

Union Conference Record

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

VOL. I.

Melbourne, Victoria, August 15, 1898.

No. 8.

AUSTRALASIAN MEDICAL MISSIONARY AND BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION.

THE first session of the Australasian Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association, was held in connection with the Central Australian Conference, August 6 to 14. Two meetings were held.

The President, A. G. Daniells, presented the necessity for organising this Association, and the work it was intended to do. Medical institutions, city missions, rescue industries, homes for the aged, orphanages, and other philanthropic enterprises were being established in these colonies. These would need the supervision and assistance of such an organisation. It would be the duty of the association to provide trained medical and other workers for these institutions, to assist in raising funds for the establishing and conducting them, and to give general oversight to all lines of medical missionary and Christian help work.

A. W. Semmens reported for the Sanitarium, Summerhill, N. S. W., of which he is manager. This institution was started two years ago in a small house, with one patient. After six months the house they now occupied was taken, and two good treatment rooms were fitted up. The work had been uphill, but had steadily increased, out-growing their accommodation. A cottage had been taken in addition, and at the present time every bed was occupied, and other patients were waiting to enter. During the two years the institution had been running, 7,500 treatments had been given. Charitable work representing about £500 had been done. There were fifteen nurses in training in the Sanitarium, and thirty-two students taking the first year of the nurses' course at the Avondale School. Dr. Caro was acting as physician. The Lord had greatly blessed the work done. Many cures had been wrought, and the confidence of the patients had been gained. A number had become interested in our faith, and it was no uncommon thing to see a patient, after a few days residence, lay aside his novels and begin to

study his Bible. There was a missionary spirit manifested by the nurses, and the good Spirit of the Lord was present in the institution.

The President called attention to the number of medical workers in this field at the present time. There are in New South Wales, two physicians and four certificated nurses, fifteen nurses in training, and thirty-two students studying in this line. In Victoria there are three certificated nurses; in West Australia, two; and in New Zealand, one. In the health foods' business there are six persons employed. One year ago we had two certificated nurses and one assistant nurse.

The President, who had recently visited West Australia, spoke of the present situation of the work there. The nurses had gained the confidences of the doctors, and one of them had made a very liberal offer which had been accepted. He had established a private hospital and placed a lady in charge of it. He offered our nurses a living room, a bath room, and treatment room in the hospital with free use of the telephone for 15/- per week. They were to receive all fees for treatments given by them, and for all nursing done by them either in the hospital or outside. A brother in Perth had presented them with a good electric bath and appliances, and they were well equipped for doing good work.

P. B. Rudge, manager of the Health Foods Bakery gave a short report of the progress of this work. In January a bakery was taken, and the manufacturing of the foods begun. The foods made compared favourably with those imported from America, and were well liked wherever they were tried. Agencies had been established in Queensland, W. Australia, S. Australia, and Tasmania. Every month the number of sales had increased, and the future prospects were good. Capital was needed to add machinery and appliances, which would decrease the cost of producing the foods, and enable them to be manufactured with greater rapidity.

Dr. Caro spoke of the Bethany Home, Napier, N.Z.,

established for helping released prisoners. A house had been taken, and a matron placed in charge. The expenses had been entirely met by donations from the public. Several persons had been rescued from the depths of degradation, and were now living respectable useful lives. One woman said that this was the first time she had ever had an opportunity to live a better life, and she accepted it with heartfelt gratitude.

The Articles of Association, having been carefully considered on previous occasions, were not re-read, but on motion of A. T. Robinson, seconded by J. Woods, were adopted.

Forty-one persons signed the roll as members of the Association.

The following persons were elected to fill the vacancies in the Executive Committee: A. T. Robinson, N. D. Faulkhead, E. R. Caro, E. R. Palmer, W. D. Salisbury, and by appointment, G. W. Morse.

Adjourned *sine die*.

A. G. DANIELLS, *President*.

E. R. CARO, *Secretary*.

MEETING OF THE ECHO PUBLISHING COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE tenth annual meeting of the Echo Publishing Company, Limited, was held at the registered office, 14 and 16 Best Street, Nth. Fitzroy, on Wednesday evening, August 10th.

There were 19 shareholders present, and a good attendance of visitors.

The President, Mr W. D. Salisbury, occupied the chair.

Mr. Robinson opened with prayer.

The minutes of the last annual meeting were read and confirmed.

The balance sheet, to which was attached the necessary statutory declarations of the President, Treasurer, Directors and Licensed Auditor, was presented by the Treasurer. This proved a net worth on June 30th, 1898 of £3056 9s 6½d, an increase for the year of £205 4s 3d. The profit and loss statement showed a net profit for the year of £202 4s 3d, after having allowed for depreciation in the value of real estate to the amount of £301 8s 9d.

