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The Church

Sketches of the Past—No. 111

Continuing in the eastern journey with Brother and Sister White, our next place of meeting, after leaving Mannsville, was Buck's Bridge, St. Lawrence County. Here we found a good sized company of substantial souls. Some of them had been in the 1844 movement, but most were newly come to the advent faith. Among them was brother John Byington, who had been an earnest worker among the Wesleyan Methodists. There were also the Brother Hilliards, and our staunch English Brother and Sister Crosby.

Our three days' meeting was a very interesting and profitable one for that company. There was one circumstance in connection with that meeting which may illustrate the zeal of some of this company to be just right. One sister came to Sister White much burdened, and said, "I like Brother Loughborough's preach-

ing, but I am sorry to see him following the fashions of the day."

Sister White inquired, "In what respect?"

"Why," said the sister, "in the manner of shaving his beard; he leaves a mustache upon his upper lip, and a 'goatee' upon his chin."

"Well," said Sister White, "if that is all your trouble about him, I can relieve your mind at once. He does not shave at all. He lets all the beard grow that the Lord has given him. And I suppose when the Lord gives him any more he will let that grow, too."

The sister's mind was of course relieved. It was, however, a good illustration of how persons may be judging wrong from appearances when ignorant of the real facts in the case.

Our next meeting was in the week time, at Rouse's Point, near the north end of Lake Champlain. This meeting was held in the home of Brother C. O. Taylor. Some who had newly come to the faith in Northern Vermont came to that meeting. Here also we met Sister Sybil Whitney of Malone. Most of those assembling were new in the truth, and were greatly strengthened by seeing and hearing Brother and Sister White. Elder D. T. Taylor, of the Boston *Advent Herald* party, was at his brother's at that time. One day Professor Hudson, who had been connected with some college before accepting the Advent faith, called on Elder D. T. Taylor. This professor had written a book on the nature of man, entitled, "Death Not Life." Elder Taylor got the use of one of the church buildings in the town for an afternoon talk by the professor.

We adjourned our meeting, as we all

wanted to hear the professor talk (as we supposed) on the immortality question. A large audience assembled. What was our surprise—his talk was largely words, and high sounding platitudes that we would need a dictionary to understand. Often he would speak of the *theodicées*. What that meant, we did not have the dictionary by us to tell. After reference showed that it meant "right; justice; a vindication of the justice of God." His whole discourse seemed to us an effort to show off his great learning, but was in "a crib too high" for his audience. After his discourse, a merchant of the place, quite an intelligent man, said to Brother C. O. Taylor, "That man Hudson is probably a well educated man, but I did not know what he was talking about in his discourse to us."

This was not much like the compliment given to Daniel Webster, the great American orator. He gave an evening's speech in one of the slave States. The slaves, some of them, attended the lecture. A slaveholder entertained him for the night. In the morning one of the house servants said to his master, "Was that Daniel Webster that spoke last night?"

"Yes," said the master.

"Well," said the slave, "I don't think it is the great Daniel Webster."

The master said, "I will introduce you to him, and you will see that it is he."

So the master introduced him, and the slave, in his simplicity, said, "Are you the great Daniel Webster, the orator we hear about?"

Webster said, "Yes."

"Well," said the slave, "I did not

think so, for I understood every word you said last night."

Webster afterward related the circumstance, and said that this compliment from the slave was the best he ever had. He thought if he could "speak in a manner to hold the well educated, and at the same time use words that an uneducated slave could comprehend, it was the height of his ambition." Simplicity of speech is what tells in Gospel work. Paul said of his teaching, "My speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power." 1 Cor. 2:4.

J. N. Loughborough.

The Field

On the Way — No. III

Madison, Edgefield, and Ridgetop

Monday afternoon, November 7, Elders Corliss, Kilgore, and the writer went to the Madison School, and before sundown made an inspection of buildings and grounds. In the evening we met with teachers and students in the assembly hall. There were fifty students—twenty young men and thirty young women—a healthy, hearty group. They had been gathered from many States, and principally from the Northwest. They were looking for work in needy and neglected fields, and most of them were preparing to labor among the illiterate mountain whites of the South and Southeast.

Elder Corliss gave the school a very interesting address, outlining the conflict that is on over religious legislation in California and in Washington, D. C. At the close of the meeting, C. H. Jones had arrived, and plans were laid for an early start on the following morning to visit some of the neighboring mountain schools.

