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

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THE CHURCH

The Angel of Patience

To weary hearts, to mourning homes,
God's meekest angel gently comes;
No power has he to banish pain,
Or give us back our lost again;
And yet, in tenderest love, our dear
And heavenly Father sends him here.

There's quiet in that angel's glance;
There's rest in his still countenance;
He mocks no grief with idle cheer,
Nor wounds with words the mourn-
er's ear.

But ill and woes he may not cure
He kindly trains us to endure.

Angel of patience, sent to calm
Our feverish brows with cooling
palm;

To lay the storms of hope and fear
And reconcile life's smile and tear;
The throbs of wounded pride to still
And make our own our Father's will.

O, thou who mournest on thy way
With longings for the close of day,
He walks with thee, that angel kind,
And gently whispers, "Be resigned,
Bear up, bear on, the end shall tell
The dear Lord ordereth all things
well."

—J. G. Whittier.

A High Standard

In every trying situation we are to ask, "Were Christ placed as I am, what would He do?" We are to choose to do as He would do. He has made it possible for us to do this. "He took not on Him the seed of angels, but He took on Him the seed of Abraham. Wherefore in all things it behooved Him to be made like unto His brethren, that He might be a merciful and faithful high priest in things pertaining to God, to make reconcilia-

tion for the sins of the people. For in that He Himself has suffered being tempted, He is able also to succor them that are tempted."

Christ assumed human nature, that He might reach humanity, and at the same time through His divinity lay hold of divine power. He became a man, that men and women might become one with Him as He is one with the Father. While on this earth He was tempted and tried in all points like as we are. He says to every believing child, "Fear not; I have overcome the world. The victories that I gained make it possible for you to be more than a conqueror."

I present the rich and gracious assurance that by faith we may be partakers of the divine nature, having overcome the corruption that is in the world through lust. Christ has endured all the suffering and overcome all the temptations that we shall be called upon to endure and to overcome. He knows what it means to be tried and tested.

The lives of Christ's followers are to reveal the transforming power of His grace. Words of sympathy are to fall from their lips, strengthening, encouraging, and blessing the needy. Those whose hearts are filled with the love of Christ will express this love in word and deed.

God is in earnest with us. Those only who are converted will enter into the kingdom of heaven. What would we think of Christ manifesting no warmth of love, no disposition to help those in need? Yet many who profess to be His followers are cold and unsympathetic.

They make little effort to help those with whom they come in contact. They are not transformed in character. Their words show that they are not converted. They have none of Christ's tenderness. Their unamiable traits of character, their lack of sympathy, show that they have lost their first love. They need to repent and be converted; for Christ is greatly dishonored by their selfishness. The Saviour does not abide in their hearts, or they would be touched with the feeling of others' infirmities. They are self-centered, harsh, unaccommodating.

If, when Christ comes the second time, they are as they are now,—harsh in words, coarse in spirit, destitute of Christlike love,—their candlestick will be removed out of its place. They will not be ready to meet their Lord. O, that they would feel the necessity of putting on the Lord Jesus! O, that they would seek to understand what is due from man to his fellow man!

I tell you in the name of Jesus of Nazareth that there must be a reformation among us as a people. Unless men reveal Christlikeness in all their dealings with their fellow men, unless they obey the laws of heaven in every particular, they will never enter the city of God. There is no excuse for any one to fail. Christ's character is before all, for study and imitation.

If one does a piece of work that is not wholly perfect, shall his brethren pull it to pieces, speaking of it scathingly and contemptuously? The one who has made mistakes may be doing his very best. Did Christ treat the imperfect

work of His disciples thus? If He should treat erring human beings as they too often treat one another, what would become of them? Well may we say, "Let us fall into the hands of the living God, rather than into the hands of men." God is too wise to err, and too good to do us harm.

Those who are connected with God's service should be sanctified, body, soul, and spirit, else they will mar God's work and put Christ to open shame. What does God's Word mean when it declares that Christ will present to Himself a church without spot or wrinkle or any such thing? It means that God's people can and must reach the standard of Christian perfection. But, in order to do this, they must learn of Christ His meekness and lowliness.

