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

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THE MEDICAL AND SURGICAL SANITARIUM.

THE Lord honours those who honour Him. This is true of institutions as well as of individuals.

From its very inception the founders of the Medical and Surgical Sanitarium determined that that institution should be conducted in complete harmony with the principles revealed to His people through the Spirit of Prophecy.

Long years ago the Lord saw fit to send to Sabbath-keepers the light of health reform, and to impress upon them their duty to become instructors in matters physical, as well as in spiritual truths. As the result of these revelations, sanitariums, hospitals, and medical missions have sprung into existence so rapidly that it is a constant source of wonder to those who do not understand the reason for their success.

We know why they succeed. No one man's greatness, no power of any committee of men, gives success to our medical institutions. *To the Lord, and to the Lord only, the praise is due.*

About two years ago a small beginning was made in Sydney, N. S. W., by two nurses who had returned to the colonies after completing a thorough course of training in America. With but little human influence, and without money, a firm trust in the Lord carried them over apparently unsurmountable difficulties. Through steadfast adherence to principle in all its workings, the Health Home, as it was then called, received the blessing of God, and soon became a financial success.

A little over a year ago our brethren in Victoria felt impressed to send for a physician and trained assistants to establish a medical sanitarium in that colony. In a few months, several medical workers arrived with the intention of carrying out that project, but the Lord planned otherwise. On every hand the way seemed hedged up, until it became clear to all concerned that it was best to strengthen what had already been established.

The physician and several assistants were then invited to connect with the Health Home, which was forthwith placed on a higher scientific plane, and has

since been conducted as a Medical and Surgical Sanitarium.

Although occupying a different sphere to that filled by the Health Home, exactly the same principles are maintained.

The Sanitarium is a reform institution, and it is the purpose of all connected with it to keep before its guests, and all who come in contact with it, the necessity of thorough physical, as well as spiritual, regeneration.

THE SANITARIUM IS PROSPERING.

Our brethren and sisters will rejoice to know that the Sanitarium is succeeding under the Lord's fostering care. Steadily its patronage is increasing, until ere long it will be found necessary to build new treatment rooms, and to rent another building in which to accommodate its guests. Already a second physician has been appointed, as well as a chemist and microscopist, to secure thoroughness in the medical and surgical work undertaken.

Moreover, God has greatly blessed the Sanitarium physicians, and nurses, in their treatment of the sick. Since the establishment of the work in Sydney, no death has occurred in the institution, and many remarkable cures have been made by the adoption of health principles, and the employment of measures of treatment approved of Heaven.

The surgical work undertaken has also been very successful.

Nor is the success of the Sanitarium estimated from the financial standpoint alone. True, work to the value of hundreds of pounds has been done during the past two years; but, besides this, several of the patients have left the Sanitarium to carry a knowledge of Christ and His truth to their friends and neighbours.

In addition to its work for suffering humanity, it is designed that the Sanitarium shall be a prominent factor in the education of the youth amongst Seventh-day Adventists to do acceptable work for the Lord. There are many idle who should be in training to carry the message of mercy into the hedges and byways.

Ten young men and women are now engaged in

active medical missionary study in the Sanitarium. The number is small, but the buildings at the command of the board will accomodate those under its direction only with the greatest of physical sacrifice on the part on their occupants.

Brethren and sisters, the time has certainly arrived when this branch of God's great work for humanity should receive our hearty support. The Medical and Surgical Sanitarium is not a New South Wales institution; it belongs to the Seventh-day Adventists of Australasia. While located in Sydney, it is designed that the Sanitarium should receive patients from all the colonies, and that its influence should extend to the uttermost bounds of this continent and of New Zealand, until such times as branch institutions are established in different localities.

Our buildings are full, but we must rent additional buildings until the Lord sends us the money to erect an institution of our own. Has God given knowledge that the people about us should share? Then recommend your sick friends to make a visit to the Sanitarium. Every Seventh-day Adventist should become a missionary among the sick of his neighbourhood, urging them to go to an institution where they will receive proper physical and spiritual treatment, and where they will be taught how to keep well.

Already greater facilities are needed to carry on the work now in operation. Shall we draw back because we cannot see from whence the money is to come? Certainly not. "Go forward" must be the watchword of our people, and we shall look to our people to enable the Sanitarium to accomplish what God designed should be accomplished by that institution.

Any of our readers wishing the illustrated Sanitarium circular, please send address to the Sanitarium.

EDGAR R. CARO, M.D.

THE SYDNEY SANITARIUM.

