full morocco, \$5.00. Though I did not have many orders from this race, yet I never lost one order. Had a one hundred per cent delivery among them. An educated, very intelligent Chinese man near Clifton, Arizona, recently purchased a copy of this book of me. I trust these dear souls may come to a saving knowledge of the truth through studying these books, and that through their efforts waves of influence for the Master may be set in motion, that may reach the shores of eternity.

Walter Harper.

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THURSDAY, AUGUST 22, 1912

A young people's union convention of the San Francisco bay city churches will be held Sabbath, August 24, in the Oakland church, at 523 25th Street. An interesting program has been arranged, to begin at 9:30, and be continued in the afternoon at 2:30 and 3:40. The convention motto is, "Not hearers only, but doers." It is hoped that there will be a large attendance.

A few sample copies of the Harvest Ingathering Number of the *Signs of the Times* have been sent from the Pacific Press. The cover design depicts the Master commissioning His disciples to go "into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature." The magazine is liberally illustrated throughout, and the articles cover our missionary endeavors in general. Details concerning the campaign will be given later.

Elder W. A. Spicer, secretary of the General Conference, called at Mountain View following his attendance at the Glendale camp-meeting, and spoke to a large audience in the church here last Sunday night. While he referred in a general way to the progress of the message throughout the world, he spoke particularly of the work in South America, which country he says is rapidly opening for the gospel. Where a few years ago our workers had to travel for five days on mule back from one country to another, they now go through on the train in four hours. Away up near Lake Titicaca, where Brother and Sister Stahl have labored faithfully, Brother Spicer on his recent visit there was met by a band of two hundred Sabbath-keeping Indians. They gave him a hearty welcome, and he had the privilege of bringing courage to their hearts. The many evidences of the power of God attend-

ing the Advent Movement throughout the world, given by Elder Spicer Sunday evening, brought cheer to the church in Mountain View.

Our people throughout this union will learn with sorrow of the death of Sister J. O. Corliss, which occurred at Glendale on August 16. She had gone with Elder Corliss to be in attendance at the camp-meeting, they going a little early in order that she might have treatment for a few days at the Glendale Sanitarium. Pneumonia developed, and in spite of the very best medical care and nursing, she was unable to overcome it. A touching memorial service was held on Sabbath afternoon, August 17, at the Glendale camp ground. Regular funeral services were held in Mountain View Monday afternoon, August 19. Sister Corliss was greatly beloved by all who knew her. She gave her life to the cause of truth, doing everything in her power directly and indirectly to extend a knowledge of it. In her last hours she was strengthened by the blessed hope, and her prayer was that her friends and loved ones would soon meet her in the life beyond. Elder W. A. Spicer, assisted by Elder A. O. Tait, conducted the funeral service. Regular obituary notice will appear in a later number of the RECORDER.

Shall We Not Help?

Brethren and sisters in the tropics greatly long for a little of the good fruit—the acid fruit—which is so plentiful on the Pacific Coast, and especially in California. Fruit from the home land is a great aid in maintaining health, and thus in enabling the workers to remain in the field.

It does seem as if we ought this year to send to our laborers in far-away India a portion of our abundance. A little given by each of a large number will make a splendid aggregation, which I shall be glad to forward as soon as it is in hand.

Apples, prunes, peaches, plums, apricots, cherries, berries (nearly everything except figs) will be accepted. Of course, I am speaking of *dried* fruit only.

Please take hold and help, and do so at once. No better missionary work is possible. The children, the youth, the adults, may all find a blessing in this kind of blessed giving.

If you do not have fruit, perhaps you could furnish a money equivalent. If you

have neither, possibly you could encourage a neighbor or friend to do something.

All fruit donated may be shipped to me at St. Helena, California, all money may be forwarded by post-office order to Sanitarium, Napa County, California. In every case the charges on fruit should be prepaid.

I trust there may be an early and generous response to this call, that at an early date the workers may have the benefit of our gift. C. L. Taylor,

Chaplain St. Helena Sanitarium.

Harvest-Time

We are told to sow beside all waters. The harvest will surely come.

In the "Manual for Canvassers," page 30, we are told of Paul's experience: "The eloquent Paul, to whom God manifested Himself in a wonderful manner, went from house to house in all humility of mind and with many tears and temptations."

A few lines from Miss Belvail's letter may be an encouragement to some: "The Lord has certainly blessed me this summer far above what I expected. I think we have worked harder than usual, too; but I do not intend to work long, so I am improving the time. Mother is a source of encouragement to me, too, and so she really should have the credit. We try to pass none by, and have delivered books in the most unpromising homes, as well as in those of the most prominent and influential people in this part of the conference territory. In one home I took an order for 'Controversy,' half leather; and when canvassing in the country a day or so later, I met this Mrs. B.'s husband, who was much interested in 'Great Controversy,' and he was just about ready to sign his name when he noticed his wife's name. However, I sold him a half leather 'Heralds,' and delivered both books. They have a family of several young people."

In the last two weeks Miss Belvail has reported book sales amounting to \$390. Surely the Lord is fulfilling His promise in her behalf. Brother Rich is getting ready to make a farewell delivery before taking up his work as a teacher in the Lodi Normal.

The Central California Conference, has an abundance of good territory, and we would be glad to see or correspond with any who wish to have a part in selling our books and magazines. Pray the Lord that He will send forth laborers into the harvest. C. L. Davis.