



Our Work in Sierra Leone

By *W. E. READ*

It is many years now since the work began in this part of the Lord's vineyard. In the early days Brethren W. H. Lewis, D. C. Babcock, Dr. Meyers, and R. S. Greaves had their part in getting the work established. For several years following the war our own brethren from the British Union cared for the interests of the cause. Brother and Sister Lowe, Brother and Sister Ashton, Sisters Howard and West are all held in high esteem by the workers and believers in the field. Their faithful labours are appreciated not only in the field itself but also by the home board. During the past two years, however, Scandinavia has been furnishing the missionaries for this field. At the present time Pastor J. Gronert is the superintendent, and he is assisted by Brethren E. Berglund and T. Tranborg. Under the supervision of these brethren the work is making splendid progress.

We have a fine force of African workers, twenty-seven in all, and they are scattered fairly well over the territory. Four of these are ordained ministers, six are licensed ministers, and the others carry missionary credentials or are teachers.

The headquarters of our work are at Waterloo, about twenty miles from Freetown, the port of entry into the colony. In fact our mission compound faces the railway line. We have two homes for our missionaries, as well as a good boys' school and also a workshop where the young men are taught to work with their hands. The shop is well equipped and the products are in demand in various parts of the colony. Such things as trucks, tables, desks, chairs, and other items of furniture are very well made indeed. In the village of Waterloo, about five minutes' walk from the mission station, we have a nice little church building which will seat nearly one hundred people. In Freetown there is also a small church building

which is regularly used by the members in that city. In the eighteen up-country stations, all of which are cared for by our native workers, there are a number of teachers' houses and school buildings, but these were erected in most cases at no cost to the mission. It is the usual thing for the chief and his people to put up these buildings as soon as we commence work in the chiefdom. Of course the buildings are very simple. In practically every case they are made of mud and have a grass roof, with the regular earth floor, but they serve the purpose.

All the workers came together for an institute at Waterloo, and we spent a very precious season as we sought the Lord and considered the great work committed to our trust. At this meeting three of our African workers were set apart to the sacred work of the Gospel ministry. The Sabbath-afternoon service at which this ceremony took place will long be remembered by all those who were privileged to be present. It was good to listen to the testimonies which were given. One brother told that he was a lost sheep, but that that afternoon he was coming back to the fold. Another gave his testimony in the form of a prayer and asked the Lord to take all the rust out of his life and to shine him bright and clean so that others might see the glory of the Lord. Still others told of difficulties they were experiencing in their various villages. Sometimes our people are driven from their homes when they forsake the secret societies with all their wicked practices. Notwithstanding these things, all testified to the keeping power of the message and sought the Lord for strength to continue to the end.

The past two years have been the best two years the field has ever had in the matter of soul-winning. Two years ago, when we visited the field, the

workers set the goal at one hundred new baptized members. This was quite a venture of faith for they never had anything like that number in such a short period before. Still the workers returned to their stations with renewed courage and with a determination to work and pray as never before. The Lord certainly blessed their confidence and trust in Him. At this meeting they were able to report a net gain of eighty new members baptized and thirty others who were ready and would have been baptized had the superintendent been able to visit the up-country stations before the workers' meetings. We thank God for what we see in Africa to-day, but we believe that these happenings are but the beginnings of greater things which we shall see in the near future. For the year 1930 they have set the goal at eighty new baptized members.

The tithes and offerings are also showing a splendid increase. This is particularly true of the Harvest Ingathering work. In 1927 the amount collected was £20; in 1928 the figure rose to £40; whereas during 1929 the brethren gathered no less than £130. This experience has brought much courage to all the workers, for they all feel somehow that a new day has dawned for the work in Sierra Leone. It is certainly true that money can be gathered. It is a matter of going out and getting it. We need to seek God for a larger faith. He stands ready to do greater things for His people and He will certainly do them if we will but give Him the opportunity to work on our behalf.

We are carrying on our work in three languages at the present time. Up-country there are two, the Mende and the Temne, while on the coast there is the Creole. In Freetown and the other coastal towns the people understand English, and in such places we are able to speak to the people without any translation. There are great prospects for our literature work in these West African fields. While we shall have to get out some books in the native languages, we shall be able to sell a good deal of our English literature. What we really need at this time is to get our colporteur work well under way, and I feel sure we shall see the message go quickly to all parts of these colonies in a remarkably short space of time.