INASMUCH as the Sanitarium at Sydney belongs to our people throughout the Australasian field, and is one of the important agencies for the dissemination of the gospel, it is only right and proper that they should know the general principles that govern its operation. We therefore give, herewith, the By-laws that have recently been adopted by the Board of Management, for the more complete regulation of its business, and the relations existing between those who have responsibilities in connection with the Sanitarium and the work carried on there. It is not to be supposed that these By-laws are perfect, or that no changes in them will be found necessary as the work enlarges and progresses. But they are what is needed at the present stage of the work. As large numbers of our people have become actual partners in the ownership of the

Sanitarium property by their contributions for its equipment and maintenance, and we expect that many more will do so in the future, we trust that all will study these By-laws carefully, and become familiar with them. The managers will be pleased to receive suggestions from those who are interested in the welfare of the institution, regarding any and all features of its work. If any have questions that they would like to ask, pertaining to any feature of the Sanitarium or its operations, we trust that they will be free to do so, and the same will receive candid and careful attention, and be answered to the best of our ability and knowledge.

The By-laws are as follows:—

BY-LAWS OF THE MEDICAL AND SURGICAL SANITARIUM.

ARTICLE I.

NAME.

SECTION I. The name of this Institution is the Medical and Surgical Sanitarium.

ARTICLE II.

LOCATION.

SEC. I. Its location and principal place of business is at Summer Hill, N.S.W., being the premises known as "Meaford," Gower Street.

ARTICLE III.

OBJECTS.

SECTION I. To maintain a properly equipped Medical and Surgical Institution where sufferers from curable and non-contagious diseases may be treated by the employment of rational measures.

SEC. II. To give instruction to both sick and well in the principles of healthful living.

SEC. III. To afford liberal opportunities for the care and treatment of the sick poor.

SEC. IV. To organise and conduct classes and training schools for nurses and medical missionaries.

SEC. V. To engage in the business of buying and selling, or manufacture and sale of, health appliances, sanitary supplies, specialities for the sick room, healthful clothing, and such other merchandise as may be pertinent to and in harmony with the general scope of the business of the Institution.

SEC. VI. To equip, maintain, and operate a chemical and microscopical laboratory for bacteriological, pathological, and chemical investigations.

ARTICLE IV.

FUNDS AND REVENUES.

SECTION I. The funds and revenues for the equipment, maintenance, and operation of this Institution shall be derived from gifts, collections, legacies, loans, and earnings.

SEC. II. No dividends shall be declared or paid out of the profits or gains arising from the business of the Institution.

SEC. III. The profits or gains arising from the operation of this Institution shall be used to still further build up and enlarge its legitimate work; or such dividends may be subject to the order of the Australasian Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association, by and with the consent of the managing Board of this Institution.

ARTICLE V.

REMEDIAL AGENCIES.

SEC. I. The remedial agencies employed in this Institution shall be in harmony with the true principles of rational medicine given by the Creator. We believe that God's remedies are the simple agencies of nature, such as pure air, pure water, electricity, cleanliness, proper diet, purity of life, suitable

exercise, recreation, rest, and a firm trust in God. The adoption of these principles necessarily leads us to discard the use of poisonous drugs.

ARTICLE VI.

CONTROL AND MANAGEMENT.

SECTION I. The control and management of this Institution shall be by a Board of Management consisting of seven persons, appointed to that position annually by the Australasian Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association.

SEC. II. The term of office of the members of the Managing Board shall be for one year from the date of their appointment, or until their successors are duly appointed, unless sooner terminated by removal, resignation, or death.

SEC. III. The Australasian Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association shall have the right and privilege to terminate the term of office of any member of the board of management at any time that good and sufficient reasons exist for such action. It shall be deemed a good and sufficient reason for removal, if any member of the Board of Management shall take such a course of action, or relate himself to the Institution in such a manner, as to jeopardise its interests, standing, or the operation of its legitimate business.

SEC. IV. Vacancies in the Board of Management shall be filled by appointments made by the Australasian Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association, and such appointments shall be for the unexpired term of the previous incumbent.

ARTICLE VII.

DUTIES OF BOARD OF MANAGEMENT.

SEC. I. At the first meeting of the Board of Management, which shall be held as soon as practicable after its appointment, the Board shall elect a President, a Secretary, a Treasurer, a Business Manager, and an Accountant, who shall constitute the officers of the Board.

SEC. II. The officers, as elected, shall hold their respective offices for one year, or until their successors are duly elected, unless their term of office shall be otherwise terminated by removal, resignation, or death.

SEC. III. The Board of Management shall have the right and privilege to terminate the term of office of any of its officers at any time that good and sufficient reasons shall exist for such action. It shall be deemed a good and sufficient reason for removal, if any such officer shall take such a course of action, or relate himself to the Institution in such a manner, as to jeopardise its interests, standing, or the operation of its legitimate business.

