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The Church

Youth and Age

Ah! Youth is fair, and Youth is sweet!
But swift she flies, with winged feet,
And leaves our life but half complete.

Ah! Youth is fair, and Youth is gay!
She charms and rules with magic sway,
Then passes on, like summer day,

And Age, with beauty all her own,
Comes silently Youth's path adown,
And sits a queen upon her throne.

She touches with her fingers fair
Our lips, our eyes, our brow, our hair,
And leaves her gentle impress there.

And what glad Youth, with flying feet,
Was fain to leave with footsteps fleet,
Age finishes with patience sweet,
And Youth and Age make life complete.

—Sarah Martyn Wright.

Sketches of the Past — No. 136

In the articles numbered 132 and 133, in “Sketches,” we came down to 1866, and the starting of our first sanitarium. I have taken occasion to digress a little from the regular order of the “Sketches,” to trace the outcome of the opposition party who were figuring against us in 1866. This had been taken up in numbers 134 and 135. I now return to the consideration of further matters in 1866. It had been decided to call the health institution we were opening, “The Health Reform Institute.” When we began to receive payments for shares in the enterprise, it was of necessity that we have a legal organization to receive and hold the title to the property. To learn how such a corporation could be formed, led to much counsel with Battle Creek lawyers, Dibble and Rhine. As Brother White was feeble, it fell to the lot of the writer to engage in this inquiry.

These lawyers said there was no law for our case except the law for the formation of corporations for mining and manufacturing purposes. As a matter of course such worldly institutions, being formed for profit, provided for the payment of dividend to stockholders; so we, thinking that we *must* follow the law, provided for a dividend of net earnings. When our first report was made in the spring of 1867, and Sister White learned of the situation, she at once said: “That is not the course we are to take in managing our health institution. The light given me is that the earnings of the institution should go to the building up of the institution, and for charity work for the needy afflicted.”

Having received this additional light as to the character of the Lord's health institution, a move was made to remedy

matters. All who could were requested to donate all profits on their stock to the institution. This they readily assented to. Some aged persons had means invested, from which they needed an income for their support. After all such stock had been released, it became the rule of the incorporation, and was so presented to those purchasing stock, that no dividends would be paid on stock, and that all net earnings should be the funds of the institution, to aid in its charity work.

At the General Conference in 1866, it was decided that some member of the General Conference Committee should attend the state conferences of the Central and Western states, and that the two Elders Bourdeau, A. C. and D. T., should labor in the West, especially among the churches in Iowa, to aid them in their rally from the effects of the “Marion movement” in that field. The General Conference Committee selected the writer to attend said conferences, and this because Elder White was in such condition of health that it was not expected that he and Sister White would be able to attend said meetings.

On June 5, in company with the Brethren Bourdeau, I left Battle Creek for the Iowa state conference at Pilot Grove, which meeting was held from the 6th to the 10th of June. There plans were laid for labors in the field, especially that of the Brethren Bourdeau. From that meeting I accompanied Brother Jacob Hare to Mount Pleasant, and held meetings there June 16, 17. Then I went to Wisconsin, attending the Illinois and Wisconsin conference, which convened in the large tent at Johnstown Center from June 22 to 25. This place was the residence of Elder Sanborn, the president of the conference. In those days our ministers gave many talks on the health question.

The interest on this subject at Johnstown was such that a health meeting was held in the tent, on the 26th, for the accommodation of the citizens, after most of the delegates had returned to their homes.

From the Wisconsin meeting I went to Waukon, Iowa, and held meetings with that church, from June 30 to July 1. There I met Elder W. S. Ingraham. With a mule team we drove three days to Pleasant Grove, Minnesota, and from July 6 to 8 attended the annual session of the Minnesota conference. Thence I went to Battle Creek, Michigan; but on the way held meetings with the little company of—at that time—about twelve believers, in the great city of Chicago. From July 13 to 24 I spent in councils of the General and Michigan conference committees, and the Health Institute and Review and Herald boards; then I went to Ohio and attended their state conference at Lovetts Grove. From July 26 to 31, and from August 6 to 12, I held meetings with some of the small companies in Ohio.

