

Union Conference Record

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

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Be Strong.

Be strong!
We are not here to play, to dream, to drift,
We have hard work to do, and loads to lift.
Shun not the struggle,—face it; 't is God's gift.

Be strong!
Say not the days are evil. Who's to blame?
And fold the hands and acquiesce,—oh, shame!
Stand up, speak out, and bravely, in God's name.

Be strong!
It matters not how deep entrenched the wrong,
How hard the battle goes, the day how long;
Faint not,—fight on! To-morrow comes the song,
—*Sunday-School Times*.

The Sydney Sanitarium.

DEAR BRETHREN IN AUSTRALIA:—I address a letter to you this morning. I have an earnest desire that the work in Australia shall move solidly, and that in the erection of a Sanitarium every one who has ability and who is consecrated to God shall reveal the fact by doing all in his power. Time has passed into eternity that should have been improved by our people. If hindrances had not been placed in the way, the Sanitarium would have been erected long ago, and would now be doing its work. Now, though only a portion of the means has come in, we venture to go forward with this work. The plan of the building drawn up by Brother M. G. Kellogg has been accepted, and the time has come for us to arise and build. All who can should now feel it a privilege not only to do something, but to do all that they can for our Sanitarium. Let every believer in Australia act a part in the erection of this building so long delayed for want of means.

Let no one at this time say, "We will hold our means in reserve that we may do what will need to be done in our own vicinity." You may not be prepared to erect buildings, be they ever so humble, while we in this locality are prepared to arise and build. Indeed, we must do this. The owners of the present Sanitarium

building have kindly extended our time of occupation to accommodate our real necessities; but the building must soon be vacated, and we must have a place in which to carry on the work now in progress. Then let each without delay first make their donations, and then loan their money without requiring interest. Let the mind and purpose of God be seen in the faith and good works, the self-denial and self-sacrifice of God's believing people.

The present time is presenting opportunities for doing God service. Let nothing stand in your way. Make use of the present to do liberally. God calls upon each to do his best in giving donations; for unless this is done the profits which should be spent in providing facilities and putting the institution into running order, will be consumed in the payment of interest money. Then will not my brethren to whom these words shall come make their donations as large as possible, that there may be no delay? There are some who cannot give sums of money. These can make their donations in time, by working extra hours. And let them work these hours faithfully as in the sight of all the heavenly universe. Others can help the cause by reducing their price of labour; and thus each day small sums will be sent in by the different workmen. Brethren, let us practise self-denial at this special time, which calls for all, old and young, to help. There must be no failure to meet the demand, that the building may advance. Let those who engage in the work remember that they are to render to God their powers each day. Lay your business before God, and have faith to believe that He will create openings. God will accept your willing service.

My brethren, the Lord has need of your co-operation now. Do not disappoint Him, but be forward in bringing your gifts and offerings.

There are many channels through which help may come. Prayer, special prayer is needed, and living faith must be revealed. God will strengthen the workers far beyond their expectations. God, the living God, is the source of our power. He is the source of all our facilities and blessings. He wants you now to set His own goods flowing into His service.

God wants us to bring our lives into closer relationship to Him, who owns all we possess, and who sustains us by His power. All we have is Christ's. By our reception of the truth we are linked to God in Jesus Christ—linked up with God to meet our opportunities with the very life principles which make this union a possibility, the principles of self-denial and self-sacrifice. Men and women who believe the truth are to awake and face their responsibilities, and show themselves willing and ready to co-operate with God. The money and houses and lands which He has given them in trust, they can trade upon and bring into active service. There is a work to be done in the world in the blessing of humanity by giving them an opportunity to prepare for the future eternal life. Each day bears with it responsibilities. Each day brings its opportunities, and these must be discerned by the workmen and made use of without delay. Personal agencies are required to make men laborers together with God to exalt the power of truth in a world of darkness and ignorance and sin. Then let us put forth consecrated efforts, feeling that we are working under the influence of heavenly agencies.

As you labor to erect this building, keep before the mind, by pleasant and instructive words, the responsibility laid upon you to use your God-given talents, that you may obtain a full reward when the Master shall reckon with His servants. Let this be an educating school which shall

advance every laborer in a knowledge of how to work unselfishly, in a fuller understanding of the blessings of the principles by which the work is done. By faithful, cheerful, self-denying service, increase the talents that have been entrusted to you. Then in all your future life experience you will work with increased knowledge and skill.

