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IN THE LANGUAGE OF CANAAN

SMALL room has criticism in God's realm!
The business of the King requires haste,
And all his faithful envoys swift employ
Their ardent voice to herald far and wide
His messages. So urgent is the call
To snatch the dying from eternal doom
And rouse the sleepers from their threatening
woe,

No time remains to loiter on the way,
To spend the final hours in idle tales
Of shame or ill. No sin-polluted mouth
Should e'er befoul the melodies of heaven,
Nor tongue defiled with filthy mire of earth
Frame words to speak Jehovah's utterance.
Forth stand we from the throng, apart and
lone,

And cry aloud, "Unclean!" Then comes a
voice

From heaven itself, "I will ordain thy lips
And sanctify them, even with a coal
From mine own altar. Thou shalt bless man-
kind.

I, God, alone am Judge of all the world,
Speak thou a word in season in my name."

Lord, may this hallowed influence abide,
As forth from holy lips an incense sweet
Ascends to heaven from all God's children
here,

So shall they learn to speak in Canaan's tongue
Where'er their lives a solemn witness bear,
And soon their eager voices swell the song
Of Moses and the Lamb before the throne.

WORTHIE HARRIS HOLDEN.

THE NEEDED OF EARNEST EFFORT

IN the power of the Spirit, the delegated servants of Christ are to bear witness for their Leader. The yearning desire of the Saviour for the salvation of sinners is to mark all their efforts. The gracious invitation, first given by Christ is to be taken up by human voices, and sounded throughout the world, "Whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely." Rev. 22: 17. The church is to say, "Come." Every power in the church

is to be actively engaged on the side of Christ. The followers of Christ are to combine in a strong effort to call the attention of the world to the fast fulfilling prophecies of the Word of God. Infidelity and spiritualism are gaining a strong hold in the world. Shall those to whom great light has been given, be cold and faithless now?

We are on the very verge of the time of trouble, and perplexities that are scarcely dreamed of, are before us. A power from beneath is leading men to war against heaven. Human beings have confederated with Satanic agencies to make void the law of God. The inhabitants of the world are fast becoming as the inhabitants of the world in Noah's day, who were swept away by the flood, and as the inhabitants of Sodom, who were consumed by fire from heaven. The powers of Satan are at work to keep minds diverted from eternal realities. The enemy has arranged matters to suit his own purposes. Worldly business, sports, the fashions of the day—these things occupy the minds of men and women. Amusements and unprofitable reading, spoil the judgment. In the broad road that leads to eternal ruin there walks a long procession. The world, filled with violence, revelling, and drunkenness, is converting the church. The law of God, the divine standard of righteousness, is declared to be of no effect.

At this time—a time of over-whelming iniquity—a new life, coming from the Source of all life, is to take possession of those who have the love of God in their hearts, and they are to go forth to proclaim with power the message of a crucified and risen Saviour. They are to put forth earnest, untiring efforts to save souls. Their example is to be such

that it will have a telling influence for good on those around them. They are to count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus our Lord.

Intense earnestness should now take possession of us. Our slumbering energies should be aroused to untiring effort. Consecrated workers should go forth into the field clearing the King's highway, and gaining victories in new places. My brother, my sister, is it nothing to you to know that every day souls are going down into the grave unwarned and unsaved, ignorant of their need of eternal life and of the atonement made for them by the Saviour? Is it nothing to you that soon the world is to meet Jehovah over his broken law? Heavenly angels marvel that those who for so many years have had the light, have not carried the torch of truth into the dark places of the earth.

The infinite value of the sacrifice required for our redemption, reveals the fact that sin is a tremendous evil. God might have wiped out this foul blot upon creation by sweeping the sinner from the face of the earth. But he "so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." John 3:16. Then why are we not more in earnest? Why are so large a number idle? Why are not all who profess to love God, seeking to enlighten their neighbours and their associates, that they may no longer neglect so great salvation?

MRS. E. G. WHITE.

Reports from the Field

FIELD NOTES

THE readers of the EASTERN TIDINGS will be interested in the following cablegram which I received a few days ago: "Planning to arrive in Colombo, November fifteenth. Daniells." This means that Pastor Daniells will come to India before he goes to China, and thus he reverts to the original plan which

of course is better for us, as he will be able to visit a large part of the field before the general meeting in Calcutta. From the reports which reach me from Australia, I see that the Lord is greatly blessing Brother Daniells in his ministry, and is giving him health to do a large amount of work. Aside from his institute work, he is speaking to large audiences in halls and theatres on the events of the hour, especially the world-wide movement of the Third Angel's Message, the meaning of the present war, and temperance.

