

# The MISSIONARY WORKER

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## Facing 1935

By W. E. Read

How rapidly the weeks and the months pass by! In a few days' time we shall bid good-bye to another year and be ushered into a new year full of wonderful possibilities and blessings.

At such a time we naturally meditate on the past and wonder also what coming days have in store for us. While during the year that is fast fleeting by there were disappointments, and perhaps seasons of discouragement, there were also many rich blessings and many remarkable answers to prayer, which the Lord in His mercy gave to us. For all the good things which came from the hand of our heavenly Father we tender to Him our heartfelt gratitude and take courage for the future.

It is a common thing near the close of the year to make new resolutions as to what we will do and be during the new year. Really, it is so easy to make these resolutions, but how easily they are broken. All of us have experienced the keen remorse which comes from resolutions made in all good faith and yet in a moment of weakness quickly broken.

What a blessing it is to yield our hearts to Jesus and let Him live in us day by day! He is all powerful and always keeps His word. If we surrender to Him, and keep surrendered, letting the divine Saviour dwell in our hearts, He will accomplish in us the longings of our souls and keep us hour by hour as conquerors in the strife.

Let us not think so much of our promises to Him as of His promises to us. Years ago when the Son of God tabernacled in human flesh, He put a remarkable question to blind Bartimæus. As he approached Him, He said, "What wilt thou that I should do unto thee?" The poor man knew what he wanted and without any hesitation he unburdened his soul to the compassionate Redeemer. I wonder what we would answer if the

Lord put this question to us? How thrilled we should be to have Jesus ask us what He could do for us. What should we answer? Would we come with large petitions? Would we request material or spiritual blessings? How many things which we need would crowd into our minds, and yet, through His Word, Jesus says the same to us to-day. Let us meditate on some things. We might ask:

1. *Do we long for freedom from besetting sins?*

Call to mind the comforting promise of the Saviour, "Ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." John 8:32.

"If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed." John 8:36.

Remember also the assuring words from God's servants in days of old:

"Thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ." 1 Cor. 15:57.

"And this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith." 1 John 5:4.

Victory is in Jesus and can be ours by simple faith in Him.

2. *Do we long for the windows of heaven to open in rich blessings upon our souls?*

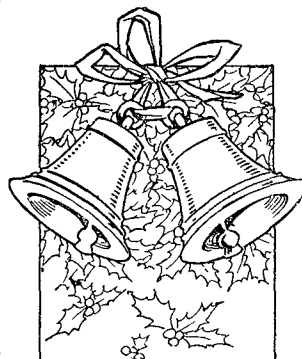
The promise of the Lord is very clear and plain in the word that we have in Malachi 3:10.

"Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in Mine house, and prove Me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it."

3. *Do we long for answers to the deeper longings of our hearts?*

What beautiful promises the Lord gives to the seeking soul!

"If ye abide in Me, and My words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will,



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and  
Prosperous  
New Year  
to all the  
Worker  
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and it shall be done unto you." John 15:17.

"And whatsoever ye shall ask in My name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If ye shall ask anything in My name, I will do it." John 14:13, 14.

4. *Do we long for prosperity in material and spiritual things?*

Remember the counsel given by King Jehoshaphat to the hosts of Judah in ancient days. "Jehoshaphat stood and said, Hear me, O Judah, and ye inhabitants of Jerusalem; Believe in the Lord your God, so shall ye be established; believe His prophets, so shall ye prosper." 2 Chron. 20:20.

5. *Do we long for the gift of the Holy Spirit?*

Truly this can be ours by faith in Jesus Christ. Notice the wonderful assurance of the Saviour, "If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask Him?" Luke 11:13.

6. *Do we long for growth in Christ and a closer fellowship with Jesus?*

"But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ." 2 Peter 3:18.

"As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the Word, that ye may grow thereby." 1 Peter 2:2.

"God is faithful, by whom ye were called unto the fellowship of His Son Jesus Christ our Lord." 1 Cor. 1:9.

"But if we walk in the light, as He is in the light, we have fellowship one with another." 1 John 1:7.

"And truly our fellowship is with the Father, and with His Son Jesus Christ." 1 John 1:3.

7. *Do we long for peace in our hearts and minds?*

What an age of worry and nervousness this is, and yet amid all the turmoil, the perplexities, and conflicts, it is our privilege to enjoy the peace and blessings of heaven. Ever remember the blessed words of Jesus, "My peace I leave with you; My peace I give unto you." John 14:27.

