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Royal Service.

To do for others in some sort
What Thou hast done for me;
Since in such work Thy saints have found
A closer walk with Thee,
This will my Father glorify;
This, happiness will bring,
For, serving others, I shall find
The way to serve my King.

—Emma Stewart.

"Too Many Appeals."

NOT long ago someone said, "The appeals for money in behalf of the cause are too numerous." It is a fact that the supply is never equal to the need. The work is like a sturdy, growing boy whose clothes are always too small. The spread of the Message demands a steady, ever-increasing flow of pounds into the Lord's treasury.

Suppose we look at the other side of this question. Are we called upon to give to the cause of God more often than we call upon God for gifts? We daily receive bread from Him. Every night in the year we lie down to sleep under His protecting care. He overrules every daily experience to our good. We hold out our hands to Him in every trial, in every perplexity, in every moment of need. Would we be content with one blessing a week, or even one a day? With all this constant cry to Him for that which He can give us, does He complain that we ask too often?—Oh, no! He says, "Ask, and it shall be given you." Our God anticipates our needs, and daily bestows upon us countless gifts. "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits: who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases; who redeemeth thy life from destruction; who crowneth thee with loving-kindness and tender mercies; who satisfieth thy mouth with good things; so that thy youth is renewed like the eagle's."

"Too many appeals for means"? Do we forget that we are only stewards? The money or property we have, we only hold in trust for the Lord. It is all His. Is it not proper that He should say how this should be invested? He is a safe Adviser. Not a penny was ever

lost that was invested as He directed. If His cause demands an offering every day, we cannot honestly refuse; and we have no reason for being surprised or offended, or for feeling that the demand is an unjust one. We are the Lord's, and the gold and silver are all His, and the only safe thing for us to do is to use the money as He says. We need never be afraid of giving more than is needed. There is only one recorded instance of this kind, and then word was sent to the people that enough had been given. The Lord would surely restrain us from giving more than is needed, as he did the people in olden times.

The churches in Macedonia seem to have given without waiting for appeals. It is written that they prayed the Apostle Paul "with much entreaty" to receive their gifts, and it appears that they were poor people, but gave liberally. In these days if appeals are not made, the gifts fall off in number and amount. A statement in "Testimonies," No. 31, says, "When you are weary of receiving, then you may say, I am weary of so many calls to give."

When we come to balance the account with the Lord, each heart should say:—

"Take my silver and my gold,
Not a mite would I withhold."

—Selected.

Fourth Session of the Irish Mission Field.

THE meetings of this session opened in an encouraging way. Everyone seemed to be of good courage, and a spirit of unity and brotherly love continued throughout.

The reports from the different workers were of an inspiring nature, and the brethren and sisters entered heartily into the plans for the future, determined by God's help to hasten His work by a consecration of themselves and their all to the carrying of the Third Angel's Message.

The public meetings, addressed by Brethren Conradi, Andross and Altman, were of deep interest to those in attendance.

First Business Meeting.

The first business meeting was held at 7 p.m., March 31st.

Elder Andross gave a brief report of the work done in the field and showed the hopeful outlook before us. It has been a custom in the past to spend some time in a place before presenting the leading features of our Message, but present experience has demonstrated that the Message is to go more rapidly. The Lord is waiting and anxious to do a great work for His people, and to cut His work short in righteousness.

The tithe of the field has decreased a little, but this can partly be accounted for by some of the labourers having left the field. However, all is now on the up grade and the membership is steadily increasing.

The president, having been asked to choose the Committees, named the following:—

Committee on Nominations: R. Whiteside, W. Shaw, J. Brown.

Committee on Plans and Resolutions: J. McAvoy, J. J. Bell, D. McClelland.

Committee on Credentials and Licenses: M. A. Altman, A. Cunningham.

Second Meeting 10 a.m. Sunday, April 1st.

This meeting was devoted to hearing reports from the various workers actively engaged in ministerial and mission work.

Brother McAvoy gave an interesting report of the work accomplished in Larne, where some have taken their stand for present truth.

Brother R. Mussen reported the work in Garrydoff and Ballymoney as progressing favourably. The Lord has blessed their efforts and several new members have been added. Sister McClelland also spoke regarding the work done in Garrydoff and Ballymoney. She has now moved to Coleraine with her husband to prepare the way for a tent effort.

