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"THEN THEY THAT FEARED THE LORD SPAKE OFTEN ONE TO ANOTHER."

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THE CHURCH

The Master-builder

The unhewn marble does not know
The place it has to fill;
That we may fit Thy temple's plan,
Lord, shape us to Thy will.

We ask not that Thy tools, O Lord,
On us may lightly rest;
We only ask Thou make us what
Will serve Thy purpose best.

If as Thy column we shall rise,
Engraved with noble line,
Whereon Thy goodness is set forth—
The glory all is Thine.

Or if some corner be our lot,
Then do not spare Thy hand,
And we will trust the shaping stroke
We can not understand.

For still the lowest, darkest place
Remains the place of power,
Whence springs the arch to span Thy way
In Thy triumphal hour.

—Sel.

Work for the Master

With every age God's plan deepens and broadens. His people are to adjust their movements to His progressive plan. They are to move forward with the force of Omnipotence, because they move in harmony with the divine purpose. They are to seize every opportunity to bless the world lying in darkness.

Our church-members should show greater devotion. They should labor with greater zeal for the promulgation of the last message of mercy. Now is the time for all to work. Now is the time

to separate from every species of self-indulgence. Those who are engaged in the Lord's service are to labor unselfishly, pressing together in Christian unity. They are to love as brethren; they are to be kind and courteous; their influence is to be a savor of life unto life.

Many young men and women now engaged in secular labor will feel impressed to give themselves to the service of God. Some will feel a desire to enter the canvassing field, and will become able evangelists. Let these be given opportunity to obtain an education for the work of God.

Those who are impressed to enter the work, whether in the home field or in the regions beyond, are to go forward in the name of the Lord. If they depend on God for grace and strength, they will succeed. At the beginning, their work may be small, but if they follow the Lord's plans, it will enlarge. God lives. He will work for the unselfish, self-sacrificing laborer, whoever and wherever he may be.

God does not ask His servants to show their devotion to Him by burying themselves in monasteries, or by going on long pilgrimages. It is not necessary to do this in order to show a willingness to deny self. It is by working for those for whom Christ died that we show true love for Him. By humiliation, suffering, and death Christ purchased the salvation of human beings. Those who love Him will think of how He laid aside His glory, and came to this earth to

live the life of the poorest, suffering often from hunger. "Foxes have holes, and the birds of the air have nests," He said; "but the Son of Man hath not where to lay His head."

To each human being God has assigned his work. Abraham was called to go forth from his home, a light-bearer to the heathen. And without questioning, he obeyed. "He went out, not knowing whither he went." So, to-day, Christ's servants are to go where He calls, trusting Him to guide them and give them success.

God's people are to feel a noble, generous sympathy for every line of work carried on in the great harvest field. By their baptismal vows they are pledged to make earnest, self-denying efforts to promote, in the hardest parts of the field, the work of soul-saving. God has placed on every believer the responsibility of striving to rescue the helpless and the oppressed.

To those who profess to believe in Him, God says, "Go forth to all parts of the world, and diffuse the light of My truth, that men and women may be led to Christ." Let us awake to our duty. Let us do all that we can to help forward the Lord's work. Let superficial excuses be blown to the winds of heaven. No longer grieve the Spirit of God by delaying. Forget not the words, "We are laborers together with God." Co-operate with the angels sent down from the heavenly courts to minister to those who shall be heirs of salvation.

THE FIELD

ARIZONA

Address of the President to the Arizona Conference

Time is passing; the end is near. While you are unconsecrated, golden opportunities for helping souls to see Jesus as He is—full of grace and truth—are passing by, never to return. That which you have not done as a devoted Christian in the year now passed into eternity, you can not now do. But, through the grace of Christ, you may redeem the time by redoubling your efforts. Let your interest in the souls for whom Christ has died deepen and broaden. Inquire not, "What shall this man do?" for then Christ would say to you, as He said to Peter, "What is that to thee?" Keep your own soul in the love of the truth, and work with untiring endeavor to win souls to the Saviour.

Earnest, self-sacrificing workers are needed, workers who will go to God, and with strong crying and tears plead for the precious souls who are going to ruin. There can be no harvest without seed-sowing, no result without effort.

The work is fast closing up, and on every side wickedness is increasing. We have but a short time in which to work. Let us awake from spiritual slumber, and consecrate all that we have and are to the Lord. His Spirit will abide with true missionaries, furnishing them with power for service. God is an overflowing fountain of strength. The gospel is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believes. When this power is utilized, it will be found to be more than sufficient to meet the power of the enemy.

Ellen G. White.

The great God is ever saying, "I am;" and what more can men require? The past and the present and the future are all set before us in the living God as being completely and everlastingly supplied. And, yet, how many souls are satisfied in Christ, how many could say that they have found in Him everything that their souls desire? Not many, I fear. Whose fault is it?—Selected.

"There is no joy like the joy of communion with God."

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This condition of things has apparently retarded the work somewhat, yet we are happy to report some gain. We now have 150 church-members, against 128 of a year ago at our organization. The number of scattered Sabbath-keepers is 23, the same number as a year ago. On its face, this shows an increase of 22 members, with the number of the scattered believers exactly the same. But when we consider that several of our former members have been dropped from our records, and that this dropping off has not only been made up, but also that the membership has increased to 22 more than it was, we have reason for rejoicing.

The scattered believers are a very transient class. It is a coincidence that there are at present the same number as were reported one year ago,—twenty-three,—for many of those moved away. It is apparent, therefore, that several of these are recent converts.

Briefly stated, the statistics are these: At the time of organization, April, 1902, we had 128 members, one company of 5, and 17 scattered Sabbath-keepers. Up to Dec. 31, 1902, there were 22 additions, making 150 members. During 1901 there were 17 converts; in 1902 there were 29. During 1901 there were 14 baptisms; in 1902, 20.

While this report has to do with the work of the conference only to Dec. 31, 1902, I am happy to report the organization of one

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The "Object Lesson" work has moved slowly. Not more than two-thirds of our quota have been disposed of. What has been done in this line has cheered us, and has been a source of encouragement and spiritual strength to those who persevered in this work.

God has blessed in establishing a sanitarium in our conference, which opens to us a large field of operation.

The Spanish work has not had the help and attention it really required. But I am glad to report that in the last two months more has been done. A church of sixteen members has been organized at Nogales, and there is a prospect of a still larger work there, which should be followed up carefully and persistently.

Before laying back upon this conference the responsibilities laid upon me a year ago, and which I feel have been so illy performed, I have a few statements and suggestions to make.

I wish to say, first, that I am exceedingly sorry that ill health has hindered the aggressive steps that I had hoped to take. I regret that so little has been done on my part. I am sorry that I have not been more constantly pushing the work and urging the workers and members by suggesting plans, by counsel and advice and encouragement, in person and by letter. But I want to express my gratitude for the good feelings, brotherly love, and the hearty cooperation existing

among the workers. I pray that it may ever continue so.

While the Union Conference has changed our field of labor, in consideration of our ill health, removing us from Arizona, also relieving Brother and Sister Black for a time, they have sent help that I feel, so far as concerns myself, is far better than you have had. I am sure you will give Elder Howard and Brother Cole your hearty support and cooperation. It is advised by the General Conference that Brother Serna spend his time between Arizona and New Mexico, so that hereafter you will have more of his help among his own nationality.

Perhaps it will be as well to state here what the General Conference and the Pacific Union Conference have done to help us financially. The General Conference has permitted us to retain our entire contributions to foreign missions, or has virtually donated to us a sum equal to the amount of our donations, as their appropriation to a mission field. This sum, comprising our various donations and offerings, was \$266.76 for 1902.

Our tithe for 1902 amounted to \$856.74. During this time the Pacific Union Conference appropriated to us \$1,500, also enough in addition to meet our audit and settle with our laborers to the end of 1902. You can readily see that the General Conference and Pacific Union Conference have done more than three times for us what we have done for ourselves financially. I trust that our gratitude for this generosity will be shown in a far greater consecration and diligence in the year to come, not only on the part of the workers, but also by all the people of the churches, and that each one will strive earnestly to bring up his work to a self-supporting basis. This can be done by diligence and conscientiousness in payment of all tithes and offerings, and by working hard to bring into the truth those who will be a help spiritually and financially.

As I now view the work that

should be done, it appears as follows:—

It seems imperative that the field near Yuma should be worked as early in the fall as possible. One American laborer should locate at Nogales with Brother Serna for a time. The work at Williams must be followed up, and other northern points entered very soon. The interest near Phoenix ought to be looked after for some time yet.

The "Object Lessons" work must be pushed to completion; and this should be done by the people, not by the ministers. Our churches can do it. It would bring blessings and life to them. It must be followed up until it is accomplished, even if some have to sell their quota several times over to make up for what others fail to do. The less some do, the more others must do, for this work must be done.

