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The Church

Sketches of the Past.—No. 104

From the fore part of January, 1857, to April, for three months, I held meetings in the vicinity of Round Grove, Ill. For the most part the meetings were in the Hickory Grove and Hiddleson school-houses. As the result of these efforts a number of persons took their stand upon the truth. Among these were Stephen Rider, the teacher at the Hiddleson district, the Andrews family, and a number of the Colecord family. Of these Brother Robert Andrews and G. W. Colecord afterwards became ministers in the message.

At the end of the three months of labor in Illinois, I returned for a few weeks to Waukon, to prepare for a summer's tent campaign in Illinois and Wisconsin. That the ministerial work at that time was not a source of great financial gain, will be apparent to all when I state that, for that three months' labor, I received my board and lodging, a ten dollar

buffalo robe overcoat, and ten dollars in money, and that I had to pay my share of the home expenses at Waukon, where my wife was tarrying.

In the fore part of June I joined Brethren Hart and Everts in tent labor with the Wisconsin tent at Mackford. A number of our people were living there who had come from Oswego, N. Y., and were anxious that their neighbors should have the evidence of their faith set forth. Not only did this result in some of their neighbors accepting the truth (among them Rufus Baker), but some others who were casually in attendance accepted the truth.

Brother Thurston, the father of Brother W. H. Thurston, who has been one of our ministers in Canada, had accepted the truth, but his wife, who was an earnest, devoted church-member of another denomination, had not yet taken her stand. She had the idea that we trusted in our own efforts in law keeping for salvation, instead of the righteousness of Christ. After two days of listening to the preaching, and a careful study of the subject, as taught in the book of Romans, she took a firm stand with her husband.

Another case of much interest was that of Brother Philander Cady of Poy Sippi, Wis. He was engaged in constructing a barn for a man in the vicinity of the meeting. He heard for a whole day one Sunday on the messages, the law, and the Sabbath question. He took notes of what he heard so that he might give the subject a thorough study. He was greatly stirred by what he heard, but supposed he could find "proof on the other side," for Sunday keeping. He gave the subject a full study, and like

many others, found that the truth was in what he had heard at the tent. Rejoicing in the newly found light, he did not wish to keep it all to himself, but sought to communicate it to his neighbors. Near to him was living John Matteson, a Scandinavian minister of the Baptist order. He believed him to be an honest, upright man, who only wished to know the truth to be led to accept and obey it. They entered into an earnest study of the subject together, which resulted in Brother Matteson's accepting the same, and at once presenting it to the people of his nationality. Among his first converts was Brother John Hanson. The result of the faithful labors of these servants of the Lord, who are now both sleeping, eternity alone will reveal.

From Mackford we went with our tent by railroad to Boscobel. Then a brother, with his team, took our tent some thirty miles to Dodgeville right in the midst of the lead mines. Here resided a Brother McLaughlin who was anxious that some of his fellow townsmen should hear and accept the truth. In this he was not disappointed. If this three weeks' effort could have continued longer, doubtless still greater results would have been apparent.

It was a strong infidel town, but somehow these infidels took a great interest in our meetings. In those days we took no collections. These infidels, unknown to us, made a move to raise for me, individually, fifty dollars—this to match a great public festival of a few weeks before to raise fifty dollars for a minister in the place. We left the place sooner than they expected. They had secured only sixty dollars of the fifty proposed. One of them came in to

Brother McLaughlin's, laid the money on the table before me, and explained to me the situation, and that it was a personal donation to me. The haste in getting away was that Brethren Hart and Everts had a harvest of wheat to gather, and so must hurry home.

After the donor retired I saw in one of these brethren eagle eyes looking toward the money. I thought to myself, "He thinks he ought to have that money." I said, "Brother, it may appear to you that as you have been meeting tent expenses you ought to have that money." He replied "Yes!" scooped the money off the table into his hand, and placed it in his own pocket. That was the last I heard of the donation to me. J. N. Loughborough.

The Field

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

The Southern California Conference Synopsis of Proceedings

The regular annual meeting of the Southern California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists was held in San Diego in connection with the camp-meeting August 4 to 14. The attendance at this gathering was large, hence nearly every church in the conference was well represented by delegates. Nine regular meetings of the conference were held in which the evangelical, missionary, educational, publishing, and medical interests of the work were given careful consideration.

