

PACIFIC UNION RECORDER



"Then They that Feared the Lord Spake Often One to Another."

The Church

When Years Stand for Ages

Let good seed be sown in the heart of
a child,
When the soil is all fertile, by sin un-
defiled—
O then let the good seed be sown ere
the tares
Are planted. The enemy comes una-
wares.

Ah, mothers! the greatest work under the
sun
Is given to your hands—how shall it be
done?
'Tis yours to build character—architect
grand;
No other like your work forever can
stand.

When years stand for ages, and moments
for years—
Though your labors be checkered with
hope and with fears—
O work, for a soul in the balance doth
wait
And look to your guiding both early
and late.

Dear parents, the moments are golden to
teach,
Ere Satan's devices your darlings can
reach;
By all the great future—build stars that
will shine,
Build now, in the fugitive moments of
time.

—Selected.

"The attitude and spirit with which a person accepts corrections is the caliber with which you may safely measure his attainment in the great art of [Christian] character building."

Urgent Protest—Notice!

A telegram received at this office last Sunday morning from Elder K. C. Russell, of Washington, D. C., states that the battle over Sunday legislation for the District of Columbia is now on in Congress, and urges that all of our people write at once to their senators protesting against any such measure. Senator Gallinger is chairman of the Senate District Committee before which the hearing will no doubt take place. He has stated that the hearing will be a hard one. Let none of our people neglect their privilege and duty in loudly but respectfully protesting against such legislation as is now being pressed upon the District Committee and Congress. Be sure that you write to your senator *at once*, urging that no such steps be taken.

Sketches of the Past.—No. 17

Not many months after the circumstances mentioned in my last article, when my grandfather gave me a shock by his talk of endless hell fire, my Uncle Miles Carter, from his home some sixty miles off, came to make a few days' visit. One day I was in the shop, doing something with brimstone. If I remember aright, I was going to make some candle-lighting matches by inserting the sticks in the melted brimstone, thus smearing their ends. Now my unele was a very devoted Christian man, zealous to do all the good in the world that he could. Whether he had noted the seriousness of myself and wanted to help me, or what, I know not; but he spoke up quite suddenly to me, saying, "John, do you know how hot brimstone fire is?" I said, "No, I do not." Said he, "I

will tell you how hot it is. If you will take a nail-rod [that was a slim strip of iron from which, in those days, the blacksmith made his horseshoe nails], set your brimstone on fire, and hold the end of the nail-rod in the blaze, the iron will very soon begin to melt and drops go into the flame." That might have been very good as a piece of information if he had stopped with that; but he continued by saying, "Hell fire is a thousand times hotter than that," and left the shop.

If grandfather's statement had shocked me, this statement had doubled the dose. I would hear people after that talk about persons who were "troubled with the horrors." I thought I knew what horrors were. During the daytime that which would lead me to seriousness would be accompanied with the thought of God's hating me; and many times at night I dreamed of being suspended to a cord on which, with a trolleylike attachment, I was rolling on over the abyss of hell, and with the terror of dropping in I would awake and thank God that I was still on earth. Some might have said, "That was nightmare." I thought I had the "horrors" sure enough. What would I not have given, in those youthful days had those terrible things never been said to me, but that instead I had been taught the infinite love of God for sinful man. Like Paul they might rather have said, "Knowing therefore the terror of the Lord, we persuade men." 2 Cor. 5:11. Or they might have taken the counsel given in the Old Testament Apocrypha, "Be thou not curious how the ungodly shall be punished, and when; but inquire how the righteous shall be saved, whose the world is, and for whom the world is created." 2 Esdras 9:13.

You may be assured that it was a wonderful relief to my mind when, in 1848, I had the privilege of reading George Stoor's "Six Sermons on Future Punishment," and found that the Bible taught no such thing as endless torment for sinners in a hell that was "a thousand times hotter than the burning of brimstone."

