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A Prayer for Guidance.

LEAD me, yea, lead me deeper into life,
This suffering, human life wherein Thou liv'st
And breathe'st still, and hold'st Thy way divine.
'Tis here, O pitying Christ, where Thee I seek,
Here where the strife is fiercest; where the sun
Beats down upon the highway thronged with men,
And in the raging mart. Oh, deeper lead
My soul into the living world of souls
Where Thou dost move!

But lead me, Man divine,
Where'er Thou will'st, only that I may find
At the long journey's end Thy image there,
And grow more like to it. For art not Thou
The human shadow of infinite Love,
That made and fills the endless universe?
The very Word of Him, the unseen, unknown,
Eternal God that rules the summer flower,
And all the worlds that people starry space?

—Richard Watson Gilder.

Sabbath-Keeping.

FAR more sacredness is attached to the Sabbath than is given it by many professed Sabbath-keepers. The Lord has been greatly dishonoured by those who have not kept the Sabbath according to the commandment, either in the letter or in the spirit. He calls for a reform in the observance of the Sabbath.

At the very beginning of the fourth commandment the Lord said: "Remember." He knew that, amid the multitude of cares and perplexities, man would be tempted to excuse himself from meeting the full requirement of the law, or would forget its sacred importance. Therefore He said: "Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy." All through the week we are to have the Sabbath in mind, and be making preparation to keep it according to the commandment. In all that pertains to the success of God's work, the very first victories are to be won in the home life. Here the preparation for the Sabbath must begin. Throughout the week let parents remember that their home is to be a school in which their children shall be prepared for the courts above. Let their words be right words. No words which their children should not hear should escape their lips. Let the spirit be kept free from irritation. Parents, during the week live as in the sight of a holy

God, Who has given you children to train for Him. Train for Him the little church in your home, that on the Sabbath all may be prepared to worship in the Lord's sanctuary. Each morning and evening present your children to God as His blood-bought heritage. Teach them that it is their highest duty and privilege to love and serve God.

Parents should be particular to make the worship of God an object lesson for their children. Passages of Scripture should be more often on their lips, especially those passages that prepare the heart for religious service. The precious words might well be often repeated: "My soul, wait thou only upon God; for my expectation is from Him." Ps. lxxii. 5.

While preparation for the Sabbath is to be made all through the week, Friday is to be the special preparation day. See that all the clothing is in readiness, and that all the cooking is done. Let the boots be blacked and the baths be taken. It is possible to do this. If you make it a rule, you can do it. The Sabbath is not to be given to the repairing of garments, to the cooking of food, to pleasure seeking, or to any other worldly employment. Before the setting of the sun let all secular work be laid aside, and all secular papers be put out of sight. Parents, explain your work and its purposes to your children, and let them share in your preparation to keep the Sabbath according to the commandment. We should jealously guard the edges of the Sabbath. Remember that every moment is consecrated, holy time.

Before the Sabbath begins, the mind as well as the body should be withdrawn from worldly business. God has set His Sabbath at the end of the six working days, that men may stop and consider what they have gained during the week in preparation for the pure kingdom which admits no transgressor. We should each Sabbath reckon with our souls to see whether the week that has ended has brought spiritual gain or loss.

It means eternal salvation to keep the Sabbath holy unto the Lord. God says: "Them that honour Me I will honour."

MRS. E. G. WHITE.

Owe No Man Anything.

"OWE no man anything, but to love one another." Rom. xiii. 8.

The time has fully come when God's remnant people should plan not to establish themselves permanently in this sinful world, but to leave this world and go to the city of God. The time has fully come to plan to close up our worldly business beyond that which is needful for a respectable and comfortable living. We should be thinking now about our "home over there," not about mansions here.

The Lord is a respecter of character. All true men and women respect character. The angels of God respect character, and no one will ever be admitted as a citizen of the everlasting kingdom who is destitute of principle and holy character. Now is the time for character building. Now is the time to see most carefully to it that no defective timber enters into our character structure. Among the many materials of which characters are formed is that of honesty; and among the many honest things we should do is that of paying honest debts. No man is honest who neglects the payment of an honest debt. A man may, by reason of unavoidable misfortune or calamity, be in debt, and for a time be unable to pay his debts, or possibly may never be able to pay them, and yet be a strictly honest man. But a man who can now discharge his debts, or who, by industry and economy and prayerful management, could eventually do so, yet who through shiftlessness or indolence neglects to do it, is most certainly a dishonest man. It is not a sin to be poor. But it is a sin and a shame to be dishonest. A dishonest man, if a member of the church, is a living, standing reproach to the cause of Christ, and a disgrace to himself, his family, and the community where he resides. A dishonest Seventh-Day Adventist can do more harm in a community than a score of ministers can undo.