Our hearts were touched when on our visit to the up-country stations. At several places we met chiefs who pleaded with us to send a worker to their people. One chief has been beseeching us for the past two years for a teacher, but so far we have not been able to respond to the call. Santige Kanu, the chief of Yele, made all kinds of offers if we would only open up work in his chiefdom. He promised a fine piece of land and offered to erect a house for the teacher, as well as a church and school-house. Yokie, the chief of Nembema, met us with all his headmen and urged us to come

to his country. He has forty-two villages under his care and has no mission of any kind in any of them. He looked to us with beseeching eyes and said: "I want the light of the Gospel to come to my people. I plead with you to send someone to teach us about the true God."

Later we visited a place called Malegbe. This is one of two hundred and eighty-four villages under the paramount chief, Bai Kompa. He had been pleading with us for a long time, and on learning that we had no money to build a station, he called his sub-chiefs together and after counsel they decided to build a station and then make another appeal to us. Some time went by, but one day a messenger came to Waterloo with the earnest request that we visit the old chief. Brother Gronert and one of the other brethren went up to his village and they were asked by the chief to walk to a village not so very far away. They began the journey and marched in the heat of the day for fully four hours, but finally came to Malegbe. Here they saw a new village erected in what but a little time before had been nothing but bush. The forest had been cleared and some nice huts had been built. In all there were fifteen native houses and one large place in the centre for meetings. "Now," said the chief, "some time ago you told me you had no money and so could not give me a worker. When you said that it touched my heart and I called my chiefs together and we have built this place. Will you send us a worker now? If so I will give this village to you. Here are the huts for the boys and in the centre is a large meeting house." He then conducted our brethren to the meeting house and on entering they were met by no less than one hundred sub-chiefs. They all rose to their feet and pleaded as did the old chief that a worker be sent to their country. This is a wonderful opening and we were glad for the privilege of seeing the chief and talking with him for a little while. Owing to the faithful efforts of our believers at home, we now have one of our best native workers located there.

All over this country we see just such openings as this. Barriers are being broken down and the way prepared for the message. The last-mentioned chief has never permitted any mission to open work in his chiefdom, but he heard of the Adventists and then said, "I want the Adventist worker to teach my people."

Truly this is the day of Africa's opportunity. Centuries ago the prophet declared that, "Ethiopia shall soon stretch out her hands unto God." We are verily seeing this fulfilled to-day.

Let us remember our faithful missionaries and their wives as they toil away in these lands where the tropical sun beats down upon them day after day, and where disease and death are to be met at every turn. Let us pray that God may bless their

efforts and use them to lead thousands of the sons and daughters of the dark continent to Jesus, the Light of life.



Colporteurs Under Fire

At the 1929 Autumn Council of the General Conference, the late Elder P. Drinhaus told incidents showing the faithfulness of our believers in visiting the homes of Eastern Europe:

"In a village of Czechoslovakia one of our sisters while canvassing was driven out with stones. She ran as fast as she possibly could and hid along the road, but the priest and the mob followed her, threw more stones, and drove our sister, in her weariness, farther on. Just one week later the priest at this place died through a stroke that came suddenly upon him, and his death, which took place so soon after the incident above mentioned, made a very deep impression on the inhabitants of that district.

"One canvasser sent in his report to the conference president and said: 'During the past month I have been beaten by the people oftener than I have sold a book.' But he goes on visiting the homes of the people with this truth.

"Two of our sisters, colporteurs, were cast into prison, but the jailer saw that these girls were quiet, good people and sent them out into the kitchen to help his wife with the work, and they told her about the truth. They were soon freed from the prison, but by that time both the daughter and the wife of the jailer had accepted the message and they were baptized the same day these girls were given their liberty.' Such experiences give our people courage to go even into prisons with joy.

