



North British Conference

First Report—By The Editor

As we write, the North British Conference is in session at Nottingham. Although the first business session, called for 4 o'clock on Friday afternoon in the Circus Street Congregational Church was not by any means over-crowded, the evening meeting-hour found about 175 persons in attendance.

Pastor A. E. Bacon chose a most appropriate text for the occasion, basing his address upon God's command to Moses, "Speak unto the children of Israel, that they *go forward*." Exod. 14:15. To-day our Lord is commanding His people to "go forward" in spiritual matters, in faith, hope and love, in evangelism and in every form of Christian service.

At the close of the address Sister Baldry sang that touching solo, "Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to Thee."

Sabbath morning found a splendid company of teachers in the small hall at 9.30 to hear Pastor H. F. De'Ath expound the lesson for the day. His suggestions were most valuable.

Sabbath-school was attended by about 300 persons, including the fine group of children, ably cared for by Sister Archibald and others. Pastor W. A. Spicer gave a ten-minute talk on missions and by the time he had finished we all wished for a sizable bank account so as to be able to answer the calls from the fields beyond. One story he told will live in our memories. He was crossing the Atlantic during the war, in the days of submarines. One morning, after a storm, the look-out sighted a ship flying a white flag. Although realizing the perils involved, the captain of the liner steered in the direction of the vessel, which proved to be a small Norwegian brig. It had lost its steering gear and a man had had his leg broken. The liner took aboard the injured man and gave the brig a new compass. Then amid cheers she turned back on her course. "At sea," said Brother Spicer, "a signal of distress is never passed by." Then he told of the other signals from the thousands in heathen lands who are seeking after God.

The Sabbath-school offering amounted to £18.-12s. 7d.

Pastor Spicer preached at the morning service, following a solo by Miss Doris Hadley. It was a rich spiritual feast. The Holy Spirit drew near to every heart and many came forward at the close of the meeting to signify their intention to break with sin and make a new beginning.

Opening his address Pastor Spicer remarked on the changes that had taken place since last he attended a meeting in the north of England—which was at Derby in 1916. Since then the message has gone forward with giant strides. In Russia there are now three times as many believers as there were at the beginning of the war. In Rumania there are three times as many as there were at the close of the war.

"These are stormy times," said Pastor Spicer, referring to the troubles in China, India and Africa. "The world is getting ready for Armageddon. Things which we as a people have been talking about for fifty years are now taking place before our eyes."

Referring to John 13 Pastor Spicer drew many inspiring lessons from the words, "Having loved His own." Jesus does everything for *us*. He left heaven for *us*. He died for *us*. He went away for *us*—"It is expedient for you that I go away." He is in heaven for *us*—"to prepare a place." He is coming again for *us*—"that I may receive you unto Myself."

If we could be in heaven to-day and see the world as do the angels, we should see events moving rapidly towards their glorious climax. And Jesus is anxious about His church. It is not ready. He says, "BE ye also ready." (Matt. 24:44.) It is in such an hour as we think not that He will return.

But will not the work take a long time? No. When God's hour is come it will be finished rapidly. A month can change the history of ages in these swiftly moving times.

Speaking of the ten virgins Pastor Spicer said

they were all Adventists. All had the doctrines—the form of the truth, but only five had the Word in their hearts. The others lacked the power of the truth. They were not sanctified in their hearts. We cannot meet the bridegroom with empty lamps.

How may we be ready when He comes? By keeping ready every day. We are not to “get” ready but to “be” ready. We must keep 1 John 1:9 ever in mind. And this does not say, “Whoso forgetteth his sin——” but “whoso confesseth.” Confession brings the forgiving grace of God into our hearts. At home, at work or in the church, readiness to say, “I’m sorry” is the solution of a thousand problems.

It was truly a wonderful meeting and when at the close three or four dozen people streamed down

to the front for special prayer one felt that God had surely visited His people.

Sabbath afternoon Pastor Meredith conducted a praise service in the large hall. Speaking from the seventh chapter of Romans, he pictured the state of the natural man, and advised his hearers to make haste to secure the experience brought to view in the following chapter. He then brought out the wonderful promises of God contained in the fourth chapter of 2 Corinthians, laying emphasis upon the *far more exceeding* and *eternal weight* of glory that is to be the reward of “our *light* affliction.”

Scores testified to the saving grace of God in their lives and the help received so far during this conference session.

A further report will appear in the next issue.



The Way Prepared

By W. A. Spicer

IN one of the articles written especially for the colporteur-evangelist, these pioneering workers for God are told, “The Holy Spirit will attend you. Angels of heaven will accompany you, preparing the way.”

These heavenly messengers are sent to minister to all the heirs of salvation. They are round about every Christian worker. But it has been our experience that we find the footprints of the angels most frequently of all along the pathway of the faithful colporteur. Very likely it is because these workers are most frequently treading the pioneer trails, and are searching for truth-loving hearts from home to home.

