

# Union Conference Record

"Be strong all ye people, saith the Lord, and work; for I am with you."

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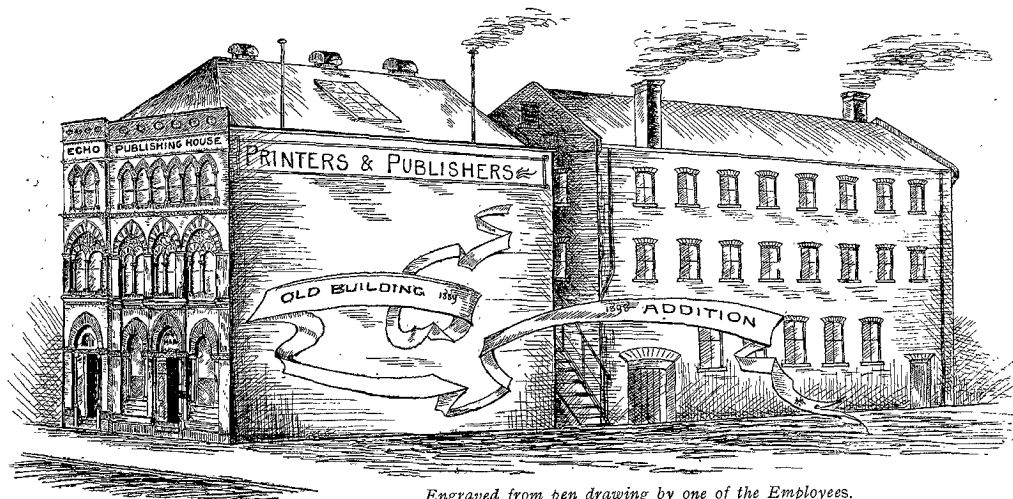
Melbourne, Victoria, July 15, 1898.

No. 7.

## ECHO PUBLISHING COMPANY.

On the evening of July 11th, a very interesting meeting was held at the Echo Publishing House. This meeting was designed to mark the opening of the new building, recently completed, and an excellent and instructive programme had been arranged by the Echo

In 1888 the site of the present premises was purchased and, pending the erection of the front portion of the building shown in the accompanying illustration, the printing work was carried on in a small iron building at the back of the ground. When the large front building was finished, only the lower floors were used for the publishing work, the second floor being used as



Engraved from pen drawing by one of the Employees.

Club, which was carried out in a manner to reflect the highest credit upon the entire work of the institution.

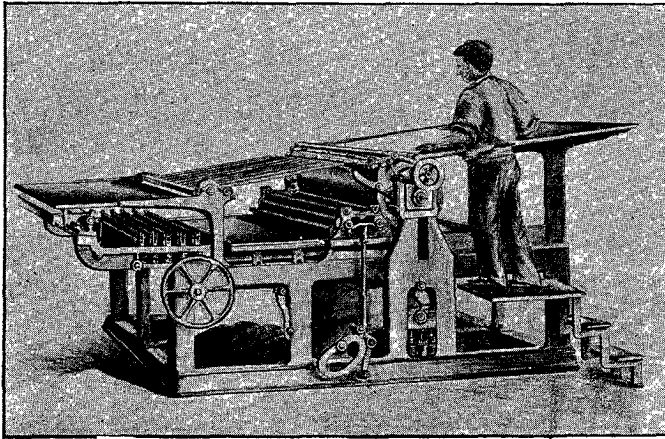
The chair was occupied by Mr. W. D. Salisbury, President and General Manager of the Company, who, in a brief address, reviewed the work which had led up to the present development of the business carried on by the Echo Publishing Company. In 1886, the publication of a paper called the *Bible Echo and Signs of the Times* was begun. The type was set in the bedroom of Mr. Scott, in Richmond, and the forms taken in a hand-cart to a printing office. Some time after this an advance step was taken, by the purchase of some machinery and the renting of premises at the corner of Rae and Scotchmer Streets.

a hall for religious worship. In 1889 the Company was registered. In 1892 the work had so far enlarged that the top floor was put in, thus converting "Federal Hall" into composing room and bindery. In February, 1897, a city office was established at 343 Flinders Lane, Melbourne.

