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A Trip to the Villages of Northwest Azerbaijan, Persia

By H. C. HARGREAVES

TRAVELLING by motorcycle and sidecar, Pastor F. F. Oster and the writer set out from Tabriz one midsummer day for a visit to our brethren and sisters in the towns and villages to the north and west of Lake Urumiah. The conveyance was more or less an experiment. I had purchased it a short time before, and we were eager to see if it would not be an improvement on the usual horse and wagon which makes its way so very slowly over the country. Its chief drawback, however, is the limited amount of luggage that can be carried. My bedding consisted of one blanket, a cushion, and the kitbag in which my things were packed, which, when filled with dry grass, formed a fairly comfortable mattress. Unfortunately, at the dirty caravansary where we passed the night a flock of sheep in the yard took a fancy to my bed, and I had to drive them off at midnight to prevent their devouring my mattress.

At midday on the second day we skirted the shores of the lake. I did not have such leisure to enjoy the scenery, as my time was fully occupied in steering our machine over the rough road and in dodging the rocks and holes which are scattered liberally over its surface: but from passing glimpses it seemed to me to be a very fair and pleasant land, the red cliffs on the one hand reminding me of my Devonshire home and school-days, and the green hills on the other of the fells of the English lakeland.

We were glad to reach Urumiah just about sunset

that Friday evening, and to meet with our faithful people on the next day. These brethren and sisters are Syrians, and have had much trouble and suffering during the last decade. Urumiah is in ruins. Successive wars have passed over the town, and now it is hard to find a piece of timber remaining in a Christian home. That Sabbath afternoon Pastor Oster baptized three young men in the river which flows at some distance from the town: and we thanked God that in all earth's troubles His truth still triumphs in men's hearts.

On Sunday we started for the villages. The motorcycle went very well until the road changed to a track, and then we found that pushing it through mud holes and rivers was much too exhausting, so we left it at the first village we came to and afterwards pursued our way on foot.

At this village we were entertained to dinner by a family of Syrians, and as we were starting to eat, the head man of the village came to call on us. He is a Moslem, a dervish or holy man, and owns many villages. He was well dressed, and carried a modern repeating rifle and a belt full of cartridges.

He sat and ate with us, dipping in the same dish with me, and keeping up a rapid fire of questions on all manner of subjects. He is eager that we should open a school for the children of his villages, and would be perfectly willing for us to teach anything we wished, including the Gospel. After dinner I took



Group of believers outside our new church building in Persia.

him for a ride in the sidecar. He was rather scared at the pace, but held tight, and afterward inquired if I could get one for him.

Then came the sick people, and as long as I could stay they surrounded me on all sides. Diseases of the eye are very common here, all the way from a purulent conjunctive to a fully developed trachoma. Flies abound. While you are

cleaning the pus from one eye, the flies are removing it from the other. Afterward they may alight on someone else's eye, on yours, or more likely on your dinner. There are no doctors here, no nurses, no hospitals, no fine sanitariums. Everywhere I went the people begged me to come back and stay with them. The people in these villages suffer from all kinds of fevers, especially malaria and typhoid, also from stomach troubles, ulcers simple and specific, but most of all from ignorance and dirt.

