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The Church

Sketches of the Past — No. 107

In former articles we called attention to the party who arose about the year 1855, who published a paper called *The Messenger of Truth*, and claimed that when the gift manifest through Sister White was put out of the way the third angel's message would soon swell to its "loud cry." We stated how completely the prediction made by her concerning their work was fulfilled, that "the paper would go down," and when it should "cease its publication we would find that our number had doubled." Their paper died for lack of support in 1856, and their second-hand press was laid up. We will now call attention to the circumstances which led to a second effort of that character.

On December 19 and 20, 1857, Brother and Sister White and myself held a two days' meeting in Otsego, Mich. There came into our meeting a man, an entire

stranger to all of us. He had been a minister among the Christian denomination, and had accepted the truth from the reading of our publications. In the opening prayer of the meeting Sister White was taken into vision. The man made a careful examination of her condition, and under a sense of the power of the Spirit pervading the room while she was in vision, expressed himself as fully satisfied that the visions were from the Lord.

After coming out of the vision Sister White related some of the things which had been shown to her. She spoke to the brother, and said, "I was not told your name."

He said, "My name is Cranmer."

She then said, "The Lord showed me that you have ability to teach the truth, but there are two points on which you have victories to gain; and when you have gained those victories, it will be an evidence to you that the Lord will go forth with you in teaching the truth. The first is to be a victory over the use of tobacco. You speak against its use, and talk as though you discarded it, but at the same time you are secretly using the weed. When you get strength from the Lord to wholly cease using it, that will be an evidence that He will aid you in the ministry. The second point is, you fear your family. You do all of your praying in the barn, because you have not the courage to read the Scriptures and pray before your family. When you get strength to take up that cross with the other, you will have a twofold evidence that the Lord will aid you in preaching the truth."

After this relation of his case the brother arose, and expressed his decided

faith in the testimony, especially as it had related facts in his case which Sister White, an entire stranger, could only have known by the Lord revealing them to her. He said he was "going home to carry out the instruction given, and gain these victories, that he might, in the strength of the Lord, proclaim the truth."

About six weeks from that time, as Brother White and myself were going into the mid-week prayer-meeting in Battle Creek, Brother Cranmer joined us. After the close of the meeting he requested from Brother White and the writer a card of recommendation as a minister. In those days we had adopted the plan of giving those approved in the ministry a card of recommendation.

Brother White said to him, "Have you gained those victories you were to gain as proof that the Lord would go forth with you in the ministry?"

He replied, "No, I have not gained them yet, but I am going home to gain the victories."

Brother White then said, "Well, Brother Cranmer, when you have gained those victories there will be no difficulty about your getting a card recommending you to our people as a minister."

He went home. Did he gain the victories?—No. But in six weeks, he had started out to preach. Denouncing the Testimonies, he stated that Brethren White and Loughborough "would not give him a card of recommendation, because he did not believe the visions." With this kind of food he gathered up some of the relics of those who had supported the *Messenger* paper. He got the old second-hand press and type, and started a paper entitled *The Hope of*

Israel. His hope of Israel was the teaching of probation for the Jews and others, in the future age. Instead of gaining the victory over tobacco, he now used it freely and openly, and in fact put no injunction against its use upon those associating with him.

His first effort at gaining converts was an attack upon our people by a warfare against Sister White's gift. Finally he turned to raise a company with no knowledge of our work. Some persons, as Elder Horton, of Michigan, accepted the Sabbath under his teaching. They did not like the lax habits of that people, learned of the Seventh-day Adventists, and threw their influence with the third angel's message. The *Hope of Israel* party was a more feeble effort than that of the *Messenger*, and in the spring of 1863 that paper died, and the press was laid up the second time. The man Cranmer became an incessant user of tobacco, and literally smoked away his senses. The last two years of his life he was demented. As told me by his former friends, "he knew no more than a two-year-old child."

J. N. Loughborough.

The Field

CALIFORNIA To Our Brethren

We trust that our brethren and sisters will not let the week of prayer pass without earnestly seeking the Lord for rich blessings on the work at home and abroad. Let our faith reach up for great victories. Pray that God will give a rich harvest of souls in return for the efforts put forth by our brethren who have left home and home comforts to labor among strangers in a strange land. Also, earnestly pray that the work may go forward with power in the home land.