The shareholders present considered this a most satisfactory showing, especially in view of the fact that such extensive alterations and additions had been effected during the past year.

The President stated that the year had been one of unusual activity. Only one dull month had been encountered. A large addition had been made to the factory, and new facilities had also been added. A Cottrell printing press had been secured, and two new bindery machines and a dynamo had been purchased from the Basel house. The changes and additions had

been much appreciated by the employees, and the company was now in a position to execute a much larger volume of work than ever before. A good deal of publishing work had been done, and much more was contemplated in the near future. The factory work had been carefully re-arranged and systematised, in consequence of which much better attention was now being given to our own periodical work, especially as regards punctuality in publication. The company employed about 70 workmen. Some large contracts had been signed for commercial work, one, the most extensive ever handled by the company, amounting to £1025. This job would occupy one press for 11 months.

Mr. W. Miller reported, on behalf of the city office, that the company's connection was constantly increasing. Many favourable comments had been volunteered with reference to the quality of the company's work. General satisfaction prevailed among the company's patrons.

Mr. E. R. Palmer reported a large increase in periodical sales. Four new tracts had been published. A large edition of the new cookery book "A Friend in the Kitchen" had been printed and circulated. There had been an increase in the sale of "helps." The organisation of the Echo School had been a feature of the year. Classes had been formed in Bible, Language, and Physics, with 27, 25, and 18 pupils respectively, and a class for vocal music was about to be organised.

Mr. N. A. Davis reported the formation of the Echo Technical Club, which had been established for the spiritual, mental, and physical advancement of the Company's employees. Twenty meetings had been held, which were largely attended. The club published monthly a manuscript magazine of from thirty to forty pages. Over seventy papers had been prepared by club members. The gatherings of the club had been beneficial to the employees in many ways, and it was expected that in the near future additional features would be added that would largely increase its interest and usefulness.

Mr. W. C. White congratulated the officers of the Company on their good reports. He trusted that the employees would heartily co-operate with the city mission work which was about to be established.

Messrs. Morse, A. W. Anderson, Woods, Ballingall and Daniells also spoke in congratulatory terms, and Messrs. H. L. Miller and L. Bond expressed appreciation of the Company's new facilities on behalf of the employees.

The following persons were elected Directors for the ensuing year: Messrs. W. D. Salisbury, G. W. Morse, N. D. Faulkhead, A. T. Robinson, W. C. White, A. W. Anderson and E. R. Palmer.

W. D. SALISBURY, *President*,

W. H. B. MILLER, *Secretary*.

CENTRAL AUSTRALIAN CONFERENCE.

THE eleventh annual session of the Central Australian Conference of Seventh-day Adventists was held during the Conference week, August 6-14.

Two meetings of the Conference proper were convened, when the President, Elder A. T. Robinson, took the chair.

The session opened with a season of song and prayer, followed by the roll call of delegates from the churches.

Petitions were received from Kadina, S.A., and Windsor, Vic., respectively, asking for admission to the Conference.

Bro. A. Ballingall, on behalf of the former, reported a membership of twenty five, with the prospect of addition to the number, as much earnestness and zeal was being displayed by the church there; also that a building was in course of erection, and would soon be completed, so that the outlook for the cause and the people in that place was cheerful indeed.

Bro. W. Knight, on behalf of the latter church, explained that it came into existence through the amalgamation of the churches at Prahran and Malvern, also that the location of the church there formed a convenient centre to which was attached the company from Balaclava, who, as the result of the tent meetings following the Balaclava Camp meeting, decided to keep the Sabbath and join with us. The present membership is 84.

Resolutions were unanimously passed, approving of the reception of these churches into the Conference.

An invitation to join in the deliberations of the Conference was extended to Bro. G. W. Morse, recently arrived from America.

In the course of an interesting address, the President gave a report of labour done since last session, especially referring to the South Australian field. An explanation was also given for the change of time for the sittings of the Conference. Hitherto they were appointed to be held in connection with the annual camp-meeting. This arrangement however, was found to be disadvantageous, inasmuch as the spiritual work was largely interfered with by the business matters demanding attention, somewhat to the detriment of both. After much counsel on the situation, it has therefore been decided to close the Conference year on June 30th, and hold a winter session for the transaction of business. This course leaves the time of the camp-meeting entirely free to be devoted to the spiritual interests of the work.

The presentation of the balance-sheet showed a surplus of £115 os 4d.

