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THE CAMP-MEETING.

THE camp-meeting is one of the most important agencies in our work. It is one of the most effective methods of arresting the attention of the people, and reaching all classes with the Gospel invitation. The time in which we live is a time of intense excitement. Ambition and war, pleasure and moneymaking, absorb the minds of men. Satan sees that his time is short, and he has set all his agencies at work, that men may be deceived, deluded, occupied and entranced until probation shall be ended, and the door of mercy be for ever shut.

It is our work to give to the whole world,—to every nation, kindred, tongue and people,—the saving truths of the third angel's message But it has been a difficult problem to know how to reach the people in the great centres of population. We have been perplexed to know how to break through the barriers of worldliness and prejudice, and bring before the people the precious truth which means so much to them. The Lord bas instructed us that the camp meeting is one of the most important instrumentalities for the accomplishment of this work.

We must plan wisely, that the people may have an opportunity of hearing for themselves the last message of mercy to the world. The people should be warned to make ready for the great day of God, which is right upon them. We have no time to lose. We must do our utmost to reach men where they are. The world is now reaching the boundary line in impenitence and disregard for the laws of the government of God. In every city of our world the warning must be proclaimed. All that can be done should be done without delay.

And our camp-meetings have another object, preparatory to this. They are to promote spiritual life among our own people. The world in its wisdom knows not God. The world cannot see the beauty, the loveliness, the goodness, and the holiness of divine truth. And in order that men may understand this, there must be a channel through which it may come to the world. The church has been constituted that channel. Christ reveals Himself to us, that we may reveal Him to others. Through His people are to be manifested the riches and glory of His unspeakable gift.

God has committed to our hands a most sacred work, and we need to meet together to receive instruction, that we may be fitted to perform this work. We need to understand what part we shall individually be called upon to act in building up the cause of God in the earth, in vindicating God's holy law, and in lifting up the Savour as "the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world." John i. 29 We need to meet together and receive the divine touch, that we may understand our work Parents need to understand how they in the home. may send forth from the sanctuary of the home their sons and daughters so trained and educated that they will be fitted to shine as lights in the world. We need to understand in regard to the division of labour, and how each part of the work is to be carried forward. Each one should understand the part he is to act, that there may be harmony of plan and labour in the combined work of all.

MRS. E. G. WHITE.

CHRIST'S OBJECT LESSONS.

EACH week shows an increase of interest throughout Great Britain in the sale of Christ's Object Lessons.

Liverpool has ordered more than her quota, and by the time the *Worker* reaches its readers, they will doubtless all be sold, so faithfully have they set about it. Birkenhead leads all the other churches, having already sold an average of nine to each member, thanks to the great personal interest taken in the matter by Brother Altman.

Manchester have taken their stand with those who are planning to make quick work, and have ordered from the effice all the books due them. At Hull, we found an excellent spirit for work. When they found that there was yet 120 books to be sold as their share, they personally subscribed for the full amount in a few moments, and many could not remain silent, but rose and thanked God that He had allowed them to be labourers together with Him in helping to start a Missionary Training School in this country, that our young men and women may soon be entering the field as trained workers. Next week we hope to publish a list of the churches that have sold their full quota (six for each church member), and the churches that have ordered their full alloiment to be sent, holding themselves responsible for their disposal. We thank God for the spirit of work we find in many churches. H. R SALISBURY.

THROUGH the work for the relief of our schools a fourfold blessing will be realised,—a blessing to the schools, to the world, to the church, and to the workers.

While funds are gathered for the relief of the schools, the best reading matter is being placed in the hands of a large number of people, who, if this effort had not been made, would never have seen "Christ's Object Lessons." There are souls in desolate places who will be reached by this effort. The lessons drawn from the parables of our Saviour will be to very many as the leaves of the tree of life.

