



## “The Union Committee Met—”

By THE EDITOR

FOR the benefit of the four hundred and fifty new members added to the church in this field last year, perhaps we should explain that the British Union committee, familiarly known as “the B.U.C.,” is the central board of control of the Adventist movement in the British Isles.

It is composed of the presidents of the conferences, the superintendents of the mission fields, the secretaries of the Union departments, and the managing directors of the Union institutions, with the Union president as chairman.

Full sessions of the Union committee are held usually three times a year, in February, September, and November. Major plans, policies, and expenditures are settled at these full committees, but a minority committee, composed of the available members at head-quarters, is empowered to settle other matters that may arise between the full sessions.

The first full committee of 1934 was held at Stanborough Park from February 19th to 22nd. There were present:

W. E. Read (Union president), A. Carey (Union secretary), O. M. Dorland (Pres.: North England), H. W. Lowe (Pres.: South England), W. G. C. Murdoch (Principal: Newbold College), G. D. King (Sup.: Welsh Mission), J. Harker (Sup.: Irish Missions), L. Murdoch (Sup.: Scottish Mission), Dr. C. E. Nelson (Medical Sup.: The Stanboroughs), A. Warren (Manager: The Stanborough Press Ltd.), H. Osborne (Manager: Granose Foods Ltd.), F. W. Goodall (Sec.: H.M., S.S., Y.P., Departments), B. Belton (Union Field Miss. Sec.), and the writer.

Brethren E. D. Dick and W. T. Bartlett from the Division, and Brother W. H. Meredith were present by special invitation.

The committee opened each morning with worship, and every meeting was begun and closed with prayer. A cordial spirit of friendship and goodwill pervaded the whole session.

And what did they talk about?

All sorts of things. The agenda consisted of about 120 items. It would make interesting reading were there space enough to publish it.

Important matters relating to the work in the various fields and institutions clamoured for attention. It is surprising how quickly a very long agenda of vital matters can be compiled.

One entire day was spent in connection with the annual legal meetings of the institutions. These, of course, are compulsory by company law, so that the balance sheets and profit and loss statements may be presented to the shareholders.

Four legal companies, namely, the British Advent Missions Ltd., The Stanborough Press Ltd., Granose Foods Ltd., and The Good Health Association Ltd., all presented very encouraging statements. Profits for the year 1933 were not high, but it was cheering to note that all of the companies had come through another year of the world depression without loss.

College interests took up a very large part of the remaining time of the committee. Owing to the falling off in attendance, it was felt necessary to make certain reductions of staff and other economies

for the ensuing year. To this end, the offices of principal and business manager were combined, thus releasing Brother J. Rigby to take over the position of secretary-treasurer of Granose Foods Ltd.

Brother E. Ashton, the preceptor, was recom-

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mended for pastoral work in the North England Conference, the preceptorship being taken over by one of the older students. These important changes, of course, made other changes necessary, and these are being announced by the Union president elsewhere in this issue of the *MISSIONARY WORKER*.

Perhaps the most important announcement made during the committee session was that relating to the status of our institutions so far as income tax is concerned. For many years it has been the hope of our leaders in this field that some day our work might be recognized by the authorities as a charity and thus freed from income tax the same as other religious organizations. Many sub-committees have struggled with this problem through the years.

However, during 1933, under the blessing of God and the persistent endeavours of the Union president and secretary, our organization was recognized as a charity and freed from both income tax and property tax. This applies not only to the British Advent Missions Ltd., but also to The Good Health Association Ltd. and The Stanborough Press Ltd. It will mean the saving of at least £1,000 per annum to the cause.

The committee passed a vote of thanks to the chairman and secretary for the important contribution they had made in bringing this matter to such a successful issue.

Much encouragement was brought to the committee by the reports of the tithes and offerings for 1933. There was a splendid gain in tithe, and many of the offerings showed satisfactory increases. Furthermore, all of the conferences and missions revealed a good gain on their operating statements for the past year, indicating that the general improvement of conditions in the country is being reflected in the income of the cause of God.

All these facts give us confidence to believe that we are entering upon a year of still wider achievement and greater success in this wonderful work of bringing the message of God to the people of the British Isles.

With strong leadership and a willing people we may go forward with great courage and hope to face the battles that lie ahead.