If we were going to emigrate to some distant place, we certainly would be most anxious to leave a clean record behind us. We would very much dislike to leave unpaid accounts to follow us. Now, we do expect soon to emigrate to the city of God. If we honestly and intelligently believe the truths we profess, we must expect quickly to change places of residence. Are there, then, any unpaid notes or debts of any description?

Some may reason that as time will so quickly end, it will not matter if those old bills are never settled. But it seems to me that that thought is an index to a defective character.

And we may all be assured that honest debts will never be outlawed in heaven. There will be no such thing as taking advantage of bankrupt laws there. There will be no such laws. Nor can there be any assignments there. The ledger of heaven must show a clean balance sheet, either because of actual liquidation of debts, or forgiveness because of actual inability to discharge them. There can be no duty more incumbent upon us as a people than to walk right up to the line of strict economy, industry, integrity, honesty, and self-denial, and just as soon as possible pay every dollar we owe.

Let us carefully consider this matter, and cultivate the principle of honesty, and strengthen the character by paying our honest debts. If you would like to know just how God regards the matter of paying debts, carefully read 2 Kings iv. 1-7. He even performed a miracle to show His approval of honest dealing.

JOHN M. HOPKINS.

What Our Papers Have Accomplished.

THIS subject is of peculiar interest to the writer, as it was through reading that I became convinced that the teachings of Seventh-Day Adventists were truth. My first work in connection with this people was in the canvassing field. There I gained many rich experiences that have been of great value to me in my ministerial work.

In entering upon the consideration of this subject I am conscious of the fact that eternity alone will fully reveal the result of the work done by the faithful canvasser; yet while this is true there is much encouragement in knowing that definite results have followed the sale of our literature. It may be profitable to give some actual cases as an illustration of what our papers have accomplished in our own Conference.

In September, 1900, Brother W. A. Slater removed to Newcastle-on-Tyne. At that time, so far as we can ascertain, there were no Sabbath-keepers in Newcastle or its district. Since going to Newcastle Brother Slater has sold about 100,000 papers. In June, 1905, Brethren Parsons and Gillatt began a public effort in Newcastle, with the result that a good company of Sabbath-keepers was raised up. There are now between eighty and ninety Sabbath-keepers in the Newcastle district. Of this number eighty per cent. were readers of "Present Truth" before they embraced the truth. It might be well to add that the Newcastle church is one of

the best working churches in the North England Conference. A large number of papers is sent there every week, and new readers are becoming interested in the truth, and the work is increasing in a most gratifying way. Brother Brandt writes: "I sold the first copy of 'Present Truth' to Brother —." The brother mentioned is now a worker in this Conference, and is being blessed of God in leading other souls to the light of truth.

Who can properly estimate the good accomplished by this one copy of "Present Truth"?

There can be no question as to the good accomplished by our papers, as the results abundantly testify.

Dear brethren and sisters, let us take up this work with renewed zeal and earnestness, and do all in our power to increase the circulation of our good papers, and thus help prepare the people for the coming of the Lord.

"And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever." "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might." W. D. MACLAY.

Home Missionary Work.

Organized Missionary Work.

"ACTIVITY is the law of life" in the spiritual as in the physical realm. The life of our churches depends on organized, vigorous propaganda. The numerous facilities connected with the Third Angel's Message furnish the working material, the Holy Spirit the power.

Organized missionary effort rests on two fundamental truths:—

1. Each Christian has a part to act in this closing Message. Mark xiii. 34.
2. Organized effort always brings better results than work of a desultory character. In union there is strength.

This matter is set before us very clearly in the following passages:—

"As every man hath received the gift, even so minister the same one to another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God." 1 Peter iv. 10.

"Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ."

"And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not. As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith." Gal. vi. 2, 9, 10.

These scriptures show continuous, energetic, missionary effort to be the imperative duty of every man and woman connected with this closing Message.

As examples of Spirit-led and successful individual missionary effort, note the incident recorded in Mark vii. 24–30, how Jesus travelled a three days' journey on foot over toilsome roads to minister to the needs of one poor woman; or how Philip left his city effort, with its glowing results, to preach the Gospel to one man. Acts viii. 26–39.

