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A Complete System of Christian Education

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SOME of the strongest forces that are at work among the nations of earth to-day are dependent upon the devotion of the youth to principles which have been continuously and systematically held before them since early childhood. While we cannot endorse these principles we can learn the lesson from the method followed. To us as a people has been given specific instruction setting forth a thorough and complete system of true education. Surely there is no more important phase of our work than that of guiding the children and youth of the church in the pathway that leads up to the city of God.

STRENGTHENING THE HOME BASE

Education begins in the home. Now as never before there is an urgent need that the home base be fortified. "A home in which father and mother unite in training their children is the one retreat on earth that gathers to itself the light of heaven." There is a sacred and solemn responsibility resting upon parents to see that the child receives the correct mould during these early formative years. This is when the the foundation of character is laid. This foundation should be carefully and thoroughly laid during the pre-school years, and the influence of the

home should be continued all through the child's school experience.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Next to the home is the school. There must be the closest co-opera-

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tion between parent and teacher if the child is to receive that guidance and help which he needs. How confusing and perplexing it must be to the immature child when the teaching of the school contradicts that which parents have so carefully and prayerfully tried to implant in the young mind. This contradiction and confusion develops a complex in the child which retards its pro-

gress and very frequently warps its outlook on life. How imperative it is that the teacher's instruction should supplement that of the home. For this reason we believe in church schools where Christian teachers and parents work in harmony to build up the children in the most holy faith. In this Union at present we have three such church schools which provide for the needs of the children as far as Secondary School age.

SECONDARY SCHOOL

For many years there has been great need for a higher school where the boys and girls could receive instruction in subjects that would prepare them for the School Leaving Certificate and the London Matriculation. The years from eleven to seventeen are among the most critical in the development of pupils. The age of adolescence, when great decisions are made and the future career of the youth is often determined; that age when the number of conversions to God is the highest and, alas, when so many drift from the truth. Here is a most fruitful field of evangelism; not only should these young people be saved for the church, but the call to service should be so impressed upon them that they would decide to give their lives to the work of God.

Until now our educational system

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has not been complete because adequate provision has not been made for this intermediate stage in the pupil's development. Plans have now been laid to establish a Secondary School at Stanborough Park. Here boys and girls from eleven to seventeen years will study such subjects as Latin, French, Geometry, Algebra, History, Science, and Music under a most competent staff of teachers. E. E. White, B.Sc., B.A. (Hons.) has been chosen as the headmaster.

Brother White comes to the school with the full confidence of the Board behind him. He is a graduate of Stanborough Park Missionary College and has his degrees from the University of London. For the past ten years he has been in charge of the Science Department at Newbold Missionary College. The Stanborough Secondary School has been most fortunate in obtaining his services, and parents can have the utmost confidence when entrusting their children to his efficient supervision.

The Stanborough Park School will be a day school. However, the School Board will approve certain homes in the neighbourhood where children who do not live in the vicinity can find accommodation.

Already inquiries are coming in and there is promise of a large enrolment. We know that this news will be most welcome to all of our members, and parents will bend every energy and count no sacrifice too great to send their children to this Secondary School.

Now our educational chain is complete. Every link is strong; a co-ordinated system of Christian education! This is in the Lord's plan. Let us rally to the call and make this Secondary School a real success. A prospectus will soon be available. It will give all the necessary information. We have a splendid staff of teachers, but much equipment is needed as we desire this Secondary School to be efficient in every way. To those who have means we would say, here is a wonderful opportunity to make an investment. Possibly someone would like to furnish a classroom, or equip a small science laboratory, or provide means for a library. Such investments will pay large dividends not only in saving our children and youth but in preparing them for service in the cause of God. Let us pray for this Secondary School and let us also be generous in our gifts. Nothing but the best is good enough for our youth.

and to fit yourself for your vitally important duties? Thank God that the Sabbath-school has startled you into thinking of the importance of the home. What now?—hard, beaten ground? stony ground? or good ground? The Home Commission stands ready to help you, with its various courses comprehensive in their entirety, and with personal counsel and guidance. You know: The Home Commission, General Conference, Takoma Park, Washington, D. C.

ARTHUR W. SPALDING.

