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## Faith

IF I could feel my hand, dear Lord, in  
Thine  
And surely know  
That I was walking in the light divine  
Through weal or woe;

If I could hear Thy voice in accents  
sweet  
But plainly say,  
To guide my trembling, groping, wander-  
ing feet,  
"This is the way,"

I would so gladly walk therein, but now  
I cannot see.  
Oh, give me, Lord, the faith to humbly  
bow  
And trust in Thee!

There is no faith in seeing. Were we led  
Like children here,  
And lifted over rock and river-bed,  
No care, no fear,

We should be useless in the busy throng,  
Life's work undone;  
Lord, make us brave and earnest, true  
and strong,  
Till heaven is won.

SARAH K. BOLTON.

## Keeping Abreast

"INSTEAD of the publishing work diminishing, the demand for our publications is greatly increasing. There will be more to do instead of less."—"Testimonies for the Church," Vol. III, page 92.

Never before in the history of this great threefold message have the words of this quotation been more forcibly fulfilled than at this present time. Not only in one place or country, but throughout the globe, and especially in these French-speaking fields.

No doubt, many of our brethren remember, or have heard of how the printing of this message was first started at Basle, Switzerland, in 1876, in a very humble way by Pastor J. N. Andrews. It was here that the first paper of our

denominational literature outside of America was printed. This was the *Les Signes des Temps*, which is still being printed and scattering the truth in these fields. At that time they had no press of their own. The type was set up in a

literature was started at Gland, Switzerland. A cylinder press, job press, folder, stitching machine, cutter, and other miscellaneous equipment were installed. Very good and efficient work was done there, and doubtless many persons who



Building recently purchased for our new French Publishing House at Melun, 30 miles south of Paris

small room that sufficed as an office, and afterwards the form was taken to another house to be printed.

Then in 1885 Brother B. L. Whitney came over from America and placed the publishing house on a larger basis. A cylinder press and job press were purchased which amply supplied the field's needs. In 1895 this plant was closed down on account of Sunday laws, and was afterwards transformed into a sanitarium.

Again in 1914 the work of printing our

are now enjoying the blessedness of being children of God, received their first impressions of this truth through the literature that was printed there.

But the time came for us to heed the words of God as recorded in Isaiah 54 : 2 —"Enlarge the place of thy tent, and let them stretch forth the curtains of thine habitations: spare not, lengthen thy cords, and strengthen thy stakes." We feel that we have followed this instruction in removing the publishing house from Gland, Switzerland to Dammarie-les-Lys,

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France, where we have larger accommodations, and are located right in the heart of the French fields.

The equipment that was purchased in 1914 for the plant at Gland is the same that has been transferred to our present quarters. That was eight years ago, and most all are aware of the fact that wonderfully fast strides have taken place since that time both in the work of God, and in the affairs of the world. And the sales of our truth-filled literature in these countries has advanced as fast, if not faster, in proportion to other things. God is impressing the hearts of the people everywhere, and many are being led to Christ through reading our books, periodicals, and tracts. We are all truly thankful to God for His guiding providence that He has manifested in behalf of the publishing work in the Latin Union.

As the demands grow in the fields, so they also grow in the publishing house. To meet the demand of the former, more colporteurs and lay members doing home missionary work are added. But in the publishing house it is different. We still have the same equipment of eight years ago to keep pace with the ever-increasing amount of orders coming in.

The edition of 15,000 "Notre Epoques" (Our Day) which is the book most of the colporteurs handled this summer, was set, printed, and bound by an outside firm in Paris. In order for us to get out these large books by our own plant, it is very necessary that we have added facilities with which to do it. The small cylinder press that we now have will take care of the printing of periodicals and tracts, etc., but for subscription books we need a larger press which will cost in the neighbourhood of 80,000 francs. Our small hand cutter which was purchased when the publishing work was being done at Basle, Switzerland, is almost worn out and does not do good work. This is another machine, costing about 13,500 francs that we hope to order soon. At present all type is being set by hand, therefore, another of our immediate needs is a linotype machine and the necessary accessories that go with it. The price of this is around 60,000 francs. These three machines, representing a sum of 153,000 francs, are our most urgent needs.

Our bindery equipment is sufficiently large for binding up the small paper-bound books, but for the large subscription books we must add two or three more machines to what we have. We may probably have to wait until later for these.

Surely the Lord has a purpose in having most all the great labour-saving inventions come at this period of the world's history, in order that they may be used in His work in hastening the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ. He wants His people to be at the head of things and not trailing behind.

It is true that all people cannot stand before an audience and deliver a sermon, all cannot give Bible readings, all cannot be foreign missionaries, all cannot attend to the sick, but here is one way in which every one can have a part; by helping us get better printing facilities by which sermons can be multiplied by the thousands and scattered abroad over these

French-speaking fields and in many other parts of the world.

In behalf of the publishing house, I wish to extend our gratitude to all our brethren and sisters in Australasia who are labouring so unselfishly for the upbuilding of this branch of God's work in this needy field. May the Lord richly bless each one as he goes out to labour for Him, and may many souls be led to Jesus as a result of your efforts.

G. A. HUSE,  
Manager of French Publishing House.

### If They Can, Why Can't We?

IN reading my daily paper, I noticed the following item which must serve as the jumping-off place for what I want to say in this brief note:—

"In the course of a telegram to the press, the general secretary of the National Congress of India says, in reference to the observance of Gandhi day on the eighteenth of every month, the day is no mourning day. It is a day of hope and rejoicing. Devote the day to earnest, silent prayer, and remind yourself of the message brought by the Mahatma to the world. Love all, speak the truth, and fear no man. Use your time that day in making converts to the khaddar (local-made cloth) and to the spinning wheel, and give up all your actual income on that day for the national cause."

So the eighteenth of every month is to be the "Big Day" of the non-co-operators in India, a day in which the "faithful" are called upon to devote their whole energies to their "cause" and the wages of which are also to be donated to that movement for which so many have sacrificed so much and for which they would willingly lay down their lives. Therefore without the need of a multitude of words it is plain that the position, as far as we Adventists are concerned, resolves itself into this: If these enthusiasts in India are willing to have twelve Big Days every year, in each of which they devote both their time and their money to the cause which they believe will mean their national salvation, should not we be willing to have at least two Big Days a year in each of which we will do likewise in order that those in India, Africa, anywhere and everywhere, might receive the glad tidings of a heavenly and eternal salvation in a land where the government will not be an earthly *raj* or *swaraj* (self-rule), but will be the *raj* of love and righteousness and peace. Surely if the heathen and poverty-stricken Indian can do twelve, we can do two!

HORACE G. FRANKS,

Poona,  
India.