SEC. IV. The Board of Management shall hold regular meetings on the first Sunday of each month, at such hour and place as may be most convenient for the majority of the Board. Special meetings may be held at such times and places as may be required to best conserve and promote the interests of the several enterprises. The request of any two members of the Board shall be deemed sufficient reason for calling a special meeting.

SEC. V. The Board shall rent, lease, purchase, construct, or otherwise procure, such buildings and premises as may be required from time to time to meet the demands of its business; it may secure and maintain offices for the physicians of the Institution, in such localities as it may deem advisable; it may extend its operations to any portion of the territory that it can legitimately carry on business in, to such extent as may be deemed wise and prudent.

SEC. VI. The Board of Management shall hold in trust for the Australasian Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association, all property, monies, credits, gifts, donations, legacies, or other valuable considerations that may come to it legitimately; and administer the same, and the business interest thereby involved, wisely, judiciously, and economically for the said Australasian Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association.

SEC. VII. The Board of Management shall relinquish and turn over to their duly appointed successors, all monies, credits, property, and fixtures or belongings, of whatsoever nature and description, that belong to the Institution or any of its enterprises, and which may be held in trust by such Board at the expiration of their term of office.

SEC. VIII. The Board of Management shall select, employ, and fix the position, compensation, and terms of payment of such physicians, matrons, nurses, helpers, and labourers, as are needed from time to time, to properly equip and operate the Institution. All persons so selected, and who accept of such selection or employment, upon the terms proposed, shall engage in and perform their respective labours, and relate themselves generally to the Institution and its interests, in harmony with these By-laws, and such instruction as the Board may give from time to time.

SEC. IX. The Managing Board shall designate one of the physicians of the Institution as Medical Superintendent of the same.

SEC. X. The discharge of, or termination of contract with, any person employed in any capacity in the Institution, or in any work connected with it, shall lie with the Managing Board; and said Board shall decide what constitutes a valid and reasonable cause for such discharge, or termination of contract.

SEC. XI. The Managing Board shall prescribe such forms and methods of reporting, as regards the labours of the employees of the Institution, or as pertaining to data for the accountant, as may be necessary to best serve the interests of the Institution.

ARTICLE VIII.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

SEC. I. The duties of the President shall be to preside at all meetings of the Board, or call upon some other member to do so; to call special meetings when requested to do so by any two members of the Board; to secure, maintain, and promote the intended operation of these By-laws, and the acts of the Board that may be passed from time to time; and perform such other executive duties as usually devolve upon that officer.

SEC. II. The Secretary shall keep an accurate and faithful record of the proceedings of the Board at their several meetings; he shall attend to such correspondence in behalf of the Institution as directed by the Board; he shall turn over to his successor all records or other property of the Institution that may be in his hands at the expiration of his term of office.

SEC. III. The President, Secretary, and Business Manager, shall constitute the Purchasing Committee of the Institution, whose duty it shall be to purchase such supplies, fixtures, and commodities, as may be needed for the Institution in any of its departments or lines of work; provided that no expenditure shall be made by said Purchasing Committee, for any single article, exceeding £20 sterling in expense, except by vote of the Board of Management.

SEC. IV. The Treasurer shall receive all monies, gifts, donations, legacies, or properties of whatsoever kind or sort, that may properly and legitimately come to the Institution by earnings or otherwise, and keep a faithful and accurate record of the same; he shall apply all such valuable considerations to their legitimate and intended use; he shall pay out money, (1) on the order of the purchasing committee; (2) on the order of the Secretary countersigned by the President, provided such order has been duly authorised by vote of the Board; (3) in payment of wages or compensation to employees in harmony with terms of existing contracts with them. He shall turn over to his successor all monies, credits, property, or other valuable considerations of whatsoever nature, that may be in his hands at the expiration of his term of office, and belonging to the Institution.

SEC. V. The Business Manager shall have personal supervision over the details of the operation of the Institution; except as otherwise provided, in harmony with these by-laws, and such action as may be passed from time to time by the Board of Management. He shall direct the movements and labours of all employees of the Institution other than physicians, nurses, and Medical Missionaries; and attend to the condition of the buildings and premises, and have the same kept in proper sanitary and orderly condition. He shall acquaint himself, so far as may be practicable and necessary, with the situation and governing conditions of the patrons of the Institution; and make terms with them, in harmony with existing regulations of the

Institution, for the services and supplies that are to be, or may have been, furnished to them.