New and improved machinery was added from time to time, to enable the Company to compete for the highest class of work. The premises became so crowded at last that more room was a necessity, and in February of the present year a new building was begun, filling the entire space of ground owned by the Company. This building, shown in the accompanying cut, is three storeys high, and provides 6000 feet of floor space, making the entire

floor space at present 11,600 feet. Believing that the end in the line of progress is not yet, the Company has provided against future demands for space by purchasing a block of land adjoining the institution.

Several speeches were made, in which the various speakers expressed their hearty approval of and satisfaction with the work of the Echo Company. The walls of the assembly room, in which some two hundred people were gathered for the occasion, were tastefully



NEW "COTTRELL" PRESS.

*From Crayon Drawing by one of the Employees.*

ornamented with artistic designs, drawings, etc., indicating that the motto chosen by the Echo Club—"God Calls For Perfect Work"—is the ideal aimed at in the institution. At the close of the programme, which was interspersed with a variety of musical selections effectively rendered, the audience was formed into six groups and escorted through the various departments of the institution. They were preceded by a group of about sixty of the employees, who, under the bright glow of the many gas lights, instantly transformed the whole establishment into a scene of busy activity, thus affording the large company of visitors an opportunity of seeing the different departments of a modern printing house in full operation.

One of the special features of attraction in the press room was the new "Cottrell" press, which has been recently added to the machinery.

A. T. ROBINSON.

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#### AN ANSWER TO PRAYER.

As I was canvassing among some aristocratic farmers, I came in front of a large and costly built house owned by a rich man—of course you know that it is often hard for canvassers to do business at such a place. A thought struck me at once,—you would better pray. So I took off my hat and sent up a petition to the Lord, thanking Him for His past

blessings, and also asking Him to open the hearts of the people I was about to canvass, so as to give me a chance to introduce to them the third angel's message.

After having prayed, I went to the house, where I was informed by the daughter that her father was plowing in the field, about a half mile away. I started for the field, and soon met him. After salutation and a brief passing remark, I introduced my errand. "It will be of no use to show me your book," he said, "for I have plenty of such works; and besides, I am getting old now, and have settled my mind on not buying any more books of any kind.

I told him that I was glad to learn that he had many Biblical works, for it showed that he was interested in the religion of Jesus Christ. I also called his attention to the fact that there are so few of the so-called Christians who care to read religious literature and the Bible. He submitted to my statement, and told me that it made him glad to see a young man like me so interested in religion. He then asked why I was engaged in book-selling. I gave him my reason, stating that I had discovered that the best thing that I could do was to be employed in active missionary work for my Saviour. It kept my heart in close touch with Jesus, and gave me power to resist temptation. And as I saw the necessities of circulating religious literature of such a nature as would create a desire in the reader's mind to come in closer connection with the Saviour of mankind, it was therefore that I had chosen this work. He seemed to be much pleased with my answer.

The Spirit of God had done its work. He asked for the price of the book. I told him, and took up my book to show him some of its contents. But he told me not to bother myself. "You can bring me one of those," he said. After having signed his name, we had a short but touching talk together, recounting some of God's blessings to us. The tears rolled down his cheeks. Then I took his hand to bid him good-bye. He took my hand, and bowing his head, kissed it. This was almost too much for me; I felt as though it was my duty to draw my hand back, but it seemed powerless.

It seemed hard for us to part. We talked a few minutes longer, then looking towards the sun, he said, "I see its getting towards night. Can't you stop at my place to-night?" I was glad to accept of his invitation, and as I went back to his house I could not keep the tears back. I realised that the Lord had answered my prayer in such a wonderful way, and that to such an unworthy being as I.

It would be needless to say that we had a most

blessed time together. In the morning, before I left, he told me that his house should always be open to me. "I am old now," he said, "and cannot live many years longer, but I want you to understand that I will have it arranged so that if you come here after I am dead, these doors will always be open to you." How happy and cheerful I was that morning when I left his house. My thoughts were directed to a promise of our Saviour, in connection with my own experience. My parents and brothers and sisters live far away from me, and with the exception of one sister they are more or less opposed to the truth I love so dearly.

Our Saviour's promise reads thus: "And Jesus answered and said, Verily I say unto you, There is no man that hath left house, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for My sake, and the gospel's, but he shall receive an hundredfold now in this time, houses, and brethren, and sisters, and mothers, and children, and land, with persecutions; and in the world to come eternal life."