"GOD will surely help those who seek Him for wisdom. We are not to wait until opportunities come to us; we are to seek for opportunities, and we are to be ready always to give a reason for the hope that is in us. If the worker keeps his heart uplifted in prayer, God will help him to speak the right word at the right time."—*Gospel Workers*, p. 120.

### Returning to India

WE were very glad when we found that we could arrange to return from the General Conference to our work in India by way of Australia. It has been a great pleasure to us to spend a few weeks in the home land once again, meeting old friends and fellow-workers. We expected to have remained here for only a month, as we are not on furlough, but simply returning to our field after attending the General Conference; but Mrs Fletcher's health had not been good since the latter part of our stay in America, and we found it necessary for her to stay two months in Australia in order to recuperate. We are now on our way back to India, and expect to disembark at Colombo nine days after posting these lines at Fremantle.

The Australasian Union Conference has been sending workers to India and Burma for some years past, in various departments of the cause. There are now some twenty-six men and women from Australasia in our missionary forces in those fields. Altogether our foreign workers in India, Burma, and Ceylon number about one hundred and fifty-two. Most of these come from the United States; but we have quite a number also from Canada, Great Britain, and India itself, as well as from Australasia, and one family from the British West Indies.

The Australasian workers in the Southern Asia Division (which is the name used by our denomination for the territory of India, Burma, Ceylon, and Afghanistan) are distributed as follows: In the Burma Union Mission, Brother and Sister E. B. Hare and Brother Harold Baird are connected with our work for the Karens, Brother and Sister H. A. Skinner are opening up work in the Southern Shan States, and Brother and Sister L. A. Semmens are carrying responsibilities in the Meiktila Technical School. In the South India Union Mission are stationed Brethren J. Crammond and C. W. Tinworth and their wives. Brother Tinworth is secretary-treasurer of the union mission, and Brother and Sister Crammond are engaged in evangelistic work at Pondicherry. In the North-west India Union Mission we have the Thrift, Burns, and Streeter families. Brother R. A. Thrift (at present on furlough) has charge of our vernacular literature work in the Bombay presidency, Brother E. R. Streeter is engaged in language study preparatory to leading out in the same branch of work in the Punjab. Brother N. C. Burns is engaged in vernacular evangelistic work in the Punjab, and is stationed at Lahore, the capital of that province. In the North-east India Union Mission Brother W. H. Stevens has charge of the literature work for the union, Sister Stevens is the principal of the Bengalese girls' school, and Brother and Sister E. H. Guilliard are engaged in English evangelistic work in Shillong, the capital of Assam. In the general work of the division are Brother and Sister H. G. Franks, Brother F. J. Butler, Sister I. Dowling, and the writer and wife. Brother Franks is studying one of the leading vernaculars, and is to be connected with our publishing house at Poona, preparing literature for the people of India, Brother Butler and the writer are connected with

### Big Week object France

the divisional office at Poona, and Sister Dowling is engaged in sanitarium treatment room work at Mussooree.

It will be seen from this list that the workers from Australasia are widely scattered over the Southern Asia field, yoking up with a larger number of fellow-missionaries from America and other parts of the English-speaking world, and engaged in varied lines of work.

The Southern Asia Division Committee has for some time hoped that the Australasian Union Conference would be able to help us establish the Health Food work on a satisfactory basis in India. For a good many years a small food factory was operated at Calcutta; but it was poorly equipped, and the output of foods was very limited. In 1921 this factory was closed, though the cancellation of our lease for the premises in which the work was carried on. When the needs of this branch of the work in India were placed before the Australasian Union Conference Committee at Wahroonga last July, the brethren advised that first of all a well-stocked wholesale and retail depot be opened in some leading city in our territory, selling imported foods for a time, until the public becomes better acquainted with the lines manufactured by our people, and we are in a better position to start factory work over there. In order to enable us to open such a depot the Union Conference has voted our Division an appropriation of £1500, to be provided from the profits on the Health Food work in Australasia during 1922, and has agreed to send a worker of experience to commence the work in India. This generous and practical help will be greatly appreciated by the brethren in India, and we trust this will prove to be the beginning of an important work in that department in our Division.

We have asked for help also for the English subscription book work in our territory, calling for a number of colporteurs, and a supply of literature from the Signs Publishing Company. Several colporteurs have already been appointed. Brother S. J. Johnson is now with us, on the way to India, to commence work in Bengal, selling "Great Controversy." Other colporteurs are to follow by a later boat, for work in Burma, South India, and North-west India. We are grateful to the brethren in this field for sending us these good workers. We ask the prayers of the believers in Australasia that the blessing of the Lord may be on these men and on the literature that they circulate.

Sister Nelson, of Kempsey, New South Wales, a graduate nurse of the Sydney Sanitarium, is to travel with us from Fremantle to Colombo. Miss Nelson is engaged to be married to Brother Harold Baird, and will doubtless continue the journey from Colombo to Rangoon by steamer. Brother Johnson will go by rail from Colombo to Calcutta. After meeting with the Ceylon workers and the leader of our South India Union Mission at Colombo, we are to go on to Poona by rail. We are glad for the prospect of rejoining our fellow-workers in India within a few days of the time of writing. We ask the prayers of the readers of the RECORD for the prosperity of the work in that great field. W. W. FLETCHER.

## Organization of the Viru Church, Solomon Islands

TUESDAY, July 11, was a very busy and interesting day for the mission at Viru.

After spending several months in the training of a baptismal class and seeing many victories won by our girls and boys, the long looked-for *Melanesia* came to us, and the following day, after the examination of the candidates, we were delighted to witness the burial of six of our members with their Lord by baptism into his death, and raised again to walk anew in the light of his resurrection, while the assembled congregation added solemnity to the scene by singing in the native tongue, "What can wash away my sins,—Nothing, but the blood of Jesus."

The organization of the church was conducted the same evening by Pastor Wicks, when a very interested congregation assembled. The study for the evening was on being examples. The speaker laid stress on thoughts taken from the Book of Romans, stating that now we have passed through the watery grave and buried the old man, it is necessary to take up the new ways so that we may have a clean church. Words of encouragement and blessing were spoken to each as they came forward, one by one to receive the hand of fellowship.

The officers of the new church were selected and the names of fourteen boys and four girls with the elder and the writer comprise our church roll.

At the close of this important meeting Brother J. D. Anderson was ordained to the eldership of the church.

On the morning of July 12, the ordinances of the Lord's house were celebrated, when all but four who are in charge of different mission stations, with visitors took part in this sacred ordinance.

We thank God for a part in His work among these dark-skinned people, and pray that He may use us to be channels through which He will send His light to many more of these precious souls who yet wait in darkness.