### Notes from the Union President

WE have been very glad for the good reports which have been coming through from all parts of the field concerning the excellent attendances at the evangelistic efforts. Large numbers of people are attending the meetings in Wales, Northern Ireland, Scotland—north and south—and also in the special campaigns in progress in England. We need to pray continually for our evangelists and Bible-workers, that the Lord may bless them in a special way at this time. In these aggressive efforts many souls are becoming acquainted with the truth, and a number of them are learning their way into the message. Let us pray that the powers of darkness may be restrained, and that as a result of the earnest appeals which are being made just now, a large

harvest of souls may be gathered for the kingdom of God.

ERE long, we shall come to the close of another college year, and our young people will be going out into the field on scholarships bent. We are very glad that the North England Institute can be held at Newbold this year, thus giving the student colporteurs the help and inspiration such a meeting will afford. Remember our young men and women in prayer as they go into the field, that the Lord may go before them and bless their efforts. Pray that many of our message-filled books may go into the homes of the people; but pray, also, that our youth may obtain the wherewithal to carry them through another year of training for the work of God.

THE graduation exercises at Newbold are timed to take place May 4th to 6th. It is expected that Pastor L. H. Christian will give the graduation address on Sunday afternoon, at 4 o'clock, while on Friday evening and Sabbath morning, Pastors W. T. Bartlett and O. M. Dorland will minister to the students.

IN view of the development of the work at our Food Factory, it has been found necessary to strengthen certain departments of the work in that institution. With the large interests involved, and the plans for development, it has been decided to appoint Brother J. Rigby as secretary-treasurer of the Granose Foods Limited. This will mean also quite a change at the school. For the next school year, Professor W. G. C. Murdoch will be principal and also business manager. This plan of combining these offices obtains in most of our educational institutions in other parts of the world. Brother F. D. Buckle will connect with the work at Newbold as treasurer, and Brother C. T. Bannister will join us at the Union office as assistant treasurer. These changes will go into effect toward the middle of the year, or as soon as suitable arrangements can be made for the transfers.

We sincerely pray that the blessing of the Lord may rest upon these brethren as they take over their new responsibilities, and that the work of God may prosper in their hands.

IN view of Brother Buckle's transfer to the College, Brother Carey will take over the work of treasurer for the missions in Wales, Scotland, Northern Ireland, and the Irish Free State as from June 1, 1934.

WE were very glad, on a recent visit to Newbold, to notice the difference in the temperature in the main college building. Some difficulties have been experienced with the heating arrangements hitherto, but we were very glad on this occasion to find the building so nicely warmed. It might be mentioned that this would have been done about a year ago, but to have done so at that time would have meant putting the work into the hands of a firm which specialized in central heating and we were desirous

of keeping the work within our own ranks and providing as much work as we possibly could for our students to enable them to earn their way through school. This accounted for the delay. However, we are glad that the work is done, and we feel grateful to Brother Figg, our engineer, for the success which has attended the efforts put forth.

THE summer school at Newbold will be held from May 31st to July 31st, and we are looking forward to a good enrolment this year. A number of students will be coming from the continent, and several from our own field have already planned to attend the special classes during the summer months.

At the recent meeting of the Union committee, it was decided to hold the next quadrennial session of the Union at the regular time according to our constitution, in 1936, but to have it in the month of August rather than in February, as we did two years ago. The suggestion is that we have no meeting of the local conferences and missions that year, thus giving many more the opportunity of attending the Union session. It has not been decided as yet where the meeting will be held, but we are very desirous that our believers through the field lay their plans quite early with a view to being present for a portion, if not the whole, of the time at that important gathering.

IN just a little while, we shall enter the Big Month Campaign. This is a new term to us for we have been in the habit of calling it the Big Week. However, with this year, it is to be a Big Month, and we are sincerely hopeful that all our churchmembers will press into the task with earnestness and determination to win through successfully. With the new hospital starting, and the great need for evangelistic efforts, we feel sure that we can count on the loyal co-operation of our believers everywhere. Let us lay our plans early, and then start in at the beginning of the campaign period and get the task finished in record time.

WE wish that you could take a peep at the three rooms which are now being decorated in preparation for the hospital. The old college chapel has undergone quite a change during the past few weeks. The painters and decorators have been busy and their work is almost finished. The beds and other equipment have been ordered, and in the course of a week or so we hope to have everything nicely arranged. Please remember that the equipment is to be paid for out of the receipts from the Big Month this year. Do not disappoint us, will you?

