



STANBOROUGH COLLEGE 1926-1927

By G. BAIRD

A LARGE and appreciative audience was present at the graduation exercise in the college chapel on Monday evening, May 16th, to rejoice with the student graduates. Occasions of this nature are outstanding events in college history, marking as they do the successful termination of years of patient plodding on the part of the student graduates.

This last year saw nine students finish their work of preparation—five graduating from the ministerial course, three from the normal, and one from the business course. As teachers we can all say, "Thank God for these young people." Someone has said that the most tragic men in the world to-day are those who never start, never attempt to do anything; on the other hand, happy are they that do. Without a doubt there were no happier young people on Stanborough Park on Monday evening than this worthy group of student graduates, whom we now have sent out into the Master's vineyard to see new visions, to plan new spiritual conquests, and to explore fresh fields of service. We pray God's richest blessing to rest upon their future endeavours, and, when the Master comes in glory, may they also come rejoicing, having earned His "Well done".

The college year has had several distinctive features, which will for all time distinguish it from all other college years that have gone before.

When the year began the whole country was in the grip of the coal strike. Students will not early forget the necessary expedients that were adopted in the early part of the year to keep warm.

Also, it was the writers' privilege to spend four months of the year in the United States of America, visiting our principal educational institutions. A word of thanks is due to the teachers who willingly cared for the interests of the college in the writer's absence.

It is with deep regret that mention has to be made of the death of one of the student body during the school year. Only once previously has an experience of this nature happened during the college session. In both cases, however, the contributing

causes were due to health conditions of long standing.

In other respects the college year was but another manifestation of God's blessings and merciful dealing with His children. It was indeed a triumph of grace to come to the end of the year feeling, despite the difficulties, the trials, the burdens and the anxious moments that are concomitants of all endeavours where large numbers of young people are congregated, that God's presence was with us, and that by His grace and blessing the year was crowned with success. To those who ever remember the needs of the college in their prayers, this information will be a source of much joy. Surely we can say, "Hitherto hath God led us," and with Billy Bray we can express our "Hallelujah".

As teachers we take this opportunity of thanking our brethren and sisters throughout the British Union for their loyal and whole-hearted support of the Students' Special Help Fund. The writer knows of at least twenty young people who were able to attend college this past year through the financial help of this fund. To have such a fund from which to help worthy young people has been a real God-sent blessing, and we sincerely hope and pray that this plan shall still have the noble and hearty support of our people this coming year in no less degree than in the past. The work of the student colporteurs in London and neighbourhood shows that 73,016 periodicals and 285 shilling books were placed in the hands of the people. This amount of work done is not a record, but it is very commendable, nevertheless. More perhaps might have been done, but territory in London has been less free to students and undoubtedly the influence of the strike conditions made the work much harder. Who can tell what desert shall somewhere blossom as a garden or what soul shall find his way into the kingdom of God because of this good work.

The spiritual life of the students kept pace with the physical and mental. The Week of Prayer proved to be a week of power and spiritual quickening to the student body generally. At the same time

the Friday evening testimony meetings and the varied missionary activities of the different mission bands maintained the spiritual life of the school at a high level. This does not mean that there were no spiritual conflicts and heart-searching tests in spiritual experience for everybody from time to time. But the final testimony meeting, presided over by Pastor Maxwell, showed that victory after victory had been won, that the spiritual value of more definite and resolute decisions for Christ had been recognized, and that even the youngest students in our midst were learning to endure hardships as good soldiers. During the year six were baptized.

In scholastic attainment the year was in the main above the average. There were very few indeed who could be regarded as having failed in their scholastic attainments. When one considers the financial and other difficulties which face so many of our students, it is marvellous the progress so many of them make in their studies. But the love of the message and the whole-hearted desire to have a part in its proclamation give the needed courage and staying power to make achievement possible. Surely the hope of the triumph of the message lies in a large measure with the youth in our midst.

Finally let me say to the mother who is saving from her meagre income and her table, to the father who is working nights and wearing last year's suit, to the widow who, perhaps, has mortgaged her home and the trinkets so dear to her heart that her boy or girl might go to college, this is a sacrifice acceptable to all heaven, and one day will bring its everlasting reward. Again we thank our heavenly Father for a prosperous college year.



MISS MINNIE HOLDING, Miss Hilda Ford, George Tapping and R. H. Smith had the honour of being accredited with the best kept bed-rooms in the college home throughout the year. Suitable recognition was made of their achievement by the college management.