The president's address containing the statistics of the work of the conference for the year will be found in the RECORDER of August 11.

The committees that framed the work for the delegates are as follows:

On Nominations: H. W. Lindsay, J. E. Hart, T. W. Carswell, M. A. Hollister, W. S. Ritchie, B. B. Davis, T. S. Nightingale.

On Plans and Resolutions: C. E. Ford, H. G. Lucas, J. A. Burden, W. M. Healey, J. J. Wessels, M. H. St. John, T. J. Evans, J. W. McCord, E. L. Cardey, G. A. Wheeler, Ernest Lloyd.

On Credentials and Licenses: G. A. Irwin, E. J. Hibbard, Clarence Santee, J. W. Adams, B. P. Passons.

Officers

The following officers were elected for the conference:

President, E. E. Andross.

Secretary and Treasurer, Frank Lane.

Executive Committee: E. E. Andross, E. J. Hibbard, H. G. Lucas, J. A. Burden, H. W. Lindsay, C. E. Ford, and J. W. McCord.

Trustees of the Southern California Association of Seventh-day Adventists: E. E. Andross, E. J. Hibbard, H. G. Lucas, J. A. Burden, H. W. Lindsay, C. E. Ford, J. W. McCord.

Trustees of Glendale Sanitarium: E. E. Andross, M. D. Learned, J. J. Wessels, H. W. Lindsay, J. A. Burden, C. F. Marvin, and C. H. Castle.

Trustees of the Sanitarium Association of Seventh-day Adventists: E. E. Andross, J. J. Wessels, H. W. Lindsay, J. A. Burden, C. F. Marvin, D. D. Comstock, and C. H. Castle.

Departmental Officers appointed by Executive Committee of the Conference: Canvassing Agent, Clyde Morten.

Field Missionary Secretary, Ernest Lloyd.

Young People's Secretary, M. H. St. John.

Religious Liberty Secretary, Wm. M. Healey.

Sabbath-school Secretary, Miss Jennie Ireland.

Educational Secretary, Prof. H. G. Lucas.

Ass't Superintendent Church Schools, Miss Ada Somerset.

Tract Society Secretary, Flora M. Eggers.

Credentials and Licenses

Credentials and licenses were voted as follows:

Ministerial Credentials: E. E. Andross, J. W. Adams, E. H. Adams, J. A. Burden, E. S. Ballenger, A. G. Christiansen, E. L. Cardey, C. E. Ford, W. M. Healey, E. J. Hibbard, H. G. Lucas, J. W. McCord, R. S. Owen, G. A. Rauleder, F. I. Richardson, J. H. Rogers (honorary), F. R. Shaeffer, C. Santee, M. H. St. John, S. S. Thurston, Luther Warren, Fred Paap.

Ordination and Credentials: E. M. Adams, A. S. Booth, H. J. Hoare.

Ministerial License: J. F. Blunt, Silas Davis, W. F. Hills, C. F. Marvin.

Missionary License: C. E. Andross, Beulah Baker, Flora M. Eggers, Mrs.

M. E. Hoyt, C. E. Garnsey, Belle Hickox, Jennie L. Ireland, Ethel Keough, Frank Lane, Ernest Lloyd, Mrs. L. A. Parsons, Leslie Rice, Mrs. F. R. Shaeffer, Mrs. Amy P. Temple, Mrs. Nellie Simpson, G. A. Wheeler, Henry Zutt.

Missionary License, not under Conference pay: Dr. W. A. Ruble, Dr. T. J. Evans, Dr. G. K. Abbott, Dr. R. S. Cummings, Dr. Julia White, Dr. Lillis Wood-Starr, T. W. Carswell, Mrs. Josephine Gotzian, Mrs. Belle Baker, Mrs. Hendricks, J. F. Gaster, Mrs. J. F. Gaster, G. P. Loy, E. C. Jaeger.

