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The Field

Visit to Kansas City

It would hardly be worth while to mention my brief stay in this city, but for what I have noticed while here regarding the principles of religious liberty. My visit was on Sunday, November 6, and I took pains to examine into the after-effects of the late Sunday law enforcement under the famous administration of Judge Wallace. Two years ago indictments were found against nearly two thousand persons for violating the Sunday law of Missouri.

Now I find nearly all kinds of business running openly on Sunday, including grocery, plumbing, meat markets, barber shops, and even billiard rooms. I do not think that even San Francisco has so much open Sunday business as I saw in Kansas City on this visit to the place. I asked one man if the people were any worse now than when the Sunday law

was enforced. He said, "No, they could not be any worse than they were at that time."

Taking this testimony as a truthful one, it was evident that the Sunday law enforcement did not improve the morals of the people. In fact I heard the testimony emphatically borne that now, when the vote is about to be taken as to whether the state of Missouri shall have prohibition or not, many, who are, in a way, temperance people, say that they will vote against the question on account of their dislike of Judge Wallace, who is now at the head of the temperance movement. So bitter do they still feel about his enforcement of the Sunday law, that now they will vote against a good thing out of spite toward him.

The prediction was freely made by temperate people that, on account of the strong feeling against the oppression brought by the Sunday law enforcement, the temperance question would lose in the issue. The eighth of November will decide it, however; but the attitude of the people here now shows what bitter factional strife may come in California if a Sunday law shall be enacted by its forthcoming legislature. J. O. Corliss.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Conference Notes

A new church building at Orange is nearing completion. They have two good lots, and will doubtless erect a church school building another year.

The church in Pomona have sold their old church property, and have purchased a large corner lot conveniently located,

and are erecting a very neat, commodious chapel.

We still have two large tent meetings in progress in Los Angeles, and the results thus far have been very satisfactory. We have great reason for gratitude for what has been done this summer in bringing people into this message.

There has been considerable agitation in Los Angeles, also in other parts of the field, over the question of local and statewide Sunday laws. Accordingly we held a mass-meeting in the interest of religious liberty in Simpson Auditorium, Los Angeles, Sunday, October 30. This was quite largely attended and received very favorable notice by the city papers.

Sabbath, October 29, was devoted in our churches largely to the crisis which we are so rapidly approaching in the union of Catholicism and Protestantism. We find our people ready to respond to the call of the hour, and are taking hold of the work with these petitions before the next session of the legislature, and every day that passes makes it more difficult to awaken the people to a true sense of their danger along these lines. The sentiment is rapidly changing in favor of Puritanic laws.

Sabbath, October 22, was devoted to the interest of the \$300,000 Fund throughout this conference. Most of the churches were provided with help, and an earnest effort was put forth to raise by cash and subscriptions as much as possible of our quota, amounting to about five dollars per member. From the reports that have come in thus far we are very

much encouraged with the results. Several of our churches succeeded in raising more than their quota, to be paid in largely this year. We can heartily recommend this plan.

E. E. Andross,
President.

Religious Liberty Meetings

Simpson Auditorium

Los Angeles has just passed through another crisis on the Sunday issue. Dr. Charles Edward Locke, the avowed representative of the National Reform Association, began to stir the people up over Sunday observance, demanding the closing of the new post-office on Sunday. His fallacious discourses at the First Methodist Episcopal Church, of which he is pastor, were reported by the newspapers, and we could get little printed in opposition to these reports, the secular press apparently having tired of defending right principles.

Confronted by the apathy of the general public, as manifested by the press, and alarmed by the headway gained by false teaching, our conference workers gave willing consent to the plan proposed by President Andross to hold a mass-meeting at Simpson Auditorium, where by expression could be given to our opposition. This meeting was held Sunday afternoon, October 30. At least a thousand people were present, and so emphatic a protest was forthcoming, that the daily newspapers recovered force enough to print good reports of the exercises.

The Jewish people were represented in the symposium by Dr. Sigmund Hecht, rabbi of Congregation B'nai B'rith, and Rabbi Louis A. Meyers of Congregation Sinai, the two leading synagogues of the city. Dr. Lewis A. Platts, pastor of the Seventh-day Baptist Church of this city, and the Rev. T. A. Gill, of Pacific Grove, also a Seventh-day Baptist minister, both spoke at the mass-meeting, as did also Reynold E. Blight, the popular minister of the Los Angeles Fellowship Church. The Hon. Waldo M. York, formerly judge of this county, presided, and all gave hearty endorsement to the principles of civil and religious liberty. Our own church was represented by Elder E. E. Andross, president of the Southern California Conference, Prof. E. J. Hibbard, of Fernando College, and Elder W. M.

