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THE WORK IN INDIA †

INDIA has a population of about three hundred millions, and we have at present only two ordained ministers in that field. During the last hundred years missionaries from various denominations have been going to India. They have their schools, colleges, and orphanages, and young men and women are being educated in the English language. Not only that, the government has special colleges in Calcutta, Bombay, and other large cities where the well-to-do natives send their sons to be educated in English. These anglicised Hindoos are quite willing to read; but the difficulty with most of our books is that they are too expensive.

India is well supplied with railways, and traveling is not expensive. We have done very little work there. I think it was not until '93 that our agents went to India to sell our health books. Two agents went out from here, and began work in Madras, where they sold a number of "Home Hand Books," "Ladies' Guides," and so forth. It was my privilege about two years ago to visit Bombay, where I found that a number of our books had been sold amongst the Parsees.

While working in the central part of India, I heard of a native who was keeping the Sabbath. When meeting him, I showed him the *Oriental Watchman*, and took his subscription. He said, "I wish I could get some book that are written by a lady named Mrs. White. I have seen some of her books at a friend's house, and I would like to get them all." He told me that he had been keeping the Sabbath for a number of months.

Many of the missionaries in India are earnest Christians. If approached in the right way, these would be glad to buy our books, and some of them would accept the truth. Moreover the natives are being educated in the English language, and that makes it easy to work among them.

The friends who are accepting the truth in India are getting right hold of the tithing. One young man who had recently joined us said, "God has given me all the property that I have; it came from

Him. I do not know much about the tithing system, but I believe that I ought to give God a tenth." So he came and brought a cheque for a little over six hundred rupees. About that time another Sabbath-keeper, who had been keeping the Sabbath but a short time in the Himalayan Mountains sent a cheque for the same amount.

The needs of India very great. We ought to have canvassers stationed in different towns to take subscriptions for the *Watchman* and to sell our books. We need more ministers to preach the message. There are openings that can be filled. About eight months ago I found at Lahore a Methodist chapel in which no meetings were being held. The people said, "If you want the chapel, you can have it as long as you stay." I felt so sorry that we had no one to fill the opening. There is no place better than India for tent work. For eight months of the year we have no rain, and you could not ask for a better climate. Notwithstanding the hindrances of various kinds, the outlook in India is most hopeful.

CORONATION NUMBERS OF PRESENT TRUTH.

THE *Present Truth* for June 26, which is the day of the coronation, will be of special interest, as it will have particular reference to that historic event. The first page will have a portrait of Their Majesties King Edward VII and Queen Alexandra, and suitable reference to the occasion will accompany it.

There is no doubt but this number will meet with a ready sale, especially on the day of the coronation, as the pictures of the King and Queen, which will be the first thing to greet the eye, will recommend it to all; and the contents will be such as will make all of our people wish to give it a wide circulation.

The number for the week following will also contain a special coronation article, illustrated with cuts of the coronation chair and the royal crown. It is the design to improve this occasion to set some vital truth before the people.

It will interest workers to know that the Sunday-school lessons which will be commented on in the

†Abstract of a talk by Brother Ellery Robinson.

two issues mentioned are both on the giving of the law, so that the ten commandments—"the royal law"—may thus by a little extra effort be brought directly to the attention of many thousands of people. The two numbers will be emphatically "present truth."

This timely notice is given, in order that orders may come in early. Here is a chance for each member of the church to do something. Shall we not reach at least our long-desired 25,000 in those weeks? It is not the wish that any less should be done next week, nor in the weeks that will follow; but we hope that advantage will be taken of this occasion to place the circulation of *Present Truth* a little higher than ever before, and then to hold it. If all knew how much good the *Present Truth* is doing they would be zealous to have a part in it. We shall know "in the crowning day" that is coming. Now the watchword is, "Go forward!"

WURSLEY Armstrong, of N. London, is so far as we know our youngest successful *Good Health* canvasser. He is six years old, and sold six copies of the magazine the first morning he went out with it. The June number is so attractively illustrated and contains such a variety of interesting articles that any boy or girl could sell it. Who will try?

THE first two issues of the "Good Health Library" are ready for delivery. No. 1, entitled "Biliousness, its Cause and Cure," contains much useful information on the subject of biliousness and stomach troubles generally. No. 2, "The Food Value of Alcohol," is a temperance tract which should have a wide circulation. Price 1d. Liberal discount in quantities.

How many of the WORKER family are pushing the sale of "Christ's Object Lessons." This is one branch of the work in which every one should take a lively interest. The book is printed in large, clear type and so attractively illustrated that it makes very appropriate summer reading. Every copy sold helps the school enterprise to the extent of four shillings

WE should have worded our announcement of the location of the General Meeting a little differently. It is not absolutely decided that the gathering will be at Leeds, though there is a strong probability that such will be the case. Leicester is also under consideration. In the latter place Brother Andross will, according to present arrangements, conduct a tent-meeting during the summer.

TRACTS FREE!!

WE are printing six little tracts entitled as follows:—

"Why Not Have the Victory?"

"Our Guide."

"When Are You Going to Become a Christian?"

"What's the Good!"

"How Can I Become a Christian?"

"What's the Use of Starting and then Stopping?"

