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Our Task in Time of War

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WE are living in momentous times. The international tension that has been growing more and more threatening for several years has at last broken out into open conflict. We now face the crisis hour of history when all that men have tried to build up in international goodwill and peace has come crashing to earth, and no one can foretell the outcome.

In the crisis hour many are asking, What is our task? What can we do to help a world in distress? We cannot hope to influence effectively the international situation itself, or to attempt to intervene in the affairs of State. That is not our task. We can and should pray for those in authority and ask that God will direct the statesmen who guide the affairs of our nation that they may be led by the Spirit of God into ways of justice and peace. Above all we should pray that God's will may "be done in earth, as it is in heaven."

But our task is larger than this alone. There is active service that we should render. Who knows but that we, like Queen Esther, have been called to the kingdom for just such a time as this? I will mention a few of the definite responsibilities that we, as Christians and believers in this Advent message, face in time of war.

1. First we should "render . . . unto Caesar the things which are Caesar's; and unto God the things that are God's." Matt. 22:21. There is a strong tendency in war

time to absolutize the State and put loyalty to the nation as supreme even above loyalty to God. It is our duty, I believe, to disentangle patriotism and religion. While rendering every service to the State that we can possibly do as Christians, we should fearlessly teach that while the State should be obeyed in all those things pertaining to its sphere, God only is absolute and He alone has a claim to our unconditional loyalty and obedience.

2. We need to take care that our preaching and praying is truly Christian and characteristic of this world-wide movement which has gathered its harvest from every land. Our God is the Father of all peoples. "And hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth." Acts 17:26. That spirit of brotherhood that has characterized this movement since its very inception must not be lost. We may not always be able to keep in touch with our brethren across some of the world's frontiers, but in our prayer circles and in the citadel of our own hearts we must never allow any spirit of hatred to be cherished. It is our task to call men to repent of the sin of hatred that war engenders, and this only can be done as our own hearts are filled with His love. We should therefore refuse

to give way to words or thoughts of ill-will or hatred toward even those whom the world may class as enemies.

3. We should see in the present world conflict the fulfilment of the prophecies of the Word of God. We are without doubt in the time of the end foretold by all the prophets of the Bible and spoken of so often in the writings of the Spirit of prophecy. The nations are now angry, "and Thy wrath is come, and the time of the dead, that they should be judged, and that Thou shouldest give reward unto Thy servants the prophets, and to the saints, and them that fear Thy name, small and great; and shouldest destroy them which destroy the earth." Rev. 11:18.

Men are inquiring everywhere what the outcome of all this carnage and warfare will be. They are asking, "When shall these things be? and what shall be the sign of Thy coming, and of the end of the world?" Matt. 24:3. We have the answer. Now as never before we should by voice and pen let the world hear this message which alone can bring them hope and comfort in this hour of distress when "men's hearts [are] failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth." Luke 21:26.

In the presentation of this message at this time let us emphasize the love of Christ and His redeeming power as the more excel-

lent way, and present the joyous hope that we have of a better land where there shall be no more war, or sorrow, or hatred, or death.

4. We should be often in prayer during these days of war. Would it not be well if there should be a real revival of prayer in all our churches, in our homes, and also in our hearts? In too many of our churches the prayer meeting has almost died. It is attended by only a little remnant while the great body of the church prefers to remain at home around the comfort of their own firesides. There can be no revival in the church, nor can we present this message to the world with convincing power without prayer. So

in this crisis hour, while the Lord is still lingering in mercy in the sanctuary above, let us as workers and laity renew our appointments with God in the hour of prayer.

5. Lastly, let us not neglect the earnest study of God's Word and the messages that have come to us through the Spirit of prophecy. There alone we find light in this dark hour. Let us not allow the radio, the newspaper, and the popular magazine steal from us the Bible study hour. As never before we need to study the Word for ourselves that we may be able "to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear." 1 Peter 3:15.

and women who walk and work with God, express the peace of heaven. They are surrounded with the atmosphere of heaven. For these souls the kingdom of heaven has begun." — *"The Desire of Ages,"* page 312.