During the Iowa conference Brother Jacob Hare, who had formerly been a Methodist, and was much in favor of camp-meetings, suggested the idea of a general gathering of our people for several days, which he called a "convocation meeting." The conference voted to hold one at Pilot Grove in August. The Illinois and Wisconsin conference, hearing of this, decided to have a similar meeting at Monroe, Wisconsin, the forepart of September. I attended the said meeting at Pilot Grove, August 29 to September 2. Then the Brethren Bourdeau accompanied me to the Monroe meeting, held from September 12 to 16. These meetings, free from business, proved to be very interesting and profitable occasions for our people, most of whom lodged in the homes of our own believers, while the meetings were held in the large tent.

After attending these Western meetings, I spent a few days in Battle Creek in council with our various committees, and then attended the New York state conference. This meeting convened at Roosevelt, and was held from September 28 to October 1. During this meeting Brother S. B. Whitney was ordained to the work of the gospel ministry. Following this meeting I spent two days with Elder J. N. Andrews, in Rochester, New York—his home—where we prepared a bill to be presented to the Michigan legislature relative to health institutions. We also prepared petitions to be signed by our Michigan people, praying that said

bill be made a law of the state. When we had completed this task, Elder Andrews and I went to visit and pray with Elder White, at the home of Brother Abbey at Brookfield, New York. Brother White was still quite feeble, and he and Sister White were sharing the hospitality of Brother Abbey's family.

From this point I returned to Michigan, and pushed the matter among our churches, of signing and preparing the petitions to be presented by Lawyer Rhine on the opening of the Michigan legislature. One prominent topic in the summer meetings had been the raising of means for the health institution, and the result showed that by the fall of that year about \$18,000 had been raised for this enterprise. So we desired a law to be passed that would be free from all the intricacies of mining and manufacturing regulations.

J. N. Loughborough.

The Field

CALIFORNIA Conference Current

Elder E. W. Farnsworth spent last Sabbath with the Sanitarium church. He left Oakland the middle of the week previous, stopping a little time at Sonoma.

In order to be in close proximity to their work in connection with the meetings soon to start there, Brother Kuhns and Brother Dickson are moving to San Francisco, the former from Alameda and the latter from Richmond.

Brother A. A. Cone, Pacific Union Conference general canvassing agent, spent some time in Oakland the past week, assisting agents to get started in the book work, and counseling with Brother J. T. Thompson regarding the prospects along that line for the coming season.

Regular services Tuesday, Thursday, and Sabbath afternoons are now being held at the Alameda County Infirmary, located about ten miles east of Oakland, between San Leandro and Haywards. Elder Andrew Brorsen, of Oakland, has charge of the meetings at the present time.

Preparations are this week being completed for the opening next Sunday night of a strong series of meetings in San

Francisco. Elder J. W. McCord, formerly of Los Angeles, will be in charge of this effort, assisted by R. S. Fries, L. K. Dickson and wife, G. A. Kuhns and Mrs. Kuhns, Miss Laura Morrison, and others. A hall with seating capacity of about 300 has been secured at Eighteenth and Collinwood streets.

For a number of weeks, Elder B. E. Beddoe has been conducting Sunday night meetings in the Oakland church on Twenty-fifth Street. During February, a series of four studies on the Eastern question are being given. These are of exceptional interest. The subjects are as follows: "Turkey—the Beginning of Its Downfall;" "Of what will the Driving Out of the Turk from Europe Be a Forerunner?" "The Downfall of the Turkish Empire Prepares the Way for Armageddon;" and "Jerusalem; Who Will Possess It—Jew, Christian, or Turk?" The church auditorium last Sunday night was filled with interested listeners to the second one of these studies. Also good reports of the meetings are being published in the Oakland papers.

Although we have already thanked our church treasurers and clerks personally for their promptness in sending remittances and reports at the close of the year, yet we wish in this way to express appreciation for the interest that was shown in this regard. Up to the evening of December 31, only three remittances were lacking to make the number complete from all the churches in the conference. Two of these three came in the first mail the next morning, and the other one, two or three days later. This enabled us to publish tithe and offering statement for the year in PACIFIC UNION RECORDER of January 9, 1913. Of the clerks' annual reports, twenty-nine out of the thirty-five had been received by January 15. We are sorry to say that two or three of our smaller churches have not yet responded.

