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

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The Church

You Never Will Be Missed, Big I

You man of the majestic mien, all swollen up with pride,
Who feels that none can estimate your worth,
Who treads the streets with kingly air and more than kingly pride
As if you held a mortgage on the earth,
Come down for just a moment from your dizzy height
And let this truth find lodgment in your head:
This world was a pronounced success before you saw the light,
And will move on just the same when you are dead.

The man who wears the workman's garb, placed in the scales with you,
Might send you spinning upward with the beam;
In every manly virtue and in honesty that's true
Be your superior, though very grand you seem.
Though you may look with proud disdain down from your lofty height
On men who labor for their daily bread,
Remember that the world was here before you saw the light,
And will never miss you when you're dead.

The master who created you and placed you here on earth,
Gave life unto the man of labor, too,
And, though you may be favored with accident of birth,
He's fashioned in as perfect mold as you.
Wrapped in your self-importance you should always keep in sight

The fact that though you toss a haughty head,
This world was an assured success before you saw the light,
And will move on just the same when you are dead.

There'll be no aristocracy in heaven you will find,
If you should chance to make a landing there,
And he to whose existence on earth you are so blind
Will be your equal in those realms so fair.
Come down from your high pedestal and show your manly worth,
From out of cloudland pull down your kingly head;
The powerful machinery of this revolving earth
Will never slip a cog when you are dead.

—*B'Nai B'rith Messenger.*

Sketches of the Past—No. 39

We have shown that the Lord marked the time when the light should be given relative to the close of the great prophetic period leading to the investigative judgment, and that He accurately fulfilled the prediction at that time that "knowledge shall be increased," by raising up many who discovered that light. We have also learned that He marked the time when the "parable of the fig-tree" should be learned, by raising up His teachers then and there to go forth and herald that parable to the world. Just so accurately we saw in our last article that He marked the time when the *time message* should go in its mighty power; by sea and land, to all the world.

We will now examine predictions relating to other features of the work, and see how as accurately they met their fulfillment. The first is a prediction re-

lating to the class of people to whom the call should first be made. It is found in Luke's record of Christ's teachings, and reads: "A certain man made a great supper, and bade many: and sent his servants at supper time to say to them that were bidden, Come; for all things are now ready." Luke 14:16, 17. The supper is the last meal of the day, and is partaken of at the close of the day. This call, undoubtedly, has reference to the marriage supper of the Lamb, of which the apostle John speaks: "Blessed are they which are called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb," Rev. 19:9.

It is customary to serve the marriage supper after the marriage ceremony has been performed. This marriage supper must be after Christ's coming, because Luke's testimony in regard to Christ's coming reads: "Let your loins be girded about, and your lights burning; and ye yourselves like unto men that wait for their Lord, when he will return from the wedding; that when he cometh and knocketh, they may open unto him immediately." Luke 12:35, 36.

This call to the marriage supper must be the same as the first angel's message of Revelation 14, and the time proclamation of the tenth chapter already noticed. As recorded in Luke, this first call goes to those persons who had "been bidden." It must, therefore, have gone direct to the churches, and there is just where the first call of the second advent message went. Protestant churches were open in all directions for the preaching of the message. Elder Himes thus spoke of the labors of Brother Miller, down to the spring of 1844:

"He labored among all parties and sects without interfering with their or-

ganization or discipline, believing that the members of the different communions could retain their standing, and at the same time prepare for the advent of their King."

He speaks of his own and Brother Miller's united labors thus: "Most of the ministers and churches that opened their doors to us and the advent doctrine, cooperated with us until the last year."

The calls for the labors of advent ministers among the churches were so numerous, up to April, 1844—the close of the Jewish year 1843—that neither Brother Miller nor his numerous associates could possibly answer all of them.

The first call went in and to the churches; but according to Luke's statement, we now reach a time when excuses abound, and a second call of short duration, being "made quickly," goes out to gather those together who, by some means, have become "maimed," "halt," and "blind." The cause of such a deplorable state will appear as we further trace this subject.