H. W. LOWE.



Membership Certificates

PERSONS applying for certificates for military service purposes should please supply the following information: Full name, age, name of church. Applications should be signed by a minister or elder.

We wish to repeat that we cannot supply certificates to any but baptized persons *now* in good standing.

H. W. LOWE.



Notes from the Union President

ELSEWHERE attention is called to the need to continue our support of this church paper by an offering in our churches on November 11th. More than ever we need to be kept in touch with the work throughout the British Isles and the world. "Pressing together"—to use a term very common among us—involves supporting our periodicals. We therefore hope for a swollen offering to support our little fortnightly visitor.

No news is available concerning our people in Poland. In the Baltic countries we know our work continues, though details are meagre. In Scandinavia our Ingathering and other church activities continue normally. Continued prayer for our work in Europe is earnestly invited.

THE Northern European Division has called for the services of Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Gillett in West Africa. The call having been accepted, the Southend district will bid adieu to these faithful workers at an early date. We all join in wishing them fruitful service in fields afar.

WE shall prayerfully support the work of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Armstrong, who, as announced in our last issue, come to labour in London after long years in East Africa.

OUR College income being

greatly reduced on account of a smaller enrolment, certain retrenchments have become inevitable. Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Johnson, who for some time have been the preceptor and preceptress respectively, are to join the evangelistic forces in Scotland, locating at Dundee. Brother Wilmshurst leaves Scotland to work in South England.

OUR tithe income report shows that we are still just ahead of last year's relative figures. We are glad for the faithfulness of our members in times when people are fearful. While we need to be financially careful, let us never cease to be financially faithful to God and His cause.

WE who love the doctrine of the kingdom of God must not overlook, in times when we are bound to stress our allegiance to doctrinal truths, the fact that the kingdom of God within our hearts *now* is inseparably bound up with its final establishment on earth. Indeed, the kingdom in our hearts precedes and determines in every sense our entrance into the eternal kingdom. "By the life we live through the grace of Christ, the character is formed. The original loveliness begins to be restored to the soul. The attributes of the character of Christ are imparted, and the image of the divine begins to shine forth. The faces of men

The "Messenger" Offering Sabbath, November 11, 1939

SABBATH, November 11th, is the day appointed for taking the MESSENGER collection in all our churches and companies.

The cost of publishing and supplying the MESSENGER to our membership in the British Union is £530 per year, there being sent out each issue nearly four and a half thousand copies. This means an individual cost of approximately 2/6 per year for copies supplied.

The British Union subsidizes thirty per cent, and our institutions twenty per cent, of the cost of the paper annually; the cost to the conferences and missions being fifty per cent, viz., £265.

Last year we received in the collection from the field £112, leaving a balance of £153 which had to be taken from our local conferences' and missions' operating funds.

In view of the crisis hour upon us, and the need to conserve conference funds for use in advance evangelistic work, we urge our workers and church leaders to promote this offering with all their zeal.

We believe this little paper is much appreciated by our whole membership, and invite all in our churches, companies, and the isolated members to contribute

liberally to this offering. Envelopes for the purpose are being sent out by the local conference treasurers. We thank you for past

faithfulness, and ask you to do your best on November 11th.

Who will contribute a year's subscription, 2/6? A. CAREY.

in faith believing that He will work in and through them. Despite the predictions of the pessimists, who were very few, the Newbold church has a higher average per capita than ever before.

This year we have missed the valiant work of about thirty continental brethren and sisters who are unable to be with us, but we believe that God is working through them wherever they may be now. Perhaps it would be fitting to say here how much we owe to Brother Johnson for all he has done in our Ingathering campaigns, and we pray God that both he and Sister Johnson will be very fruitful in the new field of labour to which they have been called.

DAVID C. WHITING, *Home Missionary Secretary.*

NEWBOLD COLLEGE

Harvest Ingathering at Newbold

"KNOCK, and it shall be opened; . . . ask, and ye shall receive." This truly was the experience of all who took part in our recent Harvest Ingathering Campaign. Never before have we felt, in so marked a manner, God's blessing upon our efforts, and we wish at the outset to give Him all the honour and glory that is due to His name.