It was encouraging to observe the wholesome and progressive appearance of the various departments of the school. The buildings and grounds were well kept. The farm looks better year by year. The dairy barn was clean, and the cows were sleek and fat. The new water system gives an abundant supply to the sanitarium, the school home, and to the stables. The new road along the ridge

and past the large water tank gives the newcomer a fine view of the Cumberland River and the surrounding country. From this ridge may be seen the principal school building and the dozen cottages, which have a sort of "hen and chicken" appearance; also the sanitarium buildings, which for architectural grouping resemble the throwing down of an immense carpenter's square, hammer, and nail box.

The school was full. In the sanitarium there was but one vacant room. Accommodations were provided for two of our company in a neighboring cottage. The sanitarium, which has rooms for from twelve to fifteen patients, had been full most of the time during the summer and autumn. Dr. Newton Evans, who is teaching in the medical college in Nashville, acts as medical superintendent, and Dr. Lillian Eshelman Magan as house physician. Of this institution and its work we shall speak later.

In visiting institutions on the outer circle, we desired to cover long distances quickly. So Dr. Evans arranged for a day's absence from his classes, and placed himself and his automobile at our command for the day. Another auto owned by Brother Simpkins was pressed into service, and by eight we were off,—Elder and Mrs. Kilgore, Professors Sutherland, Magan, and Evans, Elders Corliss and McVagh, and Brethren Jones, Simpkins, and I.

Our first stop was at the Sanitarium Health Food Factory. Brother W. F. Knox, the manager, gave us a hearty welcome. He showed us the workings of the several departments, and told us of the steady growth of the business. One year ago the sales were \$2200 a month; now they are \$2800. Everything about the place seemed wholesome and clean, and the foods were of excellent quality.

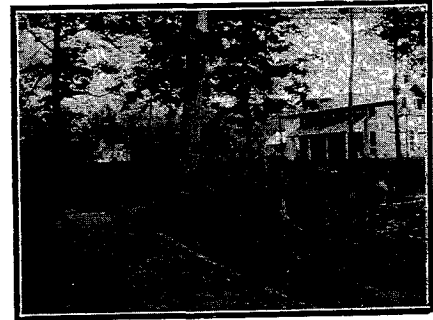
The Ridgetop School

A twelve-mile run, part of the way climbing up winding roads through picturesque scenery, brought us to the Ridgetop School. This may be better known as the "Alden School."

About four years ago Brethren Charles Alden and Braiden Mulford began the work in this neighborhood. They first visited their friends in Pennsylvania and Missouri, and told the simple story of the need of such work as they were planning to undertake. As a result, some

money was given them to help build a schoolhouse, and several families decided to join them in their work. After a time Brother Mulford withdrew from the Ridgetop enterprise, and established a similar school at Fountain Head.

We reached the school about the middle of the forenoon. Here were thirty-five in attendance. A portion of the time the attendance has been above fifty. Brother Charles Alden was alone in the teaching that day, as his brothers were hastening the completion of a new barn, in a near-by clearing.



THE RIDGETOP SCHOOL AND TEACHER'S COTTAGE

The students were quite surprised to see so many visitors, but gave good attention while Dr. Evans told them how to avoid hookworm, and I told them about California farming. The schoolhouse was plain, but commodious and well built. Near by was Brother Alden's cottage; back of this and beyond, his garden and orchard, all showing good results from three years of hard work.

A five minutes' walk through the woods brought us to another clearing, where Brother Alden senior, the father of the teachers, is building a substantial cottage. After a brief discussion of the healthfulness of the climate, and the motives that led to the establishment of this settlement, we visited the barn builders, and then took a look at Sister Ashton's home-made oven.

The Ashton Oven

Sister Ashton, the mother of Mrs. Alden, had become interested in this mountain school enterprise early in its history. She invested two thousand dollars in the securing of a tract of land near the school, and then joined in the work herself. It did not require much time for her to see that the people around Ridgetop were a hundred years or more

CALIFORNIA

Sabbath-School Department

Following are a few extracts from late letters received by the Sabbath-school department. A number of these are from those who are just taking up Sabbath-school work in the State Home Department.

"I want to tell you how much we enjoyed our Home Department Sabbath-school, and that in our isolation we still felt a part of the Sabbath-school work. I think the Home Department plan a great blessing to those who can not attend a Sabbath-school; at least, we found it a great blessing to us."

"Yes, put my name down on the Home Department. I have been studying the lessons five Sabbaths; have had two visitors on two Sabbaths during that time. Donations each Sabbath, 10 cents."