SEC. VI. The Accountant shall keep the financial records and transactions of the Institution in a safe, accurate, and intelligible manner; in harmony with, and according to, data supplied to him by such persons as the Board may designate. He shall make out and supply to the proper parties all necessary invoices, statements of charges, statements of account, etc., that may be required by the business manager, or other parties interested; he shall render to the Board on the 1st of January, April, July, and October, of each year, a detailed statement showing all receipts of money or property, or of any valuable commodity, also the expenditures for the preceding quarter; also a trial balance sheet of the Institution, and profit and loss account, showing the standing of the Institution at the dates before specified. At the close of each calendar year he shall make out and present to the Board a complete inventory of all property, fixtures, furnishings, goods, supplies, credits, money, or other valuable considerations, belonging to the Institution, also an annual balance sheet, and profit and loss account. The books of the accountant shall always be open for the inspection of the Board and its Officers. At the expiration of his term of office, the accountant shall turn over to his successor all books, blanks, or other property of whatsoever nature that may be in his hands, and which properly belongs to the Institution.

SEC. VII. It shall be the duty of the Matron to have general supervision over the house-keeping work of the Institution, including the cuisine, general condition and order of the house, location of the patients, and general social conditions and relations of the inmates of the Institution.

ARTICLE IX. MEDICAL FACULTY.

SECTION I. The physicians of the Institution, and such other persons as they may nominate from time to time, shall constitute the Medical Faculty of the Institution.

SEC. II. It shall be the duty of the Medical Faculty to hold weekly meetings for mutual consultation relative to their work; for the study of such publications, books, etc., as shall be helpful to them in making their work more effectual and satisfactory; and for such other purposes as may be pertinent to their profession, labours, and the best interests of the Institution.

ARTICLE X.

QUALIFICATIONS OF PHYSICIANS.

SECTION I. Persons who may be selected as physicians for the Institution shall be those who possess the following qualifications; viz: (a) Legal registration as physicians in the Colony of New South Wales; (b) who have a knowledge of, and are in harmony with, the principles of hygiene and medical practice as given in the several publications comprised under the general term of "The Spirit of Prophecy," as adopted by the religious organisation known as Seventh Day Adventists; (c) who are in harmony with, and will abide by, the by-laws of this Institution, and such acts as may be passed from time to time by the Managing Board.

ARTICLE XI.

DUTIES OF PHYSICIANS AND NURSES.

SECTION I. The duties of the Medical Superintendent shall be to conduct the medical examination of patients, or give directions therefor, and to be responsible for the course of treatment given to them, and for their welfare generally, while they are patients of the Sanitarium; to have general oversight over the labours, movements, and course of action of the associate physicians, the nurses and medical missionary students of the Institution; to take the oversight and general direction of such classes for the instruction of nurses and medical missionaries as may be provided for, or carried on in or by the Institution; to arrange for and conduct, or assign to others the conduct of, public lectures in the Sanitarium, as he may deem advisable; to act as chairman of the Medical Faculty.

SEC. II. Associate Physicians, Nurses, and Medical Missionaries, shall engage in and perform their labours in harmony with these By-laws, and the instructions of the Medical Superintendent.

SEC. III. The Physicians, Nurses, and helpers of this Institution, may extend their services to such parties outside of the Sanitarium as may call for the same; provided that such action on their part is in harmony with the counsel of the Medical Superintendent and Business Manager, and will not result in neglect of the legitimate work of the Institution. The character of the services rendered to out-patients, the methods of treatment, charges and discounts, shall conform to the regulations prescribed for the Sanitarium proper, as nearly as may be consistent with governing conditions.

ARTICLE XII.

CLASSES AND SCHOOLS FOR THE EDUCATION AND TRAINING OF NURSES AND MEDICAL MISSIONARIES.

SECTION I. The Managing Board shall authorise and arrange for the starting and operation of classes and schools for the education and training of nurses and Medical Missionaries; it shall prescribe the terms of admission to such classes or schools, the courses of study, the methods of operation, length of term, and any and all other matters pertaining to the same.

ARTICLE XIII.

SCHEDULE OF CHARGES AND DISCOUNTS.

SECTION I. The Officers of the Board, and the Medical Faculty, shall constitute a Committee whose duty it shall be to decide upon and arrange a schedule of charges and discounts that shall be made to the patrons of the Institution, for any and all supplies, services, care, and treatment that may be furnished to them by the Institution or any of its employees in their capacity as such.

ARTICLE XIV.

AMENDMENTS OR ALTERATIONS.

SECTION I. These By-laws may be amended, added to, altered, or abolished, by a majority vote of the members of the Managing Board at any regular meeting of the same.

The Board of Management of the Sanitarium consists of the following named persons: Dr. E. R. Caro, A. W. Semmens, A. G. Daniells, W. C. White, G. B. Starr, F. G. Sharpe, and G. W. Morse. The officers of the Board are as follows: President, G. W. Morse; Secretary, E. A. D. Goodheart; Treasurer and Business Manager, A. W. Semmens. Medical Superintendent, Dr. E. R. Caro; Matron, Mrs. A. W. Semmens.

