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An Interesting Letter from Pastor W. E. Read

A MOST interesting letter was received recently from Pastor W. E. Read, who, together with Pastor L. H. Christian, has been making a trip through the Near East and North Africa. He states:

"Thus far we have had a very profitable trip. One thing that certainly brings courage is to see the work growing and to see new believers won to the truth. Our first call was at Beyrout in Syria, where we had meetings with our Syrian and Armenian members. The brethren in this city badly need a church in which to worship. We have nothing at all in the way of buildings, and soon something should be put up so as to give some stability to our work. In these countries a building means a lot to our own people, and also to those not of our faith. When they see a church or perhaps headquarters, they at least think we have come to stay. Another need, strange to say, is cemeteries. There are no public burying grounds. Everything in this line is viewed from the religious viewpoint, so the Moslems have their cemetery, the Catholics theirs, and all the Protestant communions the same. Thus far, therefore, if any of our people have died, we have been dependent on the good will of others, but it is becoming increasingly difficult to secure this favour. Consequently it seems as though we shall have to arrange for a small plot of land for this purpose. In one place, where some people accepted the truth, their former friends threatened them with the denial of burial in their grounds, and while this may sound strange to us, it is a live issue in the near East.

"Following Beyrout we visited Es Salt, across the Jordan. This is not far from the ancient territories of Ammon and Moab. We have a splendid group of people there. They certainly love the truth, and have been well instructed. We slept and ate in true native style. The beds were on the floor, our haunches were our chairs; our fingers our cutlery. It is surprising how enjoyable an experience of this kind can be. These people are true missionaries, and certainly witness for the truth. There is good prospect of others coming in. The testi-

monies of their friends and foes is to the effect that since becoming 'Sabtaheen', or Sabbath-keepers, there is a great difference in them. They are known for their integrity, honesty and upright character.

"After visiting various places on the way, such as Nazareth, the Sea of Galilee, Samaria, Bethlehem, Jericho and other spots sacred in the Bible story, we made our way down to Egypt. Here we gathered our workers both European and native from Syria, Egypt and Transjordan. We were quite a group, and we spent several days in Bible study and counsel on our various field problems. The young men from England and Germany whom we sent out last year and the year before to study Arabic and Islamic, are doing splendidly. They have their heart in the work and, health permitting, look forward to life service in these Arabic fields. Hitherto no special effort has been made by us in these fields to appeal definitely to Moslems. All our work, as well as that of most other missions, has been focussed on the Christian population. Now, however, the tide is turning. The experiences of the past few years, the increase of education, the development of literature, and the general impact of western civilization, have made the Moslem more accessible to the Christian evangel. We feel that this is something of which we should take advantage, so we have these young men in training, and we are looking forward to the near future when we shall see them distributed over Arabia, Palestine, Syria and Egypt, as well as other parts of this large territory where the Arabic language is used. The brethren in Egypt are definitely starting meetings this year for the Moslem peoples. This will be uphill work, and should be a subject of earnest prayer by our believers in the homeland. We are up against the same stolid indifference, opposition and prejudice, that the Apostle Paul faced in his day, but the Power which gave him victory can give us victory, and in this confidence our brethren in Egypt go forward. May God crown their efforts with power and success.

"Hitherto this field has been known as the Egypt-

to-Syrian Mission, but at our recent meeting a re-organization was effected. From now on it will be known as the Arabic Union Mission, and will comprise Syria, Cyprus, Palestine, Transjordan, Egypt and the northern part of the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan.

"The work is not all easy in these fields, but God is blessing the work, and Brother Keough in Egypt and Brother Zerne in Syria, with their slender force of workers, are not only of good courage, but are labouring diligently to make known the truth of God for these days.

"We have a splendid property not far from Cairo, which not only provides accommodation for two families, but ample room for our publishing work, as well as a hall suitable for public meetings. It is well built, and we are fortunate in getting such a fine location. Its purchase was made possible by a special grant from the Missions Press fund, and an appropriation in the regular way. The district is known as Matarieh, and is not far, in fact but a few minutes walk from On, old Heliopolis, where Moses received his education and from which Joseph took his wife. It is rather significant that in the same neighbourhood where Moses was trained we are now laying plans for a training school where young men can be prepared to give the third angel's message.