"Yours received. Will say there are only two in this family to enter the Home Department. Shall be glad to study the lessons and report quarterly."

"I am a lone Sabbath-keeper. I would like to become a member of the Home Department. I live too far away to attend Sabbath-school."

"We are truly among the isolated at present, and with the beginning of the new year we count ourselves as members of the Home Department Sabbath-school. Truly in these closing days of earth's history we need all the help we can receive from God's word."

"I am sorry to say that I am the only one of our family that studies the Sabbath-school lessons. I study them regularly. If it were not for them and the good old *Review*, I don't know what I should do. They are such a comfort to me, as I never get to go to Sabbath-school or to church."

"There are only three in our family — my husband, son, and myself; but we have a family Sabbath-school. We always take a walk out in the woods every Sabbath, if the weather permits. We take our Bibles and song books and have our Sabbath-school. We enjoy our lessons very much."

"We wish to join the Home Department Sabbath-school. There are four grown people in our family. We are the only Sabbath observers here, but will try to get others to join us in the study."

who go out to establish these farm schools is to secure a small tract of land to which they look for their main support. In most cases the teachers have received some assistance in the purchase of land, stock, implements, and the erection of a schoolhouse. This has come sometimes from relatives, and sometimes from others interested in the enterprise.

"One of the first things required in most cases is the building of a small cottage for the workers, and this is followed by a neat schoolhouse. In every instance the neighbors have manifested a deep interest, and in a number of places their interest has extended to the donation of unfinished lumber for buildings and time of men and teams.

"The teachers in these farm schools do not confine themselves to the schoolroom. Their influence reaches the homes, where they often go as nurses; they are often called on in accidents and emergencies; their manner of healthful cooking arouses an interest and opens an avenue for teaching in the homes. The school garden is frequently a strong educational factor in the community, showing what more thorough cultivation than usual will accomplish.

"In some cases Bible classes are conducted by the teachers in a neighborhood church or schoolhouse, and in one place the new schoolhouse on the farm was spoken for for Sunday meetings before it was completed. The influence of these schools is elevating. The teachers are noble young people, who are willing to undertake a good work without having a salary assured, and to work daily to support themselves either from the soil or by some other form of manual labor."

That the schools of this order are steadily increasing in number is a matter for profound thankfulness.

W. C. White.

The gospel makes no compromise with evil. It can not excuse sin. Secret sins are to be confessed in secret to God; but for open sin, open confession is required.—"*Desire of Ages*."

Thy hands have made me and fashioned me: give me understanding, that I may learn Thy commandments. Ps. 119: 73.

behind the times in the art of cooking. They were living largely on bacon, corn pone, and hot biscuits. Very few knew how to make a loaf of bread.

Mrs. Ashton was a practical baker, and to show the people what could be done by themselves, with accessible material, she set to work, and with her own hands built an oven for the baking of bread. She gathered up flat limestone rocks, which are everywhere plentiful in the Tennessee Mountains, and with dust from the road, and lime and salt, builded them into an oven, as shown in the illustration. The only cash outlay was forty cents. This oven as we saw it would never take a premium as a work of architecture, but it would take first prize as an example of feminine resourcefulness and determination.

Soon a young man connected with the school said that "Mrs. Ashton has



THE ASHTON OVEN

worked up quite a business in the neighborhood, in looking after the sick people, and giving away bread." To each woman who came to learn, she gave a sample loaf. One woman walked six miles to attend the class in bread making.

It was here, when one of the neighbors had severely injured himself with an axe in planting time, that the school men insisted upon putting in his crop without charge. Afterward a deputy sheriff came spying about "to see if he could catch some of 'them Advents' working on Sunday." Chancing to inquire of the neighbor whose crop had been planted by the school men, he was told to clear out, and that if he was found again in that neighborhood on such an errand, he would be hunted out by men with their rifles.

The Plan of Work

"The plan usually followed by those

"I received a letter from you with the request to join the Home Department of the Sabbath-school. I feel very thankful to be remembered the second time, for I had received an invitation previously. I am now glad to accept. I am all alone to study the lesson, but that makes it more necessary. I have been careless in not having the study of those good lessons. I feel that I have missed a great deal, and with the help of the Lord will make an effort for better work."

"I am writing to let you know that the officers of the local Sabbath-school propose to begin a campaign—an everlasting one—for the improvement of the teaching staff. I rather expect all the teachers will soon be taking the Reading Course; they should, should they not? And my duty is to make them see that they should."