Claude Conard.

February 14.

California Bible House Notes

The 1913 Year Book can be obtained at the California Bible House. This contains a historical summary of the denomination, in addition to the directory of all ministers in the denomination, and of our publishing houses, tract societies, educational institutions, sanitariums, and mission stations. Price, 50 cents.

The sultan of Turkey, strapped to a sputtering sky-rocket pointed toward Asia, was shown in a newspaper cartoon last week. The world is asking, "Where will the sky-rocket land?" Now while the public mind is agitated, is the best time to circulate freely the tracts "Eastern Question" and "Turkey and Its End." "Eastern Question" is \$1:00 a hundred, and "Turkey and Its End" is \$2.00 a hundred. Order of the California Bible House, 2201 Telegraph Ave., Oakland, California.

When we consider the tremendous results to be seen from missionary correspondence and the circulation of our truth-filled papers and tracts, it is hard to understand why many more letters are not written, and why thousands of tracts and papers are not circulated in place of hundreds.

"The Missionary Idea," a pamphlet of 317 pages, tells all about the work. Price, 50 cents. The California Bible House has a supply on hand. "Like the Leaves of Autumn" is a booklet which tells how to begin missionary correspondence, and how to work with tracts. It will be sent free to any who are interested.

Two visits from a canvasser, a copy of the *Signs* weekly, a copy of the *Signs Magazine*, and one missionary letter, awakened such an interest that the person addressed promptly sent back \$2.00 with his first letter for a year's subscription to the *Signs of the Times*, and a copy of "Questions and Answers." The letter speaks for itself:

"Your letter of February 3 at hand. I was at a loss to know who was sending me the *Signs of the Times*, and since finding out I am glad to subscribe for that valuable little book, for which you will find a remittance. Yes, indeed, I have 'Christ's Object Lessons' in book form, and it is a lasting source of pleasure to read from its pages. I also received the *Signs of the Times Magazine*, and thank you for the favor. I may subscribe for it later, but at present I am abundantly satisfied with the former. With my respects and good wishes, I remain," etc.

Frank A. Coffin.

"When we do not receive the very things we ask for, at the time we ask, we are still to believe that the Lord hears, and that He will answer our prayers."

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA-NEVADA

Conference Items

Prof. I. C. Colcord met with the Sacramento church last Sabbath.

Brother W. P. Dayton reports the work progressing at New Pine Creek.

Sister C. L. Taggart, Sabbath-school secretary, met with the Stockton Sabbath-school February 8.

Dr. J. J. Myers and family, of Dos Palos, arrived in Lodi Wednesday, where they will make their future home.

Dr. O. O. Osborne, of Hughson, spent a few days in Lodi the past week with his sister Mrs. Laura Bowman, who is very sick.

Elder W. S. Holbrook writes that there are some interesting cases at Lake City and vicinity. He, together with Brother W. P. Dayton, expects to take up work at Cedarville in the near future.

We have received our large shipment of the 1913 Temperance *Instructor*, and a number have already been distributed in different places. All who have seen the magazine, pronounce it the best one ever gotten out.

Brother and Sister W. B. Shultz, of College View, Nebraska, who have been spending the winter in Lodi with relatives, left Tuesday morning for San Francisco, where they will spend a week before starting on an extended southern trip. Elder and Mrs. Henry Shultz, Elder and Mrs. Valentin Leer, and Brother Wm. Gerney accompanied them as far as the city, returning Wednesday night.

We received the following report of the work at Winton from Brother E. J. Urquhart: "We are still continuing our Sunday evening services here. Last Sunday evening I spoke to a very interested audience of fifty souls on the evidence that the second coming of the Lord is near. Besides those who were baptized, another lady of good repute is keeping the Sabbath, and several others are studying the truth. We look for the work to advance here. Our new church building is under way. We give God all the glory for what has been accomplished at this place." Merl Horton.

Miscellany

Bargains!

