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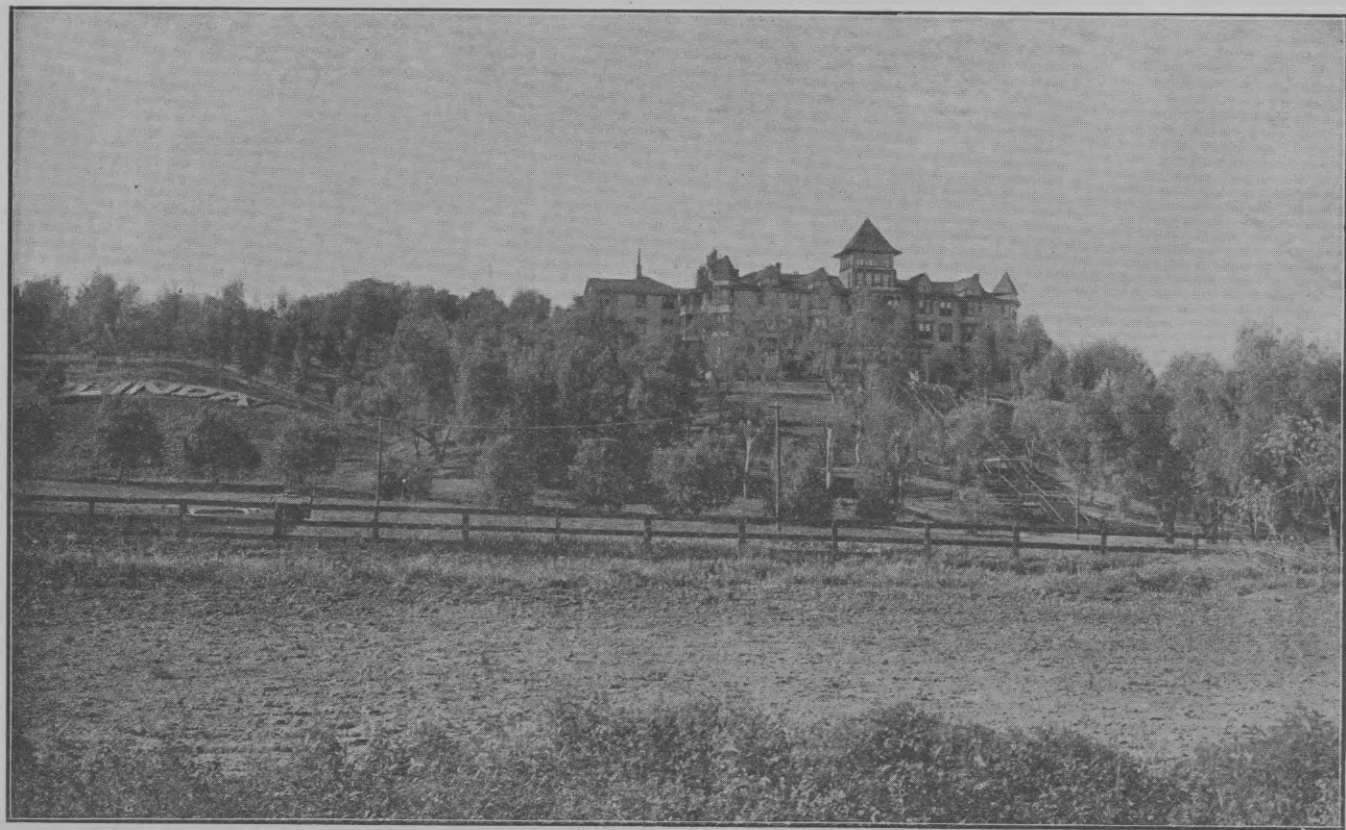
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AND HE SENT THEM TO PREACH THE KING-
DOM OF GOD, AND TO HEAL THE SICK - Luke 9:12

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Its History and Development

BY J. A. BURDEN

To recite in detail the history of this new enterprise, or to point out the many causes and influences that have led to its establishment, would be a long story. We must, therefore, be content to refer briefly to its history, and to dwell only upon the more important causes and influences that have entered into its development.

The inception and early history of this work can best be told in the words of the special Testimonies concerning it:

“While attending the General Conference of 1905 at Washington, D. C., I received a letter from J. A. Burden, describing a property he had found about four miles from Redlands. As I read his letter, I was impressed that this was one of the places I had seen in vision, and I immediately telegraphed him to secure the property without delay. Later, when I visited the property, I recognized it as one of the places I had seen nearly two years before in vision. How thankful I am to the Lord for this place.

“One of the chief advantages of Loma Linda is the pleasing variety of charming scenery on every side. The extensive view of valley and mountain is magnificent. But more important than magnificent scenery and beautiful buildings and spacious grounds, is the close proximity of this institution to a densely populated district, and the opportunity thus afforded of communicating to many, many people a knowledge of the third angel’s message. We are to have clear spiritual discernment, else we shall fail of

discerning the opening providences of God that are preparing the way for us to enlighten the world.

“With the possession of this place comes the weighty responsibility of making the work of the institution educational in character. Loma Linda is to be not only a sanitarium, but an educational center. A school is to be established here for the training of gospel medical missionary evangelists. Much is involved in this work, and it is very essential that a right beginning is made.

“In regard to the school, I would say, make it especially strong in the education of nurses and physicians.”

Acting under the advice of this communication, steps were taken to establish a college of medical evangelists. This was opposed by some, and a communication was sent of which the following is an extract:

“Be very careful not to do anything that would restrict the work at Loma Linda. It is in the order of God that this property has been secured, and He has given instruction that a school should be connected with the sanitarium. A special work is to be done there in qualifying young men and young women to be efficient medical missionary workers. They are to be taught to treat the sick without the use of drugs. Such an education requires an experience in practical work. The work at Loma Linda demands immediate consideration. Preparations must be made for the school to be opened as soon as possible. Our young men and young women are to find in Loma Linda a school where they can receive a medical missionary training, and where they will not be brought under the influence of some who are seeking to undermine the truth. The students are to unite faithfully in the medical work, keeping their physical powers in the most perfect condition possible, and laboring under the instruction of the Great Medical Missionary. The healing of the sick, and the ministry of the Word are to go hand in hand.”

About this time a medical council of the Pacific Union Conference convened at Loma Linda, at which General Conference Brethren, Sister White and others were present. The special feature of this meeting was a study of what was contemplated in this new school. These studies led to the following resolutions being passed by the convention:

“Whereas, The Loma Linda School of Evangelists has been established for the education and training of those who shall go

forth into home and foreign mission fields to teach the gospel and to heal the sick; and,—

“Whereas, In these home and foreign mission fields there is need of thousands of medical missionary evangelists, thoroughly qualified to carry the gospel message and to minister to the sick, laboring as nurses, who through diligent study and experience have acquired extraordinary ability; therefore,—

‘1. Resolved, That we approve of the efforts of the founders and managers of the Loma Linda School of Evangelists to equip and conduct a school in connection with the Loma Linda Sanitarium; and that we encourage them to strengthen its faculty, and to continue to give its students a thorough education and training in these practical lines of work in which the medical evangelist is called to engage.

‘2. Resolved, That the General Conference Medical Department be requested to give most careful study to the question of providing for our young people the most favorable opportunities for them to secure the qualifications that they must have, in order to carry forward the medical missionary work of our cause.’”

Those having the school work in charge continued to study and seek information, that they might understand the character and scope of the school; that it might be intelligently set forth at the coming General Conference to be held in Washington. From this time forward many communications were received, giving special light on the character of the school to be developed.

After it was thoroughly organized, and when our first class had nearly completed their second year of the medical evangelistic course, the following counsel was received:

“There is a very precious work to be done in connection with the interest of the sanitarium and school at Loma Linda, and this will be done when all work to that end. * * * Ever bear in mind that Heaven is interested in every question that agitates your mind in regard to your school and sanitarium. Both are to be strengthened. * * * In our school at Loma Linda, many can be educated to work as missionaries in the cause of health and temperance. The best teachers are to be employed in this educational work—not men who esteem highly their own capabilities, but men who will walk circumspectly, depending wholly upon the Lord.

