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## Overcoming Prejudice

THOSE who labour in word and doctrine have an important work before them in removing from the minds of those for whom they labour fatal and lifelong deceptions, and impressing upon them the importance of aiming to reach God's great standard of righteousness. These workers should pray earnestly for

resurrection of Christ, notwithstanding these were the special truths for that time. He first brought them down step by step over the promises of a coming Saviour, that had been given, and over the prophecies that pointed him out. After dwelling upon these until the specifications were distinct in the minds of all, he then declared that this Saviour had

"The most important duty before those who have been sent out into the fields at home and abroad as missionaries, is to combine the forces and strength of all whom they can possibly enlist as helpers. Thus they can make mighty strokes for their Master. God will do a great work in every part of the field, if, with willing hearts, his servants put self out of sight and labour only for his glory."—*Mrs. E. G. White, Review and Herald, June 27, 1912.*

divine enlightenment, and for wisdom to present the truth as it is in Jesus. Sympathy, tenderness and love, woven into their discourses and manifested in their lives, will disarm opposition, weaken prejudice, and open the way to many hearts.

Christ came to break the yoke from the necks of the oppressed, to strengthen the weak, to comfort the mourning, to set at liberty those who are bound, and to bind up the broken-hearted. His servants are to take up the work where he left it, and carry it forward in his name. But it is Satan's constant aim so to shape circumstances that the workers will become disconnected from God and labour in their own strength.

Our workers need more of the wisdom that Paul had. When he went to labour for the Jews, he did not first make prominent the birth, betrayal, crucifixion, and

already come, and had fulfilled every specification of prophecy. This was the "guile" with which Paul caught souls. He presented the truth in such a manner that their former prejudices did not arise to blind their eyes and pervert their judgment.

Brethren, as you go forth to labour for those who are bound in chains of prejudice and ignorance, you will need to exercise the same divine wisdom that Paul manifested. When, as you labour in a place, you see that the scales are beginning to fall from men's eyes, that they see people as trees walking, be very careful not to present the truth in such a way as to arouse prejudice and close the door of the heart to further light. Agree with the people on every point where you can consistently do so. Let them see that you love their souls, and want to be

<sup>1</sup>In harmony with them as far as possible. If the love of Christ is revealed in all your efforts, you will be able to sow the seeds of truth in some hearts. God will water the seed sown, and the truth will spring up and bear fruit to his glory.

O that I could impress upon all the necessity of labouring in the spirit of Jesus! for I have been shown that souls have been turned away from the truth because of a lack of tact and skill in presenting it. In kindness and love seek to instruct those who oppose you. Preach the truth with the meekness of simplicity, remembering that it is not your words, but the Word of God that is to cut its way to the heart.

It should ever be manifest that we are reformers, but not bigots. When our labourers enter a new field, they should seek to become acquainted with the pastors of the several churches in the place. Much has been lost by neglecting to do this. If our ministers show themselves friendly and sociable, and do not act as if they were ashamed of the message they bear, it will have an excellent effect, and may give these pastors and their congregations favourable impressions of the truth. At any rate, it is right to give them a chance to be kind and favourable if they will.

Our labourers should be very careful not to give the impression that they are wolves stealing in to get the sheep, but should let the ministers understand their position and the object of their mission,—to call the attention of the people to the truths of God's Word. There are many of these which are dear to all Christians. Here is common ground, upon which we can meet people of other denominations; and in becoming acquainted with them, we should dwell mostly upon topics in which all feel an interest, and which will not lead directly

and pointedly to the subjects of disagreement.

On entering a new place to labour, we should be careful not to create prejudice in the minds of the Catholics or do anything to lead them to think us their enemies. The Lord has shown me that there are many among them who will be saved. God will just as surely test this people as he is testing us; and according to their willingness to accept the light he gives them, will be their standing before him. We should sow the seed beside all waters, for it is God that gives the increase.

MRS. E. G. WHITE.