W. E. READ.

### After Fifty Years

Do you know that we are approaching the Fiftieth Anniversary of the publication of *Present Truth*?

Brother W. A. Spicer, in sending an article for the special Anniversary number, to be published in April, writes:

"It had not occurred to me possible that *Present Truth* could have a fiftieth birthday. Well, blessings on it. It is better and stronger than ever in its life, and may its voice be heard until the work is done."

## North Ireland Mission

*Superintendent:* Pastor J. Harker.

*Office Address:* 33 Galwally Rd., Ormeau Rd., Belfast.

### A Word from Belfast

It is now four months since we began our public effort in the capital of Ulster. It has taken us some time to get our bearings, and to understand—at least to some degree—a new type of audience. The psychology of the Ulster folk is somewhat difficult to analyse and their theology is very set, and seemingly to be maintained at all costs, even though at times found wanting under the light of present truth. Prejudice against the Advent movement could not be greater, even in a Catholic country, and this has limited us to just a very few halls for our public work, which do not enjoy the best of reputation nor provide the best location.

However, moving forward in faith and not thinking too much about the difficulties, we began our effort with a nicely filled hall, about 400 being present. Just around the Christmas and New Year season our audience dropped to less than half, but since the middle of January our attendance has risen to its former figures, and there is a keen interest manifest particularly on the subjects of "Hell Fire," "The State of the Dead," "Spiritualism," and questions pertaining to these subjects. It was feared that any presentation of the punishment of the wicked would arouse great controversy and probably empty the hall. Nevertheless the subject was given in all its ruggedness, and proved to be the best meeting. An excellent report was given in the local paper and put the case strongly for "annihilation," and there was neither a protest at the meeting nor a letter in the newspaper attempting to prove the message wrong. This has been a wonderful surprise to our members here, and the meetings have not fallen off by reason of the assault upon the pet theory of Presbyterians and Plymouth Brethren, both of whom are very numerous throughout Ulster.

One can account for it only by the power of the Word to overcome error, as I really believe a great conviction settled upon the audience on that particular occasion, and in this I see an encouraging omen for the presentation of the Sabbath truth in a few weeks' time. We have 120 names and addresses to call on with literature and Miss Adair has her hands very full. We are glad to report that doors are opening to us in a number of homes, and that we are making friends in spite of the existing prejudice and other forms of opposition.

The attendance at our week-night services is also increasing promisingly. It is becoming more and more perceptible that the message is beginning to grip, and we are becoming cheered by the prospect of a harvest of souls.

We would ask for the prayers of our members for this difficult field, and especially that there may be a mighty revival in this metropolis of Northern Ireland.

F. C. BAILEY.

## South England Conference

President: H. W. Lowe.

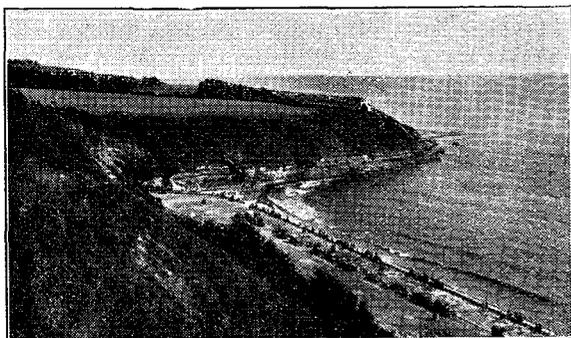
Office Address: 395 Holloway Road, London, N.7.

### Young People's Camp

IDEAL surroundings for an ideal holiday is the only way to describe the beautiful spot where we have decided to hold our Missionary Volunteer camp this year.

Two enthusiastic explorers set out amid rain and gale to find Utopia! After journeying some while, they see a fine field which they think would be suitable for camping, but find that there is no water laid on. So that is no good. Later, they come across another field which looks even more suitable than the former, and it has water laid on, too. Surely this is just the thing! But the bathing is unsafe. Another disappointment! Off they go again. They inquire at a little cottage concerning an adjoining camping ground, and are informed that the nearest town is ten miles away—and country miles at that!

Both the explorers admit they feel a bit stiff after using those muscles that have been out of action since the last camp, and discouragement is not far away, for they have not yet been able to find a suitable site. They prepare to return to London, when an express letter arrives recommending a site at Exmouth. They hurry to the suggested spot and this is what met their eyes.