“In the work of the school, maintain simplicity. No argu-

ment is so powerful as is success founded on simplicity. You may attain success in the education of students as medical missionaries without a medical school that can qualify physicians to compete with the physicians of the world. Let the students be given a practical education. The less dependent you are upon worldly methods of education, the better it will be for the students. Special instruction should be given in the art of treating the sick without the use of poisonous drugs and in harmony with the light God has given. In the treatment of the sick, poisonous drugs need not be used. Students should come forth from the school without having sacrificed the principles of health reform or their love for God and righteousness.

"In Loma Linda we have an advantageous center for carrying on various missionary enterprises. We can see that it was in the providence of God that this sanitarium should be placed in the possession of our people. We should appreciate Loma Linda as a place which the Lord foresaw we should need, and which He gave.

"Too much imperfect work has been done in the education given. The most useful education is that gained by study in connection with practical work.

"In medical missionary schools many workers are to be qualified with the ability of physicians to labor as medical missionary evangelists. This training the Lord has specified is in harmony with the principles underlying true higher education.

"Some of the students are to be educated as nurses, some as physicians. It is not necessary for our students to go to Ann Arbor for a medical education. They may obtain at our schools all that is essential to perform the work for this time.

"It will take some time to get a right understanding of the matter. But just as soon as we begin to work in the line of true reform, the Holy Spirit will lead us and guide us, if we are willing to be guided.

"Much good can be done by those who do not hold diplomas as fully accredited physicians. Some are to be prepared to work as competent physicians. Many working under the direction of such ones can do acceptable work without spending so long time in study as it has been thought necessary in the past.

"We ought to have a school where women can be educated by women physicians to do the best possible work in treating the diseases of women."

To us it seemed clear from the foregoing Testimonies that there are at least three classes of workers to be educated in medical lines:

First,—Many well trained nurses to work as evangelists.

Second,—A large number of persons qualified with the ability of physicians to labor as evangelists.

Third,—A few fully accredited physicians with recognition, to stand at the head of the work.

These Testimonies, coming to us as they did two years after the organization of the School of Medical Evangelists, led those who had the school in charge to believe that it had not yet reached the standard of the mind of the Lord. Consequently, an effort was made to present the matter before the General Conference at Washington; but lack of time prevented this. After the conference closed, the committee passed the following resolution, with the suggestion that this question would receive further consideration at the medical council to be held in College View in October:

“Resolved, That we recognize the Loma Linda College of Evangelists as a special training school for medical missionary workers for the world-wide field, and encourage it to maintain and strengthen its efforts to provide a course of study for the training of workers, combining the qualifications of the highly trained nurse with those of the practical evangelist; and further, that before giving counsel as to the suggested plan of adding to their faculty and equipment so as to give one or two years of medical study that would be accepted by a recognized medical college as a part of a regular medical course, we request definite information concerning the changes involved in adapting their courses of study to this purpose, the requirements of such colleges as would affiliate on this basis, and as to what such a plan would involve financially.”

In following up the suggestions and the resolutions to see what could be done to affiliate the College of Medical Evangelists at Loma Linda with other medical schools, it was learned that this would be an easy way out of our difficulties. That some of the best schools on the coast would gladly receive our students in the third year's work, provided the grades of the work were sufficient to pass them. But on counselling with Sister White with reference to the matter, we were immediately

instructed that this was not the plan of God for the Loma Linda school; as shown by the following:

“Some have advised that students should, after taking some work at Loma Linda, complete their medical education in worldly colleges. But this is not in harmony with the Lord’s plan. God is our wisdom, our sanctification, and our righteousness. Facilities should be provided at Loma Linda, that the necessary instruction in medical lines may be given by instructors who fear the Lord, and who are in harmony with His plans for the treatment of the sick.

“I have not a word to say in favor of the world’s ideas of higher education in any school that we shall organize for the training of physicians. There is danger in their attaching themselves to worldly institutions, and working under the ministrations of worldly physicians. Satan is giving his orders to those whom he has led to depart from the faith. I would now advise that none of our young people attach themselves to worldly medical institutions in the hope of gaining better success, or stronger influence as physicians.”

The following resolution was passed at the College View Convention in October:

“Resolved, That we recommend the board of management of the Loma Linda College of Evangelists to secure a charter for the school, that it may develop as the opening providences and the instruction of the Spirit of God may indicate.”

In harmony with the above instruction, the College of Medical Evangelists was chartered December 9, which charter provides for the granting of medical degrees to those who graduate.

For years, the Spirit of Prophecy has been calling for a reform in our medical missionary training, emphasizing the importance of Bible study and medical missionary field work as an essential part of the education of physicians and all other medical missionary workers.

The following article entitled, “Extracts with Explanatory Notes on the Training of Medical Students,” will show how continuously the true education of medical students has been kept before us by the Spirit of Prophecy for many years.



Extracts with Explanatory Notes

On the Training of Medical Students

In all the instruction given through the Spirit of Prophecy regarding the training of medical students, the necessity of spiritual consecration and of faithfulness in Bible study is constantly emphasized. The students are directed to search the Scriptures, and to establish themselves thoroughly on all phases of the third angel's message.

In a manuscript dated August, 1885, and published in a leaflet entitled, "Counsel to Physicians and Medical Students," the spiritual side of the training of our youth is constantly kept uppermost. Note the following extract:

"We greatly need godly physicians; we need men who have high and holy principles. I have been shown that young men will accept the responsibility of obtaining a medical education, and enter upon their course of study, designing to be right and maintain their Christian principles; but do they do this? No; they fall into temptation, and evil influences affect their morals. Among our own people who profess to believe the most solemn truths ever committed to mortals, there is a tarnishing of virtue, a sacrificing of principle. They do not, like Joseph and Daniel, preserve their integrity of morals, much less their Christian principles. The habits and customs of associates who claim to be respectable men and women have a molding influence upon them. Not only the youth, but those of mature age; are inclined to conform to the worldling's standard in order not to be considered singular."

This was written about ten years before the founding of the American Medical Missionary College. The perils to be met by the youth in a worldly medical school were described in the following words:

"We are in need of physicians; but the plan of sending young men to a medical college to learn to treat the sick, is questionable; for many of them have no root in themselves, and, as in sending our children to the other colleges in our land, they are brought in contact with every class of minds, and are thrown into a sink of iniquity, the companionship of skeptics, infidels and the profligate; where not one out of one hundred escapes

from being contaminated. They do not come forth like Joseph and Daniel uncorrupted, firm as a rock to principle.

“These students who intend to deal with suffering humanity will find no graduating place this side of heaven. Every bit of knowledge that is termed science should be acquired, *while the seeker daily acknowledges that the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom.* Every item of experience and everything that can strengthen the mind, should be cultivated to the utmost of their power, *while at the same time they should seek God for His wisdom,—their consciences illuminated, quick and pure;* for unless they are guided by the wisdom from above, they become an easy prey for the deceptive power of Satan.”

And again,—

“I wish I could set before the medical student the true responsibility which rests upon him in his work. There is not one in one hundred who has a just sense of his position, his work, his accountability to God, and how much God will do for him if he will make Him his trust. *The very first lesson that he should learn is dependence upon God. Make God your counselor at every step.* The worldly and the nominal Christian may insinuate that in order for you to be successful you must be a policy man—you *must* at times depart from the strictest rectitude; but be not deceived, be not deluded. Throw not open the door for the enemy to take possession of the citadel of the soul.

