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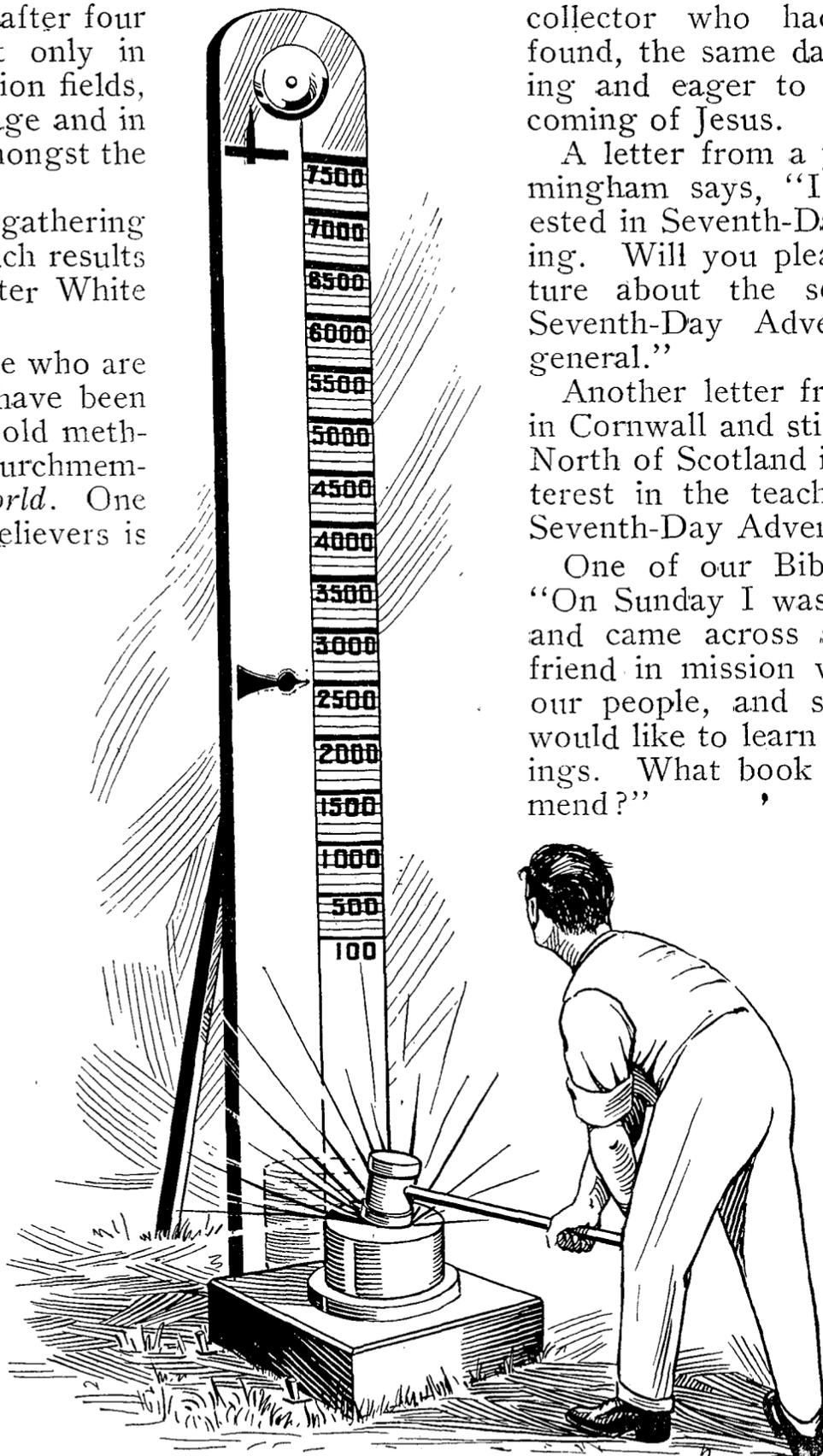
FRUIT is already being gathered after four weeks' Harvest Ingathering, not only in money raised for the work in mission fields, but in souls interested in the message and in an increased flow of spiritual life amongst the churchmembers.

