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## A Morning Prayer.

LORD, I my vows to Thee renew :  
Disperse my sins as morning dew ;  
Guard my first springs of thought and will,  
And with Thyself my spirit fill,

Direct, control, suggest this day  
All I design to do or say,  
That all my powers, with all their might,  
In Thy sole glory may unite.

—Selected.

## The Distribution of Literature.

IN the days of the great Reformation, when the princes assembled at the Diet of Spires, it seemed that the hope of the world was about to be crushed out. To this assembly was presented the Emperor's decree restricting religious liberty, and prohibiting all further dissemination of the reformed doctrines. Would the princes representing the States of Germany accept the decree, and consent that the blessed light of the Gospel should be shut out from the multitudes that were still in darkness? Mighty issues for the world depended upon the action of a few heroes of faith. Those who had accepted the truths of the Reformation met together, and their unanimous decision was, "Let us reject the decree. In matters of conscience the majority has no power." And they drew up their protest, and submitted it to the assembled States.

The banner of truth which these reformers held aloft God has in this last conflict committed to our hands. Those whom He has blessed with the knowledge of His Word are held responsible for this great gift.

Those reformers, whose protest has given us the name of Protestants, felt that God had called them to give the light of the Gospel to the world, and in doing this they were ready to sacrifice their possessions, their liberty, and their own lives. Are we, in this last conflict of the great controversy, as faithful to our trust as were the early reformers to theirs? In face of persecution and death, the truth was spread far and near. The Word of God was carried to the people; and all classes, high

and low, rich and poor, learned and ignorant, eagerly studied it for themselves; and those who received the light became, in their turn, messengers to impart it. In those days the truth was brought home to the people through the press. Luther's pen was a power, and his writings, scattered broadcast, stirred the world.

The same agencies are at our command, with facilities multiplied a hundredfold. Bibles, publications in many languages, setting forth the truth for this time, are at our hand, and can be swiftly carried to every part of the world. We are to give the last warning of God to men, and what should be our earnestness in studying the Bible, and zeal in spreading the light? Let every soul who has received the divine illumination seek to impart it. Let the workers go from house to house, opening the Bible to the people, circulating the publications, telling others of the light that has blessed their own souls. The preaching of the Word will have power in reaching a class who would not receive the truth through reading; but the ministers are few, and where the living preacher cannot go, the published truth can reach. Personal effort will accomplish far more than could be accomplished without it.

The truth must be proclaimed in the dark places of the earth. Obstacles must be met and surmounted. A great work is to be done, and those who know the truth should make mighty intercessions for help now. The love of Christ must be diffused in their own hearts. The Spirit of Christ must be poured out upon them, and they must be making ready to stand in the judgment. While they are consecrating themselves to God, a convincing power will attend their efforts to present the truth to others. We must sleep no longer on Satan's enchanted ground, but call into requisition all our resources, availing ourselves of every facility with which Providence has furnished us. The last warning is to be proclaimed "before many peoples, and nations, and tongues, and kings"; and the promise is given, "Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world."

MRS. E. G. WHITE.

## The Value of Tract Work.—No. 5.

### Methods of Work.

THERE are many different ways of doing tract work. But the chief element in all successful distribution of tracts is prayerful simplicity. Tract work should be done as the dew falls,—constantly, copiously, and quietly. One of the main points to which I would call attention is a devoted alertness. When a person is doing really solid work for God with tracts, every letter box, every shop counter, every booking office, every open pocket, every standing carriage or cart, every caller, every visit, every letter, every railway ride provides an opportunity for sowing the incorruptible seed of the Word.

If your heart is in the business you will often be able to *invent new ways* of getting the tracts into the hands of the people. Remember the words of the wise man,—

“In the morning sow thy seed, and in the evening withhold not thine hand: for thou knowest not whether [that is, *which*] shall prosper, either this or that, or whether they both shall be alike good.”