The Sanitarium has a noble mission, and every believer in the gospel of present truth should esteem it a privilege to do what he can to advance that mission.

G. W. MORSE.

WESTERN AUSTRALIAN MISSION.

REPORT FOR QUARTER ENDING SEPT. 30, 1898.

We take pleasure in submitting the quarterly report of the Western Australian Mission for the quarter ending September 30, 1898. In spiritual growth, and increase of membership, in financial receipts, and the volume of work done, the statistics show that this quarter has surpassed any previous quarter in the history of the Mission. This has been a great source of encouragement to us, as we believe it will be to all our people.

MEMBERSHIP.

During the past quarter the membership of the Perth church, the only organised company in the mission field, has increased from 31 to 44, an addition of 13 members. Fourteen united with the church, and one was dismissed by letter, making an increase of thirteen. Of the fourteen joining the church, only one had previously been a member of any S. D. A. church, the re-

maining thirteen having accepted the truth in West Australia. Of these, eleven were admitted by baptism administered during the quarter, and two by vote, having been immersed in the church from which they came out. Of these new members three are living in the Preston district, one accepted the truth in York through the labours of one of our canvassers, and the remainder are residents of Perth who came out through the influence of the Sunday night services, and Bible readings held in their homes.

FINANCES.

The total amount of receipts in West Australia during the quarter are £428 17s. 3½d.

The tithe for the quarter is £55 15s. 8½d. This exceeds the tithes of any previous quarter. The annual offerings amounted to £10 7½d., and the donation made by the Sabbath-school to the mission field was £2 8½d, while £3 10s was received for the Avondale School.

W. A. TRACT SOCIETY.

The W. A. Tract Society was organised at the beginning of this quarter. Although its membership and working force is exceedingly small, the work has been wonderfully prospered during the first three months of the society's existence. The cash receipts have amounted to £315 16s. 1½d.

These figures show only the cash business done during the quarter. The actual amount of business in sales made is £400 16s. 0½d.

Considering that we have but two agents in the field, and that only one of these has put in full time during the quarter, our sales have been exceptionally good.

A club of 324 *Bible Echoes* is taken weekly by the Perth society. The number taken in West Australia is 359 copies weekly. This represents a circulation of 4,667 single copies during the quarter. One sister in Perth takes a gross of *Echoes* per week, and has over 100 regular customers, some of whom have been taking the *Echo* for months and greatly appreciate it. This field takes its full quota of *Sentinels*, and a club of two dozen of *Herald of Health*, in addition to the single subscriptions sent direct from the office. The Perth society is free from debt, and has a good fund in hand for aggressive work.

HELPING HAND MISSION.

Our Helping Hand Mission was organised at the beginning of the quarter, and has been much blessed in its work. The following is a summary of its work for the quarter.

RECEIPTS.		DISBURSEMENTS.	
Cash ...	£9 8s. 3½d.	Cash ...	£7 19s. 6d.
Groceries ...	375 lbs.	Groceries ...	344 lbs.
Garments ...	423	Garments ...	245
New material ...	90 yds.		
Beds ...	3	Beds ...	3
Blankets ...	10	Blankets ...	8

Although our work in this line is yet in its infancy, the attention of the public is being called to it, and we have received help in donations of money, food, and clothing, also in new material from drapers. The Government Relief department has expressed its appreciation of our work, and is supplying rations to those that we recommend to them as worthy of help. A Sewing Machine Agency has sold us a good machine, worth about £4, for £1, and another company has promised to donate one to us. The cards to introduce our work, that we use in our house to house visitation, were printed for us without charge; and the *West Australian*, the leading daily paper of Perth, has printed our quarterly report free. We have found ample opportunity for work, and after a quarter's organised efforts can testify to the blessing it has proved to the church, as well as to the parties helped.

MINISTERIAL HELP.

Pastor A. G. Daniells spent a few weeks in this colony at the beginning of the quarter covered by this report. During his stay the W. A. Tract Society was organised, the Health Foods' Agency established, the officers of the Helping Hand Mission appointed, and the work put on a more solid footing than it had been hitherto. His public meetings and labours in this field were greatly appreciated, and have proved of great blessing to the cause in West Australia.

On the last day of the quarter, Pastor Hare, who had been the director of this Mission for nearly two years, left West Australia to connect with the work in the eastern colonies, in answer to a call from the Union Conference. Brother Hare will be greatly missed. The burden of the work now falls upon Brother Craddock, who is the only conference labourer left in the field. We are looking forward to the coming of the help promised us by the Union Conference, but in the meantime are doing what we can to spread the truth in this needy land.