Who is there that loves the Lord that will not have a burden to pray for the work at home and abroad? While we pray for the workers in foreign fields, remember that they have not only left their homes, but many are called upon to suffer in health for the common comforts of life. While we remain at home surrounded by those who are near and dear to us, can we not make sacrifices to send them

the means that is needed to advance the work? There are many things purchased in all our homes that we could do without, if we wished to do so; and the Lord would bless us in making the sacrifice. Let us send all that we can possibly send to relieve our brethren in the needy regions beyond.

There is a great work yet to be done in our own conference, and we desire a time of peace in which to accomplish the work.

The state legislature will soon meet, and a strong force are waiting to try and press a Sunday bill through the legislature. What are you doing to prevent it? Some of our brethren are working faithfully, and if all work faithfully, we may be spared two more years of peace in which to labor.

Prayer and faith are closely related. But let us during this week of prayer not only seek God for an individual blessing, and freely give of our means to carry the work into foreign fields; but let us circulate the petitions against the Sunday law, remembering that "faith without works is dead."

We have only a few more weeks in which to work. What is done must be done quickly. If we do not make a vigorous effort to defeat the Sunday bill, and it becomes a law, we will bitterly regret it. Let us be up and doing while there is opportunity, for we have only a short time left in which to work.

Send all petitions when signed to the Pacific Religious Liberty Association, Mountain View, California.

S. N. Haskell,
Pres. Cal. Conf.

December 12.

California Conference Current

Elder C. M. Gardner was a caller at the office last week.

Elder J. H. Behrens is spending the week of prayer with the church at Alameda. He was a caller at the office the first of the week.

Brethren H. G. Childs and C. N. Lake of the Pacific Press at Mountain View called at the Oakland office last week. They report work moving well at the Press.

The California Conference committee held a meeting in Oakland last Sunday,

December 11. All of the members were present except Brother B. E. Baldwin of Turlock.

Brother Harold Mathew, who left our conference in September to engage in school work in the South, writes that he is enjoying his work well. He gives his report in another column.

Brother O. O. Osborne, business manager of the Lodi Normal Academy, stopped at the office Sunday of this week on his way from St. Helena to Lodi. He reports the school doing well.

At the meeting of the conference committee held the first of the week, it was decided that the next annual session of the California Conference should be held at Fresno, Cal., Feb. 9 to 19, 1911.

A week ago last Sabbath Prof. C. C. Lewis, of St. Helena, secretary of the Pacific Union Conference educational department, spoke at the Oakland church on our general educational work and system.

January 15, 1911, has been set as the date of the meeting of the auditing committee to pass upon the laborers' accounts for the year just closing. The names of those chosen to serve in this capacity will be announced as soon as it is known whether it will be possible for them to serve.

Under date of December 4, Elder Isaac Morrison writes from Santa Rosa: "One family in Rincon Valley has accepted the truth as far as they know it. The father attended our church in Santa Rosa a week ago Sabbath, but yesterday it was too stormy for those living in the country to come. They seem like nice people. He has family worship and returns thanks at the table. The father of another family is interested, and admits that Saturday seems to be the true Sabbath, but he has not decided to keep it. I visit others interested in the truth, who live in that valley, and hope that some of them will embrace the truth."

Claude Conard.

December 12.

A Busy Corner

We arrived in Del Norte County July 8, and could find only four Sabbath-keepers in the county, and they were not able to help us much, one being ninety years old and another close behind her in age.

The way looked dark before us, but we had come a long way, at quite a sacrifice. We felt that something must be done. We pitched our tent in Smith River, a small village in the northwest corner of the state, four miles from the broad Pacific and eight miles from the Oregon state line. Our attendance was good, there being almost one hundred in attendance the last evening of the six-week series. Sister Bressie was a great help to us. Her solos attracted many people to the tent.

It was at this place we devised a plan to give every soul in the county the message. In my experience as rancher I had learned to give every plant attention, and to utilize every foot of ground; so in the Lord's vineyard every soul must have attention. The field must be worked systematically and thoroughly.

Our plan was to put up packages of tracts covering the cardinal points of our faith, and use our spare time in selling them from house to house. We have found this to be an excellent plan, and almost every home is glad to buy them. Where they could not, we gave them a package. Some would give us money to pay for a package for some poor neighbor.

So far we have sold them for enough to pay for the tracts and the expense of getting them here. We have sold about 87,000 pages, and will use about 14,600 more in finishing the work. We had hoped to finish our tract work before now, but this takes much traveling. The heavy storms and swollen streams have hindered us some. If the weather permits we shall finish visiting all the homes in the county within the next ten days.