"In our Italian Colony in North East Africa, we have one mission at the capital, a city bearing the name of Osmara. This city is at an elevation of over seven thousand feet and the journey, which can be made by train from Massawa, the port of entry into Entrea, to Osmara, is very beautiful indeed. It is climbing, of course, for the best part of the journey, but after one leaves the hot, barren, sandy plains, one is soon amongst a wealth of vegetation. Forests, filled with chattering monkeys, line the mountain sides, and leopards and hyenas roam about everywhere. There is a profusion of wild flowers, specimens of which I have never seen before, but really the journey is a delightful one. As one reaches the higher points one can look down on the clouds which seem to fill the valleys beneath.

"Our mission station is on the outskirts of the town, and is well located. Brother Judmunsen from Norway, with his wife, has been here for some years, and he has done excellent work, not only in general missionary work, which has resulted in some good baptisms, but also in building and general industrial work. Our mission buildings here are very suitable indeed, and the grounds are being well cultivated. A few years ago it was barren and devoid of vegetation; now there are thousands of Eucalyptus and other trees growing all over the compound. Three good wells, one driven by wind pump, and the other two by the more primitive method of donkeys or oxen, provide the water, which is run in channels all over the plantation. Our school here is not large, perhaps in all thirty students, but the pupils are taught to work. Some learn saddlery, some agriculture and dairy work. You can see some in the kitchen garden, and some girls at the spinning and weaving work. Some make native baskets, and some get their tuition in the culinary department. They seem to be a very happy group. Altogether our believers in this colony number thirty-three, most of them having accepted the truth during the last two

years. The faithful seed-sowing on the part of several previous workers is now bearing fruit.

"Just over the border into Abyssinia, there is a remarkable interest in the truth. It extends over a large area and there are thousands of people who are groping towards the light. They have a tradition of the white missionary who is to come to teach them. Some of these people have visited our station in Osmara and accepted the truth. On their return to their villages they proclaimed their new-found message and now there are urgent calls pressing in on us, and many people calling for baptism. This is a remarkable opening and we ought to send in a missionary family as soon as possible to father the fruitage. It seems as though God is opening doors everywhere to-day. Places that hitherto were inaccessible can now be entered. We have surely come to the time of the latter rain. May God help us as a people to be faithful to our trust."



Discovering Indian America

Just the other day, while over in Santo Domingo, I stood before what I was told is the tomb of Christopher Columbus. It is really a magnificent structure of bronze; and the coloured lights in the cathedral lend it added beauty. Four bronze lions on marble pillars guard the resting place of the great discoverer, and as we stood around the tomb, a feeling of gratitude arose within my heart toward the man who, because he was brave enough and had vision enough to face the ridicule of men and the dangers of the deep, gave to mankind a new world.

To-day there lies before Christian people another undiscovered America. It is Indian America, the fringe of whose boundaries only have been touched by our missionaries. Truly, as the late Dr. Jordan says in his book, "Central American Indians and the Bible", "the unevangelized Indians of Latin America are a constant challenge to consecrated Christian youth." And we may well add, "to all Christian peoples." To-day there is a crying need for men and women who are brave enough to turn away from all other plans and give themselves unreservedly to the discovery of Indian America and the salvation of its lost millions.

As the missionaries in different places lift up their eyes upon the field, they find in the territory, stretching from northern Mexico down to the Guianas of South America, the greatest "Indian America" in the western hemisphere. Many have been amazed to learn from the best available statistics that in this territory live about twice as many Indians as are found in all other parts of the western hemisphere.

The peoples of this far flung territory have lived on its river banks, in its swamps, on its uplands and mountain sides through historical ages. Through the weary centuries they have known the bitter life of the conquered and enslaved. They have felt the cruel lash of the task-master. Their hearts have bled with anguish; their bones have bleached on the torrid plains; and their cry has ascended to the unknown God above them Who will one day avenge His own, and whose command to those who have found the way of deliverance is: "Go ye into all the world" to proclaim liberty to the captives.

To-day, like a huge giant stirring himself after a long sleep, this great mass of humanity is awaken-

ing. It is an unmistakable call for Christian workers to hasten to Indian America. "Give unto us also the bread of life!" is the cry that comes from the millions waiting in Indian America. As yet only a few of them have ever heard the Gospel story. The multitudes sit in absolute darkness. Many are still in a state of savagery, while some are said to be cannibals. Robbed of their country, despoiled, enslaved, their spirits crushed, their hearts broken by those who came to them under the guise of Christianity, they appeal, to-day, with outstretched hands for help.