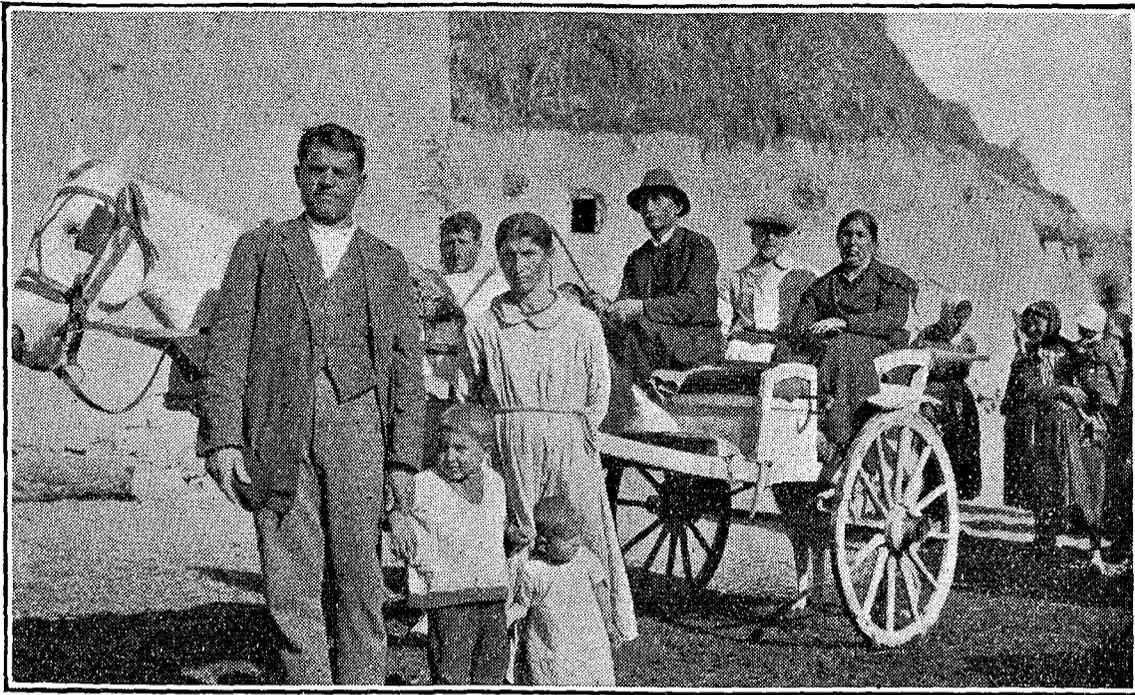
To pay a brief visit is most unsatisfactory from the medical point of view. A place to keep the serious cases is necessary, at least a room with a few beds and some netting on the windows to keep the flies out. But money is needed for even the simplest and plainest institution.

That night we spent in the next village, where we have a worker. We slept on the roof, where the wind drives away the mosquitoes, and enjoyed the hospitality of our brethren at breakfast next morning. I also enjoyed a swim in the river. Although there is abundance of good clean water, the people never make use of it. Their buffaloes, however, know better, and wallow for hours in the cool stream.

That day we visited our church in the next village, and enjoyed a programme which the boys and girls of our village school had prepared. This place is the centre, and we ought to have a strong school and church here. What has been done is well done, but much more is needed. Our one school-teacher has struggled faithfully, but why should it be necessary to struggle alone?

That evening ten young men and women were baptized in the river, and afterward I was again occupied with a crowd of sick people, both men and women, Christian and Moslem. Contrary to my expectations, Moslem women freely unveil before the doctor, and are eager to seek advice and treatment.

On the following Wednesday we left Urumiah for the Salmas district. Here the people are far worse off. They are Armenians, and are sadly in need of relief. They are slowly building up their houses, but seed is needed, oxen are needed, and most of all they need to be taught—taught how to live, taught the truth. We have some brethren and sisters here, and we wish that a part of the money



Pastor W. E. Read visiting the native village of Urumiah, Persia. In the cart are also our native minister and his wife, and by the horse the local church elder and wife.

given in America to the Near East Relief could be available to help these poor people, for they need help very much.

There is no doctor in these villages. The nearest hospital is more than fifty miles away over the mountains. The medical work is the "entering wedge," the "right arm" we are told: but if the wedge is blunt, if the arm is paralysed, how can

it do its work? We have a worker here, but he finds it hard to preach to these discouraged, war-pillaged people. They need a practical as well as a theoretical Christianity.

Brethren and sisters, if the needs of this work could be realized, the money and the men would be available. When I left the medical school over in London University, one student told me that to work for the cause of foreign missions was a sign of softening of the brain: in other words, I must be mad.