This is as it should be. The Ingathering plan was put into operation that such results might accrue. In June, 1914, Sister White spoke of the plan as follows:

"In the providences of God, those who are bearing the burden of His work have been endeavouring to put new life into old methods of awakening the interest of churchmembers in united effort to *reach the world*. One of the new plans for reaching unbelievers is the Harvest Ingathering Campaign for missions. In many places during the last few years this has proved a success, bringing blessing to many, and increasing the flow of means into the missions treasury. As those not of our faith have been made acquainted with the progress of the third angel's message in heathen lands, their sympathies have been aroused and some have sought to learn more of the truth that has such power to transform hearts and lives. Men and women of all classes have been reached, and the name of God has been glorified."

Truly, the sympathies of many have been aroused. Some, too, "have sought to learn more of the truth that has such power to transform hearts and lives."

"Tell me more, tell me more," was the appeal of a lady who, for the first time, had come into contact with the living truths of the message through the call of one of our churchmembers. The same



The man with the missions mallet.

collector who had this experience found, the same day, two others willing and eager to learn more of the coming of Jesus.

A letter from a young lady in Birmingham says, "I am greatly interested in Seventh-Day Adventist teaching. Will you please send me literature about the second advent and Seventh-Day Adventist teaching in general."

Another letter from a small village in Cornwall and still another from the North of Scotland indicate genuine interest in the teachings and work of Seventh-Day Adventists.

One of our Bible workers states, "On Sunday I was collecting at — and came across a lady who has a friend in mission work who has met our people, and she and her friend would like to learn more of our teachings. What book would you recommend?"

From Norfolk comes this good word: "I have been reading one of your booklets on missionary work which was left by one of your collectors and I think it is a wonderful work which you are doing, enlightening poor, ignorant heathen and saving them from sin."

So we might multiply these

experiences. We are sending literature to all who write in, and feel hopeful of some definite results.

Regarding our position financially as shown by the indicator, we are one-third of the way towards our goal. £2,508 was the amount reported at the close of the third week. This period represents half the allotted time. Another week has passed. We suppose it has brought us at least £800. This leaves a balance of £4,200. There are three classes at least who will read these lines, first the enthusiasts, those who are faithfully working week by week, then those who have perhaps "done a little," and lastly those who have never accepted any burden or responsibility in the matter. We need not urge No. 1 class. They have tasted the joy of service and will work on. To the second group of readers we would say "launch out into the deep," enter whole-heartedly into the work. Great blessings will follow. To the last mentioned we would appeal strongly for support while the campaign is in progress. We realize, of course, that some through infirmity and other hindering circumstances, cannot go. But where it is possible to take part let us yield our hearts as the Lord impresses us, and work while the day lasts.

J. HARKER.



Harvest Ingathering in Our Missions

THERE was a time in the history of this movement when our own mission gifts met the needs of our work in the regions beyond. But as the work has grown and the vision of the world's need has loomed up before us we have been obliged to make our appeals, through the Ingathering Campaign, to our friends and neighbours, so that sufficient means may be available to meet the needs of our world-wide work. Really the work has grown beyond our capacity, as a people, to finance it and now every year thousands upon thousands of pounds roll into the treasury from those not of our faith to assist us in meeting our large mission obligations.

In Isaiah 60:5 the marginal rendering of the authorized version reads "The wealth of the Gentiles shall come unto thee." Here is a prophecy that is to be fulfilled in these last days. It does not necessarily mean that legacies will be bequeathed to us but it does mean earnest, untiring effort on the part of the children of God. The wealth of the Gentiles will come to the ranks of this people in much the same way as the little birds receive their food. God feeds the sparrows: He provides for their every need; but the psalmist tells us, "That Thou givest them they gather." Psa. 104:28. God provides all that is necessary but the birds go out and gather it. In a similar way will God give the wealth of the Gentiles to this people. It is all around us but it is left for us to go out and gather it.

Just before Israel left Egypt they were to solicit gifts from their friends. In fact, it was about the last thing they did before they marched out of the land of bondage. We are journeying to the heavenly Canaan. Soon earth's night of bondage and sin will be over and the children of God will welcome the glorious morning of deliverance when Jesus comes. Like Israel of old we are called to-day to solicit gifts from our friends and neighbours in

order that God's work may the more quickly be finished and the day of deliverance be hastened.