#### Workers for India

WE are sure the following actions of the Australasian Union Conference will prove of great interest to all our people in India. Under the heading "Distribution of Labour" we read:—

"J. W. Kent to connect with the India Union Mission for evangelistic work in Ceylon.

"Eric Hare to connect with the India Union Mission for work in Burma.

"Miss C. Manson to connect with the medical work in India.

"A. W. Knight to go to India to take the position of Union Field Agent.

"E. Parkinson to connect with the India Union Mission as manager of the printing office in that field.

"W. Josephs to connect with the canvassing work in India.

"W. H. Gall to connect with the India Union Mission for canvassing work.

"C. Stafford to connect with the canvassing work in India."

Upon another page of the *Australasian Record* the announcement is made of the marriage, June 24th, of Brother E. B. Hare to Miss Agnes Fulton, daughter of Pastor J. E. Fulton. Brother and Sister Hare intend to take special training in Sydney Sanitarium, where he is complet-

ing his second year's course. They expect to come to India about the month of October.

### Condition of Sister E. G. White

FROM a letter, written June 18th, we quote the following concerning the condition of Sister White. Her son, Pastor W. C. White says, "She seems to be slowly failing in strength, and peacefully nearing the end of her life. She says from time to time that she has no desire to live except for service, and she feels that her life-work is done.

"During the last week she has not been comfortable in the wheel chair and the only change of position has been from the bed to the big reclining chair in the bay window.

"Thursday, June 10th, Pastor and Mrs. A. G. Daniells came, and although very weak that day, she smiled when she saw them, and said, 'I am very glad to see you, but others must do the talking.' Pastor Daniells told her in a few words how richly the blessing of God was resting upon the workers in Australia, India and China, and that our people in all these places sent greetings to her, and were praying for her. She nodded and smiled her gratitude, but did not try to speak. After this, Pastor Daniells prayed for her and then said good-bye."

### Impressions of the East

IN a letter written on the eve of his leaving Shanghai for the United States, Pastor Daniells writes of his impressions of the East and the magnitude of the work that lies before us in this vast field. He says, "It seems to me that it will not be long before we shall have a great movement in the East. This will be the centre of a most interesting work. I look to see as great developments in all lines here as we have had in Europe. And when we prosecute our work in that

way and on that scale here, we shall see thousands and thousands of people embracing the message.

"What we have found in the Philippines, Korea, and China has been a wonderful revelation to us. These thousands of people who have already taken their stand for the truth are as intelligent and appreciative and loyal as our brethren in any other part of the world. I am truly surprised at the strength of these Korean and Chinese brethren and sisters. It is a great mistake to think of them as men and women going about with the intellects of little children, or semi-civilized, half-barbarous people in the wilds of some jungle. They have fine intellects, and have capacity for great possibilities in the proclamation of the message, and also in self-support. I confess that my heart has been completely won by these dear brethren and sisters stretching all the way from Singapore to Mukden.

"Personally, it would be a pleasure to me to come out here and devote the rest of my life to the work among these people. I see before us a wonderful history here. The Lord will show what His grace can do for people whose ancestors have groped in heathenism for three centuries. He will make of these poor heathen a glorious people for Himself. They are not in the same position as the rich and ease-loving people of America and Europe. They have not the same kind of idols to give up to accept salvation. They are in darkness, poverty, and under the cruel heel of oppression. Life has been made bitter by all these things that have been against them for ages, and now the light of life looks good. And so they are ready to turn from their dumb idols and their hopeless condition to the Lord of life and the kingdom to come. I feel sure that we are going to witness the greatest demonstration of God's saving

grace among these millions of heathen that the world will see during the closing days of human history."

