

# The MISSIONARY WORKER

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## THE BIG LIFT!

By J. HARKER

At no time during the year is there so much concentrated effort put forth by Seventh-Day Adventists in raising funds for the work in heathen countries as during the Harvest Ingathering campaign. For comprehensiveness, activity and general results, there is, perhaps, nothing like it connected with any single missionary organization in the world. Saying this does not imply that we are fully satisfied with what has been accomplished in the Ingathering effort from year to year. Far from it. We realize, perhaps, only about half of our possibilities. The campaign organization, the methods employed, as well as the individual relationship, all come in for a share of the responsibility. Nevertheless, it is our greatest and most potent single effort in our yearly programme. Truly it can be described as "The Big Lift for Missions", and shall we not make it the biggest and best for the British Union this year?

Here are some suggestions which, if acted upon, with the blessing of the Lord may go a long way towards making the 1927 campaign the very best in our twelve years' experience in this line of work.

1. Have faith in the "Appeal for Missions" plan. Do not regard it merely as a bit of home missionary propaganda—something to get the people busy. It is a method of advancing the cause of truth in

which the Spirit of God and the angels delight to co-operate with us. Brother Spicer, the president of the General Conference, says, "With grateful hearts we recognize that God stretched forth His arm of might in leading the advent people into the Harvest Ingathering work. . . . It is extending our work into every dark land on earth. Pray for another year of success and blessings upon the believers who go out ingathering for Christ, as well as upon the people who give."

2. Seek God daily for grace to maintain the upward look. Remember we are not to go to the people with the idea of securing their gifts on a charity basis. Let us rather bring to them a bright, cheerful experience, a message of courage and hope, and a story of things done in the name of God which will inspire their confidence in the work we are endeavouring to do. Having discharged our part of the responsibility, we leave it with those whom we seek to help as to whether they support such a work or

not. Many, we believe, will be gladdened in heart and revived in spirit, as the continuing evidences of the mighty power of God are made known to them. Souls everywhere are longing for some sign of progress in divine things.

3. Become better informed, inspired, and more keenly alive on the wonderful advancement which the cause



of truth is making everywhere. The Lord, through Isaiah, says to us to-day: "Lift up thine eyes round about and see: all they gather themselves together; they come to thee; thy sons shall come from far and thy daughters shall be nursed at thy side. Then thou shalt see and flow together, and thine heart shall thrill and be enlarged because the abundance of the sea shall be converted unto thee, the riches of the Gentiles shall come unto thee." Isa. 60:4, 5 (margin). This thrilling and enlarging of heart is what we need perhaps more than anything else. May God help us to see all that is happening in connexion with the closing message, so that when we meet the people we shall be able to tell them something of what God is doing among the heathen.

4. Let those who have the ability and a burden from God for the work, seek out the people in the higher walks of life, and give them an opportunity to hear and give. Sister White, speaking as far back as 1895 says on this point: "We should become ac-

quainted with men in high places. By exercising the wisdom of the serpent and the harmlessness of the dove, we might obtain advantage from them, for God would move upon their minds to do many things in behalf of His people. If proper persons would set before those who have means and influence the needs of the work of God in a proper light these men might do much to advance the cause of God in the world. We have put away from us privileges and advantages that we might have had the benefit of because we chose to stand independent of the world." "Testimonies to Ministers," pp. 197, 198.

Then shall we not all seek the preparation necessary for a successful campaign and make a good beginning on Sunday, August 28th. This should be a day of united effort in every church. Following this let definite time be set aside each week for visiting the people and securing funds, until the task is accomplished.



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### Twenty-Fifth Annual Session of the South British Conference

#### President's Report

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1926.

THE year 1926 will long be remembered as one of the most trying periods in the history of our nation during recent times. The General strike and the prolonged dispute in the coal fields have left their mark in the poverty, hardship and want which are to be seen in many parts of the country; in the embittered feeling which exists between master and man in the coal industry; and in the serious setback the country has sustained in her trade relationships with other nations.

As we think of these tragic happenings, we are reminded that they are a fulfilment of the prediction of our Lord, recorded in Luke 21:25, 26:

"There shall be signs . . . upon the earth distress of nations with perplexity . . . men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth."

These conditions in the industrial life of the nation of necessity have their effect upon the cause of God, especially in the matter of tithes and offerings, but the God of heaven has a care for His work, and can overrule all things for good. And while we pray for a return to normal conditions, yet we realize that the time must soon come for the fulfilment of the statement in the Spirit of prophecy that "the work which the church has failed to do in a time of peace and prosperity, she will have to do in a terrible crisis, under most discouraging, forbidding circumstances."—"Great Controversy," p. 603.

It is with a sad heart that we recall the loss by death of our dear Sister Quibell. At a time when

she was working hard and faithfully for the cause of truth, she was laid to rest, and with the countless throng of the redeemed of all ages, our sister awaits the call of the Life-giver.

While most of our workers enjoyed a fair measure of health during the year, some fell ill, and three or four are on sick leave at the present time. Should we not pray that all of these may be restored to health again? And as we pray for these conference workers, let us also remember the many dear brethren and sisters scattered throughout the field, who also are lying on beds of sickness. May the healing hand of the Great Physician be laid upon them that they may enjoy once more the priceless gift of health and strength.

#### TERRITORY.

The South British Conference comprises twenty-two counties in South England, from Cornwall to Norfolk, the principality of Wales, with the three adjoining English counties, the Irish Free State and Northern Ireland, and has a total population of between twenty-three and twenty-four millions.

In almost all these twenty-two counties of South England there are representatives of our movement, but not more than one half of them have organized churches. The membership in Wales is to be found chiefly in the south-eastern section, and that of Ireland in the north-east, which means that large areas in both these countries have yet to be reached. The problem in Ireland, where the large majority of the people are Roman Catholics, is especially serious. We trust that the Lord will lay the burden of the work in that country on the hearts of some efficient, God-fearing brethren and sisters, and that means will be forthcoming to enable them to proclaim the message of salvation.

*South England Section.*

The membership in South England has grown from 1,535 in 1922 to 2,121 on December 31, 1926, a net increase for the period of 586, and an average yearly net gain of 146. Twenty of the twenty-six churches in this section show an increase. The small companies remain more or less where they were, but the isolated list has increased 75%.

During the past year, 290 names were added—231 of them being new members—and 146 dropped, 67 by apostasy, 25 by death, and 54 by letter.

*Welsh Section.*

The Welsh Section shows a decrease in membership of five over the same period, but an increase of two for the year 1926. We are glad to be able to add that the prospects are bright for a large gain for 1927. The membership in Wales on December 31, 1926, was 376.

*Irish Section.*

Ireland, also, unfortunately, shows a loss in membership for the period 1922-6, the decrease being 38, but, like Wales, there is an increase of two for the twelve months. At the beginning of this year, the figure was 149. The fact that round about the throne of God was seen a rainbow of promise, in sight like unto an emerald, should fill the hearts of our members in the Emerald Isle with hope and courage. Surely brighter days are in store for Ireland.

*South Britain.*

The total membership for the conference stands at 2,646 as compared with 2,498 a year ago, so that the net gain for the whole field is 148. We are grateful to God for this increase, for it means that so many precious souls have been born into the kingdom of God as a result of the faithful labours of our ministers, Bible-workers, colporteurs and lay-members. May the year 1927 be even more fruitful in soul-winning.

## OUR FINANCES.

*The Tithe.*

The tithe in the three sections of our field for the past five years was as follows:

	1922	1923	1924	1925	1926
S. England	£10005	10778	11283	12079	12067
Wales	£2204	1993	1920	1730	1599
Ireland	£804	829	738	679	759
S. Britain	£13013	13600	13941	14488	14425

These figures show an average yearly gain in South England of £691 for three years, then a drop of £12 for the last year. Ireland and Wales are worse off than they were four years ago. The drop in South England, though small, is very serious, as we budgeted for an increase. With a great deal of anxiety, we have watched the reports from month to month during the first half of this year, hoping to see an improvement, but unfortunately, the situation

is rather worse than it was. South England shows a loss of £343, and Wales a loss of £16. Ireland has an increase of £115, which brings the decrease for the whole conference down to £246. Seeing that we report an increase in membership, and a decrease in tithe, it is obvious that the tithe per capita is much lower than it should be. The per capita in South England is only £5. 13s. 9d. as compared with £6. 2s. 3d. a year ago, and the Welsh per capita has dropped from £4. 12s. 7d. to £4. 5s. 1d. Ireland shows an increase in per capita from £4. 12s. 5d. to £5 2s.; but this increase can be accounted for.

Undoubtedly the financial depression which still prevails in some parts of the country accounts for much of the loss in tithe, and the drop in per capita, but we believe the remedy of the situation lies in our hands to a very large extent. Many years ago, this message came to the people of God:

"The work has been widening and strengthening until there is means enough in the hands of believers amply to sustain the work in all its departments without embarrassing any, if all would bear their proportional part. The cause of God need not be crippled in the slightest degree."—*"Testimonies," Vol. 3, p. 410.*

Do not these words apply to-day? Shall we not all, as members of the church of God, do our part to support the cause by returning to the Lord His tithe?

*Mission Offerings.*

The total mission offerings in South England, Wales and Ireland for the past five years were as follows:

	1922	1923	1924	1925	1926
S. England	£7016	6272	6419	7168	7234
Wales	£1369	1361	1198	1137	911
Ireland	£575	547	541	595	600
S. Britain	£8962	8181	8159	8902	8745

We should like to report a gain in each section from year to year, but this is hardly to be expected when we think of the drop in the income of the conference. We feel deeply grateful to God for what has been accomplished in the work of raising these funds for missions. It is gratifying to note that for every £1 of our tithe used in this field, 16/- is raised in mission offerings. Or, including the 10% of our tithe which is used for foreign mission work, we send to the regions beyond 19/- for every £1 we use in the homeland.

While this is true, it is only right to say that the amount of our tithe used in this field is supplemented from year to year by a grant from the European Division of the General Conference. Indeed, were it not for this grant, it would be impossible for us to carry on extensive evangelistic work. We therefore desire to place on record our grateful thanks to our brethren of the European Division for the substantial help so kindly given.