"We were glad to get your letter, and are anxious to take up the Training Course. Please find herewith \$3.30, which pays for the books ordered on the accompanying blank, including *Sabbath School Worker* to be sent to the address of each of those named desiring to take the Training Course studies. Our Sabbath-school is growing, for which we are thankful; and we all long to be better qualified officers and teachers."

"We were pleased with your suggestions with regard to the Teachers' Training Course. Last Sabbath I made a short talk and secured the names as you see them. Those who signed up are not all teachers, but they all wish to better prepare themselves for the work. I think they have manifested the right spirit."

"As I promised to let you know about our consecration service, I will do so at once. The assistant superintendent and I, as well as all who led out in our meetings Sabbath, were very much surprised at the results. The Spirit of God seemed to be in every division, and we were abundantly blessed for our efforts put forth. I hope we can at least have two of these meetings each year in our Sabbath-school here. They bring both old and young nearer to God."

Rosamond D. Ginther.

Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against Thee. Ps. 119: 11.

EDUCATION

and Young People's Work

Conducted by C. C. Lewis

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[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.]

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Esccondido

Another school year is half gone!

Each week as I receive the RECORDER I turn to the Educational Department first, to see if there are any reports from the church schools, as I always read these with great interest.

Our school opened September 14 with Mr. D. D. Voth having charge of the primary room, grades one to five; and grades six to nine in my room.

The first day the enrollment was 29—11 in the primary room and 18 in mine. At present our total enrolment is 80. The pupils range in age from about six years to twenty. The majority of those in my room are from fifteen to eighteen years.

The first day of school I passed slips of paper to the pupils to write their names, ages, etc., upon. I also asked them to state if they were Christians and church-members, and what work they expected to prepare themselves for. All except a girl of eleven were church-members, and seven of the older children wrote on their slips what they wished to become. One desired to become a Bible worker; another, a music teacher; one, a missionary to China; another, a medical missionary; two, church school teachers; and another, a nurse. I think all present expressed a desire to do whatever the Lord wished them to do. I was glad to know that some of them had a definite work in mind.

The Esccondido church built a new schoolhouse last year; but as more scholars came in this year an addition

was built thereto. And with a larger school building we have no room to spare. The partition has folding or swinging doors. We have the doors open and both rooms together during morning exercises.

Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays one of the older students is appointed to take charge of the exercises. Mr. Voth takes charge on Thursdays, and I on Tuesdays.

We have twenty minutes for exercises, and I think it is a good experience for the older pupils to take charge and lead before 65 or 70 pupils. They do very nicely.

A German department is also connected with our school. The primary children are dismissed at 2:30 P.M. From 2:30 to 4:00 Mr. Voth has four German classes. I have joined a class, and am learning German too. There are a great many German children in school. All are doing nicely in their study of this language.

We had very good meetings during the week of prayer. Quite often from five to ten would take part in prayer, and nearly all took some part. One morning I asked all who wished to gain a special blessing, and who wished to pray for their fellow-students, to stay at recess. Only four left the room at recess time. We decided to have a prayer-meeting every Monday A.M. the first thing, and ask the Lord to help us during our week's work. In our prayers we use the special subjects of prayer given in the Morning Watch Calendar. We also repeat in concert the morning watch memory verses. Some of the pupils learn the verses at home, and we are trying to get all to do so.

Every other Friday we have our school society. Both rooms meet together. We have a program which usually takes about one hour.

The school elect their own officers. At first a ninth grade girl was leader and a ninth grade boy secretary. The second time an eighth grade boy was leader and an eighth grade girl secretary. They choose two others, to serve on the executive committee, and these four, with one of the teachers, make out the programs. The subjects we are using are "Missionary," "Temperance," and "Our Animal Friends." The younger ones sing motion songs, and the older ones have duets, quartets, etc.

On Friday nights we have Young People's Prayer Band. We are studying Bible doctrines. A subject is chosen the week before, so all can study on it. The leader is chosen at each meeting, for the next time, from among the young people. We meet at different houses, each one in turn.

We also have a Missionary Volunteer Society which meets every Sabbath P.M. at the church. One of the ninth grade schoolboys is leader, and does well.

There is German young people's meeting twice a month, in which German and English both take part.

The night before our vacation began we had a program in the church. All the songs, recitations, readings, and essays were on the "Life of Christ." The first songs and pieces were about His birth; next His boyhood, etc., to His resurrection and second coming. A greater part of the program was songs by the school, songs by primaries, duets, mixed quartets, and double male quartets. All the seats were taken and many had to stand.