This simply means, “Keep everlastingly at it, and you’re sure of a crop.” The passage of Scripture quoted is really a divine statement of approval of the well-known law of general averages, applied to spiritual things. You must invest your energies in many different classes of human souls. Some will reject and some will respond to your efforts. Some will treat your message with contempt, and some will welcome it and be saved. But THOU knowest not which shall prosper, either this or that. Thy duty is simply to sow the seed on all kinds of ground, and leave God to give the increase.

Sometimes the harvest comes soon; sometimes it is so long as severely to test one’s patience. But work in faith, “Cast thy bread upon the waters [and “the waters which thou savest . . . are peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues,”] for thou shalt find it after many days.” If we do the *sowing* we are entitled to the blessing. And God’s sowers have the sweet benediction, “Blessed are ye that sow beside all waters.” Notice the blessing is for those who sow beside ALL waters. Clean waters, dirty waters, perfumed waters, and offensive waters, coloured waters, white waters,—all men are to hear the message.

Gospel tracts, filled with the seed of the Word pithily and pointedly written, supply one of the very best means of reaching all classes. Experience has demonstrated this in very many instances. How shall we use them? Take one street at a time and leave tracts at every house. Revisit once a week and exchange for all who will accept further reading. Go out on the busy streets at night when people are at leisure, and give away small, cheap tracts and leaflets stamped with your address, so that interested persons can obtain more.

Obtain lists of men and women in different professions,—doctors, lawyers, school teachers, etc.,—and send them suitable tracts by post.

Attend large gatherings of Christian people, and distribute well chosen tracts to the people as they come out. Drop a tract into the many carriages that stand waiting for their owners in every street. Visit the cabstands and greet the cabmen cheerily, handing each a good tract. Go to the markets on “market days” and give the country people a tract. Put them in their wagons; visit free libraries, Y.M.C.A. reading-rooms and similar places, quietly scattering our best tracts. Get up a singing band if you have no minister, and go out and sing the Gospel in song for half an hour, until a number of people gather, then promptly give them all a good tract, close with prayer, and go home.

These are a few suggestive ways by which you can scatter the tracts like autumn leaves. “Work for the night is coming.”

ALEXANDER RITCHIE.

## Modern Revivals.

I SHOULD like to draw the attention of our brethren and sisters to the following lines, found in “Great Controversy,” page 464, in the chapter on “Modern Revivals”:

“Before the final visitation of God’s judgments upon the earth there will be among the people of the Lord such a revival of primitive godliness as has not been witnessed since apostolic times. The Spirit and power of God will be poured out upon His children. At that time many will separate themselves from those churches in which the love of this world has supplanted love for God and His Word. Many, both of ministers and people, will gladly accept those great truths which God has caused to be proclaimed at this time, to prepare a people for the Lord’s second coming. The enemy of souls desires to hinder this work; and before the time for such a movement shall come, he will endeavour to prevent it by introducing a counterfeit. In those churches which he can bring under his deceptive power, he will make it appear that God’s special blessing is poured out; there will be manifest what is thought to be great religious interest. Multitudes will exult that God is working marvellously for them, when the work is that of another spirit. Under a religious guise, Satan will seek to extend his influence over the Christian world.”

Satan is now preparing his counterfeit in this land, and I earnestly pray that none of God’s people may be deceived. At the same time, shall we not seek the Lord for that revival of primitive godliness among the people of the Lord that will bring us the outpouring of the “latter rain”?

M. BARNARD.

### Gospel Order.

[IN recent numbers of the WORKER we have briefly outlined the duties of several officers of an organised church. But the subject of Gospel order embraces much more than this, and is deserving of careful study; for the better it is understood and carried out the more harmonious and efficient will be the working of the church and all its members. To this end we place before the reader a selection from the writings of Sister White, "Early Writings," pages 12-15. We ask the reader to give this very careful study.—O. A. OLSEN.]