Think also of the words of the evangelical prophet of ancient days, "In quietness and in confidence shall be your strength." Isa. 30:15.

"And the work of righteousness shall be peace; and the effect of righteousness quietness and assurance for ever." Isa. 32:17.

"Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on Thee; because he trusteth in Thee." Isa. 26:3.

What boundless resources our heavenly Father has at His command! Truly, all things are ours in Christ Jesus. Brethren and sisters, as we enter the New Year, let us enter more fully into our heritage as the children of God. As we labour for the Master, as we consecrate our lives to His service, as we enter into intimate fellowship with Jesus, all these blessings, and many more, will be ours.



### Should We Pay Tithe?

IN the beginning our Creator gave to Adam dominion over all His works and reserved to Himself only one tree planted in the midst of the garden.

Our first parents had before them the prospect of a wonderful existence, but the seventh part of their time was also reserved for God.

So in respect to all that which God bestows on His children, He asks that they return to Him one-tenth of all they receive, as also, with regard to our time, He asks that we set apart one day in the seven, the day which He has hallowed and blessed, in order to come up before Him in the house of the Lord and remember His creative works, and His relationship to us as His children.

In the Scriptures we read that tithes have been paid as far back as the days of Abraham, and then again we are reminded of the tithe-paying of Jacob, who vowed saying:

"If God will be with me, and will keep me in this way that I go, and will give me bread to eat, and raiment to put on, so that I come again to my father's house in peace; then shall the Lord be my God: . . . and of all that Thou shalt give me I will surely give the tenth unto Thee." Gen. 28:20-22.

Jacob had been passing through quite an experience, and in a way we might say that in it he became reconverted to his Lord. That reconversion reminded him of God's ownership, and caused him to make the definite promise, that of all that he received he would surely give a tenth to the Lord.

If there were space we might quote scripture after scripture right down to the apostolic era showing how all the Lord's faithful ones believed in the payment of tithe, and the keeping holy of His Sabbath. But we will refer only to that wonderful promise in the book of Proverbs:

"Honour the Lord with thy substance, and with the firstfruits of all thine increase; so shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine." Prov. 3:9, 10.

A. CAREY.



### Shall We Encourage Youth to Prepare for the Ministry?

THE world has come upon unfortunate days financially. In all lands the worried, perplexed people are turning from one plan to another to relieve their distress. The very atmosphere seems vibrant with the strain and stress of man's desperate struggle to gain economic advantages.

The financial situation of the world is reflected to some degree in the diminished income of the church. In the past few years not many new workers have been added to conference pay rolls. Thoughtful young people, seeing these conditions, have asked, "Will there be a place for me? Should I plan on completing the ministerial course and running the chance of getting a place, when workers have been dropped because of budget limitations?"

It is true that the income of the church is affected by the uncertain economic conditions of the world. It is not so easy now to find a place of paid employment in the work of the church as it was in the days when money was more plentiful. But youth should not turn too easily to some secondary interest or calling in life. The church has withstood the days

of depression as well as or better than many great business concerns. For many years back the church has maintained an average of about one paid worker for every fifteen members. If conditions of living become stable at any level, the salaries of workers and other costs of the organized work will doubtless be so adjusted as to maintain an average worker strength equal to or above that in the past.

But over and above all such considerations as these is the cry of the sin-sick world for salvation, for God. As long as the world stands, its need of the message of God will be paramount. In the early days of the Advent message men did not inquire about a place of employment in the work. When the pioneers began to proclaim the Advent faith, we had no tithing system, no conferences—in fact we had nothing to give men assurance of support. The early pioneers earned their own livelihood and much of their expense for travel and printing by hard labour.

It may be that one of the lessons to be learned by the church as a result of the depression will be that of carrying on the work with less dependence upon money. It may be that some trained in ministerial courses may have to earn their own living as they proclaim the Word of God. Some are already doing excellent work as lay preachers.

But whatever may come, be very reluctant to turn aside from the call of God in your heart to the Gospel ministry. It is the highest call that ever comes to man for service. A sense of loss and defeat will come to him who turns aside from it. Until the very end of this world the Lord will have need of ministers of His Word. These are principles we may well place before our troubled youth when they come to us for counsel.