There are lessons to be learned in regard to business tact. When men live close to God they will see the need of working in just the right lines. They will bring the reality of spiritual things into their work and into the church. In every religious and temporal transaction man may make his influence felt in the right direction. A great deal of energy of character is expended in worldly business transactions. This energy of character put to use in God's cause, advances the worker. Its influence tells for all time to the very best account. Energised by the belief that they are co-operating with unseen agencies, men will put every moment to use; and there will be no waste as far as spiritual results are concerned.

All heaven approves of active, well-spent energy. All our powers and talents are God's gifts, and they are to be consecrated to Him understandingly. Then men will exert an influence with their God-given tact and skill. God is honored by them. It is these faithful workers, who do all things with an eye single to the glory of God, who will take the leading part in the best and highest interests of Christ's kingdom. The day of final reckoning will reveal that thousands more, by improving their God-given talents, might have increased their knowledge in temporal and religious lines.

This use of our talents applies to all phases of the work, from the leading workers to those who are under their orders. Those who feel that they have but little influence may increase this gift, by applying to their own daily conduct the rule, "Not slothful in business, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord." Apply this rule in your work for the Sanitarium. Use every jot of influence you have. Then you will have great satisfaction as you apply the rule to spiritual things. Trade diligently on that which you have, and you will increase your facilities and influence. Having well laid out your entrusted little, your desire and holy determination to increase by imparting will increase.

Every man and woman may become a worker of sharp discernment, conscious of the possession of sacred gifts. Yet we must be guarded lest we place the good work accomplished to the credit of our own smartness and capability, and lose sight of the words of Christ, "Without me ye can do nothing." It is the privilege of all to rejoice in God for the influence they possess, and to give God thanks for the increased bestowment of the gift. Let songs of joy ascend because of the accomplishment of the work. And angels of God will be present to administer that peace and grace and love and energy that should characterize the work.

Let the churches awaken, and take a solemn view of the opportunities now presented before them, and exert a decided influence for God. They are to use their facilities for the glory of God. "Sell that ye have, and give alms," God says. "Lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven." Has not the time come for those who have houses and lands to sell and give alms? Will they not do this? That land which is benefiting no one, dispose of it, and help to create an institution which will stand as a memorial for God. Sanctified ambition is called for. Let the means now bound up in houses and lands do the work for which God has given it. Let every person who has named the name of Christ avoid the first thread of selfishness in the use of their talents; for God has given these talents for the working of His vineyard.

Be careful lest you spoil the figure of the web. Avoid every unworthy or even questionable method of trading upon the Lord's goods. There is a platform where all can work unselfishly,—a platform so wide that none need hinder his fellow-worker. Then beware lest you tear down the work which your brother is doing that you may appropriate credit to yourself. God calls for undivided hearts, for generous, noble, elevated principles that will stand the test and proving of God.

Look at these matters seriously, my brethren, and inquire, am I doing my whole duty in the work of advancing the cause of God? or have I bound up my talents in a napkin, and thus hid the treasure which the Lord would have me put to use in saving souls? Let there be no slothful servants. Let all wake up to do something, and to do it now,

and the blessing of the Lord will surely follow.

There are those among us who have a surplus of means, but they think they need it to sustain themselves. Let matters be arranged that these persons shall have interest on their money as long as they shall live, and let them donate the principal to the cause and work of God. Thus they will return to the Lord that which is His own. Carefulness should be manifested in this respect. Christians should not be negligent to place in the Lord's treasury the means which should carry forward His work while time shall last. His entrusted goods should reach the highest accumulation, for the kingdom of God is to be extended, and the interests of His kingdom increased by a wise disposition of His means to make known the unsearchable riches of Christ.

Again, there is work to be done by those who have money in banks. These should place their money in the trust of God's servants, and the money should be loaned without interest to carry forward the work of God in the world. The last great message, the gospel of mercy, is to press its way to every nation and kindred and tongue and people. Let the stewards of means wake up, and put into circulation the means that is now doing no good in the cause of God. Advance work must be done in the vineyard of the Lord. Opportunities are constantly arising for opening the work in new fields and carrying forward aggressive warfare in places where there are souls to be saved while probation lasts, in places where men and women will be influenced to come to a knowledge of the truth. Let all who believe the truth for this time work out their own salvation with fear and trembling; "for it is God which worketh in you, to will and to do of His good pleasure." There is no time to be lost.

I plead for this object of our interest,—the Sanitarium. Send in your offerings without delay. We do not want a heavy debt on our institution. With a Christlike spirit, in earnest, courteous terms, ask those who have means to give to the cause of God in this emergency. Deny self. Take up your cross, and follow Jesus. Let your work of self-denial bear witness to the influence of the truth in human hearts. You who have donations to make, make them now. Read the eighth and ninth chapters of second Corinthians, and follow

the example of the Macedonian church. Loan your money, and make a donation of the interest, and you will receive a blessing.