Sister McCulla and the writer also spoke a few words about the work in Larne.

Sister Hanna spoke of her work in connection with the Sanitarium. She related some interesting experiences which she had while canvassing for *Good Health*. A minister's wife had called at her lodgings and asked her to speak on health principles. She (Sister Hanna) wished to get someone else to do so but the lady preferred that she should speak herself. She did so with the result that some are putting into practice the knowledge gained.

The financial report was read—Appropriation, £345; Tithe, £262 14 2½; Workers, Wages and General Expenses, £657 0 2½.

The tithe in 1904 was £391 17 2, of this £100 was donated. In 1905 the tithe was £262. This represented a slight decrease, but in the last half year it amounted to £144, so that it is getting back to what it was.

Elder Conradi gave an interesting report of the work in Europe generally, also of the rise and growth of the Message. In England thirty years ago a little mission was started in Southampton. In 1889 there were only twenty five Sabbath keepers in all Germany, and twenty years ago only about 600 in all Europe. There are now in all 12,000 Sabbath keepers in the European field. Two thousand were added last year.

Third Meeting Sunday, 3 p.m.

The Committee on Nominations submitted the following report, which was adopted,

Chairman: M. A. Altman.

Committee: M. A. Altman, J. McAvoy, Dr. J. J. Bell, R. Mussen, A. Cunningham.

Treasurer: Dr. J. J. Bell. *Secretary:* R. Whiteside.

General Canvassing Agent: D. McClelland.

The Committee on Plans and Resolutions submitted the following partial report:—

Whereas, We have experienced the presence and blessing of God in a marked manner in the work in Ireland since our last general meeting, therefore—

Resolved, That we express our heartfelt gratitude to God for the way He has protected and prospered His work in this part of the great harvest field.

The resolution was heartily responded to and carried by all standing and singing, "Praise God from whom all blessings flow."

Whereas, The time has come for the British Union Conference to join her sister conferences in reaching out to help in regions beyond, and British East Africa is to be the first field entered—

Resolved, That we do at once heartily enter into the plan of laying by liberally for this purpose upon the first day of the week, and delivering the amount thus gathered to the church treasurer each quarter, and further, that we ask the British Union Conference to supply suitable boxes in which to place the offerings. We ourselves to pay for the better ones, while the cheaper ones are to be furnished free.

Elder Conradi, speaking to this resolution, showed the need of at once pressing forward, looking upward, and putting our hands down into our pockets. A collection was taken amounting to 16/0½.

Whereas, Plans are already being laid to remove the College to a more favourable location, and funds to accomplish this are needed at once; and whereas there is on hand a quantity of "Christ's Object Lessons" that should have been sold and the proceeds turned to the school fund—

Resolved, That we each take our portion of these books, dispose of them and turn the full proceeds into the College treasury on or before July 1st, 1906.

This resolution was also carried in a practical way by different members pledging themselves to dispose of sixty copies.

Fourth Meeting Monday, April 2nd, 10 a.m.

The Committee on Credentials and Licenses submitted the following:—

Credentials: M. A. Altman.

Ministerial License: J. McAvoy, R. Mussen, R. Whiteside.

Missionary License: Mrs. D. McClelland, Mrs. McCulla, Miss G. Wright.

The report was unanimously adopted.

A fourth resolution was submitted by the Committee on Plans and Resolutions:—

Whereas: Order and organisation are necessary to the harmonious working of every part of God's cause, therefore—

Resolved, That immediate efforts be made to record the membership and standing of our churches, and see that proper persons are appointed or elected to oversee the several interests and organise and systematise our work in all its branches.

Brother Altman and Elder Conradi spoke to this resolution, the latter suggesting the organisation of a church for isolated members, to be called a "Conference church." It was possible in this way to write to, encourage, and keep in touch with all these scattered ones.

Whereas, The Spirit of Prophecy has told us that the people are in sad need of the light contained in our health journals and books—

Resolved, That we make a systematic canvass of this field for yearly subscriptions for *Good Health*, and encourage the sale of our health literature.