“Like Enoch, the physician should be a man that walks with God. This will be to him an antidote to all the delusive, pernicious sentiments which make so many infidel physicians, or skeptics. The true antidote is *truth, the truth of God revealed in His Word, practiced in the life, and constantly guiding in all that concerns the interests of others. Having the soul thus barricaded with heavenly principles you may humbly yet confidently say, I will not fear the face of man. God is not unmindful of your struggles, of your conflicts to maintain the truth and obtain a personal daily experience in walking in the ways of truth. When you appreciate every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God, as revealed in His Word, higher than worldly policy, you will be guided into every good and holy way.*

“Let not medical students be deceived by the wiles of the devil, or by any of his cunning pretexts which so many adopt to beguile and ensnare, by practices of the ungodly. *Cling closely to your Bibles. Inquire, What saith the Lord? He has*

spoken and told me how to ennoble and purify my life. This light I will follow. The Majesty of truth I will respect and honor.

“It is the privilege of every student to enter college with the same fixed, determined principle that Daniel had when he entered the courts of Babylon, and to preserve his integrity untarnished. You all need a living religion, that you may stand as God’s witnesses.”

These words were written at a time when there was no medical school operated by Seventh-day Adventists—ten years before the founding of the American Medical Missionary College; and at that time, when the only way for our youth to obtain a medical education was to enter a worldly college. Students were assured that so long as they chose to cling closely to their Bibles, and obey God, they would be kept from contamination while studying science in these medical schools.

This instruction is very similar to that found in “Testimonies for the Church,” Vol. 5, pp 583, 584, where we read:

“We would that there were strong young men, rooted and grounded in the faith, who had such a living connection with God that they could, if so counseled by our leading brethren, enter the higher colleges in our land, where they would have a wider field for study and observation. Association with different classes of minds, an acquaintance with the workings and results of popular methods of education, and a knowledge of theology as taught in the leading institutions of learning, would be of great value to such workers; preparing them to labor for the educated classes, and to meet the prevailing errors of our times. Such was the method pursued by the ancient Waldenses; and, if true to God, our youth, like theirs, might do a good work, even while gaining their education, in sowing the seeds of truth in other minds.”

About the time this was written—early in the eighties, it was also written (“Testimonies for the Church,” Vol. 5, pp 446-8) that,—

“Painstaking effort should be made to induce suitable men to qualify themselves for this work—the work of a physician. They should be *men whose characters are based upon the broad principles of the Word of God*—men who possess a natural energy, force and perseverance that will enable them to reach a high standard of excellence.

"In this age there is danger for every one who shall enter upon the study of medicine. Often his instructors are worldly-wise men and his fellow students infidels, who have no thought of God, and he is in danger of being influenced by these irreligious associations. Nevertheless, some have gone through the medical course, and have remained true to principle. They would not continue their studies on the Sabbath; and *they have proved that men may become qualified for the duties of a physician, and not disappoint the expectations of those who furnished them the means to obtain an education.* Like Daniel, they have honored God, and He has kept them.

"The young physician has access to the God of Daniel. Through divine grace and power, he may become as efficient in his calling as Daniel was in his exalted position. *But it is a mistake to make a scientific preparation the all-important thing, while religious principles, that lie at the very foundation of a successful practice, are neglected.* The man who is closely connected with the Great Physician of soul and body, has the resources of heaven at his command, and he can work with a wisdom and unerring precision, that the godless man can not possess."

In a letter dated February 19, 1893, over two years before the American Medical Missionary College was established, it was stated that,—

"*Devoted persons, both men and women, are wanted now to go forth as medical missionaries. Let them cultivate their physical and mental powers and their piety to the utmost. Every effort should be made to send forth intelligent workers. The same grace that came from Jesus Christ to Paul and Apollos, which caused them to be distinguished for their spiritual excellencies, can be received now; and will bring into working order many devoted missionaries.*"

In October of the same year, two years before the American Medical Missionary College was opened, there was written the following:

"God will surely advance the *humble, trustful, praying, whole-souled medical missionary, as He advanced Daniel and his fellows.*"

A study of Testimonies sent from Australia to Battle Creek during the time when the American Medical Missionary College was being founded and placed in running order, reveals the fact

that while Sister White rejoiced to know that our youth would no longer be exposed to the perils of worldly medical schools, yet she repeatedly brought to view the importance of daily Bible study—thorough, prayerful Bible study—in connection with the study of science.

December 1, 1895, a few weeks after the founding of the American Medical Missionary College, these words were written (as published in "Testimonies for the Church," Vol. 8, pp 156, 157):

"If the medical students will study the Word of God diligently, they will be far better prepared to understand their other studies; for enlightenment always comes with an earnest study of the Word of God. Let our medical missionary workers understand that the more they become acquainted with Bible history, the better prepared they will be to do their work.

"The students in our schools should aspire to higher knowledge. Nothing will so help to give them a retentive memory as the study of the Scriptures. Nothing will so help them in gaining a knowledge of their other studies.

"Faithful teachers should be placed in charge of the Bible classes,—teachers who will strive to make the student understand their lessons, not by explaining everything to them, but by requiring them to explain clearly every passage they read. Let these teachers remember that little good will be accomplished by skimming over the surface of the Word. Thoughtful investigation and earnest, taxing study are required in order for this Word to be understood.

"The Bible is the great lesson-book for the student in our schools. Those who consult the divine Oracle will have light. In the Bible every duty is made plain. Every lesson reveals to us the Father and the Son. The Word is able to make all wise unto salvation. In the Word the science of salvation is plainly revealed. Search the Scriptures; for they are the voice of God speaking to the soul."

In 1898, when God's purpose in the training of our youth for service as physicians was being lost sight of, a communication was written under date of February 3, 1898, cautioning against the tendency to separate the medical work from the evangelical line of work. Extracts from this Testimony, as printed in "Testimonies for the Church," Vol. 8, pp 158—162, clearly point out conditions then existing:

“Remember, my brother, that medical missionary work is not to take men from the ministry, but is to place men in the field, *better qualified to minister*, because of their knowledge of medical missionary work. Young men should receive an education in medical missionary lines, *and then go forth to connect with the ministers.*

“Those who are receiving an education in medical lines *hear insinuations from time to time that disparage the church and the ministry.* These insinuations are seeds that will spring up and bear fruit. The student might better be educated to realize that the church of Christ on earth is to be respected. *They need a clear knowledge of the reasons of our faith. This knowledge they must have,* in order to serve God acceptably. Line upon line, precept upon precept, *they must receive the Bible evidence of the truth as it is in Jesus.*

“Do not, I beg of you, instill into the minds of the students, ideas that will cause them to lose confidence in God’s appointed ministers. But this you are most certainly doing, whether you are aware of it or not.”

Thus, nearly eleven years ago, and less than three years after the American Medical Missionary College was founded, it was pointed out through the Spirit of Prophecy that our medical students were from time to time hearing insinuations that disparaged the church and the ministry in their estimation; and it was again urged most emphatically that the students “*needed a clear knowledge of the reasons of our faith. This knowledge they must have in order to serve God acceptably.*”

October 26, 1898, about nine months later than the date of the preceding communication, and just three years from the time the American Medical Missionary College was founded, the following was written, as published in the “Testimonies for the Church,” Vol. 8, pp 163-5:

“There is a burden upon my soul. There are young people who are encouraged to take up a certain course of study in medical lines, who ought to be preparing themselves most decidedly to proclaim the third angel’s message. It is not necessary for our medical students to spend all the time that they are spending in medical studies. *Their work should be more decidedly combined with a study of God’s Word.* Ideas are inculcated that are not at all necessary, and the necessary things do not receive sufficient attention.

“While students are being educated in this way, *they are being made less able to do acceptable work for the Master.* The taxation that they undergo to obtain an extended knowledge in medical lines *unfits them to work as they should in ministerial lines.* Physical and mental weariness come because of overstrain of study, and because students are encouraged to labor unduly for the outcasts and the degraded. Thus some are disqualified for the work that they might have done had they begun in missionary work where it was needed, and let the medical line come in as an essential part, *connected with the work of the gospel ministry as a whole, as the hand is connected with the body.* Life is not to be imperiled in an effort to obtain a medical education. There is danger, in some cases, that students will ruin their health and unfit themselves to do the service they might have done, had they not been unwisely encouraged to take a medical course.