School life would not be complete if it were not for the annual Ingathering work; and so, at the beginning of each school year, as we are accustoming ourselves to new classes and associates, the first general question we hear is, "When will Harvest Ingathering be?" Because of the peculiar circumstances this year, it was with mixed feelings that we anticipated our yearly task. However, all doubts and fears as to ultimate victory were dispelled during the Sabbath services preceding our first offensive. Dwelling upon the need of our time and the conditions existing in Europe, Brother Nord fired us with renewed zeal and courage for our task of the morrow; then who could resist Brother Sparrow's enthusiasm and dramatic appeal for workers?

Sunday morning at 7.45 a.m. found three coaches filled with over one hundred students eagerly awaiting the duties of the day—then the fight began; and did not end that day until over £120 had been gathered in for our Master's use, and the returning buses resounded with our songs of victory.

Most welcome was the dinner which awaited us at school, and we counted it more than worth while to have worked a little harder to make up for those who had stayed behind to prepare it for us.

These experiences were repeated the following two days and resulted in the collecting of over £300. Worthy of special note was the next Sunday, when fifty-five collectors went out and, with God's help, brought back almost £70. Only eight of the fifty-five brought back less than £1, and then very little less. Truly the Lord is good to those who go out

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The Folkestone Eleven

ONE, two, three . . . nine, ten, eleven. What a pity there aren't twelve. But then, if there were, one would probably wish there were thirteen. We are never satisfied. We always want more.

Eleven what? Why, can't you see them? Eleven smilingly expectant faces. It's easy to pick them out from the rest, though everyone looks happy this evening. Pastor E. R. Warland is here, too, with his youthful smile and contagious enthusiasm.

It's 6.30, time for the meeting to begin, so we must pay attention. Here's a hymn-book.

"I thank Thee, Lord, for glorious life." Yes, they mean it, too, if one can judge by their looks and tones. How aptly Pastor Warland's prayer fits the occasion and expresses our own thoughts!

The eleven are to take part in the service. One plays the organ and another reads an appropriate portion of scripture.

The leader of the juniors next reminds us of our duty to our homes and our bodies as progressive missionary volunteers. Do you

say you'd like to borrow the Reading Course books? I don't wonder, after hearing them reviewed like that.

"We are a missionary band . . . doing all we can." It seems hardly possible that three little girls can sing so loudly and clearly as that. But hearing is perforce believing.

Funny how hard it is to unlearn things. I wonder why the Prayer Book version of the Ten Commandments is different from the original in the Bible. But listen, they are reciting them correctly. Well done!

Now they are repeating the Junior Law. Pretty good rules those, for seniors, too.

Ah, at last! Eleven firm voices respond with the Pledge as the Charge is given, and eleven pairs of shoulders are squared as Pastor Warland attaches eleven hard-earned, much-coveted badges.

All heads are bowed while Pastor Mustard offers a prayer that seems to set a seal on the consecration of the newly-invested Friends.

Well, that was interesting. And to think that there were no young

people's meetings in Folkestone before last March. Even the children's meetings didn't begin until February. And it's only October now. Yes, and Pastor Warland is coming again soon for another Investiture Service. God speed the Folkestone eleven!

Those invested were:

H. Nutley, J. Dunnett, Mrs. Menpes, Mrs. Dunnett, Miss Buckle, Miss M. Stokes, Miss E. Mullarkey, Miss D. Neville, Zillah Menpes, Daphne Wise, Jean Butler.

W.B.

Baptism at Brighton

Would it rain? How anxiously we gazed aloft through our bedroom window. No, it simply must not, and it did not, for Sabbath morn, September 16th, dawned sunny and bright, in every whit a real harvest morning.