*Local Funds.*

May we call attention for a moment to certain funds which are used within the borders of the conference. The Good Samaritan Fund amounted to £20 last year, as compared with £22 for 1925. This



sum is altogether too small to meet our needs. What can we do to augment it?

The Conference Students' Aid fund is worthy of support. Contributions to this fund are gratefully accepted.

The Endowed Bed fund has helped many of our sick members to get well, but much more can be done if all our people help. The collection has already been taken for this year, yet we have in hand at the moment about £5. If anyone is able to help in this matter, we shall be glad.

The MISSIONARY WORKER collection for 1926 amounted to £61, while the expense to the conference is £152. We are glad we have such a live church magazine which keeps our people in touch with the movement.

#### OUR DEPARTMENTS.

Hardly more than a word or two need be said in this report about our departments, as the secretaries will present their own reports. We are glad to say that the brethren who served us so efficiently in the various departments a year ago are still with us, though one of them, Brother Belton, is working in a somewhat different relationship than formerly. The staff of office workers who labour faithfully behind the scenes, also is unchanged.

#### THE SABBATH-SCHOOL.

Twelve months ago we were able to state that the Sabbath-school membership had "more than kept pace with the membership of the church". We regret that we are unable to repeat this statement. Whereas a year ago there were 257 more in the Sabbath-school than in the church, this year there are only twelve more. Surely every member of the church, as well as our unbaptized children and youth, should be a member of the Sabbath-school. Let us not rest till we have accomplished this aim.

That the Sabbath-school is a soul-winning agency is evident from the fact that 118 members of the Sabbath-school were baptized during 1926, an increase of 16 over the previous year.

The Sabbath-school offerings for 1926, including the Thirteenth Sabbath gifts, exceeded those of 1925 by just £5, which is very encouraging in view of all the circumstances.

#### MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER DEPARTMENT.

We are glad to report that there are now 39 young people's societies, with 815 members, as compared with 36 societies and 754 members in 1925. The young people's offering to missions was £128 in 1926, £20 less than the previous year.

#### HOME MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT.

This department, like the Sabbath-school, takes in not only our children and youth, but every adult member as well. Much soul-saving work has been done by our members in connexion with the various campaigns. £4,347 was obtained in the Harvest Ingathering, a drop of £187, and £236 in the Big Week Campaign, which was £46 less than in 1925.

#### FIELD MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT.

The report of book and periodical sales for 1926 reached the fine total of £1,753, an increase of £1,681 over 1925. Taking the subscription books alone, the figures are even better:

1926	£10,260
1925	£8,242
Increase	£2,018

Two thousand pounds more of Gospel literature! Who would deny that our press is an evangelizing agency or that our colporteurs are doing evangelistic work?

#### OTHER DEPARTMENTS.

The educational and medical departments are on a somewhat different footing from the rest, in that the conference is not in a position to employ secretaries for them. They are nevertheless as important as the others. All should understand the principles of Christian education and all should know the laws of healthful living. We hope to be able to give these two phases of our work the attention they deserve.

#### THE NORTH LONDON CHURCH BUILDING.

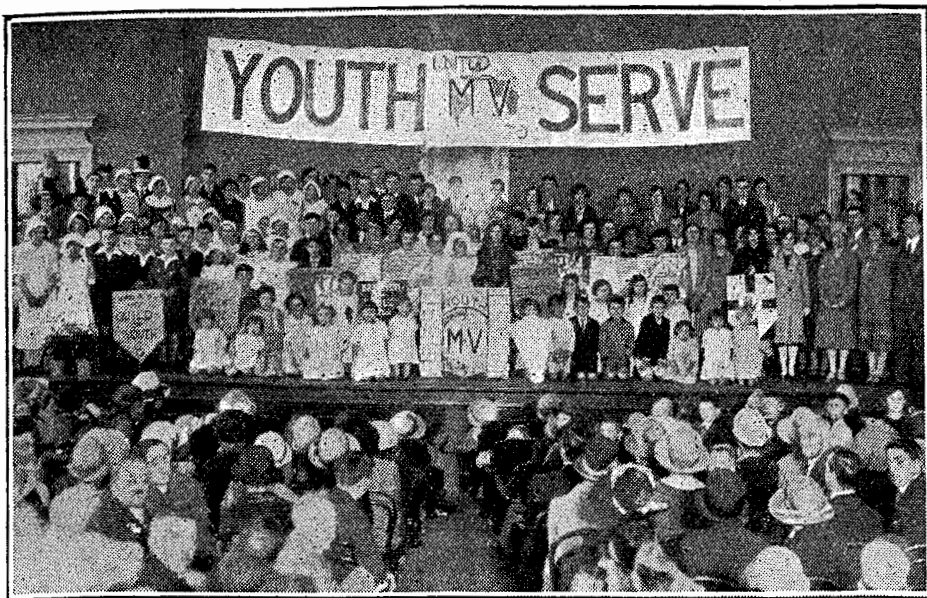
Twelve months ago we were able to announce that the General Conference committee had appointed three members to counsel with us regarding the proposed new church building. The commission, which was composed of Pastors W. A. Spicer, C. K. Meyers, and J. L. Shaw, president, secretary and treasurer of the General Conference, has done its work. Thanks to the generosity of the General Conference, and the British Union Conference, and of our members in North London and elsewhere, we are able to state that the site has been acquired for the church, and the building is actually being erected. Within eight months we expect to dedicate this new building to the Lord, to be used in His service.

Most of the money for this building is in sight, but we need upwards of £1,000. Who will help us to raise this sum? We cannot all lay a foundation stone, but we can all have a brick in the building. Shall we not all do our best to raise the desired amount quickly, so that when dedication day comes, there will be no debt?

#### CONCLUSION.

Our report has had to do with past achievements, What shall we say of the future? We believe that this year will prove as successful as last. Already many have been baptized as a result of the various efforts. But we want to see a much larger work accomplished for the Master. Are we not living in the time of the latter rain? And ought we not to pray and long for the infilling of the Holy Spirit in full measure, so that much more may be accomplished through us? Let us as conference workers and churchmembers buckle on the armour of light, and go forth in the service of our King, not ceasing the fight until the victory is won, and He whose right it is to reign, comes with the clouds of heaven, in power and great glory. May we all be ready for Him in that day!

F. A. SPEARING.



*Missionary Volunteer Rally at the South British Conference.*

## Departmental Report for the Year 1926

THE three departments—the Sabbath-school, Home Missionary and Missionary Volunteer—are responsible in a large degree for the instructing, training and directing of 2,650 churchmembers. Of that number 500 are young people. In addition we have 450 children under the age of fourteen, making a grand total of 3,100. This great army needs to be carefully and definitely instructed in the Word of God and in the message that we have to give to the world. Such instruction is provided for by the various departments.

### SABBATH-SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

In the Sabbath-schools—now 63 in number—we have set for our aim: “Every churchmember in the Sabbath-school and every Sabbath-school member studying his lesson daily.” We are happy to report good progress through the year. In 1922 we had 2,143 Sabbath-school members, in 1924, 2,417, and in 1926, 2,697. The missing members are steadily decreasing. 1,271 of the members made a perfect record for at least one quarter and 111 made a perfect record for a whole year. This includes both daily study of the lesson and regular attendance at Sabbath-school. We report with joy that 118 Sabbath-school members were baptized during the year.

The offerings for missions also show that our members are loyally supporting the world-wide work. There has been steady progress year by year and our goal of £3,000 for 1926 was passed by £11. This is most gratifying considering the conditions that our country faced throughout the year. The Sabbath-school offerings represent 34½% of the total offerings for missions, and the chart shows that 6/11 out of every pound came through the Sabbath-school channel. The Thirteenth Sabbath offerings which represent the four odd Sabbaths of the year, brought in the splendid sum of £851, an average of £213 for each Sabbath. These offerings go to a specific mission field and the following benefited during 1926:

£212 for South and East Brazil  
£194 for N.E. and N.W. India  
£182 for landing the 1926 recruits and  
£263 for China.

The last-named offering represents the largest single Thirteenth Sabbath offering ever reported for this conference.

The Birthday offerings for the year amounted to £14. 10s., and the Home Department offerings (from those who cannot regularly attend Sabbath-school) to £348.

### HOME MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT.

The Home Missionary Department has an average reporting membership of 800. Of that number 75 are engaged in Bible work, 75 in medical and Christian help work and 247 in literature work. Through the combined efforts of these lay members 187,000 papers were distributed, 62,000 tracts, 10,000 books, 1,700 Bible studies were given and 10,000 missionary visits were made. Naturally such earnest effort on the part of our members results in souls won to the truth and we are able to report from 45 to 50 who were definitely led to accept this message through their untiring service.

Despite the fact that the General Strike commenced during the time of our Big Week campaign a grand total of £236 was received, only £47 less than the previous year, and for this present year, 1927, we are able to show an increase of £28.

The greatest achievement of the year was the Harvest Ingathering Campaign, and once again we were able to report a glorious victory. Through the noble efforts of some 1,800 collectors, who rendered voluntary service in gathering funds from the public for world-wide missions, we were able to pass our goal of £4,200 by £148. The full amount collected was £4,348 or an average of £2. 8s. 4d. for each collector. Taking into account our full church-membership of 2,542, the average per member was £1 14s. 3d. It will therefore be seen that an increase of collectors would greatly help both in the amount collected and especially in the duration of the campaign period. We appeal for an increased number of volunteers for our forthcoming 1927 campaign.

It should be remembered that Ireland comes top in the amount per member, having collected £296, an average of £2. 0s. 9d. South England comes next with £3,624 or an average of £1. 15s. 8d., per member, and Wales gallantly holds its own in spite of strikes and general trade depression, with £428, an average of £1. 3s. 5d., per member—Well done Wales!

Twenty-eight churches in the South British Conference passed the goal of £2 per member.

The chart shows how the departmental activities care for the needs of the mission fields, in addition to the splendid work accomplished through our members in the homeland.

### THE MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER DEPARTMENT.

The Missionary Volunteer Department which cares for the young people and children, commenced the year with an enrolment of 754 members. This number was increased during the year to 859.

These have been kept busy with the various plans for the building up of the young life.