“Often erroneous opinions are transcribed on the mind, and these lead to an unwise course of action. Students should have time to talk with God, time to live in hourly, conscious communion with the principles of truth and righteousness and mercy. At this time straightforward investigation of the heart is essential. The student must place himself where he can draw from the Source of spiritual and intellectual power. He must require that every cause which asks his sympathy and cooperation has the approval of the reason which God has given him, and the conscience, which the Holy Spirit is controlling. He is not to perform an action that does not harmonize with the deep, holy principles which minister light to his soul and vigor to his will. Only thus can he do God the highest service.

“The Lord’s people are to be one. There is to be no separation in His work. Christ sent out the twelve apostles, and afterward the seventy disciples, to preach the gospel and to heal the sick. ‘As ye go,’ He said, ‘preach, saying, The kingdom of heaven is at hand. Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely ye have received, freely give.’—Matt. 10:7, 8. And as they went forth preaching the kingdom of God, power was given them to heal the sick and cast out evil spirits. *In God’s work teaching and healing are never to be separated.* His commandment-keeping people are to be one. *Satan will invent every device to separate those whom God is seeking to make one.* But the Lord will reveal Himself as a God of

judgment. We are working under the eyes of the heavenly host. There is a divine Watcher among us, inspecting all that is planned and carried on."

At the 1901 General Conference, in an article entitled, "Instruction Regarding the School Work," read before the delegates April 22, 1901, it was pointed out that our medical students were not to receive their training at the one medical college in Battle Creek. Of our schools that were introducing reforms, Sister White read:

"We are thankful that an interest is being shown in the work of establishing schools on a right foundation, as they should have been established years ago. If the proper education is given to students, it is a positive necessity to establish our schools at a distance from cities, where the students can do manual work.

"Although there may be few students at first, do not be discouraged. The school will win its way. *Introduce the medical missionary work. Some of the students are to be educated as nurses, some as physicians. It is not necessary for our students to go to Ann Arbor for a medical education. They may obtain at our schools all the education that is essential to perform the work for this time.*

"It will take some time to get a right understanding of the matter, but just as soon as we begin to work in lines of true reform, the Holy Spirit will lead us and guide us if we are willing to be guided. It is a delicate matter to deal with human minds, and no one should engage in this work without the aid of the Holy Spirit. All must place themselves under the influence of the Spirit. When they place themselves under the influence of the Spirit, they will accommodate themselves to Bible lines. *When the Word of God takes possession of the minds of teachers, then they are fitted to deal with the education of others.*

"The Word of God is to stand at the foundation of all education. It is to be made the basis of all the schools we shall establish. Following 'Thus saith the Lord,' brings the schools into close connection with heavenly intelligences. The Lord has been greatly dishonored because His holy Word, which will accomplish so much, has been placed on the background, while books which do not contain the highest instruction in regard to practical life and true science of eternal things have been brought to the front.

"God's dealings with His people are to be our guide in all educational advancement. His glory is to be the object of all study. Those who are being trained as medical missionaries are to realize that their work is to restore the moral image of God in man by healing the wounds sin has made."

Thus, in 1901, attention was again directed to the Word of God as a basis of all education, including the scientific training to be obtained by our medical students.

In 1903 some very plain letters were written, warning our medical students against the danger of losing sight of the lessons of the Word, and learning instead the sophistries of the enemy. The subtleness of this danger is clearly pointed out in a letter written in October, and copied on November 5, 1903; addressed, "To Medical Students and Nurses":

"There is a burden upon my mind in regard to the temptations and perils that surround medical students, and those in training for medical missionary work at our sanitariums, and especially for those who are studying at Battle Creek.

"There are teachers who do not daily bring the Word of God into their life-work. They have not a saving knowledge of God or of Christ. It is those who do not live the truth who are most inclined to invent sophistries, to occupy the time and absorb the attention that ought to be given to the study of God's Word.

"Christ, the Great Medical Missionary, came to this world at infinite sacrifice, to teach men and women the lessons that would enable them to know God aright. He lived in this world a perfect life, setting an example that all may safely follow. Let our medical students and other young people study the lessons that Christ has given. It is essential that we should have a clear understanding of these lessons. It would be a fearful mistake for them to neglect the study of God's Word for a study of theories that are misleading, diverting minds from the words of Christ to fallacies of human production.

"When our physicians and ministers are diligent students of the Scriptures, when they live in accordance with the teaching of the Word of God, making this Word their text-book, God will be able to bestow on them rich blessings.

"The teaching regarding God that is presented in 'Living Temple' is not such as our students need. Those who seek to define God are on forbidden ground. We are to enter into no controversy regarding God,—what He is and what He is not.

He, the Omniscient One, is above discussion. Those who express such sentiments regarding Him show that they are departing from the faith.

“I call upon our ministers, physicians and all church members to study the lessons that Christ gave His disciples just before His ascension. These lessons contain instruction that the people of God need. When our physicians understand this instruction, they will realize that the Holy Spirit will never lead them to speak or write that which is at variance with the teachings of the Word of God. Take the Bible as your study-book. It contains the Alpha and Omega of knowledge. All can understand the instruction that it contains.

“Human talent and human conjecture have tried by searching to find out God. Many have trodden this pathway. The highest intellect may tax itself until it is wearied out, in conjectures regarding God, but the effort will be fruitless; and the fact will remain that man, by searching, can not find out God. This problem has not been given us to solve. All that man needs to know and can know of God has been revealed in the life and character of His Son, the Great Teacher. As we learn more and more of what man is, of what we ourselves are, in God’s sight, we shall fear and tremble before Him.

“To those who would represent every man as born a king; to those who would make no distinction between the converted and the unconverted; to those who are losing their appreciation of their need of Christ as their Savior, I would say, Think of yourselves as you have been during the period of your existence. Would it be pleasant or agreeable for you to contemplate feature after feature of your life-work, in the sight of Him Who knows every thought of man, and before Whose eyes all man’s doings are as an open book?

“I call upon all who are engaged in the service of God to place themselves fully on Christ’s side. There are dangers on the right hand and on the left. Our greatest danger will come from men who have lifted up their souls unto vanity, who have not heeded the words of warning and reproof sent them by God. As such men choose their own will and way, the tempter, clothed in angel robes, is close beside them, ready to unite his influence with theirs. He opens to them delusions of a most attractive character, which they present to the people of God.

Some of those who listen to them will be deceived, and will work in dangerous lines.

“The Lord calls. Will men and women hear His voice? He gives the warning. Will they heed it? Will they listen to the last message of mercy to a fallen world? Will they accept Christ’s yoke and learn from Him His meekness and lowliness?”

In connection with the foregoing extracts, there was written, under date of October 17, 1903, a letter addressed, “To Our Medical Missionaries,” in which is a summary of the instruction given during a long series of years regarding the training most essential for our medical students:

“God would have all who profess to be gospel medical missionaries learn diligently the lessons of the Great Teacher. This they must do if they would find peace and rest. Learning of Christ, their hearts will be filled with the peace that He alone can give.

“The one book that is essential for all to study is the Bible. Studied with reverence and godly fear, it is the greatest of all educators. In it there is no sophistry. Its pages are filled with truth. Would you gain a knowledge of God and Christ, Whom He sent into the world to live and die for sinners? An earnest, diligent study of the Bible is necessary in order to gain this knowledge.

“Many of the books piled up in the great libraries of earth confuse the mind more than they aid the understanding. Yet men spend large sums of money in the purchase of such books, and years in their study, when they have within their reach a book containing the words of Him Who is the Alpha and Omega of wisdom. The time spent in a study of these books might better be spent in gaining a knowledge of Him Whom to know aright is life eternal. Those only who gain this knowledge will at last hear the words, ‘Ye are complete in Him.’