H. T. ELLIOTT.



### A Year at His Feet

Do you want the Bible story made clearer, the practical lessons emphasized, descriptions made more real, the path of duty marked clearly, the pitfalls and danger spots labelled? Then read *The Desire of Ages* each week as you study your Sabbath-school lessons during the year and nine months in which the entire denomination will be studying the life of Christ. A year and more at His feet with His Book and His inspired comment! What may it mean to this denomination? Surely a continual blessing to all who follow the study.

In view of events transpiring in the world which show that the coming of Jesus is near, one wonders if we shall ever again have the privilege of studying our Saviour's life on earth in a series of Sabbath-school lessons. Quite likely this is the last time. Can you, dear reader, afford to miss what others will be receiving? Not many will be willing to be in that class, saying, I "have need of nothing." Rev. 3:17. Where there is a will, there will be a way to get the price of the book.

Order your copy of *The Desire of Ages* now, so you will have it to use when studying the first Sabbath-school lesson of the new year.

Bound in cloth, post free, 9/-; bound in Keratol, limp, post free, 13/-. Send your order through your Home Missionary Secretary, or direct to The Stanborough Press Ltd., Watford, Herts.



### "Thou Crownest the Year with Thy Goodness"

WE review 1934—a year of wonderful blessing, and still more wonderful achievement.

The prospects are that our Harvest Ingathering goal will be reached, a truly remarkable event in the history of our work in Great Britain.

The prospects are that our Sabbath-school membership goal of 5,000 will be reached.

What of the prospects for our other objectives? They are also good.

#### WHY NOT

make the last Sabbath of the old year a *Thanksgiving Day*? It will be the THIRTEENTH SABBATH. How fitting that we should bring a special gift that day for the advancement of the Gospel in needy mission fields! WILL YOU JOIN US IN THIS?

#### LISTEN

to this encouraging news from head-quarters Sabbath-school at Stanborough Park. A sacred concert was given by the Juniors and Kindergarten, consisting of missionary songs, recitations, dialogues, etc.—a two-hour programme with nearly fifty children taking part. The hall was crowded to its utmost capacity with many standing and some unable to get in. The entire proceeds were devoted to the Sabbath-school Investment Fund. They did splendidly and well deserved the results of the evening's enterprise. Word has just come in that £15 has been passed to the Sabbath-school. A practical method of helping forward your offerings.

F. W. GOODALL.



### Church Directory Corrections

We are indebted to Mr. T. J. Prall for calling our attention to one or two errors and omissions in the Church Directory. With profound regret we apologize for the omission of Edgware—of all places! The address of the meeting place at Edgware is 41 Hazel Gardens.

The Shrewsbury Company meet in the Advent Mission Hall, Prince's Street.

West London should have read, "Chiswick, W.4," instead of "S.E.13."

Two changes in the addresses of meeting places have been sent in to us since the publication of the Directory, and we give them as follows:

Southall, 141 Western Road.

Gillingham, Hall at side of 48 Nelson Road.

The times of meetings of the Portsmouth Church are:

Sunday,	Preaching service	6.30 p.m.
Wednesday,	Prayer meeting	7.00 p.m.
Friday,	Young people's meeting	7.00 p.m.
Sabbath	Sabbath-school	10.15 a.m.
	Preaching service	11.15 a.m.
	Preaching service	3.15 p.m.

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## South England Conference

President: Pastor H. W. Lowe.

Office Address: 395 Holloway Road, London, N7.

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### Gravesend

A VERY beautiful and touching service was held at Gravesend on Tuesday, November 27th. It was the occasion of the departure of the well-beloved leader of the little Seventh-Day Adventist company for Horsham, Sussex. Brother and Sister W. C. Howard and their son moved to Gravesend in February, 1924, and almost at once Sister Howard was asked to take the leadership of the tiny group of believers at Grays, the meetings being subsequently transferred to Gravesend. For ten years, rain or shine, ill or well, the under-shepherd has cared for the little flock. Now she leaves behind a sturdy little company of believers, some of whom have accepted the message through the work of the members. In addition to these there is a much larger circle of friends of various denominations at whose services Sister Howard has spoken from time to time. Many of these friends were present at the farewell meeting, and spoke of the blessings they had received through our sister's ministry.

We pray that the Lord will continue to bless His servant in her new sphere, and that He will give abundant success to Brother Howard as he engages in the colporteur work, and to their son in the work he has chosen. We pray, too, that the members at Gravesend will experience much blessing as they hold aloft the banner of truth.