The president appointed the following committees:—

ON DELEGATIONS: A. Ballingall, A. Chelberg, G. Hubbard.

ON RESOLUTIONS: J. H. Woods, E. R. Palmer, P. B. Rudge, C. P. Michaels, W. Knight.

ON NOMINATIONS: W. D. Salisbury, E. Pearce, G. Hubbard, J. E. Steed, J. Bown.

ON CREDENTIALS: N. D. Faulkhead, A. G. Daniells, J. E. Steed, W. C. White, W. Knight.

ON PLAN OF FUTURE WORK, TO ACT WITH CONFERENCE COMMITTEE: A. G. Daniells, W. C. White, W. D. Salisbury.

Credentials and Licenses were granted as follows:—

Credentials: A. T. Robinson.

Ordination and Credentials: J. H. Woods.

Ministerial Licenses: A. Ballingall, C. P. Michaels, G. Hubbard.

Missionary Licenses: W. D. Salisbury, N. D. Faulkhead, W. Knight, A. W. Anderson, J. E. Steed, P. B. Rudge, R. L. Bond, A. H. Rogers, E. Pearce, N. A. Davis.

The following resolutions were adopted:—

1. *That* we acknowledge the goodness of God and His prospering care over the work during the past, and we feel to so co-operate with Him, and to consecrate our lives to His service, that His continued blessings may remain with us during the year upon which we have now entered.

2. *That* we accede to the request of the Central Australian Sabbath School Association, and the Central Australian Tract Society, to amalgamate with the Central Australian Conference, and become departments of its regular work.

3. *That* the Conference Executive Committee be empowered to appoint all departmental secretaries.

4. *That* this Conference secure offices in the City of Melbourne for all departments of its work, as early as can prudently be arranged.

5. *That* a camp-meeting be held near the close of the present year, provided arrangements can be made for efficient laborers both for the meeting and the effort following.

6. *That* the executive committee of the conference be empowered to appoint two persons to act with the vice-president as a camp-meeting committee.

7. *That* the Conference committee take steps, immediately, to raise a fund to defray camp-meeting expenses.

8. *That* a fund be established for making and repairing tents.

9. *That* we heartily approve of the various earnest efforts now being made in our Conference to establish Christian Help and Rescue Work.

10. *That* since many of our church members are frequently travelling, and have opportunity of meeting with our brethren in different places, we consider it essential that such brethren receive travelling letters from the church with which they are connected, calling attention to the fact that they are members in good standing; such letters to be valid for three months.

11. *That* we regard with deepest interest and satisfaction the good experience and progress of our students in the Avondale School.

12. *That* we view with gratitude the providential openings for consecrated young men and women to engage in gospel work; and that in view of these encouragements and the urgency of the times in which we live, we encourage our

people to make continued and heroic effort to send their children to the school, and especially those whose age and experience give promise that they may be fitted for service at an early date.

13. That we approve of the action of the School Board in arranging to hold a Summer School.

14. That we regard with approval the proposals of the School Board to erect another building this spring and summer, using as far as possible the labor of the students in this work.

15. That we advise that the officers of the Conference shall, through church elders and librarians, lay before our people monthly, the progress and needs of the school, and encourage gifts to the building fund.

The following officers were elected :—

President : A. T. Robinson. *Vice President* : C. P. Michaels. *Recording Secretary* : Wm. Knight. *Treasurer and Accountant* : John Bell. *Executive Committee* : A. T. Robinson, C. P. Michaels, R. G. Anderson, G. Hubbard, N. D. Faulkhead, J. H. Woods, Wm. Knight. Adjourned *sine die*.

A. T. ROBINSON, *President*.

WM. KNIGHT, *Secretary*.

AUSTRALIAN TRACT SOCIETY.

THE eleventh annual session of the Australian Tract Society was held in the Gospel Hall of the Helping Hand Mission, Latrobe Street, Melbourne, August 8, 1898.

The President, A. T. Robinson, gave a brief history of the rise and progress of the Tract and Missionary work. It began in a very small way, a few sisters posting away periodicals and accompanying them with letters. Their efforts were attended with so much success that the movement became general; and there are now branches, all over the world, doing a great work in scattering our tracts and periodicals among the people. This is an important branch of our work, one in which all can have a part, and he hoped to see more engaging in distributing our literature through the post and in other ways with the old time enthusiasm.