J. N. Loughborough.

Rules for Killing the Church

Revised by Editor of the "Churchman"

1. Don't attend. Ps. 42: 4.
2. If you do come, come late. Ps. 84: 10.
3. If too wet or too dry, too hot or too cold, don't think of coming. Ps. 122: 1.
4. Don't imagine the front seats are intended for you—people might think you conceited.
5. Come to find fault. Ps. 100: 4.
6. Don't for the world ever think of praying for your minister or the church. 2 Thess. 3: 1.
7. Don't sing or join in the responses. 1 Cor. 14: 15.
8. Don't attend prayer-meetings, and if you should, don't take part. Acts. 3: 1.
9. Don't encourage the minister, but tell his faults to others. Gal. 6: 1. If his sermon helps you, don't let him know it; it might make him vain.
10. If you see a stranger in the congregation, don't offer to shake hands or invite him to come again; people might think you bold. Heb. 13: 2.
11. Never try to bring any one to church with you. John 1: 41.

12. Don't support missions. Matt. 28: 19.

13. Don't give much to benevolence. 1 Cor. 16: 2.

14. Let the minister do all the work. Isa. 41: 6, 7.

15. See that his salary is always behind. 1 Cor. 9: 14.

16. If he doesn't visit as often as you think he should, treat him very coolly. He has nothing particular to do, and could come oftener.

17. Don't take your church paper.

18. Try to run the church. Mark 10: 44, 45.

19. If you see any one willing to help in any church work, be sure to find fault, and accuse him of being bold and forward. Eccl. 9: 10.

20. Don't speak to another about Christ; your minister should do all that kind of work. James 5: 20; Dan. 12: 3.

21. Don't come to Sabbath-school; it looks childish. Matt. 18: 4.

22. Don't be particular about how God's house looks inside or out, but keep your own homes looking nice. 1 Kings 6: 21, 22.

23. Insist on your views being adopted on all questions, and don't give in for the majority. Matt. 23: 12.

24. Don't join any of the church societies. Mal. 3: 16.

25. When sick, don't send your minister word; he is supposed to find out himself. But tell the neighbors how he neglected you during your illness. John 11: 3.

26. If you think everything is working harmoniously, try to stir up something to engender strife. James 3: 14-16.—*Union Conference Record*.

It Can Be Done

What?

A good investment can be made.

Help can be given to send missionaries speedily into earth's darkest zone.

The Foreign Mission Seminary Endowed Scholarship fund can be raised.

Our Missionary Volunteers have undertaken this work of raising a large fund for the use of students seeking a preparation for work in foreign lands. One hundred scholarships of one hundred fifty dollars each are needed. That looks large. But one scholarship is divided into sixty shares of two and one-half dollars each. That does not look so large. It

is to be a *permanent* fund, under the direction of the General Conference.

How?

By every one doing something. Every Missionary Volunteer can raise one share. Hundreds of our people can give an entire scholarship. One writes for permission to support one student in the Seminary. A brother sends \$100.00 to swell the fund. Many of our young people know those who could do as well. Go to them about it, and if you can not do that, write to them. There's a great difference between a lukewarm desire and a red-hot purpose. Enthusiastic interest will do it. Let every society, let every Missionary Volunteer, set a mark and—shoot above it. Colorado has already raised three scholarships, and others are doing well. Some plan to finish the work by camp-meeting time.

When?

Do it now. Promptness sweetens labor.

This fund should be closed by Nov. 1, 1908.

Our Missionary Volunteers want a part in the great Thanksgiving Ingathering, but we want this off our mind first. The money and the names and addresses of those who give, with the amounts, should be sent to the conference treasurer. When these reach the General Conference treasurer, certificates will be sent to those who raise one or more shares.

Missionary Volunteer Leaflet No. 12 tells all about the need for this fund and how it is to be used. Send for as many as you can use. They are free.

Missionary Volunteer Department,
Takoma Park Station,
Washington, D. C.

"The key-note of life's harmony is sacrifice."