Before the program began all the children met at the schoolhouse, and marched to the church to their reserved seats.

V. Pearl Stone.

January 29.

CALIFORNIA

San Jose Church School

We have just come to the middle of our school year; and as we look back over the past four months, we feel greatly encouraged by the progress made and the victories gained over difficulties. The inconveniences have taught us valuable lessons.

Although our schools have not the best buildings and equipments, we have the best standard of education and the noblest aims. We may certainly be proud of our new text-books, and we hope they are but the beginning of a complete series of Christian education text-books.

As periods of spiritual refreshing we look back over the week of prayer and the young people's convention, both of which left lasting lessons upon all in attendance. The temptations for the young people are great in this city, and we need much strong spiritual influence. The church and school appreciate more than they are able to tell the helpful talks we had during the convention.

As most of the young people of the Missionary Volunteer Society are pupils in the school, the society and school are quite closely related. We hold our meetings Sabbath afternoon, and as many of the young people live several miles out, they stay over from morning meeting. Lately we have been studying South America as a mission field. We have adopted the General Conference plan for programs, which will give us good meetings, and more time for planning and doing missionary work, as the programs are all outlined. The society is taking a club of *Signs*, and the mailing of these, together with the writing of missionary letters, and the work of the package tract league, afford us lines of missionary endeavor.

As a part of the interest of our society, the ninth grade class in "Points of Faith" are looking forward to passing the "Standard of Attainment."

Our young people's library, which is partly made up of books obtained as a result of the young people's convention, affords us excellent reading. We have the books stamped, put in the bookcase, and a librarian appointed, so the young people and children have the best reading before them.

We believe that the first hour in the morning is the rudder of the day, so we endeavor to launch out upon the day right, by storing our minds with Scripture texts. We have in the past spent a few minutes in the morning learning beautiful quotations, and now we have introduced the Morning Watch Calendar. We learn the verse each morning, and review all for the week on Friday. The good habit of memorizing Bible texts will prepare us for the time when all the Bible we have is stored up in our minds.

We are encouraged with our manual training work, for the class is beginning to make a showing, and all realize the value of it. The first of the term we made note book covers and folders; later took up mechanical drawing. The raffia work progressed slowly at first, because it is slow work, but lately we have been working with reed. We are able to get reed very cheaply here, and we have used quite a little making school waste baskets, work baskets, etc. We are expecting soon to make some larger pieces, such as wood baskets, small

clothes baskets, and reed rockers. All enjoy the work immensely, and besides making useful articles, they are taught accuracy and thoroughness in their work. At present the girls are making raffia handbags.

In other lines the school is progressing nicely and enjoying the blessing of the Lord. We remember the other schools in our morning worship, and we solicit your prayers for our work here.

The school sends greetings to the other schools of the conference.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Dayton.

Lodi Normal Academy Notes

Half of the school year is in the past.

The chorus class has begun practise upon an oratorio. The improvement in the class has been marked with Mrs. W. B. Taylor as leader.

The classes in hydrotherapy and cooking are full to overflowing. We appreciate this interest and enthusiasm on the part of our students.

The heating system in the main building of the overhead type is installed, making the rooms and halls of a uniform temperature and most pleasant indeed.

Elder J. N. Loughborough has begun a series of lectures on the history of the "Great Second Advent Movement." The students are amused, interested, and instructed by these old, old stories.

The students' meeting Friday evening was conducted by Mrs. J. A. L. Derby. The leading thought was that we oftentimes fail because we do not take time to gather early a portion sufficient for the day. Ex. 16:4.

The class in astronomy have taken their final test. Here are two questions gleaned from the list of ten: Explain Joshua's command to the sun to stand still. What changes do you think will take place when this earth is made new, on and in the earth, sun, moon, and the shaking of the heavens?

The class in education gave Prof. I. C. Colcord a fine set of compositions de-

monstrating their ability in imagination. The subject was "My Mental Picture of an Angel." Vast is the field for imagination in Bible lore, and little excuse for one to resort to myths and fairy tales to develop this side of human nature.

A mother and patron of the school, yet not of our faith, called at the president's office recently to express her appreciation of the work done. She said her son had told her a few days before how much he wished he could have always attended such a school. Thus comes another demonstration of "And the Gentiles shall come to thy light."