Some Historical Facts.

A few statements concerning the origin of organized home missionary work among Seventh-Day Adventists may be of interest. In 1870 a few sisters at South Lancaster (U.S.A.) began to send out papers and tracts by post to the names of persons who they thought might be interested in the truth, and whom they could reach in no other way; and then to write them letters concerning the literature sent. This was first called "The Vigilant Missionary Society." They were soon encouraged by seeing souls embrace the Message through this means. Elder S. N. Haskell, who has been called the "father of our tract and missionary society" suggested that what these few sisters were doing, might be done in every church.

In 1871 a resolution favouring organized tract and missionary work in all of our churches and Conferences was adopted by the General Conference; and in 1878 the organization since known as "The International Tract and Missionary Association" was created by the same body. Thus was set on foot a movement which has greatly advanced the spirituality of our members and the rapid extension of the everlasting gospel of the soon coming kingdom. For out of this missionary idea has grown the canvassing work, and the greatly extended publishing interests, which have been the means of bringing many thousands to a saving knowledge of the truth.

How the Testimonies Speak.

Based upon such scriptural foundations, and attested to by manifest tokens of divine approval, the organized missionary work would seem to need no other backing; but from time to time the Spirit of Prophecy has spoken in no uncertain tones concerning its importance. I note a few statements as follows:—

God has given to every man a work to do in connection with His kingdom. Each one professing the name of Christ is to be an interested worker, ready to defend the principles of righteousness. The work of the

Gospel is not to depend solely upon the minister, every soul should take an active part in advancing the cause of God.

Those who have the oversight of the churches should select those who have ability, and place them under responsibilities, at the same time giving them instruction as to how they may best serve and bless others.

The Lord God of heaven would have the entire church devising ways and means whereby high and low, rich and poor, may hear the message of truth.

The church of Christ has been organized on earth for missionary purposes, and it is of the highest importance that every individual member of the church should be a sincere labourer together with God, filled with the Spirit, having the mind of Christ, perfected in sympathy with Christ, and therefore bending every energy, according to his entrusted ability, to the saving of souls.

The above are taken from a little tract on home missionary work. Again:—

The formation of small companies as a basis of Christian effort has been presented to me by One who cannot err.

Just as soon as a church is organized, let the minister set the members to work. They will need to be taught how to labour successfully. Let the minister devote more of his time to educating than to preaching. Let him teach the people how to give to others the knowledge they have received.

The greatest help that can be given our people is to teach them to work for God, and to depend on Him, not on the ministers. Let them learn to work as Christ worked. Let them join His army of workers, and do faithful service for Him.—“Testimonies,” Vol. VII, pp. 18-22.

As a partial answer to many questions we append the following outline and suggestions regarding

Organization.

1. *Objects*:—The extension of “this Gospel of the kingdom” to all the world in this generation.

2. *Membership*:—Every working church-member.

3. *Officers*:—A leader, and a librarian and treasurer.

4. *Meetings*:—Weekly, or at least monthly.

5. *Duties of Officers*:—

(a) *Leader*—To preside at the meetings of the Society; to suggest plans of work; to direct the work in a general way; to encourage the workers, etc.

(b) *Librarian and Treasurer*—To keep the records of the Society; to order all books, tracts, and periodicals, and collect money for the same; to receive and account for all moneys of the Society; to receive monthly reports from each member, and send summary of same, quarterly, to the Conference secretary, etc.

6. *Duties of Members*:—

(a) To work unitedly for the objects of the Society.

(b) To contribute of their means for its support.

(c) To report personally at the weekly meetings, and to furnish written monthly reports to the librarian.

(d) To sustain the efforts of the officers in every way possible.

7. Work of Members:—

(a) The circulation of literature; selling books; selling, loaning, or giving away tracts or papers.

(b) Visiting from house to house; giving Bible readings, praying with the people, etc.

(c) Visiting the sick; teaching health principles; giving simple treatments when favourable opportunity offers.

(d) Writing missionary letters, not only to strangers, but to absent members, etc.

8. Things the Leader should not do:—

(a) He should not attempt to do all the work of the Society. It is his to set the example, to plan, to suggest, etc.

(b) He should not try to make all others work according to his methods. The plans of others may be equally successful. David could not wear Saul's armour, but he killed the giant, and delivered Israel.