In 1850, after I had begun to preach among the First-day Adventists, I had opportunity to preach in the village in Chataqua County, New York, where that uncle lived. I chose as my subject the nature of man and future punishment. Uncle listened to me with the deepest interest, and gave almost breathless attention to all that was said, and especially followed the quotations from Scripture. I tarried with uncle that night. As we engaged in family worship before retiring, he earnestly prayed the Lord to help him to receive truth from whatever source it might come. I made no reference in that discourse to any early impressions I had received on that subject, but I doubt not that he thought of his talk with me in my grandfather's shop.

How thankful we should be for the clear light of God's word concerning the nature of man, and the true Bible doctrine of future punishment! Our children may learn the true character of God, not as one seeking to make His creatures miserable, but who "so loved the world, that He gave His only-begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." John 3:16. And they may be shielded from the deceptions of Spiritualism, and all other immortal soul delusions by the Scripture fact that all future life depends on a resurrection from the dead, and that while in the grave, the dead know not anything.

J. N. Loughborough.

Words of Encouragement to Workers

God has given me words to speak to His people in these last days. Time is short, and God has a special work for each to do. All are to employ their God-given talents as the Spirit of God shall direct them.

The preaching of the word is one of the means by which God designs to bring light and evidence to the world; it must be done in such a way that those who listen will not be repulsed by any coarse-

ness or lack of refinement in the messenger. A sweetness of disposition and humility of mind are to be revealed by those whom God employs to give a knowledge of Himself.

Divine power has given unto us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him who has called us to glory and virtue. We all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, may be changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord. This is a process of knowledge that will broaden the mind, impart spiritual excellence, and give to the character the comeliness and perfection that was seen in the character of Christ. Those who faithfully study the words of Christ and His methods of labor, will learn to present the truth in a way that will yield definite and lasting results for good.

I am bidden to speak words of encouragement to those who are preparing themselves for service in the cause of God. When compassed with difficulties, remember that there is One who is infinite in wisdom, who will be your help. Bring your perplexities to the One who understands all your difficulties. If you will seek His wisdom, instead of relying upon the judgment and knowledge of human beings, the help that He has promised will surely be given you.

The parting words of the Saviour to His early disciples should speak encouragement to every servant of God till the close of time. "The eleven disciples went away into Galilee, into a mountain where Jesus had appointed them. And when they saw Him, they worshiped Him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto Me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world."

What greater assurance than this can we ask? We have the Lord's positive assurance that while we instruct others, He will be with us to be our Instructor. Those who work for God will meet with discouragement, but the promise is always theirs, "Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." God will give a most wonderful experience to

those who will say, "I believe Thy promise; I will not fail nor become discouraged."

The Lord has a work for women as well as for men to do. They may accomplish a good work for God, if they will first learn in the school of Christ the precious, all-important lesson of meekness. They must not only bear the name of Christ, but possess His Spirit. They must walk even as He walked, purifying their souls from everything that defiles. Then they will be able to benefit others by presenting the all-sufficiency of Jesus.

Paul in his letters to the churches makes mention of women who were laborers with him in the gospel. Writing to the Romans, he says, "I commend unto you Phœbe our sister, which is a servant of the church which is at Cenchrea: that ye receive her in the Lord, as becometh saints, and that ye assist her in whatsoever business she hath need of you; for she hath been a succorer of many, and of myself also. Greet Priscilla and Aquila my helpers in Christ Jesus: who have for my life laid down their own necks: unto whom not only I give thanks, but also all the churches of the Gentiles. Likewise greet the church that is in their house. Salute my well-beloved Epænetus, who is the first-fruits of Achaia unto Christ. Greet Mary, who bestowed much labor on us. Salute Andronicus and Junia, my kinsmen, and my fellow-prisoners, who are of note among the apostles, who also were in Christ before me. Greet Amplias my beloved in the Lord. . . . Salute Tryphena and Tryphosa who labor in the Lord."