We have noted that a little document issued by the Southern Publishing Association, the “Southern Colporteur,” has given publicity to a number of colporteur experiences, showing how the way was prepared for the Gospel worker so clearly and manifestly that no one can doubt that it was the working of God. A number of the instances related to preparation of the way through a dream of the night season. No one cares about dreams in themselves. No one should try to build any religious experience upon a dream that passes in the night. But when this agency is used in our time, as it was often used in Bible times to lead people to search for the truth in the Scriptures, and they find the message through this agency, we must perforce recognize the working of the Lord.

Sage old Dr. Adam Clarke, the Methodist commentator, has this to say about this matter in his comments on Pharaoh’s dream in Genesis 41:

“Dreams have been on one hand superstitiously regarded, and on the other sceptically disregarded. . . . Whatever leads away from God, truth, and righteousness, must be from the source of evil; whatever leads to obedience to God, and to acts of benevolence to man, must be from the source of goodness and truth. Reader, there is often as much superstition in disregarding as in attending to dreams; and he who fears God will escape it in both.”

To come back to our own time and the very practical working of the Lord through this means in a number of cases, we quote the following, reported

by James Hickman, formerly leader in the colporteur work in one of the Southern fields:

“It was getting dark as the colporteur rapped on the door. He said, ‘Ford is my name. I am putting out Bibles and religious books in this community, and am looking for a place to spend the night.’ The landlady said, ‘Come right in, Mr. Ford. I would know you and your voice anywhere in the world. Last night I had a dream in which you came to our door just at this time of the day, and said the very words you just uttered, and in the dream we turned you away from our door; but we are glad it was only a dream; we give you a cordial welcome.’ After seeing the book, the woman said, ‘This is the very book you were selling in the dream. I was told to purchase it, as it had a message for me.’ Brother Ford didn’t have any trouble in making the sale, and he believes that he will meet these people in the kingdom of God.”

Again, Elder V. O. Cole, one of the veteran colporteur leaders, recounts the following story, told in one of his colporteur institutes by a visiting minister:

“In order to save time, I walked across a field and came up to a house from the back way, passing an old well, and then coming up to the front door. I knocked, the lady invited me in, and then I gave her an exhibition of my book. During the exhibition I noticed that there was an unusual expression of interest on her face; and when I came to the order point, she said, ‘Of course I want that book.’ She then said, ‘I must tell you of my late experience. For some time I have been very anxious for a better understanding of the book of Revelation, and I have often prayed that the Lord would give me help in some way. Now I do not know just which way you came to the house, but a few nights ago I had a very impressive dream, and in my dream I saw a man come here with some help for me. The man came up the back way, and came by the old well out there, and then came up to the front door.’ ”

Again another colporteur tells how, day after day, failure to get orders had tempted him to retire from the field. He says:

“However, I started out again on Monday morn-

ing with the resolve that if I did not succeed that day, I was going to shake the dust off my feet and leave the place. That morning at the first house I came to, I noticed that the lady who came to the door eyed me with a peculiar look, though she listened carefully to my canvass, and asked me to turn back to the pictures I had shown her in 'The Great Controversy.' Then I went on and showed her other pictures in the book, and explained 'The Great Controversy' to her. She then told me a dream she had had the night before."

She had seen the young man himself coming with a large book, and even the pictures now shown her in the book were familiar to her, as she recalled the dream. Needless to say, the order was already taken.

"It was just the encouragement I needed," said the colporteur, "to keep me from leaving that hard field. The Lord had precious souls there who were longing for the light, and that lady is to-day rejoicing in the truth."

In one of these little papers of August, 1922, occurs the following report from Brother Carl Wooten, a Georgia colporteur:

"Recently I called on a minister with my book, and he looked at me as if he was very much frightened. After looking straight at me for a few moments, he said, 'I have never seen a man clearer in all my life than I saw you last night in my dream.' I told him that I had prayed God to send angels before me, who would prepare the way for me to work, and he exclaimed, 'I don't know you, but I believe that you are a worker for the Lord, and I will take a book.'"

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Providences of the Literature Ministry

The First Scholarship

BROTHER J. McMILLAN, writing on July 24th said, "My total sales now amount to £123. 18s. od. So I have attained my goal. To-day I prayed for five orders to finish the scholarship. I received nine, one of them a leather at 27/6. Truly God has blessed me exceeding abundantly above all I either asked or thought."

Brother McMillan has worked exceedingly hard to reach his goal as is clearly seen by another paragraph of his letter: "I might have canvassed three houses on my way home last night but I was too tired. I have had a busy week. Monday I started at 8 a.m. and finished at 1.30 a.m. Tuesday. The people with whom I was staying neither saw me go off nor come back." We can easily understand why he is first in with a scholarship.

The Lord helped our brother in several ways. He put it into the heart of one good soul to invite him to remain overnight. This was a blessing to more than Brother McMillan. He says, "Last evening, as though to help me finish the £120 I was invited to stop overnight at one place. They gave me an order and this morning I received two orders in the district that I would otherwise have missed. Three of the orders were paid for in advance."

LEAD THE UNION!

During the week ending July 18th, Brother J. Howard led the British Union bookmen. His was

the best report for that week. It amounted to £28. 4s. and was sent from Cork, *Irish Free State!*

Week ending July 24th, Brother J. Benefield seized the honour of leading the entire field with his good report of £25. 15s. worth of orders, obtained in Pembrokeshire, *Wales*—where the papers say everybody is out of work! Both these champions are handling "Bible Readings."