*Glorious Exmouth.*

No seaside resort in the kingdom possesses so many charming singularities as the pretty, healthful town situated where the broad estuary of the Exe widens into the open sea. Here, in perhaps the fairest section of our native land, nestles this beautiful seaside resort, with its thousand years of recorded history. Fanned by the vitalizing breezes from a southern stretch of sea, unbroken until one reaches the coast of Spain, and yet so sheltered by hill and woodland from the severities of north and east, that hereabouts, the palm will thrive, the citron ripen, and the orange bloom in the open air.

Exmouth has all the appurtenances and attractions of a pleasant watering place—splendid sands, excellent bathing facilities, and everything that the heart of the pleasure-seeker or tourist could demand. The visitor who saunters along its sunbathed

crescent of noble parade doubtless seldom realizes that in the early days of Britain's history Exmouth was the scene of stirring events in our national life.

Exmouth is partially situated on a peninsula surrounded by water on three sides, and enjoys a remarkably equable temperature, *together with the highest sunshine records* in the country. Nowhere on the south coast can be found a climate so singularly favourable for those in search of health.

Who would not spend a holiday in glorious Devon? Then come to camp at Exmouth from August 5th to 19th.

The Camp Fund is now open, and any desiring to send in their fees in small amounts may do so. Send in the registration form below NOW.

H. T. JOHNSON.

### REGISTRATION FORM

PLEASE register my name for the 1934 Camp, August 5th to 19th, and reserve for me a Camp Booklet, Badge, and Voucher.

Name in full. . . . .

Address . . . . .

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Age (if 18 or under) . . . . .

Fill up and cut out this form and send with registration fee of 6d. to M.V. Secretary, H. T. Johnson, 395 Holloway Road, London, N.7., immediately. Please write "CAMP" on the envelope.

### Church Missionary Convention at Southampton

THE year 1934 began very happily at Southampton. On New Year's day, the young people and children had a very enjoyable party, the church-members and friends coming in the evening, when they were entertained with music and recitations by the children.

On Friday, January 5th, we were pleased to have Pastor F. W. Goodall and Brother H. T. Johnson with us, Pastor W. H. Meredith acting as chairman throughout the convention.

Pastor Goodall gave a very helpful and inspiring address, his subject being the "Call of the Lord." Again on Sabbath morning he addressed us on "Every Member Evangelism."

Sabbath afternoon two subjects, "Our Sabbath-schools" and "How to reach the people," were considered by Pastor Goodall and Brother Johnson.

In the evening a number of members and friends came to hear a lantern lecture on "Camping with the M.V.'s" given by Brother Johnson.

The following day (Sunday) we spent a very profitable time, in the morning considering Sabbath-school work, while the afternoon was devoted to the young people, the subject being, "A call to service." Brother Johnson took each of these services.

The meetings closed on Sunday evening with a public service, Brother Johnson taking for his subject, "Partakers of the divine nature."

We all feel that we have had a good time at these meetings and good results are already being shown in the Sabbath-school. Twelve members are planning to take the Bible Readings course.

MRS. M. CHARLTON, *Church Clerk.*

## North England Conference

*President:* Pastor O. M. Dorland.  
*Office Address:* 22 Zulla Road, Mapperley Park,  
 Nottingham.

### Notes from the President

THE thirty-second annual session of the North England Conference will be held, D.V., in Liverpool, May 24th to 27th. There will be visiting brethren present from the General Conference as well as from the Division and Union. Make plans now so that you can attend this yearly gathering.

WE wish the young people every blessing in the Spring Week of Prayer, and trust that many may be led to a consecrated life of service.

ON February 6th thirteen were baptized at Birmingham as the firstfruits of Pastor Bird's tent effort of last summer.

ON February 24th eight were baptized at Sheffield. Seven of these were from the district where Brother H. K. Munson has been labouring. Others from this tent effort will go forward in the near future.

ON Sabbath, February 3rd, the believers in Lincoln were organized into a church. Pastor W. E. Read was present with the writer on this occasion. Action was taken by the newly-organized church asking the conference to receive them into the sisterhood of churches at the next annual session.

THE beginning of classes in the Bible Readings Course in our churches has been most gratifying, 236 of the conference members having enrolled.

THUS far this year we are pleased with our financial standing. We look forward with courage to the months that lie ahead. We thank you for your faithfulness and ask a continued interest in your prayers.

