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DARK CLOUDS THICKEN ON THE HORIZON. THE TIME OF TROUBLE CASTS ITS SHADOWS O'ER THE THRESHOLD: BUT STILL WE WISH FOR ALL A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

“A new year has commenced. What has been the record of the past year in your Christian life? How stands your record in Heaven? I entreat you to make an unreserved surrender to God. Have your hearts been divided? Give them wholly to the Lord now. Make a different life history the coming year from that of the past. Humble your souls before God. ‘Blessed is the man that endureth temptation; for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love Him.’ Put away all pretense and affectation. Act your simple natural self. Be truthful in every thought, and word, and deed, and ‘in lowliness of mind let each esteem other better than themselves.’ Ever remember that the moral nature needs to be braced with constant watchfulness and prayer. As long as you look to Christ, you are safe; but the moment you think of your sacrifices and difficulties, and begin to sympathize with and pet yourself, you lose your trust in God and are in great peril. . . .

“The happiness of families and churches depends upon home influences. Eternal interests depend upon the proper discharge of the duties of this life. The world is not so much in need of great minds as of good men who will be a blessing in their home.”—*Test. Vol. 4, p. 522.*

“There is nothing too precious for us to give to Jesus. If we return to Him the talents of means which He has intrusted to our keeping, He will give more into our hands. Every effort we make for Christ will be rewarded by Him; and every duty we perform in His name will minister to our own happiness.”—*Test. Vol. 4, p. 19.*

“Our profession of faith may proclaim the theory of religion, but it is our practical piety that holds forth the word of truth. The consistent life, the holy conversation, the unswerving integrity, the active, benevolent spirit, the godly example,—these are the mediums through which light is conveyed to the world.”—*Desire of Ages, p. 306.*

“Satan offers to men the kingdoms of the world if they will yield to him the supremacy. Many do this and sacrifice Heaven. It is better to die than to sin; better to want than defraud; better to hunger than to lie. Let all who are tempted, meet Satan with these words: ‘Blessed is everyone that feareth the Lord, that walketh in His ways. For thou shalt meet the labour of thine hands: happy shalt thou be, and it shall be well with thee.’ Here is a condition and a promise which will be unmistakably realized. Happiness and prosperity will be the result of serving the Lord.”—*Desire of Ages, p. 495.*

THE BIBLE STUDY

THE STEWARDSHIP OF ADAM AND EVE.

1. Q. When man was created what was placed in his trust?
A. Gen. 1:27, 28. The entire dominion of this earth.
2. Q. In what sense was this given to man?
A. Psalm 24: 1; Duet. 10: 14. It was his in trust for God. He was to dress (improve) and "keep" it. Man was God's steward.
3. Q. As a recognition that Adam held the world in trust for God as His steward, what reserve was made by the Creator?
A. Gen. 2: 15-17. God reserved the tree of knowledge of good and evil.
4. Q. Therefore what two responsibilities were placed upon Adam?
A. 1, to keep the earth from a usurper; 2, to sacredly abstain from touching or partaking of the forbidden tree.
5. Q. What would result if Adam should prove unfaithful to his trust?
A. Gen. 3: 1-3. Death.
6. Q. What promises did Satan make as an inducement to unfaithfulness?
A. Gen. 3: 5. Greater knowledge and more power.
7. Q. In leading us into temptation, what is one of Satan's strongest methods?
A. Matt. 4: 9. To offer valuable bribes, and induce us to think we will be in a better state if we yield to him.
8. Q. How much was involved in Adam's disobedience?
A. James 2: 10. Violation of all God's law.
9. Q. How could one act of disobedience violate the whole law?
A. Luke 4: 6; 2 Cor. 4: 4. Satan's word was accepted and God's word rejected,
[a] by which Satan became, "the god of this world." This violated the first commandment.
[b] As Satan rules by counterfeiting God's rule, an image was created. The serpent was Satan's image.
[c] By creation Adam was a "Son of God" [Luke 3: 38]. By disobedience he broke up his family relationship with heaven. Henceforth that Name meant nothing.
[d] After sin, our first parents could enjoy no rest, Isa. 57: 20, and therefore could not enter into God's Sabbath rest until they were restored to God.
[e] They dishonoured God by doubting His word, by ruining His creation, and by spoiling His work. Rom. 8: 22.

[f] By their sin, they slew all their posterity. Rom. 5: 12.

[g] They established an unlawful union with Satan and his co-horts, thus committing spiritual adultery.

[h] They stole the reserved fruit which belonged to God.

[i] They bear a false witness concerning God and His character.

[j] And they did all this after coveting the forbidden.

Thus in a spiritual sense they brake each one of God's commandments which also are spiritual.

10. Q. After sin had caused the Lord to drive our first parents from the trees of Eden's garden, including the forbidden tree, what reserve did God make for Himself?
A. Lev. 27: 30, 32. He reserved all the tithes of our increase.

11. Q. How sacred are these reserves?
A. Lev. 27: 32. "The tenth shall be *holy unto the Lord.*"

12. Q. How does God speak of our withholding from Him this reserve?
A. Mal. 3: 9. "Ye have *robbed me.*"

13. Q. If in robbing God of His reserve in the Garden Eve broke all His commandments, can one be a member of the Remnant Church if he steals the tithes?
A. Rev. 12: 17. No! for it is characteristic of the Remnant church that they "Keep the commandments of God."

14. Q. How does God emphasize this fact when speaking about failure to give Him our tithes?
A. Mal. 3: 7. By His statement that "Ye are gone away from mine ordinances."

15. Q. How only can we put this matter right between ourselves and the Lord?
A. Mal. 3: 10-15. By bringing to God's treasury all that belongs to Him.

Here's a little note we found in a recent letter that throws a little more light on what happened when the hurricane visited Cuba:

"We had a real hurricane over this way. It tore a path right through the centre of Cuba, more than one hundred miles wide, leaving death and destruction behind. Over 3,000 lives have been taken, and at least 25,000 houses were destroyed. So far we know of only one of our church-buildings being destroyed, and no lives have been reported lost among our own people, for which we are very thankful."

H. D. ISAAC.

Reports that have been received from the Fall Council held in October at Battle Creek, indicated that our great gathering of representatives from all over the world enjoyed a remarkable experience of har-

mony. Though grappling with weighty problems, not the least among them being a terrible falling off in the offerings for Missions, courage and faith characterized the speeches and addresses. Reports throughout the world indicate a remarkable growth of our work in spite of the budget cuts, and also that the workers, though hard pressed, are carrying on with strength and courage. This large gathering of leaders—many being men of many years experience in proclaiming the Message, reaffirmed their confidence in all the fundamentals of our faith as they were given us by the old pioneers. We praise the Lord for this, and gladly cast our vote on the same side.

