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The Church

More Like Thee

God gave us longings. He Himself would
nourish

The inward cravings for the good and
best;

These are the earnest which our souls
would cherish,

Through earthly strivings, as His signet
blest.

Then be not satisfied with simply living
A mere existence through our mortal
strife;

For after years of yearning and en-
deavor,

We "shall be satisfied" through end-
less life.

Grant, Lord, to purify our heart's desire;
May all our souls from vanity be free,
And all our fervent longing but aspire
To be, my Saviour, more and more
like Thee.

—Selected.

Present Truth on the Pacific Coast LII

During the autumn of 1877 two families of the Santa Rosa church moved into St. Clair, Churchill Co., Nev. These made a call for meetings to be held at that place. On Jan. 31, 1878, the writer went there in compliance with this request, arriving at Wadsworth Station on the morning of February 1. There Brother Jackson Ferguson met me, and by carriage we performed the journey over the desert, thirty-five miles, to St. Clair, passing only one residence on the way. The one well of water and house of entertainment was called "Ragtown." It was so named in the days when the plains were crossed with covered wagons drawn by oxen. It was at this point, by the side of Carson River, that the emigrants pitched their worn and ragged tents to obtain rest for themselves and animals before climbing the

Sierra Nevada Mountains. From the worn and tattered appearance of their encampment the name of "Ragtown" was secured.

The meetings at St. Clair opened in the county schoolhouse (it was thus called, being the only schoolhouse in the county), February 2, and continued to February 26. In that time, twenty-five discourses were given, and, in addition to those who had moved in from California, eight names were signed to a covenant to keep all the commandments. On February 26, pledges were made for the purchase of a fifty-foot circular tent for use in the state of Nevada, this, too, after they had pledged liberally tithes (systematic benevolence) for the year. The question then arose about my traveling expenses to and from the place, and the four weeks of time and labor. An outside party arose and said, "The way to raise this is to go down into our pockets and hand out the money." Then he laid a \$20 gold-piece on the desk as his share of the expense. Others followed, and in about the time that it takes to write it, the sum was more than made up.

From April 10 to June 9, in company with Elder Healey, the fifth tent-meeting was held in San Francisco. Our sixty-foot circular tent was erected this time in the southwest part of the city, on the corner of Twenty-first and Capp Streets. Here we had a good attendance from that part of the city. Sister White spoke on several occasions during this series. I find by reference to my diary, that, in all, seventy-five discourses were given, and that thirty-four names were added to the covenant to keep the Sabbath of the Lord.

June 10, at 11:00 A.M., Sister White, Miss Glover, and the writer took passage on the steamer "Oregon," with a new fifty-foot circular tent for the North Pacific field, and an outfit of camping tents loaned without charge to that conference by the California Conference, for

use in the first Oregon camp-meeting. We sailed up the Pacific coast to Portland, arriving at the latter place at 11:30 P.M., the 13th. It was quite a taxing, rough sea trip for Sister White, but Captain Conner and the stewardess did all they could for her comfort. We remained on the steamer until the morning of the 14th. Then we took the cars for Salem, some sixty miles south from Portland, it being near this point that the camp-meeting was to be held. Elder Van Horn met us at the train and took us to our tarrying places in the city, which is the capital of the state.

The writer, in company with a force of workers, fitted up a camp in a nice grove of Oregon pines on the west side of the railroad, near the State Fair Grounds. Here the meetings opened on June 26. Among the delegates from the Upper Columbia were Brother Maxson and family, his daughter, Sister J. F. Wood, assisting greatly in playing the organ and giving most efficient service in leading the singing. Brother William Nichols and family were also present. He freely took charge of the dining-tent, which was well patronized, so that it yielded a profit, which, with the rent of the California tents, not only met all outside expenses of the camp-meeting, but also the carriage of the tents from, and return to, California, as also steamer fare of the California laborers.

The preaching services of the camp began June 27, and were by Sister White, Elders I. D. Van Horn, A. T. Jones, and the writer. The meeting closed on the early morning of July 2. During this time, sixteen discourses were given, beside three separate calls for the unconverted, and the conducting of the business of the conference. A number of souls started in the Lord's service during the special calls, and the camp-meeting was a source of encouragement to the work in that new field.