Healey. The program, while necessarily quite lengthy, was enthusiastically received, and the remarks of all the speakers were forcible and punctuated with applause and demonstrated the approval of the congregation.

Back of the speakers on the platform was a large choir, supported by an orchestra and the large pipe organ. Elder M. H. St. John had charge of the music and provided special features, among which notably was a soprano solo by Charlotte Elizabeth Wands, a local celebrity, of remarkable vocal powers. The collection, amounting to \$43.77, came within \$3.77 of covering the entire cost of advertising and hall rental.

The following resolutions were adopted:

“Whereas, God, in His wisdom, created man a free moral agent, not subject to the dictation of his fellow men in matters of conscience; and,

“Whereas, The history of the world abounds in examples of coercion, whereby the moral scruples of godly men have been ignored, their inalienable rights of conscience trampled in the dust, and their lives and property sacrificed, in a futile attempt to control their religious convictions and practises; and,

“Whereas, These multiplied failures to dominate the minds and hearts of men, and to regulate their action by force, do not deter some modern religionists from renewed appeals to the civil power, for administrative orders and legislative enactments, that would compel the surrender of their God-given judgment in the realm of conscience; and,

“Whereas, A concerted movement is under way to secure the amendment of the state and national constitutions, so as to eliminate just provisions for the free exercise of religious worship, and to substitute therefor terms whereby religious legislation might be constitutionally effected; and,

“Whereas, The primary object of these verbal alterations in the fundamental law of the land is to make possible the exaltation of the first day of the week as the Sabbath, notwithstanding the conviction of many that the law of God is not subject to human amendment, and notwithstanding the undeniable right of the individual, so far as the state is concerned, to choose for himself which day

he will observe as a day of rest, or whether he will rest at all; now, therefore, be it

“Resolved, That we, the people of Los Angeles, in mass-meeting assembled, do hereby express our unalterable conviction that civil and religious liberty, the treasured heritage of our fathers, ought to be maintained throughout the republic. We deplore the effort to curtail the free exercise of religious conviction by civil process and the attempt to force upon others the conclusions of any man or set of men, as to which day is the Sabbath, or to regulate by civil law any religious custom or ceremonial.

“Resolved, That the state, in the proper exercise of the functions of government, has no right to discriminate in favor of or against any citizen or citizens, on account of his or their religious opinions or practises. We, therefore, demand the freedom vouchsafed by the Creator and safeguarded by the existing constitution, to worship God according to the dictates of our own consciences, without interference by self-imposed censors, or arbitrary dictation by the civil power. We distinctly demand that the senate and the assembly of the state of California refrain from the submission to the voters of the state and from the consideration in the halls of legislation of any constitutional amendment or bill that may be offered, whose adoption would make religious legislation possible, or which might serve as a pretext for the future passage of a Sunday law.

“Resolved, That these resolutions be engrossed, and that copies of the same be presented to the senate and assembly of the state, at the ensuing session of the state legislature, as an expression of our inalienable right and in demonstration of our settled purpose to submit to no civil enactment that infringes upon the domain of conscience.”

Blanchard Hall

Another meeting in the interest of religious liberty was held in Los Angeles Wednesday evening, November 2, at Blanchard Hall, where the distinctive truths proclaimed by Seventh-day Adventists had more definite presentation than at the mass-meeting, reported in this issue, which had previously been held at Simpson Auditorium.

Elder E. E. Andross, president of the Southern California Conference, presided,

and the Hon. Will D. Gould, a prominent attorney, spoke on the constitutional aspects of religious legislation, endorsing not only the attitude of its opponents, but also the ground taken by observers of the seventh day as the only scriptural Sabbath. His remarks were logical and conclusive.

Elder Luther Warren presented the issue in the light of the divine requirement, and Elder W. M. Healey spoke effectively in reviewing the platitudes of Dr. Charles Edward Locke, local representative of the National Reform Association, who had been demanding a Sunday law for California, as well as the closing of the theaters and post-office on Sunday.

Notwithstanding the rainy night, there was a fair audience, and the two meetings held in Los Angeles are expected to aid materially in the gathering of signatures to the protest to be filed with the state legislature at the ensuing session. In the face of such pronounced opposition, the advocates of Sunday rest have subsided into silent endeavor to foster the spirit of legislation, but with the Federation of Churches endorsing Dr. Locke's position, and with the doctor as president of the federation, to urge activity, the need of effective effort on the part of true Sabbath-keepers to stem the tide of error is palpably apparent.

