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The Church

A Prayer

O Lord, in me fulfil Whatever is Thy will; To thee I now resign Myself and all that's mine; Thine, only Thine I'll be, And live alone to Thee.

Each day unto my heart, New life and grace impart; For without fresh supply I languish, droop, and die; Continually I've need By faith on Thee to feed. —Moravian Hymnal.

Present Truth on the Pacific Coast LV

Arriving in Oakland from the state of Nevada on the morning of Aug. 21, 1878, I spent that day and the next, shipping tents, books, etc., for our state campmeeting and conference at Yountville. There from the 23d to the 28th a force of willing workers prepared the camp, and the meeting opened on the evening of the latter date.

Again we were left with only our own conference workers to conduct this meeting. There was a full representation of our people, and a good spiritual interest. On September 2, J. D. Rice and B. A. Stephens were ordained to the work of the Gospel ministry. On September 3, Elders Healey, Israel, Rice, and Stephens baptized forty-three candidates in Napa Creek, which ran by the side of the camp.

On September 4, pledges were taken for shares in the Pacific Seventh-day Adventist Publishing Association, amounting to \$10,765. This did not by any means exhaust the zeal or liberalities of our people, for they followed it with pledges to the British mission for over \$4,000, and besides contributed a considerable amount of jewelry, the proceeds of which, after smelting and assay, were to be sold for the benefit of the British work.

On the morning of September 5, our camp-meeting closed. We bade good-by to our people in that part of the state. leaving others to clear up the camp and attend to the conference property, while I made a speedy transit to the Kings County camp-meeting so soon to follow the northern meeting. I went immediately to Oakland, and spent the 5th and 6th shipping tents, books, etc., to the Lemoore camp-ground. I took a night passage to Goshen, arriving there at 2:30 A. M., the 7th; then by carriage made the trip to Lemoore, arriving there in time to preach at 11 A. M., Sabbath. In the afternoon, we went to the camp-ground, which was between Lemoore and Armona. On the 8th and 9th of September, faithful workers prepared our camp, so our meeting opened on the evening of the latter date, with a good attendance of our people from Fresno and Kings Counties. Elder Healey, J. L. Wood, and the writer were the public laborers in this camp-meeting.

As a result of almost constant labor and traveling, I found myself much wearied, so much so that on the forenoon of September 11, when I had talked about twenty-five minutes, I fainted away in the pulpit. Elder Healey completed the discourse while the brethren carried me to my tent to recuperate. I was able the next day to resume labors. I spoke twice that day.

This camp-meeting continued until September 15. On Friday, the 13th, our people in those counties pledged for stock in the Publishing Association, and for the British mission, \$1,420. Besides this, they contributed quite an amount of gold jewelry to be smelted and the proceeds given to the mission. On Sabbath, the 14th, there were twenty-five candidates baptized in the irrigating canal not far from the camp.

On the evening of Sunday, September

15. I gave the closing discourse of the camp-meeting, and then Brother Seth Bond took me by carriage to Goshen, where I arrived in time to take the 1:45 A. M. train, the 16th, for Oakland, at which place I arrived at noon of that day. The 17th and 18th were spent in preparation for our journey to Michigan. On the evening of the 17th, I was in meeting with the Oakland church, and the evening of the 18th with the church in San Francisco. During the 18th I got returns from the assay of jewelry collected on the Yountville camp-ground. The result was \$83.50 for the British mission.

On the evening of September 19, we started for Battle Creek, Mich., by tourist car. At that time it required twelve days to make the trip; but that was much shorter than the one month trip via New York and Panama by water in 1868.

And so closed my ten and one-third years of labor in the far West; and so must close this long series of articles concerning the "Present Truth on the Pacific Coast." If the history of the work is to be traced from that point, it must be by those who were connected with the work here, for I was absent from the field until the spring of 1884.

I know some have been interested in the perusal of these articles, for they have told me so. One eight-year-old girl from Fresno County wrote me several months ago that she liked the articles, and that she "read every one of them," and wished that I "would make them longer.'' As I could occupy only the one page alloted to me in the RECOR-DER, the articles were limited in length. Perhaps the length of time they have continued may make up for the shortness of the individual articles. Trusting that the rehearsal of the Lord's providences in the rise of the work may have given courage and trust to some souls, I will now say "Good-by" to my readers for the present.