On July 6, Sister White and the writer each spoke to our people in their meeting-

room in Salem. On Sunday, the 7th, Sister White spoke to a vast crowd of people from the music stand in the city park. Her subject was the "Parable of the Barren Fig Tree." It was a powerful discourse, and many were moved to tears by the earnest appeals that were made. This effort was followed by a request from the pastor of the Methodist church that she speak on Tuesday evening from the Methodist pulpit. For this we were thankful. As the Methodist college was in Salem, and they were the strongest denomination in the place, it would give the people an opportunity to learn something of the nature of Sister White's work. On that evening, Elder Tower, the Methodist pastor, and the writer conducted the opening and closing service. Their choir rendered excellent singing, and Sister White gave another feeling, practical discourse, to which the best of attention was given.

On Wednesday, July 10, Sister White, accompanied by Edith Donaldson, who was on her way to attend the Battle Creek College, and the writer, took passage on the steamer "Idaho" for San Francisco. We had a much pleasanter trip down the coast than when going up, and arrived in San Francisco, with our California tents, at 6:00 A.M., July 14.

J. N. Loughborough.

The True Ring

The following letter breathes the spirit of true consecration and sacrifice. We pray that this spirit may lay hold upon those who are able to give one hundred times as much as this brother in the South. This spirit, received by all our people, would close up the work of raising the \$150,000 fund in a day. Before the end comes and the work closes, all those who go through the fiery trials into the kingdom of God will have this spirit.

"My dear Brother:

"Your favor of the 19th came yesterday; and, although I do not open my business mail on the Sabbath, when I saw one letter was from you, I ventured to open it, assured that it was about our Father's business. It contained book No. 101 for the \$150,000 fund.

"I took it with me to the last meeting of the week of prayer. After the annual offering was taken, which amounted to \$22.25, I presented the matter of the fund. I placed ten dollars as a pledge after my name, not knowing where the

money would come from. But I have learned since coming to this Southland to lean hard upon the promise, 'My God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory.' What was my surprise and thankfulness to find in the evening mail a post-office order for just the amount I had pledged.

"The amount paid in and pledged is now over thirty dollars for this fund, and I expect more will be given. One of the most touching sights I have lately seen was that of a mother who is struggling hard to meet necessities, encouraging her little girl to place her name to the pledge beneath her own, then taking the hand of her youngest child and inscribing his little name with the pledge of a gift to his Master."

J. S. Washburn.

The Field CALIFORNIA

The 1907 Religious Liberty Collection, Sabbath, Feb. 2, 1907

The annual collection in behalf of the Religious Liberty work will be taken this year, throughout America, on Sabbath, February 2.

Never in the history of this message has the enemy been so active in seeking to deprive men of the rights of conscience as now.

We have just received word that 1,200 persons have been summoned to court in the city of Boston, Mass., for a violation of the New England Sunday law. Sunday-closing crusades are being agitated in most of the large cities of America. Even in France, the Socialists and working classes are clamoring for a Sunday law. Something of the meaning of these Sunday-law movements is seen in the recent arrest of three of our own people in Spartansburg, S. C. They were tried January 10, and all fined, outsiders paying the fines.

There is also a Sunday-law bill pending in the United States Congress, the outcome of which no one can tell. And last, but not least, is the present, dangerous National Reform Movement in our own state,—an effort to so change the Constitution as to make a California Sunday law possible. In this California conflict the enemy is showing greater care, more system, and greater zeal than ever before.

As soon as the enemy's movements were detected, the California Religious Liberty Association took the field in the defense of religious freedom. Seven thousand petition blanks were printed, with the proposed dangerous Sunday-law Amendment on the back. These, with two thousand letters, were sent to every church officer and isolated member in this conference, and to the Southern California Conference headquarters, for those in charge there to forward to their workers and members, to save time.