F.A.S.



### S.D.A. Assembly Hall, Cambridge

THE members and friends had a very pleasant evening on Wednesday, December 12th, when they gathered together to bring in garments and toys for the poor of Hoxton Market. The young people, older members, and many other friends had been working very hard for some weeks to make the gifts and mend worn garments.

The gifts in all numbered about 250. The idea first started when the children had saved some farthings, which the treasurer banked and turned into cash, afterward buying some wool and encouraging the people to start knitting and crocheting. Some who could not give time to work gave money to buy materials or pay carriage on boxes of gifts.

The social evening was arranged for gathering the gifts together and also for the purpose of bringing the members in touch with one another. Refreshments were given by members and friends, and at the close all that remained was sold. By the time the cost of carriage on all the boxes is paid, there will be 10/6 left, which is to be used as a donation to the Cambridge Unemployed Toy Fund, which we as a church have been asked to help.

Thus we have been able to help at home and in

London, too, and early in the New Year we hope to send another box of garments yet to be collected.

MRS. E. S. RULE.

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## North England Conference

President: Pastor O. M. Dorland.

Office Address: 22 Zulla Road, Mapperley Park, Nottingham.

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### Notes from the President

ACCORDING to reports from the field our churches and isolated members enjoyed a spiritual refreshing during the Week of Prayer, and greatly appreciated the excellent articles in the special number of the *Review*.

WE trust that you have received Heaven's richest blessing over the festive season, and that 1935 will see a great advance in the development of Christian character, and in the finishing of God's work in this conference.

WE are pleased to be able to report a healthy growth in the tithe income, and believe that this reveals continued faithfulness and increased confidence among our membership. We wish that we could see a corresponding growth in Sabbath-school and other offerings. Present-day conditions should be to us as a voice announcing that the day of the Lord is near. We should not cast away our confidence which hath great recompense of reward.

#### PROGRESS IN EVANGELISM

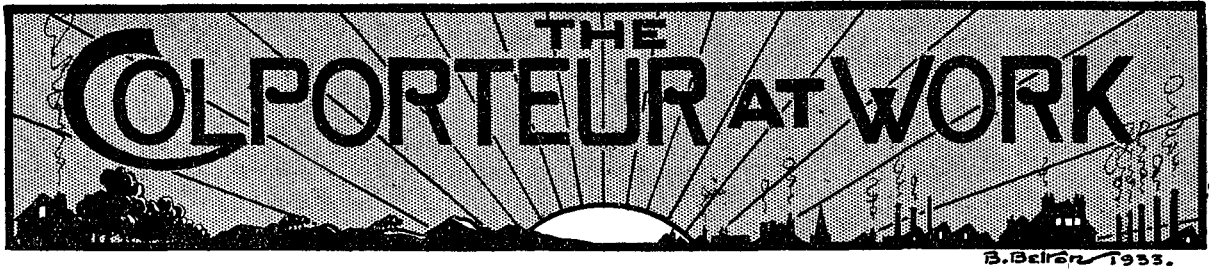
BAPTISMS have taken place in Birmingham and Barnsley, through the labours of Pastor A. F. Bird and Pastor E. E. Craven. Brother H. K. Munson and Pastor S. G. Hyde are planning for baptisms in their respective districts early in the new year.

WE have had an addition to our working force. Pastor S. G. Joyce and family have removed from Scotland and located in Middlesbrough, where it is planned for him to commence an effort in the new year. We wish Brother Joyce every success as he begins his labours in this populous area of the conference.

PASTOR W. R. A MADGWICK reports a good interest in his effort now being conducted in Ilkeston, near Nottingham. Brother R. A. Freeth has been meeting considerable opposition in his labours in Sunderland. Brother B. Walton has an encouraging interest in the little town of Royston, near Barnsley, with a population of 6,000, where he is conducting a small effort. Brother W. M. Lennox is working with courage in the old town of Grimsby, which was one of the first places where our work was established in this country over fifty years ago.

WE would ask your prayers on behalf of these and other labourers.

O. M. DORLAND.



## Meeting Objections

IN the course of his work the colporteur will be faced with numerous objections against buying his books. These may be raised at any time during the interview. One therefore needs to make a study of this feature of Gospel salesmanship.