C. P. Michaels, the General Agent for Central Australia, gave a short report of the canvassing work. This had been an exceedingly bad year for the Society. The prolonged drought, the great heat, and the extensive bush fires had caused much distress among the people and had temporarily almost ruined our work. Many agents had been forced to leave the field for a time and the sales had been low. The prospects for the future were brighter. The much needed rain had fallen and there was promise of a good harvest. The gold output had increased. Some of the old agents were returning to the field and new ones were entering it. A good many small books are being sold at the present time, especially in Melbourne and suburbs. We have every encouragement to believe that the crisis is over and a good year before us.

E. R. Palmer, the General Canvassing Agent, spoke of the changes that had been made in the Society during the past year. At our last Session the Society was operating in the whole of Australia and Tasmania. There was much difficulty and danger of loss in trying to manage the work in the more distant parts of the field from such a distance. It was therefore decided to set off the colonies of New South Wales, Queensland, and West Australia, establishing societies, with local management of the canvassing work. The New South Wales office was opened in August of last year, with Sister Lizzie Gregg, who had spent a year in this office in training, as Secretary. Bro. J. Johnson, who had been one of our best agents in West Australia, was sent to act as general agent for that colony.

In February the Queensland branch was established with Sister Annie Higgins, who had been connected with this office for three years, as Secretary, and Brother T. A. Chapman as General Agent.

These two societies had been doing good work, each month's report being larger than the previous one, and had amply justified their establishment. There is every reason to believe that the division will largely increase the future work of the field.

Just before the close of the year, the West Australian Society was organised, and Mrs Hindson, the late Secretary of this Society, had taken charge of it.

These changes had necessarily caused considerable loss to this Society. It had equipped the new branches with the best agents and with skilled workers. The Lord had blessed us with prosperity the previous year to enable us to do this work, and we believe that He will bless us in the future.

The President called attention to the sales of the Society during the past year. They amounted in all to £4688 1s 5½d, being made up of subscription books, £3181 17s 7d; small books and tracts, £721 7s 6½d; periodicals, £730 2s 8½d; health foods, £54 15s 0½d. This amount represented a large quantity of literature that had been circulated among the people, the results of which only eternity would show.

W. C. White spoke with much appreciation of the educational work which had been done by the Society. It had cost time and expense, and represented a valuable donation to the various branches which had received the trained workers.

The following resolutions were adopted :—

Whereas, The work of the Tract Society and that of the Conference are closely allied and similar in character; and

Whereas, With separate Boards of Management, it has been found, in practice, difficult for each to receive the attention that the work demands; therefore,

Resolved, That the Central Australian Conference be asked to carry on the lines of work hitherto conducted and contemplated by the Australian Tract Society, as a part of its regular work.

Resolved, That the Subscription and Trade Book Department assume all the financial responsibility and liabilities of the Australian Tract Society, and that this Department be conducted on economical and safe business lines.

Resolved, That we urge upon the Conference the importance of reviving the old time missionary spirit, by making provision for the more active carrying on of missionary correspondence, and the wider circulation of tracts and periodicals.

Adjourned *sine die*,

A. T. ROBINSON, President.

E. M. GRAHAM, Secretary.

THE CENTRAL AUSTRALIAN SABBATH-SCHOOL ASSOCIATION.

THE eleventh annual session of the above Association was held in the Temperance Hall, Russell Street, Melbourne, on August 7, 1898.

The Vice-President, Bro. W. H. B. Miller, occupied the chair.

The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

The Secretary's Annual Report included the following items of interest: Only nine months had elapsed since the last session, during which time five new schools had been organised, viz; Kadina (South Australia), Modbury (South Australia), Wynyard (Tasmania), Windsor (Victoria), and South Bruni Island (Tasmania). The present number of schools was 30, with a total membership of 924, of which number 353 were church members. The total contributions for the nine months amounted to £130 17s. 6½d.; of this amount £69 15s. 11d. was donated to missions, and £12 11s. 5d. tithes to the Association. This report did not compare favourably with the first nine months of last year. There was a falling off in the number of scholars who were church members. Local Sabbath-school officers were earnestly urged to prevail upon church members to attend the Sabbath-schools.

The financial statement showed a credit balance of £12 4s. 3d. The reports were adopted.

Instead of the usual appointment of committees and election of officers, the following resolution was moved, discussed, and unanimously adopted:—

“*Whereas*, We believe that the Sabbath-school work would receive more of the attention which its importance demands, by being made more directly a department of regular conference work; therefore,

“RESOLVED, That the Central Australian Conference be asked to make provision for carrying on the work contemplated by the Sabbath-school Association as one of its regular departments of work.”

Bro. Palmer and Bro. Bond reported that the system of placing the review prior to the recitation exercises worked well in their respective schools.

The meeting then adjourned.

J. H. WOODS, *President*.

ANNA L. COLCORD, *Secretary*.