And what a real Harvest Festival we were to have this Sabbath day, indeed; in the joyous notes of the Sabbath-school hymns we thought we heard angelic voices sounding the refrain of that good old hymn, "Bringing in the Sheaves." Some of the "sheaves" were there already, and more were to come later. Joyfully we journeyed to the station, there to meet a fellow-harvester. Soon we espied in the milling throng the genial countenance of our new president, Pastor G. D. King. This was his first visit to Brighton—the first we trust of many others on a like mission. From station platform to church pulpit we whisked him and, from lips anointed with the live coal, from off the altar, all hearts received and responded to his message of hope and encouragement.

But the best was yet to be, for after a hurried lunch the members and friends assembled again within the portals of the Gloucester Road Baptist church. Again through Pastor King came a searching and blessed message, and as he immersed and raised again the seven precious souls, there arose to God a psalm of consecration and praise from all lips. Gladly did the church receive these souls into their fellowship. Two of the candidates and one accepted by vote were added to our Eastbourne company, leaving the remaining five to swell the ranks of our Brighton church.

May God richly bless them all as now they join us in sowing

more seed for another harvest.
R. H. SMITH.

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Notes from the Superintendent

THE evangelistic programme for the Welsh Mission as planned by the advisory committee recently is as follows:

Pastor F. S. Jackson, Swansea district.

Pastor T. H. Cooper, Buckley district.

Pastor H. K. Munson, Wrexham.
Brother P. Cumings, Barry Dock.
Brother D. Conroy, Newport.
Pastor S. G. Hyde, Penarth and Cardiff.

You will notice that we are breaking fresh ground in two places: Wrexham and Penarth. In Wrexham Brother Munson will give pastoral oversight to Rhos and Shrewsbury.

WE welcome two new workers: Miss Mason from Scotland, who will locate in Wrexham, and Miss Reed, a graduate from Newbold, who will be located at headquarters.

As the Welsh workers prepare for their aggressive work, I feel sure that every member will bear them before the Lord in prayer that success may be ours in the great venture of winning souls for the kingdom of our Lord. The work is not easy; opposition and discouragement are never far away. But the times call for courageous service and suggest greater opportunities to bring this last-day message to an inquiring public. May the Lord be pleased to give us a larger fruitage. Let us all pray to this end.

WHEN Llanelly sends in the first Ingathering report then all the Welsh companies and churches will be in the fray. At our meeting with the friends at Llanelly recently, they assured us that that first report would be along soon. It is possible, too, that one or two

from Swansea will go over and lend a hand. We do earnestly appeal to our dear people to press on with the Ingathering task until we can sound the "all clear" for Wales. Already Mountain Ash, Merthyr Tydfil, Buckley, Swansea, Barry Dock, Henllan, and Cardiff are over the top and others are coming along nicely. It is gratifying to note that these good folk are keeping at the task, although they have their goal—just for Wales' sake and for the sake of the needy Advent cause, more needy than ever on account of the war. So, dear reader, isolated or otherwise, will you share this fine spirit and come up to the help of God's people? And we must do it quickly, while we can.

SHOULD there be evacuee members in Wales or the border counties from other parts of Britain, may we ask them, or their local leaders, to send us word as to their whereabouts? We may be able to visit them or put them in touch with our membership.

PASTOR COOPER was able to add some five or six names to the roll of members in his district recently. We are glad for this fruitage and welcome them all into our fellowship.

ON November 4th we are to have a Literature Witness Crusade service in all our churches in Wales. Brother Warren will be visiting us on that day as well as on the Sunday following. There will be a special edition of *Present Truth* and we want to use this issue as a means of increasing the circulation of this valuable paper. We invite all our members to take an active part in this laudable effort. The public are waiting for the help which *Present Truth* provides. May we have a successful campaign!

S. G. HYDE.

North Wales

WE have been told that what we fail to do in times of peace we shall have to do in times of war under discouraging circumstances. This instruction came forcibly to my mind as I endeavoured to arrange for a baptismal service. Last year the English Baptist church at Rhyl readily allowed us to use their baptistery, but this year all the rooms behind the church are being used by the Y.M.C.A. for the soldiers. The Welsh Baptist church was too busy to consider the matter. After a month's endeavours, arrangements were finally made to use the Baptist church at Buckley.