The colleagues of General Wolfe, of Quebec fame, told his commander-in-chief that Wolfe must be mad. Then said the commander, "I wish he would bite the rest of my generals." So I wish some one who has been infected with this missionary madness would bite you all, and then by God's help the work would soon be finished.

We were glad to get back to Tabriz the following Friday in time for Sabbath, glad to have seen our brethren in the villages, but sad to know that our budget and our little force of workers do not permit a wider and fuller work in place of the meagre facilities now in use. Pray for the work in Persia.

◆ ◆ ◆ The College Mission Band

On the evening of March 19th, members of the "Southern" section of the Mission Band gave a meeting in the College Chapel. By means of incidents taken from real life on the Polynesian group, the great need for medical and evangelical work in the South Sea Islands was presented with arresting interest. The native dress worn by students taking part made the scene most vivid.

Though much of the glamour that commonly surrounds foreign mission work was dispelled by the manifold difficulties which were shown to attach to missionary activity, onlookers could not but be stirred to a more eager hope for the time when they themselves would be actively engaged in meeting the great problems of the work.

"Realism" would make an appropriate key-word for the whole presentation, and it was evident that much valuable time and painstaking effort had been spent in its preparation. Especially was this true of the musical side of the programme. An orchestra in miniature was formed by no fewer than eight violins,

and a male voice choir of seventeen voices gave a most effective item. The successful evening reflected a great deal of credit on the leaders of the band, Mr. Thompson of Belfast, and Miss Clarke from Stoke-on-Trent.

It may be stated that this year the College Mission Band has been divided into two groups in order that each may obtain a deeper knowledge of a particular part of the world field, rather than some scattered notions concerning mission work in general. This plan has worked very well, and at the large general meetings all obtain the benefit of their study.

We are confident that the Mission Band, and the preparation on the part of the students for these public meetings, exercise no small influence in the College in the development of the missionary idea, and we are glad for the interest which is manifested. The importance of this interest is demonstrated by the fact that many in active service to-day agree that their ambition for the work had its origin in the Mission Band.

General Mission Band Leaders, G. LEWIS, J. SHAW.



The Stanboroughs

THE good patronage at The Stanboroughs continues. Those who come are anxious to learn, not only how to get well but also how to keep well, and this is the objective of the institution.

While providing for instructional medical lectures and practical demonstrations, the important question of what material to use to keep the body in good repair is not forgotten. Such a lecture was recently given by the Matron, and was much appreciated by the forty or more patients who were able to attend. A daintily arranged table, set with a well-balanced meal, was put before the audience. The

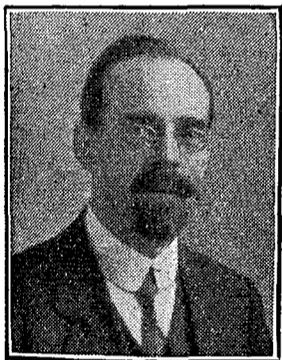
speaker explained that from the three classes of foods, namely carbonaceous, nitrogenous and mineral, the body is supplied with that which it needs for the purposes of growth, force, heat, waste and repair. In grains, vegetables, and some fruits, we find starch which is heat producing. Sugar, the force producing element of food, is found in various kinds as cane sugar from the sugar cane, grape sugar from fruits and honey, milk sugar from milk and glucose, and an artificial sugar made from corn and potatoes. Attention was drawn to the fats, animal and vegetable, the latter being more easily digested and found in abundance in nuts and olives. These also produce heat, and are tissue builders.

The nitrogenous elements such as albumen or protein and fibrin found in eggs, grains, lean meat and some vegetables, serve as brain and muscle builders, while the third class, minerals, including phosphates, potash, lime salts and soda go to the formation of bones, teeth and nails, at the same time feeding the nervous system.

The question of calories claims quite a good deal of attention to-day, so the Matron had calculated how many one would receive from the specimen meal demonstrated. According to the kind of work done a man needs from 2,500 to almost double that quantity according to whether his work be sedentary or heavy manual labour. From the meal shown on the table one would derive about 1,000 calories. God has made wonderful provision for man's needs from the ground. It is interesting to note that the elements of which the body is composed are practically the same as those in the soil that produces the vegetables.