We closed our tent effort and came to Crescent City the latter part of August. Only two had taken a stand on all points of our faith. While the results seemed small, we kept praying and working. In Crescent City the attendance was not so good. This city of 1500 or 2000 people has sixteen or eighteen saloons in it, with all the sin and vice that go with

the traffic. But the good Lord gave us one soul—a business man—which was a source of encouragement to us. At the close of this series Sister Bressie had to leave us, and go to Eureka to put the children in the church school at that place.

From Crescent City we went to Wakefield, a small village. Here we had to get a hall, as it was storming too hard to use the tent. Still we kept in touch with the work at Smith River and Crescent City, visiting them often. They always seemed glad to have us come. The dear Lord gave us two souls at Wakefield, one an educated woman, which will prove a source of help at that place. In fact, she has been a great help already.

We went out to Smith River last week and held two meetings in the hall. Five more took their stand for the commandments of God and the Spirit of prophecy. One of these is a promising young lady of twenty years, who will go soon to the sanitarium to train for service. We have just received a letter from a man who attended all through the Smith River meetings. He says he is determined to go through to the kingdom with us. He wants us to send his folks in New Jersey some of our packages of tracts. He is said to be a well-to-do man. He sends money to pay for the tracts.

This makes eleven adults who have accepted the truth. Most of them have never belonged to any church before. Still others are interested all over the county.

The tracts, books, and periodicals which we have scattered are working like leaven. Eternity alone will reveal the results. My little girl alone sold about 200 Temperance *Instructors* here in this saloon town. Some have read the tracts and then mailed them to their friends.

The contents of these tracts are discussed here on the streets, in the homes, in saloons, shops, churches, cook houses, and even in the county jail. We have preached more than 120 sermons, besides giving many Bible readings, and making many missionary visits. We have been in nearly all the homes in the county.

This is almost a new field, and we have had to pioneer our way through. The greatest contest has been on the Spirit of prophecy. The ministers here have gotten Canright's book and other

literature against the Spirit of prophecy, and worked against us. But praise the Lord, we have the good-will of the people with but a few exceptions. We have learned from recent experience that the great test is not alone on the Sabbath truth, but on the Spirit of prophecy. Pray for us that the good Lord may give us the wisdom of Solomon, the endurance of Paul, the patience of Job, the faith of Abraham, the love of God, the power of the Holy Ghost, and the meekness of Moses.

J. W. Bressie,
L. L. Hutchinson.

The Normal

About fifty gathered in the mathematics room each morning after chapel, when Elder Haskell gave his daily study. It has been an inspiration to our young people to see one so familiar with the Scriptures that he can stand before the class and teach without referring to either note or Bible to present the subject in an intelligent and logical way.

Our first lesson was upon the Sabbath, an old theme presented in a new and attractive setting. Many expressions in the Bible contain points undesigned by the author showing the power of the Spirit of God in directing the words that were recorded. The Sabbath was created by Christ. Most wonderful was that first Sabbath in Eden when God rested and the angels and sons of God shouted for joy. The next model Sabbath-keeping was when Christ rested in the tomb. All heaven was hushed. Three acts are enumerated in the creation of the Sabbath: First, He rested; second, He blessed; third, He sanctified. Notice the effect:

1. God's rest day.
2. God's blessed rest day.
3. God's holy blessed rest day.

Resting is the foundation of the Sabbath institution. The Sabbath was made a sign, because God rested. The above thoughts on rest were gleaned from Heb. 1:1, 2; 2 Cor. 4:14; Col. 1:14-17; Gen. 2:2; Isa. 14:12; Luke 3:38; Matt. 11:28, 29; Ex. 31:17; Hebrews 4.

Next came the thought, "The Lord knoweth them that are His." 2 Tim. 2:19. There must be some sign or seal by which He knows. In Eze. 20:20 we find that the "sign" follows if we hallow the Sabbath, and the seal is to let God know us and teach us to know God.

One unconfessed wrong withholds from us the coveted blessing.

Next to the Sabbath rest God designed we should enjoy the blessing of health. 3 John 2. He desires our bodies presented a living sacrifice (Rom. 12:1) by the "mercies" of God, which means "forgiveness." In every miracle performed by Christ where He said, "Thy sins be forgiven thee," physical ailments were at the same time alleviated. Christ gave His life just as truly that we might have physical health as He did that we might be healed of the wounds made by sin. Paul pleaded through the great element in God's law (forgiveness) for us to give our lives for service. Not all enjoy the blessing of health; some, through a lack of faith; others can not be trusted with such a blessing. They would use it to self-glorification just as so many who have been allowed the talent of making money have used it for self-gratification.