"Many of our colporteurs say they have their vacations during the time they spend in prison; but please do not think these prisons are especially pleasant and clean. At one time three of our colporteurs were in prison, and were placed in a large cell together with twenty criminals. One day the director of the prison came and asked the prisoners, one at a time, 'Why are you here?' When he asked our brethren that question they replied: 'That is just what we would like to know; why are we here?' The director quickly saw that they were not criminals, and took these three out from the other twenty and gave them a cell of their own, and, said the brethren: 'There in that room we actually had a little table.' That seemed to them an article of luxury, and they sang hymns of praise out of their songbooks.

"As they sang, the door opened, the jailer listening. The longer they sang, the wider the door opened. In a little while the jailer, his wife, and children, were in the cell with our brethren, sing-

ing. They took some chairs out of their own dwelling and brought them to our brethren, with the little table. Soon all seven of them, the three colporteurs and the jailer with his family, sat around that little table and had a Bible study together. As long as our colporteurs remained in that prison, this family came every day to their cell for a Bible study.

"A little later they were brought into court, and the judge said to them: 'Please tell me what is in the books you are selling, and why it is that you have been imprisoned.'

"Our brethren said: 'We would like to do that but it would take some time.'

"The judge said: 'You may have all the time you want.'

"As one of the colporteurs explained the truths in the book the judge asked: 'Wouldn't it be possible for me to get one of these books myself?'

"'Well,' said the canvasser, 'your honour, we are not permitted to sell these books.'

"'Oh,' the judge replied, 'that makes no difference. I want a book.'

"The brother replied: 'In that little package they took away from us, these books are sealed up with the prison seal; there is a copy for you there.' The books were then sent for, our brethren opened the package, and this judge and two other judges with him in the court bought copies for themselves. Then the secretary of the court bought one. The colporteurs sold every book they had and then lacked one to supply an order; but they took the name and address of the gentleman who wanted it and promised to send it through the mail. With this experience the court session ended."



Birds are Singing

The birds are singing, the grass is green again, and the trees are putting on their lovely spring clothes. New life is everywhere in nature, and surely it is also making itself felt in the hearts of many of our readers. Then it is time to send for the Fireside catalogue and ask us to tell you also about our new course in Pastoral Training that is interesting so many wide-awake church workers. We want to get in touch with all who are desirous of doing systematic work in training their talents for service. Also courses in Bible, History, English, and Mathematics. Let us hear from you now.

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Notes from the President

BROTHER JOHNSTON'S attendances continue to be good. The Bible-workers are kept busy calling on interested ones, and find that some have already commenced to keep the Sabbath. In the last programme printed the Sabbath services were included, and the people were invited to come out and "worship on the only true Sabbath." We are hoping for a large attendance at the first Sabbath service, June 7th. We know that many are praying for the success of this effort.

BROTHER REEVES is planning for a baptism at Grimsby in July, and there will be other baptisms at various places in the near future.

WE enjoyed a week-end lately at Lincoln. The church is sorry to lose its faithful Bible-worker, Mrs. Casey, but the members are setting themselves to their task. They now have a pleasant little meeting-place under their own control. Brother Pegg's printing business is gradually developing, and we were glad to learn that Brother Baldwin's treatment rooms are being strongly recommended by local doctors and people of influence. Both these men and their wives are doing useful work in the church. Mrs. Baldwin is starting a Home Nursing class among the sisters. Brother W. F. B. Clarke, in whose hospitable home we stayed, has been blessed in his business and he is able to help the church in many ways. The prospect is good in Lincoln, and it illustrates what a blessing to this cause our brethren can be when, in faith and consecration, they begin in a small way a self-supporting work in a city as witnesses for the truth. It would be a fine thing if, in many cities, so far unentered, one or two of our nurses could establish small treatment rooms. These would certainly grow to be strong influences for the truth.

THERE is a prospect that before long we shall have a small nucleus in Peterborough. A few sisters in that neighbourhood have begun to keep the Sabbath. It was a delight lately to meet them and study the Bible together. Brother Lee lives in Peterborough. He is brother to Mrs. Buchman, whom many know. Sister Buchman plans to pay Peterborough a visit and try to arrange a weekly meeting for others who are interested.

FOR April, we had a fall of £60 in the tithe.

May seems likely to wipe out this loss and give a little gain.