At the close of the lecture recipes of the various dishes demonstrated were handed around.

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Notes from the President

WE invite all our members to keep in mind Sabbath, April 9th, when the Endowed Bed fund offering is to be taken up. We know that this fund has the support of our people throughout the field. There is, unfortunately, much sickness in our ranks, and, therefore, many claims on the endowed bed. We wish the offering could be double or treble the amount obtained last year, so that all who desire to take advantage of the plan could do so, and be able to stay at the Sanitarium as long as necessary.

It is, of course, understood that the endowed bed arrangement applies only to churchmembers.

The amount received by the Sanitarium from the patient and from the Fund together, does not meet the entire expense. The Sanitarium helps considerably in this matter. It is important, therefore, that care be taken by those of our people who enjoy endowed bed privileges, or who enter the Sanitarium at special Adventist rates, that they do not discuss terms with one another or with other patients. The question of what one pays should not be discussed at all. A little thought will reveal the necessity for reticence on this point.

As previously announced the Welsh meeting is to be held in the Whitehall Rooms (back of Park Hotel), Park Lane, Cardiff, over the Easter week-

end. The first meeting is planned for Thursday, April 14th, and the final meeting for Monday, April 18th. Will all who plan to attend please note that the opening service will be at 7.30 p.m., and not 7 p.m. as stated. Pastors L. R. Conradi, W. H. Meredith, and others, hope to attend. We trust our Welsh brethren and sisters will come out in large numbers to these meetings. Those desiring apartments should write without delay to Brother L. A. Watson, 12 Regina Terrace, Canton, Cardiff, stating full particulars as to requirements.

OUR people in Wales and Ireland, as well as in South England, will be interested to learn that the hall has been booked for our annual conference session. We are to meet this year in the Highbury Athenæum, North London, not far from the headquarters of the South British Conference. This session will cover the August Bank Holiday period. Full particulars will be sent out later, but plan *now* to attend when the time comes.

SHALL we not all pray earnestly for the success of the students' colporteur institute, to be held at Stanborough Park from Friday, April 8th, to Thursday, the 14th. We hope to be able to welcome Brother Weeks of the European Division at this gathering. We trust that the students will get a vision of the great things that are possible, and the inspiration to carry out the suggestions that will be made, so that all will be truly successful.

WE have been glad to visit Bristol for the dedication of the new church building, and also Plymouth for a church officers' convention. The Lord was with us on both occasions, and His power was manifest. On Sabbath, March 25th and 26th, we met with the Swansea Church. We were especially glad to make this visit; it is so long since we last visited the members here.

WE are still open to receive gifts for the South British Conference church building at North London. Donations should be sent to Brother J. H. Parkin, treasurer, or to the president at the conference office. Gifts, large or small, for this property, will be gratefully received. F. A. SPEARING.



Great Rally of Young People

ON the occasion of Pastor Steen Rasmussen's recent visit, the young people from the various societies in the London area met together in a united Missionary Volunteer rally.

On Friday evening, March 4th, some 200 young people and others met at the Wimbledon church to welcome Brother Rasmussen. It was an inspiration to see so many Missionary Volunteers together and to notice in response to the roll call, representatives from all parts of London. Pastor H. W. Armstrong, who is himself interested in work among the youth, welcomed the young people to Wimbledon on this the first united rally of Missionary Volunteers. Brother Harker, our Union Missionary Volunteer Secretary, in welcoming Brother Rasmussen, stated that there were approximately 1,500 young people and children in the British field, and of that number some 250 were to be found in the London area.

Pastor Steen Rasmussen expressed his joy at being present and seeing so many young people. His

appeal to the youth to stand firm for principle under all circumstances was deeply impressed upon our hearts by means of illustrations from the lives of youthful missionaries of both Old and New Testament times. He also mentioned some of the pioneers of the advent message, who, early in life, bore a faithful witness for God. He urged all to take a firm stand for truth and be willing to make sacrifices for Christ.