Five characters in the Bible are used to represent God's people in the last days — Noah, Daniel, Job, Elijah, John the Baptist. All were prominent vegetarians according to the record, except Job. No record is left of him on this subject, except that he was the most patient man, and temperance precedes patience. One thought that was new to many was to find the Hebrew rendition of "pulse" in Dan. 1:12, from the same root as Gen. 1:29 is translated from.

Lotta E. Bell.

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.]

News from Chestnut Hill School

Our school has been in progress nine weeks, and the Lord has blessed us in

many ways, and is continuing to bless us every day. There have been twenty-three enrolled since we opened, with a general attendance of seventeen.

We begin school at half past eight, and continue with the book work until twelve o'clock. The children all seem very greatly interested in their studies. From one o'clock till two the carpentry and sewing classes are busily doing some very useful work. After these classes have finished, we spend an hour and a half in industrial labor.

The girls help in the housework and whatever is needed to be done. The boys saw wood, work in the garden, haul the wood, and dig a place to put a cistern, and are actually building one, which is just about completed. The boys all take great delight in laying the brick and mixing the cement.

We are endeavoring as far as possible to make all the industrial work of such an educational nature as to prepare the children to do all their work at home in a better way. One of our boys said not long ago that he was quite sure he could build a cistern now, as he had had experience in all parts of the work, from the digging to the mixing of the sand and cement in the right proportions, and the laying of the brick.

We have organized a cooking class also, which meets every Thursday. The girls and boys get the dinner for that day with the help of their teachers. The girls get the dinner one Thursday and the boys the next. The members of the class that are to get the dinner for any certain Thursday, get together the day before, plan out their menu, and apportion to each child the part he is to bring of the things needed for the dinner; for example, one boy is told to bring six potatoes and one egg, and another is told to bring a pint of milk and some cow peas, and so on.

They are greatly delighted to learn how to cook these things in new ways. The recipes are copied down, and then the pupils take them home and try the same things there. This gives them all a change of diet. Some who had never before tasted rice, now consider it a very fine food, also mashed potatoes with cream.

We are endeavoring also to teach them a few things on table etiquette, and they think this is just a fine thing. For instance, at our last dinner, not one used his knife to eat with, but each handled

his fork very creditably with the exception of some of the smallest ones, who used their spoons. They are learning the duties of a host and hostess, which seems to please them greatly. The boys got the last dinner, and the following menu was carried out: Cream potato soup, mashed sweet potatoes, boiled cow peas, mashed turnips, light bread, and cream rice pudding.

We find that by conducting a cooking class in this way many things are learned besides the actual cooking of foods. The pupils are learning how to set a table properly, also how to serve a dinner, as well as proper food combinations. The boys enjoy this even as much as the girls do, and delight in seeing how nicely they can get a meal ready. Every one that we hear say anything about the dinner and the ideas we are endeavoring to carry out seems most delighted with them.

Thus we see a great need for higher education, and there ought to be more people interested in the education of their children, to fit them for this important work here in the southern field.

He that is faithful in the smallest details of life shall master greater.

May it be the constant aim of each one to go forth in faith, believing that He who has sent us into the great field of service will help us in every time of need. The main thing is to be happy and let our lights shine all about us.

Harold Mathew.

Fountain Head, Tennessee.

We are anxious to hear reports from all our schools. Only comparatively few have as yet told us how they are getting along. Let us hear from you, dear teachers; your experiences will be helpful to others. Please, however, let us guard against presenting items of mere gossip about the unimportant acts of students and teachers. While personal items should not be excluded, if they are important, we should guard against following the example of correspondents for the local papers, who fill their reports with unimportant personalities.

Helping Worthy Students

There are always benevolent people watching for opportunities to do good with the means God has intrusted to

their keeping. To such we would say that the noblest use for such means is to assist worthy students who are struggling to gain an education. It is putting our money into living workers to honor God and to bless humanity. I have never passed through a term of school when there were not several such students struggling to stay in school through the year, to whom a little help at the right time would have proved very acceptable. I have in mind one or more such persons now who need a little help, and who would be worthy of it. If any of the readers of the RECORDER are interested, let them please write me for particulars.

C. C. Lewis.

Thanksgiving at the Pacific Union College

The school enjoyed a holiday on Thanksgiving, and prepared a program, which was intended to be of interest to the people living in the vicinity of the school as well as to the students. Unfortunately the rain poured down all day and during the evening, so that the outside attendance was small. Those who did come, however, were especially pleased. One lady was heard to remark, "O! how glad I am to be able to attend such an exercise. We have lived up here so long without the privileges of instruction and entertainment that we appreciated this evening's exercises very highly."