NEW SOUTH WALES CONFERENCE.

THE third annual session of the New South Wales Conference of Seventh-day Adventists was held in the Stanmore Church, July 21-26th. Five meetings were held at which the President, W. L. H. Baker, presided.

The churches of the Conference were represented by delegates as follows: Ashfield, six; Cooranbong, six; Stanmore, seven; Parramatta, three; Prospect, 1; Kellyville, two; delegates at large: W. L. H. Baker, W. C. White, S. N. Haskell, G. B. Starr, A. W. Semmens, J. Smith, and C. B. Hughes.

The chairman in his address spoke of the prosperity of the work in every branch. The Lord was certainly going before them, and they had every reason for encouragement. Pastors W. C. White, S. N. Haskell, and G. B. Starr, each spoke of the work they had been engaged in during the past year. Others presented the needs of their respective churches.

The usual committees were appointed by the chair as follows:—

Committee on Delegation: J. Johanson, A. R. Sherwin, J. Rodd.

Committee on Nominations: J. F. Hay, J. Rodd, W. Argue.

Committee on Auditing: W. C. White, D. Lacey, J. Stuckey, T. Patching, H. J. Coope.

Committee on Resolutions: S. N. Haskell, G. B. Starr, J. Johanson.

Committee on Credentials and Licenses: W. C. White, F. L. Sharp, G. F. Goodman.

The following resolutions were adopted by the Conference:—

1. RESOLVED, That we recognise the prospering hand of God in the success which attended the work of the camp and tent meetings, resulting in the organisation of the Stanmore church, and the erection of this commodious building, and a continual living interest among the people, and that we express our thanksgiving and praise to God for the same.

2. RESOLVED, That the thanks of this Conference be conveyed to the brethren in America, Honolulu, and South Africa, who donated liberally towards the erection of the Stanmore and Cooranbong church buildings.

3. RESOLVED, That in the prosperity attending the work of the “Health Home,” which has now grown into a “Medical and Surgical Sanitarium,” we recognise the blessing of God upon right principles in dietetic reform, and the use of rational, or nature's remedies in the treatment of disease; and further:—

4. RESOLVED, That we pledge our support of these principles by our practice, our influence, and with our means.

Whereas, The Spirit of God is signally blessing the Christian Help Work in all parts of the harvest field,

5. RESOLVED, That we recommend our churches throughout the Conference to engage in this work.

6. RESOLVED, That we approve of the action of the Conference Committee in securing the services of a "Field Agent" to superintend the canvassing work, and recommend that his services be continued, and that this branch of the work be steadily maintained and extended.

7. RESOLVED, That we recognise in the *Herald of Health* a needed agent for the publication and dissemination of the principles of the gospel of health throughout Australasia, and the forwarding of much needed dietetic and kindred reforms among the people; and further,

8. RESOLVED, That we will support this journal.

9. RESOLVED, That during the ensuing year a number of family tents be made for the Conference for future camp-meeting use, and that a tent fund be opened and donations received and solicited for this purpose.

Whereas, the Lord has blessed the labours of Brother and Sister Carswell in Newcastle, and there is in that important city an interest among the people to hear the truth,—

10. RESOLVED, That we establish a permanent mission in that city in the near future, embracing the various phases of the work.

11. RESOLVED, That this Conference take into consideration the advisability of establishing day schools in connection with our churches, where the number of children attending same would sufficiently warrant.

Whereas, the illness of Brother W. L. H. Baker's father makes it necessary for him to return to the United States for a time,—

12. RESOLVED, That this Conference express its sympathy with Brother Baker, and deeply regrets the circumstances which make it necessary for him to temporarily sever his connection with the Conference, and that we assure him that our prayers will follow him for a prosperous journey and a safe return to this field of labour.

13. RESOLVED, That this Conference approve of the plan, adopted by the committee during the past year, of soliciting loans from individuals in small or large sums with or without interest, to be used in advancing the general interests of the Conference; and further,—

14. RESOLVED, That we recommend to our people the Conference Treasury as a safe place for the deposit of their savings, and that we continue to solicit their loans.

15. RESOLVED, That we recommend the Stanmore church to purchase of Pastor Haskell ten feet of ground in the rear of church.

Whereas, it would seem desirable that the corner of land adjoining the Stanmore church should be secured in the hands of our own people, that it may not fall into the hands of those who might be unfavourable to the truth, or be left possible for objectionable buildings to be erected upon it; and,—

Whereas, this lot is not needed by the Stanmore church, and would be a desirable location for a Tract Depository or other Conference buildings; therefore,—

16. RESOLVED, That this Conference authorise its Executive Committee to arrange to purchase this lot of the church at cost, to be held by the Conference for future use.