J. F. Blunt.

November 6.

Medical Missionary Work in Los Angeles

We are glad to report that our medical missionary workers in the city of Los Angeles are continuing to have excellent experiences. During the first month of their work, they visited thirty homes where there were poor, sick people; gave fifty treatments, and made fifty instructive calls, teaching the people how to care for themselves. Thirteen of the cases treated paid a small amount toward the expense, and only two cases paid the full price. Thirty-five were absolutely charity cases. Two patients were taken to the Glendale Sanitarium, and forty-five homes were canvassed for *Life and Health*. Appointments were made with four families to take regular Bible readings, and many missionary talks were given besides. Six Bible studies were given by the workers themselves. Three

demonstrations of our treatments and methods were given in connection with gospel services in the city.

The expense for the first month has of course exceeded the income, the total income having been \$19.75, and the expense somewhat over \$50.00, therefore a shortage of \$30.25. But we believe that our workers have done a great deal of good.

We are instructed by the Lord through the Spirit of prophecy that now is the time to work the cities, and also that the medical missionary work is the entering wedge. We believe that our workers will meet with greater success during the coming month, as they are now becoming better acquainted with the people and surroundings. Let us all remember this work in our prayers.

J. J. Wessels,

Manager Glendale Sanitarium.

CALIFORNIA

St. Helena Sanitarium Siftings

The chaplain reports a good interest among the patients.

To all those who still have fruit which they will donate to the India workers it may be said that for a very little time the fund is still open. A few hundred pounds more will be greatly appreciated.

Drs. S. P. S. and Maria L. Edwards are still at Glendale Sanitarium, the former having been quite ill since leaving St. Helena about a month ago. Rumor says they may possibly return to the hillside.

Dr. and Mrs. G. E. Klingerman, of Boston, Mass., arrived at the sanitarium Wednesday, November 2. Dr. Klingerman will be a member of the sanitarium medical staff, occupying the place recently vacated by Dr. Abbott. The sanitarium family gives him a most hearty welcome.

Four of our young people, members of the freshman class of nurses, were baptized recently by the chaplain. They were: Miss Daisy Warden, Miss Alma Pederson, Miss Thersa Adams, and Mr. Floyd Harris. A good spirit prevails among the nurses, and excellent work is being done.

Reports recently read at the quarterly

business meeting of the Sanitarium church revealed the fact that more than \$2,200 tithe had been paid in by the workers during the preceding three months. In addition to the tithe, other gifts and offerings brought the grand total up to more than \$3,300. This is a demonstration that *faithfulness in tithe paying* means faithfulness all along the line. Taking the actual number of those who are wage-earners and have tithe to pay, the average tithe is about twenty-five dollars a member, or about \$100 a year. And salaries on the hillside are not large. This is right. As one brother recently remarked, "We can not do too much for God's work on earth."

Speaking of the financial aspect of the Sanitarium church work, it may be remarked that at present, by unanimous vote of the family, five per cent of each member's earnings is devoted to the needs of the church. But this in no wise decreased, but rather increased, the regular offerings, that of the Sabbath-school alone being more than \$144 for the quarter. It would seem that the more one gives judiciously, the more God puts in his hand with which to give.

Pacific Press Items

Sister Sadie Scott, who has been one of our list-keepers for the past six months, went to San Francisco last week to join Brother Horsman's company of canvassers.

Brother J. A. P. Green, formerly of Southern California, but in charge of the book work in Mexico for the past two years, writes that he will be with us at our bookmen's convention in December. His letter is written at Guadalajara, where this morning's paper tells us there has been an uprising against the Americans, and the home of Dr. W. S. Swayze, where Brother Green is staying, has been attacked and the windows broken out. Let us earnestly pray that this demonstration may not seriously interfere with the excellent work which our canvassers are doing in that country.

As an evidence of interest in the recent articles in the *Signs* on Higher Criticism, we quote the following received this morning from Oorfa, Turkey, Asia:

"I read in the *Signs of the Times* (July 26, 1910) that you are going to put the articles on Higher Criticism by Earle Albert Rowell in permanent form. I hope you have done this. If so, please send one copy to me as a favor with the *Signs* paper. I need to keep these articles always with me in a book form. They will help me in these days especially." Brother Rowell is revising these articles for publication in book form. The date of issue will be announced later.

