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Light in the Darkness

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It was a great and memorable phrase to incorporate in a prayer, "Lighten our darkness, we beseech Thee, O Lord."

Who has not felt that prayer, even if unuttered, as a part of one's inner need? The world has always been something of a dark place to the saints of God, and never more so than to-day. A life motivated by the principles of Christ's kingdom is somewhat exiled in a world where sin is so habitual and where bloodshed, perfidy, and insincerity are so common. Especially in frightful epochs like the present, the child of God cries out for light amid the darkness.

But it is not God's will that His people should waste much time looking at the darkness. Dr. Weymouth has an apt rendering of John 6:40: "For this is My Father's will, that every one who fixes his gaze on the Son of God and believes in Him should have the Life of the Ages, and I will raise him to life on the last day." Ultimate triumph goes to every one who fixes his gaze on the Son of God.

The *Emphatic Diaglott* has three words in Hebrews 3:1 which stress the same thought: "Attentively regard Jesus." Weymouth on the same text says, "Fix your thought on Jesus," and the *Twentieth Century New Testament*, "Fix your attention on Jesus."

How much easier and brighter life would be for all of us if we could constantly see Jesus. Fear is turned to joy, and doubts to hope, when we

make Him the centre of our attention. (See *Desire of Ages*, page 439.) A fixed gaze and undivided attention tend to reproduce an image on the mind. This figure is carried further in *Desire of Ages*, page 827: "Christ is sitting for His portrait in every disciple." Many of us certainly do not yet represent this Christlikeness. What a host of small things would slough off from our characters if we were more like Him. Our suspicions of our fellows, our words about each other behind each other, our slothfulness, our stubborn slowness of heart, our self-deceptive selfishness, our moods and tempers, our pitiable pride, our canny and political dealings, our meanness, our restrictive conservatism—but this is a long enough list of the dreadful things, not to mention greater sins, that would disappear if we were to be constantly beholding, studying, copying, following our Saviour in full and glad surrender.



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"If the eye is kept fixed on Christ, the work of the Spirit ceases not until the soul is conformed to His image. The pure element of love will expand the soul, . . . so that it will not rest short of the fullness."—*Ibid.*, page 302.

So much around us is sordid and unlovely, but Christ is "altogether lovely." Provided we are with Him and like Him we can battle on triumphantly in the world. The darkness becomes light because we are constantly beholding Him who is light.

R. L. Stevenson tells a good story of a little boy (himself) who was gazing out of the window as darkness fell. The enraptured and silent child, looking out into the night made the nurse think he was afraid, so she called him away from the window several times. Suddenly the child cried out, "There's a man there!" Then, excitedly, he continued, "Yes, there is a man there! And, he's making holes in the dark!" When the nanny looked down at the village she saw lights appearing one by one as the lamplighter went his way along the street.

Yes, there's a Man behind the darkness! And so long as we follow Him we are "being transformed into the same likeness, from one degree of radiant holiness to another." 2 Cor. 3:18. (Weymouth). Our spiritual growth must take place in this life, though our physical likeness to the divine will be deferred till we reach the kingdom. Character building must be done in this life, and he who is intent on that great and

divine purpose will not be engulfed in the darkness and immersed in small and worldly things.

"As we make Christ our daily Companion, we shall feel that the powers of an unseen world are all around us; and by looking unto Jesus we should become assimilated to His image. By beholding we become changed. The character is softened, refined and ennobled for the heavenly kingdom. The sure result of our intercourse and fellowship with our Lord will be to increase in piety,

purity and fervour. There will be a growing intelligence in prayer."—*"Mount of Blessing,"* page 127.

The words of a pagan were "Behold the man!" John 19:5. To Pilate He was a faultless man. To us He must become the Son of God, the Saviour, the Light. With Him we must live, with Him work, for Him fight and labour against the powers of evil, rescuing souls from "the encircling gloom," preparing them for His eternal presence.

are tempted to flounder we are much in prayer and hope.

This testing goes all through our ranks, from leaders down. We shall have to adapt ourselves to new conditions and seek at the same time to be true to God and to our country. We believe our young women will adorn the truth by their allegiance to the Sabbath truth and to the other equally important Christian principles that make the church so separate and distinct from the world.

Let us not allow the spirit of the world to undermine our Christian faith. Strong men and women know how to go upstream when necessary. While not adopting an unreasonable narrowness, let us know that the church always comes to a point beyond which she cannot go with the world if she still wishes to be true to the Lord Jesus Christ.