(c) He should not preach. He is not a preacher, and the missionary meeting is not the place for sermonizing. The best exhortations are the testimonies of the active workers.

(d) He should not make long prayers, nor allow anyone else to do so. Long prayers will kill any missionary meeting.

9. Relation of Missionary Society to the Church:—

(a) It is the church at work.

(b) Its officers should be elected by the church at its regular business meeting.

(c) All general plans should be laid in counsel with the church officers.

Finally, let all be “subject one to another, and be clothed with humility” (1 Peter v. 5), “in honour preferring one another.” Rom. xii. 10. “Let nothing be done through strife or vainglory; but in lowliness of mind let each esteem other better than themselves” (Phil. ii. 3), to the end that there may be unity and love, and abundant fruit resulting from every effort.

W. H. WAKEHAM.

“It Is God That Giveth the Increase.”

NEVER mind where your work is. Never mind whether it be visible or not. Never mind if your name is associated with it. You may never see the issues of your toils. You are working for eternity. If you cannot see results here in the hot, working day, the cool evening hours are drawing near when you may rest from your labours, and then they may follow you. So do your duty, and trust God to give the seed you sow “a body as it hath pleased Him.”—*Alexander MacLaren.*

North England Conference.

Fifth Annual Session.

THE fifth annual session of the North England Conference opened Thursday evening, 14 March, 1907, at the Seventh-Day Adventist Chapel, Handsworth, Birmingham. The chapel was well filled with representatives from the different churches throughout the Conference and resident members from the Handsworth and King's Heath churches, with their friends who are deeply interested in the Third Angel's Message.

Elder S. G. Haughey, the preacher for the evening, delivered an able sermon on the "Atonement in the Light of the Sanctuary." Without mentioning the prominent points of the sermons delivered by Elders Conradi and Andross, Professor H. R. Salisbury, and Brother W. T. Bartlett, it must suffice to say that their addresses were delivered in the power of the Spirit of God.

The influence of the Holy Spirit, present in the preaching services, was also present and exercised a guiding influence in all the business meetings of the conference. It is worthy of note that during all the deliberations on business matters presented for consideration, at no time did anything come in to break the spirit of harmony.

Friday afternoon, 15th March, Dr. A. B. Olsen delivered a stirring lecture on "Health and Diet." An urgent professional call to the Leicester Sanitarium prevented the Doctor from delivering his second lecture on the "Sanitarium Idea" the following Sunday afternoon.

Ten o'clock Sabbath morning found 135 of the brethren and sisters present at the opening of the Sabbath-school, which was conducted by Elder H. E. Armstrong, assisted by Brother Winstanley, of the Handsworth Sabbath-school. Fourteen classes were formed for the study of the lesson.

Business Sessions.

The first business meeting of the Conference was held Friday morning, 15th March, at ten o'clock.

President MacLay, as chairman, introduced the first business of the Conference by asking for the roll-call of delegates. Thirty-two persons responded to their names. Upon the president stating that the minutes of the previous annual session had been published in the MISSIONARY WORKER, their reading was waived.

After a vote had been taken inviting the visiting brethren to participate in the proceedings of the conference, the new churches of South Manchester, Derby, and Wallsend-on-Tyne were received into the Conference, and their delegates seated.

At the request of the conference, the president, in counsel with the executive committee, appointed the following persons to serve upon working committees:—

Nominating Committee: E. E. Andross, Wm. Bowden, J. Andrews, J. Ellis, S. G. Cowley.

Committee on Plans and Resolutions: H. R. Salisbury, W. R. White, J. J. Gillatt, H. E. Armstrong, D. Redhead.

Committee on Credentials and Licences: L. R. Conradi, S. G. Haughey, S. Joyce, S. S. Barnard, B. Normansell, G. Hawkins.

Resolutions.

The following recommendations were presented by the Committee on Plans:—

1. *Whereas*, The past year has been one of special prosperity to the North England Conference, both in spiritual blessings and in material increase of membership and tithes and offerings, and—

Whereas, The Lord has been graciously pleased to bestow upon us in a large measure the blessing of health and strength, therefore—

Resolved, That we express our sincere thankfulness to our heavenly Father for His prospering hand which has been over us in our ways, and pledge ourselves to a renewed consecration in His service.