The tract and periodical work should be taken up with new energy and faith. Both ministers and people need to enter more heartily upon aggressive work. Tracts have just been prepared for this special purpose. The "Signs" also should be circulated. If our people depend upon the ministers to do this work, the coming of the Lord will be delayed till after our death. Our ministers alone can never warn the world. If we expect to see the Lord come in this generation, the people one and all must go to the work with a hearty good will. I hope plans will be laid at this meeting that will result in forwarding this important branch of the work. I pray that the Lord will inspire all our people with the true Advent spirit, and I truly believe that the only salvation for this people now, after all the Lord has done for us, is to go to work in earnest.

The canvassing work, this self-supporting missionary work, must be revived and persevered in. I wish before the close of this year that we might hold a canvassers' institute, and see several enter the work.

There is a neglected work in our field, which, I fear, lays con-

demnation upon us for having left it so long,—the work for the Indians. Some from these neglected, illiterate people will be in the kingdom. Shall we be instrumental in getting them there? They are fast becoming extinct, and what is done for them must be done soon. Can not plans be laid at this meeting to do something for these people at once?

Before I close these suggestions, I wish to refer again to the sanitarium, and to the opportunity this affords our people for work. A medical missionary and benevolent association should be formed at once, auxiliary to the Pacific Union Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association.

The church-school work should receive encouragement. This is a far more vital point than most of our people realize, and I hope to see something done here that will give this God-given work a better standing and more effective operation in our midst.

I pray God's blessing upon this conference and upon all the work, the workers, and the people during the year to come. May the grace of God be with you all, and give to each a true missionary spirit.

E. W. Webster,
President.

The Arizona Conference

The first annual conference of Arizona was held in Phoenix, April 17 to 22, 1903.

The first meeting was held in the parlor of the Arizona Sanitarium, at 10:30 A. M. The usual opening exercises of song and prayer were engaged in. Rev. 14:6-12 was read, as a reminder of what our work really is. The minutes of organization and work of the conference one year ago were read and approved, after which the chair explained that our first secretary, Sister Heady, had moved away, and Mrs. L. E. Williams had been appointed in her stead by the conference committee. Then followed the president's address.

The constitution was read and commented upon. Visiting brethren and laborers were invited to

participate in the proceedings of the conference.

A church of sixteen Mexican people had been recently organized at Nogales by Elders Black and Serna, and wished to be received into the conference. This was done by unanimous vote. Elder Black stated that there is an interest at Nogales which needs to be followed up among this people, also an interest among the Americans. Elder Serna reported that there are now three Spanish churches in Arizona, and three companies, and a number of scattered believers in New Mexico. He feels that this number is almost more than he can care for alone, and he should have other Spanish laborers to help him.

A motion prevailed that the chair appoint the usual committees. This was done, as follows:—

Auditing committee, to act with the conference committee: A. J. Howard, Dr. E. C. Bond, Pauline Laurin, Mrs. Lou Sturges, H. R. Campbell, and Brother Reynolds.

Committee on Nominations: J. E. Bond, Mrs. Olive Andrews, E. A. Brown.

Committee on Plans and Resolutions: C. D. M. Williams, A. J. Howard, Marcial Serna, Dr. E. C. Bond, E. W. Webster.

Committee on Licenses and Credentials: W. L. Black, C. D. M. Williams, Mrs. M. E. Johnson, Mrs. Lizzie Creech, E. W. Webster.

The second meeting was held in the Seventh-day Adventist church at 3:00 P. M., April 19.

The Committee on Plans reported recommendations and resolutions covering the following points, which were thoroughly discussed, but action on them deferred until later:—

1. The forming and carrying out of plans for aggressive work to be persevered in until the work is completed.

2. That the laborers urge all our people to work just where they are as openings occur.

3. That ministers and other laborers carry as much literature as possible with them for sale and distribution.

4. That a systematic campaign

of tract work be carried on in the cities by our churches.

5. The payment of a second tithe by each member of our churches for the support of the church-school and such other purposes as the Bible indicates.

Discussion on the fifth recommendation was deferred until after a study of the subject was given by Elder Howard, when it was heartily endorsed and accepted, and put into practise at once by all the laborers and most of the members of the various churches present.

6. The careful and full payment of tithes and offerings.

7. That the conference take steps to place more Spanish laborers in the field. That, since there is such a dearth of Spanish literature, we hail with gratitude the steps taken by the late General Conference for the General Conference Committee to prepare tracts, pamphlets, and small, illustrated books in Mexico, and we hereby urge the preparation of such literature as soon as possible.

The discussion of this resolution was perhaps the most spirited of any, for it was felt that this should be accomplished speedily.

At the third meeting the Committee on Plans reported the following:—

Whereas, There are many Spanish youth in Southern California, Arizona, New Mexico, Texas, and Mexico, comprising a great Spanish field, who with a little preparation could be very useful in carrying the message to their people; therefore,—

8. We recommend, That this conference earnestly petition the General Conference Committee to establish as soon as possible a school for the education of said youth.

9. That steps be taken at once to teach the Indians this message.

10. That this conference pay a tithe of its receipts to the Pacific Union Conference from the time of its organization.

11. That an Arizona Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association be formed as auxiliary to the Pacific Union Medical

Missionary and Benevolent Association.

12. The adoption of the recommendations of the last General Conference concerning the Sabbath-school work, found on page 123 of the "General Conference Bulletin."

13. That, for the encouragement of worthy canvassers in this hard field, the conference pay one-half of their railroad fare when they are moved by the conference committee.

14. That the church-school work in this territory be pushed to success.

A motion prevailed for the chair to appoint a committee of two to act with himself to form plans and frame by-laws for the organization of a medical missionary association according to Recommendation 11. Dr. E. C. Bond and A. J. Howard were named.

The treasurer's and auditor's reports and statements were read and accepted.

A report of the Sabbath-schools was given by Elder Williams, and was accepted.

At the fourth meeting, 3:00 P. M., April 21, the Committee on Plans and By-laws for the medical missionary and benevolent association organization reported, recommending that such an organization be formed at once, and submitted a set of by-laws, which had been carefully prepared, as the basis for such an organization. It was voted to call a meeting for that purpose in the sanitarium parlor at 10 A. M., April 22. Much interest was manifested in this branch of the work.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

For president, Elder A. J. Howard; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. M. T. Poston; executive committee: A. J. Howard, C. D. M. Williams, J. Ernest Bond, Marcial Serna, Dr. E. C. Bond. These were unanimously elected.

The Committee on Licenses and Credentials reported as follows: Credentials: A. J. Howard, C. D. M. Williams, Marcial Serna, C. J. Cole, E. W. Webster,

W. L. Black. For ministerial license, Mrs. J. E. Bond. For missionary credentials: Dr. E. C. Bond, Mrs. Lena E. Williams, Mrs. M. T. Poston, T. L. Thuemler, Rafiel Acosta, Mrs. O. B. Howard, Mrs. E. W. Webster, Mrs. W. L. Black. For ordination and credentials, J. E. Bond. The name of Mrs. M. Serna was referred to the conference committee.

The report was unanimously adopted, and the conference adjourned with feelings of gratitude for God's love to us, that such love and harmony had prevailed throughout our meetings, and with a spirit and determination to labor as never before.

The evenings of the session and Sabbath were given to sermons and practical lessons on the work for our day, reports from the laborers of the work in their respective fields, and to seeking the Lord for power to accompany the work of giving the advent message to all the world in this generation.

On Tuesday evening, April 21, after a practical and touching discourse on the love of God, by Sister J. E. Bond, Brother J. E. Bond was ordained to the gospel ministry. It was a solemn and impressive service throughout, God witnessing and approving by His presence. Elder A. J. Howard gave the charge, Elder E. W. Webster offering the prayer.

The report of the organization of the Arizona Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association, and its by-laws will appear in the next number of the "Recorder."

Four meetings of the executive committee were held on the 22d and 23d of April, in which important actions were taken. The committee organized itself for work under the following departments, with the secretaries named: Tract and Missionary, Mrs. M. T. Poston; Religious Liberty, C. D. M. Williams; Educational, A. J. Howard; Church-school, A. J. Howard; Sabbath-school, Mrs. Ina Bond; Young People's, Mrs. A. J. Howard; Missionary Agent, C. J. Cole.

Arrangements were made for

location of the workers for the summer. The work closed, and the laborers went to their different fields with good courage, feeling that this had been an exceptionally good conference, and assured that the Lord would go with them. The outlook for this difficult field is brighter than ever before.

E. W. Webster.

CALIFORNIA

California Conference

At the recent session of the California Conference, held in Oakland, Cal., April 13-16, 1903, the following recommendations were adopted:—

1. For the prosperous year that God has given California, for His blessings on our institutions and our conference, for the spirit of labor manifest among our people, and for the abundant opportunities before us, we hereby express our heartfelt thanks to our heavenly Father, and urge all our people to consecrate themselves anew to the closing work of the everlasting good tidings.