A HURRICANE LESSON

One of the causes of financial distress created by the recent storms was the wholesale destruction of Jamaica's banana trees. They are always easy victims of high winds, and the man who plants them should reckon with the possibility of banana-crop ruin at any time.

For years we have advocated to our brethren the value of mixed crops. Jamaica lends itself to so many profitable cultures that it seems almost wicked to be poor simply because a storm destroys the garden. If with bananas we would plant other marketable produce, there would be some chance of having something to fall back upon if one or two of them failed. Milk, eggs, poultry, peanuts, arrowroot, cassava, ginger, corn, command good prices in Kingston and other markets. Some Bombay mangoes, and large Avocado pears, grapefruit and sweet oranges always fetch a fair price. Why not have a variety! It will always compensate the planter. And do not forget to keep out weeds, let the fowls loosen the soil, and a few shillings occasionally spent on good artificial manure or that from sheep and cattle will increase your crop. Fence your land with growing trees, if it is large enough—trees like cedar, mahogany, or other valuable wood. You can staple wire to the trunks of large trees. This saves the cost of fencing posts. If troubled with ants, mix some coal ash with kerosene. Dig a little trench around your seed-plot and fill it with the ashes, and the ants will keep outside. Fence trees will shelter bananas from the wind and give shade.

A good plan for keeping down weeds and loosening the soil, is to make inverted V shaped fowl runs, say 2 ft. 6 ins. wide at bottom, rising to the inverted Δ point 2 ft. or 2 ft. 6 ins. high. They could be, say, 10 ft. long. One inch mesh wire netting

nailed along the sides will keep the fowls in and the mangoose out. Five or six fowls inside such a run will pick out the weeds, and scratch the soil loose in an hour, and then the run can be shifted further on until all the rows between the plants are clean. This increases egg production, and utilizes the birds for the purpose for which they were created. But plants must be in straight lines and some 3 ft. apart. A few sunflower seeds make wholesome food for the fowls. Keep only one or two good breed cockerels for breeding purposes. You do not need them where eggs only are wanted for market.

SPECIAL NOTICE

We feel that the time has come for us to make a statement to our people in Jamaica concerning the present world crisis in finances and how it has affected the work and workers in this conference. For several years the remarkable growth of our work, which seems to have exceeded the increase of our denominational income has demanded that our budget with those of the rest of the world should be cut, in order to meet the costs of the new missions enterprises which now touch 455 languages in 141 countries.

Thus, by a steady process of several 10 per cent cuts in our budget, we were reduced in operating income to what seemed like a very narrow margin. This made it impossible for us to appropriate funds as freely as in the "old days" of our predecessors. Up to the year 1929 the prosperity of our land increased our tithes, so that in some measure relief eased the process of administration. But then the world reverse began, and since then financial difficulties have developed that have forced the British Government to reduce the value of the £1 gold, until to-day it stands at the lowest value it has ever been—13/2 $\frac{3}{4}$. Our workers willingly suffered a reduction in their wages of, first, ten per cent, and then another ten per cent. In addition to this the amount allowed for operating the conference has been reduced ten per cent plus ten per cent, plus six per cent. Some of our workers whose wages were on the lowest scale were not reduced as the others were. But it must be clear to our members that neither the workers nor the Conference treasury can be as liberal as they used to be in the operations of the Conference. The workers also will be sorely limited in their giving powers. I do not know that I have ever worked with a more benevolent set of workers than we have in Jamaica,

but now we must all recognize their limitations and avoid embarrassing them by requests which we know they are unable to fulfil.

There is no need for us to get worried or to fear. Every worker is satisfied and cheerful, and we look to our people to be more faithful in their tithes and offerings so that by an increase of tithes we may be relieved in the Budget operations; and in our Missions Offerings, so that the General Conference may be able to carry the missionaries through the year in their respective fields. Our work is growing as never before. Last year, over 34,800 members were added to our ranks by baptism, and the world class of candidates was very large. This proves that lack of funds does not stop God's great work. We are striving to hold all we have in the work, and have succeeded thus far, except that we invited Brethren Campbell and Haig to canvas our books for three months.

We greatly sympathize with our General men upon whom lies the burden of carrying on the world campaign for the finishing of God's work, and we must all pray for them. They have been liberal to the work in Jamaica. But this year, with 12,000,000 people out of work in the United States, from whence the bulk of



The President of the Jamaica Conference and his wife unite in sending to all our members, their youth and children, a very special greeting for the year 1933. It will be only one of the last years of human probation. It may be the last. We sincerely pray that we may all be united in this one thing—in pressing into a real genuine preparation for the coming of Jesus in glory. May He give you peace and Joy in believing. May He give us all His righteousness and fit us for His glorious and sinless kingdom. Be assured that whatever may come our happiness is wrapped up in yours and we wish you all that is good.

Herbert J. and Mrs. Edmed.

our budget support comes, we must not murmur or complain, but press in with faith, prayer, and consecrated courage, to turn threatening hardships into a mighty victory. Behind the clouds of perplexity, let us know that the sun of eternal joy and salvation is rising, and when the Great Day bursts upon this dark world in all its glory, and we see Jesus, let us be ready. *President—Jamaica Conference.*

A MESSAGE FROM CAYMAN ISLANDS.

In a letter received from Sister I. G. Knight, we are told of other incidents connected with the awful catastrophe. Sister Knight was herself the victim of an unfortunate report to the effect that her husband was missing and had been found buried beneath a rock and crushed to death. Two hours afterwards she met Pastor Ogden on the "Cimboco", who was able to relieve her mind by saying he had seen Elder Knight on the shore, walking up and down with his suit case signaling to the steamer that he wanted passage. But owing to the rough sea, he was unable to make connections.

A letter was sent from Cayman Brac to Sister Knight, asking for needles and cotton and a light. They had found some clothes under the debris, but they were so torn that they could not be worn. Two lamps were bought, and a lantern, and sent with the other goods. Thanks to the captain of the "Cimboco," we were able to send over a very large case of clothing, which was collected by Mrs. B. A. Meeker, Mrs. Evans, Mrs. Edmed, Mrs. Hutchinson, and Pastor Ogden. Mr. Sasso, of Sasso and Miller, very kindly gave the case and had it packed and delivered, the family collecting a substantial contribution of the assortment to goods.