May Christ awaken in your hearts a response to this appeal. May the grace of God come into every heart, and prepare you to do the work that needs to be done.

MRS. E. G. WHITE.

Summer Hill, N. S. W.

August 29, 1900.

Who Will Be True?

It has been said that there are blessings in crises, as they develop true friends to the cause, also revealing those who are *not* true friends. We are now living in a time when changes will come in most unexpected ways. And each change will be more extreme and sudden. Who then will stand firm and true? is a question more solemn *now* than it has ever been before. Lives may be saved or lost as the result of a single decision.

First, we must remember that God's Spirit has told us that this church *is the true church*, and that *it is going through*. When crises come, notice carefully who stands the most closely with the body. Note those who are submissive to authority, and those who override it. The person who overrides it will often claim to believe the Testimonies of the Spirit of God, and will use them; but as soon as they conflict with his ideas, he will ignore them. *Self* is the spirit that must prevail. Thus the counsels of the Spirit of God are put secondary to self-will and human planning. In such a time as this, where is there safety?—In drawing closely together, and with singleness of heart seeking God.

God imparts strength largely through human channels. The faithful souls will stand the most closely by, to strengthen the hands of the one who leads out in the burdens of the Conference; and in doing so they will be a means in the hand of God of bringing the strength for each day. He who allows his mind to be filled with criticisms and critical questions, has no room for the seal of God. It can not be placed in such a setting. Such an one, after seeing his own aims fail, will generally study methods to embarrass the Conference he once loved, hoping thus to clear self, and rise through the

failures of others. Does that person think that he is taking this ground?—Never. He always believes that he loves the truth as well as ever, but that those who are officers are in the wrong. It is ever thus. This is the most fatal position that I have ever met. Generally, if at times light comes in, it will again become as dark as before. But have we no right to independent opinions?—Certainly. Every Christian must be entirely independent. But the true Christian will see only the worst bondage in the lines spoken of. His freedom will not be implicated by wanting to do or think in that way.

Then let it be known that you are still at your post, while the sun of the harvest day is almost beyond the western horizon. Stand by the Conference. Lift the banner still higher in the sight of perishing thousands. Conference labourers, if you stand shoulder to shoulder with your President, your Committee, and your comrades in public work, you will see the work growing and enlarging until the "loud cry" has passed in its power, and the end has come. You may be wearied, but the rest will be the sweeter. Stand firm and true, and God will give you "places to walk among these that stand by."

Clarence Santee.

In Iowa Worker's Bulletin.

Men Wanted.

WE need live men to carry the cross of Jesus Christ and plant it on every hill-top, where the eyes of dying men may catch its saving light. Away with the heresy that "any kind of man can do the work of the church." Drones don't make God's honey yet. When a man talks for God, his thoughts should be the strongest, his words the sweetest, and his tones the most persuasive. His speech should burn as with "a live coal from God's altar." When a man works for God, let him do it with all his might. God's work needs the clearest brain, the fleetest foot, the readiest hand, the quickest eye. The true Christian is not a fossil, or a trilobite, or a mummy, but a living creature, with activities and sympathies born of God's Spirit.

We need enlightened men, not as the world counts wisdom, but enlightened with God's wisdom. God indeed chooses weak and foolish agencies, but he makes them strong

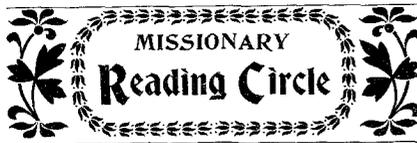
and wise. He has a wondrous process in His divine discipline by which the base metals of human life turn, in His crucible, into pure gold. O for the wisdom which is from above!

We need brave men. God's church has no use for cowards. She does not recruit for camp service. She cannot accomplish her warfare by the aid of men who "turn back in the day of battle." She needs men who can "endure hardness as good soldiers," men who have learned the art of war from God. "He teacheth my hands to war, and my fingers to fight." Men who have "put on the whole armor of God." Men who, like the Gadites, can "handle shield and buckler, whose faces are like the faces of lions, who are swift as roes upon the mountains, and who can swim the Jordan when it overflows all its banks." Men who can say *yes* to right, and mean it; who can say *no* to wrong, and stand by it. Men brave enough to be poor, to be self-denying, to be honest.—*Selected.*

Spiritual Artificial Respiration.