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A Call to Fervent Prayer

LET none sit in calm expectation of the evil, comforting themselves with the belief that this work must go on because prophecy has foretold it, and that the Lord will shelter His people. We are not doing the will of God if we sit in quietude, doing nothing to preserve liberty of conscience. Fervent, effectual prayer should be ascending to heaven that this calamity may be deferred until we can accomplish the work which has so long been neglected. Let there be most earnest prayer; and then let us work in harmony with our prayers. It may appear that Satan is triumphant, and that truth is overborne with falsehood and error; the people over whom God has spread His shield, and the country which has been an asylum for the conscience-oppressed servants of God and defenders of His truth may be placed in jeopardy. But God would have us recall His dealings with His people in the past, to save them from their enemies. He has always chosen extremities, when there seemed no possible chance for deliverance from Satan's workings, for the manifestation of His power. Man's necessity is God's opportunity. It may be that a respite may yet be granted for God's people to awake, and let their light shine.—*"Testimonies," Vol. 5, page 714.*

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A Missionary Appeal

THE Gold Coast Mission has just established a training school where students who pass out of the primary schools can be given a course of Bible instruction to enable them to do more successful work in soul-winning.

Let the Home Commission Help

THERE was a parable put forth by the Master-Teacher—do you remember?—about a sower who went forth to sow. The seed that he sowed fell on various kinds of ground: some on the beaten path, where it was soon lost; some on stony ground, where it quickly sprouted but, being shallow-rooted, very soon died; some on thorny ground, where the briars sprang up lustily and choked it; but some on good ground, where it took root deeply, spread, thrived, and bore good crops of from thirty to a hundredfold. And you know how the Master applied the parable to the sowing of truth and the various minds and hearts to which it came.

Now I couldn't say whether your heart, and yours, and yours, is hard, or stony, or thorny, or whether it is a heart that loves truth, and gives it nourishment, and makes it broaden and deepen and bear great fruit. But I hope you will not forget that good seed, without being given

a chance to grow, will never do you any good.

In the first quarter of this year we had most valuable Sabbath-school lessons on the Christian home. And there was widespread interest in them throughout our churches, among our young people and our parents and workers. There was a chorus of I suppose a hundred thousand "Amen's." It was good seed. The question arises, however, how much our homes benefited from those studies. A great deal, I hope. And yet, you know, you can't expect thirteen lessons to compass the whole field of home life, parental instruction, and child training. The great benefit will come to minds and hearts aroused to study further, and to reform, and to progress in Christian home-making.

Have you, fathers and mothers, and you, young men and women of maturity, resolved to study further into this most important subject,

A school library consisting of good aids to Bible study is greatly needed to help in the work of the classroom. A complete set of Sister White's books is particularly required.

Owing to war conditions and the necessity for economizing in expenditure we make this appeal to readers of the MESSENGER to donate any books they have, in good condition,

for this worthy object. This will help to meet our outstanding need for better-trained African workers.

Will friends please first communicate with Pastor J. I. Robison of the Northern European Division, 41 Hazel Gardens, Edgware, Middlesex. Postage will be paid on approved books in good condition.

CHARLES A. BARTLETT, *Principal,*
Gold Coast Training School.

Notes from the Union President

HARVEST INGATHERING

EXCELLENT reports continue to come in from all parts of the Union, and it now seems certain that the month of June will find us over the £5,000 mark for missions. It is truly remarkable that our people have been so willing, and that the public has been so ready to give to the cause of missions. We trust that the Lord may continue to bless our faithful Ingatherers as they seek to keep our missionaries at their posts.

Owing to the possibility of worsened war conditions in the month of September, it is generally felt that it would be better for us to continue working in the month of July, where police permission can be obtained. The machinery is now in motion, our enthusiasm has been aroused, and, all things considered, it does not seem the worst course for us to keep up the pressure for just a week or two longer until the goal is reached. Where the necessary permission to collect in July cannot be obtained we must obviously wait until we can get permission. The home missionary secretaries in the conferences will deal with these matters where difficulties arise, but we hope that every one will keep up the good work and, despite the war, we shall, under God's blessing, reach our objective as usual.

EVACUATION PLANS

WE have had two inquiries regarding the possibility of having children evacuated to Adventist homes in the Dominions or in the States. It is possible to help in this way, but it must be understood that all the risks involved—and they are admittedly great—must be assumed by the parents. Our brethren in Australia and South Africa have already kindly offered their services if called upon.