## Home Missionary

R. D. Brisbin, - - - - - Secretary

### What Should be Reported

THE question has arisen in some of our missionary societies, "Should the labourer under Mission employ report to the Home Missionary Society?" In answer to this enquiry we quote from a letter recently received from Miss E. M. Graham, Secretary of the General Conference Home Missionary Department. She says, "The plan we follow in regard to this matter, is to have our conference workers report any missionary work they do that is not in the direct line for which they are paid. For instance, we ask our ministers to report the literature they distribute, but not the sermons they preach or the Bible readings they give. We ask our Bible workers to report the literature they distribute but not the Bible readings they give. We ask our nurses to report any literature they distribute, but not the treatments they give. If our Bible workers or ministers give treatments or do any Christian help work they should report these items. This is the principle on which we work in this country and most others as far as I have learned regarding this matter. Every one seems to regard this as a proper solution of the question. It is a great help to our work for our ministers to report the Home Missionary Work, and it does not appear anywhere unless they do report it to the Home Missionary societies."

This seems to answer the question fully so further comment is unnecessary. We take it for granted that all Seventh-day Adventists in India believe reporting to

be a means ordained by the church for the better organization and the more successful prosecution of our mission to this field. From the results obtained where the plan is carried out, we know that God's blessing rests upon it. Christ said that whatever was bound on earth should be bound in heaven, referring to the united action of his people. As this system of reporting has been recognised by the general church organisation, we believe it has the approval of heavenly agencies.

Another query has been raised regarding the funds to be reported by the Home Missionary society. From the practice in the past we would draw the conclusion that all moneys used in any branch of work by the society, should be reported: i. e., funds for papers, books, etc.; funds for the purchasing of supplies, or for any charitable purposes. If there is any question further about this matter we shall be glad to answer it to the best of our ability.

The Home Missionary Movement is growing rapidly. The islands of the sea are joining us. Java reported last quarter and other mission fields are falling into line every month. If these people can grasp the idea, our believers in India can also, no matter from what province or caste. Those in responsibility in division and church must lead the people under their charge to a full realisation of the talents given and how they can be put to the exchangers that treasure may be laid up in heaven. When this is done we shall leave the wilderness where we have been wandering, and with God's help, conquer the promised land before us.

Let there be no Achans among us who prefer the golden wedge and Babylonish garments to the victory of Israel. This is a time for action. Like Israel we have been in the wilderness of Sin for many years, but there is yet opportunity to

redeem the time. The Captain of the Lord's host calls upon us as he did upon them to sanctify ourselves against the morrow by prayer and by the putting away of sin, and then by faith to compass the walls of heathenism seven times if necessary and achieve success the seventh time through His leading and His power. We are well able to go up and take the land if we put away the sin that is lurking in our lives and move unitedly in the power of God.

"Christ calls for young men, who will volunteer to carry the truth to the world; men of spiritual stamina are wanted; men who are able to find work close at hand, because they are looking for it. The church needs new men to give energy to the ranks; men for the times, able to cope with its errors; men who will inspire with fresh zeal the flagging efforts of the few labourers."—*Testimonies to the Church*

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## North-West Mission

H. R. Salisbury, - - Superintendent

### Simla.

THE somewhat delayed monsoon has arrived and all nature is at her best. These refreshing showers of rain are a fitting symbol of the spiritual refreshings which we have enjoyed during the month. Every member of the church has been active about the Master's business. Several members are conducting cottage meetings in different parts of Simla. These meetings are well attended and are definite factors in giving the message to people who will not attend at the hall. The local paper continues to publish quite full reports of the weekly sermons, and we have many evidences that these reports are being carefully read and considered.

Sunday July, 25th, we baptised the

first fruits of this season's work, Mr. Quinn, a young man of the Telegraph Department, who has been granted his Sabbaths. On account of being transferred to Lahore, it was necessary to baptise Mr. Quinn thus early in the season.

Our health and temperance work is growing. There are now eighty-five members in the Good Health League and we are hoping for one hundred this year.

Miss Boose and Mrs. Menkel are having very encouraging experiences with their readers.

The treatment rooms are making their initial bow to the public at Simla and the results thus far have been satisfactory.

The drawing room at "Carton House," which Brother Mills has dedicated to the exclusive use of the church, is to us what the upper room was to the early disciples, —the place where the world is shut out and Jesus appears in the midst breathing His spirit of peace upon us.