ALREADY we have received a very encouraging response to our appeal for special gifts to finance the three tent efforts.

SOME two years ago Brother Lamont Murdoch was sent to Scarborough to carry on a little effort. Funds were low and he was told at first that he must manage without financial help. However, when some two hundred people came out to the meetings, he was told that he might spend a little money, with the utmost caution. His expenditure was only about £30, but with God's blessing the effort resulted in a gain of some twelve souls. Among these was Sister Cheetham who heartily embraced the truth. She only lived for a year after, but during that time she made a fresh will and as a result our treasury is now, in its year of extreme need, enriched by over £300. God is well able to care for His own work. Dark as the financial situation may seem at present, it may be that through the faithful labours of His servants, even new recruits, God is solving the problems of the future.

PASTOR G. KEOUGH will be touring our conference in the interests of the College. Welcome him when he comes to you. He takes blessing wherever he goes.

W. T. BARTLETT.



Camp Canvassing Campaign

Prepare now for the "C.C.C."

"I AM glad to tell you that my two children and five others are canvassing every Sunday for their camp expenses. They are one and all most enthusiastic. The camp idea has been a tremendous impetus to them all."

So writes one faithful leader of a small Missionary Volunteer society. Apparently these young people do not intend to wait for the "C.C.C.," but are already canvassing for camp.

What actually is the "C.C.C."? In plain English the "C.C.C." stands for the "Camp Canvassing Campaign." It is a scheme by which our young people can come to camp without using a penny of their own usual income. Financially, it is possible for YOU to come to camp, and let me tell you that it will be worth a sacrifice to get there.

The "Camp Canvassing Campaign" commences

Sunday, July 6th, and continues during any available hour throughout the week, concluding with the final field day, Sunday, July 13th. This will enable those going to camp to send in their 25s. od. to me not later than Tuesday, July 15th.

We ask all societies who hope to send representatives to camp to rally round the young people. For many this will be the only holiday during the year. Not a few in our conference have almost forgotten, during these years of hardship, the sound of the sea. We invite you to do all in your power to put this camp privilege within their reach.

In imagination we see hundreds of older members throughout the conference reading this article and saying as did one lover of young people recently, "If only I were twenty years younger!" I am happy to tell you that the "Camp Canvassing Campaign" is open to all. Although, maybe, you have passed the camping age you may catch again the spirit of camp. We invite you, older members or isolated believers, to throw your enthusiasm into the "Camp Canvassing Campaign," and pool your profits for the benefit of any young people in your church who are planning to attend camp. If you do not know of any needing assistance then send direct to me. I have met many (and heard of more) worthy young people who are doing their utmost to come to camp with, it seems to us, only disappointment in view.

We hope, however, that every society in North England will be represented at the camp, where we expect to plan, among other things, special music, community singing, treks, bathing, sports, explorations, boating, camp-fire programmes, a cruise, and extra-special daily and week-end services. We expect to meet all extras in the inclusive fee of 25s. od.

For the satisfaction of parents of younger volunteers we would mention that with the kindly help of some of the Scarborough sisters and a few of the older Missionary Volunteers we are planning to provide suitable chaperonage.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Camp Canvassing Campaign

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J. M. HOWARD.



Stoke-on-Trent

ON Sunday evening, June 1st, the members of the Stoke-on-Trent Church assembled together, along with many friends, to hear a song service entitled "Spring Flowers," presented by the Junior Missionary Volunteer society.

Previous to the hour set for the rendering of this song service, the hall had been very appropriately decorated with a good variety of spring flowers,

which made a very nice setting to the twenty Volunteers who participated in this effort on behalf of the Young People's society.

Songs, solos, and recitations were very nicely rendered by the juniors, who very pleasingly played their part under the instruction of Sister Clarke, the society leader.

GORDON P. THOMPSON.



Wellingborough

A PRETTY and unusual service was held at the Wellingborough Church on Sabbath afternoon, May 31st, when Pastor Hall dedicated Valerie Jean Knight, the baby daughter of Sister Gladys Knight.

Special children's hymns were sung, and Pastor Hall spoke of the occasion when Jesus blessed the little ones, and said, "Suffer little children to come unto Me." The service was much enjoyed by all.