"PRESENT TRUTH" PREPARING THE WAY.

Sister Newman, who is doing so remarkably well in Gosport with "Bible Readings," informs us: "I came across a lady who had been taking 'Present Truth' for some time and it just opened the way for me to sell a copy of 'Bible Readings.' Both she and her husband seemed waiting for it. They are wealthy people and could do so much good with a real knowledge of the truth. How I do long to *win souls* for the Master." This is the burden of soul that brings prosperity to our colporteurs. Regular workers with the "Present Truth" at one time made a point of selling large numbers of bound books to their regular readers. Are you doing this to yours?

Another way the "Present Truth" helped a book worker is told by a brother who is selling "Christ's Glorious Return." He said, that after he had finished his canvass his customer told him that she had heaps of books on the second advent, and almost tore his prospectus out of his hand in her eagerness to scan it. He retained it tactfully, however. She then refused to order or listen any further, merely remarking how much she believed in, and how close we were to the Lord's return, but she asked who was the editor of the "Present Truth." "At this," says the brother, "I was confounded, but quietly turning to the title page and pointing to 'A. S. Maxwell,' I said, 'That gentleman.' 'Twas like magic. I had her order at once for a plain copy."

The grand total value of actual sales made by the Stanborough Press Ltd., during the past seven months is £2,272 in excess of what it was for the corresponding period of last year. After reading, however, of the strenuous work of Brother J. McMillan—and his is a fair example of how many of our colporteurs have worked this year with our silent messengers of truth—you can understand why the grand total value of literature sales is so high. We thank God for such workers and praise Him for His blessing upon their work. S. JOYCE.

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Married

IN the Town Hall, East Wemyss, Fife, on July 16, 1925, the writer had much pleasure in uniting in holy matrimony Brother Robert Madgwick and Sister Isa Hogg.

Following the wedding ceremony a large number of the friends of the respective parties were royally entertained.

After a few enjoyable hours together, the bride and bridegroom departed on their honeymoon to the Grampian Hills Hydro, Crieff.

We all wish the happy couple much of the Lord's blessing in their future united labours for Him.

R. MUSSEN.

If you know anyone who attended the Keswick Convention this year send them "Present Truth" No. 18.

Another Harvest Ingathering Due

TIME rolls on and the work of God is ever advancing. How near we are to the close of probation none can tell. One thing we know. There is just now given to us a brief period of freedom and comparative peace in which to labour before the final storm breaks.

Next in importance to our personal preparation for this crisis is our attitude to the unfinished work of God. A great harvest still remains to be reaped. Angels—the advance guard of Heaven—are beckoning us into the unentered fields where thousands are “looking wistfully to Heaven” for light and guidance. These souls must be reached before the work closes.

To only a few does the call come to leave home and kindred for work in distant lands but to all is given some responsibility in supporting the cause in these lands.

God has signally blessed the efforts put forth in soliciting gifts from the public for our mission work. During the past nine years more than £50,000 have been collected in Great Britain alone. It has taken over twenty years to reach this figure in offerings from our own pockets.

The 1925 Harvest Ingathering is now due and calls for the best that we can give.

First let us pray that God will stay the winds of industrial strife and give us favour with the people.

Then we must organize our forces. Much is lost each year because the believers, old and young, are not set to work and encouraged to do their utmost while the Campaign is on.

Finally, let unity of action characterize every church. £10,000 would not be too much to expect if EVERY BELIEVER ACTED HIS PART FAITHFULLY.

Last year only 55% of the membership actually engaged in Harvest Ingathering work. Shall we not set ourselves to go as near as possible to the 100% mark this year. Let every man encourage his brother. God only knows if another opportunity of this kind will be afforded us.

Supplies have already gone out and some members are even now at work.

Further announcements will be made in the next MISSIONARY WORKER.

J. HARKER.



A Rally Call to South British Members

WE are on the eve of a great event—shall we say the greatest event of the year 1925? The Harvest Ingathering Campaign for missions will soon be in full swing once again. For months many have been thinking and planning for the campaign. The Stanborough Press has been busily engaged printing for us the literature we shall use. An excellent booklet has been prepared, setting forth the progress of our work in the regions beyond and presenting the needs of those in dark heathen lands. The reports it contains are soul-stirring. We read of baptisms of 600 and more in several places. The work goes forward

in Africa, India, China, the South Seas, South and Central America as well as Europe and North America. Everywhere the work is onward. New lands are opening up as a result of previous campaigns.

Our Mission Board, when considering the many requests for the building up and the extending of our missions, voted an increase of 15% to the mission budget for 1925. We will surely stand by them in this forward move. The British Union goal, therefore, is £7,500, with an individual goal of £2. South Britain takes £4,500, which is divided up as follows: South England, £3,500, Wales £650, and Ireland, £350. This is a big task for us, but we are assured that by the help of God, and the co-operation of every member, we shall be big enough for the task. Let every church fix its goal on the basis of at least £2 per member. If every member will gather one shilling per day during the six weeks of the campaign, our goal will be realized. Is this too much to ask? Surely not!