By the sacrifice of Christ, every provision has been made for believers to receive *all things* that pertain to life and godliness. The perfection of His character makes it possible for us to gain perfection.

Ellen G. White.

Rest and Safety

On Market Street in San Francisco, where travel and traffic is the most congested, and where danger from accident is the greatest, where, from early till late, the rush of cars, the passing of ponderous drays and other vehicles, make a noise that is almost deafening, there are places where there is absolute rest and safety. At these crowded centers, the Merchants' Association have erected what are called "Public Safety Stations." They are platforms about nine inches high, made of stone and concrete, and are about five feet wide and forty feet long. At either end are solid stone seats, where the one who is tired and weary may rest a few moments while waiting for his car.

Here is a place of security and rest. Danger is near; it is all about; one can reach out and touch it with his hand any moment of the day, but it never reaches this place of security. How many times the writer, after dodging danger here

and there, has felt a sense of relief as he has planted his feet on one of these platforms, realizing that now he was free from danger and perfectly secure. What apt illustration are these little stations of Christ, our Saviour. Here we are in a world of sin, with danger all about us on every hand. We see it, we know it is near, but, thank God, there is a place of safety and perfect rest, and that place is Christ. He is the Rock, the platform on which the tired and weary soul may place his feet and be perfectly secure. How appropriate in this connection are the words of the apostle John (1 John 5:18): "We know that whosoever is born of God sinneth not; but he that is begotten of God keepeth himself, and that wicked one toucheth him not."

The man who is in Christ is safe. His feet are upon safe ground. Danger may be thick about him, temptations may be on every hand, they may assail him every day, but in Christ he is safe, absolutely safe. He is the Light of the world, the Hope of the soul, and the Joy of every one who finds Him. May He be found of us all unto salvation.

W. B. White.

From the Holy Land

The following are extracts from letters written by Elder Rollin Quinn, formerly of the Montana Conference, to Elder W. B. White. Elder Quinn has recently visited Palestine, on his way from Australia to America:—

"December 24—I made a short stop in Columbo, Ceylon, spending the Sabbath with our workers there. From there we crossed the Indian Ocean to Arabia, and then through the Red Sea. We passed close to Mount Sinai, a beautiful sight, rising nearly 9,000 feet. We could see it nearly all the forenoon, rising far above the other peaks. Next we passed the Wells of Moses, three-score and ten palm trees, etc. We had a good view of the Wilderness of Sin; a more desolate desert I never saw. We were also shown

the place where the Israelites crossed, based on tradition.

"From Port Said I left my steamer for Cairo, Egypt, passing through the Land of Goshen on the way. It is a beautiful country. I think I never saw anything to equal it, even in California. I can now better understand why the children of Israel found it so trying in the wilderness. I found our workers in Cairo, who welcomed me. I spent a few days taking in the sights,—the pyramids, of course, and the Island of Roda, in the Nile, where the natives still point you to the very spot on the banks of the river where Moses was found. I also visited Heliopolis, the great seat of learning in Moses' time, and the place where he received his education. From Egypt I sailed to Joppa, or Jaffa, as it is now called, arriving Sabbath morning at sunrise. I landed at once, and looked up our mission. After breakfast, the workers and I walked out on the old road that leads from Lydda to Joppa, the same road over which Peter passed. One of our brethren lives out on that road about a mile, and we held services at his house. We visited the house of Simon the tanner and the tomb of Tabitha.

"The next morning I left for Jerusalem by train. You must remember that I am in the land of the Philistines now, so the next stop was at Timnath, where Sampson got his wife, and where he afterward turned loose 300 foxes with fire-brands to their tails. The country is still full of foxes, and they are a great pest. Next we passed the city of Torah, where Sampson was born, and also the cave in which he concealed himself, called in the Bible the Rock of Etam. Judges 15:11. We also passed by Beth-shemesh, the place to which the Philistines returned the ark. After this we entered the Judean Mountains, and the railroad runs through the valley that goes down toward Gaza. I was pointed to the place where Philip baptized the eunuch, some five pools of water. This was the only water I saw in the canyon, and it is no doubt the very place where the eunuch said: 'See, here is water,' etc. Soon after this we