Last Tuesday night we had the experiences of those who went out with the Ingathering Number of the *Review*. They were particularly interesting. At the close of the meeting the following report was placed upon the board:

Sunnyvale	\$12.80
Mayfield	5.00
San Mateo	9.00
Palo Alto	10.45
Santa Clara	2.40
Redwood	6.80
Menlo Park	3.20
Mountain View	15.05
San Francisco	25.00
Country District	4.45
	\$94.15

But one or two replies had been received from letters sent out, and not all the workers had turned in their money as yet. We hope, therefore, that this amount will be considerably increased.

November 13. H. H. Hall.

California Conference Current

Brother E. S. Horsman, state canvassing agent, made a trip this week to the northern part of the state to help one or two agents there.

Elder and Mrs. Haskell and Brother J. F. Ferren are now at Lodi assisting in the conduct of the special missionary and Bible course which opened there November 13.

Brother W. H. Covell spent last Sabbath with the Santa Rosa church in the interest of work with our papers. Miss Hale was also at Santa Rosa, where she is assisting in the starting of a church school. Miss Edith Oakes will be the teacher.

Prof. and Mrs. E. D. Sharpe, who have been assisting in the Berkeley effort since the camp-meeting at that place, left this week for Washington State. It is quite likely that they will spend the winter in the North, where they will take a much-needed rest. Professor Sharpe hopes to take up active work in the conference next season.

Brother and Sister L. E. Leavett and Sister Moler have moved to Berkeley and are assisting Elder Snyder in the work there. Quite an interest has been manifested in the meetings which have been held in Berkeley since the camp-meeting; and while the tent effort has been closed for the season, the work is to be carried on by visiting and distributing literature. It may be that hall meetings will be started a little later.

Under date of November 7, Elder T. H. Watson writes from Napa: "We have had two other additions to the church. Including those reported before, we now have nineteen new members. Several have taken a new stand, some of whom were for a time not keeping the Sabbath. There are others who are keeping the Sabbath, but who, as yet, have not decided to join with the church. We are still working with these, and hope to see victories soon."

A personal letter from Elder M. C. Israel written from Paradise, Cal., on November 4, contains the following of interest relative to the petition work:

"I have had quite a valuable experience in getting names for the anti-Sunday law petitions. Have met nearly one thousand persons who have signed their names, and half as many more who were either opposed, or who would like to see everything shut down so they could have a rest day one day in seven without any special choice of a day. Others were indifferent. Politicians nearly all favor the move, but 'have reasons for not signing it just yet.'

"I have found that the large majority of the publishers, bankers, and business men, are opposed to religious legislation. In Redding, Red Bluff, and Chico, the papers have published articles calling the attention of the people to the subject under head lines such as 'The Blue Law Fight On,' 'Shall We Have Blue Laws

Enacted in California?' 'Fight for Sunday Blue Laws Is On,' etc.

"This has been a great help in getting names. Some who would see me with the petition would say, 'I want to sign that paper.' Some of the lawyers would say, 'You are trying to cross the river before you get to it. The whole thing is unconstitutional.' This would call for a statement of the work of the National Reform Bureau in the Senate of the United States, and their influence to change or override the constitution. "I found a large majority of the most intelligent and refined class of people who were opposed to Sunday laws, or any religious legislation. Surely, the citizens of this section of California that I have visited are largely opposed to Sunday laws.

"If my strength holds out, I expect to visit the main towns on the west side of the Sacramento before returning home."

Claude Conard.

EDUCATION

and Young People's Work

Conducted by C. C. Lewis

Educational Secretary Pacific Union Conference

[We cordially invite correspondence from teachers and young people's workers throughout the Pacific Union Conference. Short, pithy paragraphs from experience, and interesting items from the reading of those who are working for our children and young people, are desired, to make this department a source of inspiration and real help to our readers. Matter should generally be sent to the Educational Secretary, St. Helena, Cal., care of College; but reports and notices for quick publication may be addressed to the RECORDER at Mountain View, Cal., as in the past.]

A Call for Teachers

For eight or nine years Brother Herbert A. Owen has been working to establish a school in Honduras. At last his efforts seem to have been rewarded, and he has a beginning in the school work; but he needs teachers. Professor Owen was one of the first graduates of Union College, and we have been acquainted with him for many years. We know our readers will be interested in his description of their work, and we will let him tell the story of his needs. We hope the Lord will place the burden

upon some consecrated hearts qualified to fill the place he desires. The following is his letter:

"We are trying to find some more help to carry on our work here. School is in progress for girls during the day, and we are preparing for opening the boys' Practical Agricultural School as a boarding school Jan. 1, 1911.

"The Lord has made friends for us, and our equipment is very good. The few necessary things that we still lack we believe will be forthcoming from some source.