We ordered our magazine, *Liberty*, to be sent for one year to the 120 Senators and Assemblymen, the Governor, and other leading men of the state; also to the 59 leading W. C. T. U. officers in California.

A telegram was sent to Washington, D. C., for 20,000 copies of Religious Liberty Leaflets Nos. 1, 2, 3, and 4, and 2,000 copies of the magazine, *Liberty*,—792,000 pages in all. Not daring to wait for these supplies to arrive, however, we went ahead and printed 268,000 copies of our own four-page "Religious Liberty Leaflets," Nos. 5 and 6, entitled "Civil Government and the Church," and "Religious Liberty—What Eminent Authorities Say," respectively,—a total of 1,072,000 pages.

Besides the above we also printed 132,000 of the large two-page cartoon circulars, and 132,000 copies of our two-page "Declaration of Principles" leaflet,—a total of 528,000 more pages.

Last, but not least, that splendid eight-page California edition of the *Signs of the Times* was prepared, and our association took the entire edition of 30,000 copies and distributed them free of charge to all of the churches in both of the California Conferences, according to membership. One copy was also mailed to the Senators and Assemblymen, and the W. C. T. U. officers of the state. Another total of 240,000 pages.

Some Good, Old-time Working "Bees"

In order to get all of this literature out promptly to the churches in northern and southern California, we were obliged to call repeatedly on our faithful Mountain View church members for help. Night after night, after the day's work, and during the rainiest weather, we formed "bees" of from twenty to thirty-five cheerful workers who assembled in the conference and tract society offices, or the Pacific Press folding-room, and

addressed envelopes and wrappers, folded leaflets and cartoons, and wrapped up the rolls of special *Signs* or bundles of literature. As many as ten large mail sacks were thus filled for the mails in one night. In all, between forty and fifty sacks were thus sent out, counting the ones that carried the special *Signs*.

In addition to the special *Signs*, a special two-page *personal* letter embodying our religious liberty principles, was sent to each of the forty state Senators and eighty Assemblymen, the Governor, ex-Governor, and other leading men in state affairs. Later on, a second *personal* letter was sent to these same individuals, together with "Religious Liberty Leaflets" Nos. 1, 2, 3, and 4, which were not on hand when the first letter was sent them. A large number of interesting replies have already been received from the Governor, ex-Governor, Senators, and Assemblymen. Some take their firm stand with us, some against us, and some are "on the fence," not daring to offend the Sunday-law advocates.

Ammunition Supplied to California Editors

Again, the Association secured the names and addresses of the 671 editors of newspapers, periodicals, and magazines in California. The special *Signs* was mailed to these men, accompanied by a letter from the editor of the *Signs* himself. This was followed up by another letter, from your Corresponding Secretary, in which were enclosed your Field Secretary's "Memorial to the California Legislature," and two copies each of "Religious Liberty Leaflets" Nos. 1 to 6, of the cartoon circulars, and of our "Declaration of Principles" circulars. A self-addressed envelope was also enclosed, and a request to send us marked copies of their papers containing notice of the proposed Sunday-law movement, favorable or otherwise. As the result of this combined effort, a number of papers hitherto opposed to Seventh-day Adventists, are printing favorable articles, advocating religious liberty principles. One large newspaper even reprinted entire the first article in the special *Signs*. Some papers are more bitter than ever in their attacks; but, on the whole, much good has been accomplished.

Nor did we forget to write a two-page, *personal* letter to the 59 leading W. C. T. U. workers in California, sending them

also the special *Signs* and all of the other reading-matter.

Our Representatives Now at Sacramento

Monday, January 7, the opening day of the Legislature, Elder J. Orr Corliss, your Field Secretary, accompanied by a competent stenographer to report the speeches made, left Mountain View for Sacramento, to be there when the proposed Amendment should be presented. Assemblyman Grove L. Johnson presented the Sunday-law Amendment in the Assembly one week ago to-day (Monday, January 14). It was also presented later in the Senate by Senator S. H. Rambo. It has been referred to the Committee on Constitutional Amendments. Mr. Burke, of Oakland, the chairman of that committee, has just died, which may delay the hearing which Elder Corliss was hoping to secure at an early date. He has already prepared and put in writing the speech he will make before the committee, and it is certainly a splendid, complete document. Elder W. N. Healey, from the Southern California Conference, has also arrived in Sacramento, and will be on hand in time for the hearing.