Three hundred and fifty missionary volunteers were reported as active workers and through their efforts 41,000 papers were circulated in addition to 17,000 tracts and 2,300 books, 2,500 missionary calls were made, 250 Bible studies given and 13,000 hours spent in Christian help work.

Forty-eight young people sat for the Standard of Attainment examination and twenty-four of these passed with honours. Two completed the full course and received certificates. It will also be interesting to note that some fifty star card certificates were issued to the children for reciting from memory the Lord's Prayer, the 23rd Psalm, the Beatitudes, the Ten Commandments and the books of the Bible. The young people's societies also contributed the splendid sum of £128 for opening up the work in Liberia, West Africa. During the Harvest Ingathering the young people devoted their energies to gathering in money, with the result that £650 was collected. This was an increase of £200 over the previous year.

Steady follow-up work has been given on behalf of our youth, and it has been a great joy to see 35-40 young people go forward in baptism. Truly evangelistic effort on behalf of our own youth brings results and we believe that with more careful attention to the young people and their needs, many more will be saved to the cause. When making up our report for June of this present year, 1927, we were greatly encouraged to see a total enrolment of 948 as missionary volunteers. We fully expect to reach the 1,000 membership mark by the end of this year.

We venture to suggest that by giving more diligent thought and attention to the needs of this great army of young people and children, we shall help to solve the problem that confronts our work in this country, of building up and increasing the church-membership.

In closing this report we wish to express our thanks to the conference workers, not forgetting those at headquarters, and the officers in the local churches, for their splendid co-operation with us in the various departments of our work.

Let us unite together for still further advancement during 1927.

F. W. GOODALL.



### Colporteur Report

In the short space available we can present only a few outstanding features of the work done by our colporteurs during 1926, but these few points will, we believe, show that the principle of taking the message to the people where they live, and leaving carefully prepared reading matter in their hands, is one that becomes more important as the years go by.

#### SUBSCRIPTION BOOKS.

We are thankful to record a gain of more than £2,000 in the sale of subscription books over 1925. The actual figures are interesting—£10,260 in 1926 against £8,242 during the previous year.

This is a most gratifying feature of the year's work because the bound books represent silent witnesses to the message, to which their purchasers have constant access.

Word keeps coming in from our workers in the field that the people are reading these books and are giving careful thought to the truth.

#### CITY WORK.

Compared with the year 1925, more of our experienced workers turned their attention to the towns

and cities, so that to-day we have strong workers canvassing from house to house with our more expensive books in territory that previously has never been worked in this way.

This city canvassing is occupying our thoughts very largely at this time, and it is our constant aim to develop successful men for this very important branch of the Lord's work.

#### SALESMANSHIP.

We are endeavouring to educate all our colporteurs in the principles that underlie modern salesmanship. The great business houses of the world are realizing more and more that their salesmen must be highly-trained men. Things are harder to sell now than formerly, and salesmen are obliged to work with scientific accuracy in order to ensure success.

It is so in our work also, and that the best possible results may be obtained, we are requiring that our colporteurs recognize these facts, and they must be willing to study the laws of salesmanship.

Our yearly institutes afford splendid opportunity for such education, and we believe that the one held early in February represented a decided move in this direction.

Pastor C. E. Weeks of the European Division, and Pastor S. Joyce, the Union Field secretary, were with us at that time, and led out in the general instruction. We are very grateful for such leaders whose methods are abreast of the times.

#### NUMBER OF COLPORTEURS.

While the average number of regular colporteurs engaged in 1926 was no larger than in 1925 we believe that the standard of efficiency was higher. At present there are about forty regular workers, some of those who were in Wales now having returned to strengthen the work in the South England section of our conference.

Not quite as many college students entered the colporteur ranks during the summer vacation as in 1925 and fewer scholarships were obtained, but we believe the various experiences will prove of great worth to these young men and women through their future years of service.

#### GOD'S CARE IN CRISIS.

It will be recalled that the industrial conditions in our country suffered serious interruption by the coal strike and the General Strike, but in spite of these upheavals our colporteurs stuck manfully to their task and proved that the grace of God is sufficient for every emergency.

As a result, instead of a decrease in business as in the case of many concerns, there was a substantial increase on the year's working.

These crises surely emphasize the fact that the power of God is in this book ministry. It is His own special work which He guards with jealous care.

And so, as we review the colporteur work for 1926, we thank our heavenly Father for His many blessings and for preserving the health and courage of His servants.

B. BELTON.



## The Year's Work in Ireland

WE esteem it a privilege to render a very brief report of the Irish Division of the South British Conference for the year ended December 31, 1926.

As all well know, Ireland is predominantly Roman Catholic; approximately 75%. Anyone passing from a Protestant land into Ireland soon becomes conscious of the fact. The atmosphere is that of Rome. Especially is this true of the Free State. The habits, customs and thoughts of the people are dictated by their church. Priests there are in abundance. Magnificent churches, Roman Catholic universities, nunneries, and monasteries abound on every hand and as these increase the greater the poverty of the Catholic section of the people becomes.

The political trouble of recent years has created new forces in Ireland, forces that make for freedom. The results of this (although small at present) are already seen in the lessened influence of the priesthood over the Roman Catholic section of Ireland. The superstitious fear and craven bondage of the past no longer grip the soul of the Irishman of to-day. He is awakening to the fact that he can be a good patriot without being a Roman Catholic. The dawn of a new day seems at last to be breaking over Ireland. During the rebellion Roman Catholic priests gave absolution to those Sinn Feiners who fought against Free State soldiers. This led to confusion and many are turning away from Rome. Let us pray that God will cause the light of this truth to shine upon their pathway and so lead many of them to the third angel's message.

Although our membership is very small, we have as loyal a band of Seventh-Day Adventists as you will find anywhere in the world—men and women who love this truth and who are willing to make sacrifices that the message may be carried to others. During 1926 they returned to the Lord in tithes £759. 18s. 11d., an increase of £80. 12s. 2d. over that of 1925. They gave in offerings, including Harvest Ingathering, £600. 5s. 3d., making a total of the two combined, £1,360. 4s. 10d. We long to see every member in the Irish field enjoying all the privileges of the faith. Then the figure, we feel sure, will be much larger.

Not only have they given of their means, but they have also given richly of their sons and daughters to carry the message to those who sit in darkness—ministers holding prominent places in the work, lady missionaries, doctors, nurses, professors and students.

As a result of the work of Pastor S. F. Tonks and his co-labourers eleven were added to the Belfast church. We lost three by death, five by transfer and five by apostasy. Ireland, although one of the most beautiful of countries, with magnificent scenery, comparable to any place in the world, seems to be afflicted with the emigration germ. Ireland has enriched many parts of the world with good Seventh-Day Adventists. Our force of workers at present is very small, there being but one worker to every 1,100,000 of the population. Brother Whiteside and Sister Savage are labouring at Lurgan, Brother McMillan in Dublin and myself in Belfast, with the partial help of Sister Ballard.

Many of the members are busy making known the truth in various ways. Out of the five who have been baptized this year so far, two became interested as a

result of churchmembers' work. Four others are keeping the Sabbath, not including those of the Lurgan effort.

In the Harvest Ingathering, Ireland, during last year's campaign, with the exception of one week, kept at the top of the British Union. Both churches, Belfast and Dublin, held top places among the churches. One sister in the north—Sister Logan—collected £52. 10s.

The student book workers have demonstrated that books can be sold in Ireland as well as in other countries. Brother Heppenstall reached the fine figure of £25 in one week.

In closing let me say that I have enjoyed my work in Erin's Isle. We have our perplexing problems, but are not pessimistic, for the outlook is as bright as the promises of God. Remember the interests of Ireland at the throne of grace and pray that God will bless the work and people there.

W. J. YOUNG.

## Welsh Report

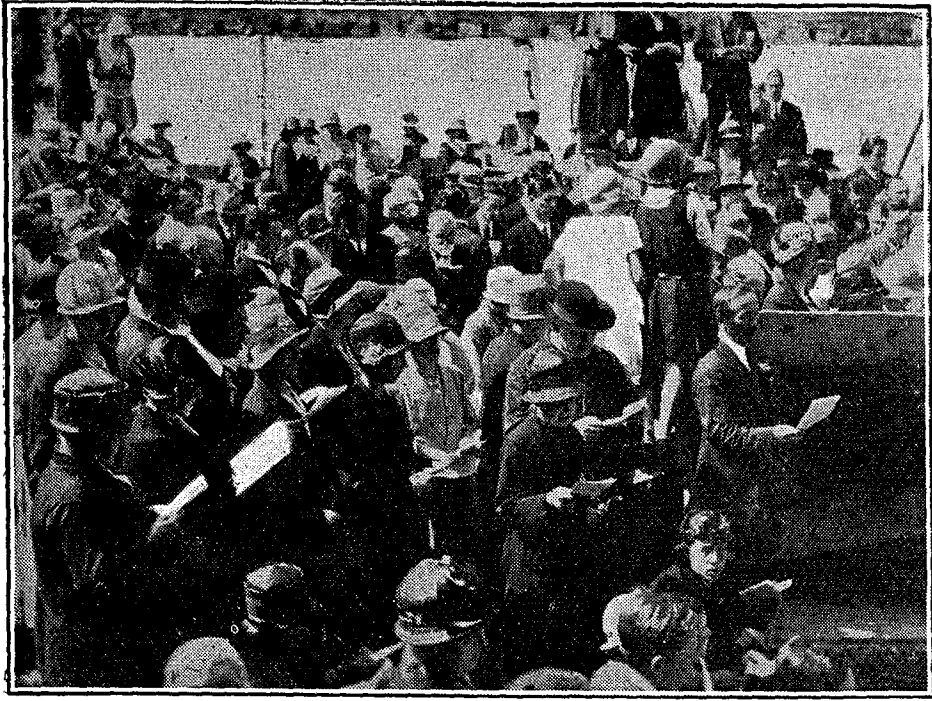
WALES is passing through a period of stress especially in the coal fields. We tender our sincere thanks to those who have given timely help. In one valley alone at the close of June there were ninety-two families with from five to seven children each, in the workhouses. In this same valley 350 shops have been forced to close. Over 1,100 men are out of work, and those who do work only have two or three shifts per week. No dole or relief is received by the able-bodied men. Conditions are getting worse instead of better. Isa. 8:21, 22 is reaching its fulfilment.