entered Jerusalem, about sundown, where I found our mission. I arose at daybreak, passed through the streets over the brook Kidron, through the Garden of Gethsemane, and up Mount Olivet. Early the second day I started alone for Bethel, about twelve miles north of Jerusalem. I shall not soon forget the impressions and emotions that came to me as I passed along the road that has been trodden by prophets and apostles of old. It is the route to Samaria, Nazareth, and Galilee, and is the way over which Jacob passed when he fled from his home in Beer-sheba to Haran. I visited the place where Abraham and Lot separated. This mountain commands a wide view of the Holy Land, where God told Abraham to lift up his eyes and look northward and southward and eastward and westward. We expect to spend Christmas day in Bethlehem."

THE FIELD

WESTERN OREGON

Wasco County

On the 13th instant, while my wife and I were on our way to Wamic, Ore., forty miles from The Dalles, we encountered a very severe snowstorm. While going down a rocky, four-mile grade, we found the stage tipped over in a narrow place, where it was impossible for us to pass. We threw our storm robes on the old horse, and rode back three miles to the first house, leading the unbroken mate and carrying our grip. Nearing the house, we met six men, with rigs to get the broken stage, and returned with them. Finally we arrived at a little town, and stayed at the hotel all night. We arrived at Wamic the next day, and related our experience to the family who had kindly loaned us the rig and horses we were driving. They throw up their hands in surprise, and said, "Surely the Lord worked for you. It was providential, for no man could ever before ride that horse." Our Father knew

we would have perished in the storm, for we could not have walked through the deep snow to shelter.

Since arriving here we have held meetings, one each night and two on Sunday, and though the snow has largely gone, and the roads are bad, and the evenings dark, we have a church full nearly every night. The country has the reputation of being the hardest in all this country, and we were warned against the church-disturbing element.

The large attendance and continuous good order are tokens of interest. To the Lord be all the praise.

Pray for this work.

B. C. Tabor,
B. B. Tabor.

January 30.

Lewis and Clark Centennial Exposition and Oriental Fair

One of the important matters considered at the late meeting of the Pacific Union Conference Executive Committee, held at Mountain View, Cal., was the Lewis and Clark Centennial Exposition, which is to be held in Portland, Ore., during the coming summer. This is a rare opportunity for missionary effort by our people on the Pacific Coast, and it was from this standpoint that it was considered by the committee. We have a message which is to go to every nation on the earth. There is but little time remaining in which this work may be done. The magnitude of the work and the shortness of time remaining call now very loudly to us to consecrate ourselves and what we have so fully for the warning of the world that the blessing of God, as was given at Pentecost, may rest upon us. All or anything that we may do now, if it be only human effort, must be without avail. But by all that it is possible for us to do now, with God's blessing upon us, it is possible for the great worldwide work to be accomplished within the limit of time set by the Scriptures, viz., in this generation.

At the world's fair there will be

people gathered from many points of the world. Whether they will come for pleasure, or for whatever other reason, they will be within our reach, to have their attention called to that greatest of all things which should interest men now; the coming of the Lord, and the needed preparation for that event. The world is interested in all kinds of commercial interests, and in pleasure seeking; and so much so that corresponding positive efforts must be made by us to interest them in eternal things if their attention is arrested.

God would have His people as alert now to reach the people with the message they have to give as the world is awake and active in those things which must so soon pass away.

These great world-gatherings, which are so far-reaching in their influence, and which have become of so frequent occurrence, must not go unimproved by us in disseminating the great Gospel message which is to lighten the earth with its glory.

That the coming world's fair as a missionary opportunity was taken up by the Union Conference Committee and others who met with them at their recent meeting, and so enthusiastically discussed, and recommendations adopted with reference to it which are designed to enlist the interest of all of our people in this Union Conference, was very encouraging to us who are on the ground, and who feel more especially the burden of this work.

It is hoped that the steps already taken will do much, and that the leading brethren in the different conferences will lay further plans toward bringing this matter before the churches in a way to enlist the interest of every one.

A standing committee was appointed by the Pacific Union Conference Committee to plan in detail for carrying into effect the recommendations which were adopted. The following persons constitute this committee: F. M. Burg, A. J. Breed, W. R. Simmons, E. L. Stewart, and W. V. Sample.