O. M. DORLAND.

## Welsh Mission

*Superintendent:* Pastor G. D. King.  
*Office Address:* 80 Australia Road, Heath, Cardiff.

### Special Visitors to the Welsh Mission

PASTOR W. T. BARTLETT

THE week-end of February 2nd to 4th will long be remembered by our members in the Cardiff area as a time of rich blessing. An excellent Sabbath-school convention was held with seven Sabbath-schools represented. Brother Bartlett's kindly counsel was appreciated by all and definite plans were made for the strengthening of this most important phase of our church life.

PASTOR W. E. READ

We look forward to the coming visit of our British Union president. Brother Read will be with

us in Wales for an extended week-end, March 16th to 21st.

*A district meeting will be held in Swansea March 16th to 17th.* All members living in that area should plan to attend the Sabbath meetings in the Y.W.C.A. Hall, Northampton Lane, St. Helen's Road.

Other visits are being planned for Brother Read and he will cover as much territory as possible during his stay.

PASTOR O. M. DORLAND

OUR members in Wales will all wish to meet Brother Dorland again. He will be with us for the Easter week-end March 30th to 31st.

*A District Meeting will be held in Newport Church that week-end.* S.D.A. Church, Chepstow Road, Newport. We expect a crowded church and a rich spiritual feast. Make your plans to be in attendance at that meeting.

PASTOR F. W. GOODALL

DURING the week-end of April 13th to 15th Brother Goodall will be with us. It is hoped that he will be able to visit several companies and churches during his stay with us. We shall look forward to his counsel and help in strengthening our departmental activities in the Welsh Mission.

These visiting brethren will be assured of a fervent Welsh welcome as they visit us, and we shall pray for spiritual refreshing from their ministry.

G. D. KING.



THE greatest public benefactor is the man who sells good books.—*Gladstone.*

## At Rest

SIMPSON.—On December 26, 1933, Sister H. E. Simpson, of the Stockton-on-Tees Company, passed away at the age of sixty-nine years, after some weeks of painful illness. She was laid to rest in Durham Road Cemetery on December 29th. Sister Simpson was baptized in 1923, and was a faithful member till her death. All who knew her greatly miss her, and mourn their loss. Her hope of seeing Jesus at His return was firm.

F. W. COPPOCK.

CROWTHER.—On Thursday, February 15th, Brother A. Crowther was laid to rest in the Scarborough cemetery. After nearly three years of painful suffering our brother passed away at 1.30 a.m. on Monday, February 12th. Pastor O. M. Dorland, who conducted the burial service, had visited him early in January, and was able to testify to our brother's confidence in God and to his preparedness to meet Him. Brother Crowther, with his wife, accepted the truth under the influence of Brother Cheesborough in 1908 at Middleton St. George. Pastor Marcus also visited and gave them Bible studies. Our brother had been leader of the Scarborough Company for a number of years, and had also served on the committee of the North England Conference under Pastor H. E. Armstrong's leadership. We tender our deepest sympathy to his devoted wife in her great loss.

A. H. THOMPSON.

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# The Colporteur at Work

## 5. The Selling Procedure

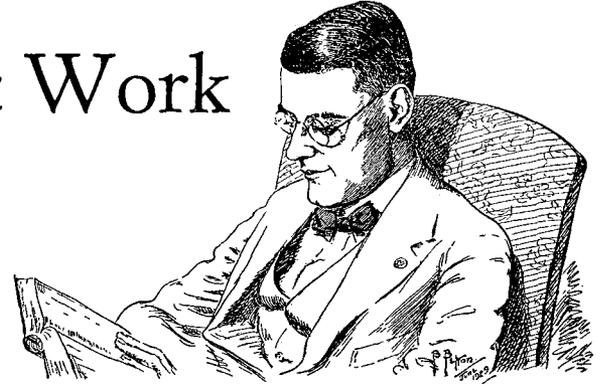
It is no chance work, this colportage. It is a studied process, the trained colporteur taking the prospect along a mental journey from one point to another according to method until the transaction is done.

We would say that there are four main stages or steps. But these again comprise several minor, yet important, points.

The first of these stages, called the pre-approach, is not a part of the sale itself, but is preliminary to the sale. It is the collecting of preparatory information before approaching the prospect, as described in a previous article.