Mark 10: 29, 30.

J. H.

**WEST AUSTRALIA.**

WE give the following interesting items from a private letter from Pastor A. G. Daniells:—

"The week of prayer was held in Perth from July 2 to 10. We were unable to secure a hall for evening services, so we held meetings the two Sabbaths and Sundays, and three afternoons during the week. As we had so many special matters to place before the Perth brethren we did not think it best to follow the readings.

"The first Sunday afternoon most of them met at Brother Hare's house. I presented the line of thought in my reading *re* the cause in Australasia. Hearts were touched, and we had one of the best meetings I have attended for a long time. We had special evidence that the Lord was near to guide us in our efforts to advance the cause in this colony. In the evening I spoke in their regular meeting place to about one hundred persons.

"The second Sabbath we held the quarterly meeting, and had a very good day. We took up the annual offerings for foreign missions, and received £10 os. 7d.

"Sunday morning we had a baptism, when four persons were immersed. Two were a brother and his wife who have lately begun to keep the Sabbath. In the evening we had a fine large meeting in the Town Hall. Some three hundred were present, and the collection was £5 rs. od."

**WEEK OF PRAYER DONATIONS.**

**New South Wales.**

AVONDALE SCHOOL.

Stanmore ..	..	..	..	..	£5	5	7
Ashfield ..	..	..	..	..	2	5	1½
Auburn ..	..	..	..	..	0	7	6
Prospect ..	..	..	..	..	1	5	6
Parramatta ..	..	..	..	..	0	18	9
Kellyville ..	..	..	..	..	1	17	2
Avondale ..	..	..	..	..	62	16	0
Goulburn ..	..	..	..	..	0	2	0

£74 17 7½

ANNUAL OFFERINGS.

Avondale ..	..	..	..	..	£23	11	8
Auburn ..	..	..	..	..	0	4	0
Prospect ..	..	..	..	..	0	9	6
Ashfield ..	..	..	..	..	1	2	0
Stanmore ..	..	..	..	..	3	8	7½
Kellyville ..	..	..	..	..	0	10	0
Parramatta ..	..	..	..	..	1	11	4
Goulburn ..	..	..	..	..	0	2	0

£30 19 1½

**Queensland.**

AVONDALE SCHOOL.

Rockhampton Church ..	..	..	..	..	£3	14	3
Toowoomba Church ..	..	..	..	..	2	17	4
Brisbane Company ..	..	..	..	..	12	18	11
Ipswich ..	..	..	..	..	5	5	0
Flagstone ..	..	..	..	..	0	5	6
Tent Hill ..	..	..	..	..	0	3	0
Mount Sylvia ..	..	..	..	..	1	7	6
Laidley ..	..	..	..	..	1	0	0
Mrs. J. Wilson ..	..	..	..	..	2	0	0
Mrs. Streeter ..	..	..	..	..	0	2	0
Mr. G. R. Mills ..	..	..	..	..	0	1	0

£29 14 6

ANNUAL OFFERINGS.

Brisbane Company ..	..	..	..	..	£1	10	0
Ipswich ..	..	..	..	..	0	6	6
Laidley ..	..	..	..	..	0	9	0

£2 5 6

**West Australia.**

AVONDALE SCHOOL.

Perth ..	..	..	..	..	£2	15	0
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ANNUAL OFFERINGS.

Perth ..	..	..	..	..	£10	0	7
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**Central Australia.—(Second Report.)**

AVONDALE SCHOOL.

Hobart ..	..	..	..	..	£2	12	8
Adelaide ..	..	..	..	..	0	16	0
N. Fitzroy ..	..	..	..	..	1	10	0

£4 18 8

ANNUAL OFFERINGS.

Adelaide ..	..	..	..	..	£1	2	6
N. Fitzroy ..	..	..	..	..	0	10	0
Melrose ..	..	..	..	..	1	4	4
Hobart ..	..	..	..	..	9	19	5
Bismarck ..	..	..	..	..	1	2	7½

£13 18 10½

### CHRISTIAN HELP WORK IN MELBOURNE.

In last month's RECORD an account was given of an enthusiastic meeting, held in the Oddfellows' Hall, Melbourne, to consider various lines of benevolent work.