On Sunday evening a lantern lecture was given by Brother Rasmussen on Missionary Volunteer work throughout the European Division. During the course of the lecture we were taken on a journey of some 20,000 miles. Beginning at Trafalgar Square, London, we took our trip to our headquarters in Switzerland, through France, Germany and other countries right down to the little island of Mauritius, where we have a flourishing Missionary Volunteer Society. Then across to Poland and Russia, Scandinavia and Norway, to the most northerly town in the world, and finally to Iceland, where such splendid work is being done by the youth. The view of three young ladies, who had travelled many miles in the Harvest Ingathering work, distributing 2,158 papers and gathering in quite a good amount for missions, gave us some idea of the faithfulness on the part of Missionary Volunteers away up in Iceland. These young workers had worn out their shoes through having to walk long distances. Such experiences thrill our hearts for they give us some idea of the ardent devotion and wholehearted endeavours of our young people everywhere.

The time passed all too quickly, and we felt that our brief introduction to Missionary Volunteer work in other lands had forged new links between ourselves and the other sections of the great world field.

These meetings were a great inspiration to all our young people, and, as expressed by many, "we hope it will not be long before we have another Missionary Volunteer rally in London."

Yours for the building up of the Missionary Volunteer work in our conference. F. W. GOODALL.



Missionary Volunteers—Attention

THE annual conference session will be held in London, Friday, July 29th, to Tuesday, August 2nd. The hall has been booked! Get ready now for a great united rally of all our young people. We are desirous that every society be well represented. Begin to save at once so that you will be able to attend.

F. W. G.



Prospects at Plymouth

THE prospects at Plymouth look very promising. At the fifth meeting of our series of Sunday night services, we presented the Sabbath question. The theatre was packed, and many failed to gain an entrance. And while the Sabbath usually frightens some people away, we were again pleased to find on the following Sunday about 1,000 people present to hear the subject "Do the Dead Come Back? If Not—What?" This title was remarked upon in "The Talk of the Town" and a correspondent of "The Western Evening Herald" stated:

"Another placard which took my eye one day this week suggested to me that its ambiguity might be carried a little farther:

“DO THE DEAD COME BACK? IF NOT, WHAT?”

“Thought I, why not whither, whence, who, where, which, and what-not? If not what-not, when?”

It will encourage the readers of the WORKER to hear that our meetings and subjects are becoming the talk of the town and we do hope and pray that God will bring the truth to many hearts in Plymouth.

PERCIVAL PRESCOTT.

Portsmouth

THE following interesting announcement appeared in the columns of the Portsmouth “Evening News” on March 25th:

“SUNDAY POPULAR LECTURES.

“The Sunday popular lectures at the Scala Kinema, Elm Grove, Southsea, increase in interest and popularity. The selection of subjects by Pastor Joyce is not only original, but evidently deals with

religious questions that are uppermost in the thoughts of Portsmouth people. Last Sunday evening a packed house listened intently to a Biblical and scientific discourse on the great question of the origin of mankind. Each Sunday many have been unable to find a seat, and have gone away disappointed. The requests for reserved seats are numerous, and letters and messages of appreciation are constantly being sent to the Pastor. On Sunday next the lecture is advertised under the title of ‘£200 reward for a missing Bible text in connexion with a crime against high Heaven.’ Written questions are invited, and are answered from the stage by Pastor Joyce. Well-known vocal soloists contribute each Sunday to make an interesting evening.”

We are certainly glad to know that so much interest is attending Pastor Joyce’s effort. In consideration of his very limited assistance the success reflects all the more creditably upon the clarity and tactful way in which the message is being given.

M. J. S.



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Tyneside News

SINCE our last report in the MISSIONARY WORKER, four Sunday evening lectures have been given by Pastor Bailey in the Coatsworth Cinema, Gateshead. The average attendance at these four meetings has been 800.