2. *Whereas*, The Lord has signally blessed our mission in British East Africa by giving us a favourable and promising location, therefore—

Resolved, That we pledge ourselves to do our part in this work by our prayers, and by giving liberally our first-day offerings for the support of the mission.

3. *Whereas*, The Lord in His kind providence has opened the way in a special manner to secure a suitable property for the location of our Union institutions, therefore—

Resolved, That we acknowledge our heart-felt gratitude to Him by adopting the plan recommended to us by the British Union Conference Committee, of raising not less than one pound per member by cash donations as far as possible, otherwise by pledges payable during the current year.

4. *Whereas*, We have been instructed by the "Testimonies" that as much care should be taken in the selection of canvassers as in the selection of other Conference workers, and—

Whereas, In view of this the British Union Committee has recommended that licences be issued to the regular canvassers, therefore—

Resolved, That we as a Conference endorse this action, and henceforth issue missionary canvassing licences to our canvassers, and that during the interval between Conference sessions, the issuing of such licences be left with the Conference Committee in the connection with the General Agent.

5. *Whereas*, The time has certainly come for which the spirit of prophecy has taught us to look, when Protes-

tantism and Romanism would unite in a national campaign on behalf Sunday Observance, and—

Whereas, We recognize in this situation a call to more earnest efforts, and an open door, too, for the Third Angel's Message, therefore—

Resolved, That we individually will do what we can, by the circulation of "Sunday," and other means, to show to those who are engaged in this campaign and to the nation at large the true significance of the Sunday movement, and to make known the claims and privileges of the Bible Sabbath.

6. *Whereas*, The Spirit of prophecy has said that the members of our churches and companies should be instructed in the lines of aggressive missionary work in their neighbourhood, therefore—

Resolved, That we encourage our ministers and Bible workers to organize local tract and missionary societies in all the churches and companies throughout the Conference, and that henceforth we consider the organization of a church incomplete without such a society.

7. *Whereas*, Our Conference workers are constantly coming in touch with our people throughout the field, therefore—

Resolved, That we invite them to notify the Conference Committee and the International Tract Society of such persons as give promise of making good, successful canvassers for our literature.

8. *Whereas*, Our denominational paper, "Review and Herald," gives report of the progress of the work in all parts of the world, and whereas the MISSIONARY WORKER keeps us informed with reference to the work in the British Union Conference, therefore—

Resolved, That we recommend all our members to subscribe for these papers.

9. *Whereas*, The Christian education of our children is an essential part of our work, and—

Whereas, The necessary means are lacking for the carrying on of this work on a proper basis, therefore—

Resolved, That we recommend that all our churches take up a semi-annual collection for the support of this work, the dates to be fixed by the Conference Committee, and—

Further resolved, That no church school be started in the future without the approval of the Conference Committee.

10. *Resolved*, That we ask the British Union Conference to take into consideration the advisability of publishing a children's paper in this field to take the place of "Our Little Friend."

Election of Officers.

Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows:—

President: W. D. MacLay.

Executive Committee: W. D. MacLay, J. J. Gillatt, H. E. Armstrong, D. Redhead, J. Ellis.

Auditing Committee: G. Hawkins, B. Normansell, H. E. Hollingsworth, Wm. Bowden.

Secretary and Treasurer and S.S. Secretary: A. Rodd.

Auditor: S. S. Barnard.

Credentials and Licences.

The following persons were granted credentials:—

W. D. MacLay; J. J. Gillatt; H. E. Armstrong.

Ministerial licences were voted to—

J. Ellis; J. McAvoy; J. D. Gillatt; A. Rodd; A. Cheeseborough; H. F. Death.

Missionary licences:—

Miss Jessie E. Bacon; Miss Emily Cousins; Miss M. M. Rogers; Miss Gertrude Brewer; Mrs. J. Tatton; Mrs. E. G. Tatton.

Canvassers' Licence.

Book Workers: T. Nicholson; S. Hill; G. W. Short; W. R. Short; F. Salway; A. Oxley; E. R. Short; P. Winnard; P. Mayoh; E. J. Young; J. Spencer; Mrs. J. Spencer; S. N. Wyatt; Mrs. S. N. Wyatt; J. Brandt; A. Robinson; W. Halliday; M. Hussey.