Since that meeting some progress has been made in putting the plans of work into execution. Committees were appointed to have charge of the various lines of work to be undertaken. The City Mission committee arranged to take the premises in Latrobe Street, referred to last month, at a reasonable rental. Before concluding the lease, the central board of health and the city authorities were approached, and it was feared that such restrictions and alterations were to be insisted upon as would make it out of the question to make use of the building for the purpose designed. The matter was made a subject of prayer, and the committee feel assured that the Lord moved upon the hearts of those in whose hands the decision rested, as the most favourable construction was put upon the statute regulations, so that the necessary fire escapes and other preventives against the risk of fire, the sanitary arrangements, etc., are being put in at much less expense than was expected. The committee put in a tender to do the alterations required, for the sum of £45 10s., which was accepted by the landlord, he agreeing to give us credit for £20 of this amount to be deducted from the rent the first year, and another £20 to be deducted from the second year's rent.

The committee have undertaken this great work without means, but with the firm conviction that the Spirit of the Lord is calling upon us to move out along these lines, and believing that His providence will open the way before us just as fast as we "go forward" at His bidding. Not a step has been taken without seeking counsel from the Lord, and the committee feel profoundly impressed that He has heard and answered their prayers in a remarkable manner. Brother Faulkhead, chairman of the Mission Committee, has given much time and thought to the work, and the Lord has signally blessed his efforts. We have not felt that the Lord would be pleased to have us appear as beggars; but as the work we are undertaking has been presented to the merchants and leading men in the city, it has commended itself to them and there have been some quite liberal responses. One gentleman promised a donation of £15. Another promised £10, and several have already given smaller sums. One timber merchant sent round enough material for one of the three flights of red gum stairs; then another firm sent the material for another flight, and the committee is waiting to see whom the Lord will move upon to give the third one.

We feel confident that the Lord has directed us to take these premises. The buildings, when fitted up,

will be admirably adapted for use as a Mission and Rescue Home. The Lord has moved upon Brother Hubbard to return from Cooranbong to take charge of the work of the mission.

It is hoped to have the place all ready to open by August 1, on which date the rent begins. The lettering is now being done, which, when completed, will give the outside a bright and cheery appearance.

Where chairs or forms to seat the chapel; chairs, tables, stove, cooking utensils, dishes, etc., for the dining-room: twenty-five to fifty beds with mattresses, blankets, quilts, sheets, pillows, etc., for the sleeping floors; to say nothing of pictures, mottos, etc., for the whole establishment, are to come from, with no money with which to purchase them, is a question that the committee is wholly unable to answer. But He who has put it into our hearts to prepare to gather in some of the outcasts, and minister to them, knows just where the means are with which He would have this Home provided, and His rich blessing will rest upon everyone who, in response to the moving of His Spirit, assists in this good work. "He that giveth to the poor lendeth to the Lord." Here is a good opportunity to invest in the bank of heaven, which in just a little while will be the only one that will survive the crash of all the banks in the world—in that day when "the land shall be utterly emptied and utterly spoiled," the time foretold by the prophet when "All the cities thereof were broken down at the presence of the Lord and by His fierce anger."

We invite all who read these lines, who have well-furnished homes, to think of the hundreds of homeless men who walk the streets of Melbourne, who are absolute strangers to almost every comfort of life, and who have forgotten that anyone cares for them.

A few days ago the writer met a man who had been knocking about the colonies a number of years, managing to make a living in one way or another, till he was taken ill a few weeks ago, when he went to a cheap boarding place and stopped until all his money was gone. His bag, containing all his belongings, was retained until he should pay ninepence which he owed, and he was turned out upon the street, sick, without money or friends. A Catholic Home had arranged to give him a bed for a few nights. I can never tell you how glad I was that we could say to that man, "We will give you a place to sleep and food to eat." He is now acting as "caretaker" at the mission. We have only been able to furnish him with a bag of shavings to sleep on, and clothes to keep him warm, for which he is exceedingly grateful.

It may be that in some of our homes there are articles of furniture, bedding, clothing, dishes, pictures, mottos, etc., that might be spared for the mission; or if any wish to give donations in money, it will be most carefully expended by the committee in purchasing

necessary furnishings. All articles donated should be sent, charges prepaid, to "Helping Hand Mission," 224 and 226 Latrobe Street, Melbourne. Cash donations should be sent to the treasurer, N. D. Faulkhead, 16 Best Street, N. Fitzroy, Vic.