President, S. N. Haskell; *Vice President and Secretary*, G. B. Starr; *Treasurer*, F. L. Sharp; *Executive Committee*, S. N. Haskell, G. B. Starr, F. L. Sharp, J. Johanson, J. Smith.

The committee on Credentials and Licenses presented the following report which was adopted:—

Credentials: G. B. Starr, H. C. Lacy, W. C. White.

Licenses: A. W. Semmens, J. Johanson, M. Hare, E. R. Caro.

Missionary Licenses: W. R. Carswell, Mrs. H. Haskell, Mrs. G. B. Starr, Miss M. Schoner, Miss H. Newcombe, Miss E. Appledorff, Miss L. Gregg.

The presence and blessing of the Lord was realised throughout the entire session, and all returned to their homes feeling that they had received much help and encouragement.

W. L. H. BAKER, *President*.
MISS L. GREGG, *Secretary*.

NEW SOUTH WALES.

It is with gratitude for the many evidences of God's blessing and care over our work in this field that we look back over the past month.

Especially are we glad to have added to our list of agents' names one of our old experienced workers, Brother R. S. Bell, who has resumed work on our health books with good success. The sales for his first week's work amount to over £26, and right along success has attended his efforts.

There are, no doubt, others who in the past have been successful in the canvassing field, who should at this time press forward into the work again. I am sure that more should press forward and gain the same experience as one agent, who, although working in what some would call very hard territory, writes: "I feel very grateful to God for the success I have had in this town, and I know the same will follow me wherever I go for I know God has called me to work for him."

There is no mistake about that. If God calls us and we follow the call, He will add His blessing.

Our work in the suburbs of Sydney is encouraging, and Brother Sherwin, who has of late taken up the work here, is proving that fair success can be had even in our large cities.

We are all of good courage; and as we gather in our fortnightly worker's meeting, we find the good counsel given in the testimonies a source of strength that will enable us to press on, knowing that this is the Lord's work, and that in due time we shall reap if we faint not.

J. JOHANSON.

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

Central Australia.

JULY.

| | Orders. | Value |
|------------------------------------|------------|----------------|
| Eden to Eden— | | |
| Mrs. L. Barwell, N. Brighton .. | 31 | 8 10 6 |
| Miss M. Young, Northcote .. | 23 | 6 10 8 |
| Patriarchs and Prophets— | | |
| J. B. Downs, Allendale .. | 45 | 36 17 6 |
| Ladies' Guide— | | |
| Mrs. E. Gooding, Adelaide, S.A. .. | 3 | 2 16 0 |
| Sunshine at Home— | | |
| R. G. Stoate, Geelong .. | 8 | 2 17 0 |
| Small Books— | | |
| Mrs. S. White, Footscray .. | 214 | 11 14 0 |
| Mrs. A. Stewart, Carlton .. | 6 | 1 0 3 |
| A. E. Robinson, Morwell .. | 6 | 0 6 6 |
| Totals | 357 | 70 12 5 |

NOTE.—We are pleased to welcome to our ranks several new workers, and note that they are meeting with fair success. The bulk of the sales this month are small works, and though the number has doubled, their value makes no perceptible increase in the total value of sales. With the finer weather we hope more of the large books will be sold.

C. P. MICHAELS.

New South Wales.

JULY.

| | Orders. | Value. |
|------------------------------------|------------|-----------------|
| Bible Readings— | | |
| Miss E. Adcock, Mudgee .. | 18 | 16 18 0 |
| C. J. Anderson, Bingarra .. | 124 | 74 18 6 |
| Mrs. C. Chapman, Glebe .. | 9 | 7 12 6 |
| A. R. Sherwin, Carlingford .. | 18 | 14 10 6 |
| Daniel and Revelation— | | |
| J. Nichol, Bathurst .. | 9 | 8 13 6 |
| Mrs. M. Nichol, Bathurst .. | 5 | 4 15 0 |
| A. B. Cook, Bathurst .. | 9 | 8 9 6 |
| Ladies' Guide— | | |
| Mrs. E. Hay, Croydon .. | 5 | 4 14 6 |
| Miss J. Robertson, Marrickville .. | 10 | 11 16 0 |
| R. S. Bell, Raymond Terrace .. | 36 | 35 18 0 |
| Home Hand-Book— | | |
| R. S. Bell, Raymond Terrace .. | 3 | 4 2 6 |
| Totals | 246 | £192 8 6 |

New Zealand.