We are confident you will answer the call for service by doing your part in the great campaign for missions. These six weeks will be full of opportunities for service. You will be happy to have a part in the bringing in of the harvest home.

Then, obtain your supplies at once. Do not delay, start in to-day! Pray for God's blessing on your work. Aim high; work hard; keep at it. Don't be discouraged. Remember our missionaries. Think of the souls in darkness waiting for the light of the Gospel, and send a wave of courage to them by your faithfulness during this great campaign.

F. W. GOODALL.



Grasping Opportunities in Africa

MANY years ago, when my husband was a colporteur, I wanted to be a colporteur too, but I had two small sons to care for, and the home duties coupled with the work the little ones made, took nearly all my strength and time.

But now our boys are in their teens, and in our own missionary training college at Spion Kop, I have turned colporteur, not from necessity, but because I love the work.

If ever there was a time when I made any advances in the Christian life, it was during the time that my husband canvassed Shropshire and Wales with “Bible Readings” and “School of Health.”

When we first arrived in this part of Africa I wondered what kind of work I could do here for the Lord, and soon discovered it after speaking to some old mission boys, who had come to work on the mine. They had a longing for books. Here was the opportunity I had coveted for years, and it didn't take long to avail myself of it.

Soon we were sending orders for small Bibles and books to the Cape of Good Hope, until our book bills ran into several pounds. This business gave us opportunities to talk to the converted boys, and I hope they won't forget some of the things we have tried to tell them.

Big Lift for Missions—Harvest Ingathering

Our home is now in Ndola, a small town about fifteen miles from the borders of the Belgian Congo. Our nearest white church is Bullawayo, three days' journey south I believe. There are a number of converted English-speaking natives here who work for the shopkeepers, and to these we sell a good many of our books.

After I had been in this place a month or so my mind was directed to the little white children, living with their parents on the mines. But how could we reach them? Some lived one side of the railway, while others lived many miles the other side, and I did not own a bicycle.

But the Lord knew a way, if I didn't, and so I was impressed to write a canvass. This I did, and placing a copy carefully in each of the books, sent them out with a prayer. My native boy carried some to a mine six miles away, my husband took others with him on his motor journey to a mine thirty miles distant, and the rest went by post. Every one was delivered.

Only yesterday I sent two books (a "New Testament Primer" and a "Bedtime Stories") to the new station-master at Ndola station, just a mile away. I did not know anything concerning these people, and asked the Lord to guide my pen. In less than half an hour the boy returned with 5/- and the following note:

Dear Mrs. Marter,

I am keeping the books, and enclosed find cash for same.

My husband and I really appreciate these sort of books for children, and I know when I was young my parents always gave us an enjoyable time by reading such lovely books to us.

We thank you for your kind thought for our little ones.

Kindest regards and God's blessing.

M. Cunningham.

I am now canvassing "Our Day in the Light of Prophecy," and pray that this small work may help to gather out a people for Himself from this corner of Africa.

G. MARTER.



Urgent Calls from the Dark Continent

CENTURIES ago the prophet of the Lord in looking down the vistas of the future saw the people of Africa with their arms outstretched to heaven pleading for light and salvation. The statement of the ancient seer, "Ethiopia shall stretch out her hands after God," is being remarkably fulfilled in these last days. For centuries the people of Africa have been living in darkness and superstition, bound by the fetters of heathenism and degradation. But now there is an awakening. From all parts of the Dark Continent there come plaintive cries for help, earnest pleas for someone to teach them the way of salvation. Brother Gudmundson, of Eritrea, an Italian colony on the northeast coast of Africa, writes:

"We have had a very interesting experience in our mission work in this colony. Some years ago in Tigray and the nearby provinces there was an evan-

gelical revival among the native inhabitants when thousands of them turned back to the Bible. They are now standing quite alone because they cannot agree to the Abyssinian church with all its saints, ceremonies and idolatry. Some of their chiefs recently made up their minds to visit Asmara the capital, in the hope of finding someone to teach them the truth of God's Word. They went first to a neighbouring mission, but failed to find what they sought. Then they met two of our native brethren who told them that they should take a trip out to our mission station. They came, asking if we could teach them the truths of the Bible. We studied together and they became very happy. Their faces beamed with joy as the rays of light shone from the Word of God. When they went home, I sent with them a number of Bibles and two of our native brethren to teach them still more. I hope that I shall get time to visit their country this autumn and see what prospects there are and what more we can do."

Some time ago while in Sierra Leone Brother Lowe wrote concerning his visit to a tribe of people for whom no missionary work had been done:

"Away in the north, behind a range of high hills, are three paramount chiefdoms which have been left alone so far as the Gospel effort is concerned, because of their inaccessibility. These people are more primitive and wild than the people amongst whom we are labouring. I was the first missionary to enter that part. I had a good reception, splendid meetings, and many requests to start work there. The three kingdoms are open and will be glad to receive us. The superintendent of a nearby mission, hearing of my trip, has since visited the tribe in question and would no doubt be glad to get in before us. This only intensifies our desire to push in there at an early date—if we can get the money to open the work. We trust and pray that an increased appropriation may be forthcoming.