To those who so kindly gave and assisted in this collection, Mrs. I. G. Knight requests us to convey the hearty thanks of the sufferers and herself.

Mrs. Knight now requests the gift of some Bibles and hymnals; and we are sending a parcel of these by the next boat.

Pastor I. G. Knight is now hard at work trying to rebuild the wrecked church building. He has sent an urgent request for one of our ministers to go and hold the fort at Grand Cayman while he is trying to restore the waste places and to make the wilderness blossom as a rose. To this the Jamaica executive has agreed.

Some startling facts should stand as a warning to our church members who

drive motor vehicles. It is reported that in the United States during the past eighteen months 50,900 persons were killed in motor car accidents. This is over 400 more than were killed in the Great war in the same period of time. In 1930 the number killed increased by 298 per cent more than in 1916.

In Jamaica as we have traversed the roads we think we have discovered some of the causes of accidents. The habit of some drivers of taking a glass of strong drink before driving is responsible for many, for alcohol reduces alertness, clearness of vision, nerve control, and mental balance—all of which are essential elements of safety.

Keeping to the left is essential, especially when turning corners. Many in taking a turn, instead of taking a wide sweep left turn, cuddle the right side of the corner which is the wrong side of the turn. It is always safe to turn a corner slowly, and always dangerous to turn with a fast drive. Be sure to give room for one that is passing you, and observe strictly the rule that if your side is blocked, another car drawing near to pass has always the right of way on the unobstructed side. You should stop and allow him to pass. Remember that your horn is a danger signal. Do not use it unnecessarily, but use it always when turning a corner or passing a pedestrian. Do not wait until you are right on a pedestrian who does not see you before sounding your horn.

These are rules for Christian drivers, who should never be too hurried. If you are a Christian, drive like a Christian, and remember the Golden Rule.

Another matter about these motor cars needs careful consideration. The usual plan of selling these luxuries is that of the credit system. You pay "so much down" and the balance on "easy" (sic) terms. You happen to have about enough to pay the first price down, and you THINK you will easily pay off the balance. But you do not have the car long before you find you have enslaved yourself and placed a yoke on your neck that you can never remove. The leprosy of debt becomes chronic and you want to drive to another parish to hide away from the leech that is trying to exact immediate payment. But leprosy advertises itself so widely that you cannot escape, and you are tempted to adopt almost any deceitful artifice to escape. But it is all in vain. There may be certain conditions in which the instalment plan MAY be safe. But they are very exceptional. The junk heap is not a wise place for you to bank your small savings. We learned two proverbs when starting life,

and we pass them on to those who go down to the junk heap with their savings: "Fools and their money are soon parted." "Shun debt as you would shun the leprosy." We have found them much more safe than even automobiles on the easy payment system.

The difference between buying a piece of land and a motor car is this: Land always yields increase if it is worked. Cars cost more the more they are worked, and even if you do not work them.

GEMS FROM THE MINES OF ACTIVITY.

To carry on our work throughout the world today, over one million dollars are needed (nearly £206,000) each week.

In 1930, the amount received per capita for our world operations, was £23. 17. 9.

The cause of the Budget cuts this and last year is found in the loss of income which amounted to over one million dollars in 1931 as compared with 1930. By faithfulness in dealing with the Lord's money, and gifts of larger offerings, let us try and recover the loss this coming year.

Our Church membership in Jamaica in 1928, on Jan. 1, was 2,697. On June 30, 1932, after deducting all losses by death and otherwise, we numbered 4,116—a net gain of 1,422.

W. E. Langley reports that a good time was enjoyed recently when Pastor W. H. Randle conducted meetings at Blue Hole. He would like to have had the sermon radio-circulated throughout the conference. Complaint is made as to the shortness of the sermon, which our dear brother says should have been two hours instead of one. But Doctor Wise says it is best to preach one hour and practise what is preached the rest of the time. The election gave satisfaction, and we wish the Blue Hole Church prosperity and a large revenue of souls for 1933.

Just what difference the possession of the Bible made to the British Isles is often forgotten. But our mother country had the Bible before the great Reformation of Luther's time. Before the Bible came, heathenism found strength and support among the inhabitants. Its worship was witnessed to by the temples in whose precincts degradation and idolatry that would make us blush today were practised. Every fane was the home of some vile god. The sun and moon were deified. The horrors of the Druidical superstition and vice succeeded the idolatry of Rome. The god Mars was the Patron of Scotland,

Cornwall revelled in the mysteries of Mercury. Bangor had its temple of Minerva, while Janus held Leicestershire in its fetters. St. Peter's in York occupies the ancient site of the home of Bellona. The shrine of Diana once occupied the place where St. Paul's cathedral stands to-day. The ground on which stands the noble pile of the historic Westminster Abbey was once the centre to which the worshippers of Apollo gathered. But the Bible came, and its power shook the foundations of idolatrous superstition, and a thousand towers with their high spires point today to the Heavens whence came the Messenger of the true God; and soon the British Isles became the world's mightiest empire.

Very solemn and responsible is the work of a church officer. No matter what office he fills, in his or her sphere, each officer must answer to God for the character and efficiency of the departments assigned them. He is not chosen to be simply an ornament or a prominent figure. The more fruitful the tree, the lower the boughs hang; so the more successful the officer, the more humble he will be. It is the empty, fruitless bough that holds its head high. It is the useless church officer that is puffed with pride. Let us all avoid it.

Every office in the Church is created as a soul-winning agency. The Leader should save his flock. He should lead his flock to save others. The Parish in which he lives should be his burden, and he should lead his flock over hill and dale in search of the lost sheep. He should seek to present every man and woman and child perfect before the Lord. This is true of every leader—Sabbath School, Missionary Volunteer, or Home Missionary. And to this end, every one should "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the Word of truth." 2 Tim. 2: 15.

Leaders should be "blameless," true to "one wife." They should be "vigilant, sober, of good behaviour, given to hospitality, apt to teach," peaceable, co-operative, patient, quiet, without covetousness, and wise rulers. 1 Tim. 3: 2-5. The people of his neighbourhood should respect him.

If all our churches could be manned as many are, with such leaders, what a mighty work the Lord would accomplish!

Church members should honour their officers. But this duty makes it imperative that the church officers live honourable lives. No one will honour a dishonourable

man or woman. "Sinful and worthless creatures though we are, through a vital connection with Christ, we may yet be renewed in knowledge and true holiness, and thus reflect the glory and the image of our Creator and Redeemer, and be qualified to care for His sheep and lambs." —E. G. White, in *Rev. and Her.* Oct. 24, 1893.