FREQUENTLY individuals receive some sort of spiritual shock, or get so poisoned by breathing the malarial atmosphere that surrounds their souls, that they apparently succumb to the same. There is no spiritual heartbeat, and they lie spiritually prostrate, with but a little spiritual artificial respiration they may be readily restored. Remember that those who are so far gone as to need artificial respiration, cannot perform it upon themselves. How absurd it would be to stand and criticise a person who was apparently drowned because he did not make vigorous efforts to restore himself to life. Is it not equally unreasonable to criticise our brother who is practically dead spiritually, because he does not do something for himself? Ought we not to set to work and give him vigorous artificial respiration so as to assist him to breathe in some of the life-giving Spirit of God; for are we not admonished that we ought to restore such an one in the spirit of meekness?—*Selected.*

WHEN men desire wisdom from above more than they desire wealth, power, or glory, God will provide them with all that they need.



"Seek ye out of the book of the Lord,
and read."

Bible Studies.

Lesson 24—December 8-15.

THE lesson this week is but the introduction to one of the longest and richest in detail of any of the prophecies in the Bible. The account of the interview between Daniel and the angel Gabriel is one of special interest, as it reveals a glimpse of the work of heavenly beings in moulding the minds of men, and in controlling events upon the earth. The consideration accorded to the faithful Daniel by the powers of Heaven ought to be an encouragement to faithful hearts to-day.

(*Dan. 10: 1-21; "Thoughts on Daniel,"*
pages 213-221.)

1. Fix in mind the years in which the visions of the seventh, eighth, and tenth chapters of Daniel were given, and the length of the interval between the successive visions.

2. For what purpose did Daniel seek the Lord? How was his earnestness made specially manifest?

3. Describe the appearance of the heavenly being whom Daniel saw in vision. What was the effect upon himself, and upon those who were with him?

4. By what means was Daniel aroused from his unconscious condition? How may the identity of the heavenly messenger who conversed with Daniel be established?

5. What encouraging words were spoken to Daniel? What precious lessons are taught thereby?

6. Describe the working of the unseen forces set in operation by Daniel's prayer.

7. Who is Michael? Give texts.

8. Repeat the further conversation between Gabriel and Daniel.

Lesson 25 (Review)—December 15-22

1. Study the following texts for an understanding of the work of the angels: Meaning of the word "angel," Judges 2: 1, margin; number of them, Heb. 12: 22; Rev. 5: 11: their work, Heb. 1: 13, 14; illustrations of their work, Gen. 19: 15, 16; 2 Kings 19: 35; Luke 1: 26-37; Acts 12: 1-11; 27: 23, 24; Matt. 24: 30, 31.

2. Give a summary of Dan. 10: 1-21.

3. What does this lesson teach on the following points?—

- Means used in answering prayer.
- Traits of character that make a man specially beloved of God.
- Identity of Michael.

(d) Chain of necessary witnesses in making the prophecy known.

Lesson 26—December 22-29.

WE now enter upon the study of a prophetic chapter which begins at the time in which Daniel lived, and points out the history of the world straight through to the events that immediately precede the coming of Christ. This prophecy leads up to events that are yet unfulfilled, but which the present generation will see come to pass; and it is of the utmost importance that those who perhaps understand the general import of what is here revealed, should study carefully each detail of the prophecy, that their own faith may be strengthened, and that they may help others to hear and believe. A little patient perseverance will enable each one to trace, step by step, each fulfillment of the prophetic word.

(*Dan. 11: 1-13; "Thoughts on Daniel,"*
pages 222-230.)

1. Review the circumstances under which the prophecy of Daniel eleven was given.

2. To what events in the history of Persia does verse two refer?

3. Cite the historical fulfillment of each expression in verse three.

4. Fix thoroughly in mind the divisions of Grecia, and their location with respect to Palestine. Clearly identify the powers called in the prophecy the king of the north and the king of the south.

5. Notice carefully each detail of the prophecy in verses five to nine, and the corresponding history.

6. How did the sons of the king of the north continue the warfare begun by their father?

Describe the further conflict between the king of the north and the king of the south, by tracing the history of Antiochus Magnus, of Syria, and Ptolemy Philopater, of Egypt.

Lesson 27 (Review)—December 29- January 4.

1. Review the different circumstances attending the giving and the interpreting of each of Daniel's prophecies.

2. What portion of this lesson has been revealed in previous prophecies?

3. Give a brief but connected outline of the fulfillment of the prophecy of the lesson.

4. If possible, have a map drawn of the countries mentioned, and locate each division of territory mentioned.

THE living Christian needs to keep ever before him the great facts that God's word is his only guide, that Jesus Christ is his only example, and that living, abiding connection with Christ through the Spirit is his only safety.