That there is a great national need, and that there are many openings for our youth to serve at the present time is beyond doubt. That God helps those who are determined to give Him first place in their hearts, is equally doubtless. "Their Maker has claims upon them [the youth] which are paramount to all others."—*"Counsels to Teachers,"* page 99.

H. W. LOWE.

Female Conscription

CONSCRIPTION of female labour for industrial purposes has now become the declared intention of the Minister of Labour and National Service. We may expect soon the enforcement of the power to conscript women for all kinds of industrial and war purposes. When that happens young women in our churches will face some problems that have hitherto affected only our male members. Married women without children are likely to be involved as well as single.

Until the machinery of the law is established, it is difficult to say exactly what procedure will be adopted. At present young women are asked to appear before a lady interviewer at the Labour Exchange. Here the present employment is discussed and the need explained for national service of various kinds. No compulsion is used, of course, but definite suggestions are made.

Adventist women, no less than Adventist men, must now face the Sabbath question courageously. It is essential to make this matter clear from the outset. It will do our women good to have to show their convictions and to live up to them. A number of our girls are doing land work, and enjoying it. It seems that Sabbath observance is more easily negotiated there than in many other occupations.

It will not be too difficult to determine what kinds of work an Adventist woman can conscientiously do. The attitude of this denomination has always been non-combatant in war, but we have always urged our members to serve the State loyally as far as they can and be true to their religious convictions. The church does not dictate to members

in these matters, but we should advise our members to seek to be consistent and not to misrepresent the church before the world.

War times test men and women. Some stand up to the testing time remarkably well and are therefore the stronger in character. Some show their easy compliance with the worldly demands of a disjointed age, and in the end most of these deny their faith. These two classes are seen among our menfolk at present. For those who, happily in the majority, are weathering the storm we are grateful and proud; for those who

Notes from the Union President

COLLEGE NEWS

At the moment of writing (October 30th) we have little to add to our announcement in the last issue, but we hope to have some news for our membership in the near future.

We hope to find a suitable place in the country where we shall keep as much as possible of our College unit together.

THE PAPER SHORTAGE AND OUR LITERATURE

A SERIOUS situation confronts us in literature production. Our publishing house paper quota for the seventh licencing period ending November 30th is:

For Periodicals, 20% of pre-war tonnage.

For Books, 42% of pre-war tonnage.

Already our *Present Truth* looks somewhat emaciated. One of our difficulties is that we cannot save paper on one periodical and use it

in another. If we ceased publishing *Good Health* or the MESSENGER, the economy would not help *Present Truth*.

It looks as though our small literature may suffer more and more curtailment, but the Union Committee will shortly study the whole question and seek to find the best way to preserve a widespread literature witness.

EVANGELISTIC NEWS

VERY good meetings continue in certain places, and one evangelist reports that while he is very much afraid of numbers he nevertheless feels that he has very good prospects of a baptism that may not be far short of forty or fifty people. While we are talking and writing a good deal about other problems to-day, let us never forget that the greatest question that could possibly occupy our minds is that of winning souls for the Master. All forms of soul-

winning constitute the great reason for the existence of God's church on earth. Let us continue much in earnest prayer and faithful service to this end.

"MESSENGER" OFFERING, NOVEMBER 15TH

WE must not forget that our little church paper is appearing under difficulties during war time, and that it needs the financial support of all our members who look for its appearance from time to time. In these days

when we are cutting down as far as we can in the use of circular letters, and generally economizing in the use of paper, the MESSENGER remains as the one regular and effective means of communication between all our churches in the British Isles in these difficult times.

Sabbath, November 15th, will present you with an opportunity to make a really liberal offering for the support of our church paper. Please do not fail to respond.

H. W. LOWE.

firmly established in Torquay, we believe it will move forward and grow stronger until the final day of triumph in the kingdom of God.

A. J. MUSTARD.

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Our Torquay Church

It had seemed a long time coming. There had been years of waiting, with some disappointments. On at least two occasions it had looked as though they would lose their church. How tragic that would have been!

But at last the time to dedicate it had come. The anxiety, the sacrifice, the hard work was now ended. The church—every brick and window, the baptistery, and every stick of furniture—was paid for. Not a penny of debt was left. It was theirs! Now they could give it back to God.