These conditions, which are the aftermath of the coal stoppage, have had their effect on our finances, yet we are pleased to say as regards the tithe, the decrease for the first six months of 1927 is only a little over £16 and £1. 10s. in total offerings over the same period of last year. If it were not for our increase in membership we think it would be much worse. The prospects for the Harvest Ingathering this year do not look the most promising as we are forbidden to collect in Newport and Cardiff, where our two largest churches are located.

The happiest feature of our report is the membership. At the conference last year we reported a total of 365. On June 30th the membership stood at 405, an increase of forty. Since then we have had a further baptism in Newport, and there will be others added in the districts of Swansea and Llanelli where Pastor T. H. Cooper, with the help of Miss Buckle and Miss Cooper (part time), is doing a substantial work. Before the year closes a further baptism is planned in Newport where Pastor Bird has been labouring with the help of Sister Borrowdale, Sister Seagrave, and Sister Guntrip (part time), our faithful Cardiff Bible-worker. Brother Watson has assisted the writer to care for the work in Cardiff and up the valleys. In Cardiff there are about one hundred who attend regularly every Sunday evening, from whom we hope to gather out a few more believers. About one-third of this number attend the Wednesday evening Bible study.

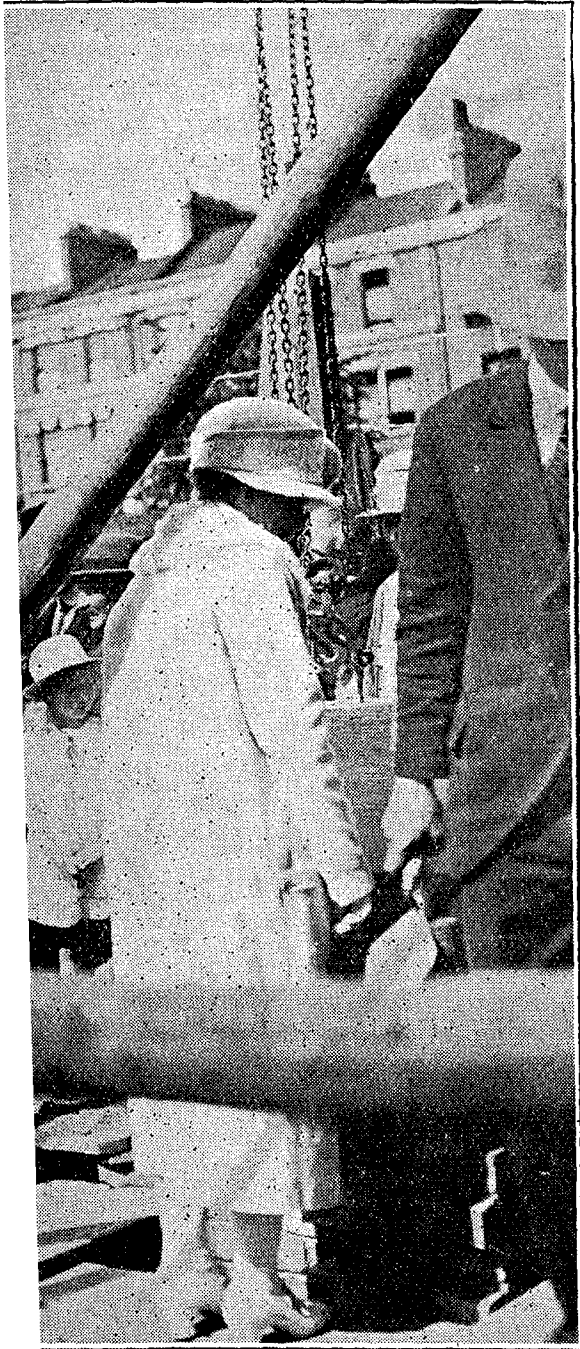
We crave your prayers for the Welsh field with its 3,000,000 souls, half of whom speak the Welsh tongue.

O. M. DORLAND.



*The congregation singing the hymn at the ceremony.*

ON Tuesday, August 2nd, the North London Seventh-Day Adventist Church reached a memorable milestone in its history: for on that date the foundation stones of their magnificently planned church building were well and truly laid. The site is located at 395 Holloway Road, only about 200 yards away from the famous 451 Holloway Road which may perhaps with accuracy be said to be the birth-place of the first London Seventh-Day Adventist church in the eighties of last century. There is, therefore, a certain enchantment about the location of this most important edifice that is being raised to the glory of God.



*Sister Harrower lays the third stone.*

We were favoured with a beautiful day and the ceremony was held in brilliant sunshine. Hundreds of people who had come from all parts of the field were present. Indeed, the High-bury Conference session was temporarily transferred from the Athenæum to the building site for the purpose of this great occasion.

The hymn "High in the Heavens, Eternal God" was lustily sung by the large congregation, then prayer was offered by Pastor A. E. Bacon who had travelled from Nottingham to assist us in the ceremony. We were indeed glad to have our sister conference thus



*Pastor L. H. Christian laying the first stone on behalf of the congregation.*

## North London STONE-LAY

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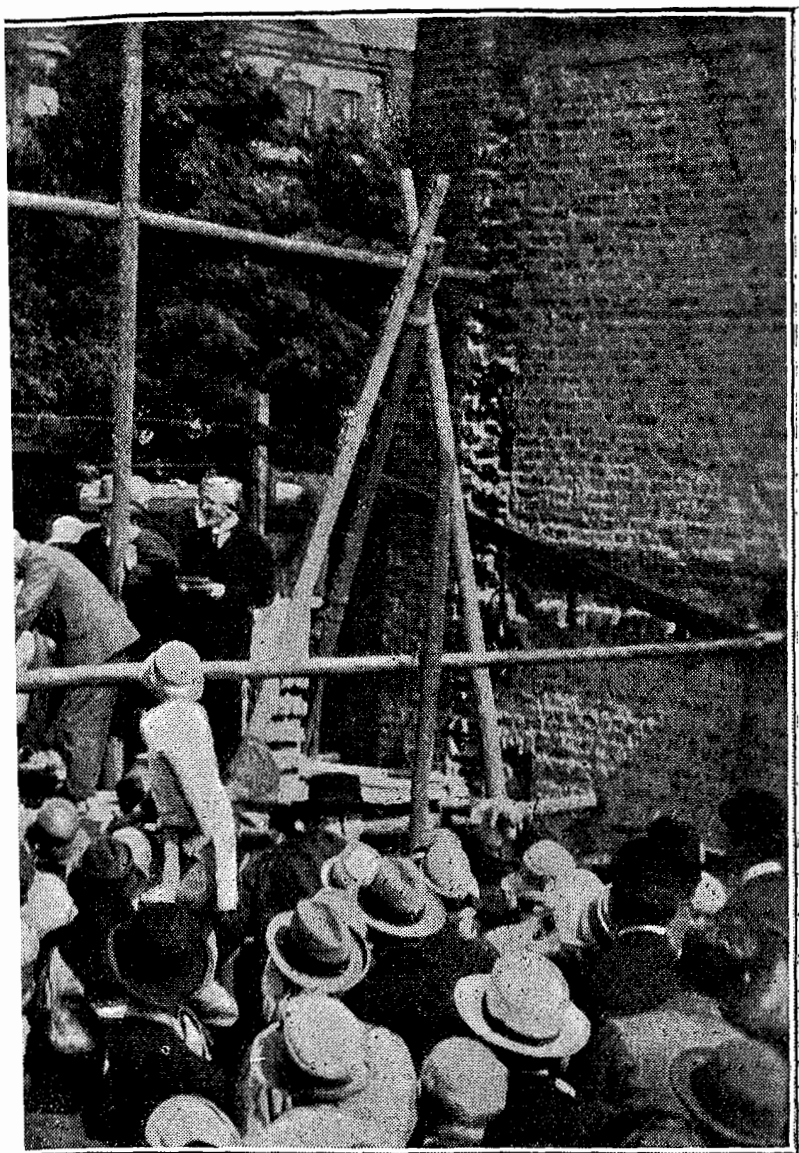
represented. The first stone was laid by Pastor L. H. Christian, president of the European Division of the General Conference. Before handling the trowel and mallet, however, Pastor Christian read a passage from the Scriptures and spoke appropriately and with great impressiveness of the purpose and work of Seventh-Day Adventists as a world-wide organization. He called attention to the deep and warm-hearted interest of our believers in all the world in the present building proposition in North London. This interest had materialized in the General Conference appropriation of the handsome sum of £8,000 toward the cost of this structure. He hailed this stone-laying ceremony as an epoch-making event in the history of our work in Britain.

Pastor W. H. Meredith, the president of the British Union Conference, then spoke with



*Group of "pioneers" after the ceremony.*





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fervour on the significance of this great moment in our career as a denomination. He then placed the second stone in position amidst the hearty applause of the onlookers.

A delightful feature of the ceremony followed when Mrs. Harrower stepped forward to lay the third stone of destiny to the memory of the late Mrs. J. N. Harrower, who was a charter member of the North London church. Sister Harrower was deputizing for Dr. Harrower, who, to the great regret of all, was unable to be present owing to illness. Sister Harrower's eloquent address could be heard well above the din of the traffic and was vigorously applauded.

Pastor F. A. Spearing, president of the South British Conference, placed the last stone in position after a speech in which he set out with great clearness the



Holloway Road, taken ceremony.