It is the Lord's design that "Christ's Object Lessons," with its precious instruction, shall unify the believers. The self-sacrificing efforts put forth by the members of our churches will prove a means of uniting them, that they may be sanctified, body, soul, and spirit, as vessels unto honour, prepared to receive the Holy Spirit. Those who seek to do God's will, investing every talent to the best advantage, will become wise in working for His kingdom. They will learn lessons of the greatest value, and they will feel the highest satisfaction of a rational mind. Peace and grace and power of intellect will be given them.

As they carry this book to those who need the instruction it contains, the workers will gain a precious experience. This work is a means of education. Those who will do their best as the Lord's helping hand to circulate "Christ's Object Lessons," will obtain an experience that will enable them to be successful labourers for God. Very many, through the training received in this work, will learn how to canvass for our larger books, which the people need so much.

All who engage in the work aright, cheerfully and hopefully, will find it a very great blessing. The Lord does not force any to engage in His work, but to those who place themselves decidedly on His side He will give a willing mind. He will bless all who work out the spirit which He works in. To such workers He will give favour and success. As field after field is entered, new methods, and new plans will spring from new circumstances. New thoughts will come with the new workers who give themselves to the work. As they seek the Lord for help, He will communicate with them. They will receive plans devised by the Lord Himself. Sculs will be converted, and money will come in. The workers will find waste places of the Lord's vineyard lying close beside fields that have been worked. Every field shows new places to win All that is done brings to light how much more still remains to be done.

MRS. E. G. WHITE.

A LETTER.

DEAR FELLOW-LABOURERS :--

After two years' absence I have thought I would like to address a few words to the readers of the WORKER, especially to the older canvassers and those who came within the sphere of my influence during my past intimate connection with the work in this field.

I am glad to see a strong effort being made to re-arrange the canvassing work so as to put it on a solid basis, and I believe the principles which are now being set in motion are well calculated to overcome the difficulties which I saw but did not know how to meet. I take to myself much of the blame that there should be so much meed of reform in our canvassing work ; for I cannot help but feel that had I been more faithful to my trust it would have been in a better state. I allowed myself to become discouraged and disheartened, which need not have been had I let the Spirit of God lead me to a more victorious Christian life in subduing my pride and the appetites of the flesh; however, the Lord has given me help on points where I have been weak, and I have felt my courage renewed. I can only trust His pardoning mercy for the past, and beg the forgiveness of my brethren and sisters, to whom I greatly fear I must have been a body of darkness rather than light.

My heart has been touched by the hearty welcome and expressions of confidence from all old friends. Let us take on fresh courage, knowing that the power which is giving us victory over our sins is the power which gives us strength for the work.

Yours hopefuliy,

G. W. BAILEY.

NEWPORT. I.W.

^{*}SINCE my return from the Conference I have had in my work many blessed experiences, but time and space will not permit me to relate all the privileges I have had as a worker with the Lord of witnessing.

It is with pleasure I write to say that the tract by Mrs. Waggoner entitled "Why not have the Victory" was the means of my gaining an entrance into a home I otherwise would not have done. The lady of the above mentioned home,

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thinking I was begging for money said "If it's money you want, I have none. I told her no, but had something I thought might interest her, if she would allow me to show her. While saying this the door was nearly closed and as a last resource I handed her the above mentioned tract; with that I was asked to come in and wait until she had read it, and though not successful in taking an order or selling anything, I was treated kindly and she would have me partake of some fruit while waiting and also a basket of roses to call for in the evening.

Many of my orders this week and the past have been taken with tears. It is indeed most encouraging, when with God's help we can get people to see, that it is not unto us they give their orders, (for we are but the instruments used by Him) but unto the Lord for it is His work we are doing. How thankful I feel that God has permitted me to have a part in forwarding the message of truth and love to all who are willing to accept it. May God help us all to realise our responsibilities and that we are not out merely to sell books, but to be soul winners for Him, which gives us a good opportunity of showing our gratitude for what He has done for us. Jos. i. 9.

E. A. LOAL.

THE closer we keep to Christ, and the more meek and lowly and self-distructful we are, the firmer will be our hold on Christ, and the greater will be our power, through Christ, to convert sinners; for it is not the human agent that moves the soul. Heavenly intelligences co-operate with the human agent, and impress the truth upon the heart."