Brother A. Cunningham said this was a branch of our work which appealed deeply to him. Even before he heard all the truths of the Third Angel's Message he felt that the people had sound principles along health lines. This prepared him for further light and to decide for the truth.

With the view of interesting our young people in the support of our British East African Mission—

Resolved, That we approve of publishing "The Story of Joseph," one shilling board covers, and sixpenny paper covers, and supplying the same at a discount of twenty-five per cent, with the understanding that the International Tract Society pay twenty-five per cent. of the retail price of every book sold into the funds of the British East African Mission, and farther—

Resolved, That we encourage all our youth and children to sell the book, and thus raise funds for the Mission, and at the same time develop in them a missionary spirit.

This resolution was unanimously carried, 296 orders for the book being taken from the floor.

Fifth Meeting, 3 p. m.

At this meeting a supplementary report of the Nominating Committee was presented—

That the delegates chosen to represent this field at the general meeting be M. A. Altman, A. Cunningham, R. Whiteside, J. McAvoy. Carried.

The Advisory Committee submitted the following resolution for the consideration of the meeting—

That Brother M. A. Altman, be invited to locate with his family in Dublin to open work, with Sister Wright to assist as Bible Worker.

The suggestion was unanimously adopted.

The seventh resolution of the Committee on Resolutions was then read—

Whereas, The "Our Day" Series is especially adapted to present the truths of God for this time in a concise and cheap form, therefore—

Resolved, That we put forth every effort possible to give this series a wide circulation.

Whereas, The *Present Truth* is our weekly missionary paper, and is now giving the Message in no uncertain sound, therefore—

Resolved, That we all take some part in the circulation of this paper and influence as many as possible to give their full time to that work.

Whereas, Our bound books contain God's great Message of love for these times and should be scattered like the leaves of autumn so as to prepare the way for the Gospel minister, therefore—

Resolved, That we consecrate ourselves anew to God to be used in this, and influence all who are or can be fitted for the canvassing work to give their full time to the same.

The resolutions were spoken to by many of those present. Brother D. McClelland speaking to the last one regretted that so few were prepared to take hold of this work. The essential points in getting our literature before the public were, consecration to God, a knowledge of the book, and having one aim in view, that of getting a book into each home. That book would speak more eloquently than the canvasser could possibly hope to in the few moments at his disposal.

Brethren Whiteside, Brown, and McAvoy urged the importance of selling our large books. More could be accomplished financially for the canvasser, and more in blessing to those who received the books into their homes.

This brought the business to a close and the meeting, adjourning *sine die*, was closed with the benediction.

R. WHITESIDE.

Words of Encouragement.

THE Lord has spoken most encouragingly concerning the experience awaiting those who enter wholeheartedly into the canvassing work. The following extracts are only a few of the many which might be cited:—

"All who desire opportunity for true ministry, and who will give themselves unreservedly to God, will find in the canvassing work opportunities to speak upon many things pertaining to the future immortal life.

"The experience thus gained will be of the greatest value to those who are fitting themselves for the ministry.

"It is the accompaniment of the Holy Spirit of God that prepares workers, both men and women, to become pastors to the flock of God. As they cherish the thought that Christ is their companion, a holy awe, a sacred joy, will be felt by them *amid all* their trying experiences, and *all* their tests. . . . The human agent will learn how to represent the divine Companion with whom he is associated.

"To that unseen Holy One he will show respect and reverence, because he is wearing His yoke, and is learning His pure, holy ways. Those who have faith in this divine Attendant *will develop*. They will be gifted with power to clothe the message of truth with a sacred beauty."—*Manual for Canvassers*, pp. 28 and 29.

Again on page 38 we read:—

"Those who work for God will meet with discouragement; but the promise is always theirs, 'Lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. God will give a most wonderful experience to those who will say, 'I believe Thy promise; I will not fail nor become discouraged.'"

These words have been a source of strength and encouragement to me, time and again. When I have come to a difficult place and the work went hard, I have told the Lord I believed He was with me, that I would not fail nor become discouraged, and often in the very next house I would book an order and make a connection that would bring wonderful success. To illustrate, perhaps I could not do better than to relate a little of my experience at Coleshill, Berkshire.