On October 5th the candidates assembled in the vestry where they were found to be in full harmony with our principles of faith. Then we passed into the church for the public meeting, where a number of friends were already seated. The Baptist minis-

ter led us in prayer, asking God's blessing on our meeting. The writer, in his address, emphasized the necessity of surrendering all sin and taking Christ in all His power to dwell in us.

Four precious souls were buried in the watery grave and rose to walk in newness of life with Jesus. Another sister planned to be baptized but her father had a stroke and she was called away. These four souls, with another who had been baptized previously, were duly received into church fellowship; three at Rhyl and two at Buckley.

I would like to express my appreciation of the activities of the churchmembers who have assisted to lead these dear souls to take this definite step. We invite the prayers of the MESSENGER readers that God's working power may be evidenced in this corner of His vineyard and that others may be won for Him. T. H. COOPER.

many of whom followed him to his last resting place in the Gorton Cemetery, where he awaits the call of the Life-giver. We extend our sympathy to the members of the family who sorrow not as others who have no hope.

H. THOMPSON, Church Clerk.

HALE.—We deeply regret to announce the death of Mrs. A. Hale, aged seventy-five, a much-respected member of the Portsmouth church. She passed to her rest on Wednesday, September 27, 1939, and was laid to rest in the Crofton Church Cemetery, there to await the call of the great Life-giver. She was ever loyal to the cause she loved, and was faithful to the end. She leaves one married daughter and granddaughter to mourn their loss. Although she was not able to attend the Portsmouth church services, she regularly met with the Fareham company until illness prevented. We shall miss her cheery smiles, but we trust in the bright hope of the speedy return of the Lord when death shall be destroyed and God's resting saints delivered. Church Clerk.

WHEELER.—It is with sadness in our hearts that we record the death of our dear sister, Mrs. Grace Annie Wheeler, who passed away recently at her old home city of Edinburgh. She accepted the message nearly twenty years ago very largely through the faithful labours of her friend, Sister Hope-Johnstone of Forest Gate, and was baptized by the writer, Mrs. Wheeler was for many years a steadfast member of the Forest Gate church, and recently, after the death of her husband, she united with the cause at Chiswick. She died at the advanced age of nearly eighty years, trusting wholly in the One who is our Life-giver. A son and a daughter and a host of friends are left to mourn. F. A. SPEARING.

COLBECK.—Those of the MESSENGER family who have lived in Stockton-on-Tees will be sorry to learn of the death of Mrs. Colbeck, who fell asleep in her chair on September 13, 1939, not to awake again until the glorious resurrection morn. Sister Colbeck, who was nearly eighty-three years of age, accepted the message for these last days some thirty-three years ago. She always made visitors welcome and rejoiced in the truth until the end. "Blessed are the dead, which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them." J. E. BELL.

EASTCOTT.—Sister Jane Eastcott fell asleep in Christ at her home in West Moors, Wimborne, Dorset, on August 29th, after a brief illness. Our sister was within one week of reaching her ninetieth birthday. Two weeks before her death she had an attack of pneumonia and the struggle with this was too much for her feeble strength. She was, however, conscious to the last, and it was a joy to her to find all her children gathered around her dying bed. Although apparently fragile, Sister Eastcott was energetic to the last. She was looking forward to having a part in the Ingathering this year. Last year she did her share in the campaign. She kept up a list of regular *Present Truth* readers: Sister Eastcott herself had been brought into the truth in 1896 through buying *Present Truth* from Sister Isabella Bell (now Sister Murphy). When introducing *Present Truth* some two or three years ago to a near neighbour, she found that the person to whom she was talking was a member of the family from whom we purchased The Stanboroughs, and naturally interested in anything that came from Stanborough Park. The lady became a regular giver to the Ingathering. Sister Eastcott leaves behind her a fragrant memory of genuine Christian kindness and helpfulness. Throughout her long life and her forty-three years as a Seventh-Day Adventist, she has been always known as an untiring helper of those in trouble. She leaves behind her four daughters, two sons, six grandchildren, and a few descendants of the third generation who miss her greatly, but are thankful for her long and truly Christian life. We laid her in the grave in confidence of a joyful resurrection. W. T. BARTLETT.