In other respects we hope our

people will observe the official advice to stay where they are in cases of air raids, etc. The safest course is to use the shelters provided whenever the warnings are given, and not to run any risks. This is not a lack of faith, but the use of the intelligence God has given us.

FAITHFUL SERVICE

WE appreciate very much the services of our local church leaders in these times when there is so much to occupy a man's time. We feel sure that this faithful and steady service on the part of our leaders in the local churches will continue under all conditions, and we are certain that God's blessing will continue to rest upon His people.

We also much appreciate the loyal way in which our members are continuing to support the cause with their tithes and offerings at a time when there are so many demands upon the purse. Those who put faithfulness to God first will, without question, enjoy the fullness of His blessing in all respects.

H. W. LOWE.

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Notes from the President

HARVEST INGATHERING

ONCE again I feel I must start my notes with another Harvest Ingathering report. Brother Sparrow writes in one of his circular letters to the churches: "In spite of (or because of) war conditions, our Harvest Ingathering Campaign is striding to success." Never before have such great things been done in so short a time. Many churches have reached their full 1940 goals in less than one month. The conference has over £1,485 to date. It is wonderful. Last week we were constrained to say: "It is the Lord's doing; it is marvellous in our eyes." Those of us who have given all the time we had at our disposal can say with Solomon: "My heart rejoiced in all my labour." We sincerely thank every one who has made this total possible.

CAMPAIGNS

PASTOR W. MAUDSLEY in Stockton had thirty non-members present at his Sabbath meeting last week, and twenty are keeping the Sabbath.

Brother J. R. Lewis in Worcester had nine non-members at his Sabbath meeting. He had a very small budget.

Pastor H. W. McCrow has seventeen people keeping the Sabbath in his district. His budget only covered the purchase of tracts, which, as you see, have been used to good advantage.

At this time in the campaign our workers have many heartening and many disheartening experiences with those for whom they have faithfully worked for many months. These people have to grow in grace. The Lord did not clear the land of Canaan of its inhabitants before commanding the children of Israel to enter, but by "little and little" He drove them out (Exod. 23:29, 30). Let us pray for this steady growth in the lives of the new believers.

CHURCH BUILDINGS

Do you own your church building? If not, have you commenced a church building fund? Here in the North we urgently require many more church buildings. Are you satisfied with the condition of the hall in which you worship? Are you sure you cannot find a better? There is much that can be done to make even a hired hall presentable and comfortable until a church building can be bought.

SOME WAYS IN WHICH YOU CAN SERVE YOUR CHURCH

1. HAVE you ever gone to one of our churches as a stranger? Were you made to feel welcome at once by the deacon's greeting at the door and by a general feeling of friendliness and fellowship? Or were you simply ignored, even by the Sabbath-school officers when the time came to separate into classes? YOU can contribute to the feeling of Christian fellowship in your church by making the stranger feel immediately at home.

2. By taking your Bible and hymn-book to church so that the few your church possesses can be handed to visitors.

3. By using your *Quarterly* and Bible in your Sabbath-school class as indicated by your teacher. (We have seen members, young and old, sit through the entire class without contributing even the reading of a text asked for, as they had neither Bible nor *Quarterly* with them.)

4. By dressing for God's house as if it were the place where God would meet you. To go to worship God on Sabbath without hats and without stockings is unbecoming to the house of God. "From the sacredness which was attached to the earthly sanctuary, Christians may learn how they should regard the place where the Lord meets with His people."—*"Testimonies," Vol. 5, page 491.*

5. By remembering that the house of God should look as neat after the day's services as it did when you entered for Sabbath-school. We should do our share to make this possible. Ezra said: "Blessed be the Lord God of our fathers, which hath put such a thing as this in . . . the heart, to beautify the house of the Lord."

6. By striving to prove yourself a 100 per cent Seventh-Day Adventist in your workshop and home, as well as in the church. We should be as anxious to do this as many people in various countries are in striving to prove themselves 100 per cent nationals of their respective countries.

7. By showing everywhere that you believe in the promises of God to care for His people and prosper His work in *all* circumstances. Here is a quotation from Mrs. White which fits into our every-day lives:

"Each morning consecrate yourselves and your children to God for that day. Make no calculation for months or years; these are not yours. One brief day is given you. As if it were your last on earth, work during its hours for the Master."