And so, on Sabbath, October 25th, more than a hundred Adventists and friends crowded into the Torquay church. Only one-third of that happy congregation *belonged* there. The others were there because they, too, had helped by their prayers and gifts and hard work to bring that day nearer. So everybody was welcome.

And what a lovely day it was! God's warm sun smiled upon us. The air was crisp and invigorating. It was a perfect Sabbath day.

On the evening before, our old friend, Brother Carey, had led us in consecration of our lives to God ere we offered Him our building. He reminded us that the Lord wants His people to come into His sanctuary in "the beauty of holiness." More than all else God wants a "living sacrifice, holy," and "acceptable," from us.

A profitable Sabbath-school over, our hearts were hushed in the Master's presence as a quartette quietly

sang, "Tread softly, the Master is here!" Through Brother Carey's prayer and Miss Buckle's song, "Bless this House," the Master was invited to direct and bless in the dedication of His temple to His worship. Pastor G. D. King preached a powerful address, reminding us that while God has directed His people to build Him a house of prayer (Exod. 25:8 and 1 Chron. 28:10), it is more important that our hearts should become a "habitation of God." Eph. 2:22.

Pastor L. G. Hardinge, who had recited the providences of God in the earlier history of the cause in Torquay, led us all to the mercy-seat as in fervent prayer we gave back to our divine Master the sanctuary He had given to us. And so a very solemn and blessed service came to an end, and we parted for a little while.

In the afternoon, we joyfully witnessed the first Adventist baptism in Torquay. Nine souls followed their Lord in this holy ordinance. A noticeable feature of the group was that three men and their wives were walking together the road which will surely lead them to the city of God. After the baptism three-year-old Betty Campion, daughter to one of the happy couples was dedicated to God. Pastor King preached the address and offered the final prayer of consecration ere we regretfully dispersed, bidding good-bye to our friends from Plymouth and Exeter.

Now that the work of God is

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Church History in the Making at Chelmsford

WHEN last the MESSENGER gave a word from Chelmsford, a baptism was reported. Now we are happy to say that a church of twenty-three members has been organized.

On August 9th Pastor G. D. King and Brother A. Carey made a special visit for the purpose. A most interesting Sabbath-school lesson was presented by Brother Carey, and in the service which followed Pastor King gave us a thoughtful and impressive study on church organization.

In the afternoon the usual procedure of forming a church was conducted by Pastor King. There were twenty-three charter members of the first Seventh-Day Adventist church in the county town of Essex, and all signed the Covenant of Fellowship. Each member was made to feel his or her importance in this new church, and the occasion was one that will long be remembered by all who attended. It was voted that we apply for reception into the sisterhood of churches of the South England Conference of Seventh-Day Adventists on the very first opportunity.

On October 11th we held our first Harvest Festival, and the gifts of fruit, vegetables, honey, and preserves provided a surprisingly beautiful spectacle artistically set out with the floral offerings by Sister Bailey. After attending to known cases of sickness and need, a large surplus was handed over to the local hospital, the secretary of which has written a very grateful acknowledgment.

On October 14th the first wedding ceremony among the members was conducted by the writer at our meeting hall and is reported elsewhere in this issue. The happy couple were Brother C. H. T. Beswick and Sister Irene Drennan both of Chelmsford. Refreshments were served during the evening and a truly happy time was spent.

The bridegroom returned to his non-combatant unit a day or two

later and is happy to be able to meet every Sabbath with our church in Derby. The Lord has honoured his stand for the truth and he is interesting others in the message.

We wish them both the choicest blessings from the Lord upon their union, and pray that with each the union with Christ will grow and strengthen. F. C. BAILEY.



Another Baptism at Reading

OCTOBER 18th will long be remembered by the many members and friends from the Slough, High Wycombe, and Reading district.

A good spirit of unity and friendliness pervaded the flower-bedecked church—filled to capacity throughout the day.

We were glad to have Pastor G. D. King with us again. His morning message was one of hope and encouragement to the eleven souls who were prepared to take their stand for truth and to follow in the footsteps of the Master.

It was with real joy in our hearts and gratitude to God that we witnessed the surrender of these souls to the Lord as Pastor C. R. Bonney conducted the simple yet sacred rite of baptism. We, too, were inspired once more to renew our consecration

and to 'live for Him who died for us.'

The song service after the lunch interval was followed by a very timely Bible study conducted by Pastor King.