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At Rest

LISCO—Sister Sarah Lisco passed to her rest at Dundee on April 20th, and was buried on the 23rd. Pastors Maudsley and Prescott were present at the funeral. A very impressive service was held in the home by Brother Maudsley before a large gathering of friends, including two brothers and a number of other relatives. Words of hope and comfort were spoken at the graveside by Brother Prescott. After prayer our sister was committed to the grave there to rest, "until the day dawn and the shadows flee away." Sister Lisco died in the home of Sister Barrie, who with loving care tended her to the end. The brave little company of believers in Dundee will sorely miss one whom they loved, and who ever loyally supported the cause there. Our sympathy is extended to them and also to the sorrowing sisters and brothers. May the blessed hope of a soon-coming Saviour and a resurrection to life and immortality be the comfort of all who mourn.

J. ARCHIBALD.

COOK.—On April 21st, Edward Samuel Cook, age seventy-three years, fell asleep in Jesus. He was laid to rest in the South Norwood Cemetery to await the call of the Life-giver. Pastor H. W. Armstrong conducted the service at the house, and the last rites at the graveside. Brother Cook accepted the message under the labours of Pastor S. G. Haughey in 1912, and although for many years a baptized member of the Metropolitan Tabernacle, he was desirous of rebaptism. He learnt to love his Saviour from early life, and after accepting the Advent message always showed a keen interest in the progress of the work in mission lands and faithfully gave his support to the last. The past eight or nine years he suffered much, but was always bright and cheerful, without a word of complaint. He loved to sing the songs of Zion and looked forward to the time when he would meet his Saviour in glory. We extend our sincere sympathy to the relatives and especially to his sister, who tenderly cared for her brother during his long illness, and is now left alone.

H. D. CLARKE.

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Good Health League

IN connection with our Good Health League branch at North London a visit was made to the United Dairies Milk Bottling Plant. Thirty-three members and friends joined us and were conveyed by special charabanc to the works. Here we divided into two companies with guides who took us to the various sections of the plant. We saw how the milk was received as it came in from the farms. We noticed the special arrangements which were made for its conveyance through various apparatus for cooling and pasteurizing, until it was bottled by special machinery. After the tour of inspection we were invited to partake of light refreshments kindly provided by the company. The visit was of intense interest to all who came, and was the result of our Health Demonstration held Wednesday, May 14th, in North London.

We anticipate promoting the League's activities in a good strong way during the coming months. A council of doctors and nurses and others who are particularly interested in our Good Health League work will be held at The Stanboroughs, Watford, on Wednesday afternoon, June 18th, at 3 p.m. We invite all who can to join us.

F. W. GOODALL.

Service of Song in North London

ABOUT 150 members and friends were gathered together on Thursday evening, May 22nd, to enjoy another "Service of Song." The programme was very nicely arranged, and included several excellent solos and recitations. Space forbids our mentioning every item, but expressions of appreciation from all present amply rewarded those who contributed to the evening's programme. A collection was taken up for the benefit of the church fund.

We should like to express our appreciation for the first-class programmes which have been arranged, and for the inspiring songs and recitations.

B. V. BRAY.

Spring-Time Activities at Wimbledon

A HAPPY evening was spent on Sabbath, May 3rd., at Wimbledon, when the young people held a floral service. All who were present were greatly inspired as we studied more of God's handi-

work, and of the beauty and blessings He bestows upon us. The quantity of flowers contributed far exceeded our expectations, and their perfume and colour gave us but a faint idea of what God has in store for us in our Eden home. Appropriate hymns were sung and the young people rendered various items of praise. Miss Daisy Sparrow was presented with a beautiful basket of carnations in recognition of her valuable services for the society during the past three years. The flowers were afterwards distributed amongst the sick members of the church.

E. SPINKS,

Young People's Secretary.

South London Sabbath-School Rally

WE are glad to be able to report a very helpful Sabbath-school Rally at South London on May 3rd.

It was our privilege to have with us at this time and for this special occasion, Brother F. W. Goodall, who gave our Sabbath-school good support and counsel.

The Sabbath-school met at the usual hour for the study of the day's lesson, and then the rest of the morning was taken up with a very good programme. Some specially interesting papers were read, which were most helpful and encouraging to all.