I was recommended to call upon a churchwarden there, and did so. I found a fine-looking gentleman, introduced my business to him, and gave him a full canvass, during which tears flowed down his cheeks as I read some of the experiences of the martyrs.

I felt sure of an order in the morocco binding, but instead, when I had finished showing the bindings he turned savagely and left me, muttering like a madman, because, as he said, some book man had cheated him in the past.

He assured me that I would not sell any books in that village. I was disappointed at not getting his order, and several good references from him. I remembered the words quoted above, and used them with these results: I booked twenty orders in the village, four at 11/- each; two at 9/6 each; and fourteen at 7/6 each. I delivered them all except one at 7/6, but to compensate for that I sold a 9/6 book for cash.

While delivering a 11/- book to the other churchwarden, his housekeeper seemed curious to know what kind of a book her master had taken such an interest in. I at once seized the opportunity of satisfying her curiosity, and ran out to my trap for a couple of books, so she might see the three different bindings. She selected a gilt copy of "Great Controversy," and paid me for it and for her master's.

So God did give me a most wonderful experience in securing me orders from the estate agent, the gamekeeper, gardener, butler, cook, laundry-maid, farm bailiff, carpenter, sawyer, forester, and several labourers on the estate, also one from the baker, postmaster and schoolmistress in Coleshill. The Lord has further promised,—

"The Lord imparts a fitness for the work to every man and woman who will co-operate with divine power. All the requisite talent, courage, perseverance, faith and tact, will come as they put the armour on."—*Ibid.* p. 68.

Surely such words should encourage those who are *now* in the field to co-operate with divine power by studying their book so they can exhibit it to advantage, and to gird on the whole armour of God (Eph. vi. 18-18), and let those in the churches who feel a burden for service say to the Lord, "Here am I, send me." I shall be pleased to hear from all those who desire to enter this blessed work.

S. JOYCE.

Abergavenny, Wales.

It is nearly a year since our tent effort began in Abergavenny, a town with about eight thousand inhabitants. The various labourers connected with this effort were Brother A. Rodd, Brother and Sister Buchman, Sister M. Asay and the writer. As but little canvassing had been done here, the town was quite unprepared for the Message. This has resulted in the work going slowly.

Our work has seemed exceedingly difficult, and we have been strenuously opposed from many quarters. Nevertheless God has guided us and led us with His own right hand, and has at last comforted our hearts with a small but precious ingathering of souls for the Master.

Elder Meredith was present with us on the eve of the Sabbath, May 4th, when he buried six dear souls in baptism—one brother and five sisters.

On the Sabbath our company enjoyed for the first time the administration of the ordinances. It was indeed a blessed occasion to us all. Be-

fore the ordinances, Elder Meredith gave needed counsel and instruction, and eleven entered into covenant relationship to "keep the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus;" two of these had been keeping the Sabbath before we began our work here.

May these dear ones be faithful till the Lord of the harvest appears and gathers the sheaves into His garner.

Yours in the blessed hope,

W. HALLIDAY.

Grimsby.

Dear Brethren and Sisters :

You will rejoice with me to learn that two more precious souls have determined to obey the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus. I thank God for the faithful fulfilment of His word, "If we go forward, not waiting for the obstacle to be removed, we shall be rewarded by seeing souls converted, and when God's labourers do their very best He will do for them that which they could not possibly do for themselves." Truly this is so, and as the "Testimonies" further tell us, "It is the greatest possible joy we could have for our labours." In selling our magazines in the event of my failing to obtain an annual subscription, I always urge the buyer to get his stationer to procure it for him weekly. One gentleman did so for a year with the result that he is now keeping the Sabbath, and anxious to walk in the full light of the Third Angel's Message.

The other case is that of a gentleman who bought "His Glorious Appearing," afterwards studying "Bible Readings." After becoming convinced of the truth he unhesitatingly closed his shop next Sabbath. Both these are sincere Christians of some years' standing, and also strict vegetarians.