To the outgoing officers we would express our appreciation of their earnest endeavours of the past year, and we pray that you will give strong support to your successors. May the dear Lord help you to be just as active and helpful as you have been.

To the new officers, we bid you welcome and wish you much of the Lord's rich blessing. We exhort you to pray and study much. Keep in touch with us at the Conference office, and we assure you that we will stand by and help you to succeed through the coming year. Ever remember that we are all co-labourers together with God. May He keep us all faithful.

A glance at the Harvest Ingathering chart of the North Street Church offers some very interesting facts. It reveals that every Band is still working—Nov. 27. For some time Bands Nos. 10, 11, led by E. Hudson and G. Maxwell respectively have given each other a close race. But at last, No. 11 is in front, with the goal almost reached. No. 10 is not far behind, and the finishing will be a close contest. The winning goal for each band is £13, and Miss Gyles' company reaches ahead of all the other Bands. Ten Bands have scarcely touched the half-way line. But all have worked hard, and this year's effort was better organized, and carried with greater enthusiasm than hitherto. Pastor L. L. Hutchinson deserves to have enjoyed better results, for he left nothing undone to secure the success of the campaign. But we must not reckon results merely by the financial measures, as the personal contact with the people of the city must give results to be revealed only in eternity.

A remarkable service was held in the North Street Church, November 27, under the auspices of the Kingston S. D. A. Burial Society. A torrential downpour of rain threatened to spoil the attendance, which nevertheless filled the Church. Mr. Aston Williams, the Society's chairman, opened the proceedings in a brief speech, after Bro. R. Harriott had offered prayer. He then called the President of the Conference to the Chair, and a delightful Memorial Service followed. The choir and the Misses Sasso and McCatty contribut-

ing very appropriate and charming musical selections and solos. Mr. G. Campbell, of Spanish Town, rendered a bass solo in his usual style, and Miss Plunkett recited, "A Crisis."

Early in the programme, Mrs. L. L. Hutchinson unveiled a new pulpit, of polished mahogany, which the Burial Society presented to the Church, and which is greatly admired; and Miss D. Walters, daughter of the Secretary, in behalf of the same society, presented a beautiful pulpit Bible, in the blank pages of which are the inscribed names of those who have died as members of the North Street Church since the society was formed.

Pastor L. L. Hutchinson, the Pastor of the Kingston churches, in a very eloquent address accepted these gifts on behalf of the Church, and the Chairman dedicated them by prayer to the service of the Gospel of Divine Grace.

Bro. E. E. Walters, in a very clear and precise speech made known the object of the Society and its plan of securing for the poor among us a respectable burial at their decease. To become a member one is asked to pay only two shillings, and a further contribution of one shilling when an adult dies, or sixpence at the death of a child. In this simple and easy way 27 persons have been provided with a service more fitting the respect with which they were held in life. Brother Walters made a call for more members in this worthy society, and the beautiful meeting closed.

The recent munificence of the Antillian Union Conference in donating five hundred dollars to be devoted to the completion of our new churches at Ocho Rios and March Town, has been fully appreciated by Pastors H. Fletcher and G. A. E. Smith, who, with their band of local Church members have been pressing the work forward. It is hoped to have both these buildings completed by or about the middle of February. Thanks to the good old Union Committee!

After several weeks in the Island, broken by visits to Porto Rico and the Cayman Islands, Pastor A. R. Ogden left for the Division Committee meeting at Balboa, by the S. S. *Melapan*, which left Kingston on Thursday, Nov. 24.

Having completed the audit of the College and Conference books for a period of four years, Brother F. R. Mohr left for Haiti and Cuba, expecting to return after a few weeks to complete the audit to Dec. 31, 1932. We have greatly enjoyed Brother Mohr's association, and rejoice with him over his recovery from the fall which injured his feet before coming here.

SPECIAL NOTICE: THE CONFERENCE SESSION

The Inter-American Division Committee has recommended that in view of the prevailing financial conditions, we postpone the holding of our Conference Session. Plans will be made for regional meetings at accessible centres and it is hoped that more of our members will be enabled to enjoy the benefits of such gatherings from all parts of the Island. The Conference Committee will meet before this gets into the hands of our readers and definite plans will be formulated. We may expect valuable help from well known General Conference men. We might state that this plan is being followed at the present time in many of our conferences with great success.

The Pacific Press management, on recommendation of the Division Committee, is trying to work out an arrangement by which we will be able to obtain our supply of Sabbath School Lesson Quarterlies from England for the present, so as to save the exchange loss and be enabled to supply them at the old price of 3d. each.

We greatly appreciate this concession from the Pacific Press, which has recently suffered heavily through the depression. They have cut down wages, time of working, number of their staff, and in every way possible, so as to keep their prices within our reach. They have made concessions from their standpoint in the hope of holding our prices within the lowest limits, and we know that they can ill afford to sacrifice any of their trade. For this reason we appreciate all the more their endeavours to help us, and though we were nevertheless hard hit, we will remember that obligations are mutual and do our best to keep the good work going. While we cheerfully bow to what may be inevitable, we must remember that our brethren are as anxious to help us as we are to be helped, and if the Lord permits this financial perplexity which has hit the world, it must be that He will cause us to make good out of it, and succeed in spite of it. Though the waters of difficulty are stirred, let us step in like Peter, with our eyes upon—not the Pacific Press but—*Jesus*.

Government Recognition of Our Work.

We find in many of our mission fields today that our mission work is attracting more and more recognition by Government authorities.

Our work for the aborigines at Mona-mona is looked upon by the authorities as the most successfully operated station in

the State, and the Deputy Protector recently visited that station to learn the methods of our work in order to make recommendations to other bodies endeavouring to care for similar stations.

In Papua the Governor, Sir Hubert Murray, has recently recommended our securing a leasehold in territory formally recognized by the Council of Missions as being the territory of another society, in harmony with an agreement among the other mission bodies concerning a division of mission territory. His Excellency has personally stated his objection to any such agreement.

In the Mandated Territory of New Guinea the retiring administrator, Brigadier General Wisdom, displayed a very keen appreciation of our work and said he hoped we would extend it. His officers have strongly urged us to commence work in some other parts of the Territory where there are large numbers of primitive people not under mission influence.

In Fiji we have a most sympathetic Administrator, Sir Murchinson Fletcher, who is watching our educational work in that group and in the New Hebrides and Solomon Islands with considerable interest. Some of our schools in Fiji are now receiving grants in aid, and school inspectors have given very favourable reports of the work being done.