The following program was rendered:

PROGRAM

<i>Scripture Recitations</i>	Class of Students
<i>Anniversary Hymn</i>	"Christ in Song" No. 27
<i>Prayer</i>	Elder Tait
<i>Solo</i>	"Giver of Life" Fortescue
	Professor Irwin
<i>Selections from Testimonies</i>	Class of Students
	"Crown Him"
	Chorus Class
<i>Talk</i>	"Things for Which We Should Be Thankful"
	Miss Agnes Lewis
<i>Song</i>	"A Dream of Paradise"
	Professor Paap
<i>Violin Solo</i>	"Andante" Op. 64
	Mendelssohn
	Miss Hilda Paap
<i>Address</i>	"The History of Thanksgiving"
	Professor Washburn

<i>Piano Solo</i>	"Nocturne" Op. 57 Chopin	Miss Johnson
<i>Solo</i>	"Babylon"	Michael Watson
		Miss Sierke
<i>Selections</i>	"Hope Sublime"	
	"Meditation"	Orchestra
<i>Reading</i>	"The Optimist's Thanksgiving"	Professor Lewis
<i>Doxology</i>		
<i>Benediction</i>		Professor Washburn
		C. C. Lewis.

Lodi Normal Academy Notes

We have been made happy by several gifts of cuttings, bulbs, etc., from friends to the normal. We trust another year will find many changes and improvements along these lines on our normal campus.

The mathematics room, though very large, has failed to accommodate the increased number who have availed themselves of the institute privileges, and Mrs. McKibbin has been obliged to resort to the chapel to conduct her lessons on "Bible Doctrines Illustrated by Bible Stories."

Miss Katherine Hale met the teachers in teachers' conference this week. Our educational secretary gave us notes of interest and some practical instruction on "Field Reports from Other Schools and Importance of a Normal Training." Professor Colcord spoke at the same time to the children assembled for their union services, giving them a little talk on "Sports and Conduct upon the Playground."

Acting upon the advice and counsel presented in Volume IX on pages 85, 86 relative to the knowledge and special power to be gained by our students and teachers according to the plan laid down there for the study and revival of "Christ's Object Lessons" work, we have set apart the chapel exercise period for the next few days for a whole-souled, devoted study of this book, preparatory to some practical work in a field day to be appointed soon.

At our band leaders' meeting we were favored by an explanation of the advantages in "Standard of Attainment" planned especially for our Volunteer mem-

bers. We hope to do some aggressive work along this line. Our band leaders bring glowing reports from interested prayer and work bands. Our latest band effort is a Reading Circle Band. Object — to promote the reading circle work and develop a taste for standard missionary literature. This band is our largest yet formed.

Monday, November 21st, saw a cheerful band of about twelve members of the Lodi church gather at the church for prayer before going to the homes of Lodi with the *Mission Review* under the leadership of Brother J. R. Ferren. Nearly every house in Lodi was visited. The result reported at the evening meeting was some valuable experiences, many blessings, a better knowledge of how the world is hungering for the truth, and a donation for foreign missions of about sixty dollars, with a promise of more to follow. We all pray that the greatest result will be some souls saved in the kingdom of God. Lotta E. Bell.

December 7.

Obituary

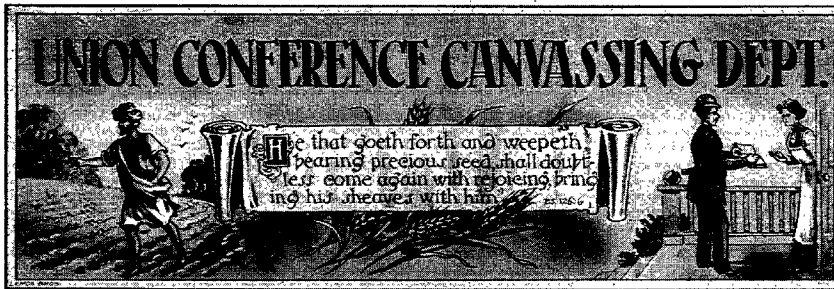
CHURCHILL.—Mrs. Abbie A. Churchill, nee Barnes, was born in the state of Rhode Island, December 13, 1844, and died December 7, 1910, being 65 years, 11 months, and 24 days of age.

It is said of her and her husband that when they were all ready to be married, they first knelt down in their room, and asked God that their union might be blessed to His service. She gave her heart to God at a very early age, and lived a life of faith. She fell asleep in Jesus Christ to await the resurrection of the just.