Stanborough College—the Gateway to Service

It is a well-recognized principle that an adequate and appropriate education is an essential preliminary for one who aspires to any position of trust and responsibility. This is true the world over; and it is just as true in our denominational work.

But the education essential for one who hopes to become a leader in our denominational work must be not only sufficient in amount; the quality or character of this education is just as important.

A man whose whole training has been in studying law would not be considered competent to treat a patient suffering with typhoid fever or pneumonia; one who might easily understand these and other diseases might still be a very unsafe captain to place in charge of a transatlantic liner.

Similarly a man or woman who has received his or her training in the ordinary way from other educational institutions, even though he may be a degreed man with highest honours from Oxford or Cambridge, would not on that account be a safe person to place in charge of any single department of our denominational work, nor even a Sabbath-school class. To be at all safe or competent, he must have received a training in one of our own institutions fitting him for such a work.

The one educational institution in the British Isles that trains men and women for our denominational work is Stanborough College. There are no other educational institutions in the British Isles that can in any sense prepare young people to carry the special Gospel message to the people of these British Isles or to the people of heathen lands. Accordingly Stanborough College is the one and only gateway by which new workers can be allowed to enter these lines of our work.

And there is a crying need for more workers. The mission fields are appealing for more and better-trained men and women; and the large cities of these British Isles are calling loudly for more and better-trained evangelists and Bible-workers, to give the last Gospel message to the cultured and to the less intelligent, to the neglected rich as well as to the neglected poor, in the highways as well as in the bye-ways of the land.

Fathers and mothers of the British Union Conference! Awake to the call of God for your boys and girls! Young men and women! Heed the call of the hour, the voice of God to your souls, and prepare for the work that must yet be done before our world task is accomplished and we are really ready to welcome our long-delayed Saviour, Who is still graciously waiting until we here on earth finish that work which He has assigned us. "Even so, come, Lord Jesus; come quickly!"

GEORGE MCCREADY PRICE.



The Church School Work

Two hundred and eight children in the South British Conference have profited by the faithful, untiring work of our church school teachers this year, and there is no better promise for the upbuilding of our work in the future than the attention which is being given by the leaders to the development of the church school work, along with the raising up of new companies of believers.

We are told in Volume VI, page 108, of the "Testimonies" that, "As believers are raised up, and churches organized, a school will be found of great value in promoting the permanence and stability of the work. Workers in new territory should not feel free to leave their field of labour till the needed facilities have been provided for the churches under their care. Not only should a humble house of worship be erected but all necessary arrangements should be made for the *permanent establishment* of the church school."

With these plain, direct statements before us, is it unreasonable that we have set ourselves to meet the situation in this field? While we are very grateful for the start that has been made in the educating of our own children, we cannot be satisfied until *all* our children come every day under the influence of our own Christian teachers. Our aim in education is to raise up men and women "in whom ability is controlled by steadfast principle."

May God help us to direct our work in such a way that we shall not lose sight of the great objectives of Christian education, so that we shall actually reach those objectives and reap the reward of faithful service in the cause of true education.

MRS. H. H. HOWARD.

MINISTERIAL CLASS RESPONSE

At College Graduation Exercises.—By William Lennox

WE have chosen for our motto "God with us" and, in the consciousness of this precious promise from Him, we go forward to prove ourselves, we trust, faithful ambassadors of Christ, in His stead, beseeching men and women to be reconciled to God.

I think it was three weeks ago Sir Charles Wakefield said that before the young men and women of the present generation there were possibilities which we were only beginning but dimly to realize, and with him we heartily agree. We feel sorry, we pity the men who are sitting on the platform this evening; they have been born too soon[!]. They are like men who are sitting to witness the opening scene of some great play, and who feel that they must leave before the play is finished!

It is a wonderful privilege to receive an education in Stanborough College. In our zeal to train for His service we passed by other institutions of learning and fame, and to-night we are thankful for our decision to come here. We have received book knowledge, but somehow that has played a very secondary part in our education in this institution. We have been taught to reverence and to respect those essentials which are so necessary to the Christian minister, those of courage, perseverance, tact, courtesy, honesty, and common sense. We have our Alma Mater to thank that it has changed the size of our minds and purposes.

And our memories of Stanborough College will not consist of bricks, wood, and mortar, but in a host of pleasant memories which we have stored up of our association with our fellow students and with the faculty.