Again, to the Philippian church the apostle writes: "Therefore, my brethren dearly beloved and longed for, my joy and crown, so stand fast in the Lord, my dearly beloved. I beseech Euodias, and beseech Syntyche, that they be of the same mind in the Lord. And I entreat thee also, true yoke-fellow, help those women which labored with me in the gospel, with Clement also, and with other my fellow laborers, whose names are in the book of life. Rejoice in the Lord alway; and again I say, Rejoice. Let your moderation be known unto all men. The Lord is at hand. Be careful for nothing; but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which

passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

"Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things."

It is not only upon those who preach the word that God has placed the responsibility of seeking to save sinners. He has given this work to all. The words, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature," are spoken to each one of Christ's followers. All who are ordained unto the life of Christ are ordained to work for the salvation of their fellow men. The same longing that He felt for the saving of the lost is to be manifest in them. Not all can fill the same place, but for all there is a place and work. All upon whom God's blessings have been bestowed are to respond by actual service; every gift is to be employed for the advancement of His kingdom.

Mrs. E. G. White.

The Field

CALIFORNIA

Loleta and the Banner District

On October 6, we commenced meetings in Loleta, Humboldt County. These meetings continued with a fairly good attendance for nearly six weeks. During this effort Elder A. J. Osborne rendered us what assistance his other pressing duties would permit.

While about a score of those who had attended our meetings acknowledged that we had the truth, yet only two—a young man and his wife—had the courage to obey their God. This man is in business in Loleta, owns a hardware store. The closing of his place of business on the Sabbath silently preaches the truth from week to week to all the people of this little town.

As we were closing our effort in Loleta, Brother Clinton Burg asked me to hold some meetings in the schoolhouse near his home. This schoolhouse is situated three and one-half miles east of Loleta and four miles north of Fortuna.

About the first Sunday in December, I commenced meetings in the above named district with an attendance of thirty-eight. After holding three Sunday services, I felt the interest would justify evening meetings during the week, and in this I was not mistaken.

The attendance from evening to evening was excellent, and after two weeks of labor I called for a Sabbath service, and to our surprise forty united with us on the first Sabbath. At the close of another week's labor five adults, three young people, and twelve children, representing largely three families publicly took their stand to keep the Lord's Sabbath.

We have had, and are still having, opposition, but the Lord has been on our side, and has given us the victory.

We now have a Sabbath-school of thirty-three Sabbath-keeping members. It soon became evident to all that we must have a house of worship. And I am happy to say that a lot has been given, and about \$400 in cash has been subscribed toward the building fund, and as soon as the weather will permit we shall commence work upon the church.

We are still holding four services a week, and, notwithstanding stormy weather and bad roads, we have an excellent attendance, and the prospect is encouraging that others will soon unite with us.

We would continue to solicit an interest in the prayers of all the readers of the RECORDER.

W. L. Sims,
Nettie C. Sims.

Missionary Work

Personal Work

"Christ's commission, 'Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature,' is spoken to *every one* of His followers."

This service for God includes *personal* ministry. By personal effort we are to cooperate with Him for the salvation of the world. All who are ordained unto the life of Christ are ordained to work for the salvation of their fellow men.

"The same longing for souls that He has felt will be manifest in them. Not all can fill the same place in the work, but there is a place and a work for all."

"In ancient times, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Moses with his meekness and wisdom, and Joshua with his varied capa-

bilities, were all enlisted in God's service. The music of Miriam, the courage and piety of Deborah, the filial affection of Ruth, the obedience and faithfulness of Samuel, the stern fidelity of Elijah, the soft and subduing influence of Elisha—all were needed. So now, all upon whom God's blessing has been bestowed are to respond by actual service; every gift is to be employed for the advancement of His kingdom and the glory of His name."—"Christ's Object Lessons," pp. 300, 301.