“Study the Bible more, and the theories of the medical fraternity less, and you will have greater spiritual health. Your mind will be clearer and more vigorous. Much that is embraced in a medical course is positively unnecessary. Those who take a medical training spend a great deal of time in learning that which is merely rubbish. Many of the theories that they learn may be compared in value to the traditions and maxims taught by the Scribes and Pharisees. Many of the intricacies with which they have to become familiar are an injury to their minds.

“These things God has been opening before me for many years. In our medical schools and institutions we need men who have a deeper knowledge of the Scriptures, men who have learned the lessons taught in the Word of God, and who can teach these lessons to others clearly and simply, just as Christ taught His disciples the knowledge that He deemed most essential.

“If, during the remainder of this year, our medical missionary workers would follow the Great Physician’s prescription for obtaining rest, a healing current of peace would flow through their souls. Here is the prescription:

“‘Come unto Me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of Me; for I am meek and lowly in heart, and ye shall find rest unto your souls, for My yoke is easy and My burden is light.’

“When our medical missionary workers follow this prescription, gaining from the Savior power to reveal His characteristics, their scientific work will have greater soundness. *Because the Word of God has been neglected, strange things have been done in the medical missionary work of late. The Lord can not accept the present showing.*

“Study the Word, which God in His wisdom and love and goodness has made so plain and simple. The Holy Spirit teaches the student of the Scriptures to judge all things by the standard of righteousness and truth and justice. The divine revelation supplies him with the knowledge that he needs. And the needed knowledge will be given to all who come to Christ, receiving and practicing His teachings, making His words a part of their lives. Those who place themselves under the instruction of the Great Medical Missionary, to be workers together with Him, will have a knowledge that the world with all its traditionary lore can not supply.

“Make the Bible the man of your counsel. Your acquaintance with it will grow rapidly if you keep your mind free from the rubbish of the world. The more the Bible is studied, the deeper will be your knowledge of God. The truths of His Word will be written in your soul, making an ineffaceable impression.

“Not only will the student himself be benefited by a study of the Word of God, but his study is life and salvation to all with whom he is associated. He will feel a sacred responsibility to impart the knowledge that he receives. His life will reveal

the help and strength that he receives from communion with the Word. The sanctification of the Spirit will be seen in thought, word and deed. All that he says and does will proclaim that God is light, and in Him is no darkness at all. Of such ones the Lord Jesus can indeed say, 'Ye are laborers together with God.'"

In the light of these extracts, and in the light of the fact that for the past eleven years there has been no change in the purposes of those who in 1898 were conveying to our medical students "insinuations from time to time that disparage the church and the ministry," and who more recently have taught doctrines that undermine faith in the fundamental features of the third angel's message, it is not difficult to understand why of late the Lord has been counseling His people to establish several centers of medical training, where students can obtain thorough Bible instructions, and at the same time pursue a line of scientific study that will fit them to go forth into the field as physicians of the body as well as the soul. As consecrated young men and women associate daily with God-fearing teachers in these centers of training, they will be strengthened to withstand the influences that they must constantly meet while pursuing certain lines of scientific study.

The following is from a union conference president, on receiving a copy of the recent Testimony regarding the educational work at Loma Linda, which appears on pages 20 to 24 inclusive.

"I should think that the letter is very clear with reference to what should be done at Loma Linda, and I am sure that the Lord is leading out with reference to that institution in a way that we have hardly thought of. The light has sometimes come very gradually, and sometimes we have almost wished it would come a little clearer and plainer, but perhaps it is best thus."

The problem is not how much of the Bible we should accept, as how shall we use what we do accept. Shall we teach it, or let it teach us? Shall we make it conform to our views; or shall we conform our views and our lives to what it reveals? Herein is the problem. This much settled aright, all is settled.

Medical Evangelistic Education

[The following communications have recently been received. They speak in no uncertain tone concerning the necessity for and character of the educational work to be conducted at Loma Linda.]

Sanitarium, Cal., October 11, 1909.

I am instructed to say that in our educational work, there is to be no compromise in order to meet the world's standards. God's commandment-keeping people are not to unite with the world, to carry various lines of work according to worldly plans and worldly wisdom.

Our people are now being tested as to whether they will obtain their wisdom from the greatest Teacher the world ever knew, or seek to the god of Ekron. Let us determine that we shall not be tied by so much as a thread to the educational policies of those who do not discern the voice of God, and who will not harken to His commandments.

We are to take heed to the warning: "Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it." Those who walk in the narrow way are following in the footprints of Jesus. The light from heaven illuminates their path.

Shall we represent before the world that our physicians must follow the pattern of the world before they can be qualified to act as successful physicians? This is the question that is now testing the faith of some of our brethren. Let not any of our brethren displease the Lord, by advocating in their assemblies the idea that we need to obtain from unbelievers a higher education than that specified by the Lord.

The representation of the great Teacher is to be considered an all-sufficient revelation. Those in our ranks who qualify as physicians are to receive only such education as is in harmony with these divine truths. Some have advised that students should, after taking some work at Loma Linda, complete their medical education in worldly colleges. But this is not in harmony with the Lord's plan. God is our wisdom, our sanctification, and our righteousness. Facilities should be provided at Loma Linda,

that the necessary instruction in medical lines may be given by instructors who fear the Lord, and who are in harmony with His plans for the treatment of the sick.

I have not a word to say in favor of the world's ideas of higher education in any school that we shall organize for the training of physicians. There is danger in their attaching themselves to worldly institutions, and working under the ministrations of worldly physicians. Satan is giving his orders to those whom he has led to depart from the faith. I would now advise that none of our young people attach themselves to worldly medical institutions in the hope of gaining better success, or stronger influence as physicians.

"When Israel was a child then I loved him, and called My son out of Egypt. As they called them, so they went from them: they sacrificed unto Baalim, and burned incense to graven images. I taught Ephraim also to go, taking them by their arms; but they knew not that I healed them. I drew them with cords of a man, with bands of love; and I was to them as they that take off the yoke on their jaws, and I laid meat unto them."

The Lord gave to His people advantages which they failed to recognize. "My people," He says, "are bent to backsliding from Me: though they called them to the Most High, none at all would exalt Him. How shall I give thee up, Ephraim? how shall I deliver thee, Israel? how shall I make thee as Admah? how shall I set thee as Zeboim? Mine heart is turned within Me, My repentings are kindled together." Read also the promises of blessing to Israel on condition of their repentance, recorded in the fourteenth chapter of Hosea. These scriptures were written in times past, but they have also a present-day application.

The enemy has worked in Southern California, and has tried to thwart the purposes of God. Messages of reproof have been sent to leading men whose work was not done in righteousness. Reformations have been called for. What is now needed is that the leaders in the Lord's work shall be fully converted. It is time that the Lord's voice was heeded, and that men should put away the spirit of self-confidence and self-sufficiency. Should the ideas of some who are wise in their own estimation be carried out, there would result a condition of things that would demand a most thorough reformation.

Let none think that they can pass safely through the perils of these last days, while puffed up with self-sufficiency. Some would unsettle minds by urging the carrying out of false plans. False theories are taught as truth, and I am charged to meet these errors decidedly. We should heed the instruction found in the third and fourth chapters of second Timothy, especially the solemn charge given by Paul to Timothy:

“I charge thee, therefore, before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall judge the quick and the dead at His appearing; preach the Word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort, with all long-suffering and doctrine. For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; and they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables. But watch thou in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry.

“I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, shall give me at that day; and not to me only, but unto all them also that love His appearing.”

I am intensely in earnest that our people shall realize that the only true education lies in walking humbly with God. The teachings of the Word of God are opposed to the ideas of those who think that our students must receive the mold of an education that is according to human ideas. Some are departing from the faith, as a result of receiving from the world what they regard as a “higher education.” The word of God, just as it reads, contains the very essence of truth. The highest education is the keeping of the Law of God.