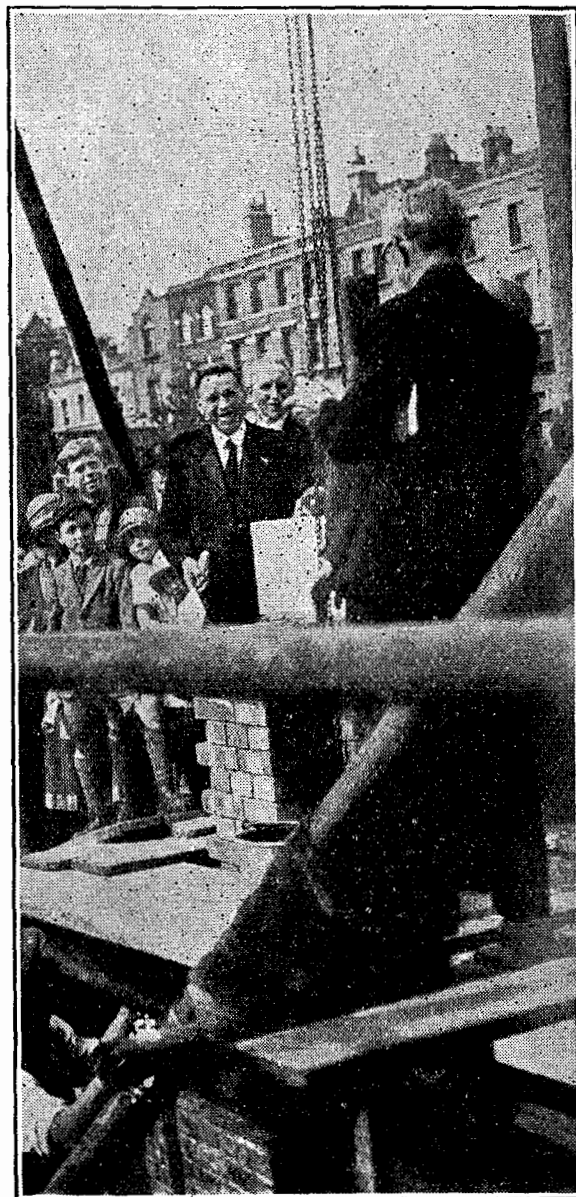


Pastor W. H. Meredith lays the stone on behalf of the B.U.C.

interesting history of events which had led up to this crowning day. Many and formidable had been the difficulties overcome and he felt sure that thanksgiving was in every heart present. An offering was then taken up toward the cost of the building, which realized in cash and pledges the sum of £65. We would take this opportunity of thanking most sincerely all who took part in this offering and if there are those of the WORKER family scattered abroad who would like to help the North London church building project, will intending subscribers kindly send their gifts to the writer at 48 Oakfield Road, London, N.4, or to Pastor F. A. Spearing, 45 Finsbury Park Road, London N.4.

The ceremony was closed with the singing of the Doxology and the benediction by Brother C. Vince, the elder of the North London church. Thus ended one of the most impressive stone-laying ceremonies ever witnessed by Seventh-Day Adventists in Great Britain.

INTEREST in old "451"—where our work began in London in 1887—has been revived by the erection of the new church building close by. Who in those old days dared to dream of such a development? And what mighty advance is hidden from our eyes today?



Close-up of Pastor Christian laying his stone.

# The Rest of God

*Sermon preached at the Highbury Athenæum at the opening of the South British Conference*

*By Pastor L. H. Christian*

THIS is Friday night. In our home it always seems to me that the first part of the Sabbath is the best—Friday night. True Sabbath-keeping includes the preparation day for the Sabbath.

Then there is a similarity between Friday evening, the Sabbath coming on, and this time in the world. We are in the great preparation day for God's eternal Sabbath. We are near sunset and there is much yet to be done.

Before I enter upon the study of the subject, I want to say that as I have travelled in Africa for four months of this year, and as I have been about in Europe, I have been impressed with the seriousness of the times. There is a tension, there is a feeling of hopelessness and despair, there is a dread among men and women to-day that I have never seen in Europe since the war. There is a conviction everywhere on the continent that another war is right upon us, and that dreadful times lie directly ahead. As we come to this conference I think we must all have come with a feeling in our hearts, "Who knows what another year will bring forth?" Who knows how many of us will be here another year? Who knows how many of us will have our names called during this year at the investigative judgment? Who knows how long time there is still for us to prepare to meet our blessed Saviour when He comes?

I wish to study with you the subject of "Rest in God", and I will read a text that to me is very precious. I think I have never preached on it before, but I am sure many of you have read it and followed it and have been helped by it. Hebrews 4:10, 11: "He that is entered into his rest, he also hath ceased from his own works as God did from His. Let us labour therefore to enter into that rest lest any man fall after the same example of unbelief."

I need not say that the topic is timely. The times are such to-day that God's people need to experience the blessing of God's rest. We are living in a time of great competition; there is a mad scramble among men and women to attain this thing or the other. We are living in a time of great hurry and haste. There is a bustle, a hurry, and a haste on every hand. We are living in a time of great unrest; people are worried, people are troubled, people feel somehow unsettled and insecure. They go here and there for health, or recreation, or pleasure. There is a sort of a high tension of living, a spirit of mad rush after the things of this world and getting anywhere. It is influencing the health of men and women, and it is vitally affecting our spiritual experience.

And this thing will increase—the nervousness, and the tension, and the haste, and the hurry, and the competition, and the scramble, till the end of time. We are told in the Spirit of prophecy that probation will close when the world is in a mad whirl, taken up with sports and pleasures, business, and war. Suddenly in the midst of all the turmoil, the decree from heaven will sound, "It is finished," and millions of men and

women will awaken to find that they have been deceived by our great enemy, have been so busy trying to secure nothing that they have lost sight of the eternal realities and neglected to prepare to meet God. For our own sakes we need to study to be quiet. We need to take this verse to ourselves, "Have no anxious thought for to-morrow"; to live a life of thoughtfulness and quietude, and restfulness that comes only through communion with the Lord. I know of no better testimony that we as Adventists can give to the world to-day than that in the midst of dread we have no fear; in the midst of the hurry we have time to pray. While others are rushing through the daily press and novels, we read our Bibles; we live and follow the old paths and believe in the teaching of the Scriptures of resting in the Lord.

What day does the Lord mean in this text that I have read? "He that has entered into his rest. . . ." His rest, or the rest of God, applies in the Scriptures to four different things. First of all the Lord not only gave us a great example of work, but of rest. God, the Creator of the heavens and the earth, the upholder of all things, had time to rest and to rest a whole day, and that is the first use of the term "His rest" in the Scriptures. It is the holy Sabbath when the Lord Himself rested, blessed it and hallowed it.

Another use of that term "His rest" is the Sabbath, which is the rest that was given to the children of Israel after they had conquered all they did of the Holy Land. It is a strange thing—every Bible student should have noticed it—that it is stated here that Joshua did not give a rest, and yet in Joshua it is stated twice over that the Lord gave them rest. It is not difficult to understand the apparent contradiction. The Lord did do something for them, but Joshua did not. That apparent rest that they received from Joshua was not the full rest that God intended them to have. They received political rest after a fashion, but not the full rest of God.

Another term is "the eternal rest"—the rest in the kingdom of God. Not a rest of activity, but the rest there is where body and soul may be in the presence of Him Whom we love.

The fourth use is the rest that the Scriptures call "the rest for our souls". The term is used in the Old Testament and the Saviour uses it in the New. It is a spiritual rest, the rest that comes to the children of God as they enter into the rest of the Saviour. Without many comments I will just turn and read two or three well-known Scriptures about it. It is so simple, and the more you try to explain it, the less you can understand it, and the more you try to live it, the more you enjoy it.

"Come unto Me all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." Matt. 11:28. Surely, if the Saviour spoke those words to any generation, He spoke them to the present. He spoke them to all people at any time. He speaks them to Seventh-Day



Adventists in these great industrial cities, in the large cities of unrest, in troubles and revolutions. "Come unto Me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden"; worried, troubled, burdened, with this thing or the other—"and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn of Me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls."

Bodily rest is necessary, we all know what a good thing it is to rest in a bodily sense; but the thing that was in the mind of our blessed Saviour was "Ye shall find rest unto your souls. For My yoke is easy and My burden is light."

You know His invitation "Come unto Me". Everyone of us, the young people, the fathers and mothers, everyone that is worried by business cares, everyone that is troubled about his son or daughter, everyone that is, perhaps, more or less troubled about himself for some reason or other, "Come unto Me, *all* ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you, and learn of Me; for I am meek and lowly of heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls."

That is what we need. That is what God wants to give us—"rest unto your souls". The word is very plain. Take His yoke and learn of Him, His meekness, His lowliness of heart, His patience, His gentleness in dealing with others. As we learn those lessons we shall find rest unto our souls.

Jeremiah 6:16: "Stand ye in the ways, and see, and ask for the old paths." Not the new inventions, not the new methods of travel, not the new things that excite the fancy and the nerves. "Stand ye . . . and see, and ask for the old paths . . . and ye shall find rest for your souls." So the way to rest is the way of the old paths; it is the primitive godliness; it is the old-fashioned religion. It is returning to the Bible, to the belief in the fundamentals of this message. It is not seeking for novel and new things, not turning to this or the other, but it is standing by the path of God. "Where is the good way and walk therein, and ye shall find rest for your souls."

Isaiah 30:15. "Thus saith the Lord God, the Holy One of Israel . . . and ye would not." In quietness and in confidence shall be your strength. I think I can truly say that I have found, especially of recent years, a sweetness of living, a joy and comfort in quietly resting in God. We have seen stormy times in Europe, we have been in stormy times of war and persecution and various things, but it is a remarkable thing to be in quietness. There is a strength in resting in God that you never get in worrying, that you never get in being troubled, or dreading, or doing this or the other. There is a victory in quietness and coming into the **strength** and power of God as we rest in Him that we never get in any other way.

Psalms 37: "Rest in the Lord, and wait patiently for Him." Some of you know from experience what that means. It is a secret, I think, that very many have never learned. People will talk about faith and trusting in God and it is so easy to do it when the sun shines and when everything is well, but when troubles come and when things don't go their way, they fail to trust in God. They claim to have faith, but when it comes to real, actual testing of faith in everyday things, they fail to trust in God.

Now I think the reason for it is largely because they have failed to study the secret of it as given

in this text. "He that has entered into his rest." Notice it is in the past tense, something that has happened. He is speaking of something that has been experienced. "He that has entered into his rest, he also hath ceased from his own works." What does that mean? He that enters into the rest of God ceases from his own works. I think that gives us the clue to understand it. We cannot rest in God and be dependent on ourselves. We cannot rest in God and be worried because we have not done our duty or others have not done their duty. To enter into the rest of God means a complete surrender to Him. It means giving up our own way. It means saying that His will is right. If you have a child that is ill and you are worried about it, if you have entered into the rest of God you surrender that child into God's hands for life, if it be God's will; for health; for continued illness or even death itself. You cease from your own labours. I do not mean by that we should not do what we can. I do not mean we should fold our hands in idleness and inactivity, and ask God to do what we ought to do ourselves, but if we enter into the rest of God we must cease from our own works, we must lay it at His feet. "Casting all your cares upon Him." Why? "For He careth for you." But He cannot care for us if we are trying to care for ourselves. He cannot carry our burdens if we carry them ourselves. That is where the difference is; we want to get rest in God and yet we want to keep our affairs and dreads and nervousness, but God says, "He that has entered into His rest, he also hath ceased from his own works."