Funeral services were conducted by the writer at Stockton.

H. Shultz.

"Accuracy, doing things to a finish, is one of the most important lessons that can be taught a child, because there is a moral quality at stake. The whole character is often undermined by the unfortunate habit of inaccuracy. Men whose ability would have made them peers in their communities have become nonentities, and their careers mediocre or total failures, simply because they were allowed in childhood to form the habit of half doing things, and of making half or exaggerated statements."



Book Work in the Pacific Union Conference

Brother W. O. James writes from Arizona that their institute is over, and they are getting a good start in the work there now.

Sister Boger sold \$81 worth in Phoenix last week. That does look as though they were getting a start, doesn't it? If that is only the start, we will look forward with interest to getting their reports after they get nicely at it.

We are very glad to learn that the conference president's daughter (Miss Haberta Thurston) has taken up canvassing, and will work with "Bible Readings."

On account of a misunderstanding the reports of the work in Utah have not appeared in the RECORDER. We want you to know that they are busy though, and we would like to have you take special notice of the report of their work which appears in another column.

Mrs. Nichols sold \$48.75 worth of books in Salt Lake City in 17 hours, and yet she used to say that she didn't believe she would ever make a successful canvasser.

Miss Hilda Jensen sold \$23.45 worth of books in the same city in 17 hours, and she also felt sure that she could not sell books. Both of these canvassers used to say that they could never have the courage to meet the people. We can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth us, can't we?

I am sure you will be interested to know the results of my recent trip to the Pacific Union College at Saint Helena.

I was accorded a hearty welcome by the members of the faculty and the students, and was also given plenty of time in which to talk book work to them. An excellent missionary spirit prevailed,

and all seemed anxious to do something for the Master.

Sabbath evening at eight o'clock we met in the ladies' parlor to organize a canvassers' band. I expected only a few to attend that meeting, but to my surprise the room was well filled. It was indeed encouraging to see the interest manifested by all.

Brother J. W. Rich was selected for leader of the band and Brother Oliver Shrewsbury for assistant. For their secretary they chose Miss Hazel Edwards, and for assistant, Miss Wilmah Landis.

Thirty-six joined the band, and they will meet once a week to study the book they are to handle during vacation, and also to study the methods and principles underlying evangelistic canvassing.

We feel that much credit is due those in charge of the institution for the excellent missionary spirit that prevails there, and we pray it may never die out, but may result in much good to the cause of God in the earth.

A. A. Cone.

Utah

Five agents were engaged in the work for the month ending December 2, and the following is the amount of their sales by weeks and also the total for the month:

November 4	\$115.90
November 11	125.65
November 18	169.90
November 25	97.35
December 2	159.95

Total \$668.75

LeRoy Knott,
Field Agent.

Arizona

For three weeks only:

Agents	Hours	Orders	Total
2	172	107	\$322.05

W. O. James,
Field Agent.

Report of Book Work in Southern California

For Week Ending Dec. 2, 1910

"Practical Guide"

	Hrs.	Ords.	Value
Chas. M. Cottrell*	35	14	\$53.00
Alex Martin	30	12	53.00
Chas. Parrett	23	9	34.50

"Coming King"

J. D. Tompson	32	12	23.85
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Small Books

Mrs. V. C. Balesh	11	10	8.25
Miscellaneous**	72	24	39.50

Totals 203 81 \$212.10

*Delivery, \$26.50.

**Delivery, \$4.50.

Report of Book Sales and Deliveries in Southern California

For Month Ending Nov. 30, 1910

Hours	638
Orders	259
Value	\$676.35
Helps	\$57.50
Total	\$733.85
Deliveries	\$498.00

C. C. Morlan,

Field Agent.

Report of Book Work, California Conference

For Two Weeks Ending Dec. 9, 1910

"Practical Guide"

	Hrs.	Ords.	Value
W. B. Findley	35	..	\$70.00
A. R. Hazelton*	60	17	64.50
Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence	90	14	58.00
Sadie Scott**	30	5	23.00

"Daniel and the Revelation"

W. D. Fleming	48	18	38.75
H. S. Carter	44	16	30.60

"Story of Daniel"

H. E. Manning**	21	12	43.55
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"Heralds of the Morning"

C. B. Wells	14	2	4.50
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"Steps to Christ"

Mrs. J. C. Hitt	15	10	5.90
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Total \$338.80

Periodical Report

(Two Weeks)

	Hrs.	Papers	Value
Mrs. W. D. Fleming	57	1282	\$137.05

*Four weeks.