We are glad to note the success that is attending the efforts of our people in the homeland in this campaign, but we are also glad to see that the work is being carried forward in many of our mission fields. The mission fields of the European Division during the year 1922 reported about £332 collected in this campaign. In 1923 they reported over £506. This year the figure will be larger still. A good deal is being done on the west coast of Africa. Our brethren in Egypt are also doing excellent work and in the far-off island of Mauritius they are obtaining splendid success among the Indians, Chinese and European residents. In Iceland where our brethren thought "it couldn't be done" the first year they started, which was 1923, they gathered over 2,000 kroner with but very little effort. This year their goal is higher still and we feel confident they will reach it.

Even in the interior of Africa where there are very few Europeans, our missionaries are doing all they can. One sister in Mwanza has been calling on the Indian traders and has gathered quite a sum of money as a result. Our native teachers are also stirred up over this matter. Last year, in Tanganyika, four of them called on the natives and also some Indian traders and between them they collected the sum of £2. 10s. This may not seem very much to us, but when one considers that the natives earn but little money this amount was quite a sum.

It is encouraging to know that while we at home are shouldering the burden of financing our world-wide mission work, our missionaries and even our native teachers and believers in the mission fields themselves are doing everything they can and thus co-operating with us in this great responsibility. Let us pray that the people who make these gifts may be especially blessed of the Lord. Let us pray also that as they learn of the activities of the advent movement, of its triumphs and its wonderful message, they may be led to identify themselves with it and travel with God's people to His kingdom.

W. E. READ.



Sabbath-School Red Book

THE Sabbath-School Department has no manual. We are always hoping that the time will come when we shall have a book deserving of that title. In the meantime we are rejoicing that we have a series of Sabbath-school leaflets, Nos. 1-9, which cover almost every phase of Sabbath-school work. For the present these leaflets constitute our "manual." That we may have these in convenient form for keeping and for reference, the Review and Herald Publishing Association is binding a small edition of these leaflets in cloth, bearing the title, "Sabbath-School Red Book." This makes a neat little volume which can be easily carried, and will always be handy for reference.

Who should have a copy? First, the conference Sabbath-school secretary. Second, every superintendent. Third, every secretary. Fourth, every teacher. Fifth, everybody who wants one.

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The Ministry and the Message

Second address by Pastor L. H. Christian at the recent Workers' Institute

(Continued from previous issue)

WHAT are the gifts and qualifications which a person must have to enter and succeed in the ministry? These will be noticed as we study on, but we shall begin with that which is greatest, and first,

THE GODLY LIFE.

We must, first of all, give earnest attention to the personal life of the minister. In this respect the calling of a servant of God is different from any other vocation. A man may be a successful physician, barrister, business man or other public servant as the world goes, and yet not lead a blameless life. Worldly success does not in every way depend so much on spirituality or even on character; but with the minister everything depends on his own life. He is to be an example to the flock. In him, that is, in his own life, daily, is to be revealed the life of Christ. It has been the cause of great loss and keenest regret that some of our ministers or ministers' wives have not in their daily conversation shown forth the graces of the Lord. The home of a minister means much to our work. A preacher who does not live in his home what he preaches from the pulpit is a curse to God's cause. Our workers must take to heart the words of Paul in 2 Cor. 6:3. "Giving no offence in any thing, that the ministry be not blamed." We cannot emphasize too strongly the importance of a godly, consecrated, Spirit-filled life in the ministry. Our work is twofold: (1) We are to warn the whole world; (2) We are to revive and prepare our people for translation. This great task can only be done through the power of the Holy Ghost.

PERSONAL WORK.

Next to personal piety the greatest thing in the life of a preacher is his personal effort for souls. It is the heart-to-heart talk with sinners that leads most people to Christ. We see this exemplified in the life of the Master. Though weary at night He was eager to explain the mysteries of the Gospel to Nicodemus. Sitting at Jacob's well, worn from the journey as He was, He took time to explain in detail and quite at length to a poor wicked Samaritan woman the love and beauty of the words of life. It is this burning passion for souls which makes personal effort successful. No minister should be unwilling to circulate our literature and sell our books. Every minister should be diligent in visiting the sick and ministering to their needs. He should often be seen in the homes of the poor, who often prize above others the precious words of life.