A. L. HINDSON,
Secretary.

THE HEALTH FOOD BUSINESS.

It is evident to the most casual observer that the closing work of the gospel must take in and deal with many details that have not hitherto been made prominent. One of the most important features of the closing work is the proper care of our bodies; and perhaps it is not too much to say that the question of diet is the most important consideration there is in this connection. The 91st Psalm is a prophecy of the experience that those will have who are to be translated when the Saviour comes. They will have had that remarkable experience because of coming into harmony with the laws of God in all respects, and especially because of learning and obeying the laws of God as implanted in their bodies.

Physical righteousness will be one of the prominent characteristics of those who will be translated. These are the principles that underlie true health-reform as pertaining to diet, as well as all other considerations that are involved in health reform.

In the work of erecting, equipping, and operating a manufacturing establishment for the production of foods, the foregoing principles should be kept constantly in view. To believers in the Third Angel's message, the food question is of very weighty consequence, and they should take a deep interest in the work now going on at Cooranbong. The factory that is to be erected and operated there, is very closely connected with your eternal interests. As a matter of common business prudence, you should connect as fully as possible with that enterprise and its future development. At present a force of men are at work making brick in the brick-yard of Avondale School, for use in constructing an addition to the present mill building which will be converted into the food factory. One kiln of 25,000 is now being burned, and we expect to make 75,000 more. This will make a sufficient quantity for use in erecting the oven and addition to the factory, also to supply what will be needed for the new school building that is to be erected. A few weeks ago we shipped up from Sydney quite a boat load of machinery for the factory, consisting of a reel oven, dough mixer, biscuit machine, granose mill, granose press, nut sheller, and other fixtures. The shipment was made by a "ketch," that landed the goods safely on the banks of Dora Creek, a few rods from the factory building. Plans and specifications for the completed factory are in the hands of contractors, who are about to submit their estimates; so that just as soon as the managers of the school complete the sawing of some timber that they have commenced, we will be prepared to proceed with the work of completing the building, and getting it ready for the business of manufacture.

The demand for this work to go forward is very emphatic, and growing more so every day. At present our work is being greatly hindered for lack of funds. We are entirely dependent upon the contributions of the friends of the cause, and can go no faster than they respond. As they withhold means, that act on their part is a virtual command from them for us to halt in the work. When they send in money, that act is a command to go forward with the work. Reader, which command are you giving? G. W. MORSE.

CENTRAL AUSTRALIAN TRACT SOCIETY.

MONTHLY BUSINESS REPORT, NOV. 1, 1898.

OUR total of sales for the past month shows a considerable increase in each department, with the exception of the Health Foods, the sales of which are falling off. The totals are as follows:—

Health Foods—			
Cash sales	...	£1 6 4	
Credit sales	...	1 17 6	
			£3 3 10½
Trade Books—			
Cash sales	...	£3 10 11½	
Credit sales	...	86 2 8	
			89 13 7½
Subscription Books—			
Cash sales	...	16 6	
Credit sales	...	90 1 11	
			90 18 5
Stamps—			
Cash sales	...	3 3 2	
Credit sales	...	1 18 7	
			5 1 9
			£188 17 7½

This indicates an increase of business above last month of £81 6s. 9½d.

The canvassing summary also indicates an increase amounting to £71 8s. 9d. for the month.

We are grateful to God for His blessing on the work, so far, and trust that many more labourers will enter the canvassing field as that is, and must be, the mainstay of our tract and book department.

During the month a careful outlook has been kept for suitable premises in the city, but nothing has been obtainable at a rental we could consider.

Several lines of stationery have been purchased during the month, but our out-of-the-way position shuts us off from almost all retail trade, so that no loss will be incurred by vacating our present premises when the lease expires in January next.

C. P. MICHAELS, *Manager.*

QUEENSLAND.

"Warriston," Petrie Terrace, Brisbane, Q.,

Nov. 9, 1898.

DEAR FRIENDS,—Enclosed, please find summary of work done in this colony during the month of October.

I think the small totals call for a few words of explanation. At first sight it looks rather discouraging, but in reality it is not so. Just about one month ago our agents in all parts of the field were preparing to come to the camp-meeting. Brother Palmer was expected to hold a canvassers' institute, so we did all we could to make arrangements for them to be with us at that time. We are glad to state that they were all with us except Miss Ackary, who, though attending some of the meetings, continued her work as usual.

It did us much good to meet with the faithful canvassers, some of whom we had never met before. They arrived two or three days before the meetings began, and rendered valuable assistance in getting the ground in readiness. Several of them worked in various ways during the entire meeting, and their services were much appreciated.

As this month has been broken into considerably, already, we cannot expect the summary to be as large as we would like to have it next time; but, with the blessing of God and the co-operation of every agent, we look for great things in the near future, as a result of our Brisbane camp-meeting.