G. M. ANDERSON.

## One Day in a Missionary's Life

MONDAY morning, 4 a.m., September 18, found us very busy preparing for a trip in our launch to some of our out-stations. After half an hour's preparedness we were ready to start. Although it was dark, quite a number of the mission boys and girls were on the wharf to see us off. As our little launch left the harbour, we wondered what sort of a day was before us, for we were to cross the Blanche Channel which is about twelve miles wide, and sometimes it is very rough. As we set out, however, it was fairly calm, and we had a good trip across to Raro Island, arriving there about 7 a.m. This island is very small, and very rocky, with but little growth excepting coconuts, and the island is almost covered with these profitable trees which seem to thrive under these conditions.

After greeting the people and having a walk around the island, the bell rang out

for worship, and they all gathered together in a very neat new church which they had just completed. Mr. Wrigley took the service and all listened attentively to the story of God's great love.

After the service, we wended our way back to the launch. On the way I talked to some of the women and girls. I could see that some were addicted to the filthy betel nut habit, as it leaves its traces on their teeth and mouth. One girl standing by had teeth as white as snow, and I pointed her out as an example and said, "I know this girl does not chew betel nut, I can tell by her teeth." And those that had been accustomed to the habit quickly closed their lips, trying to hide their teeth, but I had already noticed them,—some as black as ink. Many of the women told me of their former acquaintance with this revolting thing, but that they had now given it up since knowing it is contrary to the teaching of the Bible. I told them I was glad to hear it and hoped they would all follow suit.

After bidding them all adieu we set off for another island in the Roviana Lagoon. This lagoon abounds with coral reefs, small inlets, and atolls, therefore we had difficulty for a little while in manoeuvring our little launch around and over them.

The scenery on both sides is very pretty, the evergreen trees throwing their shadows into the beautiful blue tropical waters, suggesting coolness even if it does not feel so. After a run of three hours we arrived at the island of Tava. Here we found just a handful of people, most of the folk being away cooking their coconuts on another island. However, we were glad to meet the few that were there, and went into their houses and held worship with them. They were very pleased to see us. It is just recently that we started visiting these people, and they are very anxious that we should continue. At this place we saw an old man about eighty. When he was young he was taken as a slave by the Roviana people, in the old warring days. He hails from the island of Ysabel, and he is of a distinct different type from any of the other natives here. We are glad that these warring days are past, and that they are now ready to listen to the gospel of peace.

After leaving these people, we set off again for another island in the same lagoon and in about half-an-hour arrived at Kakia. There is a company of about twenty here and it is but a few months ago that we commenced a Sabbath school here. Each week a boy is sent from Ugele to take charge of the Sabbath school, and he also goes to Tava to conduct Sabbath school. At Kakia they are very anxious to have a church in which to worship, so this week four of the boys from Ugele have gone down to help them build. They also want us to start a day school there, which we hope soon to be able to do. We are glad to see the interest these people are taking, and pray the Lord will bless them in their endeavours to please Him. We had worship with them and then found it was time to be going.

After a very profitable and pleasant day we arrived home about dusk. This is just one day in the life of a missionary, but we have many such days, for which we are glad, if we in some small way can

**Big Week aim £3,000**

help this needy people. They need our prayers, they need your prayers, they need the cleansing power of Calvary's fountain.

Ughele, Rendova,  
Solomon Islands.

ISABEL WRIGLEY.

## Monthly Summary of Australasian Canvassing Work

### South New South Wales

SEPTEMBER, 1922

Bible Readings—	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
A. J. Campbell ...	8	10	£12 0 0
A. G. Carton ...	38	8	10 7 6
O. V. Hellestrand ...	28	5	6 17 6
R. Ross-Lewin ...	12	2	2 15 0
Mr & Mrs Thompson ...	26	11	12 10 0
E. Speers ...	18	5	7 2 6
D. Sutherland ...	66½	20	26 17 6
R. Peare ...	98½	34	43 2 6

Ladies' Hand-book—	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
Mrs. Bucknell ...	34½	16	23 19 0
J. Mancy ...	161½	41	63 2 6
Mrs. V. Nolan ...	13	5	7 2 6
Mrs. Hammond ...	21	22	31 5 0

Christ's Object Lessons—	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
Mr. & Mrs. Vicary ...	143	41	24 19 6
E. V. Garbutt ...	55	32	19 14 6
A. J. Kelly ...	53½	33	20 18 0

Daniel and Revelation—	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
S. G. White ...	98	34	38 2 6

Heralds of the Morning—	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
A. J. Jewiss ...	7	7	4 7 6

Practical Guide—	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
K. Broszat ...	12	4	5 10 0
Helps Sold by Agents			31 11 9
<b>Total</b>	<b>898</b>	<b>330</b>	<b>£392 6 3</b>

World Outlook—	Hrs.	Copies	Subs.	Value
D. Chapman ...	76½	106		£6 9 3
Mrs. J. Martin ...	28	209		10 0 0
Mrs. Soby ...	14½	9		9 9
<b>Total</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>315</b>		<b>£16 19 0</b>

### North New Zealand

SEPTEMBER, 1922

Bible Readings—	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
J. E. Laybourn ...	112	61	£73 15 0
Mrs. Conrad ...	40½	18	19 5 0
A. E. Woodley ...	75	31	46 2 6
E. Barnard ...	119½	82	102 12 6
R. K. Piper ...	103	41	52 5 0
W. C. Boniface ...	147½	52	68 9 6
H. L. Tolhurst ...	129½	61	83 15 0

Practical Guide—	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
D. Collins ...	116	19	27 16 0
A. Jackson ...	44	30	55 17 6

Ladies' Hand-book—	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
Mrs. Wells ...	138½	67	109 12 6
J. Ivey ...	30½	20	37 10 0
Mrs. Ivey ...	63½	33	61 17 6
Miss D. Brown ...	41	17	26 7 6
Mrs. Courtney ...	12	6	7 13 6

Great Controversy—	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
F. N. Smith ...	98	50	57 10 0

Christ's Object Lessons—	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
Miss Scott ...	73	21	13 14 6
Helps sold by Agents			42 15 9
<b>Total</b>	<b>1344</b>	<b>609</b>	<b>£886 19 3</b>

World Outlook—	Hrs.	Copies	Subs.	Value
Miss. E. Johnson ...	14	18	2	£1 8 8
Miss. A. Hodson ...	11	7	3	1 7 3
Mrs. Jackson ...		14	3	1 9
Mrs. Lughton ...	5½	4	5	3 3 6
Home Miss. Sec. ...	1	15	15	5 6 0
Mrs. McDonald ...	9	21	3	1 9 3
<b>Total</b>	<b>40½</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>15 16 6</b>

### Victoria

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Bible Readings—	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
H. N. Carver ...	92	18	£20 2 6
C. Goodchild ...	111	86	106 7 6
R. G. Roberts ...	92	14	16 15 0
G. H. Lane (del.) ...	43	9	11 10 0
Miscellaneous ...	22	16	20 15 0