Mission Studies.

Our Study this Month is upon that Portion of the Island Mission Field toward which our Sabbath School Contributions are being Directed.

Malaysia.

THAT portion of the great Pacific which goes by the name Malaysia comprises many large and populous islands.

The 400 islands of the Philippines with their 10,000,000 inhabitants, and the numerous islands and groups of islands of the Dutch East Indies are each a part of Malaysia. It is estimated that there are in the Dutch possessions of the East Indies no less than 30,000,000 natives, 500,000 Chinese, 50,000 Arabs, and 60,000 Europeans. The principal islands of the Dutch East Indies, which lie within Malaysia, are Sumatra, Java, Madura, part of Borneo, the Celebes, and Molucca Islands. The climate is generally healthful and the field badly in need of missionary work. The following report of Brother Munson shows that the door for workers is open and the opportunities for doing good are numerous. Considerable territory within Malaysia is controlled by the British.

Since the occupancy of the Philippines by the United States of America, the opportunities for missionary work in that extensive group have greatly improved. These poor heathen are certainly in crying need of the gospel as they are loaded with heathen superstitions and know not God.

The population of Malaysia far exceeds that of the mission fields of Eastern Polynesia, and the demands for funds with which to work will, no doubt, be correspondingly greater.

E. C. CHAPMAN.

The Island of Sumatra.

WE landed from the steamship Prins Hendrik, at Emmahaven, the seaport of Padang, one of the most charming spots in all these mid-tropical regions. It is a town of about 25,000 inhabitants, chiefly Malays, with a liberal sprinkling of Chinese.

Padang is embowered in tropical vegetation of the most luxuriant order. Coconut, sago, and areca palms abound, with a large intermixture of other trees, resembling somewhat those of the Occident, but more abundant in foliage of the most velvety and glossy green of every conceivable shade.

The roads are smooth and hard and much frequented by the natives. The town lies on the coast, ten miles north of the harbour, which is connected with the town by an excellent railroad, which proceeds on to the northward about one hundred miles from Padang, up into the mountains, attaining an elevation of 3,500 feet. The road was constructed by the colonial government, to connect the the coal mines and the coast, and was built by European experts at a cost of some £1,000,000.

The mountains lie back from ten to twenty miles from the sea, and some of the peaks tower 12,000 feet heavenward. A few of them are more or less active volcanoes of a mild order. One of them has at long intervals burst forth in great fury, but has for many years been inactive except for smoke and sulphurous vapors.

With such a background, such a foreground, and such a setting, Padang is beautiful indeed. After nearly ten years at Singapore, the capital of the Straits Settlements (which lies 250 miles east and a little north of here), we find Padang like home. Our hearts are enjoying great peace in being here among a people who sorely need salvation, and who are more willing listeners than the public in Europe or America that correspond to the class we hope to reach.

From the time of our landing to the present we have had naught but the kindest and most generous treatment by the Dutch people, and friendships have sprung up which have strengthened with the passing days, although so few in number. We have found the Dutch people here generous and kind to a fault. Our esteem for the people of the Netherlands has been greatly enhanced since we left New York, November eleven of last year.

The Chinese, amongst whom we came especially to labour, demand an English school, and, as the hand of God seems to have opened the door, affording us not only a readier access to their homes with the Gospel, but also to some means of self-support, I have determined to comply with their request.

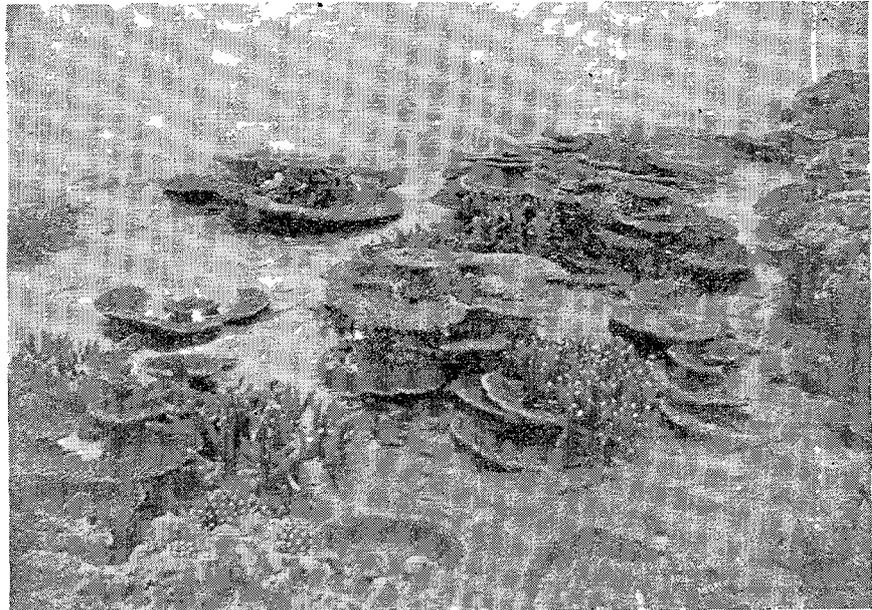
One of the providential tokens I have received in connection with the school is that a friend (who does not wish to disclose his identity) voluntarily offered to furnish the school with all necessary furniture, at an expense of nearly f200 (florins), or