Two others whom I met about a week ago incidentally said, "It was through a single box of granose biscuits that we accepted the truth." They are now ardently spreading the Message. Surely "the health work is an entering wedge." Our magazines, especially "Rest," sell in the trains, and trams, and everywhere, more freely than ever. As an illustration, between Newcastle and Middlesborough with only three changes I sold twenty-four papers, and finished up by approaching a bishop who took "Rest" and *Good Health*; and, by the way, he was the same whose photo we had in last September's *Good Health*.

I have met several clergymen travelling lately,

and I make it a point never to miss giving them some feature of our Message. We can only warn them and perchance some of the seed sown will fall on good ground. Bread cast upon the waters shall be seen after many days. The devil is active, and shall we not watch, pray, and work as never before?

This glorious Message is daily burning itself more deeply into my being, and I want to give it to every soul I am brought into contact with.

May we all have complete victory over every besetment, that we may not be left out of the latter rain. I want to be in this with all the WORKER family. Brethren and sisters, the time is at hand, Rev. xxii. 12.

Faithfully yours in the blessed hope,

W. H. JOHNSON.

Wigan.

Dear Brethren and Sisters,—

We feel sure you will rejoice in the Lord with us at the evidences of His goodness to usward, which have been most encouraging of late. Oh, how good He is! In our own experience we have felt Him drawing us closer to Himself, and causing us to become more and more conscious of a growing faith and of an abounding love, so that we can truly "delight ourselves in the Lord."

With gratitude and joy we report evidences of His working upon the minds of people in this part of the field. Only a few weeks ago Brother Robinson, while canvassing in the country, came in contact with a few sincere, earnest souls, who were meeting together weekly in a cottage, having separated from the popular churches in order to escape the abounding iniquity. They manifested an eager desire to know the truth, for they perceived that God had favoured us with light. So for several weeks now we have had some blessed experiences while studying the Bible with them, and it really does one good to see them drinking in the truth, and to hear their deep and fervent responses, as the Spirit flashes the truth upon their minds. Several of them are now planning to observe the Sabbath, and wish to unite with us. They sometimes attend our meetings at Wigan, although living ten miles away.

Of course this has not been done without opposition, but we are beginning to learn that God is for us and He is teaching us to rest in faith when the enemy rages, for the work is His.

Three weeks ago the Wigan church were favoured with a visit from Elders Haughey and

MacLay. Eleven souls were baptized, and others were deeply impressed. The following Sabbath, one sister, newly-baptized, had the pleasure of bringing her husband to the Sabbath-school. Now they are united in the truth and rejoicing together.

The Spirit is working mightily here, there are several who, we are sure, will soon decide for the truth. Yours in the work,

J. ELLIS.

The Sabbath Campaign Committee.

THE Sabbath Campaign Committee wish to thank all who have written in reply to their printed letter regarding press work. Many, however, have not yet replied. Will they kindly do so at once. All to whom we have not written may conclude that their proposals are acceptable.

Already several powerful letters from our workers have appeared in various papers of large circulation. Now that the public mind is aroused on the subject, such letters will be read by multitudes with keen interest.

We sent to nearly 200 papers, all over the country, the correspondence lately printed in the *Present Truth* and hope that some will notice it. At least, the head of the Church of England has now had the Sabbath truth placed before him. The more the claims of the Sunday are advocated, the more opportunity there will be to present the truth. Our letter to the Archbishop might be used in many places to bring the matter before local church people. Clergy and others might be asked how they explain the disagreement between church practice and Bible teaching.

W. T. B.

Last Day Delusions

THAT we are in the very last of the last days is rapidly becoming more evident. Not only by the dreadful calamities which are coming upon the inhabitants of this world—earthquakes, cyclones, tidal waves, fires, etc.—but by the circulation of books and tracts full of soul destroying delusions.

If a man is reconciled to God and an earthquake ends his probation, he will come up in the first resurrection and be forever with the Lord. But not so with the man who has been deceived by false doctrines such as are being taught by Spiritualists and the supporters of a false Sabbath—Sunday. They may live in peace and prosperity till the plagues begin to fall. Then their misery only begins. They will be forever

lost. I find in nearly every place I have visited recently, books and periodicals full of last day delusions, which create a longing in my heart to see our literature scattered "like the leaves of autumn."