**One week.

Warning the Cities

The canvasser evangelist band is growing, and within the next few days we look for several more to join in warning the cities around the bay. Brother Jas. E. Boehne left for a short trip to his home in Humboldt County. As he left he stated that he never could consent to remain away long since he has seen and realized the need of poor souls unwarned and unsaved in these cities.

Brother W. D. Fleming and wife are working faithfully. Brother Roy Hazelton and wife are having precious experiences. Sister Sadie Scott, our new recruit, took ten dollars' worth of "Practical Guide" orders yesterday, which is good for just a beginning.

Mr. D. M. Lawrence and wife are doing good work. They not only sold fifty dollars' worth of health books last week, but what is better yet, gave a number of Bible readings and helped a number of sick persons. This, dear reader, is the work the Lord is calling for now.

The gathering last Sunday of book and paper workers was greatly blessed both in drill and experience meeting. Tears were freely shed, and the workers all felt the presence of the Lord was there.

Manual Testimony: "We are in the shaking time, the time when everything that can be shaken will be shaken. . . . Some flatter themselves that the Lord will give them another opportunity, that there will be a second probation. Fatal delusion! The Lord calls for volunteers who will put all their energies and enlightenment into the work. Who will respond to the call? Who will go forth to labor in wisdom and grace? . . . Who will sacrifice ease and pleasure and enter the places of error [cities], superstition, and darkness [cities], praying in faith and doing house-to-house work? Who will go forth at this time?"

Isa. 6:8: "Here am I; send me." Is that you?

E. S. Horsman,
Cal. Conf. Can. Agent.

Notice

A blessed time is enjoyed every Sunday at the Oakland church. Book drill, 2 to 4; health lecture by Brother J. E. Harrington, 4 to 5; experience, prayer, and counsel, 5 P.M.

Field Notes from Southern California

I have just returned from a trip down in the Imperial Valley, and I find the territory very favorable for a good winter campaign. The canvassers who are working down there are doing well, and are of good courage. I was out with Brother Martin Wednesday forenoon, and the first house we went into, he took two orders.

While the people are not posted on these health principles, they realize to some extent their need of being educated along these lines.

Brother Martin told me of one lady who said to him, after he had succeeded in getting in and introduced his book, "You need not go any further. I see that you have a book to sell, and I can not do anything for you, for I will not order any book." Brother Martin did not pick up his hat and leave, but closed his book, and told the lady that he was there to talk to her a few minutes, on the subject of health, and it did not make any difference to him whether she ordered a book or not. After talking to the lady a short time he referred to some of the departments on health principles in his book, and she then gave her order and said that she could see that there was "really something in those health principles." So it does not pay to stop when they first tell you that they "will not order."

Brother Parrett is of very good courage, and says that he is doing better than he thought he would. When I saw him last he had worked twenty-three hours, and had taken orders amounting to \$55. He says he finds the rural district better than the small towns, for those on the ranches have more money, and they are farther from a doctor.

We are very glad to see that our sales for November are a little above the sales of any one month since camp-meeting, and we know that those who have helped to raise the mark are just as glad to see it as we are. Now let us see if we can not keep it from dropping down during the holiday month. If any difference, this should be our best month for nineteen hundred ten. Shall we make it so? We are here to win the victory, and Napoleon said, "Victory belongs to the most persevering." I am sure that there is no one more persevering than our canvassers.

We must labor though for souls, not that our mark may be high in dollars and cents. As some one has said: "Labor not for the sake of ism or creed, but for humanity's sake."

C. C. Morlan,
So. Cal. Field Agent.

Canvassers' Letters

W. B. Findley: "The command 'Go work to-day in My vineyard' is virtually a promise of strength and ability to do the work. So it is a mistake to suppose that the work of saving souls depends alone on the ordained minister or the doctor. It is for all who have received Christ to work for the saving of the lost. Rev. 22:17."

W. D. Fleming: "More and more I am coming to realize that we are in the shaking time; and the only way to hold on is to become more closely connected with the Lord in His work. One young lady has only been studying 'Daniel and the Revelation' a few weeks, and she is about ready to keep the Sabbath. She will go to church next Sabbath if her mother, who is ill at present, is able to permit her to do so. These are the things that gladden one's heart, and give courage to press the battle on. Pray for us and the ones with whom we leave reading-matter."

A. R. Hazelton: "I am glad the Lord is calling us to work these cities, and that He has promised us a rich harvest of souls if we continue faithful.