The following were the topics for the hour, interspersed with songs and recitations by the children:

The best hour for the Sabbath-school and the need for promptness.

The prayer.

Songs in the Sabbath-school.

The report.

Children's part in the Sabbath-school.

The review.

The study of the lesson.

Brother Goodall brought this excellent programme to a close by giving a general survey of the Sabbath-school.

The following paper was written by the leader of the Young People's Society:

THE BEST HOUR FOR THE SABBATH-SCHOOL AND THE
NEED FOR PROMPTNESS

"In the morning rising up a great while before

day, He went out into a solitary place, and there prayed." Mark 1:35.

"I cannot think why we have the Sabbath-school so early!" Mrs. Verney said to her friend. "How can I get in on time? I've a husband, five children, and an hour's walk. I shall need to be up at seven. I think the afternoon a better time."

"I love the morning hours," her friend replied; "there is something so beautiful in them."

"Don't you think we could start at eleven?" said Mrs. Verney. "I'm just rushed from Sunday to Friday and I do need a rest."

"Do you not think Jesus was hard worked? He got up a great while before day. If He needed to spend time with God surely we do," said Mrs. Jones.

"Well, I'll talk to John about it!" and the friends parted.

After the children were snugly tucked in bed Mary and John had a little talk. John thought they should be early, and that the morning was the best time, pointing out that Jesus went to the synagogue in the morning and Paul gathered his converts together in the morning. So they agreed to get up early and be on time.

"Seven o'clock, Mary," John announced next morning

"Oh, I must have five more minutes. Call the children," was the sleepy response. "Twenty-past seven, Mary. I am going down."

Mary turned over.

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At ten minutes past ten they all hurried into Sabbath-school, causing a great deal of commotion getting settled. Looking to see who else was late Mary saw a Stranger intently regarding her. He had a wonderful face and eyes that seemed to look her through. So intently did He regard her that she thought there must be something wrong with her face, and she left the room to assure herself concerning it. On returning she met the stranger. "Mary!" the voice was wonderfully beseeching. "Mary! don't you know Me? Look!" He said as He held out His hands. She looked, and there were the nail prints. "'Tis Jesus," she faltered. "Yes," said the low, sweet voice, "It is I, Mary; I've waited for you since ten o'clock. Did you not expect Me? Surely you knew I should be here. Don't you remember I said, 'Where two or three are gathered together there will I be in the midst?' You knew I would keep My word, Mary, did you not?" Mary had to admit she had not thought of it. Sincere repentance filled her heart. She expressed her sorrow and her intention of amendment.

The Lord smiled on her, oh, such a smile, such faith in her, such love for her, such full and free forgiveness. "I want you to do something for Me," He said. "I want you to be the little leaven of promptness in this church. Come early. Greet each member with a bright smile, and talk courage and promptness to each late arrival. Will you do this

for Me? You will experience each Sabbath morning a little renewal of the glad morning time of life." Mary gladly promised, and with a radiant smile the Saviour left her.

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Mary awoke dismayed to find herself still in bed. She hastily dressed and hurried down. After breakfast she bade the children hurry as they must not be late for Sabbath-school. Gleefully they obeyed, rejoicing at the thought of being early.

Nine-fifty saw them all walk into the Sabbath-school, and Mary felt as though she were treading on holy ground. The conscious feeling of the Lord's smile brought a bright smile to her own countenance, and in her ear she heard a little whisper, "A little leaven leavens the whole."

The superintendent welcomed them with a bright good morning, feeling encouraged that so many were there on time.

E. F. BREWER,

Ass. Sabbath-school Supt.

Circulation Dept. Notes

More Titled People Buy Our Literature

THE list of titled purchasers of our books is now close on seventy. Lady Shepperd has just purchased a copy of *Bible Readings* from Brother Kinman, and a little while ago Lady Sharp (the wife of the sweet manufacturer) bought from a new colporteur a copy of the same book.

Lady Priestman and Lady Halsey are among the other recent purchasers of these beautiful books, and the Rural Dean of Stafford has just purchased *Prophets and Kings* through Brother T. G. Belton's endeavours.