PREACHING AND SERMONS.

While the personal work of a minister is of priceless importance, I also want to emphasize that preachers are called to preach. The preacher's throne is the pulpit. The preacher's great work is to preach the Word of God. It is God's means of salvation. Men may laugh to-day as in Paul's day about "the foolishness of preaching," but Paul, and Luther, and Knox and Wesley proved preaching to be the Word of God in the demonstration of His

Spirit. We need to exalt and to use the divine Word, giving it its true place. I have attended some Sabbath meetings where the church notices occupied thirty-five minutes, and left but twenty minutes for the sermon. We preachers need to emphasize in our own souls the sacred work of preaching as a call to efficient service. What is a sermon? Ruskin called it "half an hour to wake the dead." He was thinking of a certain kind of sermon. Somehow that has been ringing in my ears for some time. "Half an hour to wake the dead." We need to put that idea into our preaching.

As regards form, there are two different kinds of sermons, one is the text sermon, a message growing out of the text. The best preachers I have heard are those that use text sermons. But such sermons call for much study. It is always harder to preach well from one text than from ten. Another kind of sermon is the subject sermon. They are good and usually the best for us. Nearly all our lectures are subject sermons. We choose our subject and our subject decides our text. There are indeed other effusive speeches which are called sermons. Like wandering stars, we do not know whence they come and are glad when they are gone. As to contents there are, properly speaking, three kinds of good sermons, the doctrinal sermon, the practical sermon, and the revival sermon. Studying modern sermons one is tempted to say that there is an entirely different kind, which I think we should never preach, and that is the ethical sermon. It is the sermon that is so planned that it hurts no one, and gets nowhere. But we may in our ministry preach doctrinal sermons, practical sermons, and revival sermons. They are all good. I know at once what you will say, and I agree with you, that it is better to combine at least the first two. Yet I do not think we should belittle doctrinal sermons. I will tell you, my friends, it is the doctrines that have made this movement, and when people come to belittle the doctrines they come where they have the "wishy-washy" thing that brings no results. And as I study the Scriptures, the three model sermons of the New Testament, Peter's at Pentecost, Paul's at Antioch, and on Mars Hill, I find them largely doctrinal. They laid down premises and they drew conclusions, and they drew them with irresistible logic. But we are told in the "Testimonies," and truly so, that never must a sermon be preached without Christ. There can never be any true doctrine without Christ. Christ Himself is the doctrine. We are also instructed that never should a sermon be preached without an appeal to the lost. So while we speak of doctrinal sermons, and we speak of practical sermons, the more we can, in many ways, combine them, the better.

I will tell you what I am afraid of. I can see a good many signs of it. The evil one is preparing the way, or trying to, for an apostacy among this people, and many will fall because they are not established in the doctrines of this message. They do not know why they believe what they think they believe. They do not know the reason for the hope that is within

them. That is why I am emphasizing doctrinal sermons. I do not mean by that speculative sermons. I do not mean long-drawn-out dissertations on dogma and theory. I mean the great fundamental, living words of this message. A good sermon needs preparation. A good sermon grows. You cannot prepare it overnight. A good sermon comes out, not only of your head, and your mind, but out of your heart and life. A good sermon is really the spiritual and intellectual life of the preacher, translated or interpreted before the people.

THE OLD MESSAGE.

Christ's words to us are "hold that fast which thou hast." God has committed to us a sacred treasure in this message. We are to stand on the old platform from which the Lord has said that not a pin is to be removed. Do not misunderstand me, and think I believe that that means you must not study, or that research is not to be encouraged, or that intelligent, careful, logical thinking is not to be desired. The more we study the more we will believe the great fundamentals of this message. Some evangelists get people into this message, as they think of it, by giving new things but they fail without exception. The preachers who preach the old message, they have the power, and they have the success. If you wish to know what the great basic doctrines of this great message of which we speak so often are, you will find them plainly stated in our books, especially the older books. May I ask our younger workers, if you have not done it, to read the early books of this denomination. We have had a few men whose works stand out by themselves. J. N. Andrews, was, I think, the most logical writer we ever had. Uriah Smith and others are not far behind. All our books are good, yet in the early bringing out of the message there was a very simple presentation of the principles which are the basis of the advent faith. Get these old books, they are not difficult to find (many of them have been republished), and go through them. People go astray because they get wrong premises, and because they reason crookedly, or because they reason crookedly on right premises and do not follow the Scriptures. The nearer we get to the end the closer must we follow the old message. Our power is there. The Word of God is there, and success is there. The Lord has given us this message through the spirit of revelation. The pioneers of this movement were earnest Bible students. They knew how to study and often studied all night. When they could get no further, Sister White would have a vision and the Lord would reveal the truth to her in vision and then she would tell it to the brethren though she herself did not understand the scripture. This was the way the message came, by study and by the Spirit of prophecy, and that sacred treasure is to be guarded by God's people and workers.