"With the calling of John and Andrew and Simon, of Philip and Nathanael, began the foundation of the Christian church. John directed two of his disciples to Christ. Then one of these, Andrew, found his brother, and called him to the Saviour. Philip was then called and he went in search of Nathanael. These examples should teach us the importance of personal effort, of making direct appeals to our kindred, friends, and neighbors.

"There are those who for a lifetime have professed to be acquainted with Christ, yet who have never made a personal effort to bring even one soul to the Saviour. . . . There are many who need the ministration of loving Christian hearts. Many have gone down to ruin who might have been saved if their neighbors, common men and women, had put forth personal effort for them. Many are waiting to be personally addressed. . . . No sooner is one converted than there is born within him a desire to make known to others what a precious Friend he has found in Jesus. . . . Now that Jesus has ascended to heaven, His disciples are His representatives among men, and one of the most effective ways of winning souls to Him is in exemplifying His character in our daily lives.

"Our influence upon others depends not so much upon what we *say* as upon what we *are*.

"Men may combat and defy our logic, they may resist our appeals, but a life of disinterested love is an argument they can not gainsay."—"Desire of Ages," pp. 141, 142.

"If you are in communion with Christ, you will place His estimate upon every human being. *You will feel for others the same deep love that Christ has felt for you.* Then you will be able to win, not drive; to attract, not repulse, those for whom He died.

"None would ever have been brought back to God if Christ had not made a personal effort for them; and it is by this personal work that we can rescue souls."—"Christ's Object Lessons," p. 197.

"The Lord desires that His word of grace shall be brought home to every soul. To a great degree this must be accomplished by personal labor. This was Christ's method. His work was largely made up of personal interviews. He had a faithful regard for the one-soul audience. Through that one soul the message was often extended to thousands."—"Christ's Object Lessons," p. 229.

It is often the humblest work that yields the greatest results.

There is no more important field for this direct labor than the Sabbath-school. The teacher, who with his heart warm with the love of God, manifests an interest in all that concerns the personal character and welfare of his pupils, will accomplish much.

There are various ways of reaching the hearts of the children and youth of our Sabbath-schools, and if the teacher seeks God in faith he will receive wisdom as to how to approach and reach each individual case. The greatest agency in winning souls to Christ is love.

The following story has been told of a young woman teacher in an English Sabbath-school who had rare success in winning her scholars to the Saviour. So uniform was this success that it came to be taken for granted that a scholar who entered her class would be brought to Christ, and her superintendent asked her, at one time, what was her special way with her scholars which had such potency.

"I don't know of any special way of mine," she answered; "I only know that I never can look upon a scholar without the thought, 'There is one for whose soul the blood of the Son of God was shed.' I can not count anything too much to be done for that soul. I can not rest satisfied till that one whom Jesus loves, loves Jesus."

Where there is such love as this, there is likely to be such a result as this, and the teacher will not only seek, but make, opportunities to influence those under his care; by visiting the children at their homes, and not only the children but the older ones, taking an interest in their occupations, coming in touch with their

lives, and, by heart-to-heart talks, imparting to them the help that they crave. When a pupil absents himself or is irregular in his attendance, a teacher can often regain him by a visit or a note letting him know that he is missed.

The Sabbath-school teacher who has never written a letter to one of his scholars, has failed to use one of the most powerful agencies in impressing and instructing the young mind. Every boy and girl likes to receive a letter of friendship.

The receipt of a letter by mail is quite an event in the experience of most young people. A thoughtless boy or girl will often read carefully what a teacher has written to him or her personally, when the same teacher's spoken words would pass unheeded. Words of affectionate interest have a new power when read from a letter. A truth stated clearly in a letter comes home with freshness and power to one who reads the letter as his own.

If one is absent for a season from your class, write to him. If he has permanently left the school, write to them.

I have in mind a teacher who has followed this plan with the best results, and who still corresponds faithfully with her scholars of long ago.

We should be careful not to become mechanical in our manner of work.

Words written or spoken in natural simplicity have power to unbolt the door to the hearts that has long been closed against Christ and His love.