H. C. MENKEL, M. D.

"There are no songs comparable to the songs of Zion, no orations equal to those of the prophets, and no politics like that the Scriptures teach."—*Milton*

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## North India Mission

S. A. Wellman, - - Superintendent

### Notes of Interest

QUARTERLY services were held throughout the churches of the division on the following dates:—Mussoorie, July 10th; Lucknow, July 24th; and Najibabad, July 31st. A full attendance of believers and excellent spiritual occasions are reported in each church.

The writer had the privilege of visiting at Najibabad, July 30th and 31st. The workers were all well, and the excellent interest which has been manifest in the

surrounding villages during the past months is developing. The colporteurs at the Najibabad and Lhaksar stations are doing well also, and in all parts of the district there seems to be a spirit of progress. Brother and Sister Morris are working steadily on the language, and hope to pass their examinations in October.

Brother F. H. Loasby of Lahore has been holding lantern services for the past three Sunday evenings in the Hall at Mussoorie. The service on August 8th brought out a Hall nearly full, and the interest in the subject, "History Fulfills Prophecy," was excellent. Other subjects will be presented during August and early September.

Sister Raymond is diligently giving our papers and tracts a wide circulation in Mussoorie, as are also Sisters Johnston and Raynor. The Mussoorie church and visiting believers are unitedly circulating between four and five hundred of the *Special Oriental Watchman* each month.

S. A. WELLMAN.

"Hereby know ye the spirit of God: Every spirit that confesseth that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is of God."

1 John 4:3.

"The devil does not walk abroad as he used to, with horns and hoofs and forked tail, and a breath that smells of brimstone, but he comes in the guise of a gentleman, with eyeglasses on his nose, encyclopedias under his arms and the learned lingo of philosophy on his lips. He does not squarely and impudently affirm that there is no God, but shakes his sapient head and shrugs his shoulders and says he doesn't know, and he rather suspects that nobody knows."—*Dr. P. S. Henson*.

"Perfect love casteth out fear."

## Bengal Mission

L. J. Burgess, - - - Superintendent

### From East Bengal

THE following selections from a recent letter from Brother Mookerjee, who is located in East Bengal, will give the readers of the TIDINGS an idea of some of the openings for the message in that part of the field. The indications are promising for some fruit in the near future. Brother Mookerjee says, "Calls came from Sharankati, a village about nine hours boat ride from Suagram, where Brother P. K. Roy is living. They tell me that three independant farmers of Sharankati are keeping the Sabbath with their families and have been for three or four years. They have built a small church building and a school house for us. Both of these houses have corrugated iron roofing on them and cost about Rs. 150.

"Since coming to Gopalganj I have made several visits and many visitors have been to see us. Two new families have fully taken their stand on the Sabbath question. One was a former Sabbath-keeper but left us on account of being shepherdless. The other is a convert from Hinduism. Both have been taught by our good old leper brother. There are three more Christian families interested. One, a convert from Hinduism, came to see me. He is a Brahman convert and by profession a physician. He has his home in Gopalganj and practices independantly. Beside these interested Christian people, there are two Hindus who have called us to visit them as they desire to study Christianity. I see there is much work for me to do to help these interested ones to deeper investigation of our truths and get them ready for baptism. Then urgent calls

have also come from different places of Barisal and Faridpore."

Brother Mookerjee is planning in the near future to gather eight or ten interested ones together at Gopalganj and conduct a Bible School with them for about a month and then send them back to their villages to teach the message to others.

### Calcutta

Our first baptism among the Bengali people for the present year was performed last month by Professor Salisbury during his recent visit here. Three sisters were thus added to our company here in Calcutta.

Several months ago news came to us of a company of about twenty in a village near Calcutta who have begun keeping the Sabbath through the reading of our literature. One of their number, a promising young man, is now with us here receiving further instruction, after which he wishes to go back to teach the people of his village.