THE Lord has shown that Gospel order has been too much feared and neglected. Formality should be shunned, but, in so doing, order should not be neglected. There is order in heaven. There was order in the church when Christ was upon earth, and after His departure order was strictly observed among His apostles. And now in these last days, when God is bringing His children into the unity of the faith, there is more real need of order than ever before; for as God unites His children, Satan and his evil angels are very busy to prevent this unity and to destroy it. Therefore men are hurried into the field who lack wisdom and judgment, perhaps not ruling well their own house, and not having order or government over the few that God has given them charge of at home; yet they feel capable of having charge of the flock. They make many wrong moves, and those unacquainted with our faith judge all the messengers to be like these self-sent men, and the cause of God is reproached, and the truth shunned by many unbelievers who would otherwise be candid, and anxiously inquire, Are these things so?

Men whose lives are not holy, and who are unqualified to teach present truth, enter the field without being acknowledged by the church or brethren generally, and confusion and disunion are the result. Some have a theory of the truth, and can present the argument, but lack spirituality, judgment, and experience; they fail in many things which it is very necessary for them to understand before they can teach the truth. Others have not the argument, but because a few brethren hear them pray well and give an exciting exhortation now and then, they are pressed into the field to engage in a work for which God has not qualified them, and for which they have not sufficient experience and judgment. Spiritual pride comes in, they are lifted up, and act under the deception of thinking that they are labourers. . . .

These self-sent messengers are a curse to the cause. Honest souls put confidence in them, thinking that they are moving in the counsel of God, and that they are in union with the church, and therefore suffer them to administer the ordinances and, as duty is made plain that they must do their first works, allow themselves to be led down into the water and to be baptized by them.

But when light comes, as it surely will, and they are aware that these men are not what they understood them to be,—God's called and chosen messengers,—they are thrown into trial and doubt as to the truth they have received, and feel that they must learn it all over again. . . . It is much more wearing to the spirits of God's messengers to go into places where those have been who have exerted this wrong influence than to enter new fields. God's servants have to deal plainly, act openly, and not cover up wrongs; for they are standing between the living and the dead, and must render an account of their faithfulness, their mission, and the influence they exert over the flock of which the Lord has made them overseers.

Those who receive the truth and are brought into such trials would have had the truth the same if these men had stayed away and filled the humble place the Lord designed for them. God's eye was upon His jewels, and He would have directed to them His called and chosen messengers—men who would have moved understandingly. The light of truth would have shone and discovered to these souls their true position, and they would have received it understandingly and been satisfied with its beauty and clearness.

### With Our Books.

*Dear Fellow Workers:—*

The past week, although wet and stormy, has been a very encouraging one to those who are privileged to read the good reports sent in from the different parts of the great harvest field. Believing that some brief extracts will be interesting to you, and hoping that others will be so encouraged as they read that they too will heed the Master's command, "Son, go work to-day in My vineyard," I quote from a few of the letters received. Brother Bailey writes from Guernsey:—

"I take pleasure in being able to send a report of a few orders taken this week: eleven for 'Patriarchs and Prophets,' worth £4 14s. I have enjoyed a little of the old time freedom in meeting the people."

Brother Yarrow says:—

"I must thank you for placing me with Brother Bailey; the Lord is blessing me in many ways, and with orders according to my faith,—six for 'Patriarchs and Prophets,' worth £2 7s. Friday morning I worked hard and took but one order. Then the words of Luke v. 5, 6, and Matt. vii. 9-11 came to my mind, and being in a country place I prayed to their Author. In less than an hour and a half I had booked two more orders; one for a 9s. 6d. copy, and the other for 7s. 6d. I thank God for them as a direct answer to my prayer."

Brother Olmstead, writing on Wednesday the 15th inst., says:—

“The Lord has blessed me very much lately for the time I have put in. Yesterday I was out and the Lord blessed me with seven orders in seven hours: one morocco, one gilt, and five marble ‘Bible Readings,’ value £3 2s. To the Lord be all the praise and the glory, for He it is that does the work.”