J. N. Loughborough.

Duties of Church Officers

The church of God is designed to be a eity set upon a hill, a light that can not be hidden. She is to be the salt of the earth, diffusing to the world her beneficent and saving influence. Every member is therefore to be an active principle of righteousness and a servant of mankind.

That the great and eternal purpose of God may be carried out, the church has been established by Him, and her simple organization perfected. As the Founder and Corner-stone of this organization was the servant of men, so the object and aim of the church is service. Our Saviour laid down this great principle in His teaching, "Whosoever will be great among you, let him be your minister; and whosoever will be chief among you, let him be your servant; even as the Son of Man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give His life a ransom for many." Matt. 20: 26-28. "If any man serve Me, let him follow Me." John 12:26.

There are positions of honor within the gift of the church, and to desire these positions is commended by the Spirit of God (1 Tim. 3:1), and to those who faithfully fill these positions we are required to show double honor. 1 Tim. 5:17. Those who are called to fill these places of honor in the church are evidently called to be, not the "lords over God's heritage," but the chief servants.

The oversight of the flock is entrusted to the elder. This expression used by Peter furnishes the key to the duties, and the extent of the responsibilities of the church elder. It implies that as a shepherd he is to be conversant with the spiritual condition of each member of the precious flock that the chief Shepherd has entrusted to his care.

To judge by what is seen in some of our churches, the idea of the duty of elders that prevails with them is to preside at meetings, to exercise some authority in shaping the affairs of the church, to read an article or perhaps to attempt a sermon for the regular service, with no responsibility beyond the hour of worship.

The result is seen in the number of our half dead, cold and formal churches. Those who desire the office of an elder desire a good work, but that they may appreciate what they desire and that the church may not be robbed of the service due her, they should ever have before them the experience of the shepherd Jacob, "In the day the drought consumed me, and the frost by night, and my sleep departed from my eyes." It means watchfulness, self-denial and faithful service at any and all times. But to him who will thus serve and follow Christ, He has promised, "Him will My Father honor."

To the church elders of Ephesus, Paul said, "Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, . . . for I know this, that after my departing shall grievous wolves enter in among you, not sparing the flock. Also of your own selves shall men arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away disciples after them." Every member of the church is to be watched with the tenderest solicitude as our brother who has been purchased by the blood of Christ.

Too often individuals are permitted to become discouraged, disheartened, and cold without any effort being put forth by the elder to help them. Week after week is allowed to pass by without a word of encouragement or any labor being put forth for them until they have finally drifted beyond the influence that should have held them.

This condition in some instances is allowed to continue until the church roll has upon it many names who are found to be dead weights and sometimes a disgrace to the churches; but had the elder been instant in season and out of season, had he in tenderness exhorted with all long-suffering and doctrine, had time been taken to visit, pray with and for them, many might have been saved.

There is no phase of church work with which the faithful overseer must not be intimately connected and deeply interested. All other officers have been placed in the church to assist him and make his work efficient. Perhaps the deacon stands nearest to him to help in hunting out and visiting the poor and sick, to take charge of the financial ministration of the church, and to have in charge the more material yet important part of the church service, such as seeing that the place of worship is maintained in good and neat order, and arranging for all special features of the service of the house of God.

The closest cooperation should exist between the elder and the librarian. The aim of the two, with the missionary leader, if there is one, should be to help every member to become an active worker in the church, and a light bearer in the community—to show them how to work, to help them in their work. This is the hope of the church against all spiritual sickness.

To every officer in church and Sabbathschool the elder must extend this same oversight and cooperation, a fellow-servant with them in the house of God, each of them looking for their reward not here, but hereafter, for ''when the Chief Shepherd shall appear, ye shall receive a crown of glory that fadeth not away.'' W. T. Knox.

The Field

Stockholders' Meeting of the Pacific Press Publishing Company

The thirty-second annual meeting of the stockholders of the Pacific Press Publishing Company was held in their new factory building at Mountain View, Cal., on Wednesday, Jan. 30, 1907. A good representation of the stockholders was present, besides a number of conference workers and friends from different parts of the state. Reports from the main publishing house, and also from its branches, were presented.