Slightly shelf-worn Bibles and other books at the following cut prices, post-paid:

Oxford Reference Bible, leather lined, silk sewed, divinity circuit, 7 3/4 by 5 1/4 inches, regular price, \$2.75\$2.00

Oxford Sealskin Bible, calf lined, silk sewed, divinity circuit, India paper, 6 7/8 by 4 3/4 inches,—regular price \$5.00 4.00

Oxford Cyclopedia Concordance Teachers' Bible, Alaska seal, bold-faced type, leather lined, divinity circuit, 5 by 7 inches, regular price, \$6.50 5.00

- Uncle Ben's Cobblestones55
- Story of Pitcairn Island, cloth.... .60
- Coming King, German—splendid for missionary use60
- Patriarchs and Prophets, cloth.... 1.25
- Steps to Christ, German, cloth.... .30
- Past, Present and Future, leather.. 1.50
- Heralds of the Morning, cloth..... .90
- House We Live In50
- Best Stories, art board30
- Health25
- Steps to Christ, plain30
- Gospel Primer, cloth25
- Colds15
- Pastor Hsi45
- The Church, Organization and Discipline15
- Practical Guide, cloth 2.00
- Bible Text Book, Johnson, leather.. .40
- The Boy Puzzle25

SCHOOL BOOKS

- McKibbin's Bible Lessons, No. 3.. .70
- Bell's Grammar, No. 230
- Guide to Correct English25
- True Education Reader, No. 5..... .65
- True Education Reader, No. 480
- Bible Nature Series, No. 180

You ought to have one of those beautiful silk pillow-tops. They have been embroidered by hand by Chinese girls, who are endeavoring to obtain an education, and are now studying in our mission school in China. All money received will be contributed to their education. We make no profit. Prices, \$2.00 and \$2.50, while they last.

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Army Book Fund

Through this fund the book "Daniel and the Revelation" was sent to an artillery company in California to be placed in their library. To indicate that the books are read, a letter is submitted. It was written to Brother B. N. Brown, himself a soldier for ten years, having learned of and accepted the truth while stationed in the Philippine Islands, and since which time he has sent out, by the help of voluntary donations, over 600 "Daniel and the Revelation" to army posts all over the United States, Philippines, and Alaska.

The letter follows:

"Dear Mr. Brown: I have found the book you so kindly sent to our library, and must say it is the best book I have ever run across save the Bible. I would like very much to own a copy. I do not, however, know where to obtain a copy. Will you please send me one by return mail? I am willing to pay for the same, and in advance if need be. Let me know the price, and I will gladly send the same to you."

This plan of reaching the United States Army has proved practical. The funds are protected by being sent to the Southern Publishing Association, where Brother Brown is connected with the *Watchman* magazine. He does not ask for large donations,—just a book of stamps from many will be of great service. Send him clean copies of either "Daniel and the Revelation," or a "Controversy," or a book of stamps, or fifty cents or so. He has received over \$400 through this method. Send all funds to the Southern Publishing Association, 2123 24th Ave., N., Nashville, Tennessee. He especially requests that no funds be sent to him.

The "Watchman" for March

At this special time when all the world in general, and our country in particular, is looking toward Washington, it is important that we call the attention of the people to the true message for to-day. The *Watchman* will contain the true message from God to all men.

"Satan's Masterpiece," by the editor, will indicate the nature and purpose of the great organization through which the great deceiver is working to destroy men.

"Babylon, Ancient and Modern," by Elder C. P. Bollman, is the title of a helpful article. It draws a parallel between Babylon of old and to-day. We should be intelligent with reference to

this power, because we are bidden to "come out of Babylon."

"A Misinterpretation of Old Testament Prophecies," by Elder F. C. Gilbert, is a very helpful article of a series that will run for several months, giving some idea of how the Bible is received by the Jewish people. This is the third of his series.

"He Shall Come to His End," is an editorial appearing in the *Springfield Republican*, and will be somewhat commented upon by the editor of the *Watchman*. The significance of the writers of the day referring to the Turk as "coming to his end," is in strict harmony with a Bible prophecy made with special reference to that unspeakable power. Turkey's end introduces the final movements in this world's history. The attention of neighbors and friends should be called to this editorial, appearing as it does in a worldly paper, as being in remarkable support of our Biblical position for many years.