Reports from the publishers of *Life and Health* state that some of their agents are making as much as \$70 a week in the sale of that periodical. Write for particulars as to how they do it.

The *Watchman* advertises the full set of the papers containing the tent-meeting series of articles that has been running in that journal for over a year for only 75 cents. Cash should be sent with each order. Order through your tract society.

The Field

The Southern California Conference and Camp-Meeting

The annual conference and camp convention of the Southern California Conference were held at the appointed time at the city of Los Angeles. The camp was located on the same ground as last year, being just outside the city limits, but easy of access by two electric lines. It was beautifully laid out with wide streets and many courts.

There were three hundred and twelve family tents, and all occupied. The large pavilion was 145 feet in length. There were several other large tents in which the many other departments of the work were carried forward day by day.

The boarding-hall was conducted by Brother E. G. Fulton, and the plan followed was the cafeteria system, which, I think, gave universal satisfaction, as it enabled each person to secure just the quality of food desired.

At the first Sabbath-school of the encampment there were enrolled in the class records, 1,512, while there were a goodly number of persons in camp who were not in attendance at Sabbath-school, which made this an unusually large gathering of our people, and the attendance increased as the meetings progressed.

This meeting was certainly the most metropolitan of any gathering of Seventh-day Adventists I have ever attended or known of either in this country or in Europe in my forty-three years' experience among this people. There were said to be thirty-three different nationalities represented, and all bearing the heavenly credentials of the threefold message to the praise of Him who hath called standard bearers from every nation with an heavenly calling through our divine Redeemer.

There was also a good attendance of the people from the city not of our faith, who manifested much interest in the truths presented from the stand.

A number of leaders of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union were encamped upon the ground, and were in regular attendance at all the services. One Sunday afternoon was given over to the W. C. T. U. people in the interest

of temperance. Two of these noble sisters accepted the truths of the third angel's message and two others are much interested.

A number of persons who had become weary of the Christian struggle were revived, and a number of others converted to God, and found the peace of Christ for the first time; while the remainder of the congregation re-consecrated themselves to the Lord for more aggressive service in all the days to come.

There were eighty little people in the kindergarten, sixty in the primary, and sixty in the intermediate. There was reported to be between three and four hundred in the young people's department, who were in charge of Professor Lucas, Elder Warren, and Professor Balenger.

The rank and file of our people everywhere have a "mind to work," and they should be encouraged by giving them an opportunity. In the few brief periods devoted to the general congregation in the interests of the circulation of our literature, and receiving of contributions, it was again demonstrated that the people are ready to do their part in the spreading of the truth to all classes of people, and to earth's remotest bounds.

When an opportunity was given the general congregation to purchase the book "Great Controversy," and place some of them in the public libraries, and to retain others to be used as a private circulating library, 260 books were taken without hesitancy, besides over \$200 worth of "Ministry of Healing" and "Christ's Object Lessons." There were also over \$200 worth of miscellaneous books sold in the usual way from the book store.

Eleven thousand eight hundred and fifty-six dollars and thirty-nine cents were contributed in cash and pledges to foreign missions.

Besides the laborers of the local conference, there were present Mrs. E. G. White, Elders A. G. Daniells, H. Shultz, Luther Warren, E. J. Hibbard, W. C. White, Brother H. H. Hall, and the writer.

During the progress of the meeting, Elder Reaser decided to accept the call of the Foreign Mission Board to go to Mexico, and take the superintendency of that field. While the brethren were sorry

to have Elder Reaser leave the conference, yet they cheerfully released him to answer, as they believed, the call of the Lord to another and more needy field. All join in asking God's blessing to rest upon Brother and Sister Reaser and family as they take up work in their new field of labor.

Elder E. E. Andross was elected president of the conference. With the exception of a few other changes, the executive committee remains as before.

On account of the large interest the meetings were continued for another week.

H. W. Cottrell.

Missionary Work

Experiences

The following are a few reports from some of the Mission Home young people who have been working recently in Los Angeles and vicinity. This Mission Home is being maintained by the Southern California Conference and Fernando Academy as a home for young people and students who are doing self-supporting missionary work in Los Angeles during the vacation.