It was my intention to have written concerning the work of the Home for the Aged, the Helping Hand Wood Yard, the Laundry, which is to be opened soon, the work of caring for the orphans, the establishing of the Electric Light Bath Institution, etc.; but I fear I have already taken up too much space, so will conclude by saying that we expect, in a few days, to publish the first number of a little paper called the "Helping Hand," the mission of which will be to report fully each month on the various lines of Christian help work carried forward.

Subscribe for "The Helping Hand." One shilling per year.

Address: "Helping Hand," 251 St. George's Road, N. Fitzroy, Vic. Victorian stamps may be sent, but not the stamps of other colonies.

A. T. ROBINSON.

CHRIST teaches that our anxiety should not be, How much are we to receive? but, How much can we give? The standard of our obligation to others is found in what we ourselves would regard as their obligation to us.

In your association with others, put yourself in their place. Enter into their feelings, their difficulties, their disappointments, their joys, and their sorrows. Identify yourself with them, and then do to them as, were you to exchange places with them, you would wish them to deal with you. This is the true rule of honesty. It is another expression of the law, "Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself." And it is the substance of the teaching of the prophets.

Whatever you may possess above your fellows, places you in debt, to that degree, to all who are less favoured. Have we wealth, or even the comforts of life, then we are under the most solemn obligation to care for the suffering sick, the widow, and the fatherless, exactly as we would desire them to care for us, were our condition and theirs to be reversed.

A religion that leads men to place a low estimate upon human beings, whom Christ has esteemed of such value as to give Himself for them; a religion that would lead us to be careless of human needs, sufferings, or rights, is a spurious religion. In slighting the claims of the poor, the suffering, and the sinful, we are proving ourselves traitors to Christ. It is because men take upon themselves the name of Christ, while in life they deny His character, that Christianity has so little power in the world.—*Thoughts from the Mount of Blessing*, pp. 164, 165, 166, 167.

## THE MEDICAL AND SURGICAL SANITARIUM.

Those of our people who read the *Herald of Health*, (and all who are preparing their bodies to stand the trials of the days before the coming of the Lord should take advantage of the instruction therein given) will have noticed that the Sydney "Health Home" has changed its name.

Henceforth this institution will be known as the "Medical and Surgical Sanitarium" of Summerhill.

Nor is this a change in name alone. The entire institution has been placed upon a higher scientific plane; in fact a Sanitarium plane.

A physician has taken charge of the medical and surgical work, thus giving opportunity to the manager to successfully carry out the legitimate duties of his position. A thoroughly competent chemist and microscopist is at the head of a new complete laboratory of investigation. Medical gymnastics and other special facilities are being added to assist in the recovery of the sick.

Above all the Spirit of God is in the Sanitarium. The employees are being spiritually blessed in their efforts, and a deep interest is also being awakened in the minds of many of the guests.

In fact the Sanitarium will ever be, by Divine help, a place of earnest prayer, as well as an institution for faithful work. And what is the result? Every bed in the main building, and the beds are as near each other as the laws of health will permit, is full, and applicants at times are necessarily refused. The principles of rational and scientific treatment and dietetics are being disseminated far and wide by our patrons, and new patients of culture and position are availing themselves of the opportunities for the restoration of health.

Surgical work has been pressed upon the physicians of the institution, and thus far has been carried on successfully.

We cannot doubt, for one moment, that the Sanitarium will go on from success to success.

Now is the time to help in spreading its influence throughout Australia. Our people should own a medical building of their own, but, failing this, we *must* build a new bathroom, to enable the attendants to maintain their health, and to treat those who place themselves in their hands.

Two hundred pounds would build and equip a three roomed bath and treatment house, with eight additional bedrooms in the upper storey. Will someone either donate or lend this amount? If necessary, the Sanitarium Board are prepared to offer a fair interest. We believe God would be honoured if some of the money now submerged in worldly enterprises were diverted to His work.

DR. E. R. CARO.

THE CANVASSING WORK IN NEW  
SOUTH WALES.