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Since the beginning of the war, several have written to me asking if we will now hold the bi-ennial meeting. We are going on with our original plans, and especially now that we seem sure of having with us the president of the General Conference we must hold the meeting, even though we have to plan greater economy in other things. Just now we need the blessing this meeting will bring to us more than all else. We need the spiritual uplift, strength, and courage which we have all been praying will come to us. A united Mission hungering and thirsting for divine power and praying for a greater infilling of the Holy Spirit, will never be disappointed.

We may be able to change the meeting back to the original date, December 18-28, but that will be announced shortly. This change to December would be especially welcome to our workers in Burma, as it would bring it within the Christmas concessions and be a considerable saving in transportation.

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The teachers of the Garhwal school are rejoicing in the first-fruits of their work. Recently, Brother Belgrave wrote me that Banka, one of the oldest boys, who had been with them since the school was started by Brother Burgess, had openly confessed Christ and he was sending him to Najibibad for baptism. Brother Peters, the head master, came down with him, and on Sabbath, October 3rd, I baptised him in the stream

that flows just at the boundary of our mission property.

He has been a faithful student, and I believe will continue an earnest Christian. This step, of course, separates him from his family and his friends, but I pray he may be faithful to the end, and that through him many of the people in the hills of Garhwal may hear of the Coming King who is so near at hand. I hope other students in the school may soon follow him as he turns his back on idolatry and follows the Saviour of Mankind.



While at Najibabad I was glad to find the workers well and hard at work. Brother Budaha Singh, who has recently joined us, I found full of zeal, and going about daily from village to village with the same message that has brought so much joy to his heart. I wish all our young workers were as active as Brother Singh, who is now past sixty years of age. The Sabbath I was with the workers, twenty persons—seventeen Hindus and three Mahommedans—came to the meeting through his invitation.



The harvest Ingathering number of the *Review* has reached us, and is truly a beautiful number. Our brethren in America are planning to distribute more than eight hundred thousand copies. They are hoping this will bring to the mission treasury a sum equal to three lakhs of rupees. We have ordered nearly a thousand copies for India, and I hope we will be successful in getting a good sum for our medical dispensaries. This money will be used locally in each division raising it. We felt that if the money were all spent for medical missionary work, we could appeal to non-Christians as well as Christians for our work. Last year the mission in Singapore alone got Rs. 1,200 from the Harvest Ingathering number.



In spite of the war in Europe, which has affected finances and commerce throughout

the world, our Home Board is sending out the help we called for. At the outbreak of the war they planned to send six *via* China, as that way seemed more accessible at that time. The Mission Board has written me that sailings were arranged from San Francisco, for September 26th, as follows: Brother and Sister Burgess, returning; Brother and Sister Blue to take charge of our Indian training school; and Brother and Sister Ludington to connect with the school in Burma.

A letter from Brother Spicer, which just came as we go to press, says: "The outlook for our Indian party seems good. News from India is also reassuring. Evidently, from what we hear, things are quiet in India and whatever activity there is, is on this side of the Empire. This will be good news for the Mission in India, and we feel of greater assurance in tending the new workers in Burma and Calcutta. We are just sending this week the teachers for Jamaica, who will release Brother and Sister Furnival. If matters continue favourable over the Pacific, we shall plan to get these teachers on to you when they have had a chance to visit their home people, perhaps not aiming to reach India before well along in December. I would not be surprised if Brother and Sister Lowry joined them."

This clearly indicates that the Mission Board has confidence that our brethren and sisters in American will rally to their support at this time, when greater demands are being made, and do more than ever before. They believe in this message, and are determined to see it through to its victorious finish.



Good news comes from Simla. Dr. Menkel writes that four were baptized on Sabbath, the 3rd inst., and that another class for baptism is being formed. He adds, "There is a splendid interest in health work, and we are planning to begin next season with a School of Health, as this offers a means of approaching people who would not

respond to an advance along gospel lines."

It is indeed encouraging to see a steady growth in the church situated at the headquarters of the Indian Empire.