"God's Message for To-Day." R. W. Parmele, the writer of this article, endeavors to outline the real issue that confronts the world to-day. A spirit-filled message to all.

This is a good number to circulate. Rates in quantities, up to 40, 5 cents each; over that, 4 cents each.

Does It Pay?

A most remarkable evidence of the blessing of God added to the faithful efforts of a church in practical, simple home missionary work, has just come to our attention. It comes from a large city in the South, where hundreds of copies of our pioneer missionary paper and other periodicals have been distributed.

Elder LeRoy T. Crisler, president of the Georgia Conference, in writing of this experience, says: "A little over two years ago a white church of sixteen members was organized, with a leader who believed in getting every member to work. Sundays were set apart for the distribution of our literature and the sale of magazines. Cottage meetings were held nearly every night of the week, from house to house. Very little ministerial help was rendered at any time. The membership of this church has increased fourfold, and they now occupy a beautiful edifice, costing \$5,500, located in the most desirable residence section of Savannah. Six months ago, Elders—and——, our colored ministers, with a corps of Bible

workers, were sent to Savannah to conduct a tent effort. One hundred sixty-five souls have taken their stand for the truth, and additions to the newly organized church continue. A commodious church is being erected, and a mission school with an enrolment of sixty-nine has been running three months. The two hundred and twenty-five Sabbath-keepers that have been gathered out of that city, are a wonderful illustration of what a handful of believers can do when they go to work systematically with our magazines and books."

Hundreds of copies of the *Signs of the Times* have been going to these earnest workers in Savannah for a number of months, and Elder Crisler says: "The papers were used to good advantage, and played their part in converting the one hundred sixty-five souls that accepted the truth in that effort." This nice large church of Advent believers is indeed a trophy, and we are glad to see this remarkable evidence of God's blessing added to the earnest, faithful efforts of our brethren and sisters in simple, systematic home missionary work. Elder Crisler sent a picture of the company to the *Signs* office, and added this thought: "I will say that this territory before the meeting, was quite thoroughly worked with the *Signs*."

One more witness to the fact that our good pioneer missionary paper, the *Signs*, is accomplishing, in a remarkably successful way, that for which it was designed,—the bringing of this truth to the knowledge of those who do not know it. Can we not ask, *Does it pay?* Let us keep the *Signs* busy in pioneer work. Start it, right now, going to your relatives, friends, and others, and let it accomplish for them just what it has for thousands of others. The present series will do its work the same as has been done in the past.

Five or more copies, six months, to one person 60 cents each
Five or more copies, six months, to separate names and addresses 65 cents each
Order through the tract society.

Sanitarium Food Company

The eleventh annual meeting of the Sanitarium Food Company will be held at Sanitarium, Napa County, California, on Thursday, March 13, 1913, at 12 o'clock m.

L. M. Bowen, *President*.
L. A. Whitney, *Secretary*.

California Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association

Notice is hereby given that the sixteenth annual meeting of the members of the constituency of the California Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association will be held at Sanitarium, Napa County, California, Wednesday, March 12, 1913, at 12 o'clock m., for the election of four or more directors to take the place of those whose term of office expires at that time, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

The members of the association consist of, first, all charter or life members; second, the following are ex-officio members: the physicians, graduate nurses, and department leaders employed in any branch of the work of this association; third, members of the executive committee of the Pacific Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists; fourth, members of the executive committees of the following conferences: the California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, the Northern California-Nevada Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, the Central California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, the Southern California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists; fifth, the members of the board of trustees of the California Conference Association of the Seventh-day Adventists; sixth, the secretary of the California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, the missionary secretary and Sabbath-school secretary of the California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, the church school superintendent, all ordained ministers, licentiates, and church school teachers in the employ of the California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists; seventh, the officers and managing boards of all regularly organized Seventh-day Adventist denominational institutions in the territory of the Pacific Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists; eighth, all duly accredited delegates to the annual meetings of the California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, and the elders, deacons, clerks, treasurers, librarians, Sabbath-school superintendents, and leaders of young people's societies in local Seventh-day Adventist churches within the territory of the California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists.