JULY, (TWO WEEKS.)

| | Orders. | Value. |
|--------------------------|------------|-----------------|
| Bible Readings— | | |
| Wm. Redhead .. | 36 | 23 7 0 |
| N. Harker .. | 23 | 15 16 0 |
| H. Harker .. | 26 | 13 18 6 |
| W. J. McGowan .. | 17 | 10 4 6 |
| W. H. Pascoe .. | 14 | 7 17 0 |
| Patriarchs and Prophets— | | |
| W. W. Ward .. | 10 | 7 15 6 |
| L. Harker .. | 11 | 8 12 6 |
| C. Manson .. | 13 | 8 10 0 |
| Ladies' Guide— | | |
| Mrs. Anderson .. | 97 | 82 14 0 |
| Mrs. Masters .. | 10 | 10 2 6 |
| Man the Masterpiece— | | |
| George Masters .. | 12 | 11 4 0 |
| Home Hand-Book— | | |
| W. H. Dawson .. | 6 | 8 2 0 |
| Totals | 275 | £208 3 6 |

West Australia.

JULY.

| | Orders. | Value. |
|------------------------------|-----------|-----------------|
| Home Hand-Book— | | |
| F. W. Reekie, Kalgoorlie .. | 17 | 34 5 6 |
| " " <i>other books</i> .. | 1 | 1 0 0 |
| Daniel and Revelation— | | |
| F. Masters, Gin Gin .. | 10 | 3 15 0 |
| " " <i>other books</i> .. | 8 | 13 9 6 |
| Totals | 36 | £52 10 0 |

Queensland.

JULY.

| | Orders. | Value. |
|------------------------------------|------------|------------------|
| Bible Readings— | | |
| Miss M. Sumpter, Cleveland Line .. | 18 | 11 18 6 |
| Miss C. Prebble, Sherwood .. | 29 | 20 7 6 |
| C. Ulrich, Harrisville .. | 50 | 38 5 6 |
| Home-Hand Book— | | |
| A. G. Mackenzie, Bundaberg .. | 4 | 5 14 0 |
| P. Reekie, Western Line .. | 42 | 67 14 6 |
| " " <i>other books</i> .. | 2 | 0 14 0 |
| Ladies' Guide— | | |
| Miss A. Ackary, Brisbane .. | 39 | 37 6 0 |
| " " <i>other books</i> .. | 1 | 1 7 6 |
| Mrs. Hewitt, Toowoomba .. | 31 | 31 3 6 |
| " " <i>other books</i> .. | 1 | 1 7 6 |
| J. H. Hewitt, Toowoomba .. | 9 | 8 17 6 |
| Totals | 226 | £224 16 0 |

BIBLE ECHO SALES.

JULY.

(Four Weeks.)

| Member-ship. | | Echoes | Unorganised Companies. | |
|-----------------|--------------|--------|------------------------|--------------|
| | | | | Echoes. |
| Churches. | | | Brought forward .. | 14321 |
| Adelaide .. | 159 | 1827 | Bendigo .. | 32 |
| Ashfield .. | 66 | 716 | Brisbane .. | 1052 |
| Avondale .. | 50 | 1536 | Charters Towers .. | 252 |
| Ballararat .. | 40 | 430 | Croydon .. | 120 |
| Bismarck .. | 56 | 48 | Ipswich .. | 24 |
| Brighton .. | 14 | 72 | Kadina .. | 96 |
| Broken Hill .. | 17 | 624 | Kangarilla .. | 56 |
| Geelong .. | 18 | 640 | Launceston .. | 96 |
| Hawthorn .. | 40 | 74 | Melrose .. | 240 |
| Hobart .. | 94 | 684 | Townsville .. | 102 |
| Kellyville .. | 16 | 96 | New Zealand .. | 8182 |
| Latrobe .. | 9 | 24 | Miscellaneous .. | 1427 |
| Melbourne .. | 208 | 1240 | | |
| Parramatta .. | 70 | 2148 | | |
| Perth .. | 31 | 1364 | | |
| Prospect .. | 12 | 48 | | |
| Rockhampton .. | 69 | 344 | | |
| Sydney .. | 84 | 1176 | | |
| Toowoomba .. | 28 | 80 | | |
| Williamstown .. | 64 | 268 | | |
| Windsor .. | 80 | 882 | | |
| Total .. | 14321 | | Grand total .. | 26000 |

The total of the summaries for the past month amounts to £748 10s. 5d. The West Australian Society, here presents its first independent report. Their report is small because of having only two agents, and they had worked only a few days. The secretary, Mrs. Hindson, reports later that Bro. F. W. Reekie is having remarkable success on the gold fields, where he had sold over £60 worth of books in one week.