H. R. SALISBURY.

CEYLON

HAVING finished most of Colombo excepting the part recently canvassed by Brother Townend, we came on to Kandy the first of this month. As we look back over the three and one-half months spent in Colombo and some of the out-stations, we feel very grateful to our heavenly Father for his care over us, and for the way he has blessed our efforts. During this time the Lord has given me more than seven hundred subscriptions for *Oriental Watchman* and *Herald of Health*. We pray him to bless these monthly messengers of truth as they go into the homes of Ceylon during these perilous times.

The month of September was the best in all my experience. My cash sales for the month were above Rs 550. I secured 248 subscriptions, mostly for *Watchman*. Some of the Salvation Army workers were asking me last week if I didn't find it hard to get subscriptions since the war began. I gave them a brief report of my work for September, and they were very much surprised and said that I must have some special way of getting at the people. This proves to me the Lord is putting his hand to the work to finish it soon. We have the truth which answers the many questions now perplexing the minds of men; why should we not give it to the world? If the message we have was ever present truth, it certainly is now.

The Lord is blessing our efforts here in Kandy. I have met several of our old subscribers, and they seem pleased with the *Watchman*. One lady told me that she would not be without it. Another person said his father used to subscribe for it and he was very glad for the chance. I think all old subscribers, with two or three exceptions, that I have met in Ceylon, have renewed.

So the work goes. We read the different reports of progress in the TIDINGS with great interest. Especially have we enjoyed reading the reports from Bombay.

The climate of Kandy is as near perfection as you will find, I believe. We have a nice place to stay, with friends of the people with whom we stopped in Colombo. Pray for us and the work in Ceylon.

M. M. MATTISON.

EAST BENGAL

GOPALGUNGE is rather a hard field in some respects; but the work must be done here as elsewhere, and so we feel duty-bound to labour, preaching the wonderful message here and there, distributing tracts and selling papers, and securing orders for our periodicals, with utmost zeal and effort until the end comes. The Lord is blessing the work here, and progress is seen in all branches.

One of the workers who is working on commission sold literature to the amount of Rs. 4-6 in twelve days; another took twenty orders during the same time. Altogether, our sales were Rs. 12-10. As a result of the canvassing work, I am kept busy answering calls to interested ones. Let us pray that the Spirit of the Lord may impress honest hearts everywhere and prepare them for the messengers of present truth.

P. C. DAY.

LONAVLA

OUR Sabbath-school has been carried on right through the monsoon season, notwithstanding we had very heavy rains this year. Teachers and pupils have met with love and eager hearts to study the Word of God. "More about Jesus would we learn." Our donations for the quarter ending September 30 were Rs. 112-10, including the 13th Sabbath offering taken up September 26th for the South American Inca Union Mission. May God's blessing rest upon us all in this great three-fold message.

M. BALLARD, Secy.

Home Missionaries

THE LOVE OF CHRIST CONSTRAINETH US

WHEN writing to the Corinthians about his work Paul gives us the reason for his zeal, "For the love of Christ constraineth us." The love of Christ dwelling in his heart was so strong that it compelled him to labour untiringly, in season and out of season, through suffering and privation, to manifest to men and women the love of God and to tell of his gift of his only Son for them. The evidence of Paul's love for Christ was his consuming zeal for the salvation of souls.

What is the evidence of our love for Christ? By what may the world know that we are really the people of God? It is not sufficient that we call ourselves the chosen people of God. Other denominations do that, too. There must be something that will prove our claim. As a body, we point to events in our history and work that are fulfillments of prophecy, and claim them as evidence that this movement is of God. But what is it that proves that any individual is really a part of this movement?

"There will be no idler, no slothful one who neglects the work of the Lord, found inside the kingdom of heaven." Here it is plainly stated that to neglect the work of God, is to be excluded from any part with God's people. Such people have shown, by their indifference to the souls for whom Christ died, that they do not love him. If they did, the love of Christ would constrain them to seek and save the lost. "Unfaithfulness to the cause of Christ makes manifest that love is lacking in the human agent. It was the love of Christ that constrained him to come and seek and save that which was lost; but the love of Christ does not seem to constrain those who profess his name, for a death-like slumber is upon the human agents, and the work is hindered by the failure of the human to co operate with

the divine."—*An Appeal to Our Churches*, page 20.

Jesus has shown his love for us in countless ways. We are continually surrounded by fresh evidences of his loving care for us. What are we doing to show our love to him? What he expects us to do is shown in these words, "Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me." Matt. 25: 40. E. M. GRAHAM.