Missionary Credentials, Church School Teachers: S. Parker Smith, Milton P. Robison, Mrs. H. G. Lucas, Mrs. E. C. Davey, Miss Irma Lewis, W. S. Boynton, B. B. Davis, Mrs. B. B. Davis, Emily A. Johnson, Ada Somerset, Laura Wagner, James I. Robison, Waldo Miramonte, Ina Marchus, A. W. Russell, Emma Marchus, Crystal Eggers, V. Pearl Stone, Bertha Messick, Mabel Earp; Bertha Burrows, Ida Bennett, Elizabeth Rice, D. D. Voth, Minnie Jensen, Myrtle Alley, Mable Swanson, Ida Shirley, L. Hesseltine, Ethel Clark, Lena Robinson, Mrs. B. F. Harris, Robert Sanders.

Resolutions Adopted

The following recommendations from the Committee on Plans were adopted:

Whereas, The Lord has graciously and richly blessed us in this conference during the past year, adding many to our numbers, supplying additional means and facilities for the extension of His cause, and restraining hostile movements that have threatened the freedom of the people; therefore,

1. (a) *Resolved*, That we as a conference, and as individuals, do express our heartfelt gratitude to our heavenly Father for His long-suffering and tender mercies, for the light which shines upon our pathways, for the manifold blessings daily bestowed upon us, for the evidences of His presence in our midst, for all the prosperity that has attended our labors, and for the many omens that the Gospel message is nearing its final triumph; and further,

(b) *Resolved*, That we do gladly consecrate ourselves, our little ones, and our substance, to the work of God, and hold ourselves in readiness for whatsoever service He may ask of us in proclaiming the Gospel of the kingdom and making ready a people prepared for the Lord.

Whereas, Evangelistic canvassing has been placed by the Lord as second to no other line of work; therefore,

2. *Resolved*, That proper persons of mature age be encouraged to enter the canvassing work, and that we earnestly solicit the hearty cooperation of our ministering brethren and the church officers in all the churches in securing such workers.

Whereas, The Lord has mentioned Southern California as being a field especially favorable for the sale of "Object Lessons" and "Ministry of Healing;" therefore,

3. *Resolved*, That we renew our effort with "Object Lessons," and that a strong systematic effort be made in all our churches with the relief edition of "Ministry of Healing."

Whereas, During the past school year, our schools have again been successfully supported through the payment of the second tithe; therefore,

4. *Resolved*, That we endorse this system for the operation of our schools during 1910-11, and that we encourage our people to adopt this plan in educating our children and youth in our own Christian schools.

Whereas, the future success of our church schools in Southern California depends largely upon well-trained teachers; therefore,

5. *Resolved*, That all our workers and members urge many of our young men and women to receive a normal training at Fernando, so as to have a constant supply of teachers to appoint to local schools.

6. *Resolved*, That we advise those desiring training to attend the following schools:

(a) Those seeking regular courses of training as ministers, Bible workers, teachers, foreign missionaries, or business workers, and those wishing the academic or preparatory medical academic courses, to enter our school at San Fernando, Cal.

(b) Those desiring regular work in any of the above courses above the twelfth grade or college work to go to the Pacific Union College, St. Helena, Cal.

(c) Those desiring regular work in medical lines above the preparatory to enroll at the College of Medical Evangelists, Loma Linda, Cal.

(d) Those desiring a special and

speedy preparation for work in the field, be urged to go to any of these schools as the Spirit of God may impress them.

Whereas, Some of our worthy poor young people would like to be trained in missionary work at Fernando Academy; and,

Whereas, The Lord has told us that each conference should raise a fund to loan or give to worthy poor students who desire to become workers for Him; therefore,

7. *Resolved*, That we proceed at once to raise such a fund and that the president, the educational secretary, and the young people's secretary be a committee to make selection of suitable persons to send to the academy when the funds will warrant it.

We, the members of the Glendale Sanitarium corporation, convened pursuant to law for the transaction of general business, and believing it to be for the best interest of its constituency, do hereby make the following resolution:

8. *Resolved*, That the board of trustees be hereby authorized and empowered to make an assignment of its right, title, and interest in and to all its personal, mixed, and real property and estate to the Sanitarium Association of Seventh-day Adventists of Southern California, with headquarters at Los Angeles, Cal., the said last mentioned association taking said property subject to all indebtedness and assuming all its obligations, and make the necessary conveyances by such instruments of writing as may be appropriate and necessary; and the right to use the corporate name of Glendale Sanitarium.

