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Sanitarium, Napa Co., California,

September 18, 1908.

Dear Sister:---

Something more than a year ago, Mother decided to have her little book, "Experience and Views" that was published in Battle Creek in 1860, revised and reprinted. You may remember that a considerable portion of this book was reprinted in "Life Sketches" in 1880, in connection with the story of Father's life. I do not think that our people ever liked the large book as well as they did the smaller books where Father gave his "Life Incidents," as one book, and where Mother's story was told in another. But however that may be "Life Sketches" are all sold, and if our young people of this later generation are to have the lessons brought out in Father's "Life Incidents," and in Mother's "Experience and Views," we must print again.

During the last few months Doris Robinson, assisted by me and other of Mother's helpers, has gone carefully over the old book, "Life Incidents," and prepared it for republication. Some of the sermons in the last part of the book have been left out, and the story has been made more complete by incorporating material from wather's reports in the Review. This will soon be submitted to the publishers for publication.

Early un 1907, we began the work of preparing "Experience and Views" for republication, but Mother and I were called away to attend camp-meetings, and our time has been drawn upon here and there, so that this work was untouched for about thirteen months. Now we have begun again, and are making good progress with the revision.

With this we send you a circular letter, making a statement regarding our general plan, therefore I will not repeat what is written in the circular letter.

In our work to-day we came to the story of the meeting held in Paris, Me. in Sept., 1849. If you have a copy of the old "Experience and Views," you will find this story told on pages, 116, 117. In the book "Life Sketches," it will be found on pages 260, 261. But fearing that you may not have either of these books at hand, we will copy the very brief statement we have regarding this meeting, and enclose it with this letter.

Now in harmony with the general plan stated in our circular letter, it is our desire to tell the story of this meeting held at Paris, in such a clear, definite way as to make it plain to the young people of this generation what the fanaticism was that led this people into their trouble, also the extent of the trouble and its character.

Following this story will be given some of the things which Mother has written in later years regarding the duty of all men to improve their time, and to work diligently. In this way we hope to make the new edition of this book of great value to our people generally, and especially to our young people.

Our chief purpose in writing to you regarding this matter at the present time is to ask you to help us to formulate a clear statement regarding the fanaticism held by the brethren in Paris;

A clear statement regarding the views and general character of F.T.Howland;

And as clear a statement as possible regarding the meeting. Can you tell us why they had held no meeting for eighteen months. Any information you can give us regarding J.N.Andrews, his views at the time, and what he was doing, would be of personal interest to us.

Mother's mind is so fully occupied with affairs relating to

our California Conference, our new sanitariums, the selection of a new site for Healdsburg College and other matters of that sort that it is hard for her to go back to this Paris meeting, and give us a real clear statement; and if you will kindly tell us what you can remember about it, it will help to refresh her memory, and will enable us to make such a statement regarding the Paris meeting and its lessons as will be of value to the future ~~of~~ readers of this book.

With this I shall take the liberty to send you copy of a report of one of the interesting features of the Los Angeles camp-meeting.

Can you give us the names of any persons beside yourself who attended this meeting in Paris, and is still living, who would be interested to tell us what they can remember about this meeting.

Yours very truly,

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