Truly this was a day of blessing and refreshing to each one. When the Lord of the harvest appears, may He find us waiting and ready to enter His kingdom of peace.

Remember us as we plan to hold yet another baptism before the end of the year. EUNICE POWELL.



Southend News

ON August 30th, we were happy to have a visit from Pastor G. D. King, our president. He conducted the Sabbath morning service and in the afternoon a baptismal service. Six dear sisters passed through the water, thus openly confessing their belief.

A number of non-members were also present. After the baptism, time was given for testimonies, including some from those just baptized, expressing their determination to follow their Lord in newness of life.

These sisters are the first fruits of our house-to-house card campaign, and we are still hoping for more.

E. E. WATKINS, *Church Clerk.*

And this interest is largely being developed by the activities of these two sisters—Mrs. Vernon and Miss Cooper.

Similar work is being done in Hereford and Barry. Would that we could say that in every church and company active soul-winning work was being done by the laity. When God is able to pour out His Spirit upon His people in latter-rain intensity, great things will be done. Long ago the messenger of the Advent movement gave this message:

"God will move upon those in humble positions to declare the message of present truth. Many such will be seen hastening hither and thither, constrained by the Spirit of God to give the light to those in darkness. . . . The Spirit will be poured out upon those who yield to His promptings, . . . they will join the army of the Lord."

Two Birmingham ladies attended a meeting we addressed in Rhyl this summer. Along with some thirty others, we sent them a copy of the printed lecture as it appeared in *Present Truth*. These two replied almost immediately. One said: "Thank you for the interesting and helpful magazine. Truly we are living in very dark days, but I think we are not far from the time when we shall see Him whom to know is life eternal." And then she asks a question and asks for more literature.

The other wrote (in part): "Thank you for the *Present Truth*. I shall be very grateful for any little help you can give me in God's Word."

Well, these two names will be handed to our minister in Birmingham and the other names will be sent to other workers. We are assured that, in spite of the wide-spread indifference to spiritual things to-day, there are many who pray for someone to guide them and point out to them the great and gracious truths entrusted to this people.

A LAYBROTHER'S RESOLVE

OUR veteran Brother Rawlings, of Milford Haven writes: "We are in the best of health and trusting to Him for protection through this troublous period, and we do pray for you and all our people at all times."

Then he tells us how the record

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SINCE writing our last notes, a good deal has taken place of which we will endeavour to provide a summary.

THE EVANGELISTIC COUNCIL

IN common with our fellow-workers in the Union, our Welsh Mission workers enjoyed three crowded, enjoyable, and helpful days in studying how better to show ourselves "approved" as soul-winners and builders for the kingdom of God. Also, in common with our fellows, we, in Wales have pledged ourselves to a greater effort in soul-winning. We invite our members to make an even greater prayer-effort on behalf of the few labourers in the Princi-

pality that their pledge may be redeemed.

LAY SOUL-WINNING

It is surprising how regularly some members win others for God and His truth. And yet it is not surprising, for has not the Lord promised to reward the humble labourer? Yes, and He does. This fact was again emphasized when we were in North Wales recently. Two or three more additions were made to the Rhyl company by the efforts of two lay sisters. And we addressed a "cottage meeting" there whose attendance might measure up to some present-day hall meetings. There were twenty-seven persons present!

of certain Sunbeams digging for victory, had inspired him to have a plot and do the same, donating to the Lord all that is sold from it. And, instead of a "penny a week" in the Little Brown Box, Brother Rawlings says there has been two or three shillings a week—that is while the season lasted. "Instead of my usual 1/6 a quarter in the Brown Box there will be 30/- . . . the more we give the more we get . . ." What a fine example! And what a difference it would make to the work generally, thinks Brother Rawlings, if this plan were generally followed.

BAPTISMS

SMALL baptisms have taken place in Llanelly and Rhyl. A brother and his wife and their children have accepted the message (and rejoice in and already labour for it) in the first place as the result of the labours of Pastor Jackson, and four in Rhyl, three connecting with Rhyl and one with the Buckley Company. These latter were baptized by Pastor Cooper as the result of his and his sister's labours.

SOME CONTEMPLATED CHANGES

AFTER giving very good service for five and four and a half years respectively, Brethren Conroy and Cumings are to bid us adieu in the near future. Brother Conroy is to take up work in the Hull district of the North England Conference, and Brother Cumings in a place yet to be determined in the South England Conference. We shall follow with prayerful interest the future interests of these brethren, and wish them and their companions happy and fruitful days ahead.