Someone has said that the secret of success is to be found in association with the Success family. The father of the Success family is Work, and the mother is Ambition, and we find these two qualities eminently blended in our worthy principal, Mr. Baird. We thank him to-night for his untiring service on our behalf. He has spent many hours with us—I am sure we have caused him many a heart-ache—but to-night, we know he is glad to see us rejoicing in the prospect of service before us.

We thank Mr. Price to-night for his common-sense; we thank him for his counsel; we thank him for the direction he has given us in our studies. He has led us into fields of knowledge of which we had never dreamed. He has shown us an example of perseverance and diligence, and I can assure him to-night that we shall always remember him, and always be interested in fossils!

Some of the boys in this Success family are met with us here this evening. They are Perseverance, Honesty, Patience, Foresight, Enthusiasm, and Co-operation. The eldest daughter is Character and some of her sisters are Cheerfulness, Loyalty, and Sincerity, and I submit to you to-night that if you came and lived in our institution for a short time, you would meet all these people among the faculty. They have shown themselves untiring in service. We thank them for this, and we leave them to-night with the hope of another graduating class next year only excelled by the present one!

The baby of the family is Opportunity, and he belongs to us.

In our zeal to show our appreciation to the faculty for all they have done for us, we would not be unmindful of our parents. They are the ones who have made this night possible; they are the ones who sacrificed and struggled and brought us up, and who put into us those qualities which the education at Stanborough College has helped to bring out. With many of us coming here it has merely been a fulfilment of the ancient type of the Scottish student leaving his father's home with the prayers of his parents to follow him and a sack of meal on his shoulder to keep him while he was studying. And we know and have the consciousness—we have had it for six years—that our parent's prayers have followed us all the days of our life, and we assure them to-night that it is our single purpose to go forward in the service of God, and we want them to feel that our success is their success and the souls and the sheaves which we shall have for our Master's feet will be made possible through their sacrifice and co-operation.

We would also not be unmindful of the great help given us by the workers in the Stanborough Press—they are indeed true to their motto, "The Stanborough Press for Service"—and we assure you all, as we pass off the scene of action from this College, that we will do our very utmost to uphold the traditions of this institution; to uphold the honour and character of our parents; to be true to the trust that all our friends have reposed in us, that, as we go through life and men realize the principles for which our parents and this institution stand, they will be able to look at us and say, "Lo, this man is her son."



Well Done, Juniors!

THE following is an extract from a letter from one of our juniors. It comes from the smallest organized company in North England.

"I thought you would be pleased to know how the young people of S—— got together their 13th Sabbath offering for missions. Lily H—— sold some hosiery and ties. Willie H—— made a chicken coop and sold it. Charlie H——, age six, sold some copies of 'Present Truth,' and gathered 1/4, and I made some articles at my woodwork class and sold them."

We were not surprised to learn from the same letter that one person is rejoicing in the truth, as the result of the work of one of the lay members of this same company, and there are prospects that others will follow. Needless to say, this Sabbath-school reached and passed the Sabbath-school goal of 9d. per week per member. How could it do otherwise when such a fine example of the missionary spirit was manifested by its young people? Other Missionary Volunteers, please copy!

H. W. McCrow, S. S. Secy.

THE subject which has been assigned to me is based on your mottoes: "I press toward the mark," and "God with us."

Certain figures of speech are used in Scripture to illustrate the Christian life as a warfare, a gladiatorial contest or a foot race; and a comparison of the qualities essential to success in any of these competitive branches with those which relate to the Christian warfare, show how apposite are the figures.

I propose, this evening, to confine my attention wholly to the last named—the foot race, or, shall we call it, the cross-country race.

There are certain factors which contribute to success in any branch of competitive effort. These are probably: singleness of purpose, concentration, the will to win, persistence of effort, the psychological factor, and the hope of reward. Let us consider briefly each of these in the order named.

SINGLENESS OF PURPOSE.

"This *one* thing I do," expresses the motto of the athlete; the motto which he keeps consistently before him during his training, allowing no diversion. Were he to entertain for a moment another purpose, and allow its glamour to influence his mind, he would handicap himself and make the prospects of success remote.

My mind at this moment carries me back to a day about twenty-six years ago when, with twenty others, I was enrolled a charter student at Duncombe Hall. Then, through the rosy glasses of optimism, we surveyed the view. How bright the picture seemed! The heavens bent low and we heard as it were the music of angels. But how does that picture appear now after the long interim? Have our expectations been realized? Have the colours faded? Speaking for myself, I am fain to confess that the lapse of time has destroyed many of my early conceits, yet there still burns in my breast the hope that impels towards the mark. The company has dwindled; several have gone to the land of silence, darkness, and forgetfulness, including our beloved principal, the late Professor Salisbury. Six graduated into the ministry. There are about three now wearing the burden of years. Of the other dozen, the majority have declined from the path; the curse of a divided mind was their undoing. Attracted by the will o' the wisp of false ideals, they were lured into the path which leadeth unto destruction.