In the next issue the plans and recommendations for the work will be given in detail.

F. M. Burg,
For the Committee.

EDUCATIONAL

Our Colleges and Church-Schools

Christian Books for Christian Schools

"Should Christ enter our institutions for the education of the youth, He would cleanse them as He cleansed the temple, banishing many things that have a defiling influence. Many of the books which the youth study would be expelled, and their places would be filled by others that would inculcate substantial knowledge, and abound in sentiments which might be treasured in the heart, in precepts that might govern the conduct."—Christian Education, page 71.

"Man's words, if of any value, echo the words of God. In the edu-

cation of youth, they should never take the place of the divine Word.

"Cold philosophical speculations, and scientific research in which God is not acknowledged, are a positive injury. And the evil is aggravated, when, as is often the case, books placed in the hands of the young, accepted as authority, and depended upon in their education, are from authors avowedly infidel. Throughout all the thoughts presented by these men, their poisonous sentiments are interwoven. The study of such books is like handling black coals; a student can not be undefiled in mind who thinks along the line of skepticism."—Special Testimonies on Education, pages 54, 55.

"Many books have been introduced into the schools which never should have been placed there. These books do not in any sense voice the words of John, 'Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sins of the world.' The whole line of study in our schools should be to prepare a people for the future immortal life."—Special Testimonies on Education, page 232.

"Books should have been prepared to place in the hands of students that would educate them to have a sincere, reverent love for truth and steadfast integrity. The class of studies which are positively essential in the formation of character to give them a preparation for the future life should be kept ever before them."—Special Testimonies on Education, page 270.

"The Bible is not to be tested by men's ideas of science, but science is to be brought to the test of the unerring standard.

"Yet the study of the sciences is not to be neglected. Books must be used for this purpose; but they should be in harmony with the Bible, for that is the standard. Books of this character should take the place of many of those now in the hands of students."—Special Testimonies on Education, pages 56, 57.

The above instruction from the Spirit of prophecy makes plain the necessity of providing a Christian educational literature for the children and youth in our schools. A beginning has been made, but we

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Report of Church Schools for Month Ending Dec. 9, 1904

SCHOOL	TEACHER	Total Enrolment.	Per Cent of Attendance.	Number Boys.	Number Girls.	Visits, Trustees.	Visits, Others.	Tardiness	Average Attendance
Fernando, Int.	A. Millard	23	97	11	12	0	0	68	22
Fernando, Pri.	A. Millard	21	92	7	14	0	4	28	18
Los Angeles	M. Robison	20	92	6	14	1	6	14	17
Los Angeles	Florence Santee	12	98	9	3	1	4	5	9
Los Angeles, Vernon.	Miss M. L. Guerne	13	96	4	9	3	3	4	10
Pomona	S. P. Smith	15	72	8	7	0	0	11	11
Pomona	Mrs. S. P. Smith	16	94	4	12	0	1	5	15
San Diego	Geo. B. Morrison	23	82	13	10	3	4	1	16
Riverside	Leora Fetty	15	87	7	8	1	3	8	13
Redlands	Emma Marcus	32	91	17	15	1	2	5	24
Pasadena	Florence Bostwick	17	92	8	9	0	1	29	13
Norwalk	Cora Buckley	20	99	15	5	1	0	2	20
San Pasqual	Willis Jones	17	95	10	7	0	9	22	16
Escondido	Mrs. B. F. Harris	13	93	2	11	1	5	6	11
Garden Grove	Ruth Kane	14	98	8	6	0	0	2	12
Total		271		129	142	12	42	210	227
Average (per teacher)		18	90.5	8.6	9.5	8	3	14	15

E. S. Ballenger, Superintendent, Redlands, Cal.

should be far in advance of what we now are, if we had acted promptly on the light given more than ten years ago. Not only Christian teachers, but also Christian text-books, are necessary if our schools do what they ought in training and developing Christian workers for God's cause. Let this be our motto: "Christian teachers and Christian text-books in Christian schools for the development of Christian workers."