Brother A. Rodd writes: “I am going to give special attention to canvassing for ‘Home Hand-Book’ until the first of June.” Brother Rodd reports ten hours’ work; and eight orders amounting to £8 4s.

At Catford the Lord has blessed Brother Ritchie with some very promising young people. Recently four of them have begun canvassing: Brother H. S. Peirce, Brother Albert Savage and his sister, and Sister M. E. Parr. Brother Peirce has been quite successful since he started, as you will notice from the tabulated report in the last WORKER. In twelve days he took fifty-three orders, amounting to £7 9s. 7d. Brother Savage, writing on the 17th inst. says, “I am very glad to say that I have done much better this week, having taken £3 10s. 8d. worth of orders. But for the stormy weather I should have done even better.”

Brother G. W. Short, of Ulceby, after delivering twenty-eight copies of “Patriarchs and Prophets” writes: “My delivery is fair, considering the shortness of the work. Had it been more abundant I do not think I should have lost more than one.”

Brother C. Dyer sends in the Scotch workers’ reports, which are nearly all for large books. Total value reported for one week, £52 3s. 7d., during which time they also delivered books to the value of £46 15s. 2d. Truly the Lord is using these brethren to accomplish great good with our large publications.

Brethren, the work is moving rapidly. Let us pray for grace to keep pace with it, and ask the Lord what He would have us do.

S. JOYCE.

[Since writing the above we have received a second word from Brethren Bailey and Yarrow. They have almost doubled their first reports. Brother Bailey reports £8 0s. 4d., and Brother Yarrow £5 16s. Accompanying his report are the following words from Brother Yarrow.

“I cannot express to you my thankfulness for the way in which the Lord has blessed me this week. He has given me such an assurance of His loving care over me that I feel my indebtedness to Him more and more each day; and with my growing love toward Him my energy in His service increases.”

S. J.]

## Scotland.

OUR Field Committee held a meeting on Tuesday, February 28th. We were also favoured with the counsels of Brethren MacLay, Miller and Dyer. Numerous items of importance were considered, and among other actions taken it was decided to equip and run two tents the coming summer. The exact location of the efforts was not decided. Brethren Knight and Miller will be with one effort, and Elder MacLay and the writer will work with the other.

Sisters Taylor and J. Archibald have been invited to connect with the work in the capacity of Bible workers. Sister Taylor has already been doing considerable such work on a self-supporting plan, but now takes up work under the direction and employment of the Field Committee.

Brother Earnest Taylor will also connect with one of the tent efforts on a partially self-supporting basis.

On February 3-5 we were with Brother Baird and sisters. During this time we were privileged to speak four times in the school-house to large and attentive audiences. As we presented the truths regarding the Sabbath of the Lord the interest was very marked, and we believe that this will be a good place for further effort and that results will be seen.

On March 1st we were called to address a large meeting in Greenock. An interest in some of our truths had been awakened by Brother Dyer, who has given several addresses there. Spiritualism was discussed from a Bible standpoint, and from the stir since aroused we believe the Lord will use these efforts to arouse the people of Greenock to know the source of this baneful doctrine. A challenge to discuss the matter is now before us, but as yet no steps to that end have been taken.

Brother MacLay writes from Kirkcaldy, as follows:—

“We feel encouraged concerning the Sunday night meetings. The attendance is increasing and we have lately been reinforced by an organist and some additional singers. The faithful ones who are in attendance at all the services are growing in a knowledge of the Lord and the truth. There is a better attendance at the Sabbath-school and a deeper interest in the study of the lessons. We praise the Lord for what has been done, and shall press on with renewed zeal and earnestness.”

W. A. WESTWORTH.

### Spain.

YOU will rejoice to know that the work is onward in this field, though slowly. Our tithes so far this year are greater than for the previous quarter, and the few who are keeping the commandments of God are learning the blessedness of giving and of seeking to win others to a knowledge of the truth.