Inasmuch as the Sabbath-school and its work is but a phase of the church and its work, we therefore recommend, in harmony with the action of our last General Conference,—

2. (a) That Sabbath-school officers be elected by the church;

(b) That only consecrated teachers be appointed in our schools; and,

(c) That the same principles guide in the election of officers and the conduct of our young people's work.

3. We recommend that a year-book be prepared containing, in condensed form, such statistical and other matter regarding our conference and the institutions located therein as shall make it a practical reference-book to all our workers.

Whereas, We have been especially instructed to work our large cities during the comparatively peaceful times which we now enjoy, we would therefore recommend,—

4. (a) That we recognize the circulation of our literature and the medical missionary work, car-

ried forward by the local churches under the leadership of competent workers, as the most efficient and economical methods of reaching the masses of our large cities, and therefore further recommend the inauguration of a thorough-going campaign along these lines, especially the circulation of our periodicals in San Francisco, Oakland, and other large cities.

(b) That we heartily endorse the cooperation of our conference committee with the work of the San Francisco Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association, and approve of the effort to enlist our church-members in active medical missionary work.

Whereas, In the providence of God our means and laborers are being directed to the foreign fields, we would therefore urge,—

5. That our city churches, in harmony with recent testimonies, organize into bands for the purpose of carrying this truth to their neighbors by means of gospel cottage-meetings, etc.

Whereas, There has been carried on in this conference for almost two years an organized effort in behalf of our young people; and,—

Whereas, No general state camp-meeting is to be held this year, therefore we recommend,—

6. That a young people's convention be held at some rural place this season under the direction of the conference committee. We further urge that every possible influence be exerted by parents, ministers, and others to enlist our young people in the active service of the gospel message, and to assist them in attending the convention.

Whereas, There is a great call for earnest and consecrated nurses in the different branch sanitariums, both at home and in new fields, therefore we recommend,—

7. That our people be encouraged to put forth an extra effort to secure suitable young people to prepare themselves for this line of work.

Whereas, Our literature has been, and still is, one of the most powerful factors in giving the gospel message to the world; and,—

Whereas, It is an agency that can be used by all the people, and

that economically, therefore we recommend,—

8. (a) That we, as a conference, dedicate ourselves for the circulation of the same to the best of our ability.

(b) That we heartily agree with the recommendations passed at our late General Conference to the effect that conference and other laborers unite in a systematic effort to engage and instruct members of our churches in this work.

(c) That we urge each person in the conference to regard the passing of these recommendations by this conference as an appointment to him to engage in this line of work, beginning where he is, and following the opening providence of God.

(d) That we invite Brother A. D. Gilbert to remain in this conference for a time, to give instruction in canvassing for our periodicals.

(e) That the conference committee select one or more persons to labor with Brother Gilbert, with a view to carrying this work forward when he shall leave.

(f) That we approve of the plan of giving special attention to selecting and training canvassers to engage in the sale of our large subscription books.

(g) That we hold a short institute at Healdsburg College, or some other convenient place, for the purpose of instructing and training canvassers, and that, when necessary, financial assistance be given to worthy persons.

In order to unify and give inspiration in the missionary work, we recommend,—

9. That the territory of the conference be districted in an informal way into convenient groups of churches, and that these churches, when possible, hold two-day district quarterly meetings or conventions, when the practical work of the church in its important phases may be studied.

We recommend,—

10. (a) That all our people, as far as consistent, become subscribers and readers of our leading papers, such as "Review and Herald," "Signs of the Times," "Sentinel of Christian Liberty," etc.; and,—

(b) That the ministers and la-

borers in the conference be asked to work to this end.

Whereas, It is recognized that the church-school work is a most important department of the cause; and,—

Whereas, The summer school for our church-school teachers has been found by actual experience to be of great benefit to the teachers; and,—

Whereas, Our teachers receive limited salaries, and hence are compelled to labor for their support during this season, therefore we recommend,—

11. That the California Conference encourage the church-school work by extending financial assistance, as far as consistent, to enable our teachers to attend the summer school.

Whereas, The "Christ's Object Lessons" canvass is still unfinished, and,—

Whereas, The fulness of the jubilee blessing will not be realized until this work is fully consummated; therefore we recommend,—

12. That the conference committee lay plans to complete this work as speedily as possible.

Whereas, There is need of a place where the sick poor can be treated along rational lines, that they may be shown the blessing God has given us, therefore we recommend,—

13. That the conference committee devise some plan whereby a bed can be endowed at the St. Helena Sanitarium for that purpose.

The constitution was changed to provide for a vice-president, and that he be a member of the conference committee, thus making a committee of ten members, instead of nine.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: A. T. Jones, president; A. S. Kellogg, vice-president; M. H. Brown, secretary; Pacific Press Publishing Co., treasurer; A. J. Bourdeau, missionary secretary; Mrs. Carrie R. King, Sabbath-school secretary.

Executive committee: A. T. Jones, A. S. Kellogg, M. C. Wilcox, M. H. Brown, H. G. Thurston, M. E. Cady, J. S. Osborne,

C. N. Martin, T. J. Evans, and D. T. Fero.

Directors of California Conference Association: M. H. Brown, C. H. Jones, E. A. Chapman, E. E. Parlin, G. W. Mills, R. P. Gray, and E. G. Fulton.

The following persons were given credentials: M. H. Brown, J. W. Bagby, A. Brorsen, M. E. Cady, D. T. Fero, C. M. Gardner, J. S. Harmon, E. J. Hibbard, B. L. Howe, M. C. Israel, A. S. Kellogg, C. N. Martin, N. C. McClure, I. Morrison, J. D. Rice, B. F. Richards, W. S. Sadler, H. A. St. John, C. L. Taylor, H. G. Thurston, A. J. Osborne, J. N. Loughborough, M. C. Wilcox, C. E. Leland, E. D. Sharp.

The following persons were granted missionary license: J. W. Beardslee, A. J. Bourdeau, J. S. Osborne, S. W. Walker, Mrs. Carrie R. King, Mrs. E. E. Parlin, Mrs. W. S. Sadler, Mrs. J. D. Rice, Dr. H. E. Brighthouse, M. H. St. John, C. G. Marchus, C. N. Miller, Mrs. A. C. Bainbridge, and T. J. Evans. M. H. Brown, Sec.

White Horse, Yukon Territory

A communication from Elder A. M. Dart, of the above-named place, bearing the date of April 14, states: "We arrived here nearly two weeks ago, and could find no place to hold meetings, so we sent for our tents, which were left at Haines, Alaska. There has been some delay in receiving them on account of custom duties. A great deal of red tape is used in order to get across the line.

"We rented a little tent to live in, and one night the thermometer went down to thirty below zero. When we awoke, the hair on our heads and the blankets about our faces were white with frost. The ground being frozen, it is necessary to build frames for the tents.

"The Lord has given us favor with the officials. I have a permit to ride at half fare on all the railroads and steamship lines in the territory. This is better than I expected. As I was leaving the office at Skagway, after getting my permit, the manager told me

to call the next morning, and he would give me a half-fare ticket for my wife to White Horse.

"While we have met with many perplexities, the guiding hand of the Lord is clearly seen, and thus every trial is turned to a blessing. We are all well, and of good courage, and hope to see souls saved in the kingdom, as a result of our labors here."

WESTERN OREGON

Western Oregon Camp-Meeting

Time.—May 28 to June 7.

Place.—Salem, Ore. This city is not large; the location of the ground will be easily ascertained from both the railroad depot and the boat-landing.

Rates to and from the Meeting.—The Southern Pacific Railroad Company offers the usual one-and-one-third-fare rate to this meeting. As heretofore, passengers will pay the full fare to Salem, taking a receipt from the ticket agent. This will entitle the holder to return by one-third of regular fare within forty-eight hours after the close of the meeting, providing certificates are properly endorsed by the secretary of the conference. Tickets to the meeting may be purchased within three days of the opening. This courtesy from the railroad is extended on condition that twenty-five or more persons purchase full-fare tickets to the meeting.

The same one-and-one-third rate has been secured over the Oregon Railroad and Navigation Company's boats. Persons coming by this line of boats will, on purchase of tickets to Salem, pay the full one-and-one-third fare, and receive a check for free return. It is required in this case that tickets to Salem be purchased on May 27 or 28, and the return trip must be made not later than the 8th of June.

Bring your baggage-checks to the camp-ground, and the properly authorized persons will look after getting your goods to the ground.

Tent Rents.—Prices will be as follows: 10x12, \$2.25; 12x14, \$2.50; 12x17 (new tent), \$3.00.