"Men to help do the work are needed. We need a graduate of an agricultural college on our staff. Do you know of such a person—some one who loves the present truth and who might undertake work with us?

"We are well located in the center of Central America. Many obstacles to our work have been removed. The union conference president, Elder U. Bender, has visited us and will hereafter lead a helping hand.

The character of our instruction should be high. A graduate of an agricultural college, or one who has special training, would place our school at once where its influence would be much greater than it can be as it is.

"Mrs. Davison is with us teaching the girls. Brother Graham has gone to Colorado. We were sorry to lose him, and he was sorry to go. He hopes to return soon. He is at Fort Collins, Colo., and can give details to any one interested in coming. We are compelled to carry a number of lines from the start, and need several persons to look after them.

"Little fruit is grown in this country, though chance-grown fruits do well. We are ordering a spraying outfit, and a better equipment of tools and chemicals. The big carrying ant must be fought. It ate up part of our vegetables. We are seeking information of our stations in Porto Rico and the Philippines, and are preparing to help the people fight their insect enemies. How interesting this work is! You would enjoy it.

"Plants from many climates grow well in our valley. We have strawberries growing in boxes pending the destruction of ants, and a machine to pump poisonous gas is ordered for the latter. Peaches do well here, also oranges and

bananas and all tropical fruits and vegetables. We do not suffer lack as we did when we were trying to get a foothold. We feel thankful, every time we gather in our dining room, for the goodness of the Lord in providing so well for us. You would enjoy looking over our farm. We have all the bananas, plantains, oranges, mangoes, and avocados we want from our own place. We have a mule called 'Iowa,' and another named 'Brasko.'

"At present much of our work is just hard physical labor, breaking prairie sod with oxen and the plow given us by the young people at Boulder, Colo.

"All the young men of the country are hiding in the bush now, because a revolution is feared, and the government is looking up soldiers. I am happy to belong to a better kingdom. We can go calmly about our work and not be alarmed about the petty quarrels here below.

"Do you know of some one who could come to help us, not as a hireling, but one who loves the cause of God, and knows nothing about going back after he starts on a work? We must have men who can stay. It takes time to get the lay of the land, and some of the language. Besides the agricultural man, we need another man to take charge of the school work, so that one of us can be working among the people all the time.

"Our first baptism awakened interest here. It took place in the school grounds. Elder Bender baptized my daughter Fern and our Spanish girl Louisa.

"We are of good cheer. Send us a man who will wait for his reward till the work is done. The crying need for reform in many things compels us to undertake lines of work we are unprepared for; for instance, our place has an acre of sugar cane. Sugar, brown native loaf sugar, sells at a low price here. White lump sugar can be made to keep a year, or more, but it requires the special attention of an interested person. Sugar pays well. We should be, and are, enlarging our cane field, and until native help can be trained, one person should be able to give considerable time to our sugar interests next year. There is a good market for fine candies here, fine for this country. It would be a very plain product at home. We

would realize many times the price of our sugar if it were manufactured into a higher priced product.

"This year we successfully made our cane into native 'dulcie.' The people say, 'Your dulcie is white and nice;' but we had no mule for freighting it, and some of it has spoiled by gathering dampness. We have taken the spoiled portion and melted it over, so that it is not lost; but we are learning. We calculate on a conservative estimate that thirty acres of sugar cane will make our school independent, and we are working to get that amount of cane planted.

"It has seemed wonderful to us how our money has lasted while getting started. Our cows, seven of them, furnish us milk, it seems much longer than they usually do.

"We praise the Lord for all His benefits. Others would enjoy our blessings with us should they come."

Professor Owen's address is Sigualepeque, Honduras, Central America.

C. C. L.

Cost of Education at Yale

How much money is needed to carry a young man through one of the leading universities? Some light is thrown on this question by a recent "postal card canvass" of the students at Yale. Three hundred and fifty students reported their expenses. The average was a little over \$1,000 a year. Some students spent as much as \$2,800 a year. For the encouragement of poorer boys, however, it may be said that *twenty students reported* their entire expenses as less than \$375 for each college year.

C. C. L.

Helps Gratis

"Something for nothing is a pretty good thing." So I read once, and as a teacher, I have often found it true.

There are many publications, helpful in geography, agriculture, and mission study, which may be secured for the asking. I have in my study a chest full of just such things—maps, charts, books, etc.—which I obtained gratis from the government, from steamship and railway companies, and other sources.

The following can be secured from the government, through your congressman.