We trust that all these friends will be greatly blessed as they read the books.

The "Wonders of Our Age" Going Well

THE sales of our new magazine have been most encouraging. "Big Week" gave it a first-class start, and up to the date of writing over 22,000 copies have been sent out.

One of the Canadian conferences has ordered 500 copies, and the little island of Jamaica is taking 2,000. Another of the West Indian fields sent us an order and (perhaps significant of the high value of *Wonders*) asked us to supply some "1/-" price tickets to stick on the magazine!

Miss C. H. Nicholson, ordering 500 *Wonders*, says: "I have had 300 *Wonders* and have sold them all, and enjoy selling them. In fact I sold sixty *Wonders* and ten *Bedtimes* in one day.

"Of course I have wished many times that you
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PASTOR L. H. Wood has just received a cable from the General Conference, asking him to leave at once to take over the presidency of our college at Berrien Springs, U.S.A. He sails on the "Leviathan" on June 19th.

So yet once more Stanborough College is to have a new principal. No news has come through as to who is to fill the vacancy, but we hope news will reach us from our delegates before the next issue of the WORKER is published.

BERRIEN SPRINGS is one of the largest of our denominational colleges, and it is a testimony to the high regard that the General Conference have for Brother Wood that they should have chosen him for this important position. Our loss is undoubtedly their gain. During his brief sojourn with us his deeply spiritual character has left ineffaceable memories and we are sure all will wish him Godspeed as he takes up his new and still heavier responsibilities.

DURING the last week-end of May it was our privilege to visit Plymouth for the Sabbath services. We were shown over the new premises in North Road, now nearing completion, and we certainly must compliment the local members on the splendid building they are shortly to occupy. The work of renovation is being done under the supervision of Brother Downs, the church elder, whose excellent workmanship will undoubtedly be a "joy for ever" to all who eventually will worship there.

EN ROUTE we had the pleasure of meeting with several regular and student colporteurs and isolated members. All of the colporteurs were of good courage, though some were having quite a hard time. There is nothing like meeting these good brethren on their territory to get a true picture of their task and an understanding sympathy with them in their difficulties. They need our prayers and all the encouragement their fellow believers can send them.

ON our trip we called to see Brother Bates and several members of the famous little company at St. Mabyn. They are faithfully holding up the light of truth in their Cornish village, making it indeed a "city set on a hill," radiating truth to the surrounding district. Asking a villager the way to the home of Sister Hamley, we were met with the reply, "Which Hamley?" We were non-

plussed for a moment. "The—er—the Seventh-Day Adventist one," we replied in desperation. "Oh, I know," said the lady; "just round the corner." It would be good if all Adventists were as well known because of their religion!

AND then some miles nearer home we stopped at Croscombe and spent a pleasant hour with Brother Hardy and his happy family. Sister Hardy's smiling face is worth going many miles to see! We understand now why so many good things have come out of this little Somersetshire village.

THIS is proving a banner year for the publishing work in this field. From January to May our sales have soared over £12,100, the highest in the history of the House. The gain is almost 12½ per cent over the same period of 1929. For all of which we thank God and take courage.



Circulation Department Notes

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would print a 6d. book, so now I am planning to visit every place again with it."

And a gentleman who purchased a copy a little while ago writes: "I have enjoyed your magazine, *The Bible and the Wonders of our Age*, which I obtained from a caller at this house to-day. I should be greatly obliged if you would forward me *Present Truth* for one year. I am enclosing a 4/6 post order and form."

Who knows if the "caller" wasn't one of your company?

And still another appreciation: "Kindly thank the Stanborough Press for the *Wonders of our Age*. It is a magnificent magazine. What a grand thing if one could be put in every home! I will do what my strength will let me do."

A.W.

STOP PRESS NEWS

PASTOR C. H. WATSON of Australia has been elected President of the General Conference. I. H. Evans, O. Montgomery, and W. H. Branson are to be general vice-presidents. J. L. McElhany remains vice-president of North America, and J. L. Shaw, treasurer.

SUNSET CALENDAR

	London	Nott'ham	Edin.	Cardiff	Pelfast
June 20th	9 20	9 34	10.3	9.33	10.4
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