“Therefore, my brethren dearly beloved and longed for, my joy and crown, so stand fast in the Lord, my dearly beloved. Let your moderation be known unto all men. The Lord is at hand. Be careful for nothing; but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

“Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatso-

ever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things. Those things which ye have both learned, and received, and heard, and seen in me, do: and the God of peace shall be with you."

ELLEN G. WHITE.

Sanitarium, Cal., November 5, 1909.

Some questions have been asked me regarding our relation to the laws governing medical practitioners. We need to move understandingly, for the enemy would be pleased to hedge up our work so that our physicians would have only a limited influence. Some men do not act in the fear of God, and they may seek to bring us into trouble by placing on our necks yokes that we could not consent to bear. We cannot submit to regulations, if the sacrifice of principle is involved; for this would imperil the soul's salvation. But whenever we can comply with the law of the land without putting ourselves in a false position, we should do so. Wise laws have been framed in order to safeguard the people against the imposition of unqualified physicians. These laws we should respect, for we are ourselves by them protected from presumptuous pretenders. Should we manifest opposition to these requirements, it would tend to restrict the influence of our medical missionaries.

We must carefully consider what is involved in these matters. If there are conditions to which we could not subscribe, we should endeavor to have these matters adjusted, so that there would not be strong opposition against our physicians.

The Saviour bids us be wise as serpents, and harmless as doves.

The Lord is our leader and teacher. He charges us not to connect with those who do not acknowledge God. "Verily, My Sabbaths ye shall keep, for it is a sign between Me and you throughout your generations." Connect with those who honor God by keeping His commandments. If the recommendation goes forth from our people that our workers are to seek for success by acknowledging as essential the education which the world gives, we are virtually saying that the influence which the world gives, is superior to that which God gives. God will be dishonored by such a course. God has full knowledge of the

faith and trust and confidence that His professed people have in His providence.

Our workers are to become intelligent in regard to Christ's life and manner of working. The Lord will help those who desire to co-operate with Him as physicians, if they will become learners of Him how to care for the suffering. He will exercise His power through them for the healing of the sick.

Intemperance and ungodliness are increasing everywhere. The work of temperance must begin in our own hearts. And the work of the physician must begin in an understanding of the works and teachings of the great Physician. Christ left the courts of heaven that He might minister to the sick and suffering of the earth. We must co-operate with the Chief of physicians, walking in all humility of mind before Him. Then the Lord will bless our earnest efforts to relieve suffering humanity. It is not by the use of poisonous drugs that this will be done, but by the use of simple remedies. We should seek to correct false habits and practices, and teach the lessons of self-denial. The indulgence of appetite is the greatest evil with which we have to contend.

The truth brought to light by Christ teaches that humanity, through obedience to the truth as it is in Jesus, may realize power to overcome the corruptions that are in the world through lust. Through living faith in the merits of Christ, the soul may be converted and transformed into Christ-likeness. Angels of God will be by the side of those who in humbleness of mind learn daily the lessons taught by Christ.

ELLEN G. WHITE.



“Only the lower things of life are sold; the higher things of life are always given.”

“Nothing tends more to promote health of body and of soul than does a spirit gratitude and praise. It is a positive duty to resist melancholy, discontented thoughts and feeling,—as much a duty as it is to pray. If we are heaven-bound, how can we go as a band of mourners, groaning and complaining all along the way to our Father's house?”

The God of Israel or the God of Ekron?

For over six thousand years there has been carried on in our universe a controversy between Christ and Satan, between good and evil, between the Infinite and the finite.

From time to time this controversy has become more and more limited as to its field of action, and now in the closing age, it is confined to this earth. The question in this great controversy is the question as to whether or not men will acknowledge God's wisdom as infinite and infallible.

The accusation brought by Satan is that the government of the universe is faulty. For God to summarily condemn and execute sentence upon him who brought this accusation, would leave unsettled in the minds of all created beings, the real question at stake. In order for all to see that God's plans are best and that they make for eternal good, it is necessary that Satan be given an opportunity to demonstrate his plans in their entirety. He must be given opportunity to work out that which he has set forth as superior to the plans of the Eternal.

As far as the part of heaven in this controversy is concerned, it is necessary that the side of truth shall also demonstrate itself and on the same battle-field and under the same circumstances as evil. In no way must it be allowed to have the advantage of evil; and in order to fully demonstrate the superiority of infinite wisdom, it would seem that it is necessary to insist that good be tried to the utmost, and as it were, handicapped in the race. A controversy carried out in this way, would forever settle in the minds of all created intelligences, the question now at stake.

In its most complete form truth is to be worked out, not with unfallen beings, not with those of gigantic intellect, nor great powers of physical endurance, but with those men who in and of themselves can accomplish but little; that is, with those now living on earth, a race of beings whose minds and bodies have been weakened by the hereditary and cultivated tendencies of six thousand years of transgression.

Even after the introduction of sin, the span of human life reached nearly a thousand years. Now the average human life does not cover one twentieth of this. The human frame and the human mind are decrepit and subject to many derangements.

It is for these reasons that this people have been called out at this time to do such a complete work as has heretofore been laid upon no race. God purposes to make a full and complete demonstration in all lines of truth. He purposes to show that those who connect themselves with the source of infinite power and wisdom are capable of higher attainment and infinitely greater advancement, than those who, depending upon self, grope in the darkness of fallible human judgment. While there have been in the past demonstrations of truth in various lines such as was most necessary to meet the existing crisis, — now in this age of the world's history, God purposes to reveal truth in its fullness and along all lines. In the spiritual, mental, and physical realms He now plans to produce a complete and harmonious whole.

We are therefore called upon, through the power of God, to work out before the world this complete representation of God's truth in religious, educational, and physical lines. There have been religions many and theologies varied. There is but one Christianity. There are multitudes of schools and colleges, and many educational methods. There is but one true education. There are many systems designed for physical betterment; but real life and healing come from only one source.

It is the task of Seventh-day Adventists, through faith in God and the working out of His power, to reveal to the world the glory and character of the Creator. God now invites us to take part in this great plan of the ages. Shall we in the last day of the last great battle, fail of producing that which God has designed shall exist at this time? Shall we reveal to the world that He is the source of wisdom and power? That the God of Israel is the God of knowledge? Or shall we serve and offer oblation before the God of Ekron, and thus deny our Lord?

As far as this people is concerned, it is not now particularly a matter of whether or not we are following right lines in religious matters, but we know whom we have believed. In the physical realm we are persuaded that the principles of health and the methods of healing which have been revealed to us are from above; and while we have not as yet come to a fullness in this line, yet we are following on.

For a number of years we have possessed our own schools and colleges and we know that the education which they give is superior to the education of the world. This educational sys-

tem has come up through many trials and failures, and while it has not yet attained perfection, it too is following on. In spite of our belief that in general our schools are superior to the schools of the world, yet at the present time we do not all acknowledge that in every branch of education those who depend upon God are superior to those who depend upon men.

Our educational system is lacking in one branch—many still believe that in order to meet the requirements of the governments of the earth, it is necessary in certain lines, to go to the world to be qualified. It seems to some that in order to render unto Cæsar the things that are Cæsar's, we must render them as Romans and not as Israelites. We have forgotten that He who instituted earthly governments is also He who setteth up kings and removeth kings. We have forgotten that it is the Lord who makes the impression upon the human mind. We are still, in this particular, serving the God of Ekron, and giving to another the glory that belongs to the God of Israel.

God's plan for the ages will not fail. If we expect to triumph with this plan, we must place ourselves in harmony with it. Shall we longer deny the power of God to produce among His people a better education than that for which we now go to the world? Shall we at this time deny the superiority of infinite wisdom over finite investigation?