Yours faithfully, ANNIE S. HIGGINS.

MONTHLY SUMMARY OF THE AUSTRALASIAN CANVASSING WORK.

New South Wales.

OCTOBER.

Bible Readings—	Orders.	Value.
Miss E. Adcock, Mudgee ..	20	17 19 6
Mrs. C. Chapman, Glebe ..	23	18 17 3
Miss A. Davis, Mudgee ..	27	21 2 0
Mrs. R. Dean, Glen Innes and Inverell ..	36	23 0 0
J. L. Dean, Glen Innes and Inverell ..	37	27 2 6
Mrs. A. E. Edwards, Burwood ..	4	4 13 9
A. R. Sherwin, Helensburg and Woonona	15	10 14 6
Daniel and Revelation—		
A. B. Cook, Orange ..	8	7 16 6
Home Hand-Book—		
R. S. Hodgson, Tamworth ..	34	56 17 6
Poyntz Judge, Tamworth and Manilla ..	27	44 12 0
A. H. Piper, " " " ..	45	73 3 0
Ladies' Guide—		
R. S. Bell, Patterson River ..	10	9 6 0
Mrs. M. A. Gregg, Singleton & Muswell brook ..	69	54 3 0
Mrs. E. Hay, Goulburn ..	4	5 4 0
J. F. Hay, Argyle ..	5	5 13 6
Mrs. M. Nichol, Orange ..	3	2 10 0
Miss I. Robertson, Woollahra ..	25	28 5 6
Patriarchs and Prophets—		
Walter Codling, Cooma ..	14	13 15 0
Fred Redward, Cooma ..	39	33 16 0
Totals	445	£458 11 6

New Zealand.

OCTOBER.

Bible Readings—	Orders.	Value.
N. Harker, near Wanganui ..	17	£7 13 0
Miss C. Manson, " ..	8	4 19 6
W. H. Pascoe, Reefton ..	67	32 7 6
Wm. J. Redhead, " ..	112	58 14 6
Daniel and Revelation—		
P. L. Hill, Paeroa ..	35	27 0 0
Great Controversy—		
J. B. Anderson, Dryerton ..	27	18 17 6
Home Hand-Book—		
R. L. Irving, Blenheim ..	32	49 11 0
Ladies' Guide—		
Mrs. A. D. Anderson, Onehunga ..	74	64 15 0
Mrs. M. Masters, Wanganui ..	20	20 8 6
Mrs. S. Steed, Cambridge ..	7	6 6 0
Man the Masterpiece—		
G Masters, Wanganui ..	13	12 12 0
Patriarchs and Prophets—		
A. E. Rickard, Akaroa, Peninsular ..	12	9 3 6
W. W. Ward, New Plymouth ..	14	10 12 6
Totals	434	£323 0 6

Queensland.

OCTOBER.

Bible Readings—	Orders.	Value.
C. Prebble, South Pine ..	2	£1 15 6
Ladies' Guide—		
A. Ackary, South Brisbane ..	13	27 5 6
Totals	15	£29 1 0

Central Australia.

OCTOBER.

Bible Readings—	Orders.	Value
J. Innis, N. Wynyard, Tasmania ..	20	£9 10 6
W. M. Thom, Clifton Hill, Vic. ..	21	13 0 0
Eden to Eden, Coming King, etc.—		
Mrs. Barwell, Brighton, Vic. ..	3	13 6
Geo. Burgess, Abbotsford, Vic. ..	69	17 15 0
Mrs. S. White, Williamstown, Vic. ..	33	3 3 0
Ladies' Guide—		
Mrs. C. Gooding, Port Pirie, S.A. ..	47	46 6 0
E. Hoskins, Beechworth, Vic. ..	8	8 10 0
A. T. Jessop, Bendigo, Vic. ..	14	12 4 0
Mrs. M. Mosedale, Port Pirie, S.A. ..	41	38 19 0
Mrs. M. A. Perrin, St. Kilda, Vic. ..	4	3 19 6
Miss M. Young, Northcote, Vic. ..	6	5 7 0
R. J. Stoate, Bendigo, Vic. ..	28	15 16 0
Patriarchs and Prophets—		
J. B. Downs, Clunes, Vic. ..	24	14 7 6
Small Publications—		
Miss J. Craddock, Geelong, Vic. ..	48	2 0 0
Mrs. Halford, Launceston, Tas. ..	8	8 0
E. A. Robinson, Bairnsdale, Vic. ..	43	3 13 8
Miss Southern, Launceston, Tas. ..	30	1 10 0
Totals	478	£197 2 8

BIBLE ECHO SALES.