"One young woman whom I met yesterday, seemed to show little interest in our work when I first told her of it, and my talk with her was made very hard by the presence and attitude of her mother, who in a very critical way demanded the details of our work. She said she had never been interested in the Bible, had tried to read it, but had always thrown it down in disgust. She would not teach it to her children. But turning to her daughter told how she had always wanted to understand the Bible.

"The younger woman then spoke of how she had been trying to study the Bible alone, but found it hard to understand, and although her home was near Long Beach, she said she would gladly pay my way down there each week, if I would study with her. She then spoke of her own little daughter four years old, and of her anxiety that she should be taught the Bible. The older woman, now more friendly, bought the paper, but still affirmed that there was nothing in religion.

"I then explained to her that she could not know unless she had really tasted the joy of serving the Saviour, and told her simply of the love of Jesus, and what He had done for me. As I finished she said, 'I see that you really believe it, anyway, and that it makes you happy. Your face seems lighted up with it.'

"As I left them, the daughter affectionately pressed my hand, asking me to see her again, and giving me her card with directions to reach her.

"Surely the Lord has honest souls in this city."

Edna L. Reaser.

"God answers the earnest prayer of His workers. About the third house I visited one morning, a large, modern place, a young German girl answered my summons, and before I had spoken many words she said that she didn't read or understand English, and wasn't interested anyway. I asked her if there was some one else in the house, and she nodded her head. Finally she consented to take the paper back and show it to the lady. As soon as she turned and went, I bowed my head and asked Jesus to speak for me through this girl, and to work mightily on the hearts of those people.

"How a girl so uninterested in religious things and unable to speak English well could sell a paper for me was hard to understand, but Jesus wanted the truth in that home, and she came back bringing only the price of the paper, and wearing a bright smile. Similar experiences have been mine over and over again; twice the girls have come back and wanted two papers.

"We are not out alone in this work, for we have a Leader who leads every one, if they are willing to be led, and are listening to His guiding voice. On our way home from work one day, I felt impressed to go into one house a few doors from the Home. We were out visiting that day just telling the people about our work, and getting acquainted with them. The lady, who kindly invited us in, seemed much interested, as she had noticed us young people, and had enjoyed our singing.

"We soon turned the conversation in Bible lines, and she inquired to what denomination we belonged. We told her frankly. She asked if we didn't keep

Saturday for Sunday. We said we kept the Lord's Sabbath. After several minutes in which she seemed to be doing some thinking, she said, 'Do you know, for a long time I have felt condemned for working on Saturday? I don't see why I should, because I have always kept Sunday, but for a good while this has been troubling me.'

"I could feel the presence of the Lord with us then, and believe His hand was in it. We asked her if she wouldn't like to know just what Jesus has said about His sacred day of rest, and be clear on it. Yes, she said, she would, and so we appointed the time for a Bible-reading on the Sabbath question.

"When the appointed day came, we had a blessed time. She seemed to have the idea that Jesus said somewhere to keep the first day, but by taking up each scripture in the New Testament, speaking of this day, we showed that He not only did not command it to be kept, but didn't even sanction it. As we studied together she did some earnest thinking, and I, some earnest praying. She cordially invited us back, and said she was going to study her Bible on that subject. As soon as the meetings begin, she wants to come, and I feel sure she is one who is listening for this message.

"That God may lead me to many more of His loved ones who are sitting in the darkness of doubt and deception, and that I may be a shining light to them is my constant prayer."

Lenore Dill.

"I went out yesterday morning to deliver a copy of 'Christ's Object Lessons.' The lady was not at home, but her sister was, so she took the book and paid for it. I then began to tell her of our mission and the work we were doing. 'Well,' she said, 'I haven't any interest in religion, and am disgusted with it, because my mother-in-law just talks about it all the time.'