CONCENTRATION.

The term may be defined as the ability to exclude from the mind all matter irrelevant to those under consideration. The power to forget things which it may be inconvenient to remember. In short, the power to render oneself oblivious to one's environment. This faculty of concentration must be possessed if there is to be success in any calling, and especially in the calling which you have embraced.

Paul had this faculty cultivated to a remarkable degree. "Forgetting the things which are behind." The athlete's eyes are always in front, never behind. He dare not permit himself to remember the long, weary miles which his feet have spurred; numerous obstacles which, by patient endeavour, he has surmounted, and the several rivals which, by superior stamina and speed, he has passed. Rather must his gaze be concentrated on the obstacles immediately in



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front and the distant goal, and his effort concentrated on the task of annihilating the space which separates between him and his goal.

And so it must be with those who have essayed the heavenly race. Forgetting the things which are behind spells concentration, and if our concentration be allowed to relapse, then, maybe, one of the sins over which we have gained the mastery will reassert its power and jeopardize our prospects of success.

THE WILL TO WIN.

I dare say you have heard the story of Dorando and the first Marathon that was ever staged in this country. It was a broiling day; a large concourse of people assembled at the White City, and since there had been some delay the crowd was becoming peevish. Suddenly all eyes turned to the entrance through which emerged the form of a little man, Dorando, an Italian. Evidently he was suffering from the heat and strain, for he staggered. With unsteady gait he pursued his way until he reached half-way across, and then fell in a heap. But the will to win being strong within him, he lifted himself again to the accompanying cheers of the people. His energies being spent, however, and his sensibilities benumbed, he had lost his sense of direction, so that his face turned once more to the path whence he came. But some kind hand turned him round, and, staggering on, he reached the tape and fell on the ground. Cheers went up, Dorando has won, Dorando has won, but then groans—he had been disqualified; some kindly-disposed hand had interfered. Nevertheless, the next morning the story of Dorando's pluck and the will to win was read by all the peoples of the British Isles, and her majesty, Queen Alexandria, gave him a cup as a souvenir of his pluck.

Friends, it seems to me that this same will to win spirit must be strong within us, if we are to pursue the path incomparably more difficult and strewn with more numerous difficulties than that which Dorando encountered. But if we possess this will to win spirit, then happily it may serve us when in some moment of discouragement we may be inclined to drop out. Lifting us on our feet, it will set our faces again towards Zion.

PERSISTENCE OF EFFORT.

Intermittent effort never won anything save dis-



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Pastor A. S. Rodd

appointment and failure. It is not the strong or the swift that wins the race, but the patient plodder. In the fable it is the tortoise which outstrips the hare. And so the man who combines with average intelligence the determination to stick at it, will accomplish far more than the genius who works by fits and starts. A strong runner, conscious of his superior speed and stamina, who allows himself to ease up, will probably find, when he comes to the last lap, that the others are too far ahead for him to overtake them, and so at the last a man less able than himself takes his crown.

The same law operates in the realm of spiritual athletics. The desire to ease up must not be entertained. It is persistence of effort that wins immortality.

Then let us think of the psychological factor for a moment. During the serious part of his training, an athlete never expends himself, but reserves the prodigal use of his energies for the day of the race. What are the stimuli which exact from him the last ounce of energy? The presence of the spectators, the hope of reward, the excitement of the race. Let us think for a moment of the presence of the spectators and the wonderful influence they exert on the mind of the competitor, so that he will put forth at the psychological moment superhuman effort. Let us think for a moment of the Roman stadium. On the pillars around the course were the inscriptions: "Excel," "Hasten," "Finish the Course." There were the judges to confer the prize on the successful competitor. There was the sacred tripod with the coveted prize upon it which entitled the wearer to a triumphal reception in his native city when he returned. The competitor recognized among the multitude princes and ambassadors from foreign nations vying with one another in the splendour of their attire and in the number of their retinue. There were the judges who would confer the prizes upon the successful competitors. Yonder was the literary man to record the deeds, and there were the spectators looking on anxious for the honour of their town.