From a communication dated October 11, 1909, we quote the following sentences: "I would now advise that none of our young people attach themselves to worldly medical institutions in the hope of gaining better success, or stonger influence as physicians." "Those in our ranks who qualify as physicians are to receive only such education as is in harmony with these divine truths." "Let not any of our brethren displease the Lord, by advocating in their assemblies the idea that we need to obtain from unbelievers a higher education than that specified by the Lord." "Let us determine that we shall not be tied by so much as a thread to the educational policies of those who do not discern the voice of God, and who will not hearken to His commandments."

These instructions are very definite. While many have passed through worldly medical colleges, and in a measure have become efficient workers, yet to continue this plan would be to defeat the purposes of God for this time. As long as we do this, His name will not receive the glory. We believe this is one

of the chief reasons why we should at this time, plan for a complete representation of the truth in medical and educational lines. There are many reasons why our young people should not attend the schools of the world. Among these reasons are three:—

First,—That true Christianity is either entirely ignored in the teaching and perverted in the practice, or else the teaching is such as would lead directly away from the truth. Of this we need not speak particularly.

Second,—In scientific and medical lines, a great mass of error is interwoven with the fundamental and applied sciences, so that in the working out of these in the medical practice of to-day, error is paramount. A peculiar situation exists; one seemingly paradoxical and yet not difficult of explanation. There never was a time in the world's history when God has permitted men to discover such a great mass of scientific truth. There is in existence, scattered here and there through the books and libraries of the world, experimental, corroborative proof in physical lines of the truthfulness of God's word. The scientific basis of the principles of health and healing which we hold, has been very completely worked out. The eternal God has permitted men to demonstrate that the means of cure now most used are not only not beneficial, but positively harmful. Of the drugs commonly used in disease there is hardly one in a hundred that has not been proven to be useless or harmful. Why is it, then, with such fullness of knowledge on these subjects, that drug-therapy still occupies so large a place in the medical curriculum and medical practice, while physiological means are either entirely ignored or given but a passing notice? It would seem that this state of things could not exist with such full knowledge. The reason, however, lies in the fact that since men have chosen not to retain God in their knowledge, it is impossible for them rightly to appreciate and interpret evidences of truth. Having no sure guide, they fail to recognize the essential things, and they exalt that which is altogether vanity. For this reason the Bible should be introduced into our medical schools, not to give flavor to other studies, but as the fundamental basis of our education and as the guide book to all wisdom.

Third,—In the medical schools of to-day, there are many and serious faults in the educational methods. This lies in the fact that the education is not practical in character. It may be

claimed that laboratory work and clinics are practical. This is true to only a very limited extent. In both these lines the instruction goes no further than object lessons of limited scope. The student is not taught to bear responsibilities; to solve problems; to initiate a therapeutic regime calculated to meet the necessities of each case. He does not understand how disease is produced. He has not followed its workings closely enough to appreciate its tendency. The student should become better acquainted with the methods by which the body maintains its health and vigor, by actual experience among the sick, beginning with the first year of his education. He should become thoroughly conversant with methods of diagnosis, the various deviations from the normal, and the methods most conducive to the re-establishment of normal function and structure. In evangelistic lines he should not simply be taught, but he should become in turn a teacher. His own ideas in both medical and evangelistic lines will become more clearly defined—crystallized, as it were—and they will therefore come to form a permanent and working part of his equipment.

The graduation day should not be a "Commencement," but a "Continuance." That which he will be called upon to do following his graduation, he should have been doing during his school years. It is necessary that his experience be gained under the supervision of competent instructors. "Many would have greater intelligence in these lines, if they had not confined themselves to years of study without a practical experience under the instruction of learned physicians and surgeons." Most of all the student should be taught to maintain his connection with the Source of all true light.

With these facts in mind, and having a clear view of the end from the beginning, and an understanding of God's purpose in eternity, how short sighted it would seem to plan at this time to do otherwise than as the Lord directs. He who has promised to be with us to the end of the world, will supply all things needful. The men, the means and the facilities will be provided as the Lord sees best. But even with the full assurance that God is able to perform that to which He has set His hand, it will require diligent seeking and greater faith in Him, if these plans are to be worked out. God may, at times, satisfy our unbelief as He did that of Thomas, but He does not expect us to remain faithless and unbelieving. If Thomas had continued to doubt

on other points, the Lord could not have used him; but his faith increased and he was therefore enabled to believe that for which he could see no material evidence; and we know Whom we have believed and are persuaded that He is able to keep that which we have committed unto Him against that day.

G. K. A.

College News

Up to January 1, 1910, ninety-three students have been matriculated, and over two-thirds of this number have come from states other than California. Of these there are eight in the first year Medical Course, seventeen in the third year of the Nurses' Course, ten in the second year of the Nurses' Course, thirty-three in the first year of the Nurses' Course, six in the Cooks and Bakers' Course, and nineteen taking selected studies.

Since the establishment of the College eleven workers have gone from Loma Linda to foreign fields:

Chas. Foster and wife.....	Chili, S. A.
Miss Meda Kerr.....	Argentine, S. A.
Miss Anna Hansen	Argentine, S. A.
Mrs. Ellen Cornish Foster.....	Japan
S. A. Nagle and wife	China
O. J. Fisher and wife	China
Carolyn May Brunson.....	India
Mabelle McMoran.....	India

Since the chartering of the Medical College additional facilities have been provided in the line of laboratory equipment. Apparatus and supplies for both the chemistry and histology laboratories have been added. The library is growing steadily and new medical journals are being added for the coming year.

A one year's Normal Course for training head nurses is one of the things planned for next year at Loma Linda. Only graduates from a three-year course who have had good previous academic preparation will be admitted to this course. Applications should be made early as only a limited number can be provided for.

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“During His ministry, Jesus devoted more time to healing the sick than to preaching.

“It is the divine plan that we shall work as the disciples worked. Physical healing is bound up with the gospel commission. In the work of the gospel, teaching and healing are never to be separated.”—*Ministry of Healing*, pp 19, 141.

As brought out in John 6:30 to 33, the Jews were disappointed because Christ's work was not as conducive to national pride as they expected it to be. To be sure He had fed several thousands miraculously for one day; but in the days of Moses several millions had been fed for forty years. Surely, thought they, the Messiah ought to do even more wonderful works than this. Thus they were disappointed at what they considered the meagerness and comparative insignificance of Christ's work.

In the same way there are many among us as a people who are running after this wonder and after that, looking for such miracles as they imagine are appropriate ones for the loud cry of these last days. But it may be that such people will not recognize the true work of God when they see it. God's work must ever be disappointing to all who estimate it from human, worldly standards. Christ's work was disappointing to those who viewed it through the perverted medium of false education and prejudice. And when the crisis came, they were unprepared to meet it. God grant that when the final crisis comes to us we may be prepared to recognize the true work of God.

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Announcement 1909-1910

In pursuance to instructions given through the Spirit of Prophecy and in harmony with the resolution passed by the General Conference Committee recently in session at College View, Neb., the College of Medical Evangelists was on December 9, 1909, chartered as a medical college under the laws of the State of California.

It is expedient that the principles underlying the educational work of this newly established college shall become known among us as widely as possible. There are many vital principles outlined in the Testimonies which bear directly upon the methods to be employed in medical evangelistic education. Among these are the following:

1. The Bible should be made the basis of all education.
2. Practical experience under competent instructors should form a larger part of the curriculum than is usual. Long courses devoid of practical experience are detrimental to the development of spirituality and practical usefulness. Evangelistic experience is equally important with medical experience.
3. The Bible truths regarding creation, redemption, healing, etc., should be given special attention in order to prepare students to meet latter day delusions.
4. Scientific intricacies not essential to efficiency in medical and evangelistic work should be eliminated.
5. Instruction should be given regarding the rational scientific basis and superiority of natural means of treatment over drug therapy.
6. The teaching of preventive hygiene is of prime importance.
7. Instructors of marked ability and decided spirituality should be selected for this work.
8. Thousands should be prepared to labor as medical missionary evangelists. A few will need to be qualified with extraordinary ability, to stand at the head of our medical work, especially in sanitariums.
9. Nothing should be done to limit the sphere of usefulness of our physicians. All reasonable legal requirements not otherwise conflicting with our principles should be fully satisfied.