STOP PRESS

WE have just received word that we can continue Harvest Ingathering during the month of July *instead* of September. What a won-

derful opportunity to get the full conference goal. We now have £2,000. At the present speed we can easily reach the full goal—only another £1,400—and also a large overflow by July 31st. Last year's final figure was £3,586. The record year was £3,700. Remember, it is up to us to keep the mission flag flying by beating the record year. We can *all* see the need. Let us *all* continue to *GO TO IT!*

R. S. JOYCE.

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Baptism in Norwich

ON June 15th we had some very encouraging meetings in Norwich. Pastor G. D. King was with us, and we much enjoyed his inspiring address on Sabbath morning. The afternoon meeting was a baptismal service, and all hearts rejoiced as nine souls took their stand for the truth.

Early in the autumn of 1939 a campaign was started here in Norwich by Brother H. Humphries. Owing to black-out difficulties the meetings had to be held from three to four on Sunday afternoons. This was probably the reason why the attendance was not so large as we had hoped from the number of handbills delivered. However, some 100 to 150 people attended the opening meetings. After a few weeks more difficulties beset us. Just at meeting time snow would fall, the severe weather making the roads very treacherous, and the attendances began to fall off. This, with the war conditions, made things look very discouraging, but undaunted, Brother Humphries continued the meetings in our own hall in Pottergate Street. Sister Brooks kindly answered the call to labour with Brother Humphries and God has blessed their labours. There are three or four more interested people we hope to see take their stand later.

We were glad to show Pastor King how bright and courageous the church here at Norwich is, in that the June Harvest Ingathering goal was reached in two weeks.

Brother Humphries gave us as our Ingathering motto, "ALL IN and ALL OUT," and we certainly have been blessed of God as we have visited the homes of the people. The question often arises in the mind, "How much will a canister hold?" One sister brought in a box she had filled during the first week's collecting. It held £2. 7s. 4½d., of which there were eleven shillings in coppers! So God blesses His work. We thank Him for all His goodness to us.

G. ELLIS,
Church Clerk.

Plymouth Youth Convention and Baptism

THE week-end, May 17-19, 1940, brought a wave of inspiration to the Plymouth church as Pastors W. T. Bartlett and E. R. Warland visited us for the youth's convention.

On Friday evening the convention opened with an inspiring address by Brother Warland, who appealed for a greater consecration not merely on the part of the young people, but of all.

The following day, Sabbath, was a full day. The school opened at 10 a.m. with a good attendance, and all seemed to enjoy the study of the lesson, revealing God's infinite love.

Brother Bartlett took the morning service and our hearts were thrilled with the Spirit-filled message that came to us. Brother Bartlett also conducted a Bible study in the afternoon, which I am sure everybody enjoyed. The convention proper

opened at 6.30 p.m., and later in the evening the film, "Denmark Congress in Pictures," was put on the screen by Brother Warland, to the delight of all present.

Sunday proved to be another full day. It was opened with a Bible study on the subject of consecration, after which a prayer meeting was held, invoking the blessing of God upon the services of the day. Following this, convention topics were dealt with throughout the day. Very helpful instruction was imparted by the visiting brethren as they answered the questions raised on the various themes prepared and read by different members of the society.

We were glad to have with us our Plymouth Church School teachers Miss Willis and Miss Lauderdale, and several young people from Torquay and Exeter, who came to share with us the joys and blessings of the convention.

At 6.30 p.m. Brother Bartlett gave a Bible address based on the book of Joel, which showed to us that prophecy still shines as a light in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the daystar arise in our hearts.

And so, after spending a very profitable week-end together, we all thanked God for His presence and the blessing which was rich and full.

On Sabbath, June 15th, a special service was conducted, at which time four souls followed their Lord through the waters of baptism. Two of these, from St. Mabyn, were first introduced to the truth of the third angel's message through our colporteur-evangelist, Brother Etric Whiting, who visited them on their farm and sold them a book.

We were happy to have Pastor Rodd from Cornwall with us, who gave the address and spoke words of counsel and admonition to the candidates. Two of these joined our Plymouth church, while the others were added to the St. Mabyn company. We were also glad to have with us Brother Bate, the leader of the St. Mabyn company, and other members. We thank God for this addition, small though it may be, and pray that God may bless these dear souls, and that we all may share together the blessings and glories of the world to come.