Christ's Object Lessons—	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
Miss E. Harding ...	22	3	1 15 6
H. Swain ...	40	33	18 8 6
R. Cooper ...	19	26	14 9 0
H. Davison ...	18	8	4 8 0
K. A. Smith ...	18	18	9 17 0
H. N. Carver ...		1	12 6

Great Controversy—	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
D. Paterson (Del.) ...	39	9	8 15 0
R. C. Mack ...	32	23	21 5 6

Prophetic Waymarks—	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
M. Wilson ...		1	15 0

Ladies' Hand-book—	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
J. W. Roberts (Del.) ...	62	65	93 12 6
J. T. Dunne (Del.) ...	26	12	19 0 0
J. A. Bown ...	64	34	47 10 0
A. E. Baird ...	74	27	42 7 6
W. G. Brit aim ...	33	20	27 10 0
Mrs. Counsell ...	39	5	7 17 6
M. Wilson (Del.) ...	14	12	18 0 0
Mrs. Ashcroft ...	47	16	23 10 0
A. C. Timothy ...	30	16	24 10 0

Helps Sold by Agents	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
			23 10 9
<b>Total</b>	<b>915</b>	<b>472</b>	<b>£583 4 3</b>

World Outlook—	Hrs.	Copies	Subs.	Value
Miss K. Bell ...	56½	160		8 0 0
Miss M. Connelly ...	28	29		1 9 0
Mrs. H. Devine ...	47½	465		23 5 0
Miss A. Ward ...	20½	52		2 12 0
J. W. Jacobs ...	22½	79		3 19 0
Miss C. Cameron ...	16	32		1 12 0
Miss M. Cameron ...	16	34		1 14 0
Helps Sold by Agents				6 0
<b>Total</b>	<b>207</b>	<b>851</b>		<b>£42 17 0</b>

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Ladies' Hand-book—	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
W. Morris ...	136½	68	£105 10 0
State Agent ...	5	3	4 2 6
H. J. Evans ...	2	1	1 7 6

Christ's Object Lessons—				
T. A. Mitchell	37	61	41	4 0
A. I. Mitchell	32½	41	27	9 6
C. C. Ellis ...	27	24	15	17 6
R. C. Sherwin ...	46½	28	15	12 0
G. Bailey ...	22½	12	6	14 0
State Agent ...	5½	10	5	7 0
Helps Sold by Agents	...	...	14	4 6

### Queensland

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Bible Readings—	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
R. Cordingley ...	12	7	£8 5 0
J. T. Cox ...	36	2	2 5 0

Great Controversy—	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
O. W. E. Maxwell ...	52	13	16 7 0

Christ's Object Lessons—	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
S. McPaul ...	69	42	24 15 0

Ministry of Healing—	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
Miss G. Boon ...	56	23	14 7 6
Mr. & Mrs. J. Newley ...	70	30	18 15 0
Miss L. Condie ...	27	7	4 7 6

<i>Ladies' Handbook—</i>			
Mr. & Mrs. J. Newley	1	1	7 6
Mr. & Mrs. H. Cooper	148	99	167 18 6
Mrs. M. C. Cox	17	7	10 17 6
Mrs. R. Cordingley	17	12	18 5 0
Miscellaneous ...	37	32	54 15 0
Mrs. C. M. Bazza	8	4	6 5 0
Mrs. M. Kennealy	19	12	17 0 0
Helps Sold by Agents			23 13 10

### South Australia

AUGUST, 1922

Bible Readings—	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
A. C. Ball ...	157	93	134 7 6
H. Halliday ...	120½	34	40 2 6
Mrs. Holdforth ...	2	1	1 5 0

Christ's Object Lessons—	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
Miss E. Sharp ...	83½	46	25 1 0
Miss E. Dost ...	126	72	39 17 0
Miss F. Boyd ...	123½	65	29 3 0
Miss M. Williamson ...	50½	44	23 18 0

Ladies' Hand-book—	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
Mrs. Badcock ...	89½	102	152 10 0
Mrs. Holdforth ...	45½	18	26 10 0
Mrs. Gericke ...	19	15	21 17 6
Miscellaneous ...		1	1 12 6

Helps Sold by Agents				9	11	6
827	481	£505	15	6		

AUGUST, 1922

World Outlook—	Hrs.	Copies	Subs.	Value
Miss S. Holding ...	3½	9		£ 9 0 0
Mrs. Hoepner ...	5	38		1 18 0
Mrs. E. Jones ...	23½	126		6 6 0
Mrs. C. Williams ...	10½	69		3 9 0
Mrs. F. Robb ...	27	213		10 13 0
Miss G. Withers ...	3½	8		8 0
Miss D. Elder ...	3½	10		10 0
<b>Total</b>	<b>76½</b>	<b>473</b>		<b>£23 13 0</b>

SEPTEMBER, 1922

Bible Readings—	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
H. Halliday ...	100	56	£63 5 0
A. C. Ball ...	5	2	2 15 0

Ladies' Hand-book—	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
Mrs. M. Badcock ...	59	82	122 5 0
Mrs. M. Gericke ...	13	13	19 7 6

Christ's Object Lessons—				
A. R. Barrett ...	41½	24	17	5 0
Miss E. Sharp ...	11	5	2	18 6
Miss E. Dost ...	67½	46	25	17 0
Miss F. Boyd ...	77	40	21	14 0
Miss M. Williamson ...	101½	54	29	15 0
Helps Sold by Agents			6	9 6

SEPTEMBER, 1922

World Outlook—	Hrs.	Copies	Subs.	Value
Mrs. C. Williams ...	39	280		£14 0 0
Mrs. E. A. Jones ...	30	174		8 14 0
Mrs. F. Robb ...	33	273		1 13 19 6
Mrs. Weenen ...	4½	17		17 0
Mrs. Hoepner ...	31			1 11 0
Miss C. Crammond ...	6	1		12 6
<b>Total</b>	<b>106½</b>	<b>781</b>		<b>2 £39 14 0</b>

### West Australia

SEPTEMBER, 1922

Ladies' Hand-book—	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
A. P. Howse ...	84	55	£83 17 6
C. C. Stanley ...	38	17	25 7 6
Mrs. Carr-Townshend ...	11	5	7 7 6

Coming King—	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
Miss Forbes (del.) ...	3	11	4 11 6

Bible Readings—	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
Miss E. Heise ...	79	27	31 5 0
S. J. Louis ...	53	22	17 15 0

Christ Our Saviour—	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
Miss Heise ...		39	13 4 6
H. J. Meyers ...		1	7 6
A. P. Howse ...		1	5 0