The following named persons were elected as a board of directors for the ensuing year: H. W. Cottrell, M. C. Wilcox, C. H. Jones, H. H. Hall, A. O. Tait, E. A. Chapman, and H. G. Childs. The board organized as follows: president, H. W. Cottrell; vice-president and general manager, C. H. Jones; secretary and treasurer, H. G. Childs. J. J. Ireland was chosen as auditor.

Elder M. C. Wilcox was chosen editor or the Signs of the Times and Elder A. O. Tait, associate editor; Miss Kathrina Blossom Wilcox was chosen editor of Our Little Friend.

The following publishing committee was selected: H. H. Hall, C. H. Jones, M. C. Wilcox, A. O. Tait, E. R. Palmer, A. J. S. Bourdeau, H. W. Cottrell, and Max Hill.

Department officers were chosen as follows: H. H. Hall, manager of the Book and Sales Department; Jas. Cochran, manager of the Kansas City Branch; W. V. Sample, manager of the Portland Branch.

The stockholders were well pleased, and expressed their approval of the manner in which the new factory was being built.

As there were a large number of persons in attendance from out of town, tables were spread in the room designed for the business office of the new building. The tables were beautifully decorated and well laden with food, and a delightful repast was enjoyed.

Following is the manager's report which was presented to the stockholders:

Dear Brethren and Sisters, Friends, and Fellow-workers:

We are assembled here this morning in the 32nd annual session of the stockholders of the Pacific Press Publishing Company.

Retrospective

The events of the past year have been too vividly impressed upon our minds to need enlarging upon. We will, however, call your attention to a few of the main points.

On the morning of April 18, 1906, a terrible earthquake visited this section of California, which wrought havoc in all the cities around the bay. The walls of our factory were shaken down, but these were soon restored and the work went on as usual.

We had hardly recovered from this disaster when a much more serious calamity came upon us. On the evening of July 20, our entire factory with its contents was consumed by fire. The loss was appalling, and at first a cloud of discouragement came upon us. But before the flames were extinguished, a meeting of the Board of Directors and leading brethren was called to lay plans for continuing the work.

Telegrams and letters of condolence, expressions of sympathy, and offers of assistance came pouring in from every quarter, and we were urged to rebuild at once. But before doing so it was thought best to call a special meeting of the stockholders and friends of the institution to consider the whole situation. Special Meeting of the Stockholders

This meeting convened here at Mountain View, on Monday, September 10, 1906. There was a good representation of our leading brethren from all parts of the field.

We had taken an inventory of all the property that remained, our books were balanced, and the report of the treasurer showed a net loss on account of the fire of about \$200,000, leaving a deficit of over \$13,000. Notwithstanding this great loss, it was decided to rebuild the factory here at Mountain View at once, the maximum cost not to exceed \$25,000, and to request the General Conference to ask our people to donate \$50,000 to help in the restoration of the plant.

Our brethren of the General Conference did not see their way clear to call for the full amount we asked for, so cut it down to \$20,000, and this is included in the \$150,000 now being raised.

We had already received \$72,500 on the insurance, so this gave us something with which to start the work.

It must be remembered that not only was the factory building destroyed by fire, but all our machinery was put out of commission, and the entire stock of books, printing paper, etc., consumed, amounting in all, as before stated, to about \$200,000.

New Factory

The plans for a new factory had been carefully drawn, and with slight changes were approved by the stockholders.

The work of clearing away the debris and putting up the new building on the old foundation began at once, and has been pushed forward as rapidly as material could be secured, until now the factory is nearly finished. We expect to begin to move in at once. Indeed, a part of the building is already occupied.

As you will notice, it is a plain, onestory structure, 127 by 171 feet, built of iron, and practically fire-proof. The wood floor is laid on concrete, thus giving a firm foundation for machinery, etc., and no chance for a fire to work from underneath.

The strictest economy has been exercised, and we think the cost will come well under the appropriation. Those who have seen the factory pronounce it a model building. In some respects it will be more convenient than the old factory, and will not cost half so much, notwithstanding the great advance in the price of material.

Brother A. O. Tait has acted as superintendent of construction, and much credit is due him and his faithful corps of helpers for the progress that has been made and the economy practiced.

And it is only just to state that some of our brethren have worked on this building for much less wages than they might have received elsewhere. It has been a real sacrifice on their part, and we appreciate it fully.