The Gospel colporteur needs to carry a mental impression of this complete sales procedure. It will greatly facilitate his task.

In the accompanying diagram we have crystallized these selling steps, giving a basis for further studies in Gospel salesmanship. B. BELTON.



Brother Stanley Combridge, who is doing successful work with the literature among London business men. Last year his sales totalled nearly £400.

### A Chat with My Fellow-Colporteurs

"GOOD MORNING! Let me see, what is your name again? Oh, I remember—you want your pass."

"Yes."

"No complaints against you. There you are, sir."

"Good morning, and thank you."

No complaints, and so this small piece of paste-board has been handed me once more because I have kept within the letter of the law under which condition it has been granted.

It will allow me to roam about the Aldershot Command for another twelve months provided that I behave myself circumspectly and am careful to obey all the injunctions which are printed in extremely close type on the back thereof.

I have enjoyed my time in this great military training centre and have been there long enough to make many friends. So it will be good to possess this certificate once more, although it will not be of any great value to me this year, for I have canvassed almost everybody that is anybody. Just a regiment or a battalion may change here and there, and there will be some among them who will be willing to listen to me, and some, indeed, who will be waiting for such as I have to offer.

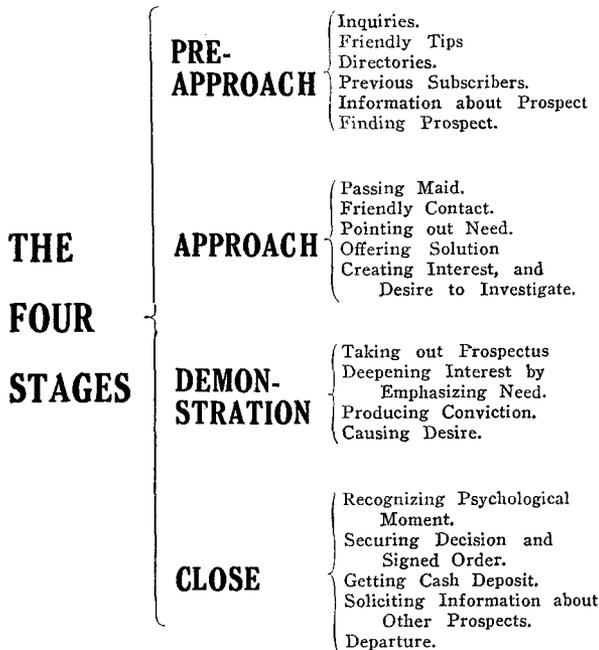
However, in the interregnum my efforts have been largely confined to house-to-house work in another locality, but how infirm those efforts seem to have been! And one abhors mediocrity in this work. All honour to the man who recently delivered eighty-four big books. How did you manage this, my brother?

Please do tell us, for none of us wishes to stay where he is. "Without counsel purposes are disappointed." Prov. 15:22. If we do not go forward in the canvassing field, we soon stand still. If we stand still, we soon begin to degenerate, and this degeneration soon leads to deterioration (much the same only a little worse state). "Where no counsel is, the people fall: but in the multitude of counsellors there is safety." Prov. 11:14.

One of the friends of Job said, "That which I see not teach thou me." Job 34:32. Elihu required teaching. Indeed, so does the colporteur.

Yes—but the friend who sold the eighty-four big books is a praying man. He must be, or he could not have accomplished it.

## Gospel Salesmanship Procedure



"Lord, teach us to pray." Luke 11:1. I wonder how many of us in the field are praying for the other? We promised to do this some years ago at twelve o'clock each day. Some still do it. It is a beautiful idea because one is fortifying the other in his precarious position, while the petitioner is gaining fresh courage for his task. The work is one which calls for continual prayer. And in these days it has become more than ever necessary to work with great zeal and energy. Work! It has been warranted not to kill anybody, so there is no hardship in work.

I knew a good old parson who used to tell me, "Work is love moving." I never took the trouble to ask him what he meant, though perhaps I should have done. The word "work" has been defined as "a moral duty or external performance as distinct from grace."

George Herbert must have understood both these virtues, for in regard to grace he wrote :

"My stock lies dead, and no increase  
Doth my dull husbandry improve :  
O, let Thy graces without cease  
Drop from above."

The man must have had a yearning to become a master of his job who, while thinking about work, said :

"O that I were an orange-tree,  
That busy plant!  
Then should I ever laden be,  
And never want  
Some fruit for him that dresseth me."