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Belfast Sabbath-School

"THE best for a long time," was the sentiment expressed by many of the members of the Florenceville church, at the conclusion of the Fourteenth Sabbath programme, which occupied the Sabbath-school and morning service hours on this special day. There was not a dull moment. It was a pleasure to hear the children, who were thoroughly trained by Sister Bevan, who takes a special interest in the junior element. War, with its dug-outs and black-outs, was forgotten as we listened to the children repeating their memory verses and recitations. The singing, "I Grieve for the Children of Other Lands," and "Hide God's Word in Your Heart," was truly inspiring.

Twenty minutes was allotted to Pastor J. G. Bevan for the lesson study, and, in his usual spirited manner, many valuable points were brought out. He was also

very enthusiastic in his talk on the aims of the Sabbath-school.

Dr. J. Houston dealt with the "Medical Needs of our Missions," and Sister Bevan spoke on "The Young People of Mission Lands."

Two new hymns were introduced and heartily sung; namely, "Ireland for Christ," and "When the Roll is Called Next Sabbath, I'll be There."

Solos, duets, etc., by senior members were much appreciated.

I believe if our services were made more cheery and bright we would find it much easier getting our absent members to attend.

JAMES V. BARKER, Superintendent.

At Rest

MCLEOD.—On August 4, 1939, after rejoicing in the truth for eight years, Brother William C. McLeod, Sen., fell asleep in Jesus. He accepted the message in 1931 under the labours of Pastor F. W. Johnston. Our brother was always faithful in the Ingathering and had collected £11.18s. 0d. of the £15 goal he had set for himself. He was respected and loved by all the members of the Manchester churches,

Ministry of Literature



Colporteur R. Redhouse.

Both Sides of the Border

I HAD my first experience in the colporteur ministry as a student of Stanborough College in the summer of 1926. Joining the colporteur "militia" the next year, I began service among the "regulars" with a well-known colporteur of that time, with whom I canvassed in Cambridge and the Isle of Ely.

The following year it was my privilege to attend a Young People's Congress in Chemnitz, Germany. There I received a fresh inspiration to apply myself to the task of selling the shilling books and periodicals. Three more happy years were then spent in my home town in the work to which God had surely called me.

Bonny Scotland was my next scene of activity, where, soon after my arrival, and with Brother B. Belton's assistance, I took up the sale of Pastor A. S. Maxwell's book, *This Mighty Hour!* I was enabled to place some hundreds of copies in the city of Dundee, while giving help to the local evangelistic effort whenever possible.

Old Dunfermline, the ancient capital of Scotland, was the place of my next "engagement" and here, in the birthplace of Andrew Carnegie, the millionaire who so deeply appreciated the value of good reading, many people were

introduced to "The Message of these Stirring Times." While in this county of Fife, I worked in Inverkeithing, Rosyth, Kirkcaldy, and occasionally crossed the mighty Forth Bridge to Edinburgh to circulate the literature of this Advent people.

My next centre was Aberdeen, "the Granite City." Here I served for four years, leaving behind over 500 bound books, besides many of the shilling series and magazines. In one Scottish kirk alone, twenty elders and ten times as many members are reading *This Mighty Hour!*

Our spiritual experiences while in Aberdeen were greatly enriched by happy fellowship with the church. In working with the young people it was a real pleasure to co-operate with Pastor and Mrs. Morrison. How glad we are to learn since that souls have been brought over the line and baptized.

This year finds me back over the border, after seven years in Scotland, and I am now working in Peterborough. In this ecclesiastical stronghold, where no evangelistic work has been conducted, I am canvassing with *Bible Certainties*, and in these days of war God is enabling me to place the truth in many of the homes in this city. R. REDHOUSE.