Some Results of the Month's Campaign

The bulk of the campaign work was done during the last three weeks of December. During those few days, 2,687,360 pages of religious liberty literature were ordered from the East and printed here, about 2,500,000 pages having been actually circulated.

Up to Monday, January 7, we had received 12,058 signatures to the petition to the Senate, and 12,554 to the Assembly petition. These two large packages were immediately shipped to Elder Corliss at Sacramento. Up to January 21, enough more petitions have been received to increase the total number of Senate petition names to 14,267. We hope the 15,000 mark will be reached before the time set for the hearing. Let all who still have petition blanks full, or partially filled with signatures, send them *at once* to Elder J. Orr Corliss, 924 J St., Sacramento, Cal. There is still a chance that they may reach him in time.

These signatures, it will be remembered, represent 14,267 *qualified voters*. And, thanks to our working "bees," we have been able to make two copies of all these names and addresses, which will be

of great value to us in future campaigns of this kind.

What the Campaign Has Cost

In round numbers, the total expense of the campaign, so far, has been about \$1,100. And the campaign is not yet ended, by any means. We have already paid out for postage alone, \$199; for extra stenographic and clerical help, \$57.50 (not including the wages of the Field and Corresponding Secretaries, who are regular conference laborers, nor the value of the vast amount of free help donated by members of the "bees"); for printing the special *Signs of the Times*, leaflets, cartoons, etc., which were sent free to the churches, and for stationery, \$771.35.

Let the Donation Be a Liberal One

In view of the very heavy expenses incurred, which not only exhausted the Free Literature Fund of the California Tract Society, but also left a large deficit, we earnestly hope that our brethren and sisters in California will rally to this Religious Liberty work by making a liberal donation of their means on Sabbath, February 2, the time set for this annual collection.

Those desiring to continue the good work while the public is still agitated over the question, should order at once a good supply of the six "Religious Liberty Leaflets"; also a supply of the magazine, *Liberty*, which sells readily at five cents,—twice what you pay for it. As our supply is now limited, you would better order at once. And while they last, we offer to send you, *free of charge*, as many of those nice, large cartoon leaflets as you order of the six leaflets. For prices, see list on last page of either No. 5 or 6. Address, California Tract Society, Mountain View, Cal.

Please send all funds from this collection to E. A. Chapman, Secretary of the California Conference, Mountain View, Cal.

CALIFORNIA RELIGIOUS LIBERTY ASS'N,
Walter T. Knox, *President*,
A. J. S. Bourdeau, *Cor. Sec'y*.

"There is a limit to the power of civil government, and that limit is reached when it comes to the subject of religion."

"The humblest workman has his place, Which no one else can fill."

Mt. Bullion and Le Grande

In company with Brethren Shultz and Taphouse I held a short course of tent-meetings at Mt. Bullion. Our tent was quite well filled with attentive hearers nearly every night. Toward the close of the meeting, some sixteen or eighteen adults promised to obey God by walking in the light of present truth, and a little later we organized a church of eighteen members with promise of others uniting later on. Fifteen names were passed in for baptism.

We also held a few meetings in Cathay Valley with good attendance; but because of a death in the valley and extreme bad weather, we decided to postpone the meetings. We organized a church of nineteen members in Le Grande. Three names were handed in for baptism at that place. Also a piece of ground was promised for a church building.

The last Sabbath of the year 1906, we received six members into the Modesto church. Some of these were brethren who have recently moved to this place from Iowa.

Truly the Lord has been good to us in ways too numerous to mention, and has blessed our feeble efforts in laboring for the salvation of souls, for which we praise His holy name. C. M. Gardner.

Pacific Press Notes.