"Spiritualism," the latest addition to the "Our Day" Series, is full of the truth concerning the nature of man and his condition in death, and it should receive the *immediate attention* of every Seventh-day Adventist in the United Kingdom. For when the Devil gets control of a person's mind as he does a spiritualist's, it is almost impossible to break his hold.

Hence the urgency of the call to immediate action with "Spiritualism." It sells readily even to spiritualists, and being so cheap, we certainly should sell several hundred thousand copies this summer. Already the Lord has enabled us to sell about 275,000 copies of the "Our Day Series." Last year when the Sunday question was before the public we sold about 100,000 copies of "Rest." The first Sunday in July has been set apart for a special effort on behalf of better Sunday Observance. So we should be able on account of the interest taken in this subject, to sell another 100,000 "Rest" this year.

As canvassers we should be specially interested in this movement; for if laws are enacted on behalf of Sunday they will interfere with our Sunday canvassing and so curtail our earnings. For Sunday is the very best day in all the week for selling papers. But this is only a selfish view to take of the situation.

Unless we let our light shine before men we cannot glorify our Father which is in heaven. Neither can we free ourselves from the blood of souls. For we are our brothers' keepers. We are placed as so many watchmen, and we must warn the people of coming danger.

Surely we love the dear people for whom Christ shed His precious blood, and are unwilling to let Satan have them for a prey, since Christ has purchased them.

Let us then, one and all come up to the help of the Lord, to the help of the Lord against the mighty.

S. JOYCE.

In Memoriam.

WE regret to announce the death of one of our faithful brethren, Brother Metchiklan. This dear brother had his attention called to the Third Angel's Message by a copy of *Present Truth* being left on the table, by whom he never knew. Being much interested he wrote to the

publishers at Holloway Road, and was sent by them to our address. He accepted the Message and remained a faithful worker in spreading the truth.

He was buried in the Southern Cemetery, May 4th. We took some tracts with us for distribution, and gave some to those gathered to the service. When offering them to our brother's friends they said, "Oh, we have had those before." Our dear brother had done his work faithfully, and had scattered the seeds of truth as the leaves of autumn. He will be greatly missed in our ranks, and there is a greater need for earnest work by those who are left. We believe that this dear brother will have it said of Him, "He hath done what he could," and we hope that this will be the experience of each one that reads this, and that we all may meet our brother at the resurrection of the just. As a church we sense the gap this loss has brought upon us, and have determined to press together and push the battle to the gates.

Yours in the Master's service,

M. F. AND C. DAVIS.

ELDER W. H. WAKEHAM, Superintendent of the Oriental Union Mission, with his little girl, arrived in London Tuesday evening, May 15th, after a very sad voyage from Cairo, Egypt, where they have made their home for some three years. Some months ago, Sister Wakeham's health began to fail, and her physician advised them to remove to a cooler climate before the hot weather came on. In harmony with this counsel arrangements were made for Brother Wakeham to connect with the work in this field.

May 4th they sailed for Southampton, hoping that the sea voyage would greatly relieve Sister Wakeham, and that after a few weeks, or at most months, she would recover her former health. Though favoured by a smooth passage she did not rally, but instead rapidly grew worse,

and Sunday, May 18th, she fell asleep in Jesus. Being so far from port it was necessary that she be buried at sea.

Brother and Sister Wakeham and family gladly left all, about four years ago, to respond to the urgent call to service in the Mediterranean field. Though the family were exposed to many hardships, and suffered from smallpox and other diseases, Sister Wakeham, being a trained nurse, was able by the Lord's help to bring her children through this trying ordeal; but with the extreme heat of Egypt, in addition to what she had otherwise endured, her health broke, and now she rests from her labours and her works follow her. Thus one more of our faithful missionaries has fallen, but SOON to rise again when the conflict with sin, and sickness, and death is for ever passed. May God hasten the day when the earth and the sea shall give up their dead, when the weary, careworn, labourers who have fallen in the conflict, with those who labour on till the victory is won, "shall return and come unto Zion: and everlasting joy shall be upon their head: they shall obtain gladness and joy: and sorrow and mourning shall flee away."

While we realise that all that we can say or do under such circumstances cannot heal the wound or assuage the sorrow, yet we offer our heartfelt sympathy to Brother Wakeham and his dear children in their great loss. Two sons and two daughters, the youngest thirteen years of age, are left motherless. Three of the children are in Germany, two in our school in Friedensau, and one in our publishing house in Hamburg.