During our stay in the hills my pundit returned to his home in the Nadia district and as a result of his efforts there he reports a half dozen keeping the Sabbath.

I am working away on the language during the spare time I am able to get, and I hope soon to be able to do more active service in teaching the message to these interested ones among the Bengalis.

L. J. BURGESS.

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## Burma Mission

R. B. Thurber, - - Acting Supt.

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### A Profitable Trip

PROFESSOR Salisbury arrived at Rangoon early on July 29th, and after planning an itinerary through Burma, he and the writer started that same evening for Mandalay. We arrived there Friday and spent the Sabbath with Brother and

Sister Beckner and the little company in the city. We met for Sabbath-school in a large room in Brother Beckner's house. Sisters Edmundson and Wheeler came down from Maymyo to join us for the day. After Sabbath-school we had a very good communion service together. In the evening two young daughters of a Sabbath-keeping family were baptised in the Irrawaddy River, and later were taken into the Meiktila church, there being no organisation in Mandalay.

Brother Beckner is holding readings with some interested ones, and all indications point to additional baptisms and a church organised in the near future. He and David Hpo Hla are also busy on translations of Bible Readings and *Kin Soung*.

Sunday morning before daylight, we were in Meiktila, and were welcomed by Brother and Sister Ludington and Brother Denoyer. We spent a good day planning the work. There are now fifty-five boys at the school. Government registration has helped us materially. Every boy must take a trade under the new ruling. Brother Ludington is doing much to improve the school.

Sunday evening we baptised in the lake one Burmese school-boy, our Chinese cane-weaving teacher, and the little daughter of Brother A. W. Steevens. Afterward we all united in a blessed communion service at the school. Six additions were made to the church, and Brother Ludington was elected elder and ordained.

From Meiktila we went to Kalaw in the hills, so that our President might see the new Burma hill station, and be able to advise about putting a house there. We have a good offer of a house or two. We felt that something ought to be done soon about getting a permanent place in Kalaw as all good sites are already taken up.

We arrived in Rangoon again August 4th, and Professor Salisbury spoke at the church the same evening. After service, we started for Moulmein and Kamamaung to visit Brother Hamilton. The report of this visit we shall leave till next month.

So far, we have had twelve baptisms this year in Burma. All our workers are well and of good courage. We ask the united prayers of the TIDINGS family for the work in Burma.

R. B. THURBER

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## South India Mission

J. S. James, - - Superintendent

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### Our Monthly Letter

THIS report was due last month but just at the time when it should have been written I was occupied with our Colporteurs' Institute and other work, which crowded it out.

After spending a very pleasant and profitable leave with the workers at our Mussoorie hill station, we arrived in our field June 21st, and found the work going forward everywhere and all the workers well and of good courage. Brethren Lowry and Peugh, with their families, were enjoying their leave in our hill station at Kodaikanal, from which they have since returned, Mrs. Lowry and Mrs. Peugh remaining another month with the children to get the full benefit of the season.

On our way home we stopped off two days at Ongole, in the Telugu country, to visit our Telugu workers and interested persons at that place. Brethren Solomon and Jacob have been working in this place for some time and a good interest has been aroused and some are keeping the Sabbath. These brethren have been set on fire with the love of the Message and their efforts indicate that a good

substantial foundation is being laid for a prosperous work among the Telugus. I expect shortly to spend a month among these people in holding meetings and training some colporteurs to go out with literature. I held meetings and Bible studies on Friday and Sabbath with a company of over twenty, and it was with difficulty that I could take leave of them to continue our journey home.

No sooner had we reached home than we began preparations for a Colporteurs' Institute which had been appointed to begin June 25th. It had been a year since we held our last Institute, and our workers were calling loudly for another. Previously we had held two institutes a year. We find that these gatherings are a great blessing and help to our colporteurs and they look forward to them much as we look forward to a general gathering of workers at home. If our workers there with all manner of resources and advantages need and are benefited by such occasions, how much more are they needed by those who have had little or no advantages in life and who have so little to encourage and help them in their work day after day.