The Real Thrill

EVER since the first twelve disciples were sent on their mission to a needy world, heralds of the cross have been compassing land and sea, and have set up the standard of Prince Emmanuel. Wherever the Gospel worker has gone, the same transformation of character has taken place in the lives of those who

have "let the Saviour in." We give here the following interesting story concerning the work of Brother and Sister Clarence Wheeler in connection with the Musofu Mission, Northern Rhodesia, South Africa. Mrs. Wheeler, in writing of their work, says:

"'Itinerating in the bush of Central Africa,' is a well-known expression to many readers. But actually to make from time to time a 250-mile trip by bicycle along these narrow, crooked footpaths, with only a few native carriers as companions, brings many an interesting experience to the missionary.

"It is not alone the footprints of the lion and the howl of other wild beasts; not the malaria mosquito nor the tsetse fly; not the jiggers, fleas and ticks, robbing the tired missionary of comfort by day and sleep by night; not the many different streams to be crossed; nor the heavy showers that drench the traveller—it is not alone these that lend to the trip an atmosphere of adventure. The real thrill, like that which comes from reaching the very summit of some lofty peak and looking over the valley below, is felt when one witnesses the complete victories Christianity wins in these heathen kraals.

"To see a native transformed, his once beclouded mind realizing clearly God's great love for him, a poor heathen; his heart, once fearful and tormented by spirit worship, now fearless and strong in the faith that God is good; his body, once under subjection to Kaffir beer drinking and other vile practices, now free and clean, ready to work for his fellow-beings—this brings a thrill of joy to the heart of a missionary that far outweighs the so-called sacrifices he has made and the privations he has endured.

"Such was our joy when twenty-five fine young people from one village came to join the baptismal class at the mission. They had forsaken their evil ways, and were now eager to learn more about the Christ Who had set them free. Other villages were hearing the call, and in a few months our roll call had increased remarkably.

"One day four young people came twenty miles to join the baptismal class. Their faithfulness in winning others is in itself a sure evidence of their complete conversion. To-day, from twenty-one villages, 140 persons have come into this class preparing for baptism. Where a few months ago they were still slaves to their heathen customs, they now rejoice in the truth of God, and walk ten, fifteen or even twenty miles every week to attend Sabbath services at the mission.

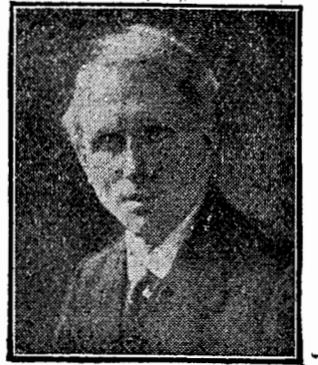
"And now they call for schools. We are unable to answer all these calls, but, like the importunate widow, they keep coming. At our recent camp-meeting the believers from the village which sent us the twenty-five candidates for baptism, came in a body, and through an able speaker presented their request for a teacher.

"When we see such hunger for the bread of life, and hear the petitioners promise to provide a home for the teacher, build a good schoolhouse, and walk many miles to gain permission from the government for the establishment of such a school, we cannot ask them to keep on waiting."—"*Missionary Adventures in Africa*," William Branson, pp. 81, 82.



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Notes from the President

ON Sabbath, September 19th, a baptismal service was conducted at West London, Pastor H. W. Armstrong officiating. Six persons, four sisters and two brethren, were baptized, and these, together with another sister, were received into church fellowship. We are sure that this experience has been a source of encouragement to Brother R. S. Joyce, who has been labouring in West London for the past few months, and to the members of the church generally.