A. K. ARMSTRONG.

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Notes from the Superintendent

THE Ingathering Campaign has surprised us all! Never before have we collected so much in so little time. The £500 set for the month of June will have been exceeded, and now that we are in the swing, we in Wales are delighted that it has been agreed to "carry on" and finish in July rather than return to the task in September. One thing has been amply proved: first, that there is no crisis with the Lord; second, that if we only had one month allowed us for the task, it could be done. Swansea and Barry have well passed their goals in the one month; Cardiff has done over £100, and Newport something in the region of £130. These figures bear eloquent testimony to the industry and zeal of the "busy bees" of the church and to the vigorous leadership of the leaders.

ON TO THE £1,000!

As we press on with the task, seeking to raise that £1,000 once again, we shall appreciate the continued support of those who have already "arrived." But with these, we hope to see many "non-starters" joining in the effort of the last few weeks. Let it be a united body of members lifting the load together.

LITERATURE SALES IMPROVEMENT

THE report sent out last week by The Stanborough Press Ltd. showed that nearly £500 worth of literature has been sold in Wales this year. What is more, Wales was the only field reporting a gain in sales. And a good gain it was—£181! Some of the student colporteurs working in Wales are having very good success. Let us remember these young people in prayer. So much depends upon their accomplishments this summer.

THE LITTLE BROWN BOX

HAVE you your home collecting box for evangelism? Just a little attention to this potential supporter of the cause will work wonders. We hope to receive £12. 10s. from this source this year. Already we have nearly £8.

THE TITHE INCOME

LET us remember that a regular and loyal attention to this divinely appointed means of sustaining the work of God brings promised blessing. Now is the time for loyalty and devotion to the cause of God as it faces the tests and troubles of these last days. Now is the time to be whole-hearted and to prove the Lord and the worth of His promises. We look forward to an increasing faithfulness in the Welsh family.

BAPTISM AT SWANSEA

ON a recent Sabbath we had the pleasure of joining Pastor F. S. Jackson in a baptismal service in the Swansea church, the first baptism in the new building. Five young people who had surrendered their hearts to the Lord were "baptized into Jesus Christ." Four of these joined the Swansea church and one the Welsh Mission church (Isolated.)

NEW RECRUIT TO THE LITERATURE WORK

WE welcome to the Welsh Mission Brother John Dean, an experienced colporteur. He has located in Shrewsbury and already made excellent contacts. Brother Dean's cheery presence will be welcomed, we know, in the Shrewsbury fellowship.

LIGHT IN OUR DARKNESS

IN days of stress and storm, such as we are passing through now, we have a splendid opportunity of helping others into confidence and trust in God. It is in the darkness that the light of life and truth shines the brightest. May we avail ourselves of every opportunity to witness for our heavenly Father and point men and women not only to the Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world, but to the fact that the Lamb of God is soon to appear to "make war" against the would-be opponents of the divine government and to take the sceptre on behalf of those who put their trust in Him. May each one of us be true to the trust committed to us.

S. G. HYDE.

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Notes from the Superintendent

WHEN these notes appear in print, the Scottish Mission will have joined her sister missions and conferences in the Ingathering Campaign. We were delayed by lack of Governmental permission, but this has now come through and we are in it and at it. We share the determination of the rest of the field to reach our goal. The example of those who have already reached their goal inspires us with enthusiasm for the task. Any isolated member who desires to help in the Ingathering, and who has not received supplies, please notify us, and the oversight will be rectified at once. For these troubled times we take the following motto:

"Let courage rise with danger."

WE desire to thank all whose faithfulness has made possible the tithe increase of £36 for the first five months of this year. Taxes are increasing, prices are rising, but the loyalty of our people will keep pace with the demands of the time that the work of God may move forward. Everything around us is being shaken, but "we receiving a kingdom which cannot be moved, let us hold fast [margin], whereby we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear." Heb. 12:28.

IN view of the postponement of the Union session, we are planning a local meeting, probably in Glasgow. Just as soon as plans and arrangements can be made, we will send out programmes to the members. We ask that you make every effort to attend this important gathering. We must have a deeper experience in the things of God to withstand in these evil days. We must give diligent study to the Word of God lest we be swept from our moorings. We all need to be "established in the present truth."