Do not say this is all feverish imagination. You could not think that for a moment if you could read even some of the many calls that come to us from all quarters of the territory of which I speak. You would know something of the famine for truth that exists could you have looked into the faces of the two men over in Colombia who walked 270 miles, much of the time through hostile tribes, to find someone to teach them the story of salvation. On my desk lies the copy of a letter from the President of Honduras appealing to our missionaries to take up work among the Indians in that republic. Your doubts would be silenced if you could read it.

Come with me for a moment up into the interior of Panama and see the Teribi Indians wave good-bye to some native believers who visited their tribe. Hear them appeal for a missionary to come to live among them.

"Petego, petego, enshiti?" (good-bye, good-bye, till when?) they called as the visiting boat disappeared around a bend in the river. "Till God shall clear the way," called back a voice from the departing boat. And, friends, millions of Indians from the sturdy Yaquis in northern Mexico to the Hinterland Indians around Mt. Roriamá, British Guiana, are waiting for God to clear the way. Could you see the needs, the opportunities, and the results of the efforts already put forth, your heart, too, would bleed for the breaking of the day when God will clear the way for these waiting Indians to receive the bread of life.

One thing that makes their appeals especially pathetic and eloquent, is the Christian Indian himself. Despite the wearing grind of those many centuries of dark despair, the Indian Christian exhibits some of the finest characteristics known to man. Their clearness of vision of eternal truth, and their unflinching integrity in the face of death, are a constant challenge to all of us. There comes to mind the picture of a faithful old Indian woman who stood between our worker and his would-be assassin; of another who suffered in prison for the Saviour he had learned to love; of one who trudges on through the marshes with her soul-winning literature in spite of persecution and hardships; and of another who, standing face to face with death, said, "You may shoot me; but I cannot bear false witness against my brother." Snapshots such as these come to us frequently, ever reminding us that the people who are calling for help abundantly deserve our best efforts.

Many who live in lands where the influence of the Bible prevails almost forget the source of their blessings. They forget that it is the wonderful Gospel of Jesus Christ that has planted liberty, security, equality and tranquillity in the soil of their fair land. And as they forget God and wander far away from Him, these blessings of the Gospel are marred by greed, unrest and violence.

But, somehow, while men and women by thousands; throw away the priceless gift of eternal life, there is an awakening among the heathen such as has never before been known. How long shall they wait?—"Till God shall clear the way". But how is God going to clear the way? A few weeks ago I heard the plea of a splendid Indian worker over in Venezuela. He was appealing for help for the 500,000 Indians in the southwestern part of that great republic. In closing he said with much feeling: "Brethren, I should like to go and serve this people and, if need be, die among them." Do you not think he had found God's method of clearing the way for giving the Gospel to the great multitudes of Indian America? To-day is the day of opportunity. The Indians in Mexico, Guatemala, Salvador, Honduras, Nicaragua, Costa Rica, Panama, Colombia, Venezuela and the Guianas, are standing with outstretched hands before you; and God is calling for Christians who, like Columbus of the fifteenth century, will forget all else and carry to undiscovered Indian America the only Gospel that can save from sin.

And you who cannot go
Help with your gifts and prayer
Till in the earth made new
You in the spoils may share.

MATILDA E. ANDROSS.

At Rest

BREWER.—Arthur William Brewer, the beloved husband of Sister Brewer, one of our faithful deaconesses in Hull, passed away peacefully on May 24th in the Royal Infirmary, after an illness extending over fifteen weeks. The deceased, who was 65 years of age, leaves behind a large family, but they sorrow not as others who have no hope. Mr. Brewer witnessed a good confession some days before his death, speaking of his faith in Jesus as the Christ, his Creator and Redeemer, and expressing the hope of meeting his loved ones in the new earth, an unbroken family. At the funeral service held on Sabbath, May 28th, in the Western Cemetery, words of comfort were spoken by the writer from John 5:24 and 16:20. A. V. WARD.

BOWER.—Sister Bower fell asleep in Jesus on Thursday, June 2nd, at the age of 69 years. Our sister was baptized during the conference held at Derby in August 1926. She was of a very cheerful disposition, forward in every good work, and will be greatly missed by the believers both in Belper and Derby. We laid her to rest amidst the beautiful surroundings of the local cemetery on Tuesday, June 7th. Her husband and a large company of relatives and friends listened to God's word of comfort spoken by the writer. J. E. BELL.