Machinery

To all appearances, the machinery that passed through the fire was a total loss, and fit only for the junk pile, but in this, too, we have been happily disappointed. With but litte cost, comparatively, nearly all the heavy machinery can be restored, and for all practical purposes made just as good as new. But this will take time. Already the large *Signs* Perfecting Press has been rebuilt, and is in operation.

Publications Issued.

Since the fire we have been carrying on business in temporary structures, at a great disadvantage, and yet we have turned out lots of work. Two cylinder presses and two linotypes, which we fortunately secured immediately after the fire, have been kept running almost continuously night and day.

Besides the *Signs* and *Little Friend*, which have been issued weekly, we have printed the following books:

	Pages		
5,000	Early Writings,		
5,000	Cobblestones,		
5,000	House We Live In,218		
3,000	Vegetarian Cook Book,272		
5,000	Christian Education Reader		
No.	1,		
2,500	Christian Education Reader		
No.	2,		
1,500	Testimony Vol. 5,772		
1,500	Testimony Vol. 6,		
3,000	Testimony Vol. 7,		
3,000	Testimony Vol. 8,		
	Nature Study Note Book		
	1,		
	Nature Study Note Book		
	2,		
	Nature Study Note Book		
	3,		
2,000	Nature Study Note Book		
Com	plete,		
	Secretary's Record Books, 64		
	Class Record Books, 20		
,500 S. S. Lesson Pamphlets.			

165,000 Bible Students' Library, ranging from eight to thirty-two pages.

195,000 Apples of Gold Library, ranging from eight to thirty-two pages.

During the last four months we have printed 553,000 copies of the Signs of the Times, and 476,000 copies of Our Little Friend, besides a large amount of booklets, circulars, advertising matter, etc., for our various institutions and tract societies.

We now have on hand, partially completed, the following: A new book, entitled, "Home and Health," nearly all set, and 320 pages made up ready for electrotyping.

Christian Education Reader No. 3, 300 pages, nearly all set, and 150 pages made up.

Christian Education Reader No. 5, 350 pages, nearly all set.

A new book entitled, "Making Home Peaceful," 232 pages.

Spanish "Coming King," 332 pages, all set and made up.

Spanish "Gospel Primer," 128 pages, nearly finished.

Spanish "Christ Our Saviour," 182 pages, nearly finished.

We have in plates, ready to be printed, the following:

Bible Nature Study, 512 pages; Testimony Vol. 1, 724 pages; Testimony Vol. 2, 736 pages; Testimony Vol. 3, 594 pages; Testimony Vol. 4, 678 pages.

Within a few days we shall begin printing a 10,000 edition of "Great Controversy." Electrotype plates are already in hand. Also, a 20,000 edition of "Heralds of the Morning" in English.

In addition to the work in hand and books printed here at the home office, as mentioned above, we have issued the following books from eastern publishing houses.

15,000 copies of "Heralds of the Morning," and 7,000 copies of "Great Controversy," printed and bound at Kansas City.

3,000 "Steps to Christ" in Spanish, printed at Nashville, Tenn., by the Southern Publishing Company.

The International Publishing Association at College View, Neb., has in hand the following.

Typesetting and making of electrotype plates of "Heralds of the Morning" in the Swedish language, and "Christ Our Saviour" in German, Danish, and Swedish. We wanted them to set the type and make electrotype plates of "Heralds of the Morning" in German and Danish, but they were so crowded with other work that they could not get them out in time to meet the demand, so we are going to undertake this work here at the home office.

Spanish Publications

We have been asked to take charge of issuing publications in the Spanish language in this country, and now have in hand the following books:

"Coming King," "Christ Our Sa-

viour,'' "Gospel Primer,'' and negotiations are pending for issuing "New Testament Primer" in Spanish.

School Text Books

We have also taken the responsibility of issuing text books for our church schools and colleges, and a graded series of readers is now in hand. Three of the readers are ready for delivery, and others will follow soon. These books have received the highest commendation from our leading educators, and we think they will prove a great blessing to our schools.

Cost of Material

You are well aware that the price of almost every commodity has advanced very materially during the past year, and we want to call your attention to the fact that it is just the same with all material which enters into the making of a book. Paper, binders' material, etc., have advanced from fifty to one hundred per cent, and prices are still going up. We can not secure a quotation on a car-load of paper which will hold good for more than forty-eight hours.