The lectures are being followed with a serial-like interest, the audience that gathers week by week being composed almost entirely of those who attended on the first night of the effort. We have now 900 names on our list of interested persons.

The notes of appreciation that are handed in after every lecture are an indication of the power which has accompanied the presentation of the message. The following is an example of many received:

“Thank you, Pastor Bailey, for your message to-night. It is just what we have been longing for for years. May God bless your preaching.

“An Appreciative Listener.”

Meetings are being held in a smaller hall every Tuesday and Thursday evening. This hall has seating accommodation for just over a hundred, and has been packed on each of the five nights these extra meetings have been conducted.

It has been noticeable that, although the rain has poured down almost incessantly all day, it has ceased each night some time before the commencement of the meeting, so that the attendance has not been unfavourably affected by the weather.

We are pleased to give a hearty welcome to Sister M. Basher, who has now joined the corps of workers in this effort.

J. SIMMS.

Brother Murdoch in Scarborough

THE following interesting announcement appeared recently in the daily and weekly Scarborough papers:

“SUNDAY EVENINGS’ BIBLICAL LECTURES.

“The first of a series of Bible lectures was delivered on Sunday evening in the large hall of the Liberal Club, which has been engaged by Pastor Lamont Murdoch, the resident minister of the Seventh-Day Adventist Church. The hall was completely filled. The soloist was Mr. A. Benn, of Leeds, who sang two of Jude’s compositions, ‘Just the Same,’ and the consecration solo, ‘Take My Life,’ with delightful expression, the large audience heartily singing the refrain to the first selection. Mr. Throup (of the Leeds Adventist Church) acted as chairman.

“Pastor Lamont, in welcoming the congregation, explained that they would warmly greet any members of the sister churches after their ordinary services were terminated, as well as those who attended no place of worship, as they would not commence until 8 o’clock. He was a preacher of the old-fashioned Gospel, an out and out optimist, and said the only cure to all the social, industrial, and religious unrest was to be found in the personality of the Lord Jesus Christ, based on the fundamental principles of the Bible—the Book of all books, the inspired Word of God. He then very forcibly and with apt illustrations delivered his first lecture, ‘The World’s Mad Gallop: Does God Hold the Reins? What does all this unrest mean?’ ”

Needless to say, Brother Murdoch was afraid that the mention of Seventh-Day Adventists in such a

small town would be a great hindrance to him, but he found, instead, that his hall was even more crowded. "It seems as though the time will come," he writes, "when we shall be able to advertize on our bills that we are Seventh-Day Adventists, and this be a means of drawing the crowds."

Sister A. Dobson is assisting Brother Murdoch as Bible-worker and is rendering very valuable service.

M. J. S.

Baptism at West Hartlepool

It is with deep gratitude and praise to God that we pass on to the WORKER family some word concerning the progress of the message in West Hartlepool.

An interest was first awakened as the seeds of truth were sown by faithful colporteurs, and two members were gathered in two years ago. Home missionary endeavours followed, and a further interest was created as Brother A. Cheesbrough, a member of the Stockton company, came to West Hartlepool from Stockton each week to conduct Sunday evening meetings, ably presenting the various phases of the message; such expenses as were incurred being borne locally. The blessing of the Lord attended the presentation of the truth and hearts were opened to attend unto the things of His Word.

The writer was called to West Hartlepool in Sept. 1926 to follow up with Bible work, and eventually we were able to call for Pastor Bacon to come to baptize the new believers.

Various difficulties arose in connexion with the service, but we rejoiced to experience the Lord's over-ruling hand, so that every hindrance was cleared away.

We welcomed the visit of Pastor Bacon on Thursday, March 24th. After addressing the candidates, when eight precious souls signified their acceptance of present truth, we proceeded to the Hartlepool Baptist Church, kindly loaned to us for the occasion. Six of the candidates were buried in the waters of baptism.