L. M. Bowen, *President*.
J. J. Wessels, *Secretary*.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Field Notes

Some may be inclined to think that because a town or district has been worked with one of our books, it will make it harder to sell books in that territory. Many experiences have come to our notice which have proved that this is not the case. Only a few days ago I was making

REPORT OF BOOK WORK FOR WEEK ENDING FEBRUARY 7, 1913

<i>Agent</i>	<i>Book</i>	<i>Hrs.</i>	<i>Ords.</i>	<i>Helps</i>	<i>Value</i>	<i>Delivered</i>
Southern California						
C. E. Hutchins	P. G.	12½	9		\$33.50	
Ira J. Herbert	P. G.	24½	10		41.00	
E. A. Case	P. G.	14	7		28.50	
T. Martin	P. G.	3	1		3.50	
W. O. James	H. & H.	9	14		35.00	
H. Bonde	Misc.		4		12.00	
6 Agents			45		\$153.50	

a few calls in a portion of the city where I had delivered some books just before the holidays, and one lady stopped me on the street and asked if I was not the one of whom she bought a book. I told her that I was, and she asked if she could get another one just like it. She wanted it for a birthday present. To be sure I secured one of the books for her.

The next day I called on a lady to whom I had delivered two books recently, and she asked if I was still selling the books. I informed her that I was, and she told me which book she wanted.

These experiences harmonize with a statement found in the spirit of prophecy, which says that the more our literature is circulated the greater will be the demand for it.

Last week we went into a little town to introduce our health book. The first man on whom we called was the mayor of the town. He had been to the Loma Linda Sanitarium for treatment, and had purchased a copy of "Practical Guide," and gladly wrote the following in both prospectuses:

"To Whom It May Concern:

"The 'Practical Guide to Health' which I purchased from Mr. —, of Loma Linda, I find contains facts and instruction which are essential to right living, and should be in every household. I give it my heartiest endorsement."

A few other good recommendations were secured for the book. The Methodist minister heartily endorsed the work also.

The following paragraph is taken from a letter recently received from one of the canvassers: "The paramount issue in my prayer that morning was souls for my hire. I started to canvass one lady and she said, 'I want the book.' The next day I had a similar experience, but the lady asked what denomination published the book. I answered, partially sustaining our position for the same. Among

other things I mentioned some of our other large books. She said she had never heard of anything like that before. Having mentioned 'Great Controversy' it seemed to appeal to her more than the others, and besides the order which she had given for 'Bible Readings'—the book for which I was canvassing—in the half leather binding, she said she would take 'Great Controversy' in the half leather binding."

This incident shows that it always pays to be honest and frank when questioned as to who publish our books. Our books are the best on the market, and most of the thinking and reading people in the land know it.

Reader, if you want to have some of these interesting experiences, come and join us. There is room yet for more, and the invitation has been given, "Come!" Will we have to go and "compel" them to come in? If it were an invitation to step in through the pearly gates, would you hesitate?—No. Well, doing such work as this will help to prepare us to pass through the pearly gates, and give us an opportunity to take some one with us. Will you go?

C. C. Morlan,
Field Agent S. Calif.

Wanted

An experienced commercial baker, who can bake for the trade. Good wages. Address Vegetarian Cafeteria, Fifth and A streets, San Diego, California.

For Sale

In Stanislaus County, six miles from Modesto, six acres of first-class alfalfa land, all in alfalfa. A quarter of a mile from church and church school. Price, \$290 per acre. Address Spencer Potts, R.F.D. No. 4, Box 102, Modesto, California.

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1913

The annual meeting of the Central California Conference convenes at Fresno February 20.

Elder E. E. Andross returned Friday, February 14, from his trip to College Place, Washington, where he met with the North Pacific Union Conference Committee.

Brother and Sister Charles W. Bremner and two girls, of Southern California, spent last Sabbath in Mountain View, en route to the Southern field. Their plan was to locate in Arkansas, at least for a time.