CALIFORNIA

BOOK WORK

Report for Two Weeks Ending February 28, 1908

"Heralds of the Morning"

	Hrs.	Ords.	Value
J. V. Pierson	66	51	\$ 94.50

"Bible Readings"

L. L. Hutchinson	65	45	115.50
H. M. Witbeck	48	29	86.75
R. S. Fries	5	3	8.50

"Great Controversy"

Clarence Bean	20	2	10.25
		130	\$315.50

Total Sales for Two Weeks Ending February 28, 1908

By the "King's Messengers"	\$315.50
By the home agents	195.62
	\$511.12

"In the garden of Gethsemane Jesus by prayer and self-renunciation gained strength for the victory of Calvary."

Report of the Home Agents for Two Weeks Ending February 28, 1908

Miscellaneous Books and Papers

Agent	Hours' Work	Books Sold	Value Books	Papers Sold	Value Papers	Total Value
¹ Mrs. Myrtle Cushman	87			750	\$ 72.95	\$ 72.95
Mrs. Phebe Press	25	2	2.00	103	5.80	7.80
⁴ Mrs. C. A. Knight	4			14	.70	.70
³ Mrs. C. E. Halliday				1,900	95.00	95.00
⁵ Dr. C. F. Dail		1	2.75	22	.50	3.25
W. A. S. Beals				5	.50	.50
Mrs. E. Parlin		2	1.45	14	.12	1.57
Berkeley Society		3	1.80			1.80
M. K. Dymot		1	2.50			2.50
B. E. Beddoe		2	1.25			1.25
Mrs. M. D. Utt		4	2.30			2.30
⁶ James Harvey				1	1.50	
⁷ Hanford Society				45	4.50	6.00
		15	\$14.05	2,944	\$181.57	\$195.62

¹ Report for one month.

³ Five weeks, from Jan. 12 to Feb. 20.

⁴ Work done Jan. 8; gave away 50 leaflets, etc.

⁵ Order.

⁶ Week ending Feb. 21; papers distributed, 800; pages of tracts, 7,094; Feb. 28, papers distributed, 768.

⁷ Number of tracts distributed, 83; number of periodicals, 150.

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tunity to give them a thorough reading. a hasty glance over these tracts satisfies us that they both contain vital truths for this time. The first is an attack upon the doctrine of evolution as taught at the present time by scientists, "falsely so called," and an establishment of the Sabbath as the signs of God's creative and redeeming power. The second is a thirty-two page tract in verse, and presents clearly the Bible arguments on the state of the dead as opposed to the popular views and "isms" on that subject. Both of these tracts should be studied carefully, and widely circulated. Prices, "Evolution and the Bible," one cent; "Satan's First Lie," two cents. Order of your tract society.

The following letter from Brother F. L. Perry, dated at Lima, Peru, will be of interest to all:

"I have just received the rolls of the Missions Number of the *Signs of the Times*. It seems to me that this is by far the best special which the office has sent out. Every article is alive and interesting, and quivering with the power of this heavenly message. On a recent trip down the coast, I had the opportunity of conversing with the superintendent of the British and Foreign Bible Society for this coast. He was greatly astonished to hear of the growth and extent of our work. This special will have a wonderful effect in directing the attention toward this message and its bearers."

Orders for the Missions Number can still be filled.

Address your tract society, or *Signs of the Times*, Mountain View, Cal.

Papers Wanted

Clean copies of the *Signs of the Times*, *Review and Herald*, *Life and Health*, *Liberty*, *Watchman*, and *Youth's Instructor* for use in reading-racks in Oakland, Berkeley, and vicinity.

Brother James Harvey who is in charge of this work writes: "I am now supplying seven reading-racks. One of these is in Berkeley. I am supplying the Sixteenth Street Depot rack, Oakland, regularly twice a week. Our librarian has just ordered a large metal rack for this location, as it is one of the most important distributing-places in the city."