Next month we hope to send two of our young men to our college in Switzerland; thus in due time we shall have native workers.

I am now quite well, though I feel weak at times in my right lung when it rains. I hope, however, that this too will become stronger.

People here are very ignorant regarding the laws of health, and as a result the mortality is high. We visited a town recently where five women died in one house in six weeks. Pray with us that the health work may soon be established in Spain.

Yours faithfully,

Barcelona.

W. ROBINSON.

### Wales.

IMMEDIATELY on my return from the British Union Conference meeting, I went to Abertillery, where several were awaiting baptism. We journeyed to Cwmnantgam near Brynmawr, and there in the river just below the Llanelly Wells, we baptized seven precious souls. A large attendance of the village people made the service very interesting.

The place is one of the sights of Wales. The river runs madly at the bottom of a deep gulch, which is covered with trees of different varieties. The pool in which the baptism took place was a little difficult to get at because of the almost perpendicular bank. But we were all glad for the opportunity of witnessing to the truth.

We are glad to report progress at Barry Dock. Several have taken their stand for the truth during the last few weeks. The bulk of the work here has fallen on Brother Halliday and Sister Swann; as I am called away so much to visit the other companies.

From Brother Rodd I hear of new converts at Swansea. Much blessing has come to the friends at Swansea and Abertillery through his ministry, which places he visits on alternate Sabbath days, being busy with his canvassing work during the week. Brother Rodd takes the service at Pontypridd, where he now makes his home, on Sunday evenings.

From Newport I hear of the Lord's continued blessing, and all are of good courage.

Last evening (Sunday) I was at Cardiff, where we had a good meeting. I was glad to see several present, whom I had seen at the meetings held by Brother Washburn years ago. These still lean towards the truth, and we pray that they may not delay in obedience until too late.

We have planned for Brother Farnsworth to visit in Wales as follows, during his short stay with us: Abertillery the 5th, Pontypridd the 6th, Abertillery the 7th and 8th, Newport the 9th and 10th, Barry Dock the 11th and Cardiff the 12th.

Allow me in closing to speak of a little girl here, only ten years old, who went out on Sunday and sold twenty-one copies of the "Outcome." She is overjoyed that she can have a part in the work. Always remember the work in Wales in your prayers.

W. H. MEREDITH.

### Sabbath Campaign Literature.

A FEW weeks ago a letter was prepared by our ministers in Washington, U.S.A., and sent to all the clergy of the city, and published in the *Washington Post*, one of the most influential papers of the country. The letter was a protest against certain religious legislation that was pending in Congress, and gave in a most convincing style the Bible truth of the Sabbath.

The letter was later printed in the form of an eight-page tract and sent broadcast throughout the country. About 250,000 copies have already been sold, and a grand work is being accomplished.

Our own Sabbath Campaign Committee after carefully considering the matter, have decided to adapt this tract to this field in order to meet the issue before us. We have entitled it "The Lord's Day," and made the price four a penny, with the usual discount to our people.

As we stated in the last WORKER, the campaign in favour of Sunday will be begun in June next; and until then we ought to improve every opportunity of getting our truths into the hands of the people. If our literature is ever to be scattered like the autumn leaves, it will be by taking advantage of these periods when public attention is especially fixed upon some subject which the Lord has given us light upon.

We hope, therefore, that the new tract, "The Lord's Day," will be scattered by thousands, and that before this "godless Sunday Campaign" is closed our literature will have penetrated into every part of the kingdom, and borne witness to the true Sabbath before thousands of men and women in every walk of life.

### The Work at Catford, London.

It is a little over eight months since we opened up work at Catford in southeast London. July 10th we began tent work. It was hard at first to gain the ears of the people. We put forth all the ingenuity we possessed to stir them, but it was long before they responded. The tent meetings lasted until about October 15th, when about fourteen souls had taken their stand to keep the Sabbath. This number has since been increased to about twenty-five.