But the Bible says more than that. "He that has entered into His rest, he also hath ceased from his own works." How? In what way? "As God ceased from His works." How did God cease from His works? He ceased from His works when He finished with His works. He did not take His works, as we sometimes say, "home with Him." When He finished His work it *was* finished. Yet that was not the chief thing. We are told that when God had finished His work He beheld everything He had made, and how was it? Very good, perfect. The air was pure, Nature was beautiful, the harmony of it was complete; there was not too much or too little, nothing was too large or too small, every part of that infinite mechanism, intellectually and spiritually, was very good.

Now, if we enter into His rest, we also cease from our own works as God did from His. The Sabbath is the seal because perfect Sabbath-keeping means six days of perfect living. God rested after six days of absolutely perfect work and was ready for a Sabbath of rest, and the Sabbath signified not only that the work was done, but that it was perfectly done. We are to rest from our labours as He rested. How can we do it? How can I, with all my imperfections rest from my works as God rested? How can I look upon a week, or a day, or even an hour, and say it is very good as God said it? If we should do it, it would be presumption. If we should do it we should stand by ourselves the greatest of all Pharisees. How can we do it, then? I think that is the secret of it, we can do it through faith in Christ; complete, not of ourselves, but in Him. Through Jesus Christ every Friday night closes a perfect week. Through Jesus Christ every Sabbath is entered upon as a perfect rest after a perfect week.



Philippians 3:8, 9: "I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord, for Whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and do count them but dung, that I may win Christ. And be found of Him, not having mine own righteousness, which is of the law, but that which is through the faith of Christ, the righteousness which is of God by faith." When you and I to-night confess our sins to God, when we place them at the foot of the cross by faith, God takes those sins and imputes to us the righteousness of Christ so that we stand complete in Him. We cease from trying to make ourselves good, we cease from trying to make ourselves righteous, we cease from trying to save ourselves by our own efforts; we have turned from our sins to His righteousness; we have turned from our weakness to His strength, and we stand complete in Him. I wish that might be the experience of everyone of us. There is no peace save in God. "There is no peace, saith my God, unto the wicked. The wicked," says the Lord, "are like the sea that finds no rest." You can never rest in God and keep your sins. You can never rest in God and have anything in your heart against a brother, even if he has wronged you—and I never saw a man that was wronged but that he had done some wrong himself, it is nearly always mutual, only God knows on which side the biggest guilt is. We cannot rest in God as long as we hold on to a single secret sin. It may be large, it may be small. It may be something that many would call insignificant. Every sin in the sight of God is sufficient to close and bar for ever the gates of eternity.

So we are to enter into His rest by ceasing from our works, surrendering our sins to Him, confessing them to Him, turning away from them by faith, and abhorring them through His grace. It is a blessed experience to hate, not the sins of others, but our own sins first of all. Let us enter into this spiritual Sabbath rest, rest from work, rest from fear, and dread of sickness, death, and all sorts of troubles and anxieties, believing that we are rescued from our sins, delivered from them all through faith in Jesus Christ.

In the fear of God I tell you that eternity is upon us, the judgment of the Lord is near, and it is time to seek God, not only for those that have just been converted, nor for those who have recently joined this movement, but for those of us who have been with it for forty years. We all need a new conversion, a new resting in God, a new baptism from on high, a new experience of the things of God in our own souls.

WANTED.—Someone (lady) able to give massage and other treatments. Give references. Apply in first instance to M, c/o Pastor Bacon, 22 Zulla Road, Nottingham.

BOARD RESIDENCE in refined home, Southend—Westcliffe. Bed, breakfast and dinner, or bed and breakfast. Five minutes from bandstand, sea and both stations. Terms moderate. Write: Hill, 67 Queens Road, Southend.

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## North British Conference

President: A. E. Bacon

### Presidential Notes

By the time our members receive this copy of the WORKER it will be four weeks since we had the privilege of communicating with them by this means. We are glad to report that both in the English and Scottish sections of our conference the tithe for July shows a slight increase over that of one year ago. We trust that when the August funds are in, this month, also, will reveal progress. When we remember that we dropped over £600 in 1926 over 1925, we realize that we must make considerable progress this year if we are to pass the 1925 mark on December 31, 1927. Because of this we once more invite all our members to be faithful in returning to the Lord His own. The blessings He is waiting to bestow on those who are thus faithful will mean much, individually, to our membership, and at the same time the means will be forthcoming that will enable us to carry forward our aggressive evangelistic work. May we remind you that your tithes and offerings should be in the hands of your local treasurer not later than Wednesday, August 31st, so that they may reach the conference office promptly on Thursday, September 1st.

VERY shortly, too, another Harvest Ingathering Campaign will have been launched. The programme for Sabbath, the 27th, will deal with this important phase of our work, and Sunday, the 28th, will be the day for starting the work. Already a number have enthusiastically commenced in this enterprise. We appeal to every member in the conference to rally to the call, take hold immediately, and in the shortest possible time secure the goal of £2. If everyone would do his part the goal would be quickly reached. As a conference we have fallen down badly for the past two years, so shall we not now take hold in real earnest, regain our lost laurels, and, by our intense enthusiasm in this cause, once more be an example to all other conferences in the world?

Already we seem to hear "a going in the tops of the mulberry trees", and we feel in our own souls that our members will respond, and that we shall have a victorious campaign.

ALFRED E. BACON.

MINISTERS, workers and others, try us for all kinds of printing. Large posters, handbills, etc., Commercial printing. Electric Press, Bentham, Lancaster.

WANTED.—Suitable work where Sabbath can be kept for boy of 14. Willing to do anything. Office work preferred. Good scholar and good references. Please write to Mrs. Hyde, 85 Beetlin Road, Luton, Beds.

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## THE MINISTRY OF THE LITERATURE

### The Cost of a Set of Adventist Books

You will be interested to know that a copy of every issue of our papers goes into the British Museum, and a copy of every book published at the Press is sent to the Museum Library, the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge, and the National Libraries of Scotland, Ireland and Wales.

Some of our members have wished they could have a collection of Adventist books and papers—a little museum, in fact. They would receive a shock to find that it would cost them now three hundred and seventy pounds (£370) to purchase one copy of all our publications.

### "Cuentos Vespertinos"

ON the back page of our Spanish journal from South America appears a full-page advertisement of a new book with the above title. The picture on the cover of a mother reading to her two children, is very familiar, and we discover that the book is nothing more nor less than the now famous "Bedtime Stories". We feel sure that the "niños" of South America will appreciate these little stories as the children of England do.

The same magazine has the translation of Brother Maxwell's article, "The Elimination of the Atlantic".

### The Work in the British Empire

DID you ever think how fast this movement has spread in the British Empire? Read in "Story of the Advent Message" of its progress under the Union Jack.

Scattered through the pages of this book you will find mention of the onward movement of this work in almost every land where English colonists have settled. Stories of Canada, Australia, India and South Africa. There is the story of Pitcairn and of the New Hebrides, of British Guiana and of Hong Kong.

There are now over 40,000 Adventists in the British Empire.

You will enjoy reading this book. It was the best seller at the South British Conference and Elder Christian mentioned in one of his addresses that every Adventist home should have a copy. Price 6/-. Only a few copies left.

### A Vicar Preaches from "Protestantism Imperilled!"

ONE of the workers writes: "I am very glad I had the pleasure of presenting to six of the speakers at a meeting of the Lord's Day Observance Society held in the Central Hall, Liverpool, a few weeks ago, a copy of 'Protestantism Imperilled!' I sold eight copies that day, one to a Roman Catholic priest. I was only sorry I had no more copies with me. I also sold a copy to the vicar of the church in Prince Edwin Street, Everton, and one of my readers, who is a member of that church, told me that he preached from the book on three or four occasions. He held

it up in his hand and told them it was worth its weight in gold, and advised them to buy one if they ever got the opportunity. Another reader of our books told me that a friend of hers, a bitter Roman Catholic, had been converted through reading the book 'Looking Beyond'. I am glad to say that this reader has attended our meetings three Sunday evenings now, and she is very interested in the truth."

Send "Protestantism" to all your friends!

### Victorious Again!

FOR the month of July three colporteurs have succeeded in working the required number of hours and earning the sum required to qualify for the Home Scholarship books. Their names are:

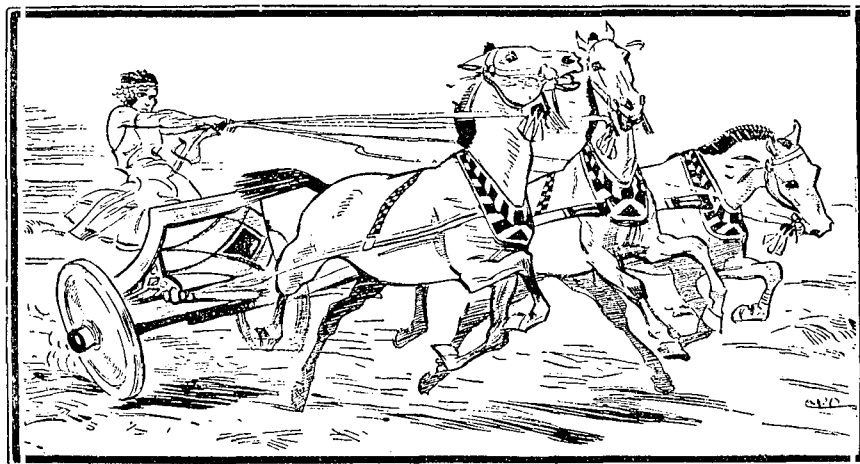
**Alfred Reeve**  
**A. Lacey**  
**A. W. Cook**

This is the second time Brother Reeve and Brother Cook have gained this award. Congratulations!