Find out who he is, and then courteously ask him for any of these you may need:

1. Large Contour Map of the United States. (Well worth five dollars. One of the best maps published.)
2. Colored Relief-Map of the United States.
3. Report of the Commissioner of Education.
4. Report of the Geographical Congress of 1904.
5. Report of the Smithsonian Institute.
6. Consular Reports — issued monthly.
7. Studies on Alcoholism.
8. Some Common Birds. (Farmer's Bulletin Series.)
9. Some Commonplace Names.

There are many other publications equally good upon such subjects as dietetics, history, agriculture, etc. Ask for a catalogue of publications.

A card will secure for you several beautifully illustrated magazines from the North German-Lloyd Steamship Co., of New York City. Call for the North German-Lloyd Bulletin.

Procure a copy of the *Literary Digest*. Upon one of its pages you will find a list of travel bureaus. Send for some of their itineraries. These are excellent for use in geography study.

The Swiss Federal Railway of New York City puts out some fine literature also.

Apply to the various city superintendents for their school manuals; also to your state superintendent of public instruction for the state manual.

These publications will prove especially helpful to teachers who have little equipment in the way of maps. Be upon the lookout continually for such things. Every time you pass a railway ticket office, stop in and see what they have upon their tables in the way of folders. You will not be sorry.— E. C. Jaeger, in *Christian Education*.

The Vallejo School

Four winters ago, a few faithful souls determined to have a church school in this place. They were helped by three unbelieving young men, who suggested building a little schoolhouse, and who headed the first subscription paper. The writer was the first teacher in the modest building then erected.

On returning to Vallejo, after an ab-

sence of over three years, I found the little building and lot sold; and a neat, appropriate chapel almost ready for use. The school is not as well housed as before, being held temporarily in a small room in the rear of the auditorium.

September 19, school was opened with six in attendance. Now, ten are enrolled, one from the outside.

All are interested in sewing, chair caning, and gardening; and one boy is having a bright experience selling the *Signs Monthly*.

After reading the article, "Helps Gratis," on page 35 of the September-October number of *Christian Education*, I wrote Congressman Knowland, and he had sent to us several bound reports, two unmounted maps, and one large wall map of the United States. And the county school superintendent, in response to a letter, sent a copy of the state school register (the simplest record of any), and other printed matter, with the word to call on him whenever he could be of service to us.

With good helps such as these, and with the better text-books we now have, we surely ought to be able to do a larger work than ever before. But we must not forget that our teachers need daily a supply from on high, for nothing but the power of God will secure results for eternity.

William E. Whitmore.

Among the Redwoods in Humboldt County

It is now nearly ten weeks since the teachers broke ranks, each going a separate way to attend to the needs of the little world which was to claim the individual heart for another school year.

Sabbath morning, following the close of our institute at Angwin's, and a pleasant twenty-four hour voyage along the coast northward from the Golden Gate, I was met at the dock by Elder S. T. Hare, and taken directly to the Sabbath-school. As the doors opened to us, whispers from the primary classes of "That's her," "That's the teacher," were audible, and a dozen pairs of eyes turned to see "her" and to smile a half timid greeting and welcome.

Monday morning twelve little people, with books and lunch baskets, and hearts and eyes full of interest in a new teacher and a new year's duties, came ready for work. I have since added two new

names, bringing our total enrolment to fourteen.

Grades one to five and eight are represented, and from nine of the morning until four of the evening we are, O, so very busy.

I have found the children for the most part well advanced from the hand of Miss Wood, who has so well served them for the three preceding years.

A spirit of hearty cooperation prevails among the patrons, and we have every right to plan for a pleasant and profitable year.

Our schoolroom is neat and most pleasant, well supplied with the necessary school furniture. We have added to its attractiveness by placing fresh white curtains at the windows, some choice pictures on the walls, and a few growing plants where they may refresh us during our busy hours.

We begin to feel quite at home, and are putting forth our most strenuous efforts for success. Just to-day in talking over plans for the year, the pupils as a whole suggested that since Christmas comes upon a Sunday and New Year's the same, we really could get along just as well without a vacation, usually given, and add two weeks of good study to our year.

Our prayer-meetings are to each a source of inspiration to higher and to holier things; and our missionary society is just splendid! These meetings the children conduct entirely, but best of all, their work is not limited to the twice-a-month meetings. They are doing work with a club of *Life and Health*, tracts, and other papers, and have a number of the Missions Number of the *Review* ordered. They are also raising funds sufficient for the support of three colored children in a southern school, by doing the janitor work in the church and by saving their nickels and dimes. This is the fourth year they have done this.

One boy of ten walked yesterday to a village seven miles away to dispose of his copies of *Life and Health*. He also sold several of the *Temperance Instructors*, and gave away other papers and tracts.