"Our work is moving along nicely and our staff doing faithful service. The work in several places is growing to such an extent that additional help is absolutely necessary. One young worker conceived the idea of preaching the message in every village in the chiefdom where he is working. While doing this his own station has grown to such an extent that we must send in another helper."

Similar calls come from other parts of Africa, and the same is true of China and India and other parts of the great world field. Surely the fields are white unto the harvest. We should pray as never before that God will send forth labourers into the harvest field. Let us continue to pass on the good tidings by larger gifts, more earnest prayers, more diligent and systematic effort amongst our neighbours and friends and more than all by a fuller surrender of our hearts and lives to God.

W. E. READ.



Faithfulness in Heathen Lands

WHEREVER the message is carried in foreign lands, our workers feel the necessity of teaching the native believers their responsibility in supporting the

Campaign begins Sept. 1. Get Ready!

Statement of Tithes and Offerings for British Union

NORTH BRITISH CONFERENCE

NAME OF CHURCH OR COM'Y	Mem- bers	TITHE	Tithe per Capita	Sabbath-School Offering	13th Sabbath Offering	Young People's Offering	Week of Sacrifice	Harvest Ingathering	Big Week	Miscellaneous Offerings	TOTAL OFFERINGS	Offerings per Capita
English Division												
Birmingham (Handsw'h)	56	84 3 9	1 10 1	5 16 3	2 7 9				4 9 6		12 13 6	4 6
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Bradford	16	15 13 11	18 6	2 2 1	19 0				19 6		4 0 7	4 9
Coventry	35	53 2 0	1 5 11	15 11 5	4 17 6	3 3			2 15 0		23 7 2	11 5
Derby	43	49 9 7	1 2 0	6 10 10	3 11 10	10 1			6 4 0		16 16 9	7 6
Grimsby	12	5 4 1	6 6	2 14 6	6 9				8 0		3 9 3	4 4
Hull	138	173 4 4	1 5 10	18 17 9	5 1 8	1 11 10			9 6 0		34 17 3	5 2
Kettering	34	45 18 2	1 7 0	7 5 2	1 13 3				3 4 6		12 2 11	7 2
Leeds	78	129 17 11	2 6 5	14 10 9	1 10 10			17 10	3 3 0		20 2 5	7 2
Leicester	27	28 19 11	1 1 6	5 12 8	18 10	17 2			2 2 0		9 10 8	7 1
Liverpool	54	76 7 3	1 12 6	9 13 8	7 15 9				6 10 0		23 19 5	10 2
Manchester (North)	41	50 1 5	1 5 8	7 7 4					3 2 0		10 9 4	5 4
" (South)	79	109 4 5	1 8 4	14 6 2	4 15 8	1 3 3			9 1 2		29 6 3	7 7
Newcastle-on-Tyne	53	91 6 2	1 12 0	19 11 1	3 3 10	1 5 0			5 18 1		29 18 0	10 6
Nottingham	98	131 17 5	1 6 4	22 13 10	3 10 0	2 18 10		1 18 5	16 1 0		47 2 1	9 5
Rotherham	52	25 18 8	1 8 10	10 1 10					1 5 0		11 6 10	12 7
Rushden	17	20 13 3	1 1 9	3 16 0	13 0	1 1 0			1 15 0		7 5 0	7 8
Sheffield	64	63 4 10	1 0 5	11 4 2	1 18 8				4 8 0		17 10 10	5 8
Stoke	22	19 13 1	15 1	4 6 8	2 3 7	15 0			2 0 11		9 6 2	7 2
Wellingborough	27	26 0 0	17 4	4 3 8	3 16 9				1 6 0		9 6 5	6 3
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Blackburn	12	3 5 0	6 6	1 12 8	7 9						4 12 2	9 3
Bromsgrove	11	16 1 8	1 9 3	2 18 7	12 5			5 9	1 10 8		5 1 8	9 3
Burnley	7	3 12 6	10 4	14 6	1 0						15 6	2 3
Douglas	18	78 14 10	4 7 6	3 17 11	9 9				1 14 5		6 2 1	6 9
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Lincoln	11	10 13 8	19 5	2 11 2	3 7				10 0		3 4 9	5 11
Mansfield	20	27 4 7	19 5	5 10 2	1 10 3				2 7 3		9 7 8	6 8
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Middlesborough	10	14 8 3	1 8 10	2 19 10	1 3 1	6 10			1 14 0		6 3 9	12 5
Northampton	15	17 11 6	1 9 4	1 17 10	16 6				1 6 0		4 0 4	6 8
Scarborough	12	34 3 9	4 5 6	4 16 4	16 3				2 1 7		7 14 2	19 3
Seacombe	9	14 6 6	1 8 8	1 19 8	3 10				1 5 0		3 8 6	6 10
Southport	14	11 11 0	1 3 1	1 12 3	1 11				17 2		2 11 4	5 2
Sutton-in-Ashfield	11	15 1 4	1 5 1	3 9 2	8 0				1 2 3		4 19 5	8 3
Stockton	14	10 10 4	15 0		11 8				2 13 2		3 4 10	4 8
Ulverston	13	11 7 6	16 3	2 7 5	17 0	8 0			15 0		4 7 5	6 3
Wigan	5	3 9 0	9 10	1 13 0	4 0				10 0		2 7 0	6 9
Isolated	128	189 18 11	1 10 10	24 3 10	4 8 5	4 1	5 8 6		13 16 0		48 5 10	7 10
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Scottish Division												
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Glasgow	64	52 5 0	14 5	18 11 9	8 13 10	2 8 6			30 11 10		60 5 11	17 0
Kirkcaldy	17	19 0 10	1 3 10	4 4 1	19 9				1 11 0		6 14 10	8 5
Stirling	7	19 14 11	2 9 4	1 8 0	1 11 8				16 0		3 15 8	9 6
Paisley	5	38 3 10	7 12 9	2 16 0	1 3 3				1 13 3		5 12 6	1 2 6
Dundee	12	15 1 0	2 10 2	4 0 0	1 1 0				2 15 0		7 16 0	1 6 0
Clydebank	28	31 5 6	3 18 2	9 7 0	5 13 6	2 18 6			5 0 0		22 19 0	2 17 5
Isolated	58	68 4 4	1 11 0	12 13 3	3 12 0		13 2 6		10 2 6		39 10 3	18 0
Totals for 2nd Qtr. 1925	257	291 11 3	1 5 10	68 19 9	27 0 2	7 8 4	13 2 6		60 14 7		177 5 4	15 8
Totals for 2nd Qtr. 1924	235	280 15 5	1 4 0	59 4 7	20 0 2	2 13 10			33 2 3	5 9 3	123 10 1	10 6
Increase.	22	10 15 10	1 10	9 15 2	7 0 0	4 14 6	13 2 6		27 12 4	-8 9 3	53 15 3	5 2