"THE canvassing work is God's means of reaching many that would not otherwise be impressed with the truth." Test. 32, pp. 161. As we have studied the canvassing work of late, we have been very much impressed with the above quotation, and have earnestly desired that many of our able brethren and sisters who are at present doing but little for the Lord, would realise this, and take hold of this work in real earnest.

"Very much more efficient work can be done in the canvassing field than has yet been done." Ibid. pp. 152. Knowing that the only way to become "efficient" was by close study and practical experience, it was decided to hold regular meetings where our workers might receive the benefits of class study and the experience of others. For some time past we have endeavoured to have a good corps of workers in the suburbs of Sydney, believing that "now" is the time to labour in these large cities.

Our first meeting was called about three weeks ago, and was well attended by those who are either working or planning to work with our publications very shortly. As the object of the meeting was made known, all seemed pleased and were unanimous in their decision that they should be held fortnightly.

Our Field Agent, Bro. Johanson, spoke of the work of the canvasser, and how the Lord looked upon this work. An earnest season of prayer followed. All seemed blessed and cheered to go forward, take advance steps, improve their methods of labour and thus help to take the truth to those who "perhaps would not be reached in any other way."

About twelve attended our last meeting which was held last Sunday morning, July 3rd. The blessing of the Lord was realised by each one present. All had met with one object, that of learning "how to become efficient labourers for God." The Testimonies were used as a text book. Many valuable extracts were read, and we know that if the instruction is carried out as given by God, success will attend the efforts of our workers. We wish that all our canvassers would study this with us. They would then learn how to overcome difficulties, etc. "For the love of Jesus abiding in the heart will enable us to devise means to gain access to individuals and families.

The rich blessing of the Lord was felt as each engaged in prayer. Our country workers were not forgotten; each was mentioned by name, and his work brought before the Lord.

We propose taking up a study of our denominational and medical books in future meetings. Sister Johanson has kindly consented to help us in this. Her practical experience will be of great help to those who are new in the work.

L. GREGG.

QUEENSLAND TRACT SOCIETY.

DEAR \_\_\_\_\_,

I am enclosing the summary of our canvassing work for June.

We feel very grateful as we look over this summary.

If God had not specially blessed the efforts put forth, our totals would have been very low. You will notice that Bro. Horwood's name does not appear this month at all. He has had a bad throat, which combined with other things, has prevented him from working. He expects to begin again in a few days.

During the week of prayer, Sr. Hewitt put in very little time, which accounts for her small report compared with that of the previous month.

Our workers are all of good courage, and write us frequently that the Lord is giving them wisdom and strength for their work. Their good reports from week to week prove to us that this is so indeed.

We were very pleased to meet Bro. A. G. Mackenzie last Friday. It did our hearts good to see how full of courage he was. He reports that two more have taken their stand for the truth at Gympie, making three in all. He expects to begin work in Bundaberg the week after next.

On Monday the 27th, Bro. Ulrick left Brisbane to enter the canvassing field. We are glad to see the success that is attending his work right from the commencement. In four days he sold 17s. 6d. worth of helps, and the total value of his sales amount to £7 5s.

Bro. A. W. Horwood left for Rockhampton the end of last month. He will begin canvassing there in a few days.

The evidences we have that God is guiding us and blessing the faithful efforts put forth, give us fresh courage for the month we have just entered upon. We desire to acknowledge God in all our ways, to thank Him for past mercies, and trust Him for future ones, and we know that while so doing He will direct our paths.

Your sister in Christ,

ANNIE S. HIGGINS, Sec.

Brisbane, Queensland, July 8, 1898.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

WANTED.—Numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 16, 24, 25, 26, 27, 30 to 50 inclusive, of Volume 11, *Bible Echo* (1896).

The above numbers are required to make up a file. If any of our readers have any of them to spare, they will greatly oblige by forwarding them to E. M. Graham, 251 St. George's Road, N. Fitzroy, Vic.

**MONTHLY SUMMARY OF THE AUSTRALASIAN  
CANVASSING WORK.**

**Central Australia.**

JUNE.