Let us immediately state a definite fact. Most objections are given because the need for the book is not sufficiently awakened in the minds of our prospective customers.

An experienced canvasser probably has fewer objections to encounter than his brother colporteur who is younger in the work. Why? Because his greater ability is preventive. He is better able to arouse the need.

This is an important principle, then. Forestall objections by better salesmanship. Observe the stages in the canvass at which objections are usually raised. Certain stock reasons for not buying are expressed at about the same time, you will often find. The pre-approach should considerably aid the colporteur in preventing these. Know your man better, your book better, your work better.

Another principle should be noticed. Conceive of your prospects as friends, not enemies. Co-operation and not conflict is to be your rule. Be good natured toward all, agreeable and disagreeable prospects alike. If you think of yourself at every interview as an ally and not a competitor, it gives the prospect a similar feeling. You are there to help, and bless, and save. This thought must ever dominate, or you are living and working far below your privileges.

So you will avoid arguing. Your procedure will be along the line of suggestion rather than argument. An argument, even if you win it, will antagonize, and you lose the order just the same. Therefore you must learn to influence by suggestion rather than to force by argument.

But objections will come, and you will need to study how to deal with the different situations that constantly arise.

Don't be disheartened by objections. They do at least show you what progress you are making with the prospect. Much better that he give voice to his thoughts than be so indifferent as to make no comment at all. Or again you will sometimes canvass a person who seems to agree with all you have to show and say and yet in the end does not buy. Better by far he should tell you his reasons against the purchase, for by so doing he gives you the key to his mind.

The expressed objection is a sales aid rather than a hindrance, then. Let us learn to welcome it.

Now as to the best way of answering objections. To express direct disagreement such as "You are wrong there," or "I can't see your point at all," would antagonize your prospect, placing you at a considerable disadvantage.

There is one method that fits most situations. It is the "indirect denial" Instead of giving a flat contradiction you make the prospect feel more comfortable by first conceding ground somewhat before making the actual reply to his objection.

Thus you may say, "I quite appreciate your position, Mr. Prospect. I once felt that way myself, but when I went further into the matter I found that . . ."

This "Yes, but" answer, which proves so successful, can be used in dealing with the stock objections. It is the master method.

Just a few examples  
*"I am too busy"*

"Oh yes! I can quite appreciate that, Mr. Prospect, for I also am very busy, but I feel it a privilege to spend a few moments explaining our work in which so many are deeply interested."

Should the prospect still protest, you can pull out your diary, remarking, "I am so busy nowadays that I have to record my future appointments in here. How will next Wednesday morning at ten o'clock suit you?"

This procedure will frequently bring about the desired interview there and then.

*"We have so many books"*

"Yes, I notice you have some good works in your library. But, of course, in order to keep abreast of the times we need to have the very latest, especially if it is based on the Bible, as you see this to be. You know good books are like good friends, we cannot have too many."

*"I cannot afford it"*

"Of course you can't to-day, Mr. Prospect. I quite appreciate your position. But you do not have it now. And when you think what this work may mean to your family, the question is, Can you afford to be without it? Mr. — and Mr. — are not having theirs until March 20th and I believe that will give you time to prepare for your copy."

Avoid giving "smart" answers, for they will only cause antagonism.

B. BELTON.

## Delivering

This final phase of the colporteur's work in effecting his sales is, of course, very important, but there

need be no fears if the orders are well and soundly taken.

But you must treat the matter of delivering with the same prayerful seriousness as characterized all the proceedings that led up to securing your orders.

Long distance deliveries are not as sure of materializing as those fixed for one to four weeks after the orders are obtained.

Have a definite delivery day in each district and make this clearly understood by your customers. Keep a record of this yourself and also of the amounts taken as deposits. It is a good thing frequently to pray for your customers, especially if you have learned that prejudice is likely to be met with in certain instances. God helped you in getting the orders. Now you can trust Him to see the transactions completed. Believe implicitly in His promises, and manifest confidence in your subscribers. Remember that "trust begets trust."

There are other preparations for the delivery besides invoking God's help and blessing.

1 Order the books required in good time from the Publishing House.

2. Have names of subscribers systematically arranged, and use your map, so that you can make the delivery methodically and with dispatch on the day appointed.

3. In the matter of long date deliveries, you should notify each customer some days in advance, then be there promptly according to your promise.