Lumber will be on the ground for flooring tents, if desired by

campers. Charges for this will be according to price of lumber. Straw for beds can also be purchased on the grounds. A limited number of woven-wire springs, also a few sheet-iron stoves, will be for rent. The committee will do all that is possible to provide for the comfort of the campers.

Restaurant and Store.—Both of these important accessories will be on the ground, making it possible for both campers and visitors to secure healthful foods. And, also, these will be a means of education to our people and many others who need to become acquainted with the principles of dietetic reform.

A book tent will be on the ground, filled with the best literature that this denomination has to offer,—a good chance to supply yourself with matter on all points of the message.

Delegates.—Churches should attend at once to the matter of electing delegates to represent them at the conference. Each church is entitled to one delegate for its organization, and one additional for every fifteen members.

Ministerial help will be provided that will insure the success of this meeting to those who come seeking God for the blessings He has for them.

Send in your orders for tents at once to the secretary of the conference, L. S. Davis, 201 Second Street, Portland, Ore., and all be at the meeting.

Exec. Com. W. Ore. Conf.

East End

I have celebrated the ordinance with three churches within a month; the church in Atlanta, March 28; Gainesville, April 4, and the Alpharetta church, April 11. The Spirit's power for witnessing was manifested. Praise His holy name.

Sunday, April 18, Elder G. B. Douglass who has been laboring faithfully with the colored people since last November, baptized ten souls, and I organized at Atlanta the first colored church in the state. Fifteen very promising colored people were united into the Second S. D. A. Church of Atlanta, Ga. The Lord was

preciously near in the testimonies offered, and in receiving the points of our faith.

We praise the Lord for the good news we hear, viz., that California has donated a large tent for the use of the Southern Union Conference to carry on the work in the large cities. God speed the message!
H. F. Courter.

East End, Ga.

Washington, D. C.

The time of the final test on the great Sabbath truth is rapidly approaching. Our people who are employed in government departments in Washington are beginning to realize that the cords are tightening. One brother who for many years has not only been free to keep the Sabbath, but to work on Sunday was suddenly informed that he would be promoted if he would work on the Sabbath. If he refused he must accept an inferior position with no Sunday work. The brother was true to principle and bravely suffered the consequences. Another brother in the Treasury Department had his salary reduced one-third because he refused to work on the Sabbath.

The case of Brother W. M. Lewis, formerly of Lincoln, Neb., has attracted wide attention in the papers. Employed in the P. O. Department, he was allowed Sunday work in addition to a free Sabbath previous to June, 1902, when he left for California. On returning, January 1, 1903, and seeking reinstatement in his old position, he was informed that he would not be allowed to work on Sunday, and must work on the Sabbath. He would have been shut out entirely, had not Hon. E. J. Burkett, M. C., of Nebraska, made an earnest effort to secure a place for him with Sunday work and Sabbath free. The case was under advisement for some time before the Postmaster-General and the first assistant, and it was finally decided that Brother Lewis should hold his position with no Sunday work, and that he might be called on at any time to work on the Sabbath. On his refusal to work on the Sabbath he would

be called up for breach of discipline, and be subject to immediate dismissal. If this should occur he will appeal direct to the President. The Nebraska Congressman, Mr. Burkett, certainly deserves credit for the earnest effort made by him for liberty of conscience and equal rights.

On account of these cases the Sabbath question has evidently been discussed by the President and his cabinet more than once. The great crisis must come very soon. Oh, that all may realize this and work with intense earnestness while the shadows are lengthening, before the sun of liberty sets forever. J. S. Washburn.



Our Sabbath-Schools

During the winter months the attendance at many of the Sabbath-schools has been very irregular, and some small schools have been quite broken up on account of the rain and mud. This is to be regretted, but in some cases it was unavoidable. Now spring has come, and with it such delightful weather as can be found nowhere but in California. Shall we not take up our Sabbath-school work with new earnestness and zeal, and try to make it better than ever in the past? Shall we not try now, as we have just entered upon a new quarter, to make our records better in every way than they have been in the past?

Some complain of a lack of interest among the members, and ask what they can do about it. Well, the best way is to make the school so interesting that all will want to be there every time. Give time and thought to the preparation of your lessons. Do not be satisfied with simply being able to answer the questions given in the lesson, but study, study, study. The more you study the Word of God, the more beauty you will find in it; and the more you are filled with the truths of the lesson, whether you are acting as teacher or pupil,

the more interest can you inspire in the hearts of others.

Do not wait till Friday evening or Sabbath morning before you begin to think about Sabbath-school. Keep it in your mind all through the week, think about the lesson even while attending to your daily duties, and watch for little incidents which may serve to illustrate the truths that you wish to teach. If you form a habit of doing this, you will soon have a store of apt illustrations from nature upon which you can draw as occasion demands. This will make your teaching much more interesting than it would otherwise be.

Another way to add to the interest of the school, and to also increase the interest in missionary work, is to occasionally bring into the school items of information concerning the work of our missionaries abroad. This helps to keep the school in touch with the missions, and then when they contribute, week by week, "for the most needy fields," they will do so more intelligently, and will be more likely to send their prayers and their interest with their money.

Do not let any of the exercises drag. Have a time for beginning your school, and then do not wait because all are not there. Some, especially in small schools, continue the review till the interest is entirely exhausted. This is a great mistake. It is much better to spend fifteen or twenty minutes in a brisk, lively review, and then stop while the interest is at its height. Then all have something to continue thinking about, and are not too tired of the subject to care to give it any more thought.

If you take time to think about it, and put your heart into the work, realizing that the Sabbath-school is one of the most effective means of spreading the truth, many things will be suggested to your mind which can be used to the good of the school, and the Lord will surely bless your efforts.

Mrs. Carrie R. King.

California Schools Please Report

If you are secretary of a Sabbath-school or a young people's so-

ciety, and have not already sent in your report for last quarter, please do so at once. It is very desirable that we have complete state reports, but this is not possible without the cooperation of all local secretaries. It makes no difference how small your school or your society, we want to hear from every one, the family schools as well as the larger ones.

We also wish reports from all the isolated Sabbath-keepers, so we can include them in our summary of the State Home Department. Please let us hear from you very soon.

Mrs. Carrie R. King,
Secretary.

The Power in God's Words

The following incident, taken from the "Sunday-school Times," may be of interest to Sabbath-school teachers and leaders of young people's societies. The experience related but emphasizes the eternal truth of Isa. 55:11, "My Word . . . shall not return unto Me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing wherunto I sent it:"—

"In an inquiry-meeting a young man was assigned to me at one time in Moody's days. No sooner had we begun talking than he pulled out of his pocket a card, and said, 'My superintendent gave me that card on condition that I would fill my name into a vacancy. I never would have done it if I had known the trouble it was going to give me.' I said, 'Let me see that card.' It read as follows: 'For God so loved the world that He gave His only-begotten Son, that,—and then came the young man's name written in,—believing on him, should not perish, but have eternal life.' He said, 'Six months ago I filled that out, and I have not had a day of rest since.' Blessed unrest! Blessed arrow of the Spirit that pierced the heart! It was like the bow drawn in ancient times at a venture, but it had pierced and held and quivered until that night, as I trust, by God's grace, giving himself to this divine Saviour personally, his prayer suddenly changed from one

of penitence and consecration into one of praise, and suddenly his face was now as shining as it had been sad, and he said, 'My mother is in this building somewhere; I must find her and tell her.'

"Oh, wondrous alchemy that can change with a few words a life, that can chase away darkness with a word and introduce light, that can plant eternal life and the beginning of a perfect future into man's heart! Thus understanding and believing in and teaching the Word of God, we shall find that we have something like that of which David spoke when he found that the sword of Goliath was in charge of the high priest. He said, 'Give it to me; there is none like it.' And we say, as ministers and teachers, with regard to the Word of God, 'Give it to me; there is none like it.'"

Young People, Attention

In harmony with plans recommended at the recent meeting of the California Conference, active steps are being taken to push our periodicals in the city of San Francisco. There is at present an opportunity for a number of earnest young people to connect with the Workers' Home, in San Francisco, and engage in this work. Daily classes are held, for instruction, Bible-study, etc. All who feel led to take up this work should write at once for particulars to the undersigned. W. S. Sadler.

2315 Jackson Street, San Francisco.

A Patent for Killing a School

1. Have a superintendent who just talks, and talks, and talks, and tal—ks, and t—a—l—k—s, and t—k—s, and t—s, consuming precious time belonging to the teacher by every right.

2. Allowing every brother who comes along to make a few remarks, whether he has anything to say or not, maybe desiring to work in a few subscribers for something just incidentally before he closes.

3. Making a singing-school and a performance out of it, instead of a school for the inculcation of divine truth and the formation of

character that will honor the teaching and bless the world.