<i>Great Controversy—</i>				
H. J. Meyers	...	6½	4	4 10 0
Miss Heise	...		2	1 17 6
S. J. Louis	...		1	1 5 0
Helps Sold by Agents				3 5 0
		261	183	£194 18 6

Periodicals—	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
Sold by Agents			£5 0 2

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## South New Zealand

SEPTEMBER, 1922

Bible Readings—	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
A. Bulas ...	68½	39	£48 15 0
Miss C. Hames ...	60	50	54 5 0
W. Haddock ...	98	49	60 2 6
Miss M. Hossock ...	108½	35	43 7 6
J. B. Keith ...	3½	7	7 15 0
G. Engelbrecht ...	30	8	10 7 6
<i>Daniel and Revelation—</i>			
L. Fraser ...	30	13	£18 19 0
<i>Ladies' Handbook—</i>			
Mrs. E. Brandstater ...	7½	10	£15 5 6
J. Shin ...	5½	51	71 11 6
Helps Sold by Agents ...	...	...	16 3 6
	486	262	£352 1 6

World Outlook—	Hrs.	Copies	Subs.	Value
Miss F. Knowles ...	26½	102	8	7 14 0

## Book Totals for September, 1922

	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
South New South Wales	898	330	£392 6 3
North New Zealand ...	1344	609	886 19 3
Victoria ...	915	472	583 4 3
North New South Wales	314	248	237 8 6
Queensland ...	568	291	389 2 10
South Australia ...	458½	322	311 11 6
West Australia ...	261	183	194 18 6
South New Zealand ...	486	262	352 1 6
	5244½	2717	£3347 12 7

It will be noticed that the totals for South Australia for August do not appear in the totals given in this number for September, as they were published with the totals of the August report appearing in the RECORD of October 2. But we did not then have the particulars as the summary had not reached us, so we give them here.

## Standing of Subscription List "Signs of the Times"

November 1, 1922

State	Clubs	Singles	Total	Av. per member
South New Zealand	619	101	720	2.87
Victoria	2443	1019	3462	2.46
North New Zealand	1947	289	2236	2.44
West Australia	1491	273	1764	2.35
North Queensland	118	71	189	2.25
South N. S. Wales	2157	560	2717	1.99
South Australia	529	683	1212	1.94
Queensland	725	243	968	1.42
Tasmania	144	145	289	.82
North N. S. Wales	431	335	766	.78

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Total average in all States 1.93 per member

## Total Circulation for October

Victoria ...	17,457
South New South Wales ...	14,140
North New Zealand ...	11,158
West Australia ...	8,743
Queensland ...	7,380
South Australia ...	7,370
North New South Wales ...	4,065
South New Zealand ...	3,629
Tasmania ...	2,140
North Queensland ...	958
	77,657

## Colporteur Big Week

BIG Week is the topic of conversation in our ranks today. Those directly interested and who are leading out in this campaign are very desirous that a spirit of enthusiasm will take possession of

God's people during this effort. May this same enthusiasm set fire to the heart of each colporteur in the field, so much so, that every one will establish a record in his individual work, and by the proceeds of the Biggest Day bring rejoicing to many hearts throughout France.

This needy field calls for a fully equipped publishing house that truth-laden literature may be produced, and, by the agency of a consecrated colporteur force, placed in the hands of the people.

In response to France's appeal the time set apart for the Colporteur's Big Week should find each loyal-hearted colporteur in Australasia working as he never worked before, endeavouring each day to break any previous day's record, and responding to the invitation to give the profits of the Biggest Day to help the publishing work in that needy field.

H. STACEY.

## South Africa

IT is now nearly six months since we left the Australasian field. These have been crowded with duties, and all along we recognized the providence of our Father's care. It took us five weeks to make the trip. After spending several days at Capetown, we sailed for Port Elizabeth, where we were met by the workers in this city.

A city mission was already in full swing under the direction of Pastor J. W. MacNeil. Large crowds were attending these meetings in the opera house six nights a week. The interest was such that we had to unite with the corps of workers almost immediately. Literature was sown broadcast, and many evidences of the deep movings of God's Spirit were seen. Opposition of the bitterest nature was manifested. The pulpits and the press were used against our work, but this was only because a great work was being done.

At the baptismal service over twenty were baptized. A large crowd gathered to witness the scene. Shortly after this we, with the assistance of the lady Bible-worker, were left in charge of the work here. Naturally we have been kept quite busy. We have rejoiced to see souls gaining the victory all along the line. Every week new ones start to keep the Sabbath, and soon we expect to have another baptism. This will no doubt be as large or even larger than the first.

We are holding Sunday night meetings in another hall, and the attendance indicates a lively interest on the part of many in the message for these days.

Our courage is good. The message is onward, and it is our hope to triumph with it.

A. W. AND R. STAPLES.

## Is Our Vitality Diminishing?

WHILE visiting Fiji last year we were informed by some of the natives that they had been told by certain missionaries that "the Seventh-day Adventist church was dying out in America, that it was dead in Australia, and that it was giving its last kick in Fiji." Here are a few facts that our people might like to know concerning the amount of vitality which this church still possesses. The first edition of our first periodical, *Present Truth*,

weighed about twenty-five pounds, and was carried eight miles in a carpet bag to the post office. The combined circulation of our one hundred and forty-two periodicals, during 1921, averaged ninety tons monthly, enough to fill about twelve ordinary railway trucks. One man could carry the first edition of our first periodical to the post office. It would now require an army of about eight thousand men to carry to the post office under the same conditions our periodicals issued each month. At the time that little periodical was issued we had no bound books whatever. Of "Bible Readings" alone we have placed in the hands of the people in various languages sufficient copies to fill about five hundred ordinary railway trucks.

Years ago we were told this work was going to pieces, and now we hear that it is either dead or dying, but our "Big Week" proposition, whereby we are planning to multiply publishing house facilities in all parts of the world, by devoting the profits from the sale of literature by our people in the home field to this noble purpose, will help us to show that the message possesses more vitality than anything else in this weary, sin-stricken world. Let us keep our presses running, and the ships and railway trucks busy carrying truth-filled literature to the people, and thus hasten the finishing of the work.

A. W. ANDERSON.

## How God Leads

WITH the permission of the writer, the following letter has been passed on to us by Pastor Sydney Watson, who laboured in Yanco some years ago. It unfolds in a remarkable way an instance of God's leading:—

"My wife and I feel we would like to write to you and let you know how we are getting on. We know that we were a great disappointment to you when we came away from Yanco. We have been in Sydney three years now, and feel it is three years wasted. We realize now how foolish we have been in not keeping a firm hold of the Lord. During that time we have been very unhappy. In coming to Sydney and entering business we thought we should make some money, but we are much poorer now than when we left Yanco. Perhaps our experience is a blessing in one way. At least we feel that God has punished us for drifting from the truth, and we feel that we deserve it.