This matter of providing a suitable literature for the children and youth was carefully studied by the Pacific Union Conference Committee at its recent meetings, held in Mountain View, Cal., January 15-23, and a report of the actions taken regarding it will be found in the "Pacific Union Recorder" of February 2 and 9. Among other actions was one to start a text-book fund in the "Recorder," and publish each month the names of the contributors and the amounts contributed. Nearly fifty dollars were raised at this meeting for this fund. This is a worthy enterprise, and one that will appeal to all as deserving of our support. A thousand dollars ought to be raised in a short time, and this can be easily done by the church members in this Pacific Union Conference, without detriment to other lines of the work.

The proper education of the children and youth is a part of our missionary work, and, if faithfully done, will work great results to the work of God, both at home and in foreign lands. Please send in your contributions to this fund at an early date, so that the work may not be delayed. Let each church take hold of the matter, and thus show a lively interest in the younger members of the Lord's flock. Send your contributions and the names of the contributors to J. J. Ireland, 1059 Castro Street, Oakland, Cal., the treasurer of this fund. In the next column we give the names of the contributors and their contributions.

M. E. Cady,
Ed. Sec. Pacific Union Conf.

The Text-book Fund

CHRISTIAN TEXT-BOOKS FOR CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS

W. B. White	\$2 00
A. S. Kellogg	2 50
M. E. Cady	5 00
F. M. Burg	2 00
Lee Moran	1 00
E. D. Sharpe	2 50
Inez Hoiland	50
H. G. Lucas	1 00
Alma E. McKibbin	2 50
H. H. Hall	2 00
Gertrude Hildebrand	50
C. H. Hinchey	25
Chas. W. Peter	2 00
Warren Latham	5 00
C. R. Baldwin	25
G. Doane Wong	1 00
G. W. Pettit	2 00
W. E. Howell	2 00
W. C. Baldwin	1 00
A. J. Breed	2 00
Chas. W. Fusch	50
Jas. Hunter	25
W. V. Sample	2 00
Floyd Moore	25
H. S. Carter	25
Sarah E. Peck	2 00
Grace Brown	50
Esther V. Geer	1 00
J. Hindson	2 00
Edith McBride	1 00
D. E. Robinson	1 00
W. R. Simmons	2 00
E. L. Stewart	2 00
Edith Pierce	1 00
Pearl Smith	25
Elsie Christiansen	1 00
C. E. Knight	2 00
Chin Yen	25
Ellis D. Workman	1 00
Eugene Richter	4 00
J. L. Wilson	2 00
C. A. Canfield	2 00
M. H. Brown	2 00
Gust Johnson	5 00
Total	\$71 25

Be not anxious about to-morrow. Do to-day's duty, fight to-day's temptation and do not weaken and distrust yourself by looking forward to things which you can not see and could not understand if you saw them.—Charles Kingsley.

"Cease to do evil; learn to do well." Isa. 1:16, 17.

MISSIONARY WORK

Work While 'Tis Day

My acquaintance with the work in Washington commenced in June, 1890. Our work in this city had begun but a short time before then. What do we see to-day?—The principal papers of this city are publishing the Sabbath truth as the leading topic of interest. Seventeen columns of matter have been published in the Washington papers since December 26. The larger part of this has been most favorable. This city is deeply stirred over the Sabbath truth. While the world is moved with the spirit of feverish intensity, shall not we receive from above a baptism of such earnestness in finishing the Lord's work as we have never known before?

A spirit of intense activity has taken possession of the people of the world. We see thousands wholly engaged in the rush for wealth or pleasure. Shall we, with the mighty work and the short time before us, be less diligent in the Master's service? Are we to be among those whom God can use in finishing the work, and cutting it short in righteousness? "A short work will the Lord make in the earth?"

There are to-day many calls for means and service, but "God is able to make all grace abound toward you, that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound in every good work." By His grace may we not do great things in the sale of "Object Lessons"? Even a small effort put forth by many in the fear of God will accomplish great results. The truth may be placed in thousands of homes, our colleges freed from their heavy burden of debt, the general cause of education greatly enlarged, and a new vital energy imparted to those who take part in this good work.