LEICESTER.

I AM very much encouraged with the work here in Leicester, and am getting a good experience in handling Present Truth and Good Health. I find it a very good way to secure openings for Bible studies and have interesting talks with the people. I went out the other day with a few Good Health I had left, and sold over thirty in less than one hour-Tais was my first experience in selling Good Health, and I can say I received a great blessing.

Brother Amos has kindly opened his house for meetings, and we have good times, realising the power of the Spirit of God in our midst. We are rather disappointed, having looked forward to a tent effort in this place. Yet we know all things work together for good. We have meetings on Sabbath and during the week. Our courage is good, and we hope to see a greater work done here in the near future by the power of God.

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BRUTHER EARLL writing from Newmilnes where he has been canvassing some weeks says,—" I have never been so prospered as during the last few days."

MR EDDIE SPICER of East Dalwich, London has gone to Deal to spend a few months, and is doing excellent work with *Good Health* among the inhabitants of that town and the seaside visitors.

BROTHER J. W. CLARK sends in some encouraging experiences that he has had in handling *Present Truth.* He met a lady not long ago who was greatly helped through reading the article on Spiritualism. Before reading this article, she had always had a fear of the dead. This same lady, he says, at first refused to take the paper, and it was some time before she became a regular customer. This illustrates the value of following up the work with faithful effort.

BROTHER E. SMEDLY who has recently begun canvassing at Grimsby with "Christ's Object Lessons" writes,—"I have experienced the Lord's presence and blessing this week. He has given me an entrance into the homes of the people in a way that leads me to see as never before, that this work has God behind it. I met one lady who had had two of our books and was glad to give me an order for "Christ's Object Lessons" because it was from the 'same people' as she expressed it."

WE have recently received a letter from Brother Redhead of Kettering. He says among other things : . " I was at the seaside two weeks ago just for the week-end, from Friday to Tuesday, and took with me forty copies of Good Health I went out on Sunday morning to a good class of villa residences and sold them all very readily indside of two hours and I wished I had forty more. Even where servants came to the door, and the papers had to be sent in for perusal, they invariably brought the money back, and quite often for two copies." We hope that other friends going to the seaside, will use the opportunity to spread the knowledge of these life-giving principles. We are sure that they will realise a blessing in so doing. The July number of Good Health with its three large half-tone engravings showing what to do in cases of drowning, is eminently suitable for circulation amongst the seaside visitors, as accidents of this kind are so common.

THE CANVASSERS' REPORT.

THE Canvassers' Report which appears on the other side of the page is not by any means full and complete, since the reports had not all come to hand at the time of making it out, but we expect to have a much better one for July, and here make a special request that every one of our book workers will report promptly at the beginning of every week.

We have now a supply of new report blanks which we would be glad if our book agents would use in place of the old ones. If there are any who have not yet received a supply, kindly write to the office for them. Apart from the interest it gives us to know how our workers are prospering, the particulars called for in the weekly blanks are all necessary for the proper carrying on of the work of publishing and handling the books, so we trust that all will keep this in mind when reporting.

CALCUTTA.

I enjoy my work here very much. There is no better place in the world to live and work for souls. The opportunities here are without number. A few days ago I went to Wellington Square to distribute some copies of the Oriental Watchman among the English-speaking native students who congregate there every evening. Their hands were stretched out from all directions to obtain a copy, and so I had soon none left, and could only comfort them by telling them that I would come again soon, and bring a larger supply. Then as there were a large number gathered about I had a good chance to tell them something of the Gospel of the Kingdom, to which they listened, many of them I suppose for the first time. There is a large field here among those who speak English."

It is indeed encouraging to know that there is such a desire for reading matter on the part of these educated natives. Let the prayers of the *Worker* family be offered continually for the progress of the message in India, and for the safety and well-being of our faithful missionaries there.

THOSE expecting to attend the General Meeting should write at once to Bro. Bacon, at 451 Holloway Road.

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