SABBATH, September 26th, is the day set apart for the baptism at Brighton. This should prove a great blessing to the Brighton Church, and a cause for rejoicing on the part of Pastor G. Hyde and his associate workers.

JUST a word of encouragement to our colporteurs. During a series of visits this month in the eastern section of our field, we had the privilege of meeting people who have accepted the message, or are studying it, as a result of the work of our canvassers in the following places: Malden, Colchester, Clacton-on-Sea, and Halstead in Essex; Ipswich in Suffolk; and Yarmouth and Downham Market in Norfolk. Not only are our colporteurs able to place truth-laden books in the people's homes; they also are used of God to win precious souls.

It was a privilege to meet on this tour Sister Sully and Brethren Combridge and Hanscomb, all of whom are working faithfully with our literature. We should pray without ceasing for our book and paper workers.

At the moment of writing the Ingathering total for the South British Conference is just about one-third of the goal. Yet one-half of the six weeks' period has gone. While we are very pleased indeed at the splendid individual reports that have reached us, we wish the total was more. Can we not prevail on those members who have not yet helped in the work of collecting, to "join up" at once in the King's army of collectors for missions? Why should not every one experience the blessing that is to be obtained in this work? Shall we let unbelief, timidity, "reserve," or anything else, hinder us from helping to fight the battle of the Lord?

A LETTER has just reached us from Pastor W. A. Spicer, president of the General Conference. If anyone knows the world situation as far as our work is concerned, he does. Note what Elder Spicer says:

"It seemed to me sometimes as I heard Elder Branson and others preaching the message in the deepest depths of raw heathenism, that I could almost see the Holy Spirit's power visible. Brethren, God is at work. He is making bare His holy arm. . . . The mission fields are actually, literally dependent on

the special rally in the Harvest Ingathering and other offerings from now to the year end. The work is larger. The expansion in the mission fields was never more cheering. But to hold the lines requires more than last year."

Who will respond to this call from the General Conference, and through the General Conference, from the millions who are still in need?

HERE is a message from Pastor L. H. Christian, vice-president of the General Conference for Europe: "I want to thank you for the loyal support . . . you are giving to the Harvest Ingathering. We are greatly in need of funds. Calls are coming continually, and we want your help. . . . We are all taking hold of the Harvest Ingathering. I don't think there is one in the Division that is not doing his share."

These good words should surely encourage us all to do the very best we can.

A message to the workers. Pastor Christian writes further: "Be of good cheer, and tell your fellow-workers that we are watching their efforts and praying for their success."

F. A. SPEARING.

Baptism at Swansea

ON Monday evening, August 31st, at the Public Baths, we had the pleasure of seeing nine precious souls baptized.

Prior to the baptism a large number of the church-members and interested people listened intently to Pastor Meredith as he spoke on the new birth, and briefly reviewed the fundamentals of the Gospel. At the conclusion of his address, Pastor Meredith examined the candidates, and we were glad to note the earnest responses that were given.

Brother Tonks baptized these new converts, three of whom were men.

The WORKER family will be interested to know that as a result of the effort conducted by Pastor Tonks and his associate workers, twenty-five new members have been added to the Swansea Church. We give God all the glory for that which He has helped us to accomplish, and believe that the day is not far distant when many more will go forward in baptism. The Swansea members greatly rejoice to be able to welcome these new believers into their midst.

R. A. FREETH.

Farewell!

A LARGE congregation, consisting of church-members and interested friends, assembled on Sunday evening, August 30th, at the Shaftesbury Minor Hall to hear Pastor Tonks preach his farewell address. It was a very impressive service.

A short meeting was held at the conclusion of

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the public service, when all took the opportunity of bidding Pastor Tonks and his wife God-speed as they were leaving for new work in Belfast. Their presence will be greatly missed in the Swansea Church, for they have become greatly endeared to all.

After the baptismal service held on August 31st, the elder presented to Pastor Tonks, on behalf of the members, a beautiful clock, suitably engraved with the following inscription:

“Presented to Pastor and Mrs. Tonks as a token of high appreciation and esteem for their faithful labours, from the members of the Swansea Church.”