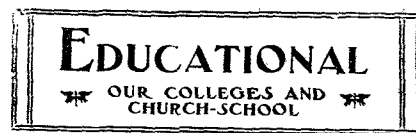
4. Allowing disorder in classes or in individuals.

5. Having no method in anything, expecting, just somehow or other, things will go right. Insulting the providence of God by lack of preparation; unpreparedness is failure itself. It is a rare thing to see good grain growing by the wayside—seed having come up of its own accord. A house is not built by throwing timbers at each other and expecting them to stick. Careful thought, with the mental eye running along the line of these sundry items, will prevent the death-chill from visiting many schools.—Baptist Superintendent.

Ignorance of God's Word

I came up to Boston from the country, and went into a Bible-class where there were a few Harvard students. They handed me a Bible, and told me the lesson was in John. I hunted all through the Old Testament for John, but could not find it. I saw the fellows hunching one another, "Ah! greenie from the country." Now, you know that is just the time when you do not want to be considered green. The teacher saw my embarrassment, and handed me his Bible, and I put my thumb in the place and held on. I did not lose my place. I said then, that, if ever I got out of that scrape, I would never be caught there again. Why is it that so many young men, from eighteen to twenty, can not be brought into a Bible-class?—Because they do not want to show their ignorance. There is no place in the world that is so fascinating as a live Bible-class. I believe that we are to blame that they have been brought up in the Sunday-schools without Bibles, and brought up with quarteries. The result is, the boys are growing up without knowing how to handle the Bible.—D. L. Moody.

The Sabbath is the green oasis, the little grassy meadow in the wilderness, where, after the week-day's journey, the pilgrim halts for refreshment and repose.—Dr. Reade.



Wisdom

"It can not be gotten for gold,
Neither shall silver be weighed
for the price thereof.
It can not be valued with the
gold of Ophir,
With the precious onyx, or the
sapphire.
The gold and the crystal can not
equal it;
And the exchange of it shall not
be for jewels of fine gold.
No mention shall be made of
coral, or of pearls;
For the price of wisdom is above
rubies."

The Teachers' Summer School

As the time is fast approaching when the church-schools will close for this year, it is time to begin to lay plans for the summer school for the church-school teachers. The importance of this school is recognized by all. Past experience has shown that it is of much value to the church-school work. It affords opportunity for mutual improvement. Exchange of ideas is always helpful. A certain amount of competitive stimulation in the educational field may be of much benefit, as well as in the commercial world. Here for a few weeks the cares and responsibilities of the teacher can be laid down and the work of the student taken up, an acceptable and restful change.

THE TIME

The time for holding this summer school has been definitely fixed, August 3 to September 11, inclusive. This will give a period of six weeks. It may seem short, but for several reasons it was thought advisable not to hold it longer this year. It has heretofore been announced that the school would begin about July 1, and continue through July and August. There were seen to be some disadvantages in this, and on careful consideration

the above change was made. The following are some of the reasons:—

1. By the former arrangement the teachers' summer vacation (while not in the summer school) would have been cut into two parts of about a month each. By the new arrangement this time will all be thrown together into one period of two months, June and July. This will probably afford better opportunity for them to engage in canvassing, fruit work, etc.

2. By attending the canvassers' institute, to be held at the college June 1-10, the teachers who would like to enter this department of the work can get a preparation to go out and engage actively in canvassing for our books and periodicals for a period of six or seven weeks before the opening of the summer school. This will be a valuable experience for our teachers. They can foster the missionary spirit in their respective schools to much better advantage for having had practical experience in this line of work.

3. By reducing the length of the summer school term to six weeks, the expenses connected therewith will be materially reduced. This is a matter of considerable importance. Last year the expense of a long term and large attendance was very heavy.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

All persons who have been teaching in the church-schools the past year, and all who expect to teach the coming year, should attend the summer school. Those who hold primary-grade certificates should improve this opportunity to raise their standings or to take additional branches for the grammar grade. Likewise those who hold grammar grades should aim to climb a little higher, and secure the industrial grade. Our teachers should be progressive. A wider range of attainments will secure greater efficiency in the school room.

BOARD, TUITION, ETC.

Room rent and tuition will be provided for the same as last

year. The teachers will be expected to labor two and a half hours each day to cover the expense of room rent and tuition. The expense for board will be met by the conference, as last year, with certain limitations. It has been decided to place the limit at twelve dollars for the six weeks. Those who exceed that amount will be expected to pay the excess themselves; and, further, it is not to be expected that the conference can provide for a larger number of teachers than shall be sufficient to supply the schools. The conference also generously proposes to meet the traveling expenses of the teachers both to the summer school and from the school to the church-schools where they shall teach. It seems to the writer that such generous treatment is worthy of sincere appreciation.

CLASSES

The field of instruction will necessarily be broadened this year. It is expected that classes will be formed in all the branches required for the various grades of certificates. Of course, the provision will be according to the demand.

EXAMINATION

The regular annual teachers' examination will follow the course of instruction. The standard will be high. Our teachers must be the best. Our examinations must be such as to be a credit to those who successfully pass them. Our teachers must not be secondary in any sense if their work is to be such as to compare favorably with that done by the schools of the world around us. Our schools must be better than those.

In conclusion let me say that we shall look for a good attendance at our summer school, and for an application and enthusiasm worthy of the cause in which we are engaged.

J. S. Osborne,
Supt. Church-Schools.

“People who want food for thought should take the Bread of life.”

Healdsburg College Stockholders' Meeting

The annual stockholders' meeting of Healdsburg College was held Monday, April 20, 1903. There were about thirty present to attend to the regular business of this meeting.

The president of the college rendered a report of the institution for the past year, and it was plainly seen that prosperity had attended the work, especially in the industrial department. Twelve lines of industry are now being carried in the college, with a reasonable degree of success.

The enrolment of the college is not quite as large this year as last. In the college department, 165 students have been enrolled; in the primary and intermediate departments, now denominated the Healdsburg church-school, 131, making a total of 296, against 298 of last year. There has been an increase of about 20 in the primary and intermediate departments, and a decrease of about the same number in the college department.

The general spirit of the school is good, and a large number of the students are in earnest in preparing themselves for some place in the Lord's work.

The usual committees were appointed to nominate members for the incoming board of directors, to suggest plans of work for the coming year. The following persons were elected as the board of directors: M. E. Cady, A. S. Kellogg, C. L. Taylor, J. A. Dolson, M. C. Wilcox, A. T. Jones, and G. W. Mills.

The board met for organization in the evening, and M. E. Cady was elected president, and H. G. Lucas secretary, of the board. At this meeting M. C. Wilcox, on account of pressing work in connection with the “Signs of the Times,” offered his resignation. This was accepted, and M. H. Brown was elected to fill the vacancy made by the resignation of M. C. Wilcox.

The financial report of the college for the past year was not submitted to the stockholders, as the last year's board of directors had decided, on account of un-

favorable conditions in the taking of inventories, to postpone this work of closing up the books until the end of the year. At that time all accounts can be closed up without any difficulty, and sufficient time can be given to taking careful inventories in the various departments of the college. This action of the board to postpone the preparation of the financial report was looked upon with favor by the stockholders, as will be seen by the report of the committee on plans.

The following recommendations from the committee on plans were presented and adopted:—

1. That the incoming board of directors be instructed to study carefully into the question of the constitution and by-laws, and recommend such changes as should be made to bring the organization into harmony with the action of the recent General Conference concerning the ownership of our institution, and report at the adjourned meeting of the stockholders, to be held in June.

2. That the stockholders' meeting of Healdsburg College be held on the third Monday of June, the fiscal year of the college closing May 31.

3. That the stockholders in-

struct the board of directors to choose three men of financial ability to associate with themselves and the treasurer of the board in preparing the report of the financial workings of the college during the past year, and report the result of the investigation at the adjourned meeting of the stockholders, held in June.

4. That we recommend the incoming board of directors to sell the college property in part or in whole, as may be deemed advisable, in the interests of our school, with the view of locating in a rural community, where the plan of the founders of the college can be more successfully carried out.

In harmony with recommendation 2, the stockholders adjourned to meet Monday, June 15, at 11 A. M., in the college chapel.

The Sabbath and Sunday preceding will be spent in considering the interests of the cause in this district, and a good, old-fashioned district meeting will be held at this time.

It is hoped that there will be a large attendance from all the churches in Mendocino, Sonoma, and Napa Counties. There will be no state camp-meeting held in this district during the summer, and this meeting will, in a measure, take the place of a camp-meeting. It is earnestly desired that the stockholders and friends of the college will be present Sabbath, Sunday, and Monday, and that, as a result of this meeting, the cause in its various phases may be greatly advanced.