Address all publications to James Harvey, 1055 Brush St., Oakland, Cal.

Help! Help! Help!

WANTED.—Women and girls to do laundry and domestic work, and young men to assist engineer, clerk in store, and solicitors in food work. Also help in the packing-room at the food factory. Permanent positions for the right persons. Apply at once to L. M. Bowen, Sanitarium, Cal.

Foreign Publications

Numerous inquiries have been made recently in regard to the Italian language. We wish to say that the following comprises a list of publications which we are in a position to supply in the Italian language. Kindly revise your catalog accordingly:

Steps to Christ, cloth	\$.50
Steps to Christ, paper25
His glorious Appearing25
Sufferings of Christ06
Sabbath of the Bible04
Day After Death02
Signs of the Times02
Catholic Doctrine02

We have also a complete stock of tracts and books in the Swedish language.

California Bible House,
Mountain View, Cal.

Saint Helena Sanitarium Training School

The next training class for Missionary Nurses begins April 6, 1908. We desire to correspond with consecrated young people who desire a training as missionary workers. Exceptional opportunities for experience offered to persons of promise.

Address Dr. H. F. Rand, or Mrs. S. J. Whitney, Sanitarium, Napa Co., Cal.

Help Wanted to Work on Melon and Vegetable Farm

Wanted: A young man and wife with no children over three years old; man to do general farm and team work, and wife to do house work in a family of four, two being children five and eight years old respectively. Or a young man and a woman. Will be a good home for a Christian woman, and work not very heavy until after May 1, when there will be more help to cook for.

Also we wish to be in correspondence with a man that understands picking ripe watermelons, with a view to hiring for this season's pick.

A good place for those just taking hold of the truth, and losing former employment; if the young man lacks experience in farm work and teaming, willingness to learn will answer.

Any one knowing persons who will take the place please write to

Jones & Doty,
Ripon, Cal.

Annual Meeting of the Arizona Conference Corporation

The fifth annual session of the Arizona Conference Corporation of Seventh-day Adventists will convene at Phoenix, Ariz., in the Seventh-day Adventist church, at 10 A.M., April 7, 1908 (the first Tuesday following the first Monday in April), to elect officers for the ensuing year, and to transact such business as may be necessary. H. G. Thurston, *Pres.*
M. T. Poston, *Sec'y.*

The following letter has just been received from the president of one of our large conferences, which only voices the sentiments of many others:

"I can not express in words how pleased I am with the *Signs of the Times*. We have reached a time when we can point to the *Signs* as the greatest and grandest missionary paper in all the world, not only in its special issues but in its regular issues from week to week. I hope to see plans laid for the strongest effort in behalf of our missionary paper, the *Signs of the Times*, that has ever been organized in this part of the field."

The Bible-reading Series of 26 special numbers began the first of November. They have given such general satisfaction that the editors have decided to continue to publish Bible-readings in each number all through the year, thus every phase of the message will be covered. The style may be varied from time to time in order to make them more interesting and attractive.

There are a goodly number of agents taking from 50 to 500 copies of the *Signs of the Times* weekly, selling the same on the street, in the stores, and from house to house, and meeting with splendid success. This method of disposing of our periodicals is becoming quite popular. We would like thousands more to handle the *Signs* in this way. Special terms to regular agents.

Address your tract society, or *Signs of the Times*, Mountain View, Cal.

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To Whom It May Concern

DIED.—In Laodicea, the prayer-meeting, aged one year. The health of this meeting was poor most of the year, and its life was despaired of. But anxious friends kept it alive, and sometimes it would so revive as to encourage them. Discouragement, however, at last prevailed, and the meeting is dead. It died from neglect. Not a Christian was present when it died. Over forty are living within a mile of it, and not one was there. Had two only have been there, its life might have been saved, for where two are agreed as touching anything they shall ask, it shall be done for them. Two-thirds of the forty might have been there, had they been so disposed, but they were not, and the prayer-meeting died.—*Selected.*

Some interest is reported in the meetings that are being held in Phoenix, Ariz.