During the gathering of the General Conference Committee in College View last September, some time was given to a study of the work to be done in the future with

"Object Lessons." There seemed to be a general belief that God would have us continue the work with energy and courage. Elder Daniells made the following remarks and suggestions:—

"I believe that the work that has already been done with 'Object Lessons' has put us in a position where we can now reap the best results from the enterprise that there is in it. The popularity that has been given to the book, and what has been demonstrated in its sale, indicate that a strong effort now will bring better returns to the institutions to which the book is dedicated than ever before. When we first took hold of the work it was an experiment; we knew not what could be done. But the fact has now been fully demonstrated by thousands of people that the book can be sold, that people who have never sold books before can sell it, and that the book is appreciated by those who secure it.

"Now, brethren, why can not our people in this country dispose of 100,000 copies of 'Object Lessons' every year? That would be less than an average of two books for each church member. I believe that we as a people, without any further large outlay of tithes or our conference workers, could from the sale of this book bring to our institutions \$100,000 a year to pay off their indebtedness and do aggressive work. If we as a people take advantage of the ground already gained, and move forward a little each year, the returns will be a great help to our institutions."

Reports from several of our conference presidents show that there are many books taken by churches and individuals that have not yet been disposed of, and that an earnest effort should be put forth to place these in the hands of the people for whom they are designed. The good reports of what has been accomplished should lead all to be of good courage and press forward steadily in the work.

One fact has been demonstrated by some of the experiences that were related,—that is, that this work has done a vast amount of good in training young people for serv-

ice. Some whose life of missionary activity began with this book are now conference laborers, and are entering the work in other lands. It was also shown that the churches and individuals that had sold their quota some two or three times over are the ones who are most ready to sell this book yet.

While the effort has cost us something (the time of conference laborers has been devoted to it, and means from the conference treasury have been expended), yet the belief seemed to prevail that this money and effort have been well expended. The presentation of truth in the book has been a potent factor in removing prejudice from many minds and opening the way for further investigations of the message for this time. Liberal souls have been brought into the truth, and churches have been organized in various places as a result of the work with this book.

Success is largely dependent, not upon the few who are placed in positions of responsibility, but upon the united, persevering efforts of many earnest, self-sacrificing servants of God.

J. S. Washburn,
Secretary of Relief of Schools
Committee.

"Every One Said to His Brother, Be of Good Courage"

"So the carpenter encouraged the goldsmith, and he that smootheth with the hammer him that smote the anvil, saying, It is ready for the soldering; and he fastened it with nails, that it should not be moved."

In response to inquiries with reference to the progress of the work with "Object Lessons" in various parts of the field, we are receiving many words of encouragement. That others may have the benefit of these cheering words, and encouraging experiences, we print with this a few extracts from letters received, showing what has been accomplished by some who have gone forth in humble faith to work for the Master with this good book.

From the Western Oregon Conference the good word comes:—

"Our quota was between ten and

eleven thousand dollars' worth of the books, 8,304 copies. About eight thousand dollars of this amount, or a little over, we have received from the efforts put forth thus far, and it has been applied on the college indebtedness. Our purpose has been right along just what it is now, to stay by the work till it is done. We will do all that we can during the coming month to enlist the churches and companies in the special effort for the sale of the book."

One brother "was feeling a burden to take up the canvassing work when 'Object Lessons' came to us. Finally he decided to ask the Lord for a test, promising that he would enter the canvassing field if, in one day, he could sell six copies of 'Object Lessons' and three smaller books. During his first day's work, he sold eleven 'Object Lessons' and five other books, sixteen in all." This brother is now a state canvassing agent.

At a meeting held in College View, last September, the president of the West Michigan Conference, in speaking of the campaign with "Object Lessons," said:—

"One of the most interesting features of this work to me is this: Last summer, while our ministers were engaged in the tent work, constant calls were coming from the churches that had been most active in selling 'Object Lessons' for a minister to come and baptize converts. During the months of July, August, and September, I had the privilege of baptizing nearly one hundred persons, the greater portion of whom had been reached through the work of the churches with 'Object Lessons.' In one place a class leader of the Methodist Church had been very active in fighting Adventists. But he was reached through this book, and I had the privilege of baptizing him."