In Samoa also, where we have recently established a training school at Vaialoa, the chief Government School inspector has visited the school and given a very favourable report.

"Without the shadow of a doubt the Vitality of the church depends on its being missionary. 'It seems to be an indisputable fact,' says Bishop Selwyn in his first episcopal charge, 'that however inadequate a church may be to its own internal wants, it must on no account suspend its missionary duties; that this is in fact the circulation of its life's blood, which would lose its vital power if it never flowed to the extremities, but curdled at the heart.' This explains why some churches are suffering atrophy and why others have an expanding and abounding spiritual life. The spiritual life is the life of Christ. The life of Christ cannot be pent up."—*The Pastor and Modern Missions.*"

May God continue to guide and bless His work in these needy fields and gather out many more souls for his kingdom.—A. G. STEWART, in *Australasian Record*.

TOMATO GROWING FOR MARKET.

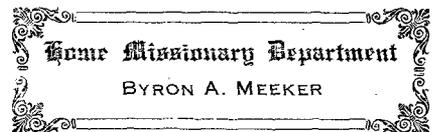
There is much said to-day about profitable tomato growing, and as we believe our people will want to excel and earn good returns from such an industry, we print here some advice on the matter.

The soil should be well prepared by deep forking, enriching also with well rotted trash or leaf manure. This can be supplemented by sheep or fowl manure in proper quantities, and this is important.

The seed should be sown in small boxes, and transplanted to other boxes two weeks later. They should be kept in an open but sheltered place until three weeks later, and then planted in the open garden, 18 inches apart, in rows three feet apart.

As soon as the plants begin to grow, they should be staked with sticks five feet high, attached by wire or rope to poles at the end of each row, so as to keep the sticks firm. When the plant reaches about one foot high, tie it to its stick so that it will not slip down. Then about every two or three days, remove by pinching off, any new shoots that grow at the sides. Allow the plant to grow to the sixth truss, tying it carefully as it rises in height. It will take about 105 to 110 days to develop the first picking, and little will be obtained after 150 days. It has been demonstrated at Mandeville that about 6 to 12 pounds of fruit may be expected from each of the plants, providing they are cared for, at an altitude of 2,000 feet above sea level.

Tomatoes are the richest fruit in vitamin value. Our people should eat them very plentifully, and they always command a fair price in the markets of the Island.



The following questions are a sample examination for the Bible Doctrines. How many will take the examination this time?

SENIOR STANDARD OF ATTAINMENT EXAMINATION FOR NOVEMBER, 1931

Bible Doctrines

These questions are to be answered in the presence of the church elder or some one appointed by him. The Bible (if not personally marked) may be used by the one taking the examination, but no concordance, Bible helps, or other books of any kind. The answers to these questions should be sent to your conference Missionary Volunteer secretary.

(Answer any ten questions)

(The figures in parentheses indicate the number of texts to be given.)

1. a Describe the second coming of Christ. (1)

b Name six signs. (2)

2. What is the Spirit of prophecy? (1)

3. Explain briefly the prophecy of Daniel 2 or Daniel 7.

4. *a* What is the Investigative Judgment?

b When does it occur?

c What does it decide?

d Give one text on the Investigative Judgment.

5. *a* Make a diagram of the 2,300-day prophecy placing date and references.

b Prove that a day in prophecy is a literal year.

6. *a* Describe the condition and appearance of the earth during the millennium. (1)

b What events mark the beginning and the end of this period?

7. *a* How long was the period of papal supremacy?

b When did the period begin and end?

c Describe the work of the papacy and the condition of God's people during this time.

8. *a* Relate in order the three steps necessary to baptism. (2)

b Show from the Bible that immersion is the true form of baptism. (1)

9. Quote the three angels' messages, giving reference.

10. Write a Bible study of at least six questions and references on *one* of the following subjects:

a The seal of God.

b The day of Atonement.

c The law of God.

11. Give the book and chapter reference for five of the following:

a The fall of man.

b Sermon on the Mount.

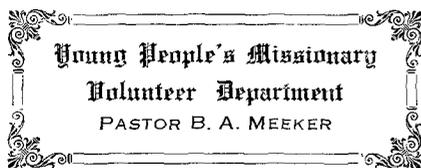
c Satan's origin and history.

d War in heaven.

e The Holy City.

f Faith chapter.

12. Write a description of "the Holy City." (1)



We hope that all who know about the 1933 Reading Courses will plan to read the books. We hope also that you will be enthusiastic in your endeavours to induce every one in your church to read them. The cost of each book is so small that we believe it will not unduly burden our members to secure them. Each church could surely provide sets sufficient for all who are not able to buy for themselves.

Five books are to be used this year in the senior course. They are, "Steps to Christ," "Simple Treatments," "Mary Jones and Her Bible," "Seventh-day Ad-

ventists, their Belief and Practice," and "The Challenge of the 20th Century." With the exception of "Mary Jones and Her Bible," these books may be bought for 9d each, plus postage.

There are two books in the Junior Course, "Black Beauty," and, "Bedtime Stories, No. 7."

Let us all get busy now and commence the course. We would rejoice to see the Jamaica Conference issue one thousand Reading Course certificates this year. It can be done if we all press into the plan.

"Steps to Christ" is a gem. Every paragraph in this is helpful. The more you read this book, the more you will love it.

"Simple Treatments for Common Ailments" is full of instruction on practical home nursing. Everyone should understand the fundamentals of the care of the body.

"The story of Mary Jones and Her Bible," will be read with the greatest interest and profit. It is touching and thrilling, and has many lessons of devotion that we all should learn.

"The Challenge of the 20th Century" brings us face to face with present day conditions which point to these as the last days. Acquaintance with such wonderful developments as this book portrays, will help to impress us with the importance of right living in view of Christ's coming.

Every Seventh-day Adventist should know why he is what he is. The book on their "Belief and Practice" makes intelligent the reasons of our faith.

The children's books are well chosen. "Black Beauty," is a story of a faithful horse. The first girls and boys who report having read this book will receive mention in the VISITOR. We would like to have your letter when you have read it, telling us how you enjoyed it.

"Bedtime Stories," No. 7. needs no description, for we have all become acquainted with this beautiful series. Such books develop the finer spiritual qualities of our boys and girls who read them.