about eighteen pounds. A large house, finely adapted to the purpose, was placed at my disposal at a rental of only two pounds. The same house formerly rented for four times as much. The government officials have been very kind, and have facilitated my efforts in getting a license to open the school, and so everything seems to favour the venture—I should say, rather, undertaking—for whatever the Lord blesses is no longer a venture but an assured success. I feel great peace of mind, also, whenever I think of or plan for the school, and this I regard as another sign of God's favour.

The school will, of course, be a mission school pure and simple, in which Christ in the Third Angel's Message will be presented.

opened an "orphanage," or home for orphans and poor boys, in which I taught the Word of God; and a deep impression was made on the boys. In 1896, when I left Singapore, I had twenty-four boys in this home. One of them was Tay Hong Siang, one of the first three boys to be admitted. He had given the most satisfactory evidence of regeneration, and was a fearless witness for Christ. He was sixteen when we were compelled to say farewell to him. He was like a son to us, and we loved him much. You can imagine our joy on reaching Padang to find that he was here in this very district, only a few hours' distant by rail.

I sent for him, and he came with his young wife and baby boy. He is



A Coral Garden of a Tropical Isle, Photographed at Low Tide.

One thing that struck us very forcibly on our first arrival here was the name in Malay for Saturday. I give the names for the seven days of the week in English and Arabic; for the Malays, being Mohammedans, have adopted Arabic customs:—

Sunday	Minggo
Monday	Isnain
Tuesday	Selasa
Wednesday	Rebaä
Thursday	Kamis
Friday	J'mmaät
SATURDAY	SABTU

So you see everybody designates the Sabbath by its *true name*, thanks to Mohammed.

While in Singapore in 1893 I

now living with us and studying present truth. He is filled with the Spirit, and preaches the Word in the demonstration of the Spirit and with power. Through his efforts a Chinaman, now past sixty, and a man of considerable influence, has cast his idols to the moles and the bats, and is worshipping God only. He has a large family, and if he is once filled with the Spirit he will be a power among his people. He is keeping the Sabbath conscientiously and in the fear of God. When I told him about the Sabbath, he said, "I want to know all about it, for I mean to obey all that God commands." *Pray for him.*

R. W. MUNSON.

Padang, Sumatra.

Our Sabbath Schools.

"All thy children shall be taught of the Lord."

CONDUCTED BY MRS. V. J. FARNSWORTH.

Sabbath School Quarterly Reports,

For the Quarter ending September 30, 1900.

West Australia.

Name of School.	Present Membership.	Total Contributions.	Tithes from Schools.	Donations to Missions.
Perth ...	43	£4 3 7	£0 8 4	£2 3 10
Bunbury ...	28	4 12 8	0 12 0	1 0 0
Fremantle ...	16	1 12 9	0 3 4	0 10 0
U. Preston ...	9	2 7 7	0 4 9	2 10 0
Bokara ...	25	1 9 1	0 3 0	...
Total ...	121	£14 5 8	£1 11 5	£6 3 10

T. A. CHAPMAN, Secretary.

New South Wales.