The last four are written especially for young people and form a series, although each one is complete in itself.

It is our wish that these be handed out judiciously and prayerfully, but *freely*, without money and without price.

If any one feels impressed by the Spirit of God to donate something toward the expense of printing them, it will be thankfully received, and if more comes in than is necessary to pay for those already ordered, and for the expense of filling the orders, it will all go to printing more of the same.

"Why Not Have the Victory" is already in hand. Sample copies are being sent this week in the *Present Truth* parcels. Please read carefully, and if you feel that these little leaflets will be a help to you in fishing for men, send orders at once for all that you can use, and may you have a still more abundant entrance into the joy of your Lord.

JESSIE F. WAGGONER.

BROTHER BACON has kindly handed us a letter from Brother W. I. Young, Torpedo Instructor on H M S. *Charger*. Brother Young accepted the truth some time ago while on the *Terrible*, off the coast of China, and the Lord used him to bring the good news to several of his mates. These have recently been baptised by Brother Anderson, one of our ministers who has gone to China.

Brother Young writes from D. vonport:—

"The Lord has wonderfully blessed me this last month or so, and has enabled me to have some grand meetings amongst my shipmates. I am on a small boat, with only fifty-seven hands all told; but at our last meeting I had close on to thirty in my mess. I have had a few meetings with my own messmates, and one of them is thoroughly convinced of the truth. I am praying that the Lord will enable him to make himself a living sacrifice. I had an opportunity to speak to a couple of elderly persons in Ireland concerning the truth."

The circumstances on board a warship are not, to say the least, particularly favourable to gospel work; but when the heart is filled with love for God and man, the openings are sure to be found. Let us pray for more of the real missionary spirit right in our homes, and in speaking to our neighbors.

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The members of the Conference Committee were called back to London last week to consider some plans relative to the tract and missionary work.

Any of our friends who have clean copies of the December *Good Health*, are invited to send them in to the office. Our supply of that number is inadequate.

BROTHER and SISTER DANIELLS and son left for Copenhagen last Wednesday night. Brother E. R. Palmer has returned from the meeting in Ireland, and will remain in Great Britain for a time to develop the book and the tract and missionary work.

DR J. H. KELLOGG gave a lecture on health in Holloway Hall, N. London, last Wednesday, which was attended by a large and enthusiastic audience. The doctor has also lectured at Birmingham and Belfast. These meetings were held under the auspices of the Good Health League.

SISTER WAGGONER has written some excellent tracts for young people. These booklets are neatly got up, and treat of subjects of vital interest in a bright, attractive way. They will be read with interest by the older people as well, but will be of special help to the young.

SISTER BORROWDALE writes: "We find that through the circulation of *Good Health*, many enquiries are being made as to our mode of treatment. During the last week six persons have called at our house for advice. We feel our inability to deal with these cases, and the great need of a sanitarium in England where they might be helped."

BROTHER ROACH, who has been canvassing for a short time in London, has recently gone to Portsmouth to connect with the work there. We wish him success in his new field of labour. Brother Murphy, who attended school last winter, has gone to Leicester to canvass for "Great Controversy." Brother Douglas Armstrong is also leaving for that place, where he will introduce *Present Truth* and *Good Health*, give Bible readings, and thus prepare the way for the tent meeting to be conducted there this summer.

BROTHER EARLL writes from Kilmarnock: "Jane *Good Health* goes splendidly here. I just take it along with me whilst canvassing. Have managed to sell 101 copies and give one away during the last five days."

BROTHER REFLOGLE leaves for Belfast this week to assist in organising a vigorous health campaign in that city, and to act as head nurse in the bath and treatment rooms, which it is expected will soon be opened there.

THE members of the North London church listened to a very inspiring and helpful talk from Brother E. R. Palmer last Sabbath. A report of it will probably appear in an early number of the WORKER.

BROTHER A. L. HARTFORD writes from Belfast: "We are nicely located here, and have enjoyed some good meetings with the brethren. We have also begun canvassing with "Home Hand Book," and see no reason why it can not be handled successfully. From our experience during the last few days, we believe the health books can be sold as well here as in America."

DILIGENT search is being made in the vicinity of London for suitable premises in which to begin the health work. Let the members of the WORKER family join in earnest prayer that God may lead in this important matter, and no mistake be made. Let us also study the principles, and seek to carry them out as nearly as possible in our own homes. God has imparted light that we may walk in it.

WE are now able to give the whereabouts of the other canvassers who came over from America. Brethren Carscallen and Hartford are in Belfast, Brother James in Leeds, Brother and Sister Olmstead and Brother Bailey in Pembroke Dock, Wales. Brother Scott has been kept in London by the illness of his two children; he will soon be starting for Scotland, where he will join Brethren Taylor and Earl at Kilmarnock.

BOOK MATERIAL FUND.

J. Loveday £5; W. Inglis 2/6; a friend per Mr. Sisley £1; Wales per W. H. Meredith £1-1-0; Mrs. A. Ferguson 5/-; Mrs. Brown 6s; Johnnie Brown 6s; W. A. Britton 2/6; Leonard and Lily Vick 3/-; S. J. and Dora Jerome 5/8; Contributions previously acknowledged, 87-3-5½; Total contributions, £95-4-1½.