Paper Workers: J. E. Bell; Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Saville; J. Nicholson; Miss J. Bell; Mr. and Mrs. A. Winter; C. Davis; G. Golder; W. A. Slater; J. Johnson; Miss J. Gill; Miss S. A. Ford; Mrs. H. Fountain; J. Andrews; Mrs. E. Myers; Mr. and Mrs. E. Green; A. E. Clubbe; S. G. Cowley; Mrs. A. Mather; Mrs. C. McAvoy; Miss E. Meyers; Mrs. A. Cope; Mr. and Mrs. F. Hopley; Mr. V. Normansell; Mrs. B. Normansell; Mrs. Tarplee; A. Bonnett; W. Bonnett; Mrs. Beatrice Bonnett; Harold Bonnett; Rex Bonnett; Miss Millie Bonnett; Miss Ethel Bonnett; T. Briggs.

Our Worthy Poor.

Before the session closed the following resolutions were adopted:—

Whereas, The Lord has said: "If there be among you a poor man of one of thy brethren within thy gates in thy land which the Lord thy God giveth thee, thou shalt not harden thine heart nor shut thine hand from thy brother; but thou shalt open wide thine hand unto him, and shalt surely lend him sufficient for his need in that which he wanteth," therefore—

Resolved, That as churches and companies we adopt the plan of creating a local fund for the relief of the poor among us, by a monthly contribution to be taken the first Sabbath in each month; and—

Further resolved, That we forward a tithe of this fund to the Conference treasurer to be employed in the relief of special cases, also that where there may be a surplus accruing that is not required in the relief of the poor of any church or company, that we recommend that this be donated to the Conference Poor Fund.

B. L. MORSE.

What a "Sunday" Did.

I WENT down the town yesterday, it being market day, with a number of papers, as I am anxious that the country people should have "Sunday." When I asked one farmer he said he had already bought a copy from me, and that his wife had been troubled since reading it, wishing she had never seen the paper. He said he would like to introduce me to her, as she was anxious to see me. I said I should be very pleased, and as she was near by, he soon brought her; we had a very good time, but her trouble was she felt she was doing wrong by working on Sabbath, since she had read "Sunday," and was

so miserable whenever she did so; but she had always done the bulk of her work on that day, and had always believed that *Sunday* was the seventh day. I told her she was foolish to make herself miserable, and asked her if she could not do her work on Friday that she usually did on Sabbath. She said: "Why, of course I could." Then she wished she lived near me, so that I could teach her the Scriptures as I knew them; then she was sure she would be happy. So I invited her to come to my home next market day, when they had finished their business. I turned to the husband and asked him if he would care to come. He said: "If you would have me, I should so love to come." When we parted she asked me to pray for her.

I ask your prayers for these dear, earnest souls, that I may be the means in God's hands of leading them out of darkness into His marvellous light. Yours in the blessed hope,

Newbury.

MRS. V. C. CLIFTON.

Our Duty to the Sick.

WE hear most encouraging words from the friends in the field who are selling the April number of "Good Health," and hope to see a general awakening to the importance of this branch of the work in all our churches.

At the general meeting just held in Belfast, special resolutions were passed in reference to pushing the sale of health literature. This matter also came up for careful consideration at the North England Conference in Birmingham, and at the South England Conference in London. It seemed to be the unanimous feeling of the brethren that an advance move should be made in the churches throughout the field generally in the interests of the health principles. The Lord has given us principles that the world stands in great need of. In England and Wales alone 60,000 people die yearly of tuberculosis. The number of deaths from preventable causes probably totals something like half a million a year. The Bible tells us that we are "to deal gently, love mercy, and walk humbly with our God." Surely, as lovers of mercy, we cannot stand idly by and do nothing when God has committed to us life-saving principles. It is like standing by a river and seeing people drown without going to their help. God has given us an all-round Gospel, which is helpful for the body as well as for the mind, and He wants every one of His people to help in this well-rounded message.

Judging from the reports that are coming in,

there must be many people in our churches who have not yet learned to introduce "Good Health" to their friends and acquaintances. We should like to have these make a special effort to speak of the paper to their tradesmen, to general acquaintances, and to people who call at their homes, telling them that it is got out for the purpose of making known the principles of healthful living, and that its instructions, if followed, will prove far more helpful in relieving pain and restoring the invalid to health than all the drugs in the kingdom.

We were pleased to see Brother Borrowdale the other day, and hear the encouraging report of the progress of the Good Health League in Plymouth. We have also heard from other branches recently, and believe that there is a great opportunity for this organization to accomplish good.