"If the Lord has called us to work in the cities the enemy will do all in his power to hinder. But how can we hope for eternal life if we fail to deny self and take up our cross and follow Jesus?"

"I am sure that if I ever enter the pearly gates of the city of God, it will be because I am found giving meat in due season until the work is done. We are praying that many more will heed the most urgent calls of Volume 9 and other recent testimonies, to finish the work in these cities.

"The workers here in our happy home are all of good courage, and are finding souls who are ready to hear the truth. We are greatly in need of Bible workers to visit these. If the 'still small voice' is calling you, leave the hindrances with the Lord, and come to-day. Save your own soul and others."

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1910

The missionary and bookmen's convention begins at Mountain View next Monday, the 19th, and is to continue until the 27th. A most interesting and instructive program has been prepared for the occasion.

A meeting of the executive committee of the Pacific Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held in Mountain View, at the time of the bookmen's convention, beginning December 20. A full attendance of the committee is expected.

Sabbath, January 7, 1911, has been appointed as Missionary Volunteer day. All our churches are asked to devote the time of the regular service for that day to the consideration of young people's work. The suggestive program will appear in the *Youth's Instructor* of December 20 and the *Review* of December 22. In the *Review* of that date will also appear the three general articles called for in the program. Having God's promise in Isa. 49: 25, let us lay hold on it and spend Sabbath, January 7, in special prayer and study of the work for our youth.

One of our ministers while looking up a place for a series of meetings in a locality where he was a stranger, called upon a man who, upon learning that he was a Seventh-day Adventist minister, expressed himself as follows: "I know you people have the truth, for I have read the *Signs of the Times* for years, but never attended any of your meetings, and if you ever come to this town to hold

meetings, I have a hall that will seat about 400 people; you are welcome to it free of charge, or if you find some other place I am willing to help bear the expense, as I would like to see you come to this town."—*North Pacific Union Gleaner*.

The regular annual offering in behalf of our foreign mission work will be taken up Sabbath, December 17, the closing day of the week of prayer. There was never a time in the history of our work when the demands of the hour called for a more liberal offering than now. On every side, among nearly all the nations of the world, the calls are coming in for more laborers to be sent forth. These calls should be answered. But before we can answer them, the laborers already in the field—those who have gone out at the request of the denomination—need to be fully supported. We who are at home should therefore consider it a great privilege to donate liberally to the work at this time, so that the Mission Board may be able to make up all shortage and extend the work into the regions not yet entered.

Last year the total contributions for annual offerings from this union conference were \$6,315.59. This is less than an average of one dollar a member, as our membership is more than eight thousand. We believe that a donation at this time amounting to \$16,000.00 for this union conference would be most gladly welcomed by our servants in the mission board office, by our laborers that are living without the comforts of a regular home in other lands, that this gospel of the kingdom may be advanced into all the world, and by the laborers who are now in readiness for work in the regions beyond, but who are waiting for the transportation expenses. "Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver."

"And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work."

Wanted

Five young men to work half their way through school. We should be glad to correspond with any young man who is desirous of entering school, and can offer work on our farm and buildings so

that half of his way may be paid in labor. If interested, correspond with the business manager, Lodi Normal Academy, Lodi, Cal.

For Sale

Two good building lots in Mountain View. Price \$250. These lots belong to a sister that has just accepted the faith in Visalia. She will donate \$150 of this to the Visalia church building fund. Some one assist this young sister in the message in making this donation, and yet lose nothing in the deal. For further particulars, address C. L. Taggart, Fresno, Cal.

California Conference Seventh-Day Adventist Annual Meeting

The fortieth annual meeting of the California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held at Fresno, California, February 9 to 19, 1911, for the purpose of electing the officers for the ensuing year and the transaction of such other business as may come before it for consideration.

The following sections from the constitution of the California Conference give the basis of representation of the churches:

"Each local church shall be entitled to one delegate in the sessions of this conference, without regard to numbers, and one additional delegate for every twenty church members.

"Unorganized companies of Sabbath-keepers shall be represented by the delegates at large."

S. N. Haskell, *President*.
Claude Conard, *Secretary*.

The Might of Repetition

Repetition is one secret of success. The reason why so many fail, in various lines, is that they do not repeat their efforts often enough and long enough to bring about the desired results. A reformer may have great ideas, and may blaze up with glaring brilliancy, on the rostrum or in the pulpit, for a season. But meteoric efforts do not count much, as far as practical results are concerned. The faith that removes mountains is largely the faith of repetition.—*Exchange*.