"I am at present working at my trade as a carpenter, and making a good living. I work with a mate who insists on talking on the troubled condition of the world, usually taking the line of thought of most working men. I told him of the prophecies of the Bible, and the signs of the times, as you taught them to us at Yanco. I did not want to talk about these things at all, but he used to lead me on to these subjects. I felt I could get out of it by lending him some books, but the books made him talk all the more on the subjects I wanted to avoid. At last I could endure it no longer, so decided to come back to the truth. After a struggle for three weeks, I slipped into the church at Paddington. My wife was delighted, and now we are back in the fold

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again, and although very much ashamed of ourselves, we feel very much happier, and pray and trust that, by God's grace, we shall never leave it again.

"I took my mate to church with me three weeks ago, and I am delighted to say he has firmly taken hold of the truth, as it is in Jesus.

"I hope I am not writing too long a letter to you, but since the day we met you, we have always looked upon you as our dearest friend on earth; and knowing well that you are a true servant of God, we believe it will give you extreme pleasure to learn that we are striving to enter the kingdom, and that your hard work at Yanco is bearing fruit after many years."

### A Big Day for the Suva Vou Church, Fiji

SABBATH, October 7, was the closing day of our week of prayer here. During the week we held meetings every evening, which a goodly number of our church members, young people, and children attended.

Our principal aim throughout the week had been to get our people to put away sin and live right lives before the Lord. To this end several appeals were made in the church and we had personal talks with some whom we felt especially needed help.

We were happy last Sabbath when we saw a good full church. With the exception of two or three, who were too sick to attend, all the members were present, also many young people, children, and visitors, the entire congregation numbering seventy.

A good spirit was manifested throughout the meeting, and after the reading, time was given for those who wished to speak. Twenty-one adults and two young men testified to the Lord's goodness, many with broken voices and tears confessing their backslidings and renewing their consecration, asking that we pray for them.

As I stood listening to these native brethren giving their testimonies, and acknowledging their errors with tears, my deep sympathy went out to them. How often have we had to bear with them, how often have they tried to overcome their failings. We all stand on one common ground when we stand before the Lord in such a meeting as this, and can exclaim, "All have sinned and come short of the glory of God."

After our good testimony meeting we took up the annual offering, which amounted to £19. From the smallest child to the oldest member, all gave their offering. Our hearts rejoice over this willing response and we knelt in prayer, giving the money to the Lord to be used in blessing others.

We then separated to partake of the ordinances of the Lord's house, which we felt was a fitting close to a good week of prayer, although our meeting lasted from 11 a.m. till 2 p.m., it was a good time spent together and we left feeling uplifted and strengthened to go forth to meet the future.

We have not yet heard from the other parts of the field, but look forward to good reports and offerings in the near future.

Remember Fiji in your prayers.

P. GLOCKLER.

THE report reaches us from West Australia that two people are keeping the Sabbath as a result of reading the *Signs* sent by the Bickley Missionary members.

THE Victorian Conference tithe for the last quarter was the highest on record in the history of the Conference, amounting to £2,622 3s. 11½d.

ON November 9 the Queensland camp-meeting commenced. Pastors M. E. Kern, W. G. Turner, H. C. White, and Brother E. Watson constituted the delegation sent from the Union Conference to attend this gathering. Preceding the camp-meeting a ministerial institute was conducted under the leadership of Pastor W. W. Prescott, assisted by Pastors M. E. Kern and L. H. Wood. A full report of these meetings will be given in a later issue.

### Work for the Lonely Lighthouse Folk

BROTHER D. Glew of the Newport church, Victoria, familiarly known to his mess-mates of the *Lady Loch* as "Sparks," because he is the wireless operator on this little craft that visits the lighthouses of our coast, writes a letter of appreciation to the readers of the RECORD, for their fine response, in money and literature, to his request for papers for distribution. He writes:—

"A great number of papers and magazines have been given to these out-of-touch-with-the-world people, and they have been greatly appreciated on all points. It is wonderful how God has opened the way to spread His message of love and redemption.

"One person I spoke to said, 'I feel quite nervous after listening to you, fearing the end will soon come, and I'm not prepared.' But I comforted him by saying that if he would only study the tracts and papers, of which I gave him a bundle, and follow their teachings, he would join hands with us in looking forward with a glad heart to the second coming of our dear Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. He promised that he would do as I asked, and that he would get his wife to study them also. I pray that good will come of it, and that his efforts will be blessed. I hope for an interest in your prayers for these dear souls, who have not the opportunity we in the mainland have, and that the harvest will be great."

God, it would seem, has marvellously raised up Brother Glew to reach these lonely lighthouse folk. God is good in not overlooking the honest souls who have been praying for just the help that Brother Glew is being used to give.

Will those in the homeland offer a prayer and gain a burden for the lonely watchers on the seas who have saved many a good ship from wreck at some dangerous point of the coast?

J. L. SMITH.

### A Successful City Effort

WRITING just before coming over to the Union Conference session, Pastor J. W. Kent, who has been engaged in city mission work in Auckland, gives the following encouraging report:—

"You will be glad to know that the Lord is wonderfully blessing our city effort here in Auckland. Since opening twelve months ago, we have baptized thirty-three people, and received three others on profession of faith and a former baptism in the Baptist Church. We have over thirty others waiting now for the next baptism which will take place in the very near future. We have a remarkably fine class of business men who have gone forward in this first ceremony. The numbers are eighteen sisters and fifteen brethren. In this next baptism about the same percentage will obtain.

"Last Sabbath, we organized a new church here in the city. This is composed of the new members and through the blessing of the Master we expect to have seventy members, at least, when the next baptism takes place. It would take too much time and space for me to narrate the wonderful way the Lord has gone before us in this mission. On every hand His Providence has been displayed on behalf of His truth. And we hope to see yet greater results as a consequence of the divine leadership in our work."

### Wanted

SHARES—farmers for 130 acres in areas to suit, to grow potatoes, peas, onions, etc., on shares. Horses, implements, and seed provided. Deep black soil, recently cleared and ploughed twice, in heart of new Cardinia drainage area, western edge of Kooweerup Swamp, thirty-five miles from Melbourne. Experienced men only need apply. Can have option to buy at £40 per acre. Write A. D. Fowler, Cardinia, via Clyde, Victoria.

BY young man, employment on farm with Adventists. Accustomed to various classes of farm work. Address, RECORD, "Mizpah," Wahroonga, N.S.W.

WE have received at the Union Conference office a letter from Brother and Sister E. Davis, of Woolgoolga Road, South Grafton, in which they express their willingness to adopt a boy or girl, between the ages of eight and twelve. It will be necessary for a medical examination to be had before this child is adopted. If anyone knows of a suitable child, we would be glad to have them communicate with Brother and Sister Davis or with our office, when they will receive further word in reference to this matter.