The boys of the North Hall were happily surprised the evening after Sabbath when the preceptor invited them all to his rooms for a "mending bee." One of the most novel features of the evening's program was to see each young man respond as his name was called in its alphabetical order, with a vocal solo, accompanied by L. E. Westermeyer. A few light refreshments were served. The boys parted carrying with them the memory of another pleasant event from their school days.

A retrospective book review will be given by the astronomy class. Following are the points to be included:

1. Part most interesting.
2. Part unnecessary and might have been omitted.
3. That which is true and noteworthy.
4. Reasoning in a circle repetition.
5. Sentiment doubtful.
6. Facts well confirmed.
7. Astonishing statements.
8. Thought needing expansion.
9. Obscure as to the meaning.
10. Language beautiful, rhetorical, imaginary, and should be committed to memory.

A little device in missionary history of South America used in our Volunteer Society is to have a few notes gleaned from the various talks and papers presented at our regular meetings. At the following meeting these are read to refresh our memories before taking up a new subject. It behooves each one to give strict attention, for he never knows when his name will be called to answer the questions prepared by the one who

has the review in charge. At the close of the meeting we give the usual Mizpah watchword—"The Lord watch between me and thee, when we are absent one from another." Another most interesting feature is the Bible narrative. Miss Ruth Bond favored us this week with the story of Ruth. With intense interest the audience followed the young maid from her childhood's happy experiences, through the school of sorrow, and marked her conversion and life of usefulness as each point was called forth and made plain by our able story teller.

Mrs. Mina Mann took charge of conference, giving instruction in the importance of manual training and its place as outlined by the great Teacher in our school program. Mrs. W. S. Holbrook at the same time met the children in the training school department. Not alone theoretical is our work in the training school along these lines. We have felt that advance steps from last year have been taken with the children; also with the normal teachers, who are taking shop work and "learning by doing" to handle simple tools, as well as receiving instruction in all other lines of manual training that could naturally fall to a church school department. Thus we feel that our graduation class of this year will go out from us better equipped in this line than any previous one. It takes time to work out theory and principles. This year a furnished room and equipment have given us advantages over preceding ones. We feel grateful for these improvements year by year.

Lotta E. Bell.

Obituaries

HORNING.—Miss Dorothy Lucile Horning died Sabbath, January 8, about 4 P.M. Dorothy was the youngest daughter, being about three years old, of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Horning. She was an exceptionally bright child, and dearly loved by every one who knew her. She was only ill about twelve hours. The child ate heartily of olives a short time before, probably swallowing some of the pits, causing the illness which resulted in death. It seemed hard, indeed, to have this dear little girl, who was a sunbeam in the home life, cut down so suddenly by our last enemy, death. The writer spoke from the text

found in John 14:19: "Because I live, ye shall live also." And the blessed hope seemed more precious than ever, as we are certain that death will not hold its power over the pure life that has been laid away to sleep until the Life-giver comes. The Chico church was filled with a large audience who sympathized with Brother and Sister Horning in their bereavement. And we tried to encourage all present to accept of the overtures of mercy, and avail themselves of a part in the first resurrection, by preparing to meet Him who has the keys of death, and now lives to intercede at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty on High for all who love His appearing.

W. H. Covell.

WILSON.—William H. Wilson was born in Donnegal County, Ireland, April 25, 1858, and died near Lodi, Cal., January 31, 1911. Since about 1878 he has resided in California, for the most part in Humboldt County. For nearly seven years he has resided in Healdsburg. While living in Humboldt County he believed the doctrines of the Seventh-day Adventists, attended camp-meetings and other services, but never made a profession of religion until he came to Healdsburg. There he was baptized and united with the Healdsburg church, of which he was a faithful member, holding for a part of the time official positions in the church.

He was married in 1887, and four sons were born to the family, all of whom, with his companion, are still living. Wishing his three younger sons to have the benefit of the Lodi Normal School, he sold his place in Healdsburg, and on the 11th of January came to Lodi and secured a place which could be managed by these growing youth. Within a week of his coming to Lodi he was taken with *la grippe*, which turned into spinal meningitis. He feared it might cause the loss of his consciousness, and while still retaining his faculties he talked freely with his children, wishing them to forgive all they had seen amiss in him. He requested his sons to "never give up the Sabbath; to faithfully pay their tithes, and to prepare, as rapidly as possible, for usefulness in the cause." He declared himself at peace with God, and if he passed away he expected to have a part in the first resurrection.

From noon of the 27th to 3:30 P.M. the 31st, the time of his death, he was unconscious.