After having special prayer before setting out on the morning of delivery day, proceed to each home in full confidence, meeting your people in the same friendly spirit as on the previous occasion. Your bearing and manner should impress each customer with the importance of the transaction. Should a subscriber confront you with the decision not to take the book, handle the situation in a Christian manner. Be gracious, yet firm, and of course never threaten to take legal proceedings, not even in the most obstinate case of refusal.

It is best to ask for the person who placed the order, should another member of the family receive you at the delivery time, unless of course your subscriber is away from home and has left the cash, with instructions that the book shall be taken.

Your contact should be most cordial and conversational. Remove the brown paper wrapper immediately following the friendly greeting. You can say, "I am glad to be here with your good book, Mr. Prospect." In some cases it is advisable to take time to show how to open and handle a new book.

Call attention to the fine quality of the publication as you neatly open it, and perhaps to some of the points you emphasized when canvassing for the order. On receiving the cash be ready to make out a receipt if necessary.

As a rule, no book should be left unless the settlement is made in full by the customer. Certainly not if the fifty per cent due to the Publishing House is not forthcoming.

Watch carefully that you do not manifest a change of front after being paid, and avoid an abrupt termination to your visit at this point. It

may often be consistent to give a hearty handshake as you are about to take your leave. And it is always proper to close with a "May God bless you and your family, Mr. Prospect. As you give careful study to your book I believe you will all be enlightened and your lives enriched. Good-bye."

Having made a courteous departure, how satisfied you feel when you know that everything connected with your visit and sale has been such as Heaven will approve!  
B: BELTON.



### "Inspiration for Service"

WHEN a colporteur comes across a house with texts of Scripture placarded above the door, inside the fanlight, and in the front-room window, he usually approaches the lady or gentleman very warily to avoid a long debate with one who may turn out to be a leader of the "Brethren," or some other evangelical denomination, and thus lose a lot of precious time.

I approached such a house several days ago, quite confidently, however, wondering to what body these particular people belonged.

The door opened quietly and a lady with a happy, smiling face appeared. With such a genuine Christian expression I knew at once I had nothing to fear.

After a few words, out came my books in the usual way, and what do you think was my surprise?

She sold the same books herself. She was an Adventist! Imagine my delight at meeting a sister so unexpectedly, one so loyal, so full of zeal and the Advent hope, and so stirred by a sense of duty to warn the world of its approaching doom by placing in her window in the main street to the station those outstanding texts which have a special application to our time.

"Blessed are they that do His commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life" (Rev. 22:14) was one of several appropriate texts which she changes periodically.

This was only one way in which she was letting her light shine. Regularly she goes out distributing tracts, especially the coloured ones on the "Sign of Loyalty," and many personal chats does she have with business men in the town on the "message for these times."

How did this lady come to know the truth? Through purchasing *Bible Readings* and, later, *Daniel and the Revelation* for further information on the prophecies.

I understand that Brother Murdoch visited her some time afterwards, and she became attached to our church, beginning right away to give to others the message she had herself received.

"I am starting at Jerusalem," she said, for she takes the message of truth to her neighbours.

Not many people in that town of three thousand inhabitants have not heard her, or heard about her and her zeal in explaining the Scriptures.

"We must give the message no uncertain sound," she repeated, as she spoke of her work to me.

What a rebuke to a colporteur who had been en-

gaged in the colporteur work for fifteen years for a "living," with no really definite effort at soul-winning by giving Bible studies.

I had prayed for some time that the Lord would give me power to save souls, and now came the beginning of the answer to that prayer—a real source of inspiration in meeting this faithful member, filled with that "first love."

I determined after this not to hide my light under a bushel, and have taken several opportunities of imparting the light of saving truth to others who were willing to listen.

Two have already taken their stand for the Sabbath, and two others are studying the various phases of our message, and yet another two have requested that I give them a study on the "Mark of the Beast."

"I am overjoyed," writes one lady, "at the privilege of understanding the truth. I feel the very presence of God on the Sabbath, and I pray that you may be used of God to give many others the blessings you have given me."

Letters like this make one sing with joy. To know of one soul's sincere appreciation of this message brings untold happiness.

Those who have not yet made an effort to win souls have not yet experienced the joy of living.

It is a glorious work, and one in which the Lord is waiting, I believe, to co-operate in a wonderful and powerful way. H. D. HOWARD.