SOUTH BRITISH CONFERENCE

English Division												
NORTHERN DISTRICT:												
Edmonton	24	30 2 2	1 5 1	3 17 1	1 4 6					11 5	5 13 0	4 9
Forest Gate	29	25 15 5	17 9	4 7 1	17 3				1 7 4		6 11 8	4 6
London North	177	221 10 0	1 5 0	29 19 11	15 8 0	6 0 2			15 3 5		66 11 6	7 1
Walthamstow	115	164 19 3	1 8 8	24 12 7	9 5 7	1 18 3			2 10 8		38 7 1	6 8
WESTERN DISTRICT:												
Kingston	5	5 0 0	1 0 0	17 4					7 6		1 4 10	5 0
London N.W.	40	34 14 11	17 4	7 5 9	3 5 6	10 2			4 5 9		15 7 2	7 8
London West	67	88 12 2	1 6 5	13 0 9	5 8 0	12 0			8 7 6		27 8 3	8 2
Wimbledon	195	229 11 7	1 3 7	22 9 11	7 15 11	11 2	10 0		21 3 1	9 6	52 19 7	5 5
Bournemouth	59	67 7 0	1 2 10	13 0 7	4 3 1	12 7			4 16 3	11 0	23 3 6	7 10
Portsmouth	55	121 11 7	2 4 3	11 14 8	5 9 4	1 0 0			5 10 0	5 0 0	28 14 0	10 5
Ropley	5	5 10 0	1 2 0									
Southampton	49	90 2 0	1 16 9	11 2 11	2 13 10	17 5			5 5 6	3 4 0	23 3 8	9 4
Isle of Wight	15	15 8 5	1 0 7	19 7							19 7	1 6

-Decrease.

work of God established in their midst. Many of our Sabbath-keepers can give but small amounts but they are taught faithfulness.

One of our native brethren who had a little grove of coco-nut trees had been brought to a knowledge of the message, and as he had read in the Bible that

every tenth sheep which "passed under the rod" was marked off as the Lord's tithe, so he thought he would mark off every tenth tree as the Lord's tree. This he did. But in making the count he found that one of the trees which was thus devoted to the Lord was a barren tree. It had never yielded any coco-