The Institute was held in Trichinopoly, June 25th to July 4th. Ten men took the regular instruction and prepared for work. Three years ago this month we held our first Institute at this place and launched our quarterly journal. The Lord has greatly blessed our work and workers since then, and by their faithful efforts many seeds of present truth have been sown in this field, which are now growing into a fruitful harvest.

In our Institutes it has not been our chief object to spend the time in teaching the mere details of how to sell a paper, take the most subscriptions and make out a weekly report. This we have by no means neglected, but we have endeavoured to make these gatherings seasons of



spiritual uplift to our men,—means by which we could place their feet on solid ground and give them a genuine Christian experience. This can only come by a careful study of the gospel message, confession of sin, and a thorough reformation of life. Without this no man or no movement can succeed in a righteous cause.

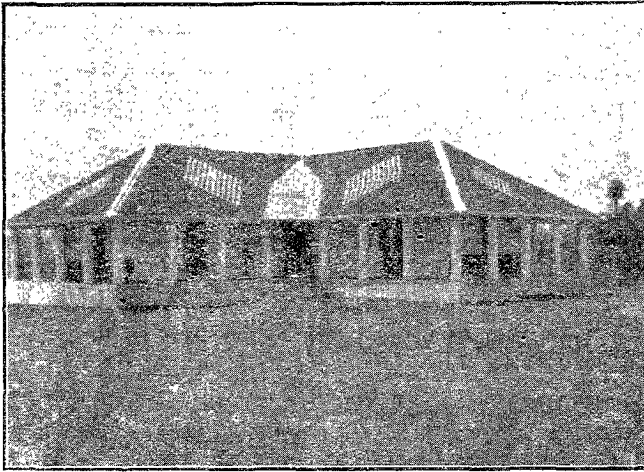
The evening our institute closed, I went to Nazareth to accompany the students who were to leave for the training school just opening in Coimbatore. Thirteen boys and girls left their relatives and

in the smallest way—Kanarese and Sinhalese. We hope and pray for the time to come soon when this last Message will be going with power among all the languages and dialects of our field, and of all India.

Since coming from the north the weather has been quite pleasant for which we are very thankful. We are all in good health and of good courage. Remember us in your prayers.  
J. S. JAMES.

### The New School in South India.

It has been about two months since I have reported any thing in the TIDINGS. It has not been because we have been idle, however, for we have been very busy, especially during the past month. As soon as I came down from the hills the last of June, we began to prepare for the opening of the new school, which began July 12th, with thirteen students, of whom six were boys and seven were girls. Since that time eight more have been admitted, making altogether twenty-one. There



School Building. Nazareth.

homes for the first time and went to "a far country," as it seemed to them, to prepare for workers in the Lord's cause. A fuller report of this new school will be given by Pastor Lowry, who is in charge. We now have two strong schools in operation. No sooner had our advanced students left Nazareth until their places were immediately filled by others who wished to join as paying boarders.

The translation and printing of the Message is now going forward in three of the five main languages of this field,—Tamil, Telugu and Malayalam. Two other languages remain untouched even

are thirteen from Nazareth, four from Pondecherry, two from the Telegu country, and two from Coimbatore.

Our school is located just outside of the town of Coimbatore, and yet close enough so that the market and shops are handy. We were fortunate in finding a large cotton warehouse for rent near the place where we live. This we have secured for the the school. By building a partition near the centre of this building we were able to make it serve both as a boys' home and school room. The lot on which the house stands is a large one, containing about four acres, with

nice shade trees and plenty of water near by. We have had a large amount of work to do though in getting the place cleaned up and ready for our work. In fact we have quite a bit to do yet before the place is presentable. We have also secured a small house near our bungalow which serves as a girls' home. It is very small and unsuited for a home for the girls, but is the best we can do at present.