Seeing this condition of things, other publishers have been forced to raise the prices of their publications, and we are warranted in doing the same. It is our purpose to place the retail price of all new books that we issue at a figure where there will be some profit to all parties called upon to handle them. In the past, many of our publications have been handled at a loss to the publishing house.

Commercial Work

We have strictly adhered to the action of the directors and vote of the stockholders in discarding all commercial work. Not one job of this kind has been done since the action was taken, although we have been urged to do so repeatedly. Our entire office force are now giving their whole time and attention to denominational work, and the Lord has set His seal of approval to this by giving us the sympathy of our people everywhere, and their hearty cooperation in the circulation of our literature. Never before have our canvassers met with the success they have the past season. Girls and boys without previous experience have made remarkable records, and our sales have nearly doubled.

Our schools and colleges are filled with bright, active young people, and many of them have their minds turned toward the canvassing work. The outlook for the coming year is very encouraging.

Finances

The great calamity that came to the Pacific Press seems to have touched a tender cord in the hearts of all our people. Many who have had money here on deposit have donated the interest for one or two years, and some have given a part of the principal as well. Others have deposited money with us without interest, and nearly all have signified their willingness to reduce the rate to four per cent or less.

A few years ago our interest-bearing debt amounted to nearly \$200,000. This has been reduced until now it is only about \$119,000, and, according to the treasurer's report, we have cash on hand with which to take up notes to the extent of thirty or forty thousand dollars more.

We have sold our Oakland property for a little over \$66,000 cash, and we had hoped that this entire amount might be applied on the interest-bearing debt.

At the special meeting of the stockholders held last September, our balance sheet showed a deficit of over \$13,000. Through the reclamation of machinery, advance in the price of our Oakland real estate, cash discounts, etc., the deficit has been reduced to about \$1,000.

During the last four months the home office shows a net loss of \$2,667.45 in operating expenses, but this is not to be wondered at in view of the great disadvantages under which we have labored. Indeed, we are surprised that the loss is not greater.

Our Kansas City and Portland branches have helped us out so that the balance is on the right side of the ledger. The institution as a whole shows a net gain of \$991.36.

As soon as we get into our new building the departments can be so arranged and reorganized as to save materially in the operating expenses.

"Signs of the Times"

Statistics have demonstrated that the Signs of the Times is one of the most effective agencies we have for bringing people into the truth. During the past few weeks we have been studying to see how we could make it still more efficient for general missionary work. At the close of this meeting we desire to place in your hands a little booklet showing what the paper will contain during the coming year.

We would call special attention to the Topical Symposium. Beginning about the first of May, there will be twentysix special numbers, covering all points of Present Truth. These subjects will be supplemented by Bible readings, and taken up in such a thorough, systematic, progressive way that they can not fail to interest and convince the honest in heart.

We have already received very encouraging letters from conference presidents and tract society secretaries, promising hearty cooperation in this good work, and before the close of 1907 we hope the *Signs of the Times* will have a weekly circulation of 100,000 copies. The subscription list at the present time is less than 20,000.

Branch Offices

Our branch office at Kansas City, under the management of Brother James Cochran, has made the best record in its history, showing a net gain of \$3,585.01.

Our Portland Branch, under the management of Brother W. V. Sample, has also done well, all things considered, the sales amounting to \$14,036.71 (an increase of about forty per cent over the previous year), and the net gain to \$73,80.

Taken all together, our subscription book sales have nearly doubled during the past year.

Organization

The work of securing the transfer of stock from the Pacific Press Publishing Company to the new membership organization has been pushed vigorously, and 2,711 shares are now under the control of the new association, leaving only 1,786 shares outstanding. Nearly all of this outstanding stock represents shares which belonged to persons who are now dead, or whose addresses are unknown to us.

It may be thought best at this meeting to authorize the incoming board of Directors to take steps to close up the business of the old corporation and perfect the new organization.

We would not close this report without expressing our appreciation of the hearty cooperation of our faithful employees under the most adverse circumstances. Huddled together in crowded rooms, without conveniences, many times suffering from cold, yet always cheerful, they have tried to make the best of the situation, and amidst all these trials and difficulties we have not heard one word of complaint, but each one has tried to do his duty faithfully. Yet we believe we voice the sentiment of all when we say it will be a day of rejoicing when we get located in our new factory.