SWAN.—On Monday morning, May 23rd, Sister Anna Swan passed away at the age of 81. Sister Swan accepted the truth under the ministry of Pastor W. Hutchinson, and was baptized January 8, 1899, becoming a member of the Belfast church. For some years she has been confined to bed, yet in spite of her illness has always been happy in the promises of the Lord, and, although not able to enjoy the fellowship of church services, has always rejoiced to hear of the advance of the message. Three daughters, their husbands and children, and two sons mourn their loss. A large number of relatives, friends and fellow members attended the funeral service which was conducted at the home by the writer, and at the graveside by Pastor R. White-side. W. J. YOUNG.

In Loving Memory

BOYCE.—In loving memory of Annie V. Boyce, (née Tapping), the beloved wife of H. E. Boyce, who died of dysentery contracted while in the Gold Coast, five days after her return to the home of her parents at 75 Oxford Road, Cambridge. June 13, 1926, age 21 years. "Sorrow's crown of sorrow is in remembering happier things." Mr. Boyce, who is now home, desires to thank all those who sent kind tokens of their sympathy twelve months ago.



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South British Conference Session

WE are writing at this time regarding our forthcoming conference session, which, we trust, will prove to be the best in our history. It is a great privilege to meet with hundreds of others of like precious faith from all parts of the field. We are hoping that this gathering will be a truly representative one, and that many of our members from Wales, and some from Ireland will be present, as well as a large number from the South England section.

Please remember the time of the conference: Friday, July 29th, to Tuesday, August 2nd. The first meeting will be at 4 p.m. on Friday, July 29th. It is imperative that as many of the delegates as possible be present at this meeting, as we plan then to select the various committees.

MEETING PLACE.

All the meetings of the conference session will be held (D.V.) in the Highbury Athenæum, Highbury New Park, London, N.5. The nearest stations to the Athenæum are: Canonbury, six minutes, and Highbury, 12 minutes walk. Both stations are served by the L.M.S. Railway (Broad Street) and by the Metropolitan (Moorgate Street). From Liverpool Street, walk to Broad Street, which is just a few steps away, and take train direct to Canonbury or Highgate. From Watford or Willesden, take train direct. From Waterloo or Charing Cross, travel by Underground, changing at Elephant and Castle and Moorgate. From Euston or King's Cross, travel by Underground train, changing at Old Street. From London Bridge, take Underground train, changing at Old Street. From Paddington, travel by Metropolitan, changing at Moorgate.

Tramcars marked *Manor House* (Finsbury Park), from Bloomsbury or Moorgate, and buses No. 20, 21 and 21a from London Bridge or the Bank, pass the Green Lanes end of Highbury New Park, about five minutes from the hall.

SELECTION OF DELEGATES.

Delegates should be selected by all our churches in South England, Wales and Ireland, and a list of same sent in to the conference office within the next two or three weeks. Every church is entitled to one delegate in view of its organization, and one additional delegate for every ten members; e.g. a church of twenty members will have three delegates, a church of thirty members four delegates, etc. According to our constitution, unorganized companies of believers and isolated members are represented by our executive committee.

ACCOMMODATION.

Will all who require accommodation during the conference, please write, giving full requirements, to Mr. J. G. Bevan, 45 Finsbury Park Road, London,

N.4. Kindly be as specific as possible, so as to avoid disappointment.

SPECIAL FEATURES.

We hope to have with us at this time Pastor L. H. Christian, and possibly others from the European Division; also our British Union Conference president, Pastor W. H. Meredith, and others from the union, as well as our local conference workers.

We are making arrangements for a baptismal service, also for the celebration of the ordinances in connexion with the conference. We should be glad to hear from those who desire baptism at this time, or who hope to take part in the ordinance service.

We are also planning for a missionary rally, a young people's demonstration, and a stone-laying service in connexion with the erection of the new North London church building.

GENERAL

Hot and cold drinks will be provided on Sabbath and Sunday, both at mid-day and at tea-time. Nurse Noakes has kindly consented to care for the children's room as on former occasions. Articles made by members of the North London church, and various other goods for sale in connexion with the building fund, will be exhibited.

A FINAL WORD.