You will rejoice with the Edinburgh members in their occupancy of a new central hall. This is located at 90a George Street, the main

business street of the capital. We trust that this strategic position will mean much in advancing the work in Edinburgh. The hall seats 100, and the attendances have been good since the opening on June 1st.

THE evangelists report steady interests in the various efforts. Here in the capital new Sabbath-keepers are coming along toward baptism. Pastor L. D. Vince reports excellent

attendances at all his meetings in Glasgow. Almost a score are attending his Sabbath-afternoon service. Brethren D. Morrison and H. T. Johnson are working with prospective members in Aberdeen and Dundee. Brother Butters, with Sister Butters, has located in Falkirk, and plans to run meetings for the public in that busy town. Soul-winning remains the supreme purpose of the church. Every other activity must contribute toward the enlightenment and salvation of our fellow-men. We invite your prayers that the Lord's power may be manifested through both workers and members to this end. The cross of Christ must be carried on to final victory.

J. A. McMILLAN.

Ministry of Literature

How to Enter Newbold College A New and Easy Way

A NEW Semi-Scholarship Plan has been devised to enable beginners to earn the necessary funds to attend Newbold College and thus obtain a good preparation for their life-work.

With determination, a will to succeed, and tenacity of purpose almost every young man or woman can now earn the means to gain a College education.

Write to-day for particulars to The Principal, Newbold College, or to Pastor J. M. Howard, c/o The Stanborough Press, Watford, Herts.

"The Bible Speaks" by Scapa Flow

FROM Kirkwall, north of Scapa Flow, in the far-off Orkney Islands, comes a letter from a stranger asking for six copies of *The Bible Speaks*, by Earle Albert Rowell.

Probably the sender has had her interest awakened by seeing a copy sold by our colporteur, Brother Macrae, while he was working in these islands.

President Says: "Tracts Bring People In"

THE president of the North England Conference says in a recent letter:

"This is to acknowledge receipt of your letters dated May 19th and

23rd. The tracts have arrived and we very much appreciate your kindness in sending them. You can rest assured that we will see that they are used to the very best advantage. You will be glad to know that two people have already taken their stand as a result of the tract work we commenced with the stock of tracts we bought from you some weeks ago. I am a firm believer in house-to-house literature work."

The Showmen Have Our Books

BROTHER MALE writes: "You will be pleased to know that two leather copies of *Bible Certainties* and one stainless copy have been placed in one family of showmen here in Woking, and on Friday I took a blue copy to a Greek Catholic lady. I pray that she will be in the kingdom."

Good News from China

OUR Chinese publishing house in Shanghai was destroyed at the time of the Japanese invasion, and for a time it was necessary to issue our literature from Hong Kong. We understand that the work has now been restarted in Shanghai in new and better quarters, with a heartening increase in the circulation of Chinese literature. "The *Signs* list is on the climb again. The March printing order was for 77,800, but

fell short of filling our orders by almost 1,500 copies. Now the orders are just 'boiling' into the press from North China and Manchuria. One mail this week brought a single order from Manchuria for over 800 subscriptions. And still the first orders from the North Manchurian boys were not included. We expect that soon the orders from Manchuria alone will average around a thousand a week. And that is quite an improvement when compared to the old days when we had around 40,000 for the whole China field."

"Is Love Enough?"

THIS is a new book by Dr. Belle Wood-Comstock, M.D. The love of children, the love of sweethearts, the love of husband and wife—here is a book which glorifies them all.

Dr. Belle Wood-Comstock shows an all too rare understanding of the manifestations of human love and the problems associated with it. A new joy will come into love's relationships after reading this fine volume. Bound in cloth, price 6/3, from The Stanborough Press.

Threw It in the Dust-Bin

Now, when Hungary so often figures in the news, it is interesting to recall one of our colporteur's experiences from Budapest, the capital of that country.

As Brother G—— was working in that city he came to a woman who curtly told him to go away. Her neighbour, however, bought a paper and told her to buy one, too. She did so, but afterward threw it into the dust-bin. Later the neighbour asked this woman if she read the paper, for there were some very interesting articles in it. She then hunted in the dust-bin for the paper, found it, and read it. Somehow she caught a taste of Adventism in it, for when she lived in Transylvania she had come in contact with some Adventists, and now in Budapest she looked up the address of the Adventist headquarters. Through this one paper she came in contact with our church and is now a member and a book evangelist.