IN their places, we are to receive Brother and Sister John Lewis from the North and Brother and Sister Humphries from the South. We extend to these incoming workers a warm welcome to the Welsh Mission and sincere wishes for a happy and successful period of their ministry.

MISS REED is also leaving us—all too soon, we think! But the tide of human affairs is carrying her downstream out into the open sea—the sea of matrimony. Miss Reed has given acceptable service since she came to Wales and has endeared her-

self to a large number of friends. Warm wishes for the future will be extended to our sister.

MISS IRIS HAPGOOD, who, since her graduation, has been attached to the Scottish Mission, will be "coming home" by taking the place of Miss Reed. We warmly welcome Miss Hapgood to the Principality and pray that her ministry here will be richly blessed.

FUTURE PLANS

SUBJECT to the availability of halls and houses we are planning to have public work operating in Llanelly, Newport, Aberdare, and Cardiff areas—apart from that which we hope to launch in the North. More will be given of these later.

SOME REASONS FOR GRATITUDE

LOOKING back over the past months, we realize that the good hand of the Lord has been over His people. Throughout the months of raiding by the enemy, when Wales was the subject of constant attention, the Lord's people were spared even from injuries.

IN the literature ministry, too, evidence of the Lord's blessing has been seen in that £1,544 worth of truth-laden books and periodicals have been sold so far this year, £200 more than for the same period last year.

THE tithe income has also risen to a new high record—£1,904 having been set aside in the first nine months of the year, or £500 more than was budgeted for. As this income is for the work of the ministry, that means that more can be used for the great soul-saving task—the task that should overshadow all others.

WE are also hoping to be able to record that even last year's magnificent figure for the Ingathering campaign will be passed. The final figures are now in process of being formulated but are not available at the time of writing.

So for these good results and for so many other blessings and mercies, we thank God sincerely and offer ourselves in a new consecration.

S. G. HYDE.

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Rhyl District Meeting

RHYL lived up to its reputation, "Sunny Rhyl" as members from Buckley, Shotton, Rhos, Shrewsbury and other places assembled in the lecture hall of the Welsh Baptist church, at 10:30 a.m. on October 4th, for Sabbath-school.

Pastors J. M. Howard and S. G. Hyde ministered to us in a very helpful way bringing to us words of comfort and counsel suitable for these perilous days.

In the evening at 7 p.m. a baptismal service was held in the Welsh Baptist church, when the writer baptized four precious souls in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

On Sunday afternoon Pastor Hyde gave us some timely counsel from the life of Jacob, and in the evening he spoke on the subject of Beyond the Tomb—What? As he described the glorious resurrection and the beauties and glories of the kingdom to come, we all desired to be faithful to the end to receive the rich reward which Jesus has purchased by His precious blood.

We invite you, dear reader, to pray that God will bless those who have been baptized, and others, who are studying the message, that they may take this important step in the near future.

T. H. COOPER.

Wedding Bells

BESWICK-DRENNAN.—The union of Brother C. H. T. Beswick and Sister Irene Drennan in holy matrimony on October 14, 1941, was the first wedding service to be celebrated in the newly-organized Chelmsford church. A social evening was arranged to follow the service and the bride and bridegroom stayed till the last item of the programme.

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News from the "Granite City," Aberdeen

May you be gentle, noble, sweet and bright,
A sunbeam scattering rays of cheering light;
Rosy and healthy, fresh as summer's dawn,
Gladdening the eyes of all who look thereon:
Amid prevailing sin, remaining pure,
Resting in calmness on the Rock secure;
Even when the stormy billows round you sweep,
Trusting the care of Him whose power can keep.
(Miss) A. V. MIDDLETON.

I THINK the writer of the above lines must have prayed earnestly for that "wee lassie" for whom they were written, as she sat as a pupil under her tuition some years ago and God *does* hear and answer the petitions of godly men and women.

The time came for this pupil to leave the high school, and the decision was made to enter the nursing profession; but a greater decision was also made—to follow Christ. At an early age she was baptized. Later came a call to take up work as a medical missionary in Nyasaland, under the auspices of the Church of Scotland; then back to the homeland, to take up a post as assistant matron in one of the large institutions in Aberdeen.