QUEENSLAND.

We have been almost afraid to make our summary up this month because we thought it would be so small; but the last week such good reports have come in that it has brought it up again. It is certainly much lower than it was last month, but the reason for this can easily be seen. Quite a number of our agents have been delivering. Sister Hewitt has only worked one week, while Brother Hewitt and Brother Mackenzie have only worked three days each. Sister Sumpter, also, has only put in about half time. This, together with the fact that Brother Horwood has not yet started work again, accounts for the decrease in our sales.

We feel much encouraged by the success that has attended the efforts put forth, and trust that the next month's work will not be broken into at all.

Brother and Sister Hewitt have been very successful in placing their books. Finding that a few would not go in they sold several for cash, and thus brought their delivery up to 100 per cent. You will be interested to know that at the close Brother Hewitt forwarded a draft for £116, which paid his account in full. We would like our other agents to note this, and take courage. The Lord will surely help those who are determined to work on right lines, and, as one of our canvassers put it, they will come out "on the right side of the ledger."

The canvassing work is a noble work, and those who are engaged in it have many opportunities of working for the salvation of souls. They come across many honest people who are hungering and thirsting after righteousness, and who perhaps will never meet another Seventh Day Adventist. How important it is then that each one should be on the alert, ready to follow the directions of the Holy Spirit. Like Philip we should arise at once and do His bidding. The same good results will follow such obedience; and when God's jewels are gathered into His kingdom, with Philip, we shall have the privilege of meeting those for whom we have labored.

Your sister in Christ,
ANNIE S. HIGGINS.

SEARCH heaven and earth, and there is no truth revealed more powerful than that which is made manifest in works of mercy to those who need our sympathy and aid. This is the truth as it is in Jesus. When those who profess the name of Christ shall practice the principles of the golden rule the same, power will attend the gospel as in apostolic times. —*Thoughts from the Mount of Blessing, page 197.*

...NOTES...

PLEASE address all orders for the Central Australian Tract Society, to the Secretary, 251 St. George's Road, Nth. Fitzroy, Vic.

All correspondence for the President of the Union Conference, A. G. Daniells and the Secretary and Treasurer, E. M. Graham should be addressed to 82 Douglass Street, Stanmore, N.S.W., until further notice.

The Executive Committee of the Australasian Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association has elected from its number the following officers:— President, A. G. Daniells; Vice President, E. R. Caro; Secretary and Business Manager, G. W. Morse; Treasurer, E. M. Graham.

The following Committees have been appointed by the Australasian Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association: Board of Management for the Sanitarium, Summerhill, S. N. Haskell, A. G. Daniells, W. C. White, E. R. Caro, A. W. Semmens, G. B. Starr, and W. F. Sharp. Victorian Medical Board, A. T. Robinson, G. W. Morse, W. D. Salisbury, N. D. Faulkhead, A. W. Anderson, S. C. Rand, W. Knight, C. P. Michaels, and G. Hubbard. Old Peoples' Home, P. B. Rudge, A. Chelberg, W. N. Thom, Mrs. Thom and Mrs. Browne.

By action of the Union Conference Executive Committee at its recent meeting in Melbourne, the offices of the Union Conference have been transferred from North Fitzroy, to Sydney, N.S.W. August 23rd Pastor A. G. Daniells, President of the Union Conference with his family, and Miss E. M. Graham, Treasurer, left Melbourne by train for their new home.

All our friends will be glad to learn of the safe arrival in our country, by the *Miowera*, of Elder G. W. Morse, wife and son, and Bro. J. S. Reekie. They came just in time to participate in the counsel meeting in Melbourne. Bro. Morse will devote his time to the interests of the Australasian Medical Missionary work, giving special attention to the health food business, and Bro. Reekie expects to enter the Medical University, in Melbourne.

UNION CONFERENCE RECORD.

| | | |
|---|--------|-------|
| PUBLISHED MONTHLY | | |
| BY THE | | |
| AUSTRALASIAN UNION CONFERENCE | | |
| 82 DOUGLASS ST., STANMORE, | | |
| NEW SOUTH WALES, AUSTRALIA. | | |
| P R I C E: | | |
| Per Year, post paid | | s. d. |
| Clubs of six or more copies to one address, per | | 1 3 |
| year, post paid, each | | 0 9 |
| Single copies, postage 3d. per copy extra | | 0 1 |

Printed by the Echo Publishing Company, Limited, 14 Best Street, North Fitzroy, Victoria, for the Australasian Union Conference, and Registered as a newspaper in Victoria.