We have a good staff of teachers. The Lord led us, I believe, in securing teachers for the school. For our headmaster, we have one Mr. Chinnadoria, B. A., a young Tamil man just out of school. He of course teaches the higher forms in all subjects except Bible. For the second teacher we have Brother Gnanasegamani, F. A., who was formerly headmaster of the Nazareth school. He also acts as boarding-master for the boys. Our headmaster's wife, who has finished ten standards of work, is also teaching. She teaches the classes where most of the girls are studying. Our Matron for the girls is a Bible woman of the Church of England. I am teaching the Bible for the three higher forms.

This year we have sixth, seventh, eighth, and ninth forms only. The aim of our school is to give good thorough work in all subjects in forms six to ten, and to be especially strong in Bible. We feel that if this is done, when students have finished here, they will be able to take up some line of work in the field, or if thought best, go to the Lucknow school for further training. We also plan to do quite a bit of mission work during the coming year. We want the students to get some real practical experience in mission work while they are here. This is to be a part of their training.

We have our Sabbath-school, and Sabbath service, also prayer and devotional service on Friday evening. About

one-half of our students have been converted and baptised. We hope and pray that before the first year of school is finished every student in the school will have been soundly converted and have given his heart to God for service. To this end we shall work and pray. We ask also that you shall pray that our work in this new place may be blessed of God, and that this new enterprise shall succeed, so that in due time workers may go from this school into the great harvest field of South India.

G. G. LOWRY.

### The Temperance Special

"Herald of Health"

THE October issue of *Herald of Health* will this year be *The Temperance Annual*. At the spring council in Mussoorie, it was voted to transfer the Temperance Special this year from the *Oriental Watchman* to *Herald of Health*. We wish to give a foreword to our workers and believers concerning the circulation to this number, and concerning its contents.

The *Herald Temperance Annual* will contain 24 pages and cover and the prices will run as follows:—

5- 25 copies, Annas 1½ a copy,  
25-100 " " " 1¼ " " ;  
100 copies and upwards, 1 anna a copy.  
Postage and packing in all cases extra.

This makes the paper cost in quantities for wide distribution much lower than in past years, and will be an added incentive to more extensive use of these valuable annuals than in the past.

The cover of this special will be in two colours, and will have as its central illustration a scene from one of India's beautiful mountain vales. It will, we believe, be one of the best covers we have yet issued and itself worth the price of the paper.

The interior will be, as always, pro-

fusely illustrated, and will contain in addition to the editorials dealing with the temperance developments of the present time, articles of moment both from Europe and America on the Temperance problem. One special feature which will appeal to all, will be the pages of quotations from eminent authorities and men of international reputation on the dangers of the drink traffic. In fact this number will be full from cover to cover of good, live matter of unmeasured educational value.

"Now the question rises, "What are we going to do with these Specials in 1915?" Can we equal the circulation of 1913 and 1914 in spite of the war, or because of it? Or can we not swing well beyond the past in our efforts to press home the temperance lesson. What will you do in your church, company or home? Think it over now and let us hear from you, if possible by the 15th of September by the latest. The question lies with you. Shall we stand still, advance or fall back?

Yours for the Cause of true Temperance,  
S. A. WELLMAN.

### The Eight Anna Fund

THOSE who were present at the last Biennial Conference in Calcutta or who read the report of the meeting in EASTERN TIDINGS, will recollect that the following resolution was adopted:—

"Whereas, The plan adopted by this  
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people in all lands is to raise a definite amount each week a member, on an average, in offerings to missions; and

"Whereas, The work in this field was started and has been maintained through the loyalty of our people in the homeland to this plan for the support of missions; therefore,

We recommend, That a standard of eight annas a week for each member be set for this field, and that every effort be made to attain this result."

Below is given a statement showing the result for the first half of this year, giving an average of Rs. 0-3-6. 5 a week for each member, for the whole Union.

Whilst this is somewhat below our standard, yet withal it is encouraging. There are still several months remaining to this year, and if all assist to the very utmost of their abilities, we shall assuredly be able to reach our standard before the year is ended.

It might be explained here that this fund includes all Sabbath-school and other offerings devoted to missionary purposes, but not tithes.