The work in Swansea has not been easy. Pastor Tonks and his fellow-workers have had to face many strange obstacles, but we are glad to see the work of God going forward in this part of the vineyard.

We pray that the success which has rewarded his labours in this difficult town may follow his work in Belfast.

D. J. S. FRANCIS.

R. A. FREETH.



Two More London Baptisms!

ON Sabbath, September 12th, another baptism was held in the Wimbledon Church, when thirteen souls were admitted as members, eleven by immersion and two by vote. Pastor H. W. Armstrong addressed the meeting, pointing out in very appropriate language the sacred significance of this service. The writer conducted the baptism. At the close of the service a resolution was passed unanimously by the church assembled to admit these persons into church fellowship. They were accordingly received by the presiding pastors.

On the following Sabbath, September 19th, another baptism was held in our West London Church. On that occasion seven souls united with the church—six by immersion and one by vote. Pastor F. A. Spearing addressed the candidates and Pastor H. W. Armstrong conducted the baptism.

The task of leading these souls to accept the faith has been under the direction of Brother R. S. Joyce, who since our last London effort has been fostering the interests of the West London Church.

During the year 1925 we have held four baptisms in the Western District and the total number of souls added to the cause is forty-three. There is still a goodly number preparing for our year-end baptisms; and we trust that under the guidance of the Spirit of God they will be led to follow our Lord in this service.

We cannot close this brief account without expressing our gratitude to all who have helped to bring about this splendid spiritual harvest. All the associate workers have been most loyal and competent. The church officers and members, by their fine spirit of harmony, have assisted greatly. We thank God, above all, for His blessing on our work.

W. MAUDSLEY.



Wedding Bells

At Ebbw Vale on Tuesday, August 4th, Sister Phyllis Williams was united in marriage to Brother R. Flude of Llwynypia, Rhondda Valley. We are sure that all the WORKER family will join with us in offering our heartiest congratulations and good wishes.

J. H. DOBBS.

BROTHER DUNN of Southampton sold “Bedtime Stories” to a man who when called upon later thanked him for the book. Tears rolled down his cheeks as he told our brother of the blessing “Bedtime Stories” had brought to him. Brother Dunn and he conversed and finally a Bible study was arranged. Brother Jackson conducted this and further studies are to follow. The man has now become a regular reader of “Present Truth” and is wanting to know more of our message.

THERE was once a monk named Mendel who lived in Austria. He took a great interest in cross-breeding peas—tall peas and dwarfs, yellow peas and green peas. Twenty years ago scientists declared that the results of his experiments proved the truth of the theory of Evolution. His experiments have been continued in almost every conceivable way but the results are disappointing to the Evolutionists. Professor Price tells you why in two chapters of “Predicament of Evolution.” Send for your copy of this brightly illustrated little book. 2/- post free.

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BROTHER DEAN of Portslade-by-Sea was stopped in the street the other day by a lady. She wished to thank him for the book he had sold her a short time before. It was “Christ’s Glorious Return.” She was delighted with the book and had passed it on to a friend.

“STEPS TO CHRIST” is again in print, and orders can be filled at once. 173,000 copies of this 1/- book have now been sold.

APPARENTLY those who buy our small books often recommend them to neighbours, and these, being unable to find the colporteur, order through their newsagent. Orders for single copies come in quite frequently, and a few days ago we received from a North England bookseller an order for twenty-four copies of “Bedtime Stories.”

FROM the College comes the report that in London on Sunday last, Brother G. Bell sold 220 papers, Brother F. Edwards accounted for 213, while an eighteen-year-old lady student sold 150. Very well done!

“BEDTIME STORIES” is being called for by other lands. The Review and Herald Publishing Association has already taken five thousand. “The book is meeting a hearty reception,” says the manager. This week we have received from the Pacific Press an order for 1,000 copies, in addition to a previous order for 100.

HERE is an encouraging piece of news for “Present Truth” workers. Speaking of the paper and his

talks with the colporteur a correspondent says, "It was the means whereby five of our family came into the truth, and also one other just lately."

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God's Hand in Mexico

BROTHER Juan Jimenez was the first man to accept the message in the Tehuantepec peninsula. One day while walking in a small town on the peninsula, he was attracted to a small piece of paper in the street. He picked it up and found on it the words of Matt. 24:27, where the Saviour tells His disciples that "as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be." He had never heard anything like this before and for some reason he wanted to know more about it. He showed the piece of paper to his friends; and they, too, became interested; but none of them knew any more of the subject than he did.