Now this factor that entered so largely into the giving forth of the best in a man, in the same degree, or to a higher degree, influences us. We also have a cloud of witnesses—God, Who is our Witness, the Holy Ghost, Jesus, and the inhabitants of the un-fallen worlds.

What is the mark of our high calling? The mark, in a word, is conformity with the image of Christ. When a man has attained, then all his ways are those which be in Christ. The people of this world recognize the necessity of having a mark at which to aim. A mark is a prerequisite to success. But the mark of this world is material; our mark is spiritual.

Of what value can a fortune be if it is to eat the flesh as it were fire? But there is intrinsic value in the mark at which we aim. There is a satisfaction in achieving that which is worth while; it represents the enjoyment and use of powers which have been developed to one hundred per cent efficiency. It represents the possession of treasures of more value than gold and silver, of eternal duration; the realization of that which the alchemists so eagerly sought. It represents the possession of God Himself, for God is my portion, said David. He is our exceeding great treasure, our reward. It represents, too, God's possession of us. "I have formed them for Myself."

Paul speaks of God's inheritance in the saints. "I press towards the mark," and if I be alone in this grand adventure, it will end in fiasco. Paul tried the "I" method and it proved a broken reed. You remember he had a high ideal. "With my mind I serve the law of God; I delight in the law after the inward man." He had a high ideal. Though he tried repeatedly to reach up to it, he was unable until he learned by faith to associate "I" with God. But what a wonderful series of paradoxes was then revealed: imperfect, yet righteous; weak, yet strong; having nothing, yet possessing all things.

God led the children of Israel into the wilderness that they might learn to set a right value upon "I". We behold them going down into the wilderness leaning on the ego; we are to see God's people coming forth from the wilderness leaning on the arm of the Beloved. When that happens, my friends—and I trust it will in your individual experience—then God will give you hind's feet, and you will walk on the high places of the earth, and eat of the heritage of Jacob your father.



An Appeal

I VERY much desire to secure the name and correct address of every young man and young woman in the British Isles over fourteen years of age who has sufficient native intelligence to profit by advanced education. Our lists here at the College are quite incomplete, and we are anxious to make them as complete as possible. If every church elder or Missionary Volunteer leader who reads these lines would write out the names of all the young people within the sphere of his acquaintance, with the correct addresses, and send the list to us without delay, we will see that the young people thus listed are brought into touch with our school offers for the coming year. Give us the names and addresses, and we will do the rest. Also, if any young person who reads this notice will send us his name and address, whether or not his name has been sent in by others, we will see that he is written to regarding our college work for the coming year. College opens Tuesday, August 23rd, and every student should be present at the opening of the school. Address:

GEORGE MCCREADY PRICE, M. A.
Stanborough College, Watford, Herts.

Sabbath-School Department

[Note.—The 13th Sabbath Offering this quarter is for Indian work in the Inter-American Division.]

FINALLY the missionaries have gone to the "Davis Indians" near Mt. Roraima in British Guiana; and, before you read these lines, we trust, the new mission there will be well organized. We are rejoicing that the call of more than sixteen years' standing has now been answered. But this advance step of establishing primitive Indian mission work is being taken by faith and at great sacrifice by the Inter-American Division, since the means to carry on this work is not provided for in the budget.

Brother Sutton and I will long remember the honest faces of those Indians and their earnest, plaintive pleas that a missionary be sent to them. They did everything possible to assure us of their desire for help, even to putting their arms about us and taking our faces between their hands; and when we left them on our homeward march twenty-four of those Indians came along with us for eight days, just to go a "piece way". It seemed they did not want to see us leave for fear many more years would pass without their heart's desire being realized. I wish it were possible for us to bring to you a feeling of their great need as it appealed to us out there in the wilds, entirely removed from civilization, without even the most ordinary comforts of life with which we are so abundantly blessed. They do not even have salt, which they need and like very much, with which to season their scanty variety of food. There they sit patiently reaching out their hands to us for help.

But this is only one small corner of the Indian work that waits to be done in the Inter-American Division. What are we to do with the many tribes, yes, nations of Indians, yet sitting in darkness right at our door, waiting and longing for the morning?

In southwestern Venezuela there are thousands of Indians who are mutely holding out their hands to us for help and who, as yet, we have been unable even to visit.

On the Guajira peninsula, to the north, between Venezuela and Colombia, are to be found thousands more among whom, we understand, no work has ever been done by any missionary society. They desire help, however, and recently have asked that schools be started among them. Though very near the borders of civilization, still they live the primitive life of their ancestors. Their great need should appeal to us.