Respecting large and representative gatherings of our members, we read in "Testimonies," Vol. 6, page 32: "They are to promote spiritual life among our people. . . . God has committed to our hands a most sacred work, and we need to meet together to receive instruction that we may be fitted to perform this work."

Shall we not plan, brethren and sisters, to make the most of this opportunity of gathering together in order to obtain the help and blessing we need to finish the work committed to us?

F. A. SPEARING.



How Much Shall We Give?

It is only three or four short years ago that the Mission Board of Seventh-Day Adventists was threatened with a situation as serious as any in the history of the movement. Men and women had left home and friends, at the call of the Master, to carry the Gospel to the ends of the earth, but the treasury was well-nigh empty. Not only was there no money for advance work; there was not enough to support the workers already in the field. What was to be done? Must the workers be recalled and invited to find other employment than that of preaching the message? When it seemed that this step was almost inevitable, the suggestion was made that all the conference workers sacrifice one week's pay, this suggestion was accepted by the workers throughout the

world. Not only conference workers, but many laymen as well, gave one week's wages for missions, and by this spirit of sacrifice—which is surely the spirit of Jesus—the crisis was averted.

So great a blessing did this Week of Sacrifice become to the cause at large, as well as to the workers themselves, that it was decided to follow the same plan every year. The date set for the British Union Conference for this year is July 2nd to 9th. We expect every worker in the British Union Conference will give his wage for that week to the cause of missions. And as in the past, doubtless many of our people will follow this lead. As this Week of Sacrifice takes the place of the midsummer offering, we invite every member to do his best to reach the 5/- mark suggested elsewhere. The more we give, the more can be accomplished in the cause of God, and the sooner the work will be finished. May He Who sacrificed so much for you bless you abundantly as you sacrifice something for Him.

F. A. SPEARING.

Bright News from Brighton

SEVERAL weeks have elapsed since the publication of the last report concerning the progress of the work in this corner of the Lord's vineyard. Doubtless the WORKER family will be interested to hear of our recent experiences.

Two months ago, under the title of "Michael and the Dragon", Pastor Hyde presented the Sabbath question to a large congregation of interested people. The subject was presented in such a manner that no possible question of doubt could arise in the minds of any of the hearers.

Since that time we have been holding Sabbath afternoon services for those who have become interested, and week after week these meetings are being attended by people who are deeply anxious to understand fully the truth for these last days. Several of the congregation have already started keeping the Sabbath, and others are on the point of decision.

Our workers are having many blessed experiences with the people as they visit them in their homes. It gives us great joy to see the eager way that many of these dear souls listen to the Word of Life.

Letters of appreciation come in from time to time from members of the congregation. One regular attender writes:

"I have been favourably impressed with the addresses I have heard given by the pastor, and I earnestly hope and pray that the abundant benedictions of the Most High may rest upon his labours, and those associated with him." Another writes: "I have greatly enjoyed this evening's service. May God bless your work".

We are glad to receive these messages of cheer, and we give all the praise to our heavenly Father, and thank Him for the help He gives to us. The work is not easy down here, but we are all of good courage. During the past few weeks the enemy of souls has sought to undermine the work that has been done, but his efforts have been unsuccessful. We are confident that the seeds of truth that have been sown are falling into good ground, and we hope that in the near future Brighton will be able to tell of good results attained.

R. A. FREETH.



North British Conference

President: A. E. Bacon

Week of Sacrifice

JUST a few lines to remind our members of the coming Week of Sacrifice, which now takes the place of the old midsummer offering. On July 2nd the Home Missionary Programme for that Sabbath deals specifically with this topic. On that day, all our members should receive one of the new tithe envelopes, on which provision is made for this offering which is taken up on the 9th of July. Our workers, both in the conferences and institutions, are invited to give one week's wage. This is the plan that is followed throughout the world, and we esteem it a privilege to fall into line with our brethren and sisters around the circle of the earth in making this contribution to the Lord's work. We invite our members, as far as possible, to join with us in this worthy cause. We recognize, however, that with some so large a gift will not be possible, and we would like to suggest that those who find themselves unable to join with the labourers in giving one week's wage, endeavour to make the offering on July 9th not less than 5/- per head. In responding to this earnest appeal on behalf of our great world-wide missionary endeavour, we would invite every member to give as they would should our dear Saviour's own pierced hands be literally extended to them for acceptance of their gifts.

ALFRED E. BACON.