This addition of new church members as a result of the work with this book is illustrated by the experience of one of our brethren in Wisconsin. This brother "who was selling from a book wagon, did much of his pioneer work by selling 'Object Lessons.'" In one

neighborhood where he thus worked, a Sabbath-school was organized, and Bible readings with the people followed. Later came conversions and baptisms, and at this writing no less than twelve persons have become members of the church to which this brother belonged. This brother has sold more than four hundred copies of "Object Lessons."

There is no limit to the results that may be obtained by continuous, earnest, united effort, put forth in the work of the Lord. A special warning, however, is given us that we become not weary in well-doing. To those who heed this warning, the promise is sure that "in due season we shall reap, if we faint not."

Shall we not then increase rather than relax our efforts in every good work to which the Lord has called us as individuals and as a people?
W. C. White.

\$45,790.21

The above amount is still needed to complete the appropriation of \$100,000 made by the General Conference in October, 1903, for the purpose of building a sanitarium, training school, and the General Conference offices in Washington, D. C. You will be glad to notice that nearly eleven-twentieths of the amount needed has been already supplied. We are very anxious that this work shall be finished before the General Conference opens here on the 11th of May.

We have come to a great opportunity and a great crisis in our work here in the capital city at the present time. Washington was never stirred by the Sabbath truth as to-day. Our public meetings in the Pythian Temple, on Ninth Street, have been well attended, and a great interest is manifested by the people in Washington. For less than one-half the usual rent,—in fact, at the bare cost of lighting and heating,—there has been secured for our meetings, beginning with the first Sunday in February, one of the most popular places in Washington. This place is Lafayette Theater, which is situated

practically only across the street from the White House, the home of the President. The President himself spoke on a question of public interest in this place a few days ago. This place is beautifully fitted up, and, although used as a theater, there is nothing connected with it that unfits it to be a most excellent place for religious services.

The Y. M. C. A. of Washington hold their great meetings for men only here every Sunday afternoon. These are often attended by senators and the leading men of Washington. On Sunday, January 22, the theater was packed on the occasion of the fifty-third anniversary of the Y. M. C. A. I was present, and heard, among other noted men, Mr. McFarland, the chief commissioner of the District of Columbia; also Mr. William Jennings Bryan, twice candidate for the presidency of the United States, who gave a most striking address on the great miracle of conversion and the infinite value of one soul saved.

To this place we may invite the leading people of the United States, and we ask every one who reads this article to pray that a mighty work may be accomplished. Truly the Lord is leading His people. There is a sound of a going in the tops of the mulberry trees. There is a shout of a King in the camp.

J. S. Washburn.

My Confession

As one directly interested in the advancement of our school work, I have naturally had a deep interest in the sale of "Christ's Object Lessons." Ever year since the book was published I have had something to do in its sale, but never until this year have I taken this work up in a thorough and earnest manner.

For some time previous to the week of prayer, more or less instruction was given to the students of the South Lancaster Academy concerning this book. During part of the week of prayer our school was closed, and the majority of the students and teachers went out into the surrounding towns and country to dispose of the book. For my own part, I determined to take up

the sale of this book in just as energetic a way as possible. I did this, and the days when I was canvassing for the book from house to house were among the very brightest of all my Christian experience. I had many pleasant and profitable talks with people concerning religious themes.

I have always disliked canvassing work, not but what I felt that it was one of God's special means of reaching the people with truth, but I have felt that I was perfectly willing that others should do this line of work, while I pursued some other. I do not now feel that it is my duty to change my line of work, but I have found something in the canvassing work which I had never found before, which has shown me that there is a blessing for those who engage in it, which is of inestimable value. I have now determined that I shall hereafter have more to do in carrying the light of truth to people in their own homes than I have done in the past.

As I have thought these matters over, I have exclaimed to myself more than once, Why are we so slow to believe what the Lord has said concerning the blessings and benefits in the "Christ's Object Lessons" work, and, indeed, in all forms of personal work for souls? I believe that I have learned some favorable lessons from this experience, which others of our people may learn, and this is the only motive prompting me to thus speak of the experience. "O taste and see that the Lord is good."

Frederick Griggs.

It is our privilege to present our petitions to God; but the time, the place, and the manner of the answer must be left with Him. Every prayer is on file and will receive attention. There we can safely leave it, remembering that like as a father pitieth his children, so Jehovah pitieth them that fear him.—United Presbyterian.