M. E. Cady.

Chitwood

A. L. Chitwood, secretary of the church-school board of Chitwood, Ore., gives the following account of the work at that place:—

“Our first church-school opened in 1902. It was held in the church building, and continued only two months, because of insufficient funds to carry it longer. Last fall we wished again to open a school, but \$45 was all we were able to raise toward a teacher's salary. After counseling with Brother F. S. Bunch, our educa-

Report of the Church-School Work of California for the Fifth Month

| NAME OF SCHOOL | Number Boys Enrolled..... | Number Girls Enrolled..... | Total No. Enrolled..... | No. New Pupils..... | Average Daily Attendance..... | Average No. Belonging..... | Per Cent of Attendance..... | Tardinesses..... | Visits by Board..... | Visits by Others..... | Scholarship..... |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| San Francisco:— | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Advanced Department | 13 | 15 | 28 | 2 | 22 | 24 | 91 | 16 | 0 | 7 | 89 |
| Primary Department... | 20 | 14 | 34 | 2 | 23 | 26.3 | 87.7 | 19 | 0 | 15 | 89 |
| | 33 | 29 | 62 | 4 | 45 | 50.3 | 90 | 35 | 0 | 22 | 89 |
| Oakland:— | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Advanced Department | 18 | 16 | 34 | 0 | 24.6 | 25.9 | 95 | 28 | 0 | 2 | 87 |
| Primary Department... | 32 | 34 | 66 | 1 | 33.6 | 37.1 | 90.8 | 43 | 0 | 5 | 84 |
| | 50 | 50 | 100 | 1 | 58.2 | 63 | 92.4 | 71 | 0 | 7 | 85 |
| Healdsburg:— | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Advanced Department | 13 | 24 | 37 | 0 | 33.8 | 35.4 | 95.5 | 23 | 2 | 10 | ..... |
| Intermediate Dep't..... | 21 | 18 | 39 | 3 | 31.4 | 32.8 | 95.6 | 24 | 1 | 10 | ..... |
| Primary Department... | 27 | 25 | 52 | 5 | 38.3 | 41 | 93.4 | 50 | 2 | 25 | ..... |
| | 61 | 67 | 128 | 8 | 103.5 | 109.2 | 94.7 | 97 | 5 | 45 | ..... |
| Fresno:— | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Advanced Department | 20 | 19 | 39 | 1 | 32.8 | 35.4 | 93 | 29 | 0 | 0 | 88 |
| Primary Department... | 13 | 11 | 24 | 1 | 19.8 | 20.9 | 94.4 | 18 | 0 | 0 | 91 |
| | 33 | 30 | 63 | 2 | 52.6 | 56.3 | 93.4 | 47 | 0 | 0 | 90 |
| Sanitarium..... | 22 | 24 | 46 | 2 | 33.5 | 36.5 | 91.7 | 29 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Eureka..... | 14 | 19 | 33 | 0 | 19.3 | 20.9 | 92.2 | 48 | 0 | 9 | 85 |
| Pepperwood..... | 9 | 12 | 21 | 0 | 9.8 | 12.8 | 76.4 | 20 | 5 | 15 | 90 |
| Petaluma..... | 7 | 6 | 13 | 0 | 8 | 9.6 | 83 | 17 | 0 | 5 | ..... |
| Sebastopol..... | 8 | 12 | 20 | 0 | 18 | 19 | 95.6 | 10 | 1 | 3 | 94 |
| Alameda..... | 10 | 9 | 19 | 0 | 12.3 | 14.7 | 84 | 46 | 1 | 0 | 83 |
| San Jose..... | 13 | 12 | 25 | 0 | 22.7 | 23.4 | 97 | 15 | 0 | 0 | 86 |
| Burrough..... | 2 | 9 | 11 | 0 | 4.6 | 5 | 92 | 8 | 1 | 5 | 94 |
| Hanford..... | 12 | 18 | 30 | 1 | 23.4 | 24 | 97 | 41 | 0 | 5 | ..... |
| Armona..... | 2 | 4 | 6 | 0 | 5.9 | 6 | 97.8 | 0 | 1 | 0 | ..... |
| Glennville..... | 2 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 2.9 | 3 | 97 | 2 | 1 | 1 | ..... |
| Bakersfield..... | 10 | 7 | 17 | 1 | 3.3 | 3.6 | 92 | 6 | 2 | 3 | 95 |
| Reno, Nevada..... | 6 | 12 | 18 | 0 | 10 | 10.4 | 95.6 | 12 | 0 | 8 | 94 |
| St. Clair, Nevada..... | 5 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 6.6 | 7.5 | 88 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 90 |
| Red Bluff..... | 12 | 18 | 30 | 0 | 16.7 | 20.3 | 82.5 | 62 | 2 | 3 | ..... |
| Santa Rosa..... | 13 | 20 | 33 | 0 | 23 | 27 | 85.3 | 48 | 3 | 8 | ..... |
| Totals..... | 324 | 366 | 690 | 20 | 479.5 | 522.5 | 91.8 | 587 | 22 | 139 | 89 |

This report may not be quite exact, as there has been no report received from the Santa Rosa School so it was necessary to use the figures from the fourth month of that school, which may not be quite correct for the fifth month.

I hope that the teachers will be prompt about sending in their reports.

Note the increase in some lines and the decrease in others.

J. S. Osborne,
Superintendent Schools.

Healdsburg, April 23, 1903.

tional secretary, he recommended Sister Irene Anderson, of Halley, Ore. She agreed to teach a three-months' term for \$15 a month and board. Our second term began in November, and has continued five months, instead of three. Our enrolment for this year is fourteen. The students are mostly young men and women anxious to be fitted for a place in the cause, and are studying with that end in view. We feel that the school has been signally blessed, and is a success in every sense."

✻ MEDICAL ✻ MISSIONARY

Sanitarium Food Company

The first annual meeting of the Sanitarium Food Company was held at Sanitarium, Cal., on Thursday, April 16, 1903.

The president's address showed the gross receipts of the food factory for the twelve months ending Dec. 31, 1902, to be \$64,599.96, or an increase over the previous twelve months of \$7,316.38, and that there had been a steady increase in the average monthly sales at the factory, from \$3,360.03 in 1899, to \$5,383.33 for 1902.

The receipts of the San Francisco Vegetarian Cafe for the year 1902 were \$30,707, or an increase over the previous year of \$4,227.20.

The San Francisco food store showed gross sales of \$15,864.02, an increase of \$4,665.66 over the sales of last year, or average monthly sales of \$931.53.

The aggregate sales at the food stores that have been established at San Jose and at Oakland were \$10,226.89 and \$8,472.97 respectively.

Thus it will be seen that the total receipts from the five institutions mentioned amounts to the sum of \$129,870.82.

During the year there has been expended in the payment of salaries to the 60 employees connected with the food factory and its various enterprises the sum of \$25,844.60, an average monthly salary per employee of \$37.47.

The Sanitarium Food Company was incorporated on Aug. 1, 1902, since which time it has assumed the financial responsibility not only of the factory and the five and one-half acres of ground in the factory site, which together with the machinery is valued at upwards of \$30,000, but also of the Vegetarian Cafe in San Francisco, and of the food stores at San Francisco, Oakland, San Jose, Fresno, San Diego, Provo, and Salt Lake City.

The principal loss sustained by the food company during the year was in connection with the San Diego restaurant, which was carried on for seven months, at an average monthly loss of nearly \$300.

It was stated that the Salt Lake store had also sustained a loss during the year of \$256, and that the store at Provo had lost \$577, while in the transfer of the Los Angeles Depository to the Los Angeles Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association there had been depreciation in value to the amount of \$316.

Attention was also called to the fact that, in assuming its due proportion of the Rural Health Retreat Association indebtedness, the food company had assumed the payment of \$3,999.57, which had been taken on their books as a liability during the last year.

The shrinkage on the San Jose bakery plant purchased from Dr. Belknap was reported at from between \$600 and \$700.

The loss in connection with the store and factory at Healdsburg was reported to be \$71.47.

All of these losses have been borne by the food company.

It was stated that the unfarmed wine industry was yet in the nature of an experiment, and that satisfactory results had not yet been obtained.

It also appeared from the president's report that goods shipped from the factory to the stores had been billed at only about 50 per cent of the retail price, in order to extend all possible encouragement to the various stores and restaurants conducted by the food company, and that the establishment of the food work in

foreign countries had been aided financially by carrying accounts with various enterprises conducted by our people, ranging from \$2,000 to \$8,000 in the aggregate, and that its parent institution, the St. Helena Sanitarium, had been favored both as to price at which goods were supplied and terms of payment.

The president spoke of various improvements that had been made in the factory during the year, among which was the installation of an oil-burning plant, which it was estimated would effect a saving of about \$1,500 a year over the old method, and pay for itself in a short time.

The treasurer's report was presented by Dr. Heald, showing the total resources to be \$62,490.71.