Advance in the Tyne Valley

A SUCCESSFUL effort, which commenced January 9, 1927, has been held in Gateshead. Our only method of advertisement has been the exaltation of Christ in our meetings, and it was with this thought in mind that we chose as our first subject, "The God-Man". At this meeting there was an attendance of 1,500, and numbers were turned away.

The attendance gradually thinned, however, as the straight testimony concerning sin and its only remedy was given, but at the same time many sent up written appreciations of the message week by week.

By the thirteenth meeting, when the "Mark of the Beast" was presented, 750 were present, and the following Sunday night a transfer was made to a smaller hall, which was packed with about four hundred people. Since then we have been concentrating on the task of bringing out Sabbath-keepers.

At present we have about 150 in attendance at our Sunday evening meetings, sixty at mid-week, fifty on Sabbath afternoon, and twenty-five at Sabbath-school at 11 a.m. These figures do not include any local membership.

Our reading list began large and almost reached the 1,000 mark in a few weeks, so that it was necessary to call for additional help. Brother J. Simms and Sister Casey could not, alone, cope with all the names. Sisters Donaldson and Basher were, there-

fore, sent to us, and these have been an invaluable band of workers. Our present reading list is 300, the most of whom are taking the "Present Truth".

Our prospects are as good if not better than the effort at Newcastle last year, which produced over fifty Sabbath-keepers (forty-seven of which have been added to the church, and others are awaiting baptism). Converts are coming over to us from Christian Science, Spiritism, Roman Catholicism and other delusive doctrines.

Unemployment is rife and the Sabbath truth is a severe test to those who are fortunate enough to have a position, yet noble sacrifices are being made, and deep convictions are being manifested.

Numbers have instinctively given up attending cinemas, card parties, theatres, and have broken with strong drink, tobacco and other harmful indulgences.

We are thankful to God for the presence of His Spirit at our meetings and in our work, and we look forward within a few months to receiving by baptism a large harvest of firstfruits in the town of Gateshead, where a church should be organized before the end of the present year. F. C. BAILEY.



Liverpool

OUR latest venture in evangelistic endeavour commenced about four and a half months ago but, owing to a large cut in our budget, was brought to a speedy and sudden conclusion.

The nearest hall for follow up work being situated too far away from our present place of assembly, it was deemed expedient, in the interests of the local church, to labour in the immediate vicinity of the effort which was held last year. This made the fifth occasion on which such an effort had been conducted in that district.

Owing to prejudice against our movement and partiality for the Roman Catholic Church, we were disappointed in our hope of securing a suitable cinema, and were compelled to rent one twice the size of that required.

It will be of interest to our readers to learn that every third person one meets in Liverpool is a Roman Catholic, and in some districts the proportion is even higher. In one district the Roman Catholics outnumber the Protestants. One must admire the zeal of this church and envy their success. Already they are boasting that Liverpool does homage to Rome. They now have in hand the project of building a cathedral here. £30,000 has been raised and it is expected that the remaining million will come in as the work of building proceeds.

No local chapel ever becomes vacant but it falls into the hands of a committee appointed by the Catholic Church to keep an eye on the property market, and owing to their floodlike encroachments the Established Church has decided to close twelve of their places of worship in the near future, demolish the buildings and dispose of the sites.

Very few Catholics have attended our lectures, yet we are glad to say that one or two have embraced the truth. The latest potential recruit is a man who declined from the Roman persuasion some years ago and read himself into the observance of the true Sabbath.

The number attending the opening service was only 300. This gradually increased to 800, and then

declined again when the Sabbath had been presented. Last year thirty-two persons were added to our membership at Liverpool and one at Southport. Eight of these were by the independent labours of Brother Reeves and Nurse Handysides, who have assisted the writer in the efforts reported here. We have immediate prospects of a further baptism, but not so large as last year.

Some pleasing features to be noted in our work are our largely increased gatherings on Sabbaths and Sundays, the great progress made in the Sabbath-school under the able leadership of Brother Hatton, the large increase in tithes and offerings, and a record collection (for the Union) in Sabbath-school offerings.

A. S. RODD.



Firstfruits at Glasgow

SABBATH, May 28th, was indeed a happy day for the workers and churchmembers at Glasgow.

In the presence of at least two hundred friends, twenty-eight new converts passed through the waters of baptism, the ordinance being conducted by Pastor Maudsley. These, with four others by vote, were received into church fellowship, and thus thirty-two were added to the church roll as the first fruits of the campaign still progressing in the second city of the Empire.