We shall be glad to have our brethren throughout the kingdom consider prayerfully their relation to the health paper, and put forth their utmost efforts to bring this phase of the work that God has committed to us to the attention of those that stand in need. The Master has said: "Let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works and glorify your Father which is in heaven." God would have us to-day show the same interest in the sick and the needy that Christ manifested when He was here upon earth and went about doing good.

M. E. OLSEN.

THE readers of the WORKER will be pleased to know that an arrangement has been made at the Caterham Sanitarium by which the workers are permitted to do some canvassing for "Good Health" each week. Miss McKay went out the first week, Miss Grenville the second, Miss Boardman the third, then Miss Cooper, and latest Miss Hannah Howarth and Miss Ivy Boughton. They have all had splendid success.

M. E. O.

Be patient,
Thy God hath a star for thy night;
Be patient,
The end of all darkness is light;
Be patient,
Thy griefs, though their purpose be hid from thine eyes,
Shall yet be revealed in the bliss of the skies
When thou in His likeness at length shall arise.
Be patient, He understands all. —Selected.

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Is more than flattering lip."

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Sunset Calendar.

FRIDAY, April 12th, 6.48 p.m.

" " 19th, 7.00 "

A VERY successful annual conference of the Welsh Mission Field closed early last week in Pontypridd, following the meeting of the Irish Field. We hope to be able to give our readers reports of both these meetings.

ELDER CONRADI and Brother Guy Dail returned to Hamburg, Germany, early last week, after having been in attendance at all our British annual conferences. Their help has been much appreciated by all.

OUR people everywhere in Great Britain will be pleased to learn that the contract for the erection of our printing plant and food factory at Stanborough Park, Watford, was let last week, and that work on the buildings is now in progress.

THE article in this WORKER by Elder MacLay is the fourth of the series on our periodical work. The fifth, to appear in our next issue, will be on "Spiritual and Financial Results of Periodical Work," and will be written by Brother S. Joyce, our General Canvassing Agent.

OUR excellent paper "Sunday" is still doing good work in the field. Over 135,000 copies have been placed in the hands of the people thus far, and judging from letters received here at the Office from persons who have bought it, the paper is being very carefully read. The letters, of course, almost invariably criticize our position on the Sabbath question, and put forth the same arguments against the seventh-day Sabbath which have been urged ever since the Sabbath truth first began to be taught. Though the special campaign among the churches in favour of Sunday is over, still the promoters of the movement are hard at work, and we shall hear from them again in the not distant future. Let us not slacken our work with "Sunday," but continue the good work, so that when Sunday shall finally be enforced, the people of Great Britain shall all have had opportunity of knowing the truth.

IN harmony with a request made by the South England Conference in session, Elder Wakeham wrote a letter to the members of the Government in the cabinet, enclosing a copy of "Sunday," and of the resolution expressing our pleasure at the determination of the Government not to promise a Bill enforcing Sunday observance. Replies of acknowledgment have been received from some of the ministers, including the prime minister. We are glad to see those high in authority having an opportunity to study the truth for this time.

East Wemyss.

Dear Brethren and Sisters,

It is with hearts full of gratitude and praise to our heavenly Father that we recount His blessings, and acknowledge His prospering hand over our work here. Truly it is God Who gives the increase, and as surely as we sow the seed faithfully, there will be a harvest.

Two men have already taken a decided stand for the truth, and others are still very much interested, and, we believe and pray, will soon join the ranks of the faithful.

We have a nice, earnest company of young people here, who have taken hold well with the older ones in circulating the paper "Sunday." We have put out in this district over a thousand copies of the paper. All enjoyed the experience thus gained, and it has given some of the young people a desire to fit and prepare themselves for some part in the work.

One young sister has started with the "Good Health." She had 150 of the January number, 600 of the February, and already (4th March) has sold about 200 out of the 800 ordered for March.

In a week or two from now we are planning to hold a three or four weeks' special mission in Kirkcaldy, at the close of which (D.V.) we shall have a baptism, and organize the little company at Wemyss. We will then report further to the WORKER family. In the meantime earnestly desiring the prayers of God's people for the success of the work in this part of His vineyard,

Yours in the work,

A. E. AND F. B. BACON.

BRIGHT young man, aged 28, desires employment where he can observe the Sabbath. Has recently been engaged in the cutlery trade, but is willing to undertake any manual labour. Refer to Pastor J. J. Gillatt, 133 Vincent Road, Sheffield.