Back of Santa Marta, Colombia, in plain view from the Caribbean Sea, stands a perpetually snow-capped mountain, the highest on the north coast of South America. At the foot of this mountain lives a tribe of cannibal Indians to whom the message must yet be carried. In Colombia alone, there are more than two millions of Indians with no work at all begun among them. Their territory extends far below the equator past Ecuador and for more than two hundred miles along the northeast border of Peru, and forms a great section of the upper Amazon region. Brother Stahl knows of these tribes and pleads earnestly in their behalf.

In the Republic of Panama are many tribes for whom no work has yet been attempted. At our recent conference there the workers told of a great

awakening among the Talamanca Indians who desire that we enter with schools and medical workers.

We cannot mention the needs in each Central American Republic although it would be of interest to get a glimpse of the numerous tribes in Costa Rica, Nicaragua, Salvador, Honduras and Guatemala. However, I cannot forbear telling of how the president of Honduras urged Brother Lorntz, the superintendent of our work in that field, to start work among the Indians, assuring him of his moral support. When doors like this are opened to us, it seems that we must not fail to enter. But we cannot without your help. We must look to our brethren and sisters for the means to do so.

Guatemala alone presents a great Indian problem, for there in that field sixty per cent of the population of 2,454,000 are Indians speaking native dialects.

We are depending on our people to give a very large overflow in this Thirteenth Sabbath Offering so that means may be supplied to answer this crying need. Make your personal offering the largest yet.

W. E. BAXTER.



THE MINISTRY OF THE LITERATURE

Squeeze a Continent into a Small County

IF all the population of Australia could be gathered into one small county for convenience in canvassing, wouldn't you have a glorious opportunity? Five million people within three hours train ride.

Well—that's Lancashire. In the whole of Australia there are only just a few more people than in our little county of the north. What a splendid opportunity for our magazine workers.

If Australia can support a large publishing house, a college or two, and one of the biggest food factories in the world, what are the prospects for Lancashire?

There are about 7,000 Adventists in Australia; Why couldn't God raise up 7,000 in Lancashire? Volunteer to-day for seed-sowing work with the literature in this promising field.

Used in a Wonderful Way

"It is truly wonderful how God's blessing seems to go with these little books," reports Brother A. Lacey, who is doing colporteur work in Kent. "They seem to me to have been used in a wonderful manner by God to bring light and truth to the hearts of the people in a simple way. They are beginning to see that our books are good books."

Which Colporteur Holds the Record for Shilling Books?

SISTER CHAPPELL, of Reading, has quite a high record among the sisters for the sale of shilling books. On one occasion she succeeded in selling fifty-one copies between the hours of 9.30 a.m. and 2.30 p.m.

A few days ago Brother Lacey sent in an astonish-

ing report showing that he had sold *sixty shilling books every day for four successive days*—a total of £16 worth of sales for the week. £16 a week is, we think, a new record. Brother Lacey informs us that during Easter week he sold seventy-four copies in one day, and seventy-five the next.

Now there are rumours that another colporteur has done even better. Where is he?

A. WARREN.

At Rest

ARNOLD.—Sister Mary Anna Arnold, age 70 years, passed away in her home at Port Tennant, Swansea, on Wednesday, April 13th. Sister Arnold accepted the truth about eighteen years ago, and was baptized by Pastor Penrose. For some time she suffered from diabetes and infirmity, but bore her suffering so patiently that her relatives did not realize that the end was so near. A large family and a number of friends mourn their loss, but they sorrow not as others who have no hope. On April 19th Sister Arnold was laid to rest in the Danygraig Cemetery to await the call of the Life-giver, the funeral service being conducted by the writer. T. H. COOPER.

GABBETIS.—It is with deep regret that we record the loss of another of our Bournemouth members, Mrs. Annie May Gabbetis, age 47 years, who died on May 16, 1927, after two years or more of severe suffering and three operations. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paap of Australia, received the truths of the Gospel message, and their gifted family followed in their footsteps. Mrs. Gabbetis joined the Bournemouth Church by letter in 1914, and since that time has filled various offices, among them superintendent of the Sabbath-school, in which capacity her fine qualities of mind and heart were very helpful. Her husband, three brothers and a sister survive, to whom we extend our kindest sympathy. A large number of friends and fellow members attended the burial service which was conducted by the writer. G. W. BAILEY.