His funeral service was attended by the writer in the Lodi church on February 2. A large collection of the church, and the normal students in a body, followed the remains to the Lodi cemetery. There they laid him to rest to await the waking of those who like our brother have fallen asleep in the faith of Jesus.

J. N. Loughborough.

KING'S MESSENGERS

Field Notes

We have been receiving "showers of blessings" the past week, for which we feel like praising Him who sends both the sunshine and the rain.

Although the rain has kept the canvassers from spending much time in the field during the last two weeks, it will help them to sell more books when they do get into the work again. However, during the short time that some have spent in the field, they have had some very good experiences.

Brethren Martin and Parrett have just returned from their work in the Imperial Valley, and they both have brought back a "good report." Brother Parrett said he lost only one order out of his last delivery, and sold a few books besides those for which he had orders.

Brother Martin says that he delivered more books than he had orders for, and has related some very interesting experiences of his work while in the valley. He told of one instance where the party who had ordered the book had moved away, and he happened to find a brother of the man who had ordered the book. After explaining the matter to the gentleman, he told Brother Martin that he could pay for that, and gave him the price of the book, which was \$4.50. After paying for it, he asked what kind of book it was. When told that it was a health book, he said that he liked that kind of book, and asked Brother Martin if he had another one to sell to him too. You may be sure that there was one for him.

We remember that one of the key-notes that was sounded at the Mountain View convention was that we would give "spiritual canvasses." I can assure

those who adopt the use of such canvasses they will see greater results.

If we do not sell any more books we will have given the people the truth, and warned them of the world's impending doom, and that is what we should have uppermost in our minds. We remember that saving souls was another key-note that was sounded.

I was canvassing a lady for "Controversy" last Friday, and when I first began, she did not appear to be much interested in the contents of the book. But before I was through with my canvass, she was weeping. Her heart was touched when I spoke of the deliverance of God's people, the destruction of the wicked, and the coming of Christ, etc.

I hope every one who is selling our religious books will adopt the use of spiritual canvasses.

C. C. Morlan.

January 29.

Report of Book Sales in Southern California

For Week Ending Jan. 20, 1911

"Practical Guide"

	Hrs.	Ords.	Value
W. H. Blosser*	24	7	\$31.00
Chas. Parrett**			
Alex. Martin***	7	3	13.50
Miscellaneous			
S. McJennet	12	8	12.50
Total	43	18	\$57.00

Deliveries

- *\$ 10.50
- ** 104.00
- *** 178.50

Total \$293.00

Report of Book Sales in California Conference

For Two Weeks Ending Feb. 3, 1911

Hrs. Ords. Value
"Daniel and the Revelation"

W. D. Fleming *	43	28	\$45.50
H. S. Carter **	39	29	44.50
J. V. Pierson †	20	9	27.00

"Practical Guide"

L. Lukens and Wife ‡	21	13	49.50
G. Truesdell ***	33	11	40.50
D. M. Lawrence	25	7	25.50
Sadie Scott	12	4	14.00

"Heralds of the Morning"

C. F. Williamson †	23	1	2.00
Mr. McCracken ‡			
			\$248.50

- * Delivery, \$18.50
- ** Delivery, \$38.50
- *** Delivery, \$25.00
- † Helps, \$4.45
- ‡ Helps, \$2.50
- § Helps, \$1.25
- ¶ Helps, \$5.00

Periodical Report for Week Ending Feb. 3, 1911

	Hrs.	Copies	Value
Mrs. W. D. Fleming	14	150	\$16.90

Canvassers' Letters

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in restoring me to health; and as I read in the Spirit of prophecy of the great work that is yet to be done by God's people, and saw how few there are to do it, I felt that the Lord called me back to His service, by the burden I have for carrying the silent message to those who are in darkness, but are willing to receive light when brought to them.

"Then the question arose, Where shall I canvass? I did not wish to go far from home, and as I had canvassed this country two years ago for 'Heralds of the Morning,' I fairly shrank from the idea of canvassing the same territory for 'Thoughts on Daniel and the Revelation.' But having two German books on hand, and knowing of a German settlement where I had canvassed, I at last mustered up courage to see if I could sell those two books. I worked in this settlement 26 hours, taking orders for and selling \$26.75 worth of literature. The people really seemed glad to see me. Some gave their order for 'D. and R.' that had bought 'Heralds' from me. One man remarked, 'Should like to take the book, as I bought 'Heralds of the Morning' from you two years ago, and it is the best book that I ever read; but times are so hard that I can not take it at the present time. Haven't you something cheaper? I should like to buy something from you.' So I secured his order for 'Christ's Object Lessons' and 'Steps to Christ.' May the Lord forbid that I shall any more shrink from my duty that He calls me to."