Work on our new factory has been delayed on account of our not being able to secure material as fast as needed, but the building is now all enclosed, and the inside finishing and painting is nearly done. We hope to be able to move in the first of next month. All who have seen the factory pronounce it a model, both for convenience and economy. In many respects it will be better than the old building, but will not cost half as much. We are studying how to economize in every way we possibly can.

For the past few weeks we have had very cold, stormy weather, and this has hindered the work more or less. The hills and mountains on either side of us have been covered with snow,—a thing very unusual for this part of the country. It has been impossible to keep the temporary sheds in which our work is now being carried on warm enough to be comfortable, but all seem to be cheerful and are trying to make the best of the situation, hoping soon to be more comfortably housed.

Thursday, the 10th, steam was turned on the new factory for the first time. This will help dry out the cement floor.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Pacific Press Publishing Company and members of the Pacific Press Publishing Association will be held here at Mountain View on Wednesday, January 30, 1907. At this meeting, directors will be elected for another term, and plans laid for carrying on the work during the year.

We are glad to say that the subscription list of our pioneer missionary paper, the *Signs of the Times*, has been increasing quite rapidly during the past few weeks. The first of November we were printing only about 14,000 copies, but we hope that before the close of the year the list will call for 100,000 copies. This can easily be accomplished if we can have the hearty cooperation of our brethren and sisters, and this we have been promised.

We have just issued a little booklet setting forth what the next volume of the *Signs* will contain, and we would like to place one of these in the hands of every Seventh-day Adventist. They can be had free for the asking, either from the Pacific Press or your tract society.

We are bringing out a series of church-school readers to be called the "True Education Reader Series," a full description of which appeared on the second page of the *Signs* under date of January 16. Book Number Two is now ready, and others will follow immediately. This series was adopted by the General Conference at its educational convention held in College View, Neb., June 29 to July 10, 1906. The books are intended not only for use in our church schools and colleges, but in every family where there are children.

Volumes 6, 7, and 8 of the Testimonies are just off the press, and orders can now be filled. The other volumes will be pushed to completion as soon as possible.

It must be remembered that we have only two cylinder presses in operation at the present time, and the *Signs* and *Little Friend* have to be printed on these, as well as all the book work. For several weeks—yes, nearly all the time since the fire—we have kept these presses running night and day, but have been unable to meet the demand. Soon we will have

more presses in operation (those being restored from the effects of the fire) and then we can get out work more promptly.

Brethren H. H. Hall and E. R. Palmer have just left for Walla Walla, Wash., to attend a canvassers' institute and bookmen's convention to be held at the college, January 15 to 23. After this convention, Brother Hall will go East, attending meetings in Montana, Nebraska, Minnesota, and returning by way of Alberta and the Canadian Pacific railway, stopping at points of interest on the way. This northern territory is becoming quite an important center for our book work.

January 14.

C. H. Jones.

Annual Report of Labor of the Mountain View Missionary Society

No. of church members	223
Reports returned	26
Letters written	119
Letters received	34
Periodicals mailed by society	5,744
Mailed and given away by individuals	1,072
Sold	1,106
Pages tracts given away	8,436
Pages books loaned	983
Pages books given away	2,120
Pages books sold	2,489
Subscriptions obtained	10
Missionary visits	36
Bible readings held	2
Persons supplied with food and clothing	7

Two large boxes of clothing were sent the San Francisco refugees.

Two boxes and one barrel of supplies were sent to the Oakwood School.

Annual Financial Report of the Librarian of the Mountain View Church

Total receipts, including \$44.70 on hand Jan. 1, 1906	\$297.69
DISBURSEMENTS	
Paid for <i>Signs</i> club	\$196.50
For tracts	21.44
For supplies	6.55
For <i>Review</i>	1.50
Donation to Y. P. S.	10.97
Donation Mexico Mission	8.42
Donation Huntsville School	20.83
Cash to balance Jan. 1, 1907	31.48

\$297.69

Mrs. Geo. E. Henton,

Librarian.

Church-School Items

The week of prayer season witnessed the outpouring of the Holy Spirit in a number of our schools. It was a wonderful sight to see and hear small children stand up in large congregations and bear a clear testimony for Jesus.