So they waited and kept the piece of paper, hoping that sometime they might learn more about the Master's coming. About a year after they found the text, the wife of Brother Jimenez became ill and he sent to Mexico City for medicine. When the bottle arrived, they found, to their surprise, that it was wrapped in paper just like the one from which their treasured piece had been torn.

The paper was a copy of "El Mensajero de la Verdad" published in Mexico City. Soon these eager seekers for truth were in communication with our office there; and in due time, after reading and studying with the living preacher, a church was raised up, and the corner-stone of our work was laid on the isthmus of Tehuantepec.

F. M. OWEN.

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THE end of the third week of the Ingathering Campaign finds us one-third of the way towards our goal. But if we are to complete the task in six weeks, it is evident that some very strenuous work will have to be done.

SOME of our people have been working most faithfully and at no little personal sacrifice. This morning we received a letter from a sister who, though in very poor health, has reached her goal of £2. 2s. 0d. She writes:

"I was tucked away in hospital last year for six months, so was unable to do any Ingathering, so I want to hold on a bit longer to get another 30/- to make up for last year. I am not strong enough to go out long at a time, I generally go on Sunday mornings, and the public-houses for a short time on Saturday nights. I hate going into these horrible places, but I know the devil has some of the 'Lord's money,' so I want to get some of it from him for the Lord's work. I get so exhausted sometimes that I can hardly speak, but I always pray before going in the houses, so if I cannot talk much the Lord gives me grace and strength to smile. Two or three times when men have said, 'No, not to-night,' they have turned round to me and said, 'Well, you have got a lovely smile, I'll give you a copper.' That has set the ball rolling; others follow the lead, so I go on smiling. You may tell others who need a little stimulating to do more Ingathering, to smile—they will get the pennies rolling in the little red tin if they smile, smile, smile!"

A MEMBER of our staff on reading this letter suggested a new Ingathering refrain—set to a popular tune—for use in public houses! :

"Then drop all your pennies in the little red box,
And smile, smile, smile!"

OUR Free Literature Fund for ministers received a most interesting gift this week. It was a £1 note from Pastor Greaves, now labouring in Salonika. Strange, wasn't it, to get assistance for such a fund from the church at Thessalonica!

WELL over one hundred ministers are now receiving the "Present Truth" regularly from this office. We would be glad if we could greatly increase this number. Remember that 5/- means "Present Truth" to one minister for a year.

THIS week we have received an inquiry from a minister in Eastbourne concerning the cost of printing 10,000 copies of the cover of a recent number of "Present Truth." He wishes to distribute them during the coming Church Congress in that town.

SEVERAL have asked us why we have omitted the chapter on the Papacy from the new edition of "Looking Beyond." It is not because we have made friends with the pope. There were two reasons for the deletion. First, because in order that the book might be sold for 1/- it was necessary to

reduce the number of pages from 128 to 96, and secondly, because a new shilling book is in preparation dealing particularly with the growth of Catholicism.

PLEASE don't write in about the new book yet. The MS. is going the rounds of the Book Committee, and a full announcement will be made in due course. It will not be out until the Spring.

As you will see by the advertisement in this issue, the new "Bedtime Stories" is ready for dispatch. So attractive is the cover that we are laying plans at the Press to deal with an unusual demand.

As to the contents, all we wish to say is that we have endeavoured to bring in various phases of present truth in the language of children intermingled with much of general interest. Colporteurs can therefore feel, when they are selling "Bedtime Stories," that they are "spreading the message" as much as when distributing other kinds of literature.

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By the way, you will find a strong selling point in the preface. Read it. It was put there for you.

WE understand that quite a number of efforts are commencing on October 4th in the North British Conference. Brother Ward has sent us a copy of his announcement for the first meeting. He is speaking on "The World in Perplexity," in the Super Cinema, Burslem. Let us pray for the success of this and every other effort about to begin.

IN this issue will be found a report of further baptisms in the South-West London District. It is gratifying to watch the regularity and frequency of the baptisms in this section of the field.

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