Just think what it will mean to the youth of Jamaica if they unite in plans for their intellectual and spiritual development. Remember the four Educational goals: The Morning Watch, The Standard of Attainment, The Reading Course, and The Bible Year. Order your supplies quickly from the Book and Bible House, and persevere in your determination to carry this year's plans to final triumph.

M. V. ACTIVITIES

The young people of the Spanish Town Society have been busy in missionary

work, visiting the leper home and the Alms house, carrying blessing wherever they go.

On December 4, a large truck went to Sligo Ville from this church. We were surprised to find a large number of the young people from Everton Park there also. These united in rendering a musical programme interspersed with recitations. Elder J. A. Reid gave an appropriate address.

In spite of a heavy downpour of rain the meeting was well attended, some of the prominent people of the neighbourhood being present. Brother Collins and his wife who are holding up the lamp of truth there were very glad to have the message brought to the attention of their neighbours and friends in this way. We all enjoyed the cordial spirit manifested.

So, let the good work go on. Our M. V. Society is doing much, and in many places can do more to scatter the gospel truth. At this meeting we distributed tracts on the message. These will continue working while we are absent from our friends away up in the hills above Spanish Town. God is watching over His work, and how good He is to allow us to be co-labourers with Him.

BYRON A. MEEKER.



GOOD, BETTER, BEST.

As we begin a new year, it might be well for us to take a retrospective view of our Sabbath School records. In 1931 we made good progress in Jamaica, and in 1932 we did better, but have we yet done our best?

With our large Sabbath School membership which now numbers 5078, we should be reaching a higher per cent in Honor cards and offerings. We were glad to be able to report an increase in offerings for the third quarter of 1932, but even then we only reached an average of scarcely 45 per cent. We need an average of 65 per cent to ensure the "Pennant" to us as a Conference. Our sister Island San Domingo has it, and the Columbia Mission. Shall we not make the "Pennant" one of our aims for 1933?

We want to see many more of our members receiving the benefit from a daily study of our splendid lessons, and being regular and prompt in their attendance at Sabbath School. Then if each church member would aim to give threepence each week to Missions which is the Conference goal for our schools, and take a part in the Investment plan, the "Pennant" would soon be ours. Don't forget either that we are

making 6000 our membership goal for the new year upon which we have entered and all should take their part in this by inviting their friends and neighbours to share the blessings of the Sabbath School with them.

Sabbath School Workers' Training Course.

This will be a very helpful study. The course consists of the "Worker," and the excellent book, "The making of a teacher." It deals with the following principles,—How attention may be secured, laws of teaching, questioning, the recitation, and religious teaching. Price of the book is 6/-. Of the 1933 course it is said it offers,

Better preparation
Broader knowledge
Improved methods
Greater opportunities
And inspires to
Higher attainments in
Personal Soul Winning."

"Progressive Sabbath Schools Provide for the Training Course. Efficient Teachers take it."

We are glad to give a few extracts from letters received about Investment Day.

Riversdale.

"We indeed had a fine program, and a good day which we all enjoyed greatly. The children certainly did their part well and there was such a deep spiritual tone in all the pieces rendered that many present decided to take a deeper interest in the Investment plan for 1933. There were pieces of needle work, a tray, eggs, corn and the proceeds of other garden products and chickens. These all brought us £1.18.0 for which we are very thankful for many put forth earnest effort to do their part. We regret this is not as much as last year's, but sickness prevented many of our bright helpers from giving."

MRS. M. FLETCHER.

Regent St., Kingston.

"The interest in our Investment program was the best we have ever experienced. Our gifts were small but the lessons taught in the recitations etc. inspired our members with a determination to make more liberal gifts to the Investment fund in the new year." MRS. J. A. REID.

Blue Hole.

"Owing to the very rainy season, we were unable to carry out our Investment program until Nov. 26th, but the program was well rendered. You will be delighted when I announce the nice little sum of 18/- which we received from the portions we dedicated from our small plantations, such as cocoa, trees, peas, roots of bananas, bunch of cocoa-nuts, tomatoes, a box of bees etc. All of these are not yet reaped, therefore we are expecting to make the above sum a larger one. We are very

glad that our Sabbath School is having a hand in the wise plan of Investment."

W. E. LANGLEY.

Rollington Pen, Kingston.

"Sabbath Nov. 19th is a day long to be remembered by all in this corner of the Lord's vineyard. The parts were well arranged and nicely rendered. The fact is everyone feels that this was one of the best programs we ever had. The children deserve credit for the way they rendered their pieces under the faithful and efficient guidance of Sister West."

E. S. PERRIN.

North St., Kingston.

"We greatly appreciated the way the Investment program was rendered in this school. Sister Hutchinson, who is superintendent of the children's Division, spared no pains in preparing for the day which was seen as the different items were given. The young people and the choir entered wholeheartedly into it also. At the close Bro. Walters invited the members to bring their gifts to the platform and it was interesting to see them with their happy smiles dropping the coins into a prettily prepared basket. One sister said a chicken was given up to die, but she took it and nursed it back to health and then sold it for 2/- for the Investment fund. Over £3. 0. 0. was given. MRS. H. J. EDMED.

Port Maria.

"I know you will be pleased to hear from us and our success on Investment Day. Some of the children from Sister Williams' school assisted in the program. We had the seven characters representing the Mission fields, and they did well. The little ones were ready with their recitations, and the presence of the Holy Spirit was manifested in a marked manner. I have 6/4½ in hand but some have not yet reaped their investments but we hope to have them by the end of the month.

MRS. F. WOODS.

Newport.

"Our Investment program was rendered Nov. 19th. Everyone enjoyed it. How delightful it was to see the adults and children marching to the rostrum with their Investment offerings which amounted to 7/9½. All have not come in yet.

MISS G. GREEN.

Dias.

"Our Investment program came off on the day appointed. Being the first the school has not done so well, but we trust we will be more vigilant for the coming year."

MISS I. A. JOHNSON.

Sherwood Forest.

"Our Investment program took the place of the mid-day service. The exercises and recitations were given to the best of our

ability. The older members of the school responded with "Amen" to show their appreciation of all that was rendered. The donations amounted to 5/-, and we are expecting more to come."

MISS F. WEBBER.

The Sabbath School Department extends to all its best wishes for a very happy and prosperous New Year, and we trust that our schools will be one hundred per cent investment for 1933—that is every member having a share in these good experiences reported above.



"True success in any line of work is not the result of chance or accident or destiny. It is the outworking of God's providences; the reward of faith and discretion, of virtue and perseverance. God gives opportunities, success depends upon the use made of them."