In behalf of the Board of Directors we desire to express to the stockholders and our people everywhere our appreciation of their words of encouragement and hearty cooperation in the work of reestablishing our plant here at Mountain View, and especially to those who have donated so liberally to the rebuilding of the factory.

To the directors, I desire to express my appreciation, personally, of the cordial, harmonious relations that have existed between us, and for their help and hearty cooperation during the trying ordeal through which we have passed. And above all do we wish to return praise and thanksgiving to our kind and loving heavenly Father, who, through all these trying circumstances has never left nor forsaken us, and who, through His kind providence, is already turning this calamity into a great blessing.

It is our prayer that God may guide in all the plans that are laid at this meeting, and that the coming year may be one of great prosperity.

> Respectfully submitted, C. H. Jones,

General Manager.

CALIFORNIA

Statistical Report of California Church Schools

September to December, 1906	5		
No. Schools	23		
Intermediate 2			
Primary 17			
Kindergarten 1			
Family 3			
No. Teachers	27		
No. Pupils Enrolled	547		
Average No. Belonging			
	474		
Per Cent. of Attendance	92		
	24		
Average DeportmentG	boo		
No. Cases of Tardiness	297		
Enrolment of Largest School	73		
Enrolment of Smallest School	6		
Grades Offered1-10			
Average No. Grades Taught 7			
No. Pupils in Eighth Grade			

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Baptized	32		
Missionary Meetings Held	96		
No. Visits	117		
No. Letters Written	25		
Parent's Meetings	38		
Religious Liberty Leaflets Dis-			
tributed	12,760		
Signers to Petition	848		
Books Loaned	34		
Tracts Given Away	11,040		
Poor Helped	30		
School Prayer-meetings	67		
Little Friends Given Away	693		
Youth's Instructors Given Away.	417		
Conversions	52		
Bible Readings	78		
Donations \$115.40			
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I. C. Colcord, Educational Supt.

San Jose

The collection taken for the San Jose church at the close of the late conference has been, by vote of the church, turned over to the \$150,000 fund. The suggestion to take this collection grew out of a misunderstanding, and was not desired by the church. The members feel that they received more in the privilege of attending the meetings than they gave. The least they could do was to give the use of the house, and this they cheerfully did. D. T. Fero.

Help Wanted

Wanted at once for the summer rush at the Vegetarian Cafe, Los Angeles, Cal., eleven good, young or middle-aged women for dining-room work; two cooks; one pantry boy; one pantry woman. Good wages; good home; steady work. Write at once to G. H. Scott, Manager, 259 S. Hill St., Los Angeles, Cal.

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1907.

Just as we are going to press, word comes from Sacramento, Cal., that the Sunday constitutional amendment bill, which was considered in the Assembly there Wednesday, February 20, was defeated by a majority of 36 to 20. This was not, however, the original bill, but a modified substitute which was recommended by the committee before whom the hearing was held. We shall endeavor to give full particulars in our next issue.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA News Items

Brother W. H. Covell is now at Fernando Academy, conducting a canvasser's institute, and has seventy-two earnest young people in his class.

Elder Alfred Whitehead recently held a two weeks' series of meetings at Santa Ana. As a result of this brief effort, three were baptized on Sabbath, the 9th inst., and four were added to the church.

Glendale and Loma Linda Sanitariums are both nearly filled with patients. This fact is a special source of encouragement to those who have put forth great effort to prepare these institutions for the tourist patronage.

Another donation to support a native worker in Africa comes from Brother J. E. McGowan of Loma Linda, Cal. This makes twenty-four offerings of this kind in the Southern California Conference during the last year and a half.

Fernando Academy debt has been reduced to \$7,000. An average of a thousand dollars a month has been made in the reduction of the indebtedness of our academy since the effort began. We hope we can keep up this average for seven months more.

Elder C. E. Ford, pastor of our church at Spokane, Wash., until a recent date, arrived in Los Angeles on the 12th inst., and will soon be actively engaged in evangelistic labor in the metropolis of our conference. We hope we shall be able to hold meetings in a number of the suburbs of the city.