Name of School.	Present Membership.	Total Contributions.	Tithes from Schools.	Donations to Missions.
Avondale ...	172	£6 14 10	£0 13 5	£2 15 2
Awaba ...	31	2 1 10	...	0 3 6
Arcadia ...	10	1 10 8	0 3 1	1 0 3
Ashfield ...	61	3 1 9	0 6 2	1 1 0
Auburn ...	36	2 9 5	0 5 0	0 7 8
Carlingford ...	9	0 2 6	...	0 2 6
Dora Creek ...	38	1 10 7	0 3 0	0 3 10
Hamilton ...	74	4 6 11	0 4 0	1 13 6
Kellyville ...	22	1 3 10	0 2 5	0 5 7
Lismore ...	30	1 19 9	0 4 0	1 10 0
W. Maitland ...	59	4 8 8	0 8 10	1 9 8
Nullawa ...	...	...	...	...
Orchard Hill ...	8	...	...	...
Petersham ...	144	4 4 10	0 7 7	...
Parramatta ...	35	1 8 7	0 3 0	0 12 0
Prospect ...	15	0 13 5	0 1 5	0 3 1
Wallsend ...	35	2 0 5	0 4 0	0 10 6
Colonial Class ...	20	...	...	0 7 0
Total ...	799	£37 18 0	£3 5 11	£12 5 3

Special donation to Medical Work in Queensland..... £4 19 10½

MRS. A. L. COLCORD, Secretary.

Queensland.

Name of School.	Present Membership.	Total Contributions.	Tithes from Schools.	Donations to Missions.
Rockhampt'n ...	56	£3 1 10	£0 6 2	...
Toowoomba ...	23	1 5 2	1 2	£0 12 0
N. Brisbane ...	41	1 16 4	3 7	0 16 6
S. Brisbane ...	108	4 15 0	9 6	2 10 6
Grantham ...	14	1 7 0	2 9	0 14 3
Douglas ...	8	0 9 7	1 0	0 6 7
Burdaberg ...	30	2 18 0	5 9	...
Colonial Class ...	...	0 15 6	1 6	12 0
Camp Meeting Don. ...	...	...	...	0 17 2
Miscellaneous ...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	280	£16 8 5	£1 11 5	£6 9 0

Donations for Medical Work in Queensland ... £2 17 9

MRS. G. W. TADICH, Secretary.

Tasmania.

Name of School.	Present Membership.	Total Contributions.	Tithes from Schools.	Donations to Missions.
Hobart ...	53	£4 8 10	£0 8 4	£2 0 8
Colonial Class ...	4	0 3 9	0 0 5	0 3 4
Launceston ...	39	1 14 6	3 6	11 6
St. Marys ...	23	15 0	1 6	2 9
Latrobe ...	13	9 0	1 0	7 4
Trial Bay ...	3	11 6	1 2	7 4
E. Devonport ...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	134	£8 2 7	£0 15 11	£3 5 7

Special donations ... T. HOUSE, Secretary. £1 12 5½

New Zealand.

Name of School.	Present Membership.	Total Contributions.	Tithes from Schools.	Donations to Missions.
Aratapu ...	14	£0 17 2	£0 1 2	£0 9 6
Auckland ...	38	1 19 0	0 4 0	0 19 0
Cambridge ...	3	0 18 0	0 1 10	0 8 2
Christchurch ...	60	5 0 2	0 10 0	1 7 9
Coromandel ...	7	0 5 0	0 0 6	0 4 6
Dannevirke ...	3	0 6 0	...	0 2 0
Dunedin ...	22	0 18 0	0 2 0	0 16 0
Epsom ...	29	0 18 11	0 1 10	0 18 3
Gisborne ...	11	1 0 0	0 4 0	0 15 3
Greymouth ...	2	0 6 6	0 1 6	0 4 6
Hastings ...	21	1 0 1	0 2 0	0 12 3
Irwell-Linc'ln ...	18	2 11 9	0 5 3	1 12 0
Kaero ...	33	1 19 8	0 4 0	0 15 2
Kaikoura ...	18	0 13 11	0 1 4	0 11 11
Makaretu ...	2	0 2 3	0 0 3	0 1 0
Napier ...	72	2 11 2	0 5 0	1 0 0
Nelson ...	5	0 5 0	0 0 6	0 3 6
Ormondville ...	24	1 5 7	0 2 6	0 11 6
Palmerston N ...	32	1 10 6	0 3 1	0 10 0
Papakura ...	7	0 5 6	...	0 4 0
Papanui ...	12	0 9 8	...	0 6 9
Paremata ...	8	0 5 0	0 0 6	0 2 3
Parkhurst ...	22	0 17 11	0 1 10	...
Petone ...	11	0 15 5	0 1 7	0 6 0
Pungare ...	24	0 11 1	0 1 1	0 9 0
Raglan ...	3	0 10 0	0 0 6	0 4 6
Springburn ...	5	0 6 6	...	0 4 0
Tokouui ...	9	0 3 0	...	0 1 6
Tologa Bay ...	26	0 14 6	0 2 0	0 12 6
Waitakerei ...	5	0 2 6	0 0 6	0 1 0
Waitekauri ...	2	0 3 0	...	0 2 0
Wanganui ...	23	2 19 2	0 6 0	1 17 4
Wellington ...	23	2 4 3	0 4 5	1 9 3
Westport ...	18	1 13 6	0 3 4	0 11 11
Whangarata ...	9	0 1 0	...	...
Colonial Class ...	40	...	...	2 14 9
Total ...	641	£36 10 8	£3 12 6	£21 9 0

Special donation for Medical Work in Queensland..... £10 17 10
MRS. J. BAKER, Secretary.