The success of the literature work is nothing short of God's providences. The report for last month called for £40 more to catch up with last year's delivery. Now (at the time of writing) we have exceeded that to over £150, only some were late for this month's report. To God be the glory.

Greater still would have been our success but for the storm. Nevertheless there must be some blessing in the disaster. Many homes that were hidden away from the colporteurs' view can now be seen plainly since the banana trees are blown down. Colporteurs, this is your opportunity to call on such homes. They too must have a "visit from the Lord." It was after the walls of Jericho fell that the Israelites could see the homes and accomplish their work.

When this reaches you the old year shall have been gone forever, and a new year of opportunities will be ours. "While men's hearts are failing them for fear" let us help them by our Truth filled Literature, thus turning their minds away from the earthly things that are crumbling away, to the Kingdom of Peace that is about to be set up. Our work will soon be over. Some day we shall make the last call. The last book will be sold. The last soul will be won. The last good-by will be said to wives and children. We are nearing home, my brethren, go forward into the New Year with greater courage.

JAMAICA COLPORTEURS ARE DOING THINGS.

From a comparative statement just received from the Pacific Press, we cull the

following statement for the first nine months of 1932 as compared with the same period in 1931:

	Av. No. Colporteurs.	Hours Worked.
1932	13.	8,685.
1931	15.	7,914.
Loss	2.	
Gain		771.

	Value of orders.	Value of orders delivered.
1932	\$16,937.71.	\$6,819.85.
1931	13,907.04.	4,876.62.
Gain	3,030.67.	1,943.23.

This report represents faithfulness, hard work, and stick-to-it-iveness. It represents devotion and the spirit of sacrifice. It represents only the outline horizon of a scene that belongs to the near future when the rays of light will be seen everywhere, honest children of God will sever the bands that have held them. Family connections, church relations will be powerless to stay them, and notwithstanding the agencies combined against the truth, a large number will take their stand upon the Lord's side. (See Great Controversy, p. 612). How the colporteurs will rejoice in that day! And we will rejoice with them, wont we? So be not weary in well doing.

H. J. E.

Colporteurs, read this: A letter from J. A. P. Green, Associate Secretary

of the publishing department of the General Conference, received this week says, "There is no field in the world today that has had as much advertising as Jamaica. In the last Fall Council if we mentioned any place it was Jamaica. Brother Nation. . . stands second in all the Pacific Press territory for subscription books sold during 1932, that is, for the first nine months. . . It just seems as if God is blessing the Mission fields these days. While the sales in North America have diminished, the sales in many of the Division fields have increased."

Thank you, Brother Green. A pat on the back will cheer our field men and inspire them with courage and new faith. We hope next year to be top of the list.

H. J. E.

**Colporteur Report
November, 1932.**

NAME	HOURS	SALES	DELIVERIES
Hurst, B. E.	70		29. 2. 0
Cousins, C. S., 2 mos.	228	17. 5. 4	26.15. 0
Dillon, L.	136	18. 0. 0	24. 4. 0
Wallace, R.	70	8.16. 6	21. 1. 6
Grant, H. W.	52	10. 1. 0	14.17. 6
Ricketts, B. A.	17		11. 0. 0
Dawkins, A.	76	25. 6. 8	8. 6. 8
Ricketts, C.	68	7. 6. 0	6. 4. 3
Heron, A. W.	36	12. 0. 0	4.18. 0
Haye, N. E., Oct.	86	5.16. 0	4.16. 0
Destoe, K.	17	12. 6. 0	1.16. 0
Fletcher, H. H.	31	18. 6. 0	1.11. 6
Campbell, R. B.	37	33.16. 0	1. 0. 0
Farrell, Samuel	97	62.17. 3	
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LITTLE FOLKS' CORNER

**THE TREATMENT OF ANIMALS
A Dialogue for six children**

EDITH REGGIE
LIZZIE OLIVER
HARRIET WILLIE

EDITH: "There's that cruel boy, Reggie, throwing stones at the little birds again; I do believe he thinks all the dumb animals are made for boys to torment. The other day I saw him pulling off the wings of flies, and just before that he was in trouble for having thrown a stone, and broken the leg of one of Mr. Hayter's chickens. Reggie, you naughty boy, how can you be so cruel and unfeeling?"

REGGIE: "I'm not cruel, Edith, I wouldn't hurt you."

EDITH: "I don't think you would, purposely, but it does hurt me to see my brother cruel to anything. It's want of thought as well as heart, that makes the world to weep."

REGGIE: "But you don't suppose they can feel like you, do you?"

EDITH: "Well, I think dumb as they are, some speak for themselves on that question. I fancy the reason you boys often ill-treat dumb animals is for a wicked pleasure you feel in hearing their cry for pain. If they cannot feel as much as we can, we can at least see by their writhing that they do suffer."

LIZZIE: "I'm glad you are telling Reggie of his conduct, Edith; for though he is very good to us, and, I really think, has a kind heart, yet he is so often heedless, that he would not put himself in the least out of the way, to avoid giving pain to anything. He is not so kind as the war-horse, even, who will, I have read, walk with careful step over the bodies of the dead and dying on the battle field."

REGGIE: "I'm in for a lecture now I see; Why didn't you advertise it in the usual way? something like this:—'Public Notice! Unpopular lecture, by the unpopular Miss Edith Busybody, on Cruelty to Animals, and how to cure boys of it. 'I'd

have bought a ticket for a reserved seat to encourage you, and gone birdnesting till it was over."

EDITH: "Ah! I have no doubt you will, as usual, try to make light of what I say!"

REGGIE: "No I won't, bless you."

EDITH: "It would be a good thing if we could have lectures on the subject in every town and village in the country. I'm sure there is a great amount of cruelty practised. You boys are so thoughtless and cruel while young, and when you grow up you generally get worse, for the habits of our childhood seem to cling to us all our lives. The other day, I saw fifteen people in an old cart being drawn by a poor thin horse, and I do not know how many poor little donkeys I have seen on Banana days carrying loads far too heavy, while their little legs just trembled under the load. It's no wonder that God does not give them a market for their stems, and that many are rejected. How can God prosper men that ill treat His helpless creatures. And then think too, how they beat the poor little things! Don't run down lectures on this subject, Reggie, I wish there could be more of them."

REGGIE: "You had better unload all that you have to say, Sister, but don't make this lecture too long, for I have not yet bought a ticket."

LIZZIE: "I think bird nesting is a very cruel thing, too. I can't think how boys can enjoy seeing the helpless mothers frightened, and crying for their stolen young."