March of this year found her attending the services conducted by the

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SUNSET CALENDAR

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writer and the teaching of former years dovetailed perfectly into the doctrines as they were unfolded, culminating in full acceptance of the message and linking up with God's remnant people.

Our baptismal service, held on Sabbath, October 25th, was a day of great rejoicing, and we were glad that Pastor McMillan was able to be with us.

We opened up our effort in this northern outpost of our work in March and continued in a small, but centrally situated hall until May, and were encouraged by an audience which was very consistent in attendance.

In addition to the sister already mentioned, there was a husband and wife, who with their daughter travelled fourteen miles (each way) every Sunday in snow, ice, and rain, as well as sunshine and were never absent; we had the joy of seeing the

two senior members of the family unite with us by baptism.

Then one of our students from Newbold placed a book in a home some ten miles out of the city and the husband and wife, hearing that we were studying prophecy, connected us up with the teaching of the book and invited us to study in their home. They too are walking with us and rejoicing in the light.

These, together with two more sisters, made a total addition of seven. We know that this earnest, happy group will prove a blessing to the cause of God.

Our report would not be complete without recording our deep appreciation of the faithfulness of our members in the distribution of handbills and in their attendance and prayers, and for their good help we say, "thank you!"

Realizing that it is God who giveth the increase we render to Him thankful hearts and give Him the glory for all that has been accomplished in His name and with courage and confidence press on looking to Him for even greater blessings in succeeding days.

H. T. JOHNSON.

At Rest

VICK.—After a period of much suffering our Sister Ivy Mary Vick passed away on October 26, 1941, and was laid to rest by Pastor Spearing in the Long Lane Cemetery at Newbury. It was some thirty-four years ago that our sister first accepted the Advent faith. In 1923 she graduated from the Stanborough Missionary College. Not only has she proved an efficient worker for Christ, but also a faithful and loyal wife to her husband, and mother to her son. We would extend our sincere sympathy to the loved ones she has left behind, and point them to the resurrection in the near future when the families of the righteous will be reunited. JOHN P. WEST.

CROLL.—The South England Conference church has suffered a great loss in the death of Sister Ruth Croll, at her home, 133a Hamilton Road, Felixtowe, on Tuesday, October 7, 1941. Our sister, her husband, and daughter accepted the message in its entirety in 1937 when the writer conducted a campaign in Ipswich, and they were baptized July 18, 1938. Sister Croll lived for her church; her one longing was to recover her health so that she might enter the rank as a regular colporteur. Sister Croll was born in Dublin on March 7, 1897, and was a possessor of a bright and sparkling Irish wit. Those with whom she came into contact during her whole-hearted ingathering and literature ministry found her irresistible. Unfortunately, she suffered for several years from asthma and it was in the midst of a particularly violent attack that she collapsed. As she lived, she died, a firm believer in the saving grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and in the soon coming of our Saviour. Her husband and daughter share that hope, and sorrow not, because they look forward to the grand reunion. The writer conducted the committal service

at Ipswich Crematorium on Monday, October 13th, and sends a personal message of comfort and hope to our sister's family in Dublin. J. M. HOWARD.

JEWETT.—On Sabbath, October 18, 1941 Sister Bertha Inez Jewett passed away peacefully at the age of eighty-one. With her daughter she came into contact with the truth through Elder W. A. Spicer in Calcutta in 1902. Her last fifteen years were spent in England. Sister Jewett was one who accepted every opportunity to witness for the Saviour and the message she loved. She expressed her confidence and hope right up until the very last, when she fell asleep in Jesus to await the voice of the Life-giver. She was laid to rest in the churchyard at Hitcham, Berkshire. Two daughters remain to mourn the loss of a beloved mother. C. R. BONNEY.

BEDFORD.—The funeral service of Brother Bedford of Boscombe was conducted at Bournemouth by the writer assisted by Pastor G. Bell, on Thursday, September 11, 1941. The deceased had suffered considerably of late and did not recover after an operation had been performed. He and his wife were baptized by the writer over thirty years ago. Though he had not kept his connection with the church for some years, yet he professed to love the truth and had recently attended meetings held by Brother and Sister Bailey. His loved ones earnestly desired us to conduct the burial services and we did so believing that God knows the hearts of all His children and He is ever ready to forgive and receive His own. Three sisters are still members of the church at Bournemouth and they with us look forward to the coming of Jesus who will gather to Himself all His loved ones. W. H. MEREDITH.