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A Few Facts

It is a fact that Sister Fleming of the bay cities, while in attendance at the recent bookmen's convention in Mountain View, spent two days in San Jose and sold 200 copies of the *Signs Monthly*. 100 a day! Pretty good, isn't it? This shows what can be done by an energetic worker who has faith in the message which this magazine teaches.

It is a fact that a person would be dull indeed if he read "The Eastern Crisis," which appears in the March number of the *Signs Monthly*, and failed to see its bearing on fulfilling prophecy.

It is a fact that your infidel or other unbelieving friend or neighbor may be greatly helped by reading the "Inerrant Book." This too may be found in the March number of the *Signs Monthly*.

It is a fact that "the *Signs* does bring people into the truth." C. N. L.

Help Wanted

An experienced forelady for steam laundry, nurses, stenographer, chambermaids, dining-room help, ironers, and call-boys.

Permanent employment. Good wages. Also wish to correspond with those who desire a training as sanitarium clerks, stewards, cooks, and matrons.

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L. M. Bowen,
Sanitarium, Napa Co., Cal.

A Wonderful Conversion

Many will remember about Harry Orchard who set the bomb that blew Governor Steunenberg of Idaho to pieces. The trial that followed was most sensational. Mr. Orchard was wonderfully converted. He afterwards studied the truth, and was baptized by one of our ministers in the prison where he is serving a life sentence.

In my correspondence with him I have occasionally asked him to write me more fully the story of his conversion. Only recently he has done so, and it will appear in the February *Life Boat*. It is a remarkable experience that all should read. Address Dr. David Paulson, Hinsdale, Ill.

Notice

The ninth annual meeting of the Sanitarium Food Company, for the purpose of electing directors and transacting any other business that may properly come before the meeting, will be held at Sanitarium, Napa County, California, on Thursday, March 9, 1911, at 10 o'clock A.M.

L. M. BOWEN, *President*.

H. E. RANDALL, *Secretary*.

Notice

The fourteenth annual meeting of the California Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association, for the purpose of electing four or more members of the Board of Directors and transacting any other business that may properly come before the meeting, will be held at Sanitarium, Napa County, California, on Wednesday, March 8, 1911, at 12 o'clock M.

H. W. COTTRELL, *President*.

H. E. RANDALL, *Secretary*.

Notice

The next class in the St. Helena Sanitarium and Hospital Training School for medical missionary nurses will be organized Tuesday, April 4, 1911.

Owing to the large number and great variety of cases that flock to this institution for relief, and the wide experience thus offered the students both in surgical and general hospital nursing, the course is especially strong, from a prac-

tical missionary standpoint. In addition to the opportunities for missionary work at the sanitarium, the San Francisco Dispensary, which the institution has taken over, affords training in city mission work. The institution has also undertaken to open up mission work in China the present year, thus giving those who desire a definite foreign mission field for which to prepare and upon which to enter when their course is completed.

Twenty-five consecrated young men and women, whose desire is to enter the work for the sake of fallen humanity and not for profit, are wanted to join this class.

Send for the Training School Calendar, by addressing Dr. H. F. Rand, superintendent, or Mrs. S. J. Whitney, secretary, Sanitarium, Napa Co., Cal.

Canvassers' Letters

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Truesdell: "We have just started in the work at Winters, and so far have no word of discouragement to offer. The Lord is truly blessing our efforts. Our intention is to work together, but have not been able to do so yet. Our courage and health are good, and we are glad to have a humble part in this work."

Mrs. W. D. Fleming: "There is certainly a great need of workers in these cities. We have not begun to touch the work here. I am sure the Lord will send more laborers to this needy field. We have some blessed experiences in working for the Lord, and I praise His dear name for permitting me to share in this closing message to the world. O that I might do something for the dear souls everywhere perishing without the knowledge of salvation and the love of our Saviour. I never realized the needs of this city so much until during the weeks we were getting petitions against the Sunday law. Pray the Lord of the harvest to send us more reapers."

J. V. Pierson: "A few months ago I was canvassing at Nevada City, Cal., when taken ill, and was compelled to return to my home in Fresno for treatment and to build up my constitution. The dear Lord has wonderfully blessed

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