Fine, is it not? Much advice is to be found in the experience of men who have come and gone. But after all, herein I find the greatest counsel that a man may require :

"Now therefore go, and I will be with thy mouth, and teach thee what thou shalt say." Exod. 4:12.  
F. J. KINMAN.



### Deposit-Getting Suggestion

It goes without saying that the larger the deposits received on orders taken, the better the delivery will be. But how to get large deposits is a problem with many of our colporteurs. The following good suggestion comes from one of our successful men :

"We called on the ex-sheriff of this county, and sold him a book and Brother ——— said, 'Would you like to pay for it all to-day, or would you like to take advantage of our two-payment plan, only half now and the rest when we come back?' He answered, 'I have it now so I will pay it all and have it over with.'—COLPORTEUR POORE.

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## Fear of a Rapid Decline

WHEN the stoat hunts the rabbit, the rabbit's days are numbered. The rabbit is so scared of this most determined of its enemies that it takes instant flight on the stoat's approach. Then the chase begins and the conclusion is written in tragedy. The wearied rabbit stops, the vicious, evil-looking enemy comes up behind it, jumps on its back, and kills.

Knowing the timid and docile characteristics of the rabbit it was surprising to read the following incident in the correspondence columns of the *Times*

"The incident occurred on the Lyme Regis (Dorset) golf course the other day. Approaching one of the greens I was fascinated by a little half-grown rabbit which was being stealthily tracked by a stoat. The stoat was careful to keep out of sight of the rabbit, and as the latter halted on the green for a look round, the stoat detoured to get behind him and then made a jump and snapped at the young rabbit's neck.

"Following the appealing cry of pain that came from the rabbit I was startled by the sudden appearance from the 'rough' around the edge of the green of an older rabbit, possibly a mother animal. The parent, in spite of the rabbit's inherent fear of stoats, did not hesitate, but rushed for the stoat and with all the fury of a terrier dog shaking a rat, took him by the neck and shook him and then tossed him in the air. The rabbit waited to see if the stoat wanted any more, and not until the stoat had rushed away and the rabbit was sure that the danger to the youngster was over did it return to its burrow."

Truly an example of supreme courage. And in the realm of the humans we also need examples of supreme courage when men will take bad institutions by the "scruff of the neck," and throw them on the dust heap of the not-wanted. We have reached a time in our history when we need courage to face facts of a disquieting nature. There seem so many firmly established institutions that need to be reformed. Yet to touch them seems to be taking a knife to sever some of the most vital things of our lives. A man of vision points out where the deeply entrenched and accepted institution does incalculable harm; we are surprised, consider the problem, but do nothing because we are afraid to alter what has been unquestioned by the mass of people for generations.

More than sixty years ago, this movement of which we are a part lifted its voice against some thorough-going institutions, to warn people of the evils of smoking, drinking intoxicants, flesh eating, and the excessive use of devitalized foods. To-day our warnings, and others from many sources, are more and more persistent, the perils greater.

In those days it was like a forlorn hope, a voice crying in the "wilderness." Not only was it necessary to warn but also to replace. For this reason we built factories and produced Health Foods. It needed considerable courage and insight to produce vegetable meats that would replace flesh-foods in an age that thought it would descend into a rapid decline if it were not fortified with ample protein from lamb, beef, or pork.

However, the thing was done, we were greatly abused and our ideas ridiculed, but to-day we still carry on. This year, already, has seen an advance in the production of meat substitutes. The new health meat, ALKALENE, as mentioned in our last article, is a step forward in the work of Food Reform. Once you have tried it, ALKALENE will be included regularly in your menu. If you have any trouble in obtaining supplies, write to us, Granose Foods Ltd., Watford. G.F.L.

### Change of Address

COMMENCING March 3rd the Bath Church will meet at 13 Green Park, adjoining the L.M.S. Station Sabbath-School, Sabbath, 10.00 a.m.; preaching service, Sabbath, 11.15 a.m.; young people's meeting, Sabbath, 2.15 p.m.; Prayer meeting, Tuesday, 6.30 p.m.