His sister going in another direction sold her papers, also some old numbers, and gave out thirty or more pages of tracts.

One little lad of six came to me with

"Guess what I did?—Sold mine before I got home,—sold 'em on the car, I did."

Thank God for our boys and girls! I've often felt, with Miss Hale, that, were I ten persons, I'd be ten church school teachers.

Miss Robertson arrived a few days ago on her way to Miranda, to take charge of the school there.

Eureka is a pleasant little city; the sea in its wild grandeur is most inspiring; the tall redwoods are hushed and corrective to the spirit; the people are kind; the children are obedient, and God's blessing is over us. I thank Him.

Jessie M. Hicks.

Elder and Mrs. Haskell visited the normal Friday on their way home from Nevada. Elder Haskell occupied the pulpit in the church on Sabbath. Mrs. Haskell gave a lesson to the students on Friday evening, telling them of her earlier experience in missionary work, even before she had left school, and encouraging them to sacrifice willingly and cheerfully until they had learned the lesson of sacrificing so well that they would little realize they were always giving up something. She also met the band leaders in a little meeting later in the evening, giving practical instruction on missionary work that can be done by students.

One of the most interesting classes visited by the normal director last week was the primary manual training class. Under Miss Fry's direction the three grades were all working together. The children were simply so absorbed in their sewing that there was scarcely a sound in the room. When the director mentioned how glad she was to see a thimble on a little boy's finger, you would have smiled to see the little sewing boxes open, the thimbles go on, and all the little hands go up showing that all of them had the necessary article, and in time will accustom themselves to its use, even though at the present they are liable to be found idle if the owner is not gently reminded of the use of the necessary article.

Lotta E. Bell.

Report of Book Work in California Conference

Week Ending November 12, 1910

	Hrs.	Ords.	Value
"Heralds of the Morning"			
C. B. Wells	26	4	\$ 8.50
"Practical Guide"			
A. R. Hazelton	26	8	32.00
"Daniel and the Revelation"			
W. D. Fleming	39	13	22.55
Jas. E. Boehne	18	9	14.00
H. S. Carter*	15	5	8.25
Total			\$85.30

*Delivery, \$7.50.

Report of Book Work in Southern California

For Week Ending Nov. 4, 1910

	Hrs.	Ords.	Value
"Practical Guide"			
Chas. M. Cottrell	36	16	\$59.50
M. H. Shelton*	6	—	—
Miscellaneous	32	5	19.50
"Coming King"			
J. D. Thompson**	20	9	17.75
Small Books			
Mrs. V. C. Balch***	11	15	11.00
Elizabeth Chace****	4	4	3.75
Mrs. G. M. Price	2	2	1.60
	111	51	\$113.10

*Delivery, \$11.50.

**Delivery, \$7.50.

***Two weeks' work.

****Delivery, 75 cents.

Canvassers' Letters

Jas. E. Boehne: "Every week, yes, every day, we have evidences that God is directing our steps into homes where there are true hearted people whom He loves, and for whom Jesus died that they might live forever in the earth made new."

W. B. Findley: "Of all the years in this good work, this year stands out most boldly. Many, many times I am sure that I was guided by angels, and was given 'a mouth and wisdom,' 'that I should know how to speak a word in season to him that is weary.' Luke 21: 15; Isa. 50:4. In this work I have had the following experience: 'I am so glad you have come to save our home. We know God has sent you as a messenger to us. O, will you pray for us?' And, after a short prayer, surely God opened their eyes (Ps. 119:18), for the Bible became a new book to them. The study closed at midnight. I arose at four in the morning for study, and gave another talk, which lasted an hour. The man worked in the mill, but he did not go to work at the usual hour. Jesus said, 'For it is not ye that speak, but the Spirit of your Father which speaketh in you.' Matt. 10:20. So the praise is not mine; but I do thank God that He blesses every one who will tell the beautiful story of salvation."

Lodi Normal Academy Notes

Our training school enrolment is just ninety-nine. We are seeking for the missing one which we trust will soon be found.

Professor Derby met with the training school children in their general assembly this week, giving them a lesson on "Being a Man."

Miss Edith A. Oakes, of the class of 1910, visited the normal and her immediate friends on her way to take up school duties in Santa Rosa.

We find among our visitors the names of Mr. and Mrs. Grisby, Mr. and Mrs. J. Hammer, Elder and Mrs. Watson, from Lodi; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur E. Hammer from Pendleton, Oregon.