Considering the fact that now for the first time in the history of the business a complete statement of the exact standing of the Sanitarium Food Company, and of the various stores and restaurants conducted by it, has been submitted for careful analysis, the showing was regarded as being quite satisfactory.

After the general discussion, the certificate of the auditor was then read, as follows:—

"I have examined the accounts of the Sanitarium Food Company, Sanitarium, Cal., and find them correct. The revenue statement and balance sheet for the year ending Dec. 31, 1902, I believe represent the correct standing of the corporation.

"J. J. Ireland,
"Auditor."

It was thereupon moved and seconded, and carried, that the treasurer's report, upon the recommendation of the auditor, be accepted.

Brother E. G. Fulton reported that the business of the San Francisco Vegetarian Cafe had increased about 20 per cent since the beginning of this year, and that, although they had considered themselves crowded to the limit of their capacity, others were still coming in, until the average daily receipts are now a little over \$120 a day. He

stated that as high as 635 meals had been served in one day, and recently 337 people were served with dinner in just about two hours' time. He also stated that at the home provided for the helpers a high standard was maintained, and that the weekly meetings were full of interest, and from his observation, success in their work had been experienced to just the degree that the religious nature of the work had been kept uppermost; that people not of our faith had been led to attend some of these meetings, and had freely expressed their appreciation of the work that was being accomplished by the restaurant and with the spirit of Christianity that was manifested by the members of the family.

Brother White spoke of the work of the Sanitarium Food Company in educational lines, and the necessity of training managers and cooks for restaurant service, and for the development of the delicatessen business, also expressing the hope that the time might soon come when the food company would take a large share of the financial burden of the "Pacific Health Journal," and engage in printing tracts, pamphlets, and cook books, together with possibly a series of health primers on various sanitary topics, to be sold at from ten to twenty-five cents each, according to binding, etc.

Resolutions were adopted, as follows:—

1. We recommend to the incoming board of directors that the sale of health foods and the spreading of health principles be vigorously pushed by house-to-house canvassers, demonstrators, and lectures by those who are loyal to health principles, and that we encourage suitable persons to engage in this work.

2. That we favor and encourage proper individuals, upon their own financial responsibility, to establish and conduct sanitarium food stores and vegetarian restaurants on the plan recommended by the Pacific Union Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association.

3. That we encourage the development of delicatessen departments in connection with our food stores.

4. We recommend that the incoming board of directors provide for a thorough inspection of all foods manufactured and sold by the company and its agents.

5. Resolved, That we express our approval of the work that has already been done in purchasing of supplies for institutions and our brethren throughout the Pacific Coast, and for foreign fields, and that we encourage the further development of this important branch of the work.

The following named persons were elected directors of the company for the ensuing year: A. Boeker, L. M. Bowen, W. C. White, E. G. Fulton, Z. Thorp, T. J. Evans, and H. H. Haynes.

Later the directors organized, as follows: President and business manager, A. Boeker; vice-president, L. M. Bowen; secretary, E. E. Parlin; assistant secretary, E. R. Fries; treasurer, Franky Bowen; auditor, J. J. Ireland.

E. E. Parlin,
Secretary.

One Week's Bill of Fare

LESSON III

MONDAY BREAKFAST

GRANOLA AND HOT NUT CREAM

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| Potato Balls | Prune Toast |
| Nutmeato—Brown Gravy | Bread |
| Baked Apples | Bananas |

RECIPES

HOME-MADE GRANOLA

One and one-half pound of white flour, one-half pound of graham flour, one-half pound of steel-cut oatmeal or cornmeal. Soak the oatmeal one-half hour, make a stiff dough, knead, roll out one-fourth inch thick, and bake clear through. Grind in a coffee-mill.

NUT CREAM

Dissolve one-half cup nut butter in about three cups of hot water, bring to boil, thicken with a little flour, if liked, and salt.

POTATO BALLS

Season mashed potatoes with salt, minced onion, and thin cream, form into balls, brush with cream, and bake to a nice brown.

NUTMEATO

One-half cup of nut butter, one and one-half cups of water, one cup cooked and sifted navy or lima beans, one cup of zwieback crumbs, one tablespoonful of corn-starch, one tablespoonful white flour, salt and sage to taste. Beat all together, pour into an oiled can, and steam three hours.

BROWN GRAVY

One-fourth cup of nut oil (olive or Wesson), one-third cup of white flour, one-fourth cup of dark brown flour, one quart of water, two medium sized onions. Cook half an hour, strain, and salt.

NUT SALMON

One cup of nut butter, three-fourths cup of strained tomato, one-half cup of water, two tablespoonfuls corn-starch, salt. Beat well together, pour into an oiled tin can, and steam three hours.

BARLEY FRUIT PUDDING

One cup of cooked barley, one cup of tart chopped apples, one-half cup of seeded raisins; one-half cup of boiling water, two tablespoonfuls of sugar. Mix all together, turn into pudding-dish, set into hot water, and bake until the apples are tender. Serve with or without sauce.

LESSON IV

MONDAY DINNER

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| Macaroni baked with Granola | |
| Vegetable Stew | |
| Peas Patties—Tomato Sauce | |
| Bread | Hoe Cakes |
| Apples | Canned Blackberries |
| | Cream Raisin Pie |

PRINCIPLES

Those eating vegetable stew should certainly avoid fruit at the same meal.

Peas patties present one of the most wholesome forms in which legumes (peas, beans, and lentils) can be prepared, and, without doubt, these foods must be principally relied upon as proper meat substitutes by most of those unable to procure nuts or nut foods.

RECIPES

VEGETABLE STEW

Cook the vegetables desired, such as potatoes, turnips, carrots, cabbage, onions, etc. About an hour before serving, add a little rice, and, if liked, some tomato and protose, or other nut food. Season to taste.

MACARONI BAKED WITH GRANOLA

Cook macaroni until tender in a large amount of salted water, turn into a colander, and pour on cold water, to separate the tubes. Then put macaroni in a pan, sprinkle with granola, pour on milk (dairy or nut) to nearly cover, and bake to a nice brown.

PEAS PATTIES

Soak Scotch peas overnight, and in the morning remove to fresh water, and gently boil for three or four hours, until tender. Cook down as dry as possible, pass through a colander, stiffen with granola or zwieback crumbs, if necessary, season with salt and a little nut butter or cream, form into patties, and bake to a nice brown.

HOE CAKE

Two cups of thin cream (boiling), one cup of cornmeal (hot), one tablespoonful of sugar, one-fourth teaspoonful of salt. With a little cornmeal mix sugar and salt, pour on sufficient cream to make a stiff batter which will stand up well, beat a few minutes, drop in spoonfuls on an oiled tin, and bake about forty-five minutes, or until well browned on both sides.

CREAM RAISIN PIE

One cup of seeded raisins, cooked soft in a little water, cool, and add one beaten egg and one cup of sugar. Take one cup of sour cream, and stir in one tablespoonful of flour. Put all together, salt a little, flavor with vanilla, and bake with two crusts.

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Canvassers' Institute for the California Conference

HEALDSBURG, CAL., JUNE 1-12, 1903

The California Conference Committee have taken into careful consideration the present condition of the canvassing work in this conference, and feel that earnest, intelligent effort should be put forth to place this branch of the Lord's work upon the basis that it justly deserves. There has been a feeling that it is belittling to engage in this part of the Lord's work. Our people have felt that it was uncertain, and that young men and women who were desirous of earning money to obtain an education, and others who needed an income to support their families, could not, with any degree of certainty, enter into the canvassing work and expect to have the financial returns that they could in other lines of work. As a result, most of the students in Healdsburg College, at the close of the school year, go out to spend their vacation in working in the fruit, in the hay field, or some other line of industrial labor, instead of entering the canvassing field; for they say that it is not possible to engage in the canvassing work and earn means during the four months of vacation to enable them to attend school the coming year. In other words, the feeling obtains that you can engage in the various lines of the world's work with a greater certainty of obtaining financial results than can be obtained in the Lord's work. This feeling is also among those who have in mind to prepare themselves for the ministry, for Bible-work, and other branches of the cause.

It would seem, from this reasoning, that the Lord leaves an individual to depend upon his own efforts, and does not give him any

special help while he is preparing himself for a place in the ministry, Bible-work, etc., but rather leaves him to shift for himself; but after the work of preparation is completed, then the Lord takes him up, and deals with him as an accredited laborer, and blesses and prospers him in his work.

Ten and twelve years ago the students felt that there was no work which they could engage in during the summer vacation with a greater prospect of earning money to enable them to return to school the following year than the canvassing work. From forty to sixty students spent their vacations in the canvassing field every year, and would earn, above all expenses, from \$150 to \$500 during three months of vacation.