9. *Resolved*, That we amend article nine of the constitution of the Southern California Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists to read, "This constitution may be amended at any regular meeting by a two-thirds vote of the members present."

Whereas, The financial and spiritual burdens of this conference have become too great for one man as president to bear; therefore,

10. *Resolved*, That the incoming conference committee be instructed to select a suitable person to assist the president in any way deemed necessary by the committee.

Whereas, The finances of our churches ought to be carefully handled, and many

of our treasurers have had but little training in bookkeeping; therefore,

11. We recommend that the churches carefully audit their accounts.

Whereas, The selection of suitable officers is vital to the welfare of our churches; therefore,

12. (a) We recommend that all our churches before their annual election of officers appoint first a nominating committee, giving them sufficient time carefully and prayerfully to consider the selections to be made, and to report to the church; and further,

(b) We recommend that those be chosen to bear the sacred and weighty responsibilities of church office who are faithful in the discharge of the duties that devolve upon church-members, and who are sound in the message.

13. We recommend that none be appointed to bear the sacred and weighty responsibilities of church office who are not themselves faithful in the discharge of the duties that devolve upon church-members, including the payment of tithe, living out health reform, and belief in the Spirit of prophecy.

Whereas, The spiritual interests of our camp-meeting demand the attention of our ministers who are usually occupied on committees during this time; therefore,

14. *Resolved*, That we separate the business meetings of the conference from the camp-meeting, transacting the business in a spring session. (See Recommendation No. 24.)

Whereas, The Lord through His servant instructs that special work should be done among our churches in the training of home workers, and reviving and strengthening the tract and missionary work in general; and,

Whereas, We are endeavoring to more thoroughly organize and build up this department; therefore,

15. We recommend that our ministers, other conference workers, and church officers earnestly cooperate with our field missionary secretary by keeping before our people the need of service, and encouraging and teaching them in practical lines of missionary endeavor.

Whereas, In the organization of our church missionary work the missionary secretary (librarian) naturally becomes the leader in aggressive lines of work; therefore,

16. We recommend that this be considered when this officer is chosen, and

that just as far as possible the one selected may be an active worker and capable to lead out and encourage all to be working members.

Whereas, The sale of our ten-cent magazines is proving effective in pioneer work; and,

Whereas, This work is made almost, if not entirely, self-supporting in the cities; therefore,

17. We recommend that continuous effort be put forth on the part of our workers to select and encourage suitable persons of mature age to engage regularly in this work, and that these be put in communication with our field missionary secretary for assistance and direction.

18. *Resolved*, That in harmony with the recommendation of the General Conference we proceed to raise our quota of the \$300,000 fund, continuing the work until completed.

Whereas, There are in the United States more than one hundred thousand sightless people, and in the areas of the English-speaking world about two hundred and fifty thousand, that need the raised types; and,

Whereas, The Christian Herald Publishing Co., of College View, Neb., has been established for this purpose; and,

Whereas, The majority of our sightless friends are poor in this world's goods and can not afford the purchase of the literature; therefore,

19. *Resolved*, That we encourage this enterprise by a liberal freewill offering.

Whereas, There are two conferences in the union conference, that, on account of their small constituency, require financial assistance; therefore, to provide for this expense,

20. *Resolved*, That we unite with the other conferences of the union in the payment of a second tithe of the first tithe into the treasury of the Pacific Union Conference.

Whereas, God has entrusted this people with the work of warning the world against the union of church and state; and,

Whereas, The first step toward such union is almost always an effort to obtain Sunday laws, either municipal, state, or national; therefore,

21. *Resolved*, That with the help of God we will endeavor to put forth greater efforts in the future, than in the past,

for the circulation of literature and petitions against Sunday laws.

Whereas, We have no right or authority to dictate how any shall vote as concerns either men or measures; therefore,

22. *Resolved*, That resolutions passed in temperance or similar meetings must not be construed as pledging the denomination to any political party.