Among this number there were eight men, and the way in which some of these brethren have been able to retain their positions while observing the Lord's Sabbath is really miraculous.

All who witnessed the baptismal service were greatly impressed with the solemnity and sacredness of the occasion.

We were able to secure the Adelaide Place Baptist church for this service. This is the largest Baptist church in the city, and the second largest in Scotland, conveniently situated right in the centre, just a short distance from the place of our public meetings.

That a splendid impression was left upon the friends of this church is indicated by the fact that the writer was assured that this magnificent church would be available for a similar service at any time. The WORKER family will be delighted to know that there are excellent prospects of our availing ourselves of this offer at least twice before the year closes.

Pastor Meredith's most spiritual and timely address to the candidates, and his earnest appeal to all present for a higher Christian experience, will long be remembered.

The music from the fine pipe organ also added dignity to the service.

That such a service was possible so early in the campaign, is due to the yeoman service of our faithful Bible-workers, Miss Archibald, Miss Robertson and Miss Himsworth.

We have greatly missed the services of Miss Clarke during the past two months owing to sickness.

We cannot close without assuring our WORKER friends of the many manifestations of answered prayer enjoyed, and requesting a further interest in their devotions for these dear souls already won, and for the many others for whom we are working.

G. D. KING.



THE MINISTRY OF THE LITERATURE

Grandfather Would Like It

ONE young lady bought "Bedtime Stories" for her grandfather, who is *NINETY-FOUR* years old. She said it was just what he liked, and that he would enjoy reading it.

The Book that Roused Enthusiasm

BROTHER J. E. DAVEY writes: "One young man, though already in possession of three guinea books on Bible reading, was so enthusiastic about our 'Bible Readings' that he paid cash in advance."

When He Spoke at the Christian Endeavour Meeting

"I WOULD just like to relate a pleasant experience at Northallerton," writes Brother A. Reeve. "I attended a Christian Endeavour meeting at the Baptist church, and was given an invitation to speak. I thought this would be a fine opportunity to introduce the literature I was circulating, and conveyed to them the chapter on 'The Privilege of Prayer' from 'Steps to Christ'. At the close two of the members desired that I should bring them a copy of the book, and another member gave me two orders for 'Desire of Ages'."

Did the Colporteur Regret Calling at the Estate?

BROTHER ALBERT SMITH, who is doing colporteur work on the west of Scotland with "Bible Readings", has had a remarkably successful week, taking orders to the value of £30. He is having an excellent experience, and has sold books to one or two people of much note in the countryside. Among those who purchased the book were Lady Mackie and Colonel Campbell of Kilbery Castle.

On visiting Lady Mackie's residence, Brother Smith was told it was impossible to see her as she was resting. He was, however, able to interview her secretary, and explained to her the object of his call.

After showing his prospectus and pointing out the good features of the work, the secretary exclaimed, "What a splendid book! If you will wait a few minutes I will show the prospectus to Lady Mackie." She left the room, and to Brother Smith's great pleasure returned after a while with Lady Mackie's order for two copies.

The colporteur left rejoicing, and before leaving the estate had secured orders for four additional copies. Surely the Lord works for His servants.

Waiting for the Book

"I CALLED at a rather shabby-looking house," writes a colporteur, "thinking I should possibly be able to sell a shilling book there. As usual, however, I started canvassing for 'Bible Readings,' and had a pleasant surprise. The lady exclaimed, 'Oh yes, I have heard about your good book,' and before I could get half-way through the canvass, she said, 'Yes, I know. How much is it?' I at once turned

to the leather binding, as is usual, and said: 'This is the very best. Thirty-two-and-six.' To my surprise she said, 'Bring me the best. It's just the thing for my children. I was wondering if you had missed me.'

"Certainly I was lacking in faith, but I do thank the Lord for such an experience."

Educational Secretary Recommends Young People to Enter the Colporteur Field

"It has always seemed to me that so far as possible all our young people should have experience in the colporteur field. There may be reasons for a few to be excepted, but they should be very few. We are gradually coming to a place in our denominational work where all workers should be able to handle our literature. The minister or teacher or worker in other lines, who is unable to meet people, present our truth-filled literature, secure subscriptions and sell books, will find himself unable to lead in the strong way demanded at this time. Therefore, I believe that the teachers in our schools should do their utmost to encourage all the young people to enter the colporteur field, and secure definite, practical experience in selling the best literature in all the world."—*S. L. Frost, Educational Secretary for the Far Eastern Division.*

"Lord, Save Me!"