What has brought about this change in the attitude of our people toward the canvassing work? Is it not a lack of faith in God and consecration to His service? The call is now made to the young men and women who are in school, and all those who expect to attend school next year, and also middle-aged persons who may not expect to attend college, but who are engaged in ordinary employment, to come and enlist in the Lord's work, and to have faith that the Lord will bless and help them as they take hold of the canvassing work, and that He will give financial success proportionate to their temporal needs.

The following plans have been laid by the conference committee:—

1. To hold a canvassers' institute in Healdsburg from June 1 to 12.

2. That the expense of transportation from the institute to the field of labor be paid by the conference, these expenses to be paid at the expiration of three months of conscientious, faithful effort in the canvassing field.

3. That the canvasser be in his territory ready for work June 15, and continue without interruption until September 15, and that, in compliance with these conditions, his transportation will be met, as stated in number 2.

4. That young men and women who desire to attend college dur-

“Daniel purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself with the portion of the king's meat, nor with the wine which he drank.” Dan. 1:8.

ing the coming year will be given their board, room, and tuition for nine school months, from October 1 to June 1, who will take orders for our subscription books to the amount of \$200, and pay the same into the California Tract Society. These persons while they are connected with the school are to work two and one-half hours per day, or fifteen hours per week, the amount of time that all students are required to labor.

5. Board, room, and tuition will be given to students for six months, from October 1 to March 16, on the payment of \$140 into the tract society, and two and one-half hours per day in work, or fifteen hours per week, while connected with the school.

6. That those who enter the canvassing field shall be divided into companies of not more than six to the company, each company to be under a competent leader, who will have general charge of the company, and who will report the work done each week to the state tract society office.

7. The members of the company will meet with their leader each evening, where it is possible, and at least at the end of each week (Sabbath and Sunday), to study their book, to lay plans for work during the following week.

8. The Pacific Press Publishing Company will give the services of a man of experience in the canvassing work, who will connect with the different companies for a week or ten days, and engage in the actual canvassing work, the proceeds of his orders to be given to the company. The California Conference will, likewise, furnish a man of experience to connect with the companies on the same conditions.

It is believed that if the above plans are faithfully carried out, the canvassing work will be placed on a better basis than it has been for years, and that this means of spreading the truth will bring greater results.

Only loyal, stout-hearted, courageous men and women should attend this institute. Those who have faith in God, and believe that the Lord will work mightily for the salvation of souls, are cordially

invited to attend the institute and receive of its benefits.

Those who expect to attend the institute, and those who desire further information regarding it, should write at once to S. C. Osborne, Lytton Springs, Cal., or to M. E. Cady, president of Healdsburg College.

Cal. Conf. Committee.

Can the "Signs" Be Sold

About three years ago Sister A. M. Althaus, an elderly sister, of about fifty-nine years of age, began canvassing for the "Signs" in this city. She first spoke of handling fifty copies per week, selling them from house to house, and some expressed themselves as being doubtful about her disposing of that number in a city the size of Portland, and proposed that they would help her out in case she was not able to sell them. She not only sold this number, but in a short time was selling one hundred copies per week, and is still engaged in this house-to-house soul-saving work.

She spends most of her time canvassing the business houses, saloons, etc., where each week she is accorded a hearty welcome. The other day, while in this office, she related some interesting experiences, which space will not permit mention of at this time. However, it might be well to give one incident.

Last week, while visiting a business house, she found two lawyers who seemed quite interested, so she took time to give them a short Bible-reading on the second coming of our Lord. They seemed deeply interested, and invited her to call again.

Others seem to be anxious to take up this periodical work, and we hope, from time to time, to give interesting experiences from different ones who are engaged in this work. Last Sunday afternoon the president of the Young People's Society of Portland, with the writer, went out to canvass for the "Life Boat" and the "Signs," and in less than one and one-half hours we had sold twenty-five papers. I enjoy these experiences, and hope to be able to

devote more time to this practical line of work. I feel that it will be a strength to me in my work at the office, and I can not afford to do without these experiences.

G. W. Pettit.

201 Second St., Portland, Ore.

Laid Up in Heaven

After all, the best satisfaction in life arises from what you are able to do for the happiness and welfare of other people. That is the great advantage of wealth. It is not that it gives you the opportunity of leading a more luxurious and self-indulgent life; it is not that you can have a fine house and garden, books and pictures, travel and society, but it is that you have it in your power to help others, to lift them over hard places, and to give them the substantial encouragements that are so useful.

But this power does not reside merely in the possession of money; it also goes with good health, a cheerful disposition, knowledge, skill, or any advantage that you have over those less favored. All these things are trusts, and we make the noblest and most satisfying use of them when we use them as trusts, not for ourselves, but to promote the welfare of others.

What a significant thing it is that our Saviour, who treated the suggestion that He should use His miraculous power to change a stone into bread as a temptation of Satan, a few days later should have wrought His first miracle by turning water into wine, to promote the pleasure and comfort of others!

The more we see of life, the firmer is apt to be our persuasion that we get the best of any power or advantage we may happen to have by using it for the welfare of others. By that use we transmute it into a permanent spiritual value. The riches that we can amass in that way are truly laid up in heaven.—Selected.

"Do not wait for heaven until the resurrection; get as much of it here as you can."

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The prospects are that the Western Oregon camp-meeting at Salem will be very generally attended.

The "Christ's Object Lesson" campaign is practically completed in all but six churches of the Western Oregon Conference.

The annual meeting of the California Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association will be held on Wednesday, June 17, 1903.

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Pacific Press Publishing Company has been adjourned, to be held June 16, 1903.

The series of meetings held at Provo, Utah, are now closed. The result was a few souls who received the truth for this time, and are rejoicing in it.

A note from Elder J. O. Corliss, dated April 16, states that his goods were packed, ready to be sent to Leicester, a city of 211,000 inhabitants, about one hundred miles north of London. His address will be Oaklea, Evington Road, Leicester, England.

The brethren at Hopewell, Ore., are now engaged in erecting a church building, which they expect to complete and dedicate about the time of the Salem, Ore., camp-meeting. There are about a dozen Sabbath-keepers at this place, the result of labor begun last summer.

The officers of the Western Oregon Conference report that recently a number of accessions to the faith have come to their notice where the individuals had only our literature to read, the interest having been awakened by "Christ's Object Lessons." Thus God's Word will accomplish its work in the earth, if it is placed where it can be read by the people.

Elder A. G. Christiansen and Alfred Whitehead are now engaged in presenting the message at American Fork, Utah County. A number of years ago this section of the territory was canvassed, with large sales, of "Great Controversy" and "Bible Readings." It is hoped that the seed then sown may be watered by this later effort, and bring in an abundant harvest. They report attentive audiences, so far.

For Hospital Patients

There are more than one hundred thousand suffering patients in the hospitals in this country. Those who have been sick know how slowly time drags by, even when they have had all the kindly attention that the home circle could provide. But let such try to imagine what it would be like in a hospital ward where perhaps one busy nurse must care for the needs of nearly a score of patients; add to this the feeling of the uncertainty of their physical condition, and we can readily understand why they should be glad to have the companionship of the saving gospel.

When the "Life Boat" has found its way to the hospital wards, it is passed from patient to patient, until it is fairly worn out.

Are there not many who will put in one day selling the "Life Boat," and donate their commission to supply the hospitals in their state? If there is a hospital in their neighborhood, they can distribute the papers themselves on visiting days.

This is such a worthy cause that it will appeal sufficiently to those not of our church, and, if thought

best, a subscription paper may be passed around among them, and a small amount can quickly be raised that will be ample to supply the need.

David Paulson.
28 Thirty-third Place, Chicago.

Summer School in Portland, Oregon

A term of six weeks, beginning June 24 and running to August 3, will be held in Portland for church-school teachers in the Walla Walla College district, and for any others who are interested in this line of work. Instructors from Walla Walla College and others will be in attendance, and we are sure of a very profitable time together. Particulars as to accommodations, etc., will be furnished later. This communication is to call attention to the school, and to urge any who may wish to attend to send in their names as soon as possible to the undersigned.

F. M. Burg.
201 Second St., Portland, Ore.

Report of Missionary Work for the Quarter Ending March 31, 1903

As Reported by Librarians in Western Oregon Conference

Letters written, 211; letters received, 113; Bible-readings held, 327; papers distributed, 4,952; pages of tracts given away and loaned, 94,497.

We hope to see this report materially increased during the coming quarter. "Only one hundredth part of what should be done is being done." This should cause us to look about us and consider what we can do to warn our neighbors of the soon return of our Lord.

G. W. Pettit,
Missionary Secretary.

Notice

The annual meeting of the North Pacific Church Extension Society, the legal corporation for the conference, will be held in connection with the camp-meeting for the disposal of such business as can be properly transacted at Salem.

F. M. Burg,
President.

H. E. Hoyt,
Secretary.