The program rendered by the Sanitarium church-school students on the 23d ultimo was much appreciated by all, and received words of praise from Sister L. D. Avery-Stuttle.

Delightful programs of missionary spirit and character were given in Sebastopol and Red Bluff churches. The one at Red Bluff was called for a second time.

The church at Vallejo have purchased a lot, and have a building ready for occupancy for their school. Brother W. E. Whitmore is the teacher.

I. C. Colecord.

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
News Items**

As a partial result of the week of prayer meetings held at Fernando Academy, thirteen students were baptized on the first Sabbath in the new year, January 5.

A letter received from Elder Field, dated Tokyo, Japan, Dec. 20, 1906, acknowledges receipt of the \$48 sent to that field by Brother J. T. Errington for the support of a native worker. The name of the worker who is to receive the benefit of this fund is Kang Kun Myung. This brother was formerly a member of the Methodist Church, and was one of the two who first accepted the truth in Korea. His father, mother, and wife are with him in the truth.

Under date of Dec 5, 1906, Brother J. L. Shaw writes from Port Said, Egypt: "I write to thank you and the brethren and sisters in the Southern California Conference, on behalf of the work and workers in India, for the generous contribution of \$2,500 made by you for the starting of a Health Retreat in the mountains. We have thanked God a good many times for this kind gift, and we know our worn missionaries in India who need a place to go at times and revive their exhausted energies, are full of thanks to God for this evidence of interest which the Southern California people have in the work in India.

"About \$6,000 has thus far been contributed, and more will probably come in, as there are a goodly number of unpaid pledges still to be sent in. With this money we hope to purchase land and put up some buildings somewhere in the mountains where the climate is cool and healthy. We expect it will be located in the Himalaya Mountains, but a definite location is yet to be found. We hope to find a place among the hill people who can speak the Hindustani language, so that mission work can be begun among them at once. And as the work develops we cherish a hope that this mission station may be a training center for native workers. If so, they will be able, under careful training, to go to their own people, and carry the gospel in malarious places where workers of northern birth could scarcely live for any considerable length of time."

Brother Shaw, with a party of ten workers, was en route to India at time of writing, and expected to reach Bombay by the middle of December.

January 15.

G. W. Reaser.

BOOK WORK

Weeks Ending Dec. 28, 1906, and Jan. 4, 1907

Miscellaneous Books and Papers		
	Hrs.	Values
Althaus, Mrs. A. M.	55	\$51.95
Pennoek, Elma	40	39.54
*Adkins, R. E.	16½	13.65
	111½	\$105.14

*One week.

UTAH

Conference Notes

In the beginning of this new year we are of good courage and profoundly thankful to our loving heavenly Father, not only for the abundant blessings of the year that has passed, but for the good prospects which are evidenced upon every hand in the one upon which we are now entering.

During the last quarter we have had an increase of fifty-six new members in our Sabbath-schools, a marked increase both in tithes and Sabbath-school donations, a new Sabbath-school of twenty-three members organized at Brigham, and best of all, during the last few weeks, sixteen souls have been buried in baptism. Those who understand best the difficulties which

have to be surmounted in this conference, know full well that sixteen souls won to the truth here is as good a showing as thirty or forty souls in more favored communities. That God is with us can not be gainsaid.

The series of meetings which have been in progress in Salt Lake City of late have closed with encouraging reports, considering the difficulties which have to be met. Six precious souls decided to keep God's commandments, and a goodly number are earnestly engaged in a thorough investigation of the truth. Bible readings have been held in different families with excellent results. Altogether there is a decided advance movement along all lines, and we are of the best of courage in the Lord.

Good work is reported from Brigham, Spring City, Ogden, and other parts of the field, small companies being raised up, Sabbath-schools established, and the work generally progressing throughout the conference.

Geo. E. Pooler.

A New Method of Teaching Reading

The rational method of teaching reading is being introduced in the most progressive schools of this country. It successfully combines the virtues and avoids the faults of the old methods. The new readers that were recommended by the Educational Convention held at College View last summer, and which are now being published by the Pacific Press Publishing Company, were prepared in the light of this method.