From the middle of October until the end of February we held Sabbath and Sunday meetings in Sangley Hall, with no week-night meetings. This was because we could not afford to pay for the hall every night, and besides it was otherwise engaged.

The Week of Prayer was a profitable season to us all. We had day meetings for prayer alone and night meetings for prayer and the readings. Five different brethren and sisters took part as readers, and the prayer meetings were held in six different homes. We believe all were blessed and benefited.

The Lord has now provided us with a more central and commodious hall in which to worship. It is under our own control, and we are planning to carry on our work on a broader basis.

Monday evening has been set apart for a health institute, Wednesday and Friday evening for public Bible studies, Sabbath morning at 10.30 we hold our Sabbath-school, which now numbers between thirty-five and forty. In the afternoon we hold the regular Sabbath service. Sunday afternoon we have started a Sunday-school, with a "Question Bible Class" for adults, to which people are invited to bring their difficulties and problems about the Scriptures.

Every Sunday night we have two successive preaching services, one at 6.30 and the other at 8 o'clock. Catford is the first place in which I have ever tried this idea, and it has been a complete success. Practically the whole of the first audience remain to the second service.

We had a most enjoyable time at the opening of our new hall. Elder Olsen preached an appropriate discourse, the four Brethren Armstrong helped us with both vocal and instrumental music, and Master Eddie Furniss rendered most efficient help at the piano, his pianoforte solo being much appreciated.

We have a most useful auxiliary in our faithful Dorcas society. This has made clothing for the poor, attended the sick, provided coal for the fireless, made Christmas puddings for a number of families, and in every possible way has cared for the needy. Four families of us have made soup for about fourteen families four days a week for some months.

The church has put out over 5,000 tracts since the New Year came in, and to-day we thank God with all our hearts that a good interest exists. Mrs. Ritchie finds all the opportunities for Bible work she can fill.

Every day is well filled with appointments for Bible studies, and her work in instructing the interested ones is much appreciated. People are still stepping out on the Lord's side, and we expect to have a baptism soon.

Two things we need: first, we want all the clean copies of *Youths' Instructor* and *Little Friend* we can get for our Sunday-school; and secondly, we want money with which to buy tracts. Any whose heart the Lord stirs to help us in either of these ways, can send their gifts to the writer, addressed as below.

Brethren and sisters, pray for us.

Yours in service,

15 Ardfillan Road, ALEXANDER RITCHIE.  
Catford, London, S.E.

### The Common Sense Method.

THOUGH Nature speaks to us God's word with a silent voice, yet it is one which cannot be gainsaid.

Taking the apple-tree as an example, we see that it devotes its whole time, energies, and capabilities, also utilises all the blessings Heaven bestows upon it, simply and solely to produce apples. It cannot do otherwise, for as Dr. Watts says: "God hath made them so"; and as it accomplishes this one task, it quite fulfils its mission in Nature, and does all that God expects of it.

Paul speaks in unmistakable language of the necessity of each Gospel worker going forward in his special line. Rom. xii. 6-8.

The saying is as true to-day as when Brother E. M. Morrison said fourteen years ago, "The man who runs after two hares, is sure to succeed in catching neither." However, this illustrates the "Common Sense" method of success.

All who would excel in the sale of our excellent large books, must make up their minds on the start to lay aside the sale of our excellent papers and small books, and devote their whole time, attention, and powers to the sale of the one large book in which they are specially and intelligently interested, and which has proved a personal blessing to themselves. Unless this is done, the attention and interest will be divided, and we shall fail, as many others have done.

But God's blessing will rest upon all who follow the "Common Sense" method, and success will be the sure result. Such canvassers are as happy and freeminded as the birds that flit around them, having the sweet consciousness that in the faithful performance of this one work they are doing what heaven expects of them.