Returning to our meeting place, the celebration of the ordinances of the Lord's house was conducted, with members from Stockton and Middlesbrough present. There were marked evidences of the presence of the Spirit of God, making the service a very profitable and inspiring one. At the commencement of this service, Pastor Bacon welcomed into churchmembership the eight new members, six sisters and two brethren, two being accepted by vote. The total membership was then organized into a company, and necessary officers appointed.

There are others who are keeping the Sabbath, whom we trust will unite with us before long.

We know there are those who have been praying for the work in this place, and we would thank all for their remembrance of us before the throne of grace. We desire your continued prayerful interest, that this company may go on from strength to strength, and at last enter into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord. To Him be all the praise and glory.

E. DONALDSON.



THE MINISTRY OF THE LITERATURE

By Ancient Nineveh

BROTHER ANDREW BARR has secured a number of twelve-month subscribers for "Good Health" in the city of Mosul, just over the river from old Nineveh. One of the gentlemen who is taking the magazine is a doctor in the Government hospital in Zakko, just seventy-five miles from the Turkish frontier. He was visiting Mosul when Brother Barr met him. He expressed his delight for the paper and subscribed at once. Just afterwards he made up a prescription from one of the articles in the February number on catarrh.

Our Workers in China

WE have three institutions in Shanghai at the present time; the publishing house in the Ning-puo Road, the missionary school and the sanitarium. The sanitarium is situated in the French concession which, up to the present time, has been regarded as a rather weak link in the defences of the city. With the placing of all the defensive forces under one head, it is hoped that a greater degree of security will be assured.

We have also a junior middle school at Hankow and another one at Nanking where the recent disturbances took place. Pray that God's people may be fortified and protected in these places. "Travel Talks on China" gives many interesting descriptions and pictures illustrating our work in these cities of the East.

"Present Truth" in China

REGULAR parcels of "Present Truth" are being sent to our workers in Peking and Hong-Kong and are evidently appreciated for work among the English-speaking residents. From the town of Changsha, which is in the midst of the Southern Army's territory, we have received the following letter:

"Dear Brother: Your letter of November 28th is to hand, also one roll of 'Present Truth.' I greatly appreciate your interest in helping us to carry the message to English speaking people in these distant lands. The use of papers such as the 'Present Truth' and the 'Signs' is the only method open to us to give the truth to the English speaking foreigners and missionaries in our midst. For years we have been using a club of 'Signs' in this way, and I know that the paper has been appreciated by some. We will be glad to use the club of 'Present Truth,' as soon as conditions become a little more settled in this part of China.

"My family is now in Shanghai for safety, and Professor Hamp's wife and child leave to-day. We are staying by the work here, but how long we shall be able to do so is rather uncertain. We are in danger more or less here now, but are confident in God's protecting care. When He is ready for us to leave He will reveal it to us. We are hoping that the troubles of these times will not lead to war, and

that God will open up the way for us to push forward His work to every needy city in this province. Lately our native church has been passing through a shaking time and considerable persecution. Those who are not loyal are leaving us, but all are more or less fearful of the situation as it exists and is developing."

Pray that our Chinese believers may see the power of God revealed in their behalf.

Selling Two Books at a Time

A LITTLE while ago Brother Freeman wrote: "It gives me much pleasure to be able to send in such a good report for the week despite the condition of the weather. Rain nearly every day! Monday especially was a very wet day, but as you will see I was particularly blessed taking two orders at my first call, one leather and one marble. At the next place I was encouraged by another double order for two gills. I like taking them in this way as one helps to bind the other. Strange to say my next four were taken by twos—near each other.

"My last order was about seven in the evening. I had to walk across a wild waste, in some places having to walk through mud and water, but I felt fully compensated for all the inconvenience of finding my way back in the dark."

The Books Open the Way

ANOTHER colporteur writes: "You will be pleased to know of good work being done. The 'Bible Readings' and 'Daniel and Revelation' that I delivered a little over a month ago, led to my giving Bible studies in the home, and both mother and daughter have accepted the Sabbath. Our studies are continuing in that home along with the daughter's husband and another gentleman who is a Wesleyan Sunday-school superintendent and local preacher, to whom also I sold 'Bible Readings.'"