### Wedding Bells

HEARNE—REES.—Brother R. Hearne and Mary Rachael Rees were united in marriage on Thursday, July 28th, at Mount Zion Baptist Church, Swansea, in the presence of a number of friends and relatives. The service was conducted by the writer. We are sure that all the interested members of the WORKER family will join us in wishing Brother and Sister Hearne God's richest blessing. T. H. COOPER.



## Forging Ahead Fast

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# Colporteurs' Report for Month of July, 1927

## SOUTH BRITISH CONFERENCE

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NAME	TERRITORY	BOOK	Hours	Bound Books Delivered	Orders	Value Orders	Helps Sold	Papers Sold	Total Business
Benefield, Miss C.	Frindsbury	BR	27	1 0 0	4	4 10 0	13 0	.....	5 3 0
Buckle, H. G.	Salisbury	COS	165	11 6	6	1 11 6	4 9 0	6 1 10	12 2 4
Burrow, S. J.	Tonbridge	BR	90	1 5 0	7	7 5 0	4 6 0	.....	11 11 0
Cameron, Miss H. A.	Reigate	COS	133	.....	1	6 6	6 10 0	14 7	7 11 1
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Chappell, Mrs. M. A.	Bristol	BS	114	.....	...	.....	15 14 0	4 13 3	20 7 3
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Combridge, S.	Farnham	BR	130	15 1 6	26	29 0 0	3 7 0	.....	32 7 0
Cook, A. W.	Norwich	BR	212	28 1 0	25	30 7 6	2 7 0	1 16 10	34 11 4
Davey, J. E. C.	Norwich	BR	128	6 2 6	10	10 17 6	11 0	8 1	11 16 7
Dean, J. & Son	Worthing	COS	394	13 0	17	5 10 6	3 18 6	14 13 5	24 2 5
Fox, A.	Cranbrook	BR	156	5 12 6	5	5 12 6	4 4 0	.....	9 16 6
Green, J.	Chipperfield	BR	127	14 10 0	17	18 2 6	3 16 0	.....	21 18 6
Gregory, E. G.	Streatham	BS	250	.....	...	.....	36 16 0	14 0	37 10 0
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Kinman, B.	Stisted	BR	125	.....	9	9 10 0	2 15 0	8 6	12 13 6
Lacey, A.	Gravesend	BS	169	.....	...	.....	43 5 0	6 9 6	49 14 6
Nickels, G.	Oxford	DA	152	.....	34	34 0 0	.....	.....	34 0 0
Nottage, Miss A.	Baldock	BR	132	12 2 6	14	15 7 6	4 9 0	13 9	20 10 2
Phillips, F. H.	Tonbridge	BS	99	1 0 0	5	5 0 0	10 11 0	.....	15 11 0
Smith, C. H.	Melksham	BR	82	.....	6	6 5 0	2 13 0	1 12 5	10 10 5
Smith, W.	Trowbridge	BR	149	34 0 0	25	26 17 6	4 14 0	2 13 2	34 4 8
Spencer, J.	Weston-S-Mare	BR	33	10 17 6	1	1 0 0	.....	.....	1 0 0
Walkden, V.	Gt. Yarmouth	...	...	.....	...	.....	.....	3 2 3	3 2 3
Whiting, E. J.	Vale	DA	74	30 0 0	87	112 7 6	.....	.....	112 7 6
Winkworth, A. E.	Dutwell	BR	101	27 5 0	22	22 17 6	3 9 0	.....	26 6 6
Miscellaneous	Weybridge	STC	193	.....	...	.....	27 15 0	19 0	28 14 0
Miscellaneous	South	COS	21	.....	9	2 8 0	2 0	.....	2 10 0
<b>Part-Time Workers</b>									
Kinman, Mrs. J.	Rayne	BS	137	11 5 0	23	25 7 6	7 4 0	11 11	33 3 5
Kinman, F. J.	Pavement	BR	2	1 0 0	...	.....	.....	.....	.....
Koch, Mrs.	High Wycombe	BR	53	7 12 6	3	3 0 0	4 17 0	2 6	7 19 6
Wakefield, E. T.	Swindon	BS	56	.....	...	.....	2 18 0	1 3 8	4 1 8
Welch, H. J.	Botley	BS	18	.....	3	1 8 0	1 3 0	2 5 10	4 16 10
Sully, Mrs. C.	Crowborough	BS	10	.....	...	.....	1 4 0	2 5	1 6 5
<b>Students</b>									
Allen, A. W.	Kings Lynn	DA	199	88 2 6	69	70 5 0	5 0 0	1 0	75 6 0
Bolton, R.	Crewkerne	BR	167	14 12 6	12	12 17 6	11 7 0	.....	24 4 6
Clarke, D. J.	Kilmington	DA	176	6 0 0	1	1 12 6	7 1 0	18 0	9 11 6
Dutton, J. C.	Glastonbury	BR	149	16 10 0	7	7 10 0	1 19 0	10	9 9 10
Ford, Miss	Bourton	BR	122	11 5 0	7	7 5 0	5 11 0	.....	12 16 0
Holding, Miss M.	Marnhill	BR	126	6 0 0	11	12 15 0	7 14 0	.....	20 9 0
Hyde, C. T.	Taunton	BR	103	12 1 0	1	1 0 0	8 0	.....	1 8 0
Keough, G. A.	Warnham	BR	44	5 5 0	17	19 15 0	13 0	.....	20 8 0
Kidd, W.	Taunton	BR	108	10 10 0	3	3 0 0	10 0	.....	3 10 0
Lewis, G.	Honiton	DA	30	.....	1	1 0 0	2 17 0	1 4 0	5 1 0
Redhouse, R.	Glastonbury	BR	97	7 5 0	3	3 0 0	1 2 0	.....	4 2 0
Schuil, P.	Crewkerne	BR	116	.....	8	8 5 0	4 5 6	.....	12 10 6
Wells, B.	Mannings	BR	44	5 5 0	3	3 0 0	12 0	.....	3 12 0
Williams, H. A.	London	BS	198	.....	...	.....	29 8 0	5 1 0	34 19 0
Total Agents, 51			5855	451 15 6	584	606 14 6	325 10 0	64 11 5	996 15 11
Total value last year									528 1 5

### WALES

Butler, Miss N.	Llandovery	BR	132	10 0 0	12	13 5 0	3 2 0	.....	16 7 0
Newman, W. J.	Four	BR	72	10 18 0	13	14 15 0	11 0	.....	15 6 0
Smith, H.	Whittington	BR	143	18 10 0	45	49 7 6	1 16 0	2 14 2	53 17 8
Smith, W. R.	Cardiff	BS	133	.....	...	.....	4 14 0	8 3 3	12 17 3
<b>Part-Time Workers</b>									
Parry, Mrs. M. A.	Porthcawl	CGR	68	5 4 0	6	2 13 0	8 13 0	.....	11 6 0
Total Agents, 5			548	44 12 0	76	80 0 6	18 16 0	10 17 5	109 13 11
Total value last year									657 4 9

### IRELAND

Campbell, W.	Tralee	GC	212	31 8 6	44	30 8 6	11 13 6	.....	42 2 0
Benefield, Miss C.	Larne	BR	18	2 5 0	1	1 5 0	18 0	.....	2 3 0
<b>Students</b>									
Adams, T. J.	BallyMcelligott	GC	208	7 10 0	17	15 17 6	5 2 0	.....	20 19 6
Emmerson, W. L.	Drumadallagh	DA	192	35 5 0	26	26 0 0	11 2 0	.....	37 2 0
Figg, K.	Derry	DA	34	3 18 0	17	5 0 0	2 0	.....	5 2 0
Heppenstall, E.	Ballynamoney	DA	196	54 7 6	39	40 5 0	8 16 0	.....	49 1 0
Johnston, A.	Drumahoe	DA	72	25 13 0	12	7 0 0	2 0 0	.....	9 0 0
Total Agents, 7			932	160 7 0	156	125 16 0	39 13 6	.....	165 9 6
Total value last year									110 19 11
Conference Totals, 63			7335	656 14 6	816	812 11 0	383 19 6	75 8 10	1271 19 4
Total value last year									1296 6 1