WILLIE: "Don't make us out to be worse than we really are. We never take young birds from their nests until they are old enough to say, 'Good bye,' to mothers."

HARRIET: "Ah, that's when you take singing birds to bring up in a cage. But what about the other little creatures that you take just for fun, or the parents from whom you steal the eggs, destroying the little home they have taken such pains to build?"

WILLIE: "That's just the way the world talks about us boys. One would think we are awful creatures, to hear you talk. They credit us for nothing that is good, and charge us with all kinds of mischief, usually ending up with the mean old saying, 'Boys will be boys,' meaning, of course, that they are something blacker than boys. I wish I could have every one taken up for libel that says that, and made to pay a heavy fine toward our cricket club."

REGGIE: "Good again! Well done, Willie; That's as good an answer as I could have given. You shall make the next speech."

HARRIET: "I would not gratify Reggie by talking any more about bird nesting; but if you won't feel for the poor birds,

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EDITOR, - - - - - PASTOR H. J. EDMED

I'd have you think about some of the other poor creatures you treat cruelly."

WILLIE: "Well, I would really like to see everybody kind to birds and animals and when I grow older I will try and persuade people to be kind."

REGGIE: "So here's another lecturer. I should like to hear what *you* would say about this subject."

ALL: "Oh, Willie, do give us a lecture now!"

WILLIE: "Ladies and gentlemen, I am pleased to see so many of you here. It shows that the subject of my lecture is receiving more attention, as it ought to do. The poor dumb creatures are no longer dumb as they were, for their wrongs have moved human tongues to speak for them. The human animal is often the most inhuman of them all; and, worse still, his unkindness is shown to the creatures that are the most faithful and valuable to him. Thus, the useful horse is the most over-taxed, the sagacious and faithful dog the most faithlessly treated, and the happy and harmless little birds are the sport of the gun and feast. We should always feel for the suffering, and protect the helpless as much as we can. The noble Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals has done much. The animals also have assisted—the elephant that squirted its trunk full of water over the tailor who pricked him with a needle, and that other elephant that tossed the child into the air for a similar act, the horse, or mule, or ass, that kicks when mercilessly treated and needlessly whipped—yes, if I could whisper in their ears, I would advise them to kick a little more. The lowly ass was chosen of our Master for His most honoured journey. An angel came to the assistance of an ass when ill-treated by Balaam; and does not God care for the little sparrows and little birds that we torment? Cowper truly says,

'The heart is hard in nature, and unfit
For human fellowships, as being void
Of sympathy, and therefore dead alike
To love and friendship both, that is
not pleased

With sight of animals enjoying life,
Nor feels their happiness augment his
own.'

ALL: "Well done, Willie."

REGGIE: "I'll buy a ticket if you'll lecture like that, and go shares with the profits."

HARRIET: "I once heard a story of a little boy who climbed to the housetop and took a nest. On stripping the outside, he found a piece of paper, which had been torn from a hymnbook, which the bird had picked up when building the nest. On reading, he found the verse,—

'Why should I deprive my neighbour
Of his goods against his will?

Hands were made for honest labour,
Not to plunder or to steal.'

WILLIE: "I heard of a boy being cured of treating his donkey badly by his schoolmaster, who had seen him from the schoolroom window. It went as fast as it could, and yet the lad beat the poor animal and kicked it. The master did not say anything then, but when the boy came to school one day, and learned his lessons well, correctly and quickly, the master gave him a good beating. On asking why he was beaten, the master replied, 'I saw you treating your donkey that way, and I thought I would see how you like a dose of the same medicine when you had done so well.' The boy saw his wrong, and treated his beast more kindly."

OLIVER: "There is a very interesting anecdote about a dog called, 'Bill.' He belonged to one of the London firemen and having been trained, had helped to save many people. He slept all day, but was at his post of duty each night. When a fire alarm was given he would bark furiously to awaken the people. If at a fire they were short handed, he would poke open the doors of many houses with his nose to call the people to help. If the night was dark, Bill would seize a lantern and carry it to his master. He was always first up the ladders to rescue people from the fire, and would carry little children to places of safety. Three times he was run over, but he recovered and continued faithful to his death.

Really, we have had quite a profitable time talking over Reggie's weakness, and I hope we will all become members of the working force who try to prevent cruelty to dumb animals and the dear little birds."

ALL: "Let's go!"

NOTE.—Would it not be suitable to use this dialogue in a programme?

THINKING CAP QUESTIONS.

Here's for the Young People over 15.

1. What angel gave Daniel the vision of the 2,300 days?
2. What angel excels all others in prophetic knowledge?
3. What was the length and breadth of Noah's ark? [Give answer in feet]
4. How much higher than the highest mountain did the flood waters rise?

5. How many epistles were written in the Bible, by Paul?

For Little Folks, under 15.

1. Who does Jesus say feeds the birds?
2. At what price were sparrows sold in the time when Jesus lived on the earth?
3. What bird fed Elijah?
4. What bird showed Noah that the water was drying up after the flood?
5. What do birds have that Jesus did not have?

Young People Answering Thinking Cap Questions.

W. Kelly, Olive Fletcher, Myrtle Symister, Eric Plummer.

Little Folks Answering Thinking Cap Questions.

Pearl Boyd, M. Kelly, Wellesly Boyd, Evelyn Fletcher, Eric Plummer, Kenneth Robinson.

Many of our readers will hear with regret of the illness of Sister A. W. Sangster, who has been in the hospital at Lamb's River and Mandeville suffering from an attack of malaria. This necessitated her having to close up her school at March Town, as her assistant, Miss Young, also underwent an operation at the same time. We are glad that at last hearing, Miss Sangster reports improvement in her health which we trust will soon be fully restored.

OBITUARY

Sister Rebecca Roberio closed her eyes in her last sleep on Sunday evening, September 25th, 1932, at the advanced age of ninety-six years. She was a faithful Methodist from childhood but when she saw the advanced light of Present Truth under the labours of the late Elder J. A. Strickland, more than thirty years ago, she fully accepted.

It was the writer's privilege to visit her often, renewing the old acquaintance and ministering to her spiritual needs.

She was laid to rest, after a life filled with loyal service, in the Wesleyan cemetery, not far from the grave of the late Pastor Crothers. G. A. E. SMITH.
Montego Bay.

We feel sad to report the death of our dear Sister Melvenia Planto, who was baptized only last August, and died November 21. She was a member of the Church at Clermont where she was greatly esteemed. "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord."

S. J. MOYSTON.