G. W. SHORT.

## Crofton Park, S.E.

Dear Brethren:—

God is good; He has given me success at every step, as He has promised to all who will serve and trust Him. During the past year I have had good times canvassing with *Present Truth*. One lady with whom I often have a good talk, now believes in the true state of the dead, and is also looking for the second coming of our dear Lord. She has bought a copy each of "Daniel and the Revelation," "His Glorious Appearing," and several other small books.

A short time ago one of my customers told me that a friend of hers wished to see me; I went and told the lady that Mrs. — had asked me to call. She said that it was so, and that she wanted to tell me something about our paper: recently when her washing was returned home, among the wrappers were two leaves of *Present Truth*. She said, "I read them and liked them so much that I tried to find out from whom I might get a copy each week, but failed until I mentioned it to my friend, Mrs. —. 'Oh!' she said, 'I have taken it regularly for weeks, but have said nothing to you as I did not feel that you would take any interest in anything of the kind.'"

A verger of the Church of England living close to my home, takes *Present Truth* every week. One Sunday, a gentleman lodger answered the door and said that he liked it "very much indeed," and that he would also take one each week. He thought the paper ought to be in every home in the district, and promised to do all he could to make it so. He is a Sunday-school teacher, and asked me if we published a health journal—he had been taking Macfadden's *Physical Development*, but it was not quite what he wished,—I took a copy of *Good Health* out of my pocket and gave it to him, asking him to let me know the following Sunday what he thought of it. The next Sunday he said it was the very journal he had been wanting, and that he would take one each month.

One day while a brother and myself were out canvassing for "Christ Our Saviour," we came to a road called — Park, with this notice up: "NOTICE.—Private Property. No Beggars, Hawkers, or Such Like Persons are allowed to pursue their calling in this Park, and if found so doing will be dealt with according to law. By order of the Proprietor."

We stopped to consider for a moment or two whether we should be classed as "such like persons." We knew that if all roads had similar notices up, and we took heed of them it would take a long time for us to work the country. We started up the road, and for the first thirty or forty houses the people would hardly listen to us for half a minute; but before we had finished the road we had taken over nine orders. The houses are very large and stand in their own grounds.

At one house I knocked at the door, and was answered by one of the maids who called the other three to see the book also. But before I

had finished canvassing them their mistress came to the door and said, "How dare you stand at the door like that," and then turning to me, said very haughtily, "I do not require that, and besides I never think of buying at the door." "Excuse me," I said, "but you do not know yet what it is about, and I know that you *do* need it very much." "Well, I can't help it if I do, but if you wish to talk to me you will have to come in and *not* stand at the door." I stepped inside the hall and we went into a drawing-room. After canvassing her she gave me an order. When the servant was showing me out she said, "Has mistress ordered one?" I told her she had, and she said, "I shall be able to have one, too."

One day while canvassing along an old country lane, I took a rest on an old fence in front of a haystack. While sitting there a farm labourer came along and I handed him one of the new six page folders, "What Shall Be the Sign?" To my surprise he got over the gate by my side and began working at the stack, cutting it into trusses. He called to me to come and sit on the hay with him as it would be more comfortable than the fence. I did so, and when he had read the tract, he said, "Wonderful! I shouldn't have thought it," and asked if I had one of the books, ("His Glorious Appearing," advertised on the tract) that I could let him have. I sold him a copy, and while he was looking at it he saw the advertisement of "Christ Our Saviour," and asked whether I could let him have one of them also.

We do not know what a small tract will accomplish. Whenever I am given an order I leave a copy of "What Shall Be the Sign?" and often when I deliver the book I am asked for "His Glorious Appearing," advertised on the tract. I should advise others to try the same method.

At one large house I sold "Christ Our Saviour" to each of the four maids and one to the coachman. At another the lady of the house, after I had given her a catalogue, asked me to call each month for orders.