Wise laws have been framed to protect the public against incompetent impostors. We are ourselves protected by these laws.

A careful study of the Testimonies and of legal requirements has led those in charge of the educational work of the college to formulate the following plans and curriculum:

First,—To plan for a *five-year medical course*, since it is manifestly impossible without overcrowding the curriculum to give in four years all that is essential and necessary in the usual medical and scientific lines together with Bible, pastoral training, instruction in hydrotherapy and other physiologic means, dietetics, etc., and allow time for practical experience in medical and evangelistic work.

Second,—That the *first three years* of this course be so arranged as to fully qualify medical evangelists (without medical degree); that this part of the course include practical experience in treatments, nursing, laboratory and office assistance, together with evangelistic field work, Bible readings, health talks, etc.

Third,—That the last two years be made somewhat heavier in lecture and clinical hours and embody carefully supervised clinical experience under competent physicians and surgeons. This latter to be similar to what is commonly called internship.

Calendar and Expenses

The college year consists of nine months (thirty-six weeks) each year, and will begin about October 1, closing at the end of the third or fourth week in June. In each of the first three years, class and laboratory work aggregates from twenty-five to twenty-seven hours per week. This leaves enough time above what is needed for study so that the student may work from three to five hours daily, sufficient to meet the expense of board and room. For this work the student is paid from 10 to 15 cents an hour. In work requiring special skill, a fair degree of competency must be acquired before wages are received. A specified minimum of hours in these various lines is a part of the requirement for graduation. (See opposite page 100)

The tuition is \$75.00 a year, payable in three installments. A discount of \$5.00 is given if the entire amount is paid at the opening of school. Laboratory fees total about \$20.00 a year.

Curriculum for First Three Years

Didactic and Laboratory Requirement

SUBJECT	First Year		Second Year		Third Year		Total
	Did.	Lab.	Did.	Lab.	Did.	Lab.	
Bible	150	.....	150	.....	180	.....	480
Pastoral Training	72	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	72
Anatomy	168	120	72	120	16	.....	496
Physiology	48	.....	110	64	56	56	334
Chemistry	90	88	40	112	.....	.....	330
Histology	60	72	.....	.....	.....	.....	132
Hydrotherapy.....	.....	72	40	.....	40	.....	152
Mechano-Therapy.....	.....	55	.....	50	.....	.....	105
Embryology .....	.....	.....	28	56	.....	.....	84
Surgical Drill, Bandaging...	.....	.....	50	.....	.....	.....	50
Materia Medica, Pharmacology .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	80	48	128
Food and Dietetics.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	56	.....	56
Bacteriology .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	40	96	136
Pathology.....	.....	.....	30	.....	48	80	158
Practice of Medicine .....	.....	.....	60	.....	.....	.....	60
Physical Diagnosis .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	24	24	48
Gynecology .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	48	.....	48
Obstetrics .....	.....	.....	52	.....	.....	.....	52
TOTALS	588	407	632	402	588	304	2921

Practical Experience (Minimum Requirement)

	First Year	Second Year	Third Year	Total
Treatment Rooms	120	120	.....	240
Sanitarium Laboratory and.....	.....	60	30	90
Pharmacy.....	.....	60	30	90
Care of Sick	120	240	240	360
Diagnosis and Prescribing.....	.....	.....	60	60
Operating Room .....	.....	20	30	50
Gen. Evangelistic Field Work.....	20	20	.....	40
Gospel Talks or Bible Readings ..	5	10	10	25
Health and Temperance Talks and Demonstrations.....	5	8	10	23
TOTALS	270	478	380	1128

GRAND TOTAL	{	Medical Subjects.....	3432	}	4049
		Biblical Subjects.....	617		

Admission Requirements

The standard of entrance requirements for admission into medical colleges located in California is set by the state law. This standard is that of the Association of American Medical Colleges which requires for entrance, the completion of thirty points of academic work. A point is defined as a half year's work in a single branch. It amounts to ninety hours, or eighteen weeks of five periods a week. Students not possessing high school or academic diplomas accompanied by a certified statement of the required number of points, must pass through the hands of an examiner appointed by the State Board of Medical Examiners. Full and complete details of these requirements will be sent on application. For this and other information, address the Dean,

DR. GEORGE KNAPP ABBOTT,
Loma Linda, California.

Beginning with September, 1910, Loma Linda College will admit into the Nurses' Course only those who have fully completed nine grades. The faculty reserve the right to examine the applicants in any subject about which there may be question.

GOD'S FULLNESS OUR NOTHINGNESS

"Nothing is apparently more helpless, yet really more invincible, than the soul that feels its nothingness, and relies wholly on the merits of the Saviour. By prayer, by the study of His Word, by faith in His abiding presence, the weakest of human beings may live in contact with the living Christ; and He will hold them by a hand that will never let go."

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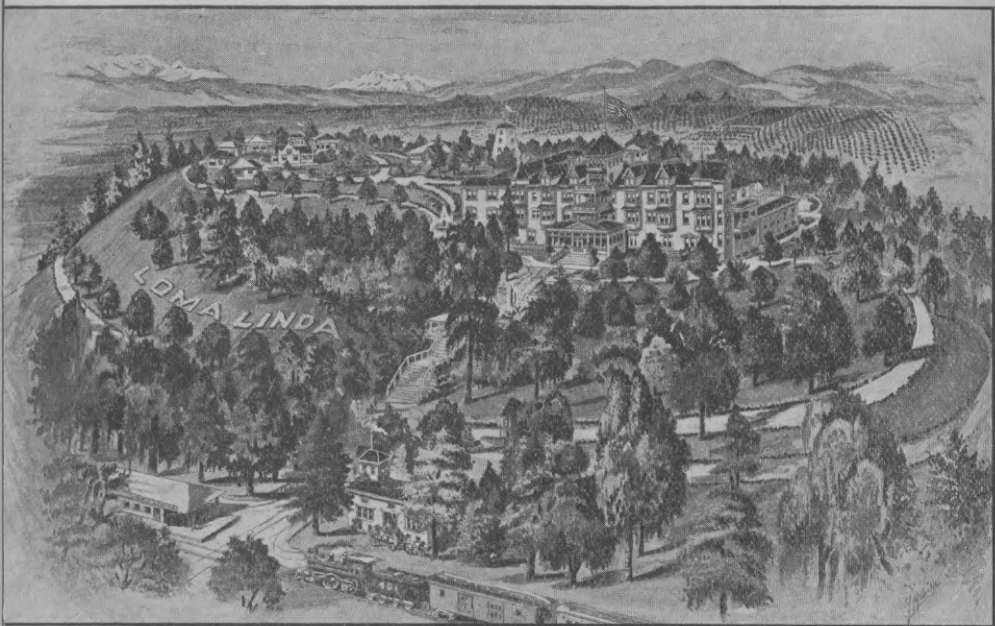
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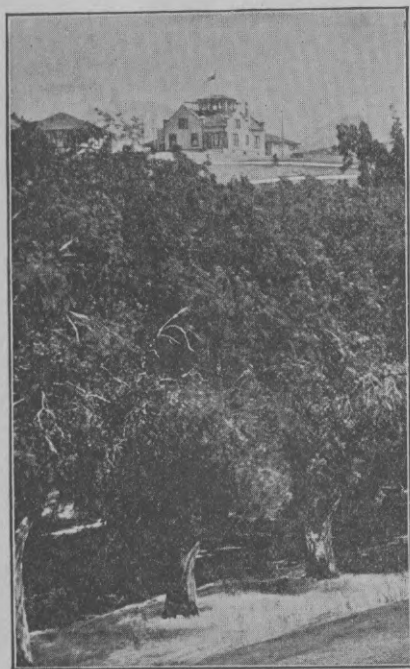
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For further particulars address the Dean, DR. GEORGE KNAPP ABBOTT



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