23. *Resolved*, That all our people send and report all offerings and donations to the cause in general through the regular channels of the church and conference treasury.

24. We recommend that the conference committee endeavor to arrange for a more rapid dispatch of business in our conference meetings, and if necessary extend the usual length of the camp-meeting and conference so that business matters shall not interfere with the spiritual interest of the meeting, and that all measures conflicting with this resolution are hereby repealed and left to the conference committee to arrange.

25. *Resolved*, That we extend our heartfelt thanks to the Chamber of Commerce and the street-car company of San Diego, the Sunset Telephone Company, and the Santa Fe Railway Company for the favors extended, and to the citizens of San Diego for their kindly assistance.

Our Music a Blessing

There are many statements in the "Testimonies" concerning the value of music in soul-winning. It is always a reverent use of music in God's service, and we can not think that the God who rejoices in a heavenly choir is less pleased when His children here use their voices in His praise. Is not the ability to do this a talent to be increased? True, many of us may not be able to make it yield more than one talent, but any one can do more than hide it in the earth.

"Let all take time to cultivate the voice so that God's praise can be sung in clear, soft tones, not with harshness and shrillness that offend the ear."

—Volume VI.

Music is one of the "all means" to be used in working for lost souls, and as a people who are seeking to give an unpopular truth to the world we may, oft-times, clothe it with this attractive garment, and thus bring the knowledge of

Christ to some who would otherwise be turned away.

I believe we do not know, as yet, all God desires us to do with this talent. We are too much bound to worldly methods in studies musical as in other work. Our aim is not the same as the world's; why should our preparation be the same?

I do not know what He has for us, yet unrevealed, but I do believe we ought to give more earnest, prayerful heed to the *sacred rendering* (I say it advisedly) of hymns, both on instruments and with our voices. Too often it is impossible to recognize a selection as sacred without the words before you. I grant that it is not always the fault of the player. In many instances sacred words have been set to music entirely unworthy of the name and far below the plane of sacred things.

But let us, as those who are seeking to make the world brighter and better for our sojourn in it, determine to weed out these cheap jingles from our collections of sacred song, making the number less if we can not replace them with hymns worthy of the message we have to bear. Let us seek for the fine, the uplifting in music, and recognize the truth that cheap music has a degrading influence upon our character, as does cheap literature.

In many homes where light reading is not tolerated for a day, the music shelves are full of the popular made-for-money style of music that surely does not make for strength, sanity, and sweetness in character-building. It may take some effort to learn to enjoy good, solid music, but is it not worth while? I often think of the artist who in reply to one who scornfully said he could not see all that he could in a sunset, quietly asked, "Don't you wish you could?"

Of course it takes study. We can not fully enjoy it at once. That is true of anything worth while. But we appreciate according to the effort we put forth. The gain for us is measured by what we ourselves have put in.

And it takes more than technical ability to give the Gospel in music. We must have the love and tenderness of Christ in us before our voices and fingers can pass it on to others. Our hearts, the instruments of the Great Musician, must respond to His touch before we can transcribe His melodies.

"Music can be a great power for good; yet we do not make the most of this branch of worship. The singing is generally done from impulse, or to meet special cases, and at other times those who sing are left to blunder along, and the music loses its proper effect upon the minds of those present. Music should have beauty, pathos, and power. Let the voice be lifted in songs of praise and devotion. Call to your aid, if practicable, instrumental music, and let the glorious harmony ascend to God as acceptable offering. But it is sometimes more difficult to discipline the singers and keep them in working order, than to improve the habits of prayer and exhorting. Many want to do things after their own style. They object to consultation and are impatient under leadership. Well-matured plans are needed in the service of God." — *Volume IV.*

This is a call to more consecrated musical service. Let us put ourselves entirely under the control of the Master Musician, that our hands and our hearts may be attuned to His service.

Irma E. Lewis,

Director of Music, Fernando Academy.