To All the World

It is good to see how the literature work is finding its way to the ends of the earth. Almost in the same post we received letters regarding literature from Manchuria, Brazil, West Indies, Australia, Germany and West Africa.

Just Speaking of It

"I HAD a good experience on Friday afternoon," writes Mrs. Hamblin, "I felt led to one house in particular. The lady told me afterwards that Satan tried his best to keep her from coming to answer my knock. She said it was strange but she had been talking to her charwoman about the Second Coming. When I told her the object of my call she asked me to come into the kitchen to show my book which I did, and we had a lovely time together. I got an order from each of them. Then we had a word of prayer together remembering especially this charwoman. The lady said she would pray for me and my work."

Abundance of Territory for Magazine Workers

Two hundred thousand copies of the new edition of "Steps to Christ" have been sold. And still there is plenty of territory. There are nine million homes yet in Great Britain where "Steps to Christ" has not been purchased. Close on ten million homes do not yet take "Present Truth" or "Good Health". There are whole towns without a magazine worker.

A. WARREN.

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Annual Meetings

IN planning for our annual meetings this year, we have done the best we could to fit them in as may best suit our people in each section of the field. The first of these meetings will begin in Cardiff for our Welsh brethren and sisters on Thursday evening, April 14th, continuing until the night of the 18th. During this meeting we are hoping to have our veteran European worker, Pastor L. R. Conradi, with us. I am sure that it will be a real pleasure to most of our people in Wales either to renew his acquaintance or to meet him for the first time. We, therefore, earnestly plead with our Welsh brethren and sisters to make an effort to attend this meeting.

Those of us who have the opportunity of reading the reports describing the world work are impressed with the fact that God is moving in a very definite way, stirring up His people to seek Him more earnestly for their own experience and to put forth more earnest efforts for the souls of men around them. At the Autumn Council at Battle Creek last year the brethren felt a real burden to help the ministry into an experience that would better fit them for service. At the Winter Council in Gland resolutions were presented that would help not only our workers, but also our church membership throughout the whole Division. Now there comes to my desk quite a number of resolutions from the Spring Council of the General Conference which continue this effort even further. All call attention of ministers and churchmembers to the work that must be done as we think of our God-given task.

We are therefore hoping that in all our regular meetings this year this spirit, that seems to be moving our people the world over, may take a deep hold upon all our hearts and that we shall have a real outpouring of God's holy Spirit. We ask our brethren and sisters throughout the whole Union to pray for the meeting in Wales. W. H. MEREDITH.



SINCE a few have made inquiry as to why Brother Baldry ceased his work in the North England conference office, we think it best to make this statement, that on his return from a holiday after Christmas, he offered his resignation to Pastor Bacon, president of the conference, to take effect at the most convenient time to suit the conference. There seemed to be no other way than to accept the resignation. This was done and Brother Buckle, after some considerable investigation, was secured to fill his place.

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DOUBTLESS many of the readers of the MISSIONARY WORKER will be interested to hear of the advent of a little daughter, Cecile Joy, into the home of Brother and Sister V. C. Hillary, who are at present living in Vancouver, British Columbia. Sister Hillary will probably be better known to our members here as Nora Phipps, for some years a nurse at the Stanboroughs and previously a student in the College.

M. J. S.



“Evolutionary Geology and the New Catastrophism”

BY GEORGE MCCREADY PRICE, M.A.

MANY good words have been spoken of former editions of this work, but the following regarding the Fourth Edition, recently issued, has appeared in “The Times” (London), under date of March 24, 1927.

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SUNSET CALENDAR

	LONDON	EDINBURGH	CARDIFF	NOTTINGHAM
April 15th	7.56	8.18	8.8	8.7
April 22nd	8.7	8.32	8.20	8.19