"I HAVE done all this district with 'Christ Our Saviour'," says Sister Parry, "and have had good success. It is a book which will be purchased by anyone who has the money. I sold one copy to an infidel farmer, who, though he said the book would be useless to himself, explained, 'It might do my children good.' " Another copy was given to a soldier by his aunt, and Sister Parry was greatly encouraged to hear that he kept the book by him even when dying.

A farmer who was in great mental distress had asked his wife to put him in the asylum, as he was sure he would commit suicide some day in the distraction of his mind. Strange to say, one morning he noticed on his couch a copy of our book, "Christ Our Saviour". His attention was arrested by the picture of Christ stretching out His hands to save Peter from sinking beneath the angry waves. The disciple's cry, "Lord, save me", found an immediate echo in the farmer's mind and he, too, found peace and help in Jesus.

"Wherever that book has been sold it has proved a blessing in the homes," concludes Sister Parry. "It has saved whole families."

Benefisms

HOW TO ENSURE A POOR DELIVERY.

"I CAN bring you *one* on the 15th, Mrs. So-and-so."

THE BETTER WAY TO SAY IT.

"I am bringing *them all together* about the 15th. That will suit you. Certainly."

Then laugh. Just so.

JOHN BENEFIELD.

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THE contract for the building of the new church in North London was signed on June 24th. One clause in the contract calls for the completion of the building within eight months, so that this fine edifice should be ready for occupation by the end of February, 1928.

BROTHER J. HOWARD, who has been doing such excellent work in the editorial department of the Stanborough Press, especially in connexion with the Children's Pages of "Present Truth", has been called to take up the Home Missionary Secretaryship of the North British Conference. We are more than sorry to lose his services from the Press, but wish him success in his new field of labour. The change becomes effective from July 1st.

MANY good reports are coming in from the student colporteurs. Already four young men are half way towards a scholarship, Brethren Heppenstall (£58), Edwards (£55), Allen (£54) and Johnston (45). Brother Heppenstall's report for June 17th was £25, the highest so far this summer. For that same week eighteen reported sales from £5 upwards, twelve being over £10.

IT will be remembered that in our last issue we announced that a sister had offered to give £10 for the work in Abyssinia if nine others would do the same. Already £15 has been received. If others would like to do anything in the matter, they can write to their local conference office.

BRETHREN JOYCE and BENEFIELD will be in Scotland for some time helping regular and student colporteurs and endeavouring to train new recruits. All who would like to avail themselves of this assistance, please communicate either with Pastor Maudsley or direct with the Stanborough Press.

A CABLE from Kenya Colony has just brought us the news of the arrival of a son to Pastor and Mrs. Spencer G. Maxwell. It's too bad to tell tales on one's big brother, but there, he's at a safe distance anyhow!

BROTHER and SISTER J. G. BEVAN, now working in Southend, have been made happy by the arrival of a baby girl on June 17th. We voice the hearty congratulations of their many friends.

PASTOR W. E. READ arrived in Watford, Thursday, June 23rd, and preached in the Stanborough Park church on the following Sabbath morning, giving a most interesting description of his recent travels in the Near East and Abyssinia. On Wednesday, the 29th, he sailed from Edinburgh for Iceland.

A Request

MAY we once more remind our friends in the field of the desirability of sending treasury notes by registered post. Also that post office compensation is limited to £5 unless extra postage is paid when the packet is registered. TREASURY DEPT.



Glasgow Meeting Place

WILL visiting friends kindly notice that until further notice our church services will be held in St. Andrews Halls on Sabbaths 10.30-12.30 a.m., 3.30-4.30 p.m. and in the McLellan Galleries on Sundays at 7 p.m. and not in Partick.

W. MAUDSLEY.

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SISTERS ROBERTSON and FLEMING, having newly opened a Rest Home at "Rockshill", Moffat, Dumfries, respectfully invite members and friends to spend a few days or more with them. Terms very reasonable. Meatless diet.

SUNSET CALENDAR

	LONDON	EDINBURGH	CARDIFF	NOTTINGHAM
July 8th	9.17	9.57	9.30	9.29
July 15th	9.12	9.49	9.24	9.23