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## Returning Home

HOME coming is usually a happy experience. To Mrs. Fulton and myself on this occasion it was a great delight. Our ship is one of the quickest sailing steamers on the Pacific, but she did not come fast enough to suit us. We dropped out a day crossing the 180th meridian, and, while on ordinary occasions time goes too quickly, we could almost wish, in this instance, that a week might be dropped instead of a day, if that would bring us back to our dear friends the sooner.

Twenty-eight years ago we landed in this field. We were young and inexperienced, and we wondered what the future had in store, and how we would succeed under new conditions. We were told we must adapt ourselves to new ways, and we feared we didn't know how. So we felt a bit strange, and somewhat lonely for a little while. But we soon found many friends who have stood by through all the years, and Australasia has become more like home than anywhere else on earth. We love Australia, we love New Zealand, and we love the islands of the Southern Pacific. Our baby girls who accompanied us on that first voyage grew up here; went to school here; entered womanhood here. So it is natural that with a long and a strong attachment to the work here, and also because it actually has been our home as a family for over twenty years, we should feel just like coming back when the brethren requested it. Paul states that it is right to covet the best gifts. We confess we rather coveted the privilege of filling some position in Australasia. We enjoyed our work in America and had pleasant associations there, but the writer gladly resigned the vice-presidency of North America to come here at the request of the brethren in this field. Our appointment was occasioned by the election of Pastor C. H. Watson to the General Conference office in Washington. Many will regret Pastor Watson's retirement from this field and will follow Brother and Sister Watson and their family with their prayers that God will bless them in their new field of labour.

So we are here for another term of service, and are willing to see it terminated when Jesus comes finding us still here. Certainly I do not think I should long hold the presidency of this large Union. No doubt God is training some younger men for positions like this and other responsibilities. If I can help any of these men to fit for these positions I shall be happy, and when the brethren say they are ready for them, I shall still feel I can do a work here in counsel and in preaching the blessed truths in our conferences and among the islands of the sea. I speak the Fijian language freely. This knowledge was all useless to me in other lands. Here occasionally I can visit my dear Fiji and preach in the native tongue.

And beloved brethren, never have I prayed more often nor more ardently in my life than I have since my present appointment, that God would use me in this field. Others assure me they have prayed that I might come when it was known that Pastor Watson was called to other service. So I am encouraged to

believe God is in the appointment. In this Mrs. Fulton joins me. We leave very dear friends and relatives behind. Mrs. Fulton leaves an aged father, eighty-three years of age, and a mother nearly eighty. These ties are not easy to break, but we are happy if we know we are in the line of duty.

We are happy in the assurances of hearty support tendered to us by our brethren who met us on our arrival, and by those who have written us. Continue, dear brethren, to pray that God may use us. We feel we must have His help. The end is near, the outlook is dark, but the uplook is bright, and we would rely on God to give us success.

J. E. FULTON.

## Obituaries

**BOWHEY.**—William Bowhey was born in Plymouth, England, March 24, 1850. He was brought by his parents to Adelaide in 1854, and was therefore a colonist for sixty-eight years. He died at his home, Bayswater, Victoria, September 20, aged seventy-two years. Our brother was a man of sterling character, not easily turned aside from his convictions. He accepted the message under the labours of Pastor J. E. Steed at Modbury, South Australia, in July, 1897, and has been faithful to the light ever since. For a number of years he was a member of the South Australian Conference Committee, and in that capacity served the cause acceptably. For seven years he did colporteur work in South Australia, living out the message in every point with faithfulness. He was a staunch health reformer. We buried this dear brother in the Box Hill Cemetery, Victoria, Friday morning, September 22, 1922, with a full conviction that he sleeps in Jesus; peacefully waiting the call of the Life-giver. He leaves a wife to mourn her great loss. For more than forty years they walked and worked side by side. With dear Sister Bowhey we sorrow, but not as those who have no hope. Our prayers are that the Omnipotent arms of the everlasting God may be around her and uphold her. Services in the home and at the graveside were conducted by the writer, assisted by Pastor Woods.

THOS. H. CRADDOCK.

**FLETCHER.**—On September 25, at her home on Pulsford Road, Prospect, South Australia, Mary Ann Fletcher passed to rest at the age of eighty-one years. Sister Fletcher accepted present truth under the labours of Pastor W. D. Curtis thirty-two years ago. The love of the message to which she was faithfully devoted, actuated her to disseminate the good news of salvation. And like the patriarch Job she "was eyes to the blind, and feet to the lame," a mother "to the poor, and the cause which" she "knew not" she "searched out." For a number of years she was invalided, and incapacitated for service, which was a great disappointment to her. Her thoughts were of Jesus, and her end was peace, after intense suffering. She was laid to rest in the West Terrace cemetery to await the call of Him whom she loved. The ser-

vice was conducted in the home, and at the grave by the writer. Our sympathy is extended to the family, especially to Sister Elsie who so patiently nursed her mother through her sickness, and who feels her loss keenly. A. H. ROGERS.

## Death of Pastor S. N. Haskell

AT the advanced age of eighty-nine, Pastor S. N. Haskell has gone to his rest. Surely a great prince and a father in Israel has fallen! Brother Haskell was widely known in many lands. In his more vigorous years he travelled considerably. He was never so much known as a great administrator, but what is better, he was looked upon as a great Bible student and ardent preacher of the message. Having accepted the present truth largely through reading, he naturally became interested in literature as a means of leading men and women into the truth. Because of his successful efforts along this line he became known as the "father of the Tract and Missionary Society." The rapid progress of the work to all parts of the world has been due to a great extent to the untiring efforts of Pastor Haskell in organizing our people for service in this line of Christian endeavour. In this respect he was a great leader, and here he most efficiently "served his generation."

Pastor Haskell was the pioneer in our work in Australasia. He was known to many of the old Sabbath-keepers. His love for the cause, his kindly manner, his earnestness and devotion marked him as a true minister and missionary. He was a true follower of the Master.

Pastor Haskell died at the Paradise Valley Sanitarium, California, October 10, 1922, and was buried at St. Helena, California, Pastor Daniells officiating at the burial. He is mourned by a very large circle of friends. But the tired warrior rests from his ardent labours and soon he will receive his reward.

"Asleep in Jesus! peaceful rest,  
Whose waking is supremely blest!  
No fear, no woe, shall dim that hour  
That manifests the Saviour's power.  
Asleep in Jesus! O for me  
May such a blissful refuge be!  
Securely shall my ashes lie  
Waiting the summons from on high."

J. E. FULTON.

## Return of Thanks

MR. Hodder and family desire to thank all relatives and kind friends, for telegrams, letters of sympathy, and help received during their recent, sad bereavement, especially do they wish to thank Sister Anderson and Nurse King for their care and attention.