A Day in Ship Mission Work

At a rally of young people recently held at Long Beach, it was decided to promote the ship mission work at San Pedro, whence several interested members were present. A collection of more than ten dollars was given, to which a San Pedro brother later added enough more to pay for twenty weekly *Signs* for six months. Other papers have been sent in by friends, and we wish to assure any who may have such papers to spare that they will be placed where they will tell to the advancement of the message. The little church at that place, though largely composed of sisters and those not blessed with abundant means, possesses earnest, consecrated workers who are anxious to spread the message.

Thursday, August 18, about fifty of our people arrived at this port on our return from the annual camp-meeting. One of this number, Brother Hawkins of San Pedro, had brought with him a large supply of up-to-date message-filled magazines, which had been purchased by the San Pedro friends for distribution. In addition to this we had in the party a

supply of the Temperance Number of the *Youth's Instructor*, which the young people on the camp ground had paid for, with the express idea that they should be placed on the boats.

It is the object of this article to tell how marvelously the Lord opened the way to have these papers placed on board the United States torpedo-boats, ten of which lay near San Pedro.

As soon as I had found a safe place for our baggage, I proceeded to visit the Truxton, one of the fleet that lay alongside the wharf. I saw its commander and obtained permission to place the literature in the mess rooms used by the crew. He gave me the desired information as to how I could best place the literature aboard the seven other boats lying behind the breakwater in the outer harbor, separated from each other by distances varying from three hundred yards to a mile or more.

Brother Hawkins's mother and I waited at the city wharf until the launch from one of the boats came in. We told our errand to the one in charge as directed by the officer of the Truxton. He willingly took us to the Perry. Here the chief officer received us, and, after learning our errand, escorted me personally to different mess rooms, where I left the papers, speaking a word to the men in regard to their value and requesting careful usage.

From the Perry we were taken in the launch to the Stewart, where we placed their portion of papers. It would have seemed more economical for them to have sent us the round in one boat, but each time our kind host would pass us on in his own boat. The launch of the Stewart was undergoing repairs, so the captain's gig was fitted up with cushions, etc., and five men rowed us and our bundles of papers over to the Preble. Thus we passed from boat to boat, welcomed and kindly received, although it was at a time of target practise when the men were not given liberty or visitors allowed aboard.

In the afternoon we were landed by the launch of the Whipple, at the same wharf from which we had started in the morning. We were hungry, tired, and greasy, as the result of our efforts to place the Gospel-filled literature on board these destructive instruments of warfare which speak so plainly as signs of the second coming of Him whom we love.

After lunch I visited two others of the same fleet that lay at a wharf on the opposite side of the channel. The statement of my errand gained for me a free ferry to and from the boats, so that during the day no expense was incurred for transportation in placing about four hundred periodicals on this fleet and some commercial boats.

Any who desire to assist in this work will kindly mail such literature as they can spare to Charles Bennett, 733 Dodson St., San Pedro, Cal.

D. D. Fitch.

August 23.

The Bible Name for the Locomotive

Among Oriental Jews there is a widespread belief that the recent opening of the railway from Joppa to Jerusalem is a sure precursor of the coming of the Messiah.

The foundation for the opinion is said to be Isa. 66:20: "They shall bring all your brethren for an offering unto the Lord out of all nations upon horses, and in chariots, and in litters, and upon mules, and upon swift beasts, to My holy mountain Jerusalem, saith the Lord."

The Hebrew word which is translated "swift beasts" is *karkarah*. The roots of this word are found in 2 Sam. 6:14, in connection with David's peculiar swaying dance, and also in the common Hebrew word for furnace. Hence the derived meaning "a swaying furnace."

As the prophet in holy vision was permitted to look down the stream of time and view the ingathering of the Israel of faith, among the many different vehicles used by God to bring people into contact with the truth was a very strange and rapid conveyance, the fore part of which swayed and carried fire. So he called it "a swaying furnace." What a picturesque expression for a locomotive in rapid motion! — *H. E. A. Minchin.*

I want it said of me, by those who know me best, that I have always plucked a thistle and planted a flower in its place, wherever a flower would grow. — *Lincoln.*

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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 1910

Do not forget that the Missionary Volunteer Reading Courses begin in the *Youth's Instructor* of October 4. This is a rare opportunity for young people to be guided in systematic reading of a few carefully selected books. Do not miss it.