# Soul Winning

BEFORE I was a Christian one of my main ambitions was to get a thrill out of life wherever I could. I would go to the dance, theatre, cinema, and circus. I have read thrilling stories of all descriptions, and I believe I can say with Solomon, "All is vanity and vexation of spirit." The thrill doesn't last. It vanishes away, and in most cases one's soul is disturbed and one's peace of mind is gone. The nerves are injured, and the pocketbook is usually left empty. But I have now found thrills which are lasting, and I want to tell you about some of them. These thrills came to me at different periods in my life, but they still thrill me. Every time I think of them they set my soul on fire, and many times bring tears to my eyes because of the joy they bring to me. These thrills were soul-winning experiences. They have happened while I was nursing, getting an education, doing Bible work, or Harvest In-gathering.

To begin my story I will tell you of some of the experiences I had while nursing in one of our sanitariums. One day there came to the sanitarium a fine-looking and polished lady who had with her a beautiful curly-headed little boy. This lady came from New York, and had reached our sanitarium through charitable means. Her husband was a drunkard, and her little boy had contracted rickets as the result of malnutrition. The doctor examined him, and took me aside privately to say that there was no chance for the little fellow, as the disease had reached a stage where it was too late to help him. He told me to make the little boy as comfortable as possible by giving him some treatments. Somehow my heart went out to the little fellow, and I was impressed to cry unto the Lord for him. This I did and I also gave special attention by providing extra things in the way of nourishment to build up his vitality. Every day before giving him his treatment I would kneel in prayer. His mother, who was very timid, would kneel with me beside his bed, but never pray. Day by day the little fellow's muscles became softer and softer, and soon he was up and running with the others. My heart rejoiced, but one day while I was praying the mother broke down and cried. She said, "I have never cried in the presence of a man before. I am a Catholic and do not know how to pray the way you do, but I believe you folks have something here that I do not have. What can I do to get it?" I gave her *The Desire of Ages*, and we soon began giving her Bible studies. Soon she was baptized, and is now rejoicing in the truth. Her little boy got well, and what a happy crowd we all were. Oh the joy in soul winning!

At another time I encountered a man who was a murderer. He had married a young girl and she left him. He followed her and killed her. He tried to commit suicide and shot himself in the head. The bullet had paralysed him on one side. They brought

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him to our sanitarium and I was chosen as his nurse. He was very hard-hearted. I tried every way to impress him with the need of a Saviour, but he simply sneered at me. Finally I asked him one day if he would like to have me read to him. He said, "Yes." I took down *Christ's Object Lessons*, and read him the beautiful story of the prodigal son. He listened attentively, and soon the tears were running down his cheeks. I then asked him if he would like me to pray for him. He said, "Yes." Soon I was down on my knees praying for that hardened sinner. God works with the hardest of hearts if there is only a shadow of a chance. Oh the thrill of soul winning!

I was called to take care of a man who had rheumatic fever. He had to walk on crutches. When I started to treat him I found that he had a Seventh-Day Adventist daughter, but that he was so opposed to the Adventist faith that he would have nothing to do with Adventists. One could not talk to him or even give him a Bible study. One day while nursing him I said to him, "You look lonesome. Would you not like to read a good book on history? I have an old book here that is a masterpiece, and I believe you would enjoy it." He said, "I would be glad to read it." He took it up to his room and read it from cover to cover. His daughter came to me and said, "Why, what did you do to my father? He is an Adventist." What a thrill! "I did nothing, only handed him a good book to read," I replied. He went home and brought the whole family into the truth. At camp meeting whom should I meet but the whole family coming up to shake my hand, and smilingly to tell me that I had shown them the way. And I cried! Never in all the world have I had such joy as in soul winning.

### Nursing Successes

Two of our nurses who have spent some years in St. Olave's Hospital, Rotherhithe, Miss M. Lowen and Mrs. T. Fielding (née Miss M. Parkington), have passed their State Final Examination and are now entitled to the S.R.N. certificate and medallion.

This brings the total of passes at this hospital to four, since Nurses Edith and Eunice Nouvelle gained the honour last April.

This is a splendid achievement, for all four have had many battles to fight for Sabbath privileges, two of them, on one occasion, being placed under notice to leave in consequence.

However, the matron speaks most highly of the Adventist girls and is proud of their success.

T. FIELDING.

### SUNSET CALENDAR

	London	Nott'm	Cardiff	Edin.	Belfast
March 16th	6.3	6.8	6.16	6.16	6.27
March 23rd	6.15	6.20	6.28	6.29	6.39