"THE situation which is exactly to our liking has not yet been discovered. Most people go in search of it, but no one finds it; and the wisest thing is to play the man in the place you are in while you are in it, until you are called to play the man in the better place."

The Canvassing Work

COLPORTEURS' SEPTEMBER SUMMARY

	Weeks	Hours	Sales	Total Value
	per week	per Hr.	per Hr.	
ENGLISH				
Colporteurs, 4	16	37	Rs. 2-6-3	Rs. 1,411- 0-0
Home Workers, 5				365- 5-0
BURMA				
No Report				
BENGAL				
Colporteurs, 9	35	33	0-0-7	40- 7-6
A. G. Watson				21-10-0
NORTH INDIA				
Colporteurs, 3	39	28	0-0-6	36- 7-9
SOUTH INDIA				
Colporteurs, 11	39	39	0-1-2	112- 0-6
				Total, Rs 1,986-14-9

NOTE

It will be noticed that we now give in the monthly summary a place to "home workers" and others not engaged as regular colporteurs. We hope to hear this month from a goodly number who are incidentally selling more or less of our literature. Have we not come to a time when the "home workers" must outnumber the regular paid labourers and their united efforts contribute very largely to the finishing of the work?

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—ORDERS for the special *Watchman* are beginning to come in encouragingly.

—MRS. REAGAN is enjoying a few weeks of October in the bracing climate of Mussoorie.

—BROTHER AND SISTER NELSON came to Lucknow Tuesday, and will remain for a few weeks while Brother Nelson canvasses the station.

—MISS BRUNSON is at headquarters for a few weeks, assisting in the work on the papers while Brother Wellman is absent from the office.

—BROTHER AND SISTER MEAD stopped over Sabbath in Lucknow, on their way from Simla to Calcutta, where they will assist for a time in the English work.

—ALL will be pleased to learn that Brother Wellman is up and around again. Though quite weak, he is gaining, and hopes to quite be himself again shortly.

—A PERSONAL letter from Bro. Rudolph Barlow reports him as enjoying his school work in Australia, and feeling that his time there will be well spent.

—AFTER some time spent here in the office, Professor Salisbury returned to Mussoorie last week, to finish up some matters that need his attention there. We believe he will soon come down to the plains again, ready for the cool season's work.

—UNFORTUNATELY, books ordered some months since are not being received promptly, owing doubtless to the interruptions in service occasioned by the war, and it will not be possible to supply all the books usually carried in stock. Those canvassing for our various works should bear this in mind, and take orders for nothing which can not be furnished.

—WORK on the special temperance number of the *Oriental Watchman* is progressing fairly well, notwithstanding some hindrances, and the paper should be ready before long. Efforts are being made to put out a good strong weapon for temperance workers, and it should have a good circulation. Special effort has also been put forth in the current number of the *Watchman*, as well as the Bengali, Urdu, and Hindi magazines. New blocks were made and pains taken to make the literature gotten out just now really opportune. In all of it, attention is given the present war, with some information as to what really led up to open hostilities. We trust the effort has not been in vain, that the literature may prove acceptable to the people, and that it may be largely circulated.

—THE literature work in South India is progressing nicely, and new editions of some of our publications are found necessary. With other new editions, will be one of "Steps to Christ," of three-thousand copies. This book can now be nicely illustrated, we having recently secured a set of the blocks used in the English work.

—THE cool season effort in both Bombay and Calcutta will open Sunday evening, the 25th. We have heard nothing as to the plans for Bombay; but in Calcutta, Theatre Royal will be used for a few services, and the meetings are being especially advertised.

—AFTER a pleasant visit in Mussoorie with her daughter, Mrs. Carratt, Sister Thomas, of Rangoon, leaves next week for her home. We understand that Sister Duff will accompany her as far as Calcutta, Brother Duff having returned home some weeks since.

—AFTER spending three weeks caring for Brother Wellman, Brother Kellar went on to Mussoorie for a short change, in company with his family, before returning to his work in Bengal.

WHAT MATTER?

WHAT if your coat is patched and old!
The worth of a coat is easily told.
A handful of gold will quickly bring
A coat that is fit for a prince or king;
But an honest heart and a willing hand
Can never be bought in the world wide land.
Remember that patches may cover a boy
Who some day may be the great world's joy.
If your soul be pure and your heart be true
What can an old coat matter to you?

—Anon.