Brethren J. R. Ferren and Ernest Lloyd are beginning a six weeks' campaign among the churches in Southern California. Under date of August 23, Brother Ferren writes with reference to this, as follows: "This week we are working Orange, Garden Grove, Santa Ana, and Anaheim. Will continue with Norwalk, Centralia, Long Beach, and a list of other places. Our sales of small books, *Signs* subscriptions, etc., have amounted to about \$56, and more will be taken here at Orange to-night at the tent meeting. The Lord is blessing the work in Southern California."

At the Southern California camp-meeting held at San Diego there were three hundred family tents pitched upon the grounds, and it was estimated that at least fifteen hundred of our people were attending the meetings. The attendance of the citizens of San Diego was very good, and a strong tent company was organized to follow up and develop the interest.

The Sabbath-school collections amounted to \$826.54. An educational fund to assist worthy students was created, \$170.50 being paid in cash, and \$224.00 in pledges. To assist in erecting

a girls' dormitory building at Loma Linda, \$298.50 was contributed in cash, and \$6,500.00 in pledges, \$3,500.00 of which is conditioned on the sale of property. The Loma Linda Sanitarium employees have pledged, also, nearly \$3,000 to this same enterprise. For the assistance of the work for the blind \$155.97 was raised in cash and \$74.00 in pledges, to which the conference voted to add \$300.00 of its funds. The collections on camp-meeting fund amounted to \$287.83.

The Loma Linda Sanitarium's report showed a very encouraging increase in its patronage for the past year. The business transacted with guests amounted to \$57,000.00, which is an increase over the previous year of \$20,000.00. The net gain for the year after making due allowance for depreciation and bad debts, etc., is \$4,006.00, exclusive of \$15,884.00 donations received.

The Paradise Valley Sanitarium reported a very successful year's work. The influence of the rational methods used for treating the sick is gradually extending through the city of San Diego and near-by towns, so that the institution enjoys an excellent local patronage.

The Glendale Sanitarium reported an increased and growing patronage for the past twelve months. Since this institution is so pleasantly situated near Los Angeles, in the beautiful growing suburb of Glendale, we anticipate that its doors will be crowded with people twelve months in the year, seeking for admission.

For Sale

A fine home near Pacific Union College, consisting of forty-seven acres of land, good house of eight rooms almost new, with good cold water piped from near-by spring, large barn, five acres bearing orchard, nine acres good fruit and vegetable land, upon which is a large spring furnishing water for irrigation. Remainder, pasture and timber land, some suitable for fruit-growing if cleared.

For particulars address

L. M. Bowen,
Sanitarium, California.

For Sale.— A beautiful home near the *Signs* office, at a great sacrifice. Address F. J. B., Box 293, Mountain View, Cal.

Missionary Items from Southern California

Brother C. C. Morlan has been called from Springfield, Mo., to act as field missionary agent for the Southern California Conference. Brother Morlan has had a good experience in this branch of the Lord's work previous to his coming to this field, and we are sure the work will prosper under his management. We extend a hearty welcome to him and trust that he will enjoy his work in this field.

Brother G. A. Wheeler, former field agent for Southern California, was called to take charge of the "Ministry of Healing" and "Christ's Object Lessons" campaign and also to visit the churches in the interest of the "three hundred thousand dollar fund." He states that he has been burdened for that work for some time, and we are sure that the Lord will bless his earnest efforts in behalf of that work.

During the camp-meeting at San Diego, several meetings were held in the interest of the subscription book work. Among other statements from the Spirit of prophecy, the following was read: "The enemy of souls is using every means in his power to lead the canvasser to take up some other line of work. This order of things should be changed. God calls the canvassers back to their work." In response to the question, "Who will respond to that call to come back to the work?" several expressed their determination to again take up the work and to stay with it this time till it is finished.

There were ten in attendance at the institute which was held right after the camp-meeting. At the close of the institute we had field day, and all seemed greatly encouraged to press on in the work of carrying the truth from door to door till all shall have had an opportunity to receive or reject the message.

Further information in regard to this work in that conference may be obtained by writing the field agent and by watching the reports which will appear each week in the RECORDER.

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