"I then sent up a silent prayer, and was given words that touched her immediately, and she invited me in. I went in and she just opened her heart to me and told of her life,—how her mother had not trained her in childhood, had been educated in a convent, had lived a wild, wilful life, and had married at fifteen years of age. In a passion one day, she left her husband, and after that

lived a wicked, fallen life. She married again, in a few years, but did not love her husband, and now is discontented and perfectly reckless. She travels from place to place, and is at home very little. Then she told how she would go out and take care of the sick, provide for the needy, or tell young girls of her experience to keep them from the same path, and many other things she would do that are kind and helpful.

"While she was talking, I prayed earnestly that I might be given something to say that would give her some hope, for she thought she was too wicked to be accepted by the Saviour. I never felt so helpless, but the Lord gave me words to say that touched her heart, and she wept like a child. I told her the Saviour had given up His life for us, and was just anxious to have us come to Him. I stayed for about one and a half hours, and when I left she begged me to come back and talk to her again.

"I am praying earnestly that when I go, the Lord will give me just the words to say that will lead her to accept the Saviour. I have faith to believe she will come out fully on His side.

"I have had many precious experiences, but have not time to write them out. Pray that the Lord will give us wisdom and love for souls so that we will carry this message to many who have never heard it."

Maude Warren.

Marshfield, Oregon

About one week ago I finished my canvass up here in the Coos Bay Country, and now I am busy filling orders. The good Lord does bless. Praise His name.

In only about six weeks' work, the Master granted me a little over \$1,000 in orders for books, outside helps. Besides this, there are \$120 to \$130 in orders for the gem casket of truth, the grand book, "Ministry of Healing." I love to sell this work on the plans I have mentioned before. The Lord does bless me in doing so.

Many of my orders are for the priceless volume of heaven-sent truth, "Patriarchs and Prophets." We are told this book ought to be sold now, as well as "Great Controversy," for the truths contained therein will open many blind eyes.

How important the light contained in these two large books, as well as the two

smaller books, "Ministry of Healing," and "Christ's Object Lessons." I am sure angels of God go ahead and prepare hearts to buy these volumes bearing the heavenly credentials.

I seek God much in prayer for help in all the different phases of my work. He does hear and answer. I feel as if it is on my knees off in the grove, before God, that I take my orders; that the victory, the success, the power with God and man is obtained there, and then all I have to do is to hunt up the favored people and book my orders, for the Lord has already given them to me.

I know all our success, all our triumphs, every victory is made ours when on our faces before God, at the foot of the cross, off alone in the woods (or elsewhere), on the Sabbath. Only by seeking Him can we be kept in the straight and narrow path. Then our meditation of Him will be sweet. "In the multitude of my thoughts within me, Thy comforts delight my soul."

Walter Harper.

August 16.

CALIFORNIA

Book Work

Report for Week Ending August 14

Hrs. Ords. Value

"Bible Readings"

W. B. Findley	57	16	\$56.90
Miscellaneous			

Wm. S. Reese	50	20	45.00
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"Great Controversy"

L. J. Benton	50	10	35.00
Hayden Gilstrap	40	13	47.75

"Story of Daniel the Prophet"

Martin Baumgartner	28	5	8.65
Lottiebelle Maxson	27	4	8.50

Oleta Butcher	26	6	14.70
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"Heralds of the Morning"

A. N. Donaldson	40	19	38.00
L. K. Dickson	20	10	20.00

C. V. Raaths	15	21	42.00
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S. A. Wright	15	15	31.00
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Total	368	139	\$347.50
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Brother Hayden Gilstrap, who is canvassing in Butte and Plumas counties, Cal., writes concerning his work: "A great many were too poor to subscribe, but seeing their neighbor's name, seemed delighted, as they plan on passing the book around this winter while they are 'snowed in.' I earnestly asked the Lord that if He had honest souls there that

needed help, to send me to them. I found three very interesting cases. One place a lady and her brother from another country who was visiting her, although they had never heard this message, became intensely interested and asked intelligent questions that compelled me to give many points of our faith. When I went to leave them, I offered them tracts, and the lady asked how I could give them away. I told her what they contained was of sufficient value that I was glad to buy and distribute them free, and that a fund was being provided, and that I could draw from that to assist me. 'Wait,' said she, 'I want to get fifty cents and give you on that fund. It is such a good work.' Their hearts seemed all tender and stirred, and I could see God's spirit working, although they made no profession.