	Orders.	Value.
Ladies' Guide—		
E. Hoskins, Yarrowonga, Vic. ..	4	5 6 6
Mrs. C. Gooding, Adelaide, S. A. ..	9	8 4 6
Bible Readings—		
J. Bell, East Melbourne, Vic. ..	16	8 5 0
W. N. Thom, Brunswick, Vic. ..	30	21 10 6
Patriarchs and Prophets—		
J. B. Downs, Creswick, Vic. ..	38	27 7 6
Sunbeams—		
R. J. Stoate, Geelong, Vic. ..	22	13 11 0
	<u>119</u>	<u>84 5 0</u>

Note.—We are glad for the slight improvement in this month's report, as compared with the last, but believe that very much more can be accomplished if a united effort is put forth. Our hope is in God. He has promised success to every worker who is true to principle, and works depending on Him.—C. P. MICHAELS, General Agent.

**New South Wales.**

JUNE.

	Orders.	Value.
Bible Readings—		
Miss E. Adcock, Parramatta ..	7	6 3 6
C. J. Anderson, Cuttabri ..	3	2 13 6
J. L. Dean, Armidale ..	3	2 7 6
Mrs. C. Chapman, Glebe ..	10	7 6 0
Daniel and Revelation—		
J. Nichol, Bathurst ..	20	18 8 6
Mrs. M. Nichol, Bathurst ..	9	7 17 0
A. B. Cook, Bathurst ..	12	11 4 6
Ladies' Guide—		
Mrs. M. A. Gregg, Newcastle ..	28	28 9 6
Mrs. E. Hay, Croydon ..	20	17 14 6
Miss J. Robertson, Murrumbidgee ..	18	17 10 0
	<u>130</u>	<u>£119 14 6</u>

Note.—Our Summary is very low this month, because several agents were delivering. Many have also been hindered by the very wet weather. We hope the next report will be better.

**New Zealand.**

JUNE.

	Orders.	Value.
Patriarchs and Prophets		
W. W. Ward ..	5	3 12 6
Miss L. Harker ..	29	19 19 6
Miss C. Manson ..	36	35 0 6
Bible Readings—		
W. H. Pascoe ..	44	20 9 0
N. Harker ..	107	70 10 6
W. J. M'Gowan ..	49	25 17 0
H. Harker ..	13	5 10 0
Ladies' Guide—		
Mrs. Anderson ..	115	100 12 6
Mrs. Masters ..	24	23 2 0
Mrs. Blackwell ..	22	15 5 0
Mrs. Steed ..	16	15 11 6
Man the Masterpiece—		
G. Masters ..	12	10 10 0
Home Hand-Book—		
W. H. Dawson ..	8	11 0 0
	<u>480</u>	<u>£357 0 0</u>

**Queensland.**

JUNE.

	Orders.	Value.
Bible Readings—		
J. F. Henderson, Southport ..	45	35 2 3
M. Sumpter, S. Brisbane ..	33	23 5 6
C. Prebble ..	32	22 9 0
C. Ulrick, Harrisville ..	9	7 5 0
Home-Hand Book—		
A. G. MacKenzie, Gympie ..	16	29 13 6
P. Reekie, Dalby ..	23	36 6 0
Ladies' Guide—		
A. Ackary, Brisbane ..	40	45 16 6
Mrs. Hewitt, Toowoomba ..	43	42 0 6
J. H. Hewitt ..	24	23 7 0
		<u>265 £265 5 3</u>

**BIBLE ECHO SALES.**

JUNE.

(Four Weeks.)

Churches.	Member-ship.	Echoes	Unorganised Companies.	Echoes.
Adelaide ..	159	1900	Brought forward ..	14938
Ashfield ..	66	888	Bendigo ..	32
Avondale ..	50	1464	Brisbane ..	1038
Ballarat ..	40	276	Charters Towers ..	288
Bismarck ..	56	48	Croydon ..	150
Brighton ..	14	96	Ipswich ..	24
Broken Hill ..	17	624	Kadina ..	24
Geelong ..	18	940	Kalgoorlie ..	48
Hawthorn ..	40	80	Kangarilla ..	52
Hobart ..	94	636	Launceston ..	96
Kellyville ..	16	96	Melrose ..	288
Latrobe ..	9	24	Stanmore ..	48
Melbourne ..	208	1646	Townsville ..	48
Parramatta ..	70	2148	New Zealand ..	8732
Perth ..	31	1314	Miscellaneous ..	1674
Prospect ..	12	48		
Rockhampton ..	69	344	Grand total ..	27480
Sydney ..	84	1118		
Toowoomba ..	28	80		
Williamstown ..	64	268		
Windsor ..	80	900		
Total ..		14938		