Churches.	Member-ship.	Echoes	Unorganised Companies.	Echoes.
Adelaide ..	159	1658	Brought forward ..	14,465
Ashfield ..	66	810	Bendigo ..	40
Avondale ..	50	1720	Charters Towers ..	60
Ballarat ..	40	220	Croydon ..	150
Bismarck ..	56	60	Ipswich ..	30
Brisbane ..	—	915	Kangarilla ..	70
Brighton ..	14	120	Launceston ..	120
Broken Hill ..	17	636	Orange ..	612
Geelong ..	18	720	Townsville ..	54
Hobart ..	94	810	Warwick ..	65
Hawthorn ..	40	85	New Zealand ..	8950
Kadina ..	—	120	Miscellaneous ..	2034
Kellyville ..	16	120		
Latrobe ..	9	30		
Melbourne ..	208	1225		
Parramatta ..	70	285		
Perth ..	31	1675		
Prospect ..	12	60		
Rockhampton ..	69	430		
Sydney ..	84	1380		
Toowoomba ..	28	280		
Williamstown ..	64	260		
Windsor ..	80	846		
Total	14,465	Grand total ..	26,650

...NOTES...

PASTOR A. T. ROBINSON reports a good experience and successful meetings in Tasmania.

DURING the ten days of the Brisbane camp-meeting, eight collections were taken, yielding a return of £26 2s. 9½d.

BROTHER J. H. WOODS has begun a series of tent meetings at Moonta, S. A. The opening service was to have been held on October 31.

PASTOR A. W. COLCORD and family left Melbourne in the S. S. *Peregrine*, November 17, for Sydney, N.S.W., en route for their new field of labour at Cooranbong.

LET our readers make a note of the encouraging reports from New South Wales and New Zealand, as presented in this month's summaries.

"GOD calls for perfect work." Perfect work can only be done by perfect workmen.



EVERYTHING that is only human is imperfect. It is only when humanity is controlled by Divinity that perfect work may be produced.



WE cannot become successful workers in the Lord's vineyard until we receive the same endowment of power from on high as the apostles received at Pentecost. Have you received the Holy Ghost?



"CHRIST has brought us into church capacity that He may engage and engross all our capabilities in devoted service for the salvation of others. Anything short of this is opposition to the work."

THE NEXT SCHOOL YEAR.

WHEN our school session closed in September, the impression prevailed that the next term would begin some time in March. After carefully considering the matter it has been thought best to have it begin Feb. 1, 1899, and continue thirty-six weeks, closing October 11.

Please bear this in mind. Let those who expect to attend next term, begin to plan at once to be present on the very first day of the school. A delay often means that a student must take a lower class than if he had been present at the beginning.

If there are those who wish to come at once, they can do so. A summer term is now in progress. Classes are being held in Bible, physiology, book-keep-

ing, arithmetic, and grammar. Lessons are also being given on the piano and organ. Those who can come now will gain an excellent preparation for the winter term, by fixing the habit of study, and by advancing in their classes.

Our new calendar is now on the press, and will soon be ready for distribution. From it we gather the following concerning expenses:—

"Charges have been placed at the lowest rates that will enable the school to give the students the efficient instruction which is promised them.

For board, use of furnished room, light, plain washing, and tuition in a regular course of study, the following charges will be made:—

When paid monthly, in advance, with two meals per day, £2 16s. per month. When paid monthly, in advance, with three meals per day, £3 3s. per month. When paid quarterly, in advance, with two meals per day, £8 for the quarter. When paid quarterly, in advance, with three meals per day, £9 per quarter.

C. B. HUGHES.

A NEW SCHOOL CALENDAR.

A NEW, descriptive, illustrated calendar is now being printed for the Avondale School for 1899. This is the first calendar this school has had issued, and will contain just the information everybody will want who is at all interested in it.

It gives the names of the members of the School Board and Faculty for 1899, departments of study, time of opening, length of terms, expenses, etc. It also gives a brief history of the school to the present time, and outlines its principles and aims. One bright, attractive feature of the calendar is the illustrations of the school family for 1898, the school buildings, the mill, the church, the orchard, the river, and other points of interest.

Altogether, the calendar will be a real gem, and should be carefully read by all our people in the colonies. It will be excellent to place in the hands of our neighbours who desire to send their sons and daughters to one of the best schools, if not the best, in Australasia.

Hundreds of families would no doubt send their children to the Avondale School if they knew its merits, its thoroughness; its real, practical work; its high moral tone, etc.

The school has already done a good work; but plans are being laid to make its work for 1899 better than any previous year. We must continually improve.

Apply for a calendar to your Tract Society librarian, or to Prof. C. B. Hughes, Cooranbong, N. S. W.

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