These are just a few of my experiences, but they show what the Lord can do even through a young beginner. HUGH S. PEIRCE.

A MINISTER once asked a little boy who had been converted, "Does not the devil tell you that you are not a Christian?"

"Yes, sir, sometimes."

"Well, what do you say to him?"

"I tell him," replied the boy, with something of Luther's spirit, "that whether I am a Christian or not, it's none of his business."—*Selected.*

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### Sunset Calendar.

Friday, March 31st, 6.28.

" April 7th, 6.40.

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IN our report of the British Union Conference meeting in our last WORKER we mentioned Wm. Cunningham as being chosen to act as a member of the board of local management of the Belfast Sanitarium. The name should read Andrew Cunningham.

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BROTHER A. RODD writes from Swansea that "a dear brother who has been on the verge of accepting the Sabbath for about three years, last week took his stand upon God's precious promises. He will canvass and will make a faithful worker."

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THE April *Good Health* is full, as usual, of bright, interesting reading. Mrs. E. E. Kellogg's illustrated article on "Housework and Physical Culture," "Preparing for the Little One," which deals with "the making of baby's wardrobe," by Dr. Sisley-Richards, Dr. Bryce's "Waste and Repair of the Body," and "Care of the Teeth," by Dr. Bell, are worthy of special mention. We are sure the *Good Health* agents will find it a good number for their work.

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THERE is a paper on present truth printed in Fiji in the native language. There are also tracts and two books, "Bible Readings" and "Great Controversy," published in Fijian. Elder J. E. Fulton one of our missionaries to Fiji, says that several of the ordained native preachers not of our faith, get the framework of their sermons from "Bible Readings," and go to "Great Controversy" to find what they need in the way of illustration.—*Southern Watchman*.

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WE are glad to see the interest that has been taken in the Sabbath-school lessons of the past quarter. The following testimony from one of our sisters can be voiced by many, we are certain:—

"I should like to express my thanks for the benefit I have received from our Sabbath-school lesson book this quarter on health reform. For over four years I have heard some good health lectures and had good advice given me. But I never saw the subject as I do now, for now I see it from the standpoint of God's Word. For this I thank Him."

## Tract Work at Deal.

A FEW weeks since we quoted the following from a letter received from Brother James C. Steward, of Deal:—

"Hitherto I have confined myself to giving tracts, etc., to friends, and in the last few weeks have put papers through the doors of houses in my neighbourhood. But now by the grace of God I trust to invite personally the people here to read them, as it is my heart's desire to see the truth spread in this town."

Brother Steward has already begun this work, and we take the following from a letter ordering tracts:—

"I have had very good success in my first efforts, and have secured a nice number of readers. This is, I am sure, the very best work I could have taken up, and can see blessings coming.

"On leaving a tract at the house of a Christian brother I was surprised to hear from his own lips that he had seen plainly while at Hong Kong that God's Sabbath is the seventh and not the first day. But the circumstances that he was then in seemed to make it impossible for him to step out, and he failed to stand for the truth. I praise God for revealing this to me, as I can now pray for him that he may receive boldness to take the step into the glorious truth that we rejoice in. This experience has shown me how important this house-to-house work is."

IN a recent letter Brother Normansel, of Birmingham, says that he is having many interesting experiences and is experiencing many blessings in his work of circulating *Good Health*. He writes: "Three weeks ago I came across a lady who did not even give me time to speak about *Good Health*, but simply took it from my hand, and told me to be sure and call every month, as she wanted it very much. She said that when she was home her mother took *Good Health*, but that since leaving home she had not been able to obtain it. It cheers us to see that there are eager souls who are seeking after light, and encourages us to be up and doing, especially when we know how short the time is."

E. E. H.

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WILL the young man from near Wigan who sent me one shilling for the "£200 Reward" tracts kindly forward his address? I have mislaid his letter, and so am not able to send them. STANLEY HOSKING, 14 York Road, Kettering.