We extend to Elder Wakeham a warm welcome to this field, and pray that he may be sustained in this dark hour by the abounding grace of God. He will join in due time our force of workers in the North England Conference, and will take charge of a tent effort in Leeds.

E. E. ANDROSS.

PERIODICAL REPORT.

Thirteen Weeks ending May 11, 1906.

TERRITORY.	PRESENT TRUTH. Nos. 7-19	GOOD HEALTH. Feb.-Apl.	OUR DAY.	COMING KING.	OUTCOME.	REST.	SPIRITUALISM.
Irish Mission Field.....	6097	5100	200	200			950
North England Conference.....	133286	53395	1960	2100	1562	3365	5102
South England Conference.....	47809	17013	1651	1251	851	734	1947
Scottish Mission Field.....	40414	7098	500	800	150	204	518
Welsh Mission Field.....	25038	5096	555	1655	905	3155	1050
Students.....	15369	3053	3250		50	3500	250
Newsagents and Post.....	12287	22855	33	37	41	20	98
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Sunset Calendar.

FRIDAY, May 25th, 7.55 p.m.

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A NOTE from Brother John Holland, of Wigan, says, "Another brother and his wife have taken their stand for the Message. They wish to go out with our papers and spread the truth."

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THE Irish brethren and sisters will please notice that the treasurer is now Dr. J. J. Bell, 343 Antrim Road, Belfast; the secretary, R. Whiteside, 232 Duncairn Gardens, Belfast.

R. W.

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WE are sorry not to be able to give our readers the article on British East Africa, by Professor Salisbury, promised for this number. We were unable to get a map in time for our make-up, and so must hold the matter over to our next number.

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AN interesting letter has come to us all the way from Cape Colony, which reads, "Dear Sirs, I recently came across, in a native's hut, a copy of your firm's 'Bible Readings for the Home Circle,' in the end of which is added 'The Game of Chess, a Pictorial Allegory.' Will you kindly let me know whether the latter is to be had separately in any form."

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Help for Those In Need.

THE earthquake that shook the greater part of California, U.S.A., and inflicted such great loss of life and property in San Francisco and adjoining towns, though so recent as April 18th, has all but passed from the minds of the people generally. Such appalling disasters are becoming so frequent that they are soon forgotten by all but those who suffer from them.

Those who have read the last copy of the *Review and Herald* are aware that while there were a large number of our people living in the district of the earthquake, no lives were lost, and none were seriously injured. Being well acquainted with San Francisco, and knowing where our people lived, I cannot regard this

other than directly due to God's protecting care; and I believe we should all unite in thanking God for this signal manifestation of His tender love for His children.

While the lives of our people were spared much property was destroyed. Those in the district swept by the flames lost all they possessed, and many others lost heavily from the earthquake.

Beside this our publishing house at Mountain View sustained heavy damages, probably amounting to from £3,000 to £5,000. Our brethren throughout America have planned to take up a collection Sabbath, May 19th, for the relief of this institution and our people who have suffered.

At a recent meeting of the British Union Conference Committee the following resolution was passed: "That we recommend that a collection be taken up throughout our field, Sabbath, May 26, for the relief of those of our people and institutions that have suffered in consequence of the earthquake in California."

We are sure that all our people will esteem it a privilege to come to the assistance of our brethren in need at such a time as this. We may not be able to give largely, but let us freely share the little we have.

No former deeds of kindness on the part of those in need can make the duty to respond to such a call more imperative, yet we must not forget that our dear brethren in California responded nobly to our call for help in this field some four years ago, by sending men and many hundreds of pounds to support them while they laboured in this field, and now our opportunity of showing our gratitude in a practical way has come. Let all respond as freely as possible. In this way our hearts will be bound together more closely, and we will not so soon forget that this great calamity is God's call to us and to the world to prepare to meet Him.

All offerings should be sent to the Conference or Mission Treasurer at once, and by him forwarded to Brother A. Bacon, 451 Holloway Road, London, N., for immediate transmission to America.

E. E. ANDROSS.

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