It is a source of rejoicing to our people in Southern California to know that Healdsburg College is enjoying a similar prosperity to that which has come to Fernando Academy during the past year. In a recent interview with individuals of responsibility in the California Conference, the writer was informed that Healdsburg College had gained several hundred dollars above the operating expenses during the first half of the present school year. G. W. Reaser. February 15.

CALIFORNIA (Continued.)

Tithe Received for Month of December, 1906

Alameda, \$223.10; Arcata, \$107.68; Armona, \$720.16; Collis, \$226.29; Con Cow, \$39.65; Chico, \$1,065.65; Ferndale, \$66.60; Fresno, \$1,065.00; Guerneville, \$29.35; Hanford, \$320.22; Healdsburg, \$1,025.96; Laton, \$63.18; Los Gatos, \$104.00; Lodi, \$529.42; Lockwood, \$18.-00; Morgan Hill, \$372.79; Modesto, \$94.-67; Mountain View, \$754.11; Napa, \$181.95; N. San Jaun, \$14.85; Oakland, \$1,365.74; Oakdale, \$97.60; Petaluma, \$22.80; Redding, \$74.10; Reno, \$74.13; Sanitarium, \$81.15; San Jose, \$251.75; San Luis Obispo, \$61.53; Santa Cruz, \$464.-40; Soquel, \$20.65; Stockton, \$72.84; St. Helena, \$53.00; Susanville, \$62.50; San Francisco (Laguna St.), \$795.76; San Francisco (Valencia St.), \$364.55; Vacaville, \$101.24; Wallace Dist., \$76.20; Watsonville, \$64.90; Woodland, \$141.07; W. W. Garrahan, \$30.00; P. Jensen, \$90.00; F. Doty, \$14.52; Miscellaneous, \$39.60; Total, \$11,442.66.

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Alameda, \$5.00; Arcata, \$49.86; Armona, \$15.40; Arroyo Grande, \$40.09; . Bakersfield, \$14.40; Berkeley, \$287.35; Bishop, \$223.80; Burrough, \$21.10; Calistoga, \$164.23; Chico, \$100.21; Dinuba, \$83.85; Eureka, \$359.95; Ferndale, \$175.-

25; Fallon, Nev., \$28.00; Grass Valley. \$103.15; Glennville, \$34.15; Hanford. \$95.70; Healdsburg, \$32.10; Hughson. 45.55; La Grande, \$47.35; Lemoore. \$108.50; Los Gatos, \$7.66; Lodi, \$104.05; McKinleyville, \$42.65; Morgan Hill, \$9.-90; Mountain View, \$349.26; Monterey, \$66.60; Oakland, \$103.66; Pepperwood, \$19.35; Placerville, \$52.90; Petaluma, \$15.50; Red Bluff, \$63.25; Reno, Nev., \$177.41; Sacramento, \$287.60; San Francisco (Valencia St.), \$3.60: Sanitarium, \$803.45; San Jose, \$132.50; Santa Cruz, \$5.50; Santa Rosa, \$278.20; Sebastopol. \$160.14; Selma, \$147.14; Soquel, \$21.20; St. Clair, Nev., \$15.00; St. Helena, \$229. 05; Susanville, \$3.30; Stockton, \$422.27; Turlock, \$102.15; Ukiah, \$83.45; Vallejo, \$109.40; Hollister, \$3.00; E. Menzel, \$100.00; D. Streeter, \$35.00; Miscellaneous, \$17.23; Total, \$6,006.36.

Annual Meeting Notice

The tenth 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 Co., Cal., on Wednesday. March 13, 1907, at 12 o'clock M.

L. M. Bowen, President, E. E. Parlin, Secretary.

Sanitarium Food Company

The fifth 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 Co., Cal., on Thursday, March 14, 1907, at 12 o'clock M.

> L. M. Bowen, President, E. E. Parlin, Secretary.

FOR RENT .- A house of two rooms, partly furnished, suitable for a man and wife; with three-fourths of an acre of land to work on shares. Inquire of Mrs. M. C. Wilcox, Mountain View, Cal.

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"What is the work I have done to-day? Have I left a mark upon the way: A kindly word or a cheery smile, That has lingered in some heart awhile; Straightened a path or a crooked road, Lightened the weight of a weary load, Into the shadow of some one's night Sent even a tiny ray of light?"