The Swedish King and Our Health Magazine

KING GUSTAV, of Sweden, who has recently been exchanging views

with Hitler, was for some time a subscriber to our Swedish health magazine, *Sundhedsbladet*.

He was visited in his summer residence on the island of Oland by our lady colporteur, Signe Pettersen, and it was arranged that five copies of the magazine should be sent regularly to the palace in Stockholm.

Our colporteur also left with the king the last issue of *Tidens Tecken* (*Signs of the Times*) and His Majesty accepted this with genuine interest.

A. WARREN.

Be Instant in Season

TWENTY years ago one of our Bible-workers attended a doctor for treatment. During those visits opportunity came to tell the doctor of the signs of the times. The years have passed, and somehow the doctor has never shaken off the impression received at those interviews. A friend of the doctor wrote to one of our colporteurs recently enquiring for the address of the Bible-worker. The colporteur paid him a personal visit and canvassed him with the book, *Great Controversy*. The doctor ordered the work and now each day a portion of the book is read to him.

The doctor has been a great eye specialist, but is now blind. May it be that God will yet lead him to see the path of life and thus be numbered among the redeemed.

A. W. COOK.

How About Your Neighbour?

"RIGHT in the apartment where I live, twenty-three families out of forty took *Life and Health* this month," writes one of our sisters who has taken her own immediate neighbourhood as a missionary field. What a fine idea this is. How quickly the work of God in the earth could be finished if every Seventh-Day Adventist would begin work "right . . . where I live." And what a wonderful literature God has placed in our hands for the doing of this neighbourhood work. We have our tracts, we have our magazines, we have our books. We have literature to give away, to lend, and to sell. This good literature makes this neighbourhood work so easy, so pleasant.

The good Book says: "Speak ye

every man the truth to his neighbour." Zech. 8:16. There are a lot of people that take delight in speaking about their neighbours; there are so few that are doing this work of speaking the truth to them. It is to this work that God is calling us. It is for these neighbours of ours that we will need one day, not far from now, to give an account. We see the sword coming upon the land. We have been placed as watchmen and light-bearers. Surely this is a time when we should be letting the light shine out, not only afar but near. The light that shines farthest shines brightest nearest home.

Some years ago I became acquainted with a sister, a widow, who, though poor in this world's goods, decided that she owed a responsibility to *her* neighbours. She invested a small sum in tracts. These she sold, for she was not in a position to use up her initial working capital. She ordered more tracts and sold them. Her capital was growing. She ordered a few missionary papers and sold them. She ordered some magazines. She began reaching out farther and farther in her missionary operations. The last time I met this sister her monthly standing order with the publishers for magazines was for 1,400. Often she sold far more than this. Who can estimate what the results in eternity will be from such a seed sowing? Yet this work was begun in a very small way in a humble believer's own neighbourhood.

Will you not, my brother, my sister, right there in the quiet of your home sincerely ask yourself the question, "Am I really doing my duty, my whole duty, by these neighbours of mine"? If each one will do this, and then follow the leadings of God, surely it will mean a great shining forth of light in many a neighbourhood where darkness now reigns.

C. E. WEAKS.

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A MESSENGER from heaven . . . made us clearly understand that the Gospel of the kingdom is the message for which the world is perishing, and that this message, as contained in our publications already in print, and those yet to be issued, should be circulated among the people who are nigh and afar off.—"*Testimonies*," Vol. 9, page 67.

"We Continue"

By J. HARKER

"HAVING obtained help of God, we continue." £4,455 collected for missions in twenty-three days, together with the spiritual uplift which has come to hundreds of willing collectors, provides ample evidence that we have indeed obtained help of God in our June Ingathering, and so, following the apostolic example, "we continue." Successes during the past few weeks beckon us on. Churchmembers have worked with great zeal and consecration. Never in our Ingathering history have we collected so large a sum in so short a time.

A group of about a dozen churches have gathered in sufficient to cover both June and September quota. Their task for 1940 is done. Another lot would be in the same happy position if they could have one more good week. Others again require a little longer time to finish the work. We are convinced that the whole of our task for 1940 can be finished by July 31st.