Conference for the Quarter ended June 30, 1925

NAME OF CHURCH OR COMP'Y	Mem bers	TITHE	Tithe per Capita	Sabbath- School Offering	13th Sabbath Offering	Young People's Offering	Week of Sacrifice	Harvest Ingathering	Big Week	Miscel- laneous Offering	TOTAL OFFERINGS	Offer- ings per Capita
English Division (Continued)												
Bath	42	59 13 3	1 8 2	8 19 4	18 14 7	1 13 6			5 10 9	1 19 0	36 17 2	17 7
Brighton	38	66 7 7	1 14 11	11 9 8	5 10 4				6 16 3		23 16 3	12 8
Bristol	91	86 2 1	18 11	16 13 7	5 6 8				8 6 11		30 7 2	6 8
Cambridge	51	53 6 11	1 0 11	5 13 4	2 3 0	10 0			3 16 0	13 10	12 16 2	5 0
Catford	21	33 1 7	1 11 6	6 13 10	1 11 6				3 10 0		11 15 4	11 2
Croscombe	21	34 7 1	1 12 9	5 7 8	1 10 3	10 0			2 8 3		9 16 2	9 4
Exeter	7	4 10 0	12 10	1 7 0	6 0				7 0		2 0 0	5 9
Forest Hill	24	72 14 7	3 0 7	8 6 11	2 4 0				3 13 1		14 4 0	11 10
Gillingham	11	15 17 0	1 8 10	5 3 6	1 12 0				1 17 0		8 12 6	15 8
Hastings	20	29 15 9	1 9 9	4 2 7	9 8				1 8 6		6 0 9	6 0
Luton	27	28 2 2	1 0 10	4 10 11	2 18 9				12 0		8 1 8	6 0
Plymouth	86	130 11 6	1 10 4	20 19 3	5 1 0	17 3			5 17 0	1 0	32 15 6	7 7
Reading	5	4 15 6	19 1	1 15 3	9 0				10 0		2 14 3	10 10
Southend	63	103 14 4	1 12 11	17 0 0	4 3 3	3 11 0	8 6		20 17 10	10 0	46 10 1	16 4
Stanboro' Park	247	584 4 8	2 7 4	84 7 3	25 9 5	6 6 9			36 1 8	3 0	152 8 1	12 6
Watford	115	225 0 11	1 10 5	37 15 1	17 0 8	1 10 6		7 5 0	30 15 4		94 6 7	16 5
Dorchester	7	16 5 3	2 6 6	2 7 6	18 10				11 3	7 6	4 5 1	12 2
Dereham E	11	7 15 0	14 1	1 2 0	12 0				16 6		2 10 6	4 7
Ely	5	7 6 7	1 9 4	1 18 0	4 0						2 2 0	8 5
Harrow	11	5 16 0	10 7	2 12 0	17 3				1 12 6		5 1 9	9 3
Hessensford	5	4 5 6	17 1	1 19 0	13 0						2 12 0	10 5
Romford	11	10 8 6	18 11	1 2 0	10 0				2 2 0		3 14 0	6 8
St. Mabyn	7	7 4 2	1 0 7	2 19 6	17 4				16 0		4 12 10	13 3
Sittingbourne	5	13 1 9	2 12 4	2 18 2	17 3	19 0			1 5 0		5 19 5	13 11
Torquay	4	10 1 0	2 10 3	1 5 7	10 0				17 6		2 13 1	13 3
Conference				39 18 5		8 6 3					48 4 8	
Isolated	147	236 0 1	1 12 2	24 0 11	5 11 9			1 0	24 6 2	4 3 3	57 8 1	8 9
Totals for 2nd Qtr. 1925	1917	2950 13 3	1 14 11	465 16 5	161 12 6	36 6 0	18 6	7 6 0	233 11 6	17 18 6	993 9 5	11 0
Totals for 2nd Qtr. 1924	1725	3085 14 4	2 0 2	403 17 11	138 3 7	18 18 11			210 6 9		781 5 5	10 2
Increase.	192	-135 1 1	-5 3	61 18 6	23 8 11	17 7 1	18 6	7 6 0	23 4 9	17 18 6	152 4 0	10
Welsh Division												
Blaenavon	6	5 15 4	19 2	19 7							19 7	3 3
Cardiff	72	93 4 8	1 5 9	20 17 1	8 14 2	3 3			6 14 6	18 5	37 7 5	10 4
Ebbw Vale	8	9 8 0	1 3 6	1 12 0	3 1				7 10		2 2 11	5 4
Mountain Ash	8	9 5 3	1 3 2	2 5 2	1 0 10				4 6		3 10 6	8 10
Newport	61	75 5 5	1 4 8	8 16 10	2 0 5	15 7			1 0 0		12 12 10	4 1
Pembroke Dock	14	21 13 9	1 10 11	9 15 0	10 0				10 0		10 15 0	15 4
Pontypridd	12	15 8 3	1 5 8	1 18 4					1 0 0		2 18 4	4 10
Porth	14	9 15 0	13 11	1 13 9	1 7 6				12 10		3 14 1	5 3
Swansea	48	40 19 6	17 1	8 4 5	3 9 7				2 10 10		14 4 10	5 11
Aberdare	13	20 6 3	1 11 3	15 8	12 10				1 7 2		2 15 8	4 3
Bargoed	19	9 4 6	9 9	2 8 5	8 0				4 3		3 0 8	3 2
Barry Dock	4											
Caerphilly	9	6 13 9	14 10	1 2 10							1 2 10	2 6
Dowlais	2	4 19 0	2 9 6	1 9 10	2 0						1 11 10	15 11
Hereford	13	10 19 8	16 11	2 0 1	15 11				2 6 0		5 2 0	7 10
Port Talbot	8	14 16 8	1 17 1	1 17 6	1 6 6				1 3 6	1 9	4 9 3	11 2
Rhos	10	8 4 8	16 5	5 4 4	1 0 2				1 2 6		7 7 0	14 8
Wattsville	7	9 10 2	1 7 2	2 15 10	16 2					19 6	4 11 6	13 1
Wellington, Shrews'y	9	2 3 0	4 9	1 2 7	2 0				7 6		1 12 1	3 7
Isolated	29	42 10 10	1 9 4	5 16 1	1 15 6		2 17 0		3 14 9		14 13 4	10 5
Totals for 2nd Qtr. 1925	366	410 3 8	1 2 11	80 15 4	24 4 8	18 10	2 17 0		23 6 2	1 19 8	134 1 8	7 6
Totals for 2nd Qtr. 1924	349	490 17 9	1 5 9	88 4 4	26 4 3	3 8 7			28 7 0		146 18 2	7 6
Increase.	17	-80 14 1	-2 10	-7 9 0	-1 19 7	-2 9 9			-5 0 10		-12 16 6	
Irish Division												
Belfast	65	70 9 9	1 1 8	19 18 8	6 13 6				10 9 8		37 1 10	11 5
Dublin	23	23 14 9	1 0 7	5 12 2	3 5 4		7 6		1 9 0		10 14 0	9 3
Banbridge	6			1 1 0							1 1 0	3 6
Magherafelt	7	6 19 3	19 11	2 9 0	1 13 0	16 9			1 15 0		6 13 9	19 1
Kilmoyle	9	7 19 6	17 9	1 16 10							1 16 10	4 1
Mission	46	61 6 2	1 6 8	9 16 6			10 0		4 19 9		15 6 3	6 8
Totals for 2nd Qtr. 1925	156	170 9 4	19 3	40 14 2	11 11 10	16 9	17 6		18 13 5		72 13 8	8 3
Totals for 2nd Qtr. 1924	178	129 10 11	14 7	36 7 0	8 3 9				11 17 0		56 7 9	6 3
Increase.	-22	40 18 5	4 8	4 7 2	3 8 1	16 9	17 6		6 16 5		16 5 11	2 0
Miscellaneous												
Grand Totals 2nd Qtr. 1925	4141	5706 14 4	6 10 6	935 12 10	300 11 5	57 7 1	23 4 0	10 8 0	477 8 3	19 18 2	1834 9 9	2 10 0
Grand Totals 2nd Qtr. 1924	3879	5966 16 4	1 10 9	893 7 9	274 10 1	43 5 3		7 1	425 2 2	52 6 5	1691 0 9	8 8
Increase.	262	-260 2 0	4 19 9	42 5 1	26 1 4	14 1 10	23 4 0	10 0 11	52 6 1	-32 8 3	143 9 0	2 1 4