FIRKS.—Sister E. M. Firks, age 66 years, passed away peacefully in her sleep on Tuesday, April 19th. She had spent many years as a teacher in South Africa, and on her return to England assisted in the work of teaching in our church school at Plymouth, her native place. She was one of the best supporters of the work of the church, and on her death she leaves the material help for starting a new church building in Plymouth, but the influence of her Christian life will be felt much more. Her many friends throughout the conference will be interested in the following from her diary: "March 1908.—Accepted the Lord's Sabbath. January 30, 1909.—Was baptized in the dam outside the Race Course, Bloemfontein, by Elder J. M. Freeman, several people being present, including a company of natives. April 22.—Purchased land for missionary purposes not far from Lindley. May 30, 1911.—Praise and glorify His holy name. No language can express my gratitude and thankfulness to the Lord, for His mercy and goodness to me. My left ear has been most painful and troublesome for nearly three months, and on Sabbath afternoon, May 27th, Elders Tarr and Grovenwall with their wives met, and we claimed the Lord's promise, anointing the ear with oil. I need scarcely say that my ear is quite well, the healing took place at once." Sister Firks was buried by the writer in the Baptist burial ground, Saltash, Cornwall, from the home of her friends with whom she had been staying during Easter. Her relatives and many friends mourn their loss, but not as those without hope, for she rests from her labours and her works do follow her. PERCIVAL PRESCOTT.

BROOKS.—Brother Brooks, age 79, died on April 2nd. His health had not been of the best for a number of years, but his faith was strong. Brother Brooks heard the truth during the evangelistic work of Pastor Ritchie in Plymouth, and became a member in March 1913. The funeral service was held in our own church building, Beaumont Rd., on April 7, 1927, after which the burial took place at the Old Cemetery, Ford Park Road, both being conducted by the writer. Sister Brooks and many relatives and friends mourn their loss, but are confident that we shall meet our brother again when the resurrection morning dawns and the shadows flee away. PERCIVAL PRESCOTT.

ELLIS.—Suddenly on Sabbath morning, March 5th, as the result of an operation, Mrs. Laura West Ellis, of Cupar-Fife, fell asleep in Jesus at the age of 50. Sister Ellis, as a child, first became acquainted with the truth through Bible studies held by Pastor A. A. John in the home of her father and mother at Ulceby, Lincs. over forty years ago. However, it was not until about sixteen years ago that she gave her heart to the Lord and fully accepted the message. Since then she has been a faithful witness for the truth in the little town of Cupar. The funeral service was conducted by Pastor Maudsley, who spoke words of comfort to the sorrowing husband, son and daughter, also other relatives and friends gathered in the home, and at the graveside. Sister Ellis was a sister of Pastor J. B. West.

KERR.—Ethel, age 14, daughter of Brother and Sister Kerr, entered into rest on Thursday, March 24th. Brother and Sister Kerr accepted the truth under the labours of the late Pastor J. D. Gillatt and united with the Derby Church. The funeral service, which took place in the Nottingham Road Cemetery, Derby, on Sabbath afternoon, March 26th, was conducted by the writer, a goodly number of the members of the church and Young People's Society being present. When the angels of God gather together Christ's little ones, we are assured that Ethel will be amongst them. J. E. BELL.

COUSINS.—It is with deep regret that we report the death of Brother James Cousins, one of the oldest members of the Belfast church. Our brother had reached the ripe age of ninety years, and he fell asleep in Jesus on April 5th at Lurgan, Co Armagh. It is some years now since Brother Cousins was able to attend the Sabbath meetings, but we believe that he loved the Lord and that we shall meet him again on the resurrection morning. His own friends made all the funeral arrangements. W. J. YOUNG.

BEARDSSELL.—Mrs. Sarah Hannah Beardsell, a loyal member of the South Manchester church, of which her son is the loved and respected elder, fell asleep in Jesus on Wednesday, May 4th, at the age of seventy-two years. Our sister had been suffering from a serious malady, and a little over two years since came to make her home with her son's family. There, largely through their consistent walk and the influence of a godly home, she accepted present truth, uniting with the church, Dec. 5, 1925. We laid her to rest in the Almondbury Cemetery, Huddersfield, in the presence of a number of relatives and friends. We feel assured that soon the grave will again give up its precious treasure. Our hearts go out in sympathy to Brother and Sister Beardsell in their bereavement. WM. A. HALL.