Brother O. J. Graf, Educational Secretary of the Northern Union Conference, has prepared an outline of instruction on this method, which should be a great help to every teacher of reading. The outline comes in pamphlet form. Prices, post-paid; single copy, five cents; twenty-five copies, \$1.00; one hundred copies, \$3.50.

Order of the Educational Department of the Northern Union Conference, Box 989, Minneapolis, Minn.

Wanted

A young woman between twenty and thirty years of age, of good Christian character, to take the nurses' course. Exceptional opportunity for the right person. For information, address, Santa Barbara Sanitarium, 118 W. Figueroa St., Santa Barbara, Cal.

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 24, 1907.

Recently, Elder S. G. Huntington, president of the Utah Conference, baptized seven persons in Salt Lake City, and a few weeks previous, Elder A. G. Christensen baptized eleven in another part of the conference.

The Pacific Press Publishing Company have disposed of all their property in Oakland, which includes the lots and buildings of the old Pacific Press plant on Twelfth and Castro Streets, and two or three dwelling houses on Eleventh Street.

A recent report from Elder Marcial Serna, Clifton, Ariz., states: "I am glad to say that our Spanish people gave in offerings during the week of prayer the following amounts: Tucson church, \$5.00; Globe church, \$3.45; Sanchez church, \$3.30; Clifton company, \$4.00; total, \$15.75."

The tract society work in the Utah field has been taken over by the conference. For several years the book and periodical work in that territory has been managed by the Pacific Press Publishing Company, but the brethren in Utah now feel that they are in a position to manage their own book work, and have reorganized their state tract society. The headquarters for the present are located at 553 East Third South St., Salt Lake City, Utah.

From McKinleyville, Humboldt County, Cal., Brother Milton St. John writes under date of January 3: "Am having the experience of my life. Never was in a place where the people were so free from prejudice. Have preached the Sab-

bath and other truths as straight as I know how, and yet the people come. The attendance is as good or better than at first. House was crowded last night, and people standing. Ten have already begun to keep the Sabbath after ten meetings."

The Sunday-law Amendment Bill to the Constitution of California was presented to the Assembly a week ago last Monday, January 14, by Hon. Grove L. Johnson of Oakland. The bill was referred to the Committee on Constitutional Amendments, before whom a hearing for our people was promised. The date of this hearing has not yet been announced. Elder J. O. Corliss and Brother W. R. Beatty are now in Sacramento watching developments, and a telegram from Elder W. M. Healey, of southern California, states that he also will be there soon to assist in the campaign. Petition blanks are still being received against the proposed religious legislation.

From the Oakdale *Leader* of Oakdale, Cal., in its issue of Jan. 18, 1907, we clip the following, relative to the religious liberty petition work recently done there:

"The petition to the State Legislature, which was circulated in the business part of town recently, against a proposed religious amendment to the constitution of the state as the basis of stringent Sunday laws, received one hundred signatures, including nearly all the business men of the place."

Also in another column, under the heading, "Seventh-day Adventists," the following is given:

"On January 12, 1907, Pastor M. C. Israel organized a church in this city, to be known as the Oakdale Church of S. D. Adventists, consisting of fifteen members. There are five or six others who will become members in the near future. A part of the membership reside in Sonora, recently the field of Pastor Israel's labors just before coming to Oakdale. The meetings at present are held on Sabbaths (Saturdays) and Wednesday evenings at the pastor's residence."

Brother Walter Harper is taking a much-needed rest at Healdsburg, Cal. He reports that he is building up rapidly, and feels like getting young again.

Wanted

A Christian home for a bright, healthy, five-year-old girl. Address this office, Box 172, Mountain View, Cal.

Church Schools, Attention

"Bible Lessons in Old Testament History," No. 1, for the church school, can be obtained at 50 cents per copy by addressing the Pacific Press Publishing Company, Mountain View, Cal. "Bible Lessons," Nos. 2 and 3, are out of print.

St. Helena Sanitarium Training School

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