There was a meeting of the California Conference Committee last Sunday in Oakland.

Recent word from the Pacific Union College at Healdsburg, is to the effect that Elder Luther Warren's work is resulting in a good revival in the school. Some seventy have been baptized.

Recent word from Utah is to the effect that two more have united with the church in Ogden where Elder Paul Iversen has been laboring, and several are about ready for baptism in Salt Lake City.

A large quantity of tracts has been shipped during the last week from the California Tract Society office in Mountain View to Oakland to be used in the bay cities by the workers who are attending the institute.

The superintendent of schools for the California Conference, Prof. I. C. Colcord, informs us that the questions for the final examinations in the church schools are now ready, and the same can be secured by addressing him at Healdsburg, Cal.

Brother R. S. Fries, of Oakland, left last week for his new canvassing field in eastern Nevada. One of our sisters in that part of the state is so anxious to have the truth spread that she has sent money to pay the transportation of a canvasser to that field.

In the report of the California Conference proceedings at Fresno, published in our issue of February 27, Elder A. Brorsen's name was omitted from the committee on credentials and licenses. The names should have read, J. O. Corliss, H. Shultz, D. T. Fero, H. C. Basney, and A. Brorsen.

A transfer of laborers has been affected between the California and the Arizona Conferences. Elder Fred Brink, formally of the West Michigan Conference, but who has been laboring for more than a year in Arizona, will come to California; and Brother Geo. G. Sims and wife, who have been working in Oakland, will make Arizona their future field.

Under date of February 25, Elder Thurston writes from Phoenix, Ariz., that Elder W. J. Stone, president of the Indiana Conference, spoke at the Phoenix church on Sabbath, February 15. Elder Stone and family were on their way to California, where they will visit our institutions and take a much-needed rest for a few weeks.

The following note of thanks comes from Brother and Sister D. T. Shireman, who have charge of the Toluca Industrial School, and Home for Orphans, in Toluca, N. C.: "We desire to express our thanks to the dear friends in California who sent us fruit for our orphan home and school. May the Lord bless them abundantly is our prayer. The fruit in our country was a total failure. If we had their addresses, we would gladly write them ourselves."

Elder A. Schlotthauer, a German minister in the employ of the California Conference, was a caller at the office last week, while on his way to attend the workers' institute in Oakland. Elder Schlotthauer lives at Fresno. He reports some interest in the German work in the conference. An effort will be made to secure a tent this season for work among that class of people. He stated that there were between three and four thousand Germans in Fresno and vicinity alone. Surely something definite should be done to get the truth before these people.

The workers institute in Oakland began Wednesday evening of last week. Quite a number of the California Conference laborers are in attendance. Among those from Mountain View who are spending more or less time there, are Elder H. W. Cottrell and wife, J. O. Corliss, E. A. Chapman, W. H. Covell and wife, and A. J. S. Bourdeau. Studies are being conducted daily by Elder Cottrell and Elder and Mrs. Haskell. The forenoon of each day is devoted to study and the afternoon to active house-to-house work in the bay cities. The institute will continue until the 18th.

The following is from Brother L. L. Hutchinson, who, with Brother H. M. Witbeck, is canvassing in the vicinity of Hanford: "The first afternoon we canvassed here, neither one of us took an order, and we thought we were going to certainly have a hard time; but the next day I took four orders, and have continued to take three or four every day until Wednesday, when the Lord especially blessed in helping me to take ten orders. Just think of it—ten "Bible Readings" in one day! Well, we are of good courage, and if we keep in good health, we shall certainly finish our campaign which closes May 1."

The two latest tracts which have come to our attention are "Evolution and the Sabbath," by George McCready Price, and "Satan's First Lie, or Man in Death," by Mrs. L. D. Avery-Stuttle. While we have not yet had opportunity

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