Special attention is called to the article by Elder Daniells, that appears in another column, concerning the "Loma Linda Hospital Day." This article is taken from the *Review and Herald* dated February 13, 1913.

Brother J. F. Blunt, who is now in Salt Lake City, writes that he and Elder Healey have met a number of men in the Utah legislature who are staunch friends of both civil and religious liberty, and are ready to assist in eliminating any legislation that will in any way encroach upon the rights of others.

"Living Near the End"

Last Thursday Brother A. A. Cone, union field agent, spent the afternoon in Oakland making a few preliminary visits to assist a young man canvasser in getting started there. They first called upon a retired minister of one of the leading denominations. He gave them a warm reception, examined "Bible Readings" very carefully, and gave them the names of a number of persons he would like to have them call upon. Although not giv-

ing a written recommendation for the book, he recommended it very highly verbally. He asked these men if they would not call on his neighbor who is a Christian Scientist. They did call there, and she ordered a copy of "Bible Readings" in full leather. They then called on the present pastor of the same church, whose name had been given by the retired minister. He also received them kindly, and gave a list of names of persons of his church he would like to have them visit. The first of these lived next door to the pastor. She was delighted with the book. "For months," she said, "I have been impressed with the fact that we are living in the end of this world's history, and I have been wondering where I could get hold of something to show me where to find in the Bible about the coming of Christ, the end of the world, and the judgment. That impression has been with me for months. I know I ought to know more about it." This lady gave an order for "Bible Readings" in full leather binding.

Thus, in these first two hours, they sold two copies of "Bible Readings" in full leather, and have the way opened for a successful work among an excellent class of people. Let us pray that the Lord will go before the faithful men and women who are carrying the truth to the people in the cities. Many others are longing to know more about Christ's second coming, and will buy our books when given opportunity.

Loma Linda Hospital Day Sabbath, March 15

At the close of the General Conference Committee Council at Mountain View, nearly all the members of the committee went to Loma Linda to attend the spring meeting of the directors of the College of Medical Evangelists. This meeting proved to be a very profitable and encouraging one. We found the sanitarium well filled with a good class of patients, who seemed highly pleased with the service they were receiving. All the departments seemed to be very busy, and every one appeared to be making earnest efforts to make the work a success.

It was a great pleasure to form the acquaintance of the medical students. A fine, sturdy lot of young men and women they are. We could not spare the time to visit their classes, but we met them in special meetings in the chapel a number of times. They are earnest Seventh-day Adventists, loving the message God has

given us to proclaim to the world, and having the fullest purpose to devote their lives to the finishing of the gospel work in this generation. As we saw the situation as it was, inexpressible gratitude filled our hearts because these young people are able to take their medical training in our own school, under the instruction of Christian medical teachers whose lives are devoted to this cause of God.

Full reports of the past year's work were laid before the board by the management. These reports showed that the managers had labored earnestly to carry out the recommendations passed by the board one year ago. A careful investigation of the affairs of the institution convinced all present that encouraging progress is being made with this great enterprise.

The great, pressing need just now is a clinical hospital for the medical students. The erection of this hospital was authorized by the board one year ago, and the work was begun, but for lack of funds to put the building up without increasing the indebtedness the work was stopped.

After giving the whole situation careful study, the board passed a resolution requesting the General Conference Committee to appoint a day for taking an offering in all our churches in the United States and Canada for the Loma Linda Medical Hospital. This request was taken under consideration by the members of the committee who were present, and was agreed to. We find that there is now due \$27,000 from the union conferences on the appropriations they have agreed to make to the medical college. It was decided to appoint Sabbath, March 15, for taking this offering, and to let this cancel all sums now due on apportionments from these unions, including the 1913 apportionment.

Now a most earnest effort should be made in behalf of this offering. It should be not less than \$20,000. Full information will be sent to all conferences immediately. May we request conference officers and ministers to begin at once the hearty promotion of this worthy undertaking?
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"Those who are really seeking for communion with God will be seen in the prayer-meeting, faithful to do their duty, and earnest and anxious to reap all the benefits they can gain. They will improve every opportunity of placing themselves where they can receive the rays of light from heaven."