# NORTH BRITISH CONFERENCE

## NORTH ENGLAND

Beavon, W. J.	Birmingham	BS	86	.....	1	1 0 0	10 13 0	1 10 8	13 3 8
Belton, T. G.	Mkt Weighton	BR	132	45 5 0	28	32 6 0	6 15 0	.....	39 1 0
Binks, P.	Mansfield	DA	130	1 0 0	4	4 5 0	.....	11 4 1	15 9 1
Bolam, R. V. W.	Sunderland	STC	140	.....	...	.....	16 13 0	.....	16 13 0
Boyce, H. G.	Worcester	BR	26	5 5 0	5	5 12 6	11 0	.....	6 3 6
Davis, E.	Beswick	CGR	240	19 0	...	.....	9 0	12 11 3	13 0 3
Davies, B. H. C.	Bradford	BS	...	.....	...	.....	10 0 0	.....	10 0 0
Dowson, W.	Middlesbrough	PI	146	.....	...	.....	1 8 6	6 15 11	8 4 5
Gregory, E. G.	Wolverhampton	BS	218	.....	...	.....	10 11 0	34 0 0	44 11 0
Greenwood, Miss A.	Spilsby	BS	104	.....	...	.....	6 0 0	1 8 6	7 8 6
Greenwood, J. H.	Blackburn	BR	36	.....	6	7 12 6	3 0	.....	7 15 6
Halstead, E.	Oldham	DA	145	29 5 6	57	59 2 6	2 5 0	.....	61 7 6
Hamblin, Miss M.	Mkt. Harboro'	COS	107	2 14 6	8	2 1 6	17 0	1 6 4	4 4 10
Hamblin, Mrs. S.	Mkt. Harboro'	COS	214	9 2 0	70	22 7 0	1 12 0	2 9 6	26 8 6
Holland, R. H.	Bolton	BS	260	.....	...	.....	2 5 0	13 8 0	15 13 0
Jackson, Miss R.	Bradford	BS	166	.....	...	.....	1 0 0	11 16 9	12 16 9
James, Miss N.	Bradford	BS	155	.....	...	.....	9 9 0	5 3 3	14 12 3
Laming, W. E.	Sheffield	BS	128	.....	...	.....	5 6	19 15 10	20 1 4
Marshall, A.	Crewe	STC	153	.....	...	.....	14 10 0	5 4 7	19 14 7
Marshall, Mrs. E.	Crewe	STC	137	.....	...	.....	10 2 0	4 10 10	14 12 10
Mayoh, P.	Huddersfield	BR	163	25 12 6	46	51 3 6	5 0	1 1 8	52 10 2
Merchant, J.	Nottingham	BS	39	.....	...	.....	4 1 0	1 6	4 2 6
Parks, Miss A.	Grimsby	BS	106	.....	...	.....	4 5 0	17 8	5 2 8
Reeve, A.	St. Langton	DA	240	59 9 0	35	37 10 0	7 10 0	7 0	45 7 0
Reynolds, Mrs. H. E.	Stockton	BS	139	.....	...	.....	8 16 0	4 10 11	13 6 11
Rowland, W.	Lincs	BR	190	23 17 6	17	17 10 0	7 6 0	.....	24 16 0
Smith, C. H.	Bradford	BR	23	.....	1	1 0 0	14 0	7 2	2 1 2
Ward, A.	Pickering	BS	91	.....	...	.....	7 19 0	.....	7 19 0
Wood, E. G.	Newcastle	CGR	147	5 0 0	20	6 13 0	3 0	3 1 10	9 17 10
Woodfield, W. H.	Derby	CGR	219	5 0 6	62	18 12 6	4 18 0	5 6 1	28 16 7
Atkinson, Mr. & Mrs.	Hull	.....	51	.....	...	.....	.....	2 17 7	2 17 7
<b>Part-Time Workers</b>									
Banks, C. J.	Leigh	COS	48	2 15 0	4	19 6	1 5 6	2 2 6	4 7 6
Binks, Mrs.	Mansfield	.....	79	.....	...	.....	.....	6 14 4	6 14 4
Buxton, T.	Salford	BS	16	.....	...	.....	1 0	2 18 4	2 19 4
Coupland, E.	Hull	BS	39	1 0 0	2	2 12 6	1 3 0	2 0 0	5 15 6
Gallaher, J. C.	Tadcaster	BR	41	1 12 6	2	2 12 6	6 3 0	.....	8 15 6
Hargreaves, E.	Ardwick	CGR	16	1 1 6	3	1 0 6	.....	1 10 10	2 11 4
Leck, Miss S.	Darlington	STC	98	17 0	...	.....	12 0	1 8 8	2 0 8
Marson, Miss A.	Cosby	.....	36	.....	...	.....	.....	2 1 4	2 1 4
Nicholson, Miss T.	Bamber	BR	16	.....	1	1 12 6	.....	3 14 6	5 7 0
Oxley, Mrs. M. A.	Urmston	BS	85	.....	...	.....	11 10 0	5 19 0	17 9 0
Pollard, J. H.	Nottingham	BR	30	1 12 6	2	2 17 6	3 0	1 7 0	4 7 6
Thackaberry, Miss M.	Manchester	COS	8	1 9 0	...	.....	.....	19 9	19 9
Thackaberry, Miss W.	Manchester	COS	62	3 9 0	19	6 7 6	13 0	2 10 5	9 10 11
Timings, Miss K.	.....	.....	8	.....	...	.....	12 0	.....	12 0
<b>Students</b>									
Bell, G. R.	Rock	BR	52	3 5 0	3	3 5 0	2 16 0	.....	6 1 0
Hilton, W.	Sledmere	BR	112	10 5 0	14	15 15 0	2 11 0	.....	18 6 0
Lockton, G. A.	Mattendale	DA	182	4 12 6	5	5 12 6	10 12 0	.....	16 4 6
Marsh, E. S.	Loughboro'	CGR	137	9 17 6	27	12 1 6	3 0	1 18 4	14 2 10
Morley, S.	Penrith	BS	235	.....	...	.....	43 16 0	.....	43 16 0
Shaw, E. L.	Huddersfield	BR	37	3 10 0	4	4 10 0	.....	10 0	5 0 0
Standen, S.	Bourne	BR	149	6 18 0	15	16 10 6	1 14 0	2 14 4	20 18 10
Thomas, S.	Loughboro'	CGR	103	.....	30	14 18 6	.....	11 2	15 9 8
Total Agents, 54			5720	264 15 0	491	357 11 6	235 0 6	188 17 5	781 9 5
Total value last year									664 16 2

## SCOTLAND

Bain, Mrs.	.....	BS	50	.....	...	.....	14 0	2 19 0	3 13 0
Benefeld, J.	Kilmalcom	BR	42	.....	26	29 10 0	.....	.....	29 10 0
Bolam, P.	Stirling	BS	160	.....	...	.....	47 5 0	.....	47 5 0
Kerr, H.	Kirkentullock	CGR	159	7 6	5	3 15 0	12 18 0	3 3 0	19 16 0
Lennox, W.	Newport	BS	76	.....	...	.....	9 5 0	.....	9 5 0
Smith, A.	Campbeltown	BR	53	88 7 6	24	25 0 0	7 0	.....	25 7 0
Miscellaneous	Airdrie	BR	85	1 0 0	6	6 0 0	10 14 0	2 18 2	19 12 2
Best, Mrs.	Renfrew	BR	11	.....	1	1 0 0	2 0 0	.....	3 0 0
<b>Students</b>									
Edwards, F.	Gatehouse	DA	236	.....	81	83 5 0	7 1 0	.....	90 6 0
Hosking, E. G.	Melrose	COS	92	4 11 6	23	6 8 6	9 14 0	.....	16 2 6
Vine, A.	Haugh	DA	219	.....	23	30 17 6	6 3 0	.....	37 0 6
Total Agents, 11			1183	94 6 6	189	185 16 0	106 1 0	9 0 2	300 17 2
Total value last year									324 18 7
Conference Totals, 65			6903	359 1 6	680	543 7 6	341 1 6	197 17 7	1082 6 7
Total value last year									989 14 9
Union Totals, 128			14238	1015 16 0	1496	1355 18 6	725 1 0	273 6 5	2354 5 11
Total value last year									2286 0 10

South British average per hour, 3/6. North British average per hour, 3/2.  
Union average per hour, 3/4.

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DURING the past ten days it has been our privilege (at the request of the "Review and Herald") to attend the World Conference on Faith and Order at Lausanne. It was an unusually interesting occasion, there being present leading representatives of eighty-six important "Protestant" bodies. Their objective was the corporate re-union of Christendom and their efforts to attain this goal resembled the proceedings of an oecumenical council of the early church. A full report will appear in the "Present Truth", commencing in No. 19.

SINCE last we wrote in this column the foundation stones of the North London Church Building have been laid. The ceremony was conducted on the last afternoon of the South British Conference and was blessed with brilliant sunshine, boon alike to the crowd of onlookers and to the battery of amateur photographers who were present. All will be glad to know that we secured excellent moving pictures which will enable our people to share in this historic event in days to come.

ONE of the most impressive meetings held during the South British Conference at the Highbury Athenæum was the ordination service on Sabbath afternoon. At that time Brethren J. Harker, A. Bird and J. Clifford were set apart to the Gospel ministry, Pastors L. H. Christian, W. H. Meredith and F. A. Spearing leading out in the ceremony.

NEVER in our experience has any item in the MISSIONARY WORKER caused such a stirring of hearts and pens as the unfortunate poem entitled "On Ireland" which appeared in the last issue. We have sent our personal regrets to all the Irish members through Pastor W. J. Young, Vice-President of the South British Conference for Ireland, but we take this opportunity of saying how sorry we are that the item appeared in the paper. But for the extraordinary rush which prevailed in the House just prior to the South British Conference and the annual holiday it would certainly never have found its way into print.

IN all fairness to Miss Phillips, however, we must add that, in tracing the poem to its source, we discovered that it entered the editorial department—like the thief in the parable—through "some other way", and was never intended by Miss Phillips for publication.

OWING to lack of space, the resolutions passed at the South British Conference, and several other important items, have had to be left over until the next issue.

## North Britain—On!

OVER £20 has already been sent in by one sister for this year's Harvest Ingathering Campaign—and she is still "going strong".

Remarkable, indeed, were some of the experiences I learned recently while visiting a few of the churches in the North British Conference on behalf of the campaign for medical missions. One member, bitterly persecuted—in fact, ill-treated—for the truth's sake, found it well-nigh impossible to do anything during the early part of the 1926 effort. But the Lord knew all about it, and knowing she could not get out, sent the road repairers just outside her door. Recognizing her opportunity, she made broth for the men, explaining that the proceeds were for medical missions.

There are yet, as I write, eleven days before the big push begins; but information is leaking through from various sources that already a commencement has been made. Faithful Dundee, enterprising York, Coventry, Sutton, Edinburgh, Kirkcaldy, and the conference president—all have commenced the first lap of the race. Do not misunderstand me. The foregoing churches as a *whole* have not started, but individual members in each are earnestly pressing ahead.

"Do you see that row of spuds?" said a brother who is pressed for time to a friend. "Well, that's the tenth row, and every penny I get out of that goes for Harvest Ingathering."

"Can I help in the campaign, 'Uncle Jack'?" is the eager cry of many of the children. How *can* I disappoint them!

The above, and many similar encouraging incidents, go to prove the intense and practical interest in the forthcoming campaign for God.

Writing to Sir Robert L. Bower for permission to work the North Riding of Yorkshire, great was my surprise to learn that instead of the usual three weeks' permission, he was willing to grant us this year five and a half months.

With this and other evidences of the obvious leading of the Lord, I would urge upon all home missionary leaders that "God is your Partner; make your plans large."  
J. M. HOWARD.

WANTED.—By the end of September, one furnished room for an elderly widow. Garston preferred. Mrs. Arrowsmith, 32 Avenue Rise, Bushey.

## SUNSET CALENDAR

	LONDON	EDINBURGH	CARDIFF	NOTTINGHAM
September 2nd	7.46	8.6	7.58	7.52
September 9th	7.30	7.47	7.42	7.36