### Request for Prayer

AN isolated member who regards his case as very serious from a spiritual viewpoint writes to the MISSIONARY WORKER to request the prayers of God's people on his behalf. He needs the Lord's special help to give him deliverance and victory over sin, and that God will make him a truly consecrated Seventh-Day Adventist.

### Advertisements

FOR SALE—A new double-breasted dark grey overcoat, medium size Cost 75/-; would sell for 35/-. Write: Mrs. Barton, Benson Cottage, Inglewhite Road, Preston, Lancs.

WANTED—Quiet post in domestic work with Sabbath privileges. Conscientious worker; good references. Write: Miss M. Holding, 9 St Pancras Gdns, Southover, Lewes, Sussex

### SUNSET CALENDAR

	London	Nott'm	Cardiff	Edin.	Belfast
January 4th	4.4	4.2	4.17	3.52	4.13
January 11th	4.13	4.12	4.26	4.3	4.24

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## Your Daily Story

WE have been accused by the Continental of being a nation of shopkeepers. Rightly or wrongly we do seem to delight ourselves in shops, and in these days there seems to be too many of the same kind.

From childhood upward shop window displays exert a fascination over us. The shopkeeper uses all his art in dressing the window so that we shall be influenced to buy, and allied to it is all his subtlety of design. He makes us think that behind the plate glass window are the very things we must have. He links up with the news of the day, or with the season. There are windows for Christmas, for big social events, boat race day, the Cup final; all used to get the public to look at the goods. The shop window is undoubtedly the most important part of the storekeepers' sales campaign.

Every man, woman, and child affect in some way the people with whom they come in contact. Like the store each person has a shop window into which people look. Our face is our shop window, and what kind of products do we display in it? Whether good or bad other people get an indication of their worth. The shopkeeper puts the best goods in his window, we, more often than we should, put the worst in ours.

You must have met at sometime or other a person so enraged that the display of temper darkens his face. Although you may do nothing more than look at him the display in his window has a bad effect on you, just as surely as the pleasant look of a supremely happy person affects you for good.

Dickens makes of Scrooge an acid old fellow who thought all things done for the alleviation of human suffering just so much "humbug." Say that word over to yourself as nastily as you can and you will get some idea of the wretched window display he carried about. It was enough to depress anyone. We would not care to think that our faces depressed people, but they often do when we are a little off colour.

Take indigestion for instance. Is there anything that can put a gloom more surely on the face of a person? The drawn features, the sallow complexion, the pinched acid look tell their tale. People never seem to remember that what they eat will have an effect on them and that it will eventually express itself. They eat the wrong food combinations and cook them in the most unhealthful manner. The family sit down to a fried-up mess of food, or to highly-spiced dishes, and it suffers and grumbles; grumbles and suffers. These meals break all dietetic rules, but how they are loved! Is there any torture so exquisite as the thousand sharp cuts of a relentless indigestion? Yet this suffering will go on because people eat from the indications of a misdirected palate which calls for certain flavours instead of supplying the body with foods which will provide it with proper fuel and keep it in repair. This calls for an understanding of food values and food combinations

Health puts the greatest beauty into the face. There is something very stimulating about a person who is radiantly fit. The poet Longfellow said, "Life without health is a burden, with health is a joy and gladness."

Diet is the fundamental basis of good health and should be studied carefully. Why continue to endure bad health when by forethought and the use of health-giving natural foods you can rectify this unfortunate condition. GRANOSE FOODS LIMITED was organized to study the production of Health Foods and we are able to market foods that are certain of a place in the menus of all who seek to build up and maintain good health by means of diet.

Churchmembers should send to GRANOSE FOODS LIMITED, Watford, for special terms and Price List in which are listed foods for breakfast, dinner, and tea, which make the most nourishing of dishes. G F L.

# The Ministry of the Literature

## *While New Year Resolves are Green*

MANY look forward to the New Year as a fresh start, a clean page on which to write life's history. Tell them that *Present Truth* will help them to attain their New Year's ideals.

The reading of a good Bible magazine is a great help in the formation of character, isn't it? You will be pleased yourself with the New Year's issue of *Present Truth*. Circulate it among your friends.