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THE secretary of the South New South Wales Conference desires to acknowledge receipt of 7s. 6d. tithe which came through the post in an anonymous letter.

EVERY Seventh-day Adventist in Australasia is invited to assist in the BIG WEEK CAMPAIGN, December 10-16. Here is an opportunity for us all to participate in the noble work of providing the French field with a publishing house.

AS this is the first regular issue of the RECORD since the one bearing date of October 2, the three Conference Specials coming in between, some of the matter appearing in this number has been kept waiting, but it will all be of interest, we feel sure.

SISTER B. E. Hadfield and her little son Leslie left Sydney by the *Manuka* on Thursday, November 2. Sister Hadfield's health is greatly improved by her stay in Sydney, and she is looking forward to joining her husband as he goes to take up the work laid down by Brother and Sister Tolhurst at Vavau, Tonga.

BROTHER G. F. Jones, who left his mission work in New Guinea to be in attendance at the recent Union Conference, returned to that field by the *Marsina*, which sailed from Sydney, October 31. Brother Jones is well and full of courage. He is planning to do further pioneering work in the interior of New Guinea on his return. Brother and Sister Jones need the whole-hearted support and prayers of our people, so let us be faithful in holding the ropes at home.

THE sad word has reached us of the death of Brother E. H. Murfet, of Bishopsbourne, Tasmania. Brother Murfet was in attendance at our recent Union Conference. He had been suffering for some time with diabetes, and while here had treatment at the Sanitarium. Shortly after returning to his home in Tasmania, he contracted pneumonia, and passed away on Sunday evening, October 28. Brother Murfet was a faithful member of this church for twenty-six years. We extend sincere sympathy to his family.

THE French steamer *Pacifique*, which sailed from Sydney, November 9, carried away from our shores Pastor and Mrs. A. G. Stewart and little Naomi. Brother and Sister Stewart have greatly benefited by their furlough in Australia, and are returning to their mission field, the New Hebrides, with renewed faith and vigour to carry forward the work intrusted to them. Remember these workers daily at the throne of grace, so that a mighty miracle may be wrought in that dark and difficult field.

"WE were privileged to hold a baptismal service at the river last Sabbath,"

writes Brother T. Howse from Apia, Samoa, "when three candidates were buried with their Lord. I took a trip around to the district called Aliapata, a short time ago, and found that the desire to hear the truth on the part of many is just the same as it was when I was there three years ago. I found an empty store building which I am trying to rent, and if successful, will move down there to labour. It takes six hours for a launch to make the trip. We feel that we must get out among the natives. . . . We received a wireless last Monday, October 23, telling of the sudden death of Mrs. Howse's father on the previous Sabbath."

ON October 10, the last day of the Union Conference session, Pastor L. H. Wood and wife arrived from America, to connect with our educational work at Avondale. Brother and Sister Wood have received a warm welcome to our midst. Pastor Wood took the two Sabbath services of the ministerial institute held on the Agricultural Show Grounds following the Conference, as well as assisting in the institute work. His services were very much appreciated. We trust that Brother and Sister Wood will enjoy their association with the work in this field and that they may be used of the Lord in a very special way in the carrying forward of our educational work in this Union Conference.

THE ministerial institute which was held at the Sydney Show Grounds after the close of the Union Conference was attended by the workers of the North New South Wales and South New South Wales Conferences, and the Union Conference and several of the missionaries from the islands. A full programme was provided each day, the meetings being conducted by Pastors W. W. Prescott, M. E. Kern, L. H. Wood, and R. Hare. Pastor W. J. Westerman occupied the chair throughout the Institute. Many valuable lessons were given which should lead to more thorough Bible study, and a greater determination on the part of the workers to excel in their efforts to present Christ to the world. Other similar institutes are to be held in several of the local conferences.

WE invite your special attention to the article on the first page of this issue. This article is contributed by Brother G. A. Huse, the manager of our new French publishing house. As Brother Huse is not known by our people in Australasia, we might mention as a matter of interest that this brother accepted the truth some years ago in St. Louis, Missouri, U.S.A. He and his wife sold their belongings and entered the colporteur work. Later on they attended Union College and then accepted a call to the Review and Herald office to prepare for foreign work. As Brother Huse was a printer of experience, he was placed as foreman of the type-room at the Review and Herald office. Now he is out on the frontier line in France. Thus God calls men from their various occupations and fits them for a place in His work.

SABBATH, October 14, the Stanmore church, Sydney, was the scene of a solemn but joyful occasion when Brother H. A. Hill was ordained to the gospel ministry.

Three years ago it was voted that Brother Hill be ordained, but no opportunity presented itself for this service to take place until Brother Hill's arrival in Sydney with his family towards the close of the Union Conference session. The ordination address was delivered by Pastor M. E. Kern, the prayer offered by Pastor F. A. Allum, the charge given by Pastor C. H. Parker, and Pastor W. J. Westerman welcomed him, on behalf of the Union Conference, to the work of the ministry. Brother Hill has laboured faithfully for a number of years in the Cook Islands, and, as they return to their field at the end of their furlough, we pray that the Lord will continue to bless their efforts.

IT was a great pleasure to welcome Pastor and Sister Fulton back to our shores on Tuesday, November 7, they having arrived by the *Sonoma* from America on that date. A number of the Union and South New South Wales workers, as well as some of the lay members were at the wharf to greet them and express their pleasure to have them with us once again. Among those who had assembled to greet them, were their daughter Agnes and her husband, Pastor Eric B. Hare, and their two little ones, who had arrived from Burma only a few weeks before on furlough. Again we express our gratitude to the General Conference for releasing Brother and Sister Fulton for work in this field where they have spent so many years in efficient and fruitful service.

AT a meeting of the Wahroonga church officers held on Thursday night, November 9, Pastor W. J. Westerman, the Union Conference Home Missions Secretary, presented the plans for the Big Week campaign. The church officers set an aim at 10s. per member, or £108 for the church, as our present enrolment stands at 216. Committees were appointed to visit every member to secure their co-operation in the work, either in selling literature, donating a day's wages, or in earning the money through the sale of work, etc. The membership was divided into four divisions,—the Sanitarium, Union Conference officers and staff, young people of the village, and village adult members, with a committee over each division, while one was placed in charge of the cash and supplies, another in charge of the reporting, and a committee over the territory. There was a keen interest manifested on the part of the officers, all feeling that a great privilege is extended to us in this way to assist the work in France through the establishment of a printing office in that field.

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He gives the very gifts believers seek.

But often faith must learn a deeper rest,  
And trust God's silence, when He does not speak;

For He whose name is Love will send the best.

Stars may burn out nor mountain walls endure,

But God is true; His promises are sure  
To those who seek."

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