ROBOTHAM.—After a prolonged illness and much suffering, borne with patience and fortitude, Sister Ida Robotham passed peacefully away in a London hospital on March 16th, following an operation. Our sister, who was only 28 years of age, accepted the message in 1922, under the labours of Brother F. W. Coppock. Before her marriage she was an earnest worker in the Missionary Volunteer Movement. She was laid to rest in the Mansfield Cemetery on March 22nd, in the sure and certain hope of resurrection to eternal life. A good number of churchmembers attended the service, Pastor A. E. Bacon officiating. She leaves a husband and mother to mourn their loss. P. BINKS.

MARTIN.—On Easter Sunday, April 17th, our dear and esteemed Brother T. Martin, fell asleep in Jesus. He accepted the truth in November, 1904, as the result of reading "Present Truth". He was baptized in February, 1906, by Pastor McClay. All these years he has been a loyal, faithful member of the cause, and truly it can be said of him that "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth. Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours, and their works do follow them." He was 76 years of age, and leaves a loving and devoted companion, in her 83rd year, to mourn her loss. An older brother is still alive and rejoicing in the truth in Sydney, Australia. We laid our brother to rest on Thursday afternoon, April 21st, in the presence of the sorrowing relatives and friends in sure and certain hope of a part in the first resurrection. ALFRED E. BACON.

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COLLEGE closed amid the usual celebrations, feats of arms upon the campus and flights of rhetoric in the chapel. Amid all the happy memories of that day there will certainly linger the ministerial class response of Brother W. Lennox, which for sheer earnestness and sincerity has perhaps never been equalled in College history. An abbreviated report will be found on page 3.

FIRST reports from the student colporteurs are very encouraging. This is going to be a good summer for them.

ANTICIPATING their success we have already arranged for their triumphant welcome in the Stanborough Press Bindery on August 29th. There'll be "some" feed, boys, that night and scholarships—we hope—for everybody.

THIS is the great day of opportunity for the colporteur work in this field. Have you seen the new scheme for providing our "regulars" with a free library of all the best books published by the denomination? When this gets out everyone will want to be a colporteur. You will have to be careful not to be trampled on in the rush. However, there is room for everybody. In this Abrahamic bosom we can take you all.

PASTOR L. F. LANGFORD has just arrived back from Africa. He will attend the North British Conference at Hull.

OTHERS planning to be present at Hull are Pastor W. H. Meredith, Professor G. M. Price, and Pastor L. L. Caviness from the Division.

BROTHER and Sister Baasch from South America arrived in London on May 28th. Brother Lane is also back from East Africa. Welcome home!



South British Conference Notes

MANY times during the past few months the question has been put to us: When is the new London church building to be started? We can quite understand the question because for so long our people at north London have wanted a building. But while we cannot even now give the precise date on which building operations will be begun, we can say that arrangements are quite well advanced. It is well to remember that twelve months ago we had nothing whatever in view, the site we had hoped to get we could not obtain for our purpose. To-day we can say:

1. We have the site—and an excellent site it is—situated almost opposite the Nag's Head on the Holloway Road.

2. Definite plans have been prepared for a church to seat 600 to 700 people.

3. These plans have been submitted to, and passed by, the General Conference, the European Division, the British Union, and the local committee. They have also been passed by the freeholders, the London County Council, and by the Islington Borough Council.

4. Specifications covering almost one hundred pages have been prepared, discussed and to some extent modified, and are about to be sent to various builders for estimates, so that within two weeks these estimates should be in hand.

It is good to watch the feverish interest of certain of the sisters of the North London Church, who, like Dorcas of old, are busily engaged in making garments. Other useful articles are for sale as well, the entire profits going to the North London Church Building Fund. Various household goods are being sold also for the purpose of helping on the fund. Further particulars concerning these articles may be had on applying to 45 Finsbury Park Road, London, N.4. Gifts to swell the conference Building Fund will also be acceptable.

JULY 29th to August 2nd is the time arranged for our South British Conference session. How many are planning to attend this year? How many are coming over from Ireland? How many from Wales? And how many from South England? Let us all do our best to attend.

THE Irish meeting will be held in the S.D.A. Church, Florenceville Avenue, Ormeau Road, Belfast, from Friday, June 10th, to Sunday, the 12th.
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YOUNG MAN, age 20, urgently needs employment where Sabbath can be kept. Willing to do anything. Write: W. c/o MISSIONARY WORKER.

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SUNSET CALENDAR

	LONDON	EDINBURGH	CARDIFF	NOTTINGHAM
June 10th	9.15	9.58	9.28	9.28
June 17th	9.20	10.3	9.32	9.33