**SANITARIUM HEALTH FOOD AGENCY.**

WE are pleased to say that the sale of our health foods continues to be very satisfactory, and the sphere in which they are recognised as household necessities and health promoters is steadily but surely increasing. Letters from individuals in different parts of the various colonies enquiring about, ordering, or commending the foods, clearly shows that the knowledge of them is being widely disseminated and favourably received. We thank our many friends who have helped us to make so widely known the excellent properties, both nutritive and curative, possessed by these health foods, and respectfully request a continuance of their esteemed assistance.

SANITARIUM HEALTH FOOD AGENCY.

## ...NOTES...

Do not fail to read the report of "Christian Help Work in Melbourne," on another page.

BROTHER T. W. SKINNER and family have arrived from Perth, W.A., to connect with the Electric Light Bath Institution, shortly to be opened in Melbourne.

BROTHER G. HUBBARD and family have arrived in Melbourne, from Cooranbong, N. S. Wales. Brother Hubbard will take charge of the City Mission, assisted by Brother John Hellier.

PASTOR A. G. DANIELLS arrived in Adelaide, Sabbath morning, July 23, in time to attend the morning service. He will leave there Monday, July 25, and reach Melbourne on Tuesday morning.

THE New South Wales Conference is now in progress. The first meetings were held July 21, and it is appointed to close July 26. During this Conference the New South Wales Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association will be organized.

ANOTHER inmate has been taken into the Old Peoples' Home—Sister Stewart, late of Bendigo. This sister, though past her allotted three score years and ten, is an energetic missionary worker, selling from half to one gross of Echos per week, as well as some of our small books.

As the needs of the Mission fields were presented at the Avondale School during the Week of Prayer, the students were impressed with a desire to assist in sending the gospel to the regions beyond. Of gold and silver they had little or none, but such as they had they could give. They set apart a day in which to labour for this end, and the result has just reached us. The girls send in £2 12s., the boys £3 3s. Are there not others among us who can do likewise?

Send one shilling and get the *Helping Hand* monthly for one year. The August number will contain illustrations of the "Old People's Home," and of the Latrobe Street Mission Buildings; and reports of the Mission work will be given each month. Send along your subscriptions at once and get the first number, which will be out in a few days. Address, *Helping Hand*, 251 St. George's Road, N. Fitzroy, Vic. Victorian stamps may be sent, but not the stamps of other colonies.

## WEST AUSTRALIAN TRACT SOCIETY.

THE West Australian Tract Society has now been organized, with Mrs. Hindson as secretary and treasurer. Our West Australian readers will please take note that in future they should address all orders to Mrs. Hindson, 265 Newcastle Street, West Perth, W.A.

Money Orders, Drafts, etc., should be made payable to the West Australian Tract Society, and not to individuals.

Postal Notes and Money Orders should be made payable at the West Perth P.O.

## AVONDALE SCHOOL.

IN our March number we gave a statement of the amounts that had been pledged by the various Conferences and Missions towards the school, and the amounts they had paid. Since then our people have responded liberally to the calls made upon them in behalf of the school, and we give a table showing the present standing of this fund.

	Proportion.	Amount Paid.	Amount to be Paid.
Central Australia	£943 5 4	£580 13 8	£362 11 8
New South Wales	433 15 2	502 10 6½	
New Zealand ..	500 0 0	238 1 1	261 18 11
Queensland ..	122 19 6	76 1 7	46 17 11
	£2,000 0 0	£1,397 6 10½	£671 8 6

This shows that we have received during the past four months £387 11s. 4½d. If payments continue to be made in the same proportion, less than one year will see the whole amount realized and our obligations to the Avondale School, as far as this fund is concerned, fulfilled. We would earnestly request our brethren and sisters not to relax their efforts until this is done.

## NEW SOUTH WALES NOTICE.

Will our New South Wales friends and patrons please note the following:—

Money Orders, Drafts, etc., should be made payable to the New South Wales Tract Society, and not to individuals.

Postal Notes and Money Orders should be made payable at the *Petersham* P.O., not Stanmore.

L. GREGG, Sec.

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