Attention is directed to the special announcement made on another page of this issue of EASTERN TIDINGS; and it is hoped that all will avail themselves to the full of this opportunity of spreading the Message, and at the same time gathering in funds to assist in still further carrying on the work. A. H. WILLIAMS.

### 2ND QUARTER, 1915.

DIVISION	Membership	Total Collected	Per capita a Week	Membership	Total Collected	Per capita a Week
Bengal	109	Rs. 222 13 0	0 2 6.2	117	Rs. 225 14 9½	0 2 4.5
Bombay	46	181 4 0	0 4 10.2	53	206 3 9	0 4 9.4
Burma	117	197 1 6	0 2 0.9	115	309 8 6	0 3 3.7
N. India	58	280 3 0	0 5 4.3	60	238 9 7	0 4 10.2
N. W. India	23	160 14 0	0 8 7.3	25	183 7 9	0 9 0.4
S. India	65	104 15 11	0 2 0.0	76	181 10 3½	0 2 11.3

Totals for Union 418 1,147 3 5 0 3 4.5 446 1,345 6 8 0 3 8.5

Average per capita a week for half year 0 3 6.5

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BORN to Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Nelson, a son, July 16, 1915.

WORD from Bombay tells us that Mrs. A. G. Kelsey successfully passed her first year's examination in Marathi on July 22nd. Brother Kelsey will go for his second year's examination in October.

BROTHER Peugh has been spending the last ten days in canvassing for our vernacular literature with excellent success. He reports many interesting experiences and excellent opportunities to come in touch with the better classes of educated Indians.

BROTHER Morrow is now making arrangements to move his family from Bangalore to Coimbatore where he will have the aid of Brother Lowry in his language study, and be more in an Indian environment. The association of some of our workers of experience in the field will be an added incentive to his work.

WE wish to draw attention to the edition of Bible Readings For the Home Circle, which is produced in thin Bible paper and bound in flexible leather. The whole book is only five-eighths of an inch thick, and is admirably suited to the needs of workers who have occasion to travel or who use this book in their house to house work. It is sold at Rs. 6-8, unillustrated, and will be procured against orders only.

THE Tract Society has been busy with the rest of the field this year. 9,139 English tracts have been sold since the beginning of the year to June 30th. Also 200 of the Signs Leaflets and

985 sets of Family Bible Teacher. Over 30,000 of the Special Watchman Series have also been sent out from the office, besides the regular issues of The Oriental Watchman, Herald of Health, Eastern Tidings and the vernacular quarterlies.

## IMPORTANT NOTICE TO HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY MEMBERS

SPECIAL arrangements have been made through the courtesy of the Tract Society whereby all members of the Home Missionary Society of the Union may obtain at greatly reduced rates the two books "Christ Our Saviour" and "His Glorious Appearing." These books are easily sold, and are especially appreciated in homes where there are children. They are very nicely illustrated.

The regular commission of 40% enables the one who sells them to make good profits under ordinary circumstances, but with a still greater reduction it should prove an incentive from a financial standpoint as well as from the viewpoint of the good that can be accomplished. The children as well as the older members can sell these books, and they will prove a blessing to the buyer, the seller, the Cause and to the publishing house.

It is suggested that this would be an excellent opportunity to bring that *eight anna fund* up to the normal by turning in all or part of the profits from the sale of these two books. Don't you think so too?

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## EXCHANGES! PLEASE NOTE!

THE EASTERN TIDINGS desires to exchange with all Conference and Mission papers. Exchanges should be addressed only to address given on this page.

A TALK which Pastor A. G. Daniells gave at the Educational and Missionary Volunteer Convention at the Pacific Union College was to the effect that a law had been passed by the Japanese government in Korea, forbidding the teaching of Christianity in any school, denominational or undenominational. Ten years was given in which to bring the existing schools into harmony with this regulation, but those on the grounds say that there is every indication that this will be put into effect within five years. There is a strong re-action setting in in Japan against Christianity.