nuts and so he felt it was not right to give this to the Lord. He sought to make some change in the count so that the Lord's tree would be a better one. But in doing this he saw that some other poor bearing trees seemed to come at the tenth count. He at last decided that as he had started honestly at the beginning he would go on through the grove, and whether good or bad leave every tenth tree for the Lord.

When the marking was finished he prayed to the Lord about this barren tree, asking that as he had done his best that now from henceforth this tree might bear fruit. And strange as it may seem, the next year this tree began to bear, and soon it was the

best bearing tree in all the grove of coco-nuts. Even some of the Hindus who learned of this marvelled and said that God must bless tithing.

Another brother would not touch his crop of rice until the portion which was to be given as tithe was sold and the money turned in. He felt that his own nine-tenths should not be used until the Lord had His portion. The man even bought some rice from the market while waiting for the tithe to be sold. Some of these Indian brethren take their tithe receipts, given them by the missionaries, and use them as bookmarks in their Bibles.

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A Great Opportunity

THERE is in the British Isles to-day a very large body of people who still believe in the inspiration of the Bible and full salvation through Jesus Christ. They belong to the evangelical party of the Church of England and the various Nonconformist bodies.

Once a year they meet at Keswick. This year 5,000 of them were there, and we met with them.

On subjects such as salvation by faith, creation and redemption, abstinence from alcohol and tobacco we are at one with them. We differ from them on the Sabbath question and the immortality of the soul.

At present they do not have much respect for Seventh-Day Adventists, largely because of the misrepresentations of our enemies.

We wish to make these honest and godly people better acquainted with our teaching and our work.

At Keswick we obtained a list giving the names of 200 ministers who were in attendance.

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A. S. M.

Working for Ministers

To make clear to all that the above-mentioned plan is in full harmony with the will of the Lord we quote the following from the "Testimonies":

"Let some of the workers attend religious gatherings in other churches, and, as there is opportunity,

take part in them."—*Testimonies*, Vol. 6, p. 75.

"We have a work to do for the ministers of other churches. God wants them to be saved. They, like ourselves, can have immortality only through faith and obedience. We must labour for them earnestly that they may obtain it. He wants them to be among the number who are giving to His household meat in due season. Why should they not be engaged in this work?"

"Our ministers should seek to come near to the ministers of other denominations. Pray for and with these men, for whom Christ is interceding. A solemn responsibility is theirs. As Christ's messengers, we should manifest a deep, earnest interest in these shepherds of the flock."—*Id.*, pp. 77, 78.

"The call to be given 'in the highways,' is to be proclaimed to all who have an active part in the world's work, to the teachers and leaders of the people."—*Id.*, p. 78.

MANY old College students will be pleased to know that Brother Henry Hyde, their one-time teacher, has gained his B.A. Hons. Lond. with first class honours in French. This coveted distinction was won this year by but nine out of 100 candidates! Our heartiest congratulations.

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August 14th	8.26	8.54	8.38	8.35