Live in the sunshine,
God meant it for you!
Live as the robins,
And sing the day through.
—Margaret E. Sangster.

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Congress of March 3, 1899.

Elder J. H. Behrens, who has been connected with Healdsburg College since its opening last fall, has now taken the field in the interests of "Object Lessons," under the direction of the California Conference.

Sister E. G. White attended the convention at Mountain View, and spoke a number of times, with her usual power and clearness. Her sons, Elders W. C. and J. E., were with her, and rendered valuable assistance during the council.

Brother H. H. Hall, of the Pacific Press Publishing Company, will spend most of the month of February in Oregon, Washington, and British Columbia, attending the general meetings that will be held, and in looking after the interests of the publishing work.

Brother H. H. Haynes, who has been in charge of the Vegetarian Cafe and Health Food Store of Oakland, Cal., has accepted the work of visiting the trade in the interests of the Sanitarium Health Food Company. A carload of cereal foods was shipped to him last week for distribution in Southern California.

The Pacific Press Board of Directors organized Tuesday, January 31, by electing Elder M. C. Wilcox president, C. H. Jones manager and superintendent, B. R. Nordyke secretary, and E. A. Chapman treasurer. Elder A. O. Tait was elected to fill the vacancy on the board of directors occasioned by the resignation of Elder W. T. Knox.

Elder W. B. White left Oakland the evening of February 4, for Montana, to attend the annual conference in Bozeman, February 7-12. He will then go to Spokane, to attend the annual conference of the Upper Columbia Conference, February 16-22, and then attend the Walla Walla College council, at College Place, Wash., February 27 to March 2. Elder W. T. Knox will be in attendance at the two last-named meetings.

Brother Wm. Covell has been chosen as state agent for the California-Nevada Conference. He has had a wide experience in handling our publications, and we trust he may have abundant success in instructing others how to canvass. His address for the present is 1059 Castro Street, Oakland, Cal. He will be glad to hear from all in the California Conference who are interested in the circulation of our literature.

Executive Committee Meetings

TEXT-BOOKS FOR OUR CHURCH
SCHOOLS

(Concluded)

"We recommend that Brother J. J. Ireland be the recognized treasurer of this special fund.

"Text-book Committee: M. E. Cady, J. L. Kay, E. R. Palmer, Sarah Peck, W. E. Howell."

TEACHERS' INSTITUTES

"Whereas, Unity of spirit and harmony of action are essential to the efficiency and stability of the educational work; and,

"Whereas, Our teachers' institutes are of great value in bringing about this desired end; therefore, we recommend—

"1. That a committee be selected to give careful consideration to the time, place, and expenses of holding teachers' institute and the selecting of instructors for the same.

"2. That this committee consider the advisability of holding one central institute, and if this be deemed advisable, that the holding of two institutes, one in the northern and one in the southern part of this Union Conference.

"Committee on Teachers' Insti-

tutes: W. B. White, A. J. Breed, M. E. Cady, C. Santee, A. S. Kellogg."

EXCHANGE OF LABORERS

A number of requests came before the committee for the exchange or transfer of laborers. As soon as the recommendations are approved by all parties concerned, they will be published.

The Western Washington Conference expects to make quite an effort this coming summer to reach the masses in the city of Seattle, and they asked for Elder J. O. Corliss to spend several months with them in getting the work started.

In order that the work among the Germans may be strengthened, it was voted that the Western Oregon Conference release to the general German work in this Union Conference Elder H. J. Dirksen, to spend such time among the people of that nationality as may be agreed upon between the Western Oregon and Pacific Union Conferences.

MISSIONARY WORK

The need of a revival of the old-time missionary spirit was quite fully discussed, and steps were taken to render assistance to this end.

It was also voted—

"That our churches be recommended to follow the plan of taking up a collection each fourth Sabbath for the local home missionary work.

"That we urge the importance of greater activity in our state conferences in the soliciting of our regular funds in behalf of foreign mission fields, and that we emphasize the importance of the 10-cents-a-week plan.

"That, as far as possible, we recommend to our church officers a cash policy in prosecuting the missionary endeavors."

J. J. Ireland,
Secretary.

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