Opened Doors!

THESE are days of duty! This thought urged the student-colporteurs to answer the call for service. As a new "recruit" I joined the "expeditionary force" of May 22nd. Since that day I have enjoyed every moment of the experience in the literature work. I came to realize the importance of the work that my fellow-students were doing. All were sure that the message was the right one, and would meet the people's need.

Prayer carried us through. *It kept our hearts attuned to God's voice. It gave the answer in physical strength so needed to labour on. It made our success in the hours of labour. It spoke in*

the prayers "with those who [were] awakened."

Christ's love opened doors! At the mention of Jesus' name hearts became softened and responsive to God's pleading Spirit. The tears of joy were a glad sight to us—tears in the eyes of those who had not sought their Saviour since childhood had passed them by.

One experience while canvassing a certain village comes to my mind. The few houses surrounding the village church had given no chance to call again—not one order! Even the doctor's wife had firmly closed the door! One o'clock had come. I partook of my lunch and resumed my labour after communion with God.

The first prospects were even less interested than their neighbours. I had come to the last house and wondered what help I would get. Who would answer its door?

The answer, in the person of someone who could not see me (although I could see her) touched my heart. I told my mission to that good soul. She directed me to hurry to a large house. It had been her place of employment in days gone by (she had her sight at that time). She was sure that if we prayed, we would be answered with an order in the home I was yet to see. As we knelt on the floor of the little cottage the old lady petitioned God's help on my behalf.

I left for the house with a gladness of heart. I was soon following the path down the hill. At the bottom a white gate was soon opened. A little farther along the path and then a sharp turn—a building at last!

The beautiful residence was surrounded by a blaze of flowers which bordered the well-groomed lawns. Two large new cars stood ready for use of the occupants of this establishment.

A chauffeur directed me to the main door. As I began knocking on the oak boards a lady approached from within. After my introduction she assured me that I was the first missionary college student that had entered the house. Her interest in *Bible Certainties* was marked—she would show the bachelor master for whom she kept house. He was at lunch.

I began waiting for the return of my "prospectus" at 2 p.m. I was still waiting at 2.30. What was that? Yes! Footsteps descending a stone staircase—one, two, three, four, five, six, and at the fortieth step the lady greeted me again! She apologized for inconveniencing me. "The gentleman would like the book as soon as possible in the binding it deserves."

I called with it. Imagine my surprise when a Jewish gentleman entered the room to which I had been directed. He thanked me for calling before and showed an interest in the movement. Here was a Sabbath-keeper who planned to read of Christ's power.

The many hours of the summer experience are now a memory, but I am sure that blessings will come to souls who will study our truth-filled literature. A. J. TIMOTHY.

Special Crisis Number of Present Truth

A SPECIAL Crisis Number of *Present Truth* is to be published. At this time the people need the comfort, light, and peace which the Gospel affords. This special issue is designed to bring these blessings to their hearts. See what stirring themes it presents:

MILLIONS MARCH AGAIN.—Is it to a New Dark Age?

FEAR NOT.—Peace and Assurance in Hours of Peril.

FEET OF CLAY.—Why all Aspirants to World Domination Must Fail.

LET US PRAY!—Problems of Prayer in War Time.

BUILDING A NEW WORLD.—What are the Prospects?

WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?—A timely question convincingly answered from the Word of God.

PREPARATION FOR GLORY.

This special will be *Present Truth* No. 23 and should be ordered not later than November 5th. Make November 12th a day of special door-to-door effort with this issue.

Wouldn't It Be Wonderful?

WOULDN'T it be a wonderful thing if you passed through a military camp and found that ten thousand young khaki-clad sol-

diers were reading *Steps to Christ*?

If then you passed through a big aerodrome and found five thousand of the men in the grey-blue Air Force uniforms were also reading this little book—wouldn't you be thrilled?

And if afterward you discovered that ten thousand navy men on the battleships and destroyers around our coast also had this book in their lockers and had well-thumbed the chapter on "God's Love for Man."

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