"I met one of those live, stirring picture men at La Porte, and he told me I might as well turn back, as it was 'dead' up there, and he had to give it up. But what is the difference if it is a little 'dead' when you have a *live message*. I sold five "Controversy" in half a day in one of these 'dead' towns. You see his business was pictures and frames for the dead, and my work was life for the living."

"Signs of the Times" Monthly

The leading article in the September number of the *Signs of the Times* magazine is entitled "The Ravages of Destructive insects." Startling statistics are given showing the wonderful increase of these pests during the last few years, and the vast amount of money being expended by the national government and the various states to combat this evil. The article clearly shows that this scourge is a direct fulfillment of the prophecy of Joel. (See Joel, chapter 1.)

The cover design is a striking three-color half-tone showing the insects at work on fruit, and in the field, and forest. The whole article is profusely illustrated by photographs of these insects in various stages of development.

The other departments of the journal are filled with interesting and instructive matter as usual.

Sixty thousand copies of the August number were printed and sold. Agents have met with remarkable success. Those who have seen the September special say

it is far ahead of the August number. The leading theme is one in which almost every person is interested and the magazine will doubtless have a large sale.

Here is a grand opportunity to place the truth in the hands of the people in an attractive form and at the same time make a good living. Agents are meeting with remarkable success in selling our periodicals on the street and from house to house; making all the way from five to twenty-five dollars per day, and some even more.

Send for sample copy and special terms to agents. Address your tract society, or *Signs of the Times*, Mountain View, Cal.

Utah Conference Notice

The seventh annual session of the Utah Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held in the Seventh-day Adventist Church, Salt Lake City, Utah, October 2-7, 1908, for the purpose of selecting officers for the ensuing year, and transacting such other business as may arise. The first meeting will be held at 10:30 A. M. of the first day. Churches are entitled to one delegate for their organization, and one additional delegate for every five members. We request that all our churches be sure that their full quota of delegates are duly elected, and such as can, be in attendance at the conference.

S. G. Huntington, President.

Utah Conference Corporation Notice

The fourth annual meeting of the Utah Conference Corporation of Seventh-day Adventists is appointed to convene in connection with the seventh annual session of the Utah Conference of Seventh-day Adventists in the Seventh-day Adventist Church, at Salt Lake City, Utah, Monday, 2 P. M., October 5, 1908, for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year, and transacting such other business as may come before the meeting. All accredited delegates to the conference are members of this corporation.

S. G. Huntington, President.

Home Wanted

An old man desires a home in exchange for light work on a ranch. Please communicate with the Hydratic Dispensary, 916 Laguna St., San Francisco, Cal.

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THURSDAY, AUGUST 27, 1908

The Utah Conference is planning to hold its annual meeting in the Salt Lake City church, October 2 to 7.

On account of the interest that was being manifested, it was decided to continue the Los Angeles camp-meeting for another week.

Recent word from Los Angeles is to the effect that a canvassers' class of about thirty-five members is in progress upon the camp-ground.

Mrs. E. C. Gray, of Armona, Cal., has just returned from a short visit to the Madison Agricultural and Normal School in Tennessee, and others of our institutions in the South.

Letters recently received from Utah state that the work among the tent companies is progressing well. Some are accepting the truth in Salt Lake City, and a number are interested in Ogden.

We are pleased to acknowledge receipt of a list of about seventy-five new subscriptions to the RECORDER, secured at the recent Los Angeles camp-meeting. This is about the same number as were secured for us at the Melrose camp-meeting in June. We are certainly glad to see more of our people taking an interest in our conference paper.