Having these facts before us, and keeping in mind the possibility of less favourable conditions in which to work later in the year, the British Union Committee have decided that we can do no other than continue, taking whatever portion of July may be necessary, but not going beyond that month. All of this requires certain adjustments and negotiations with the authorities. In a few places, not more than two or three, it may not be possible to bring the September work into July. Such places will be duly notified, but to the rest of the field the call to go on now goes forth. Let all catch Paul's happy note of confidence, "Having obtained help of God, we continue." With this in mind, let us press on to victory.

Fresh permits will be sent out in a day or two. Further supplies of literature can be had on request. We still have on hand a few goal charts

which can also be called for. We look forward to another encouraging series of reports during the coming month. Our confidence is in God and in the loyalty of His people.

LATE NEWS

UNION FIGURES

South England	£2,435
North England	1,485
Wales	435
Scotland	20
Ireland	80
Union	£4,455

The following churches have reached the full 1940 goal:

Coventry, Swansea, Barry Dock, Dowlais, Slough, St. Mabyn, Ipswich, Enham, Accrington, Burnley, Darlington, Killamars, Grimsby, Wakefield.

Another group will have reached their full goal by next report:

Stanborough Park, Eastbourne, Gloucester, Aberdare, Weymouth, Brean and Weston, Wolverhampton.

Wedding Bells

TAYLOR-DAWSON.—A very pretty wedding was witnessed in the Advent church, Norwich, on Sunday, June 16, 1940, when John B. Taylor and Amelia Dawson were united in marriage, in the presence of a large congregation of relatives and friends. The ceremony was performed by Pastor G. D. King, assisted by Brother H. Humphries.

The bride was baptized the day before, and we welcome her into the church, the bridegroom having been a faithful member for many years. We are looking forward to their united help in the church. We wish Brother and Sister Taylor every success and happiness in their life together, with God's blessing.

CHURCH CLERK.

JOHNSON-BROOKES.—On Whit-Sunday, May 12, 1940, Brother Albert Edward Johnson and Sister Margaret Evelyn Brookes were united in marriage. It was a beautiful day and many well-wishers and friends assembled in the Stanborough Park church to witness the ceremony. A reception was held in the Granose Hall kindly loaned for the occasion.

These two young people are well beloved by all who know them. Their great ambition is to loyally serve the Master and His cause. We wish them every blessing in their united walk.

J. M. HOWARD.

At Rest

DREW.—Sister Drew recently passed away in Bournemouth, aged ninety-one years. She was a faithful member of the Adventist church for over fifty years, having come to this country in 1882 with her husband, G. R. Drew, who started work in Hull, and a little later became a missionary among seamen in Birkenhead. Sister White stayed in the home of the Drews as also later did A. T. Jones. Brother and Sister Drew will be remembered by just a few of the older generation of Adventists. They began work in the days when there were hardly any believers in this country, but they worked on in faith, and doubtless some of the seed sown by these faithful souls has borne fruit during the years. Sister Drew, with her sister, Miss Yersin, also a member in South England, came originally from Switzerland. During Sister Drew's later years she was not able to mingle much with our people, but she loved the Advent truth to the end, and she passed away trusting in Jesus.

H. W. LOWE.

BREEDON.—Without warning on June 11, 1940, Brother William Breedon of the Lewisham church fell asleep in Jesus. He was seventy years of age and received the truth through the labours of Pastor R. Anderson, being baptized with Sister Breedon in 1935. Brother Breedon was laid to rest on June 15th in the presence of sorrowing relatives and friends at the Hither Green Cemetery. Our deepest sympathy goes out to Sister Breedon, who is left to mourn the loss of a faithful husband and true friend, but is comforted with the hope of the resurrection morning soon to come.

R. T. BOLTON.

BENN.—On May 28, 1940, at his home, Brother Albert Benn passed away after a long illness. He was seventy-two and first heard the truth through the efforts of Pastor E. E. Craven, being baptized on December 12, 1924, but of late was prevented from attending church. He was laid to rest at Pudsey Cemetery on Friday, May 31st, Brother J. C. French officiating.

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Advertisements

PRINTING.—C. Russell, Newton Street, Macclesfield.

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SUNSET CALENDAR

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	Lon'n	Not'm	Car'ff	Edin	Bel't
July 12th	9.13	9.26	9.26	9.52	9.55
July 19th	9.07	9.19	9.19	9.42	9.47

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