## *The Bell-Ringer in the Belfry*

DOWN among the fishermen's cottages in the old part of Hastings, Brother Hulbert has had some interesting experiences canvassing *Present Truth*. The bell-ringer of the old church of All Saints has been a regular reader for three years. He tells Brother Hulbert that he reads our magazine while sitting in the pews or in the belfry, waiting to perform his various duties. The bell-ringer declares that "his eyes sparkle with heavenly delight at the continued freshness of the various articles."

## *Faithful to His Promise*

SISTER SHORT, of Long Marston, writes:

"Two or three months ago, while working in a large village which I had visited twenty-four years ago, and to which I had gone four years in succession with *Christ's Object Lessons*, *Christ Our Saviour*, *Mount of Blessing*, and *Our Paradise Home*, I met an old gentleman to whom I had sold a book. He fetched the book to show me and said, 'This is the book of which my wife, up to her last day on earth, said, "No two-and-six had ever been spent in our home that had brought so much blessing." I promised her that no day should pass without my reading out of it and after she left me I have kept my word.'"

## *They Wouldn't Part with It*

OLD, dog-eared, dirty, and torn, scores of *Bedtime Stories* are still cherished as treasured possessions by their youthful owners. Listen to this story from a Northumberland village:

"It is about ten years since I bought the first *Uncle Arthur's Bedtime Stories* for a nephew of mine, but I have never come across them since. Now that I have another little nephew I have been trying to persuade the

first one to let me have the book back for the younger boy.

"But no. Although he is a big boy he will not part with it. He is using it for his Sunday-school story after the lesson.

"So, if they are still to be had will you kindly send me No. 1, or if it is out of date send me any number that will suit a boy of five."

## *Record Sales of "Bedtime Stories"*

FOR the past eleven years every Christmas has brought a new issue of *Bedtime Stories*. A new collection of those wonderful little narratives that have brought so much happiness and blessing into the hearts of boys and girls of many lands. This year we felt that the new *Bedtimes* should be published earlier in order to take full advantage of the Christmas buying spirit.

As a result all previous records have been broken. Over 30,000 copies had been sold by December 19th. This was 7,000 more than the previous record.

Wasn't that good?

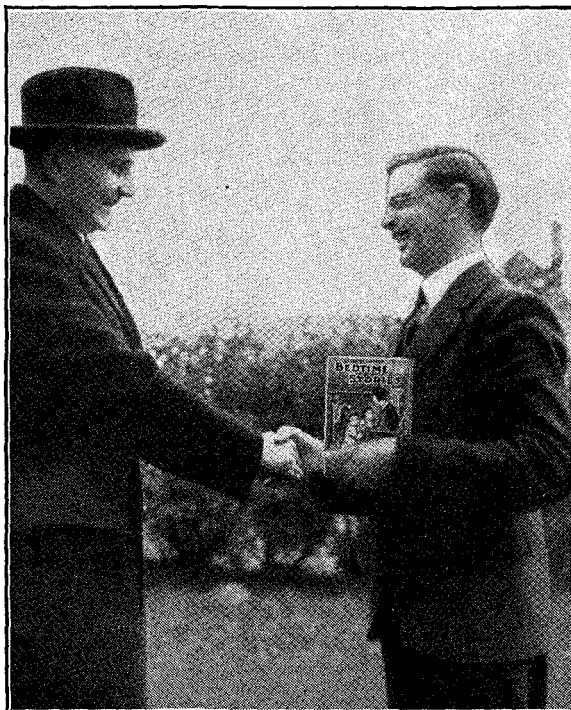
## *When the Other Churchmembers Read the Experiences*

THOSE tithing experiences which appeared in *Present Truth* have awakened thought in some non-Adventists. Just read this from Sister Edmunds:

"One of the *Present Truth* readers (one of a Pentecostal couple, and neighbours of ours) thanked me yesterday for giving her light on the tithing question; also for the book I gave her to keep, which the conference sent to us on our tithe. She is now paying tithe, but, of course, to her own people.

"Another Pentecostal, a leader in the church here, is exercised by the tithe question and feels it right to pay. He also is a *Present Truth* reader. He has his own church here, a different company from the other people. Please pray that God will give us some fruitage in this vineyard to His glory.

"There are several exercised concerning the truths which we teach, and some have promised to come along for studies. I do believe God's Spirit's working mightily on people's hearts to-day, and if they will only search the Scriptures, and make time for studies, the Lord will reveal new light to direct their paths." A.W.



Brother Maxwell is congratulated by the Press manager (holding book) on the high sales of the new "Bedtime Stories."