Professor Colcord led in the teachers' conference this week. One quotation that will give the trend of the talk was, "In youth we own our habits; late in life we are owned by our habits."

Among the new students entering the academic courses this week we find the names of Flossie Gregory from Bakersfield, Edna Anderson from Kingsburg, Ethel Forsberg from Selma, Bessie Yaeger from Napa, and Mr. Roscoe Harmon from Tennessee.

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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 1910

Let each one keep in mind the time for our week of prayer—December 10 to 17—and pray for the richest blessings that we have yet received from our Maker.

The *Review* ingathering work seems to be well under way in most of our churches. It is most encouraging to see our people heartily taking hold of the work to gather means for the foreign missions.

On account of the illness of the president of the General Conference, Elder A. G. Daniells, the fall council of the General Conference Committee was postponed from the 11th to the 23rd of November. It is expected that Elders G. A. Irwin, J. O. Corliss, W. C. White, and E. E. Andross and Brother C. H. Jones will be present from our union conference.

The Chico church have formed themselves into a working missionary society. They are ordering eighty-five *Signs* a week, are now in the *Review* work, and have a good campaign for the fall and winter with tracts and periodicals outlined. The young people are taking part in the work. Chico is to be congratulated on having one of the best church schools in the conference. Thirty-three is the number enrolled.

Copy of the Morning Watch calendar for 1911 has been received at the office. The object of this leaflet is to impress

study, meditation, and prayer. It is very neat. In size it is 4½ x 6 in., containing twenty pages. A text is given for every day of the year. An interesting and helpful feature of this calendar is the Friday sunset table for 1911 that can be used in any part of the United States and Canada. Nearly every one can afford to spend 5 cents in so good an investment. Order from your tract society.

The little church at Red Bluff is restricting its territory for systematic work with the *Review*, tracts, and *Signs* weekly. At a recent missionary meeting there almost all pledged themselves to do something in this work, and went from the meeting with arms filled with literature. Brother Harry Parker, church school teacher, is leading out. His enrolment in the school is about fifteen. While at Red Bluff a number of interests were reported among people with whom members there are working which show how the Lord is impressing the minds of the people. One lady, the wife of an engineer on the Shasta limited, has never taken an interest in religious subjects until since a recent sickness. She now tells one of our members there how she desires to learn more about Christianity. How better could our sister begin than by doing what she has done—loaning her “Steps to Christ”? The lady is delighted with it, and is ready for studies. The opportunities at the doors of our home workers these days are unlimited.

The Mountain View church enjoyed a veritable “feast of good things” Sabbath, November 12. Dr. L. A. Reed’s morning text (“Seek ye out of the book of the Lord, and read: no one of these shall fail, none shall want her mate: for My mouth it hath commanded, and His Spirit it hath gathered them”) was unusually interesting and worthy of closest study. In the afternoon Elder M. C. Wilcox addressed the Missionary Volunteers. He scanned briefly the lives of Isaiah, Moses, and Paul, showing what they saw that gave them courage to meet and endure all their suffering and toil and persecution. They had each gotten a sight of God, and realized that they were nothing, and God was everything.

As Paul said, “Whereupon, O King Agrippa, I was not disobedient unto the heavenly vision.” Moses “endured, as seeing Him who is invisible.” Isaiah’s inspiration all the way through was the greatness of God. Why not let all the things in our lives that are keeping us back from serving Him sink into utter nothingness, as they will sometime in the glory of His presence, and let Him be to us as He was to all these who endured? Things that have kept us back from doing God’s service, we will despise some day. Let us do it now. “He that doeth the will of God shall abide forever.”

Notice

Persons desiring employment as waitresses, serving girls, chambermaids, dishwashers, clerks, call-boys, etc., should correspond with—

L. M. Bowen,
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Present Truth Series

In our advertisement of Present Truth Series we stated that \$1.00 per month would purchase ten copies per week, or forty papers per month. Some have misunderstood our calculations, thinking they could secure 40 papers a week for \$1.00. We would like to suggest to any one thinking so, that he read the advertisement again, and notice it is ten a week, or forty a month.

We are glad to report great enthusiasm all along the line for the circulation of Present Truth Series, **SIGNS OF THE TIMES**. Kindly keep sending in all subscriptions as soon as possible. In nearly every mail we are getting large orders. One just came to hand for 100 a week from one person. All these papers go to the city.

W. H. Covell.

Thou rulest the raging of the sea: when the waves thereof arise, Thou stillest them. Ps. 89:9.

Then Job answered the Lord, and said, I know that Thou canst do everything, and that no thought can be withholden from Thee. Job 42:1, 2.