After speaking of her enjoyment of the paper work in Victoria, B. C., where she has been having excellent success the last few days, Miss Pearl Stone, one of our church-school teachers, writes as follows: "Have had many interesting experiences during the short time I have worked. Going around one block in Vancouver, in twenty minutes one day I earned \$3.50. Have been selling the *Signs* monthly. My report is small, but will send it anyway: 13 hours, 330 papers, \$38.65 received for them. Sold about 100 to-day in three and one-half hours."

Elder H. W. Cottrell and Brother J. J. Ireland, president and secretary of the Pacific Union Conference, returned from attending the Southern California Conference and camp-meeting in Los Angeles last week. They stopped over one train in Mountain View, and then went on to Oakland and vicinity to look at prospective school sites. Elder Cottrell returned Friday.

The issue of August 15 of the *Nebraska Reporter* is a camp-meeting number. This camp-meeting is to be held in Hartwell Lake Park at Hastings, Neb., the new location of the conference headquarters. This paper contains a number of cuts of the grounds and buildings, one of which is given in colors. The entire program and numerous facts relative to the camp-meeting are here given.

Dr. H. W. Miller, manager of the Seventh-day Adventist Mission Press at Shanghai, China, writes encouragingly of their paper *Fuh In Hsuen Pao* (The Gospel Herald), and desires very much to have the Chinese in our country have the benefit of this, the only periodical giving the message in the Chinese language. A letter addressed as follows will reach him with the regular two-cent U. S. postage: Dr. H. W. Miller, Shanghai, China, U. S. Post-Office, Box 993.

A regular Missionary Volunteer Society secretary book has been prepared by the General Conference Department. This book contains ample space for the secretary's reports of meetings held, a record of the work done by the individual members, cash account, as well as other memoranda required in all well-organized societies. Every young people's society should have one. Price, 75 cents, including a separate record for memoranda of attendance and work of each member. Order of your state young people's secretary or of your tract society.

"The Plan of Salvation, or God's Everlasting Covenant with Men," by Elder J. O. Corliss, is a new tract only recently placed upon the market. Some of the subheadings treated are the following: The Mystery of the Plan, The Nature of the Covenant, The Covenant Renewed to Abraham, Abraham's Heirs to the Promise, Son and Heir of David, The Kingly Priesthood, Need of a New Covenant, Christ the Founder and Finisher of Faith, etc. Single copy, five cents; liberal discounts in quantities of ten or more. Order of the California Bible House, Mountain View, Cal.

"Trials seeming strange,
May press us sore;
But, He abides, no change,
Need we ask more?"

Raise Both Tuition and Salaries

Under the above heading the following paragraphs appeared in a recent number of *The Educational Messenger*, a paper published in the interest of our school work in the Central Union Conference. The particular place in question is the College View church school, but the thoughts apply with equal force to our schools all over the land. These are our sentiments exactly:

"Conditions here demand a good, stiff tuition; and the tuition ought to be collected promptly, unless in cases of real and commendable necessity. Every person ought to bear his own burden if he can possibly do so. Teach the children and young people to earn and save their tuition, and not spend money on that which merely tickles the palate or panders to an unnatural taste for amusement. To excuse pupils from the payment of tuition before they and their parents have done their best to meet it is to pauperize them and take the manhood out of their souls.

"If the school board maintain a low tuition, and are slack in collecting the same, they will be tempted to continue the low salaries that have prevailed in the past, and that would be a shame indeed! There are more noble ways of economizing than by grinding the faces of your teachers. Give them enough to live on and have a little left to help others to live also."

Obituary

Lena A. Prichett, born in Bahlem, Denmark, Dec. 12, 1869; died of a complication of diseases at Gendale Sanitarium, Glendale, Cal., Aug. 12, 1908, aged 39 years, eight months.

In her early Christian life, Sister Prichett was a Bible worker, and after graduation as a nurse, she and her husband spent a few years as missionaries in the South Pacific Islands. Since that time she has been actively engaged in church work, especially among the young people and children. We laid her to rest in the Forest Lawn Cemetery at Tropic. The remaining members of the family greatly mourn their loss, but not as those without hope of the resurrection. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer.

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Out of dark affliction comes a spiritual light.—*John Bunyan.*