Victoria.

Name of School.	Present Membership.	Total Contributions.	Tithes from Schools.	Donations to Missions.
Ballarat ...	80	£2 15 6	£0 5 6	£0 13 4
Brighton ...	12	2 7 0	4 0	1 7 4
Beechworth ...	8	0 10 0	0 6	0 4 0
Bendigo ...	21	1 9 5	3 0	0 7 6
Doncaster ...	12	0 11 0	1 1	0 9 11
*Dandenong ...	...	...	...	...
Geelong ...	43	2 2 6	2 3	0 15 3
Hawthorn ...	43	2 14 7	5 6	0 12 10
Kangaroo Flat ...	15	0 18 0	2 0	0 11 7
North Fitzroy ...	205	12 6 10	1 3 4	4 15 0
Windsor ...	88	4 19 6	8 4	2 3 4
Williamstown ...	53	3 11 3	6 2	2 1 5
Wychitella ...	...	...	...	...
Lara ...	12	0 15 0	1 6	0 13 6
Colonial Class ...	7	...	5 10	2 3 2
Totals ...	599	£35 0 7	£3 6 11	£16 18 2

* Family School failed to report.
Sydney Sanitarium Charity Work ... £0 12 8
Queensland Donations Medical Missionary ... 4 13 10

MRS. N. D. FAULKHEAD, Secretary.

Total Summary.

Name of Colony.	Present Membership.	Total Contributions.	Tithes from Schools.	Donations to Missions.
N. S. Wales ...	799	£37 18 0	£3 5 11	£12 5 3
N. Zealand ...	641	36 10 8	3 12 6	21 9 0
Victoria ...	599	35 0 7	3 6 11	16 18 2
Queensland ...	280	16 8 5	1 11 5	6 9 0
S. Australia ...	...	8 2 7	0 15 11	3 5 7
Tasmania ...	134	...	...	...
W. Australia ...	121	14 5 8	1 11 5	6 3 10
Grand Total	2574	£148 5 11	£14 4 1	£66 10 10

An Experience.

BROTHER and Sister Burns did not attend the Sabbath School. They had gone to Sunday School when children, but being past middle age they had long ago "put away childish things." In the church to which they had belonged it was not expected that elderly people would attend the Sunday School. If they listened attentively while the minister preached, they supposed they had no further duty in Bible study.

Being conscientious, godly people, when a minister came to their town preaching truths of which they had never heard, and they found they were not keeping the Sabbath of the fourth commandment, they changed their practice and began to observe the seventh day. A little company of commandment-keepers was organized, an elder chosen, and a Sabbath School started. To their astonishment Brother and Sister Burns found they were not to have preaching every week, and that elderly people, even the grey-headed grandfathers and grandmothers, were expected to attend the Sabbath School, and actually study a lesson every week.

Brother and Sister Burns came with the rest a few times; but they experienced such difficulty in finding the texts in the Bible, sometimes turning to the Old Testament for a New Testament quotation, or to the New Testament to find a text in Isaiah, and it seemed to them so awkward to sit in a class unable to answer the questions, that they concluded they would not attend Sabbath School. Besides, it seemed quite a sacrifice to be deprived of their Sabbath morning nap and to get ready for service so early, and they decided that really they "had no time" to study the Sabbath School lesson.

The pastor who had first brought the truth to the little company to which Brother and Sister Burns belonged, made them a visit, and in one of his meetings he said :

"I am sorry to see so few brethren and sisters at the Sabbath School. Now there should be as large an attendance at the School as at the church service. If you must omit one, then I advise you to remain away from the meeting; but don't let anything keep you from the Sabbath School. What you obtain there is of more importance than any sermon you can hear. Do you ask why? Because when you listen to a sermon you listen to what some man has studied out of the Bible. If you do your duty, in the Sabbath School you study for yourselves. Your own study will benefit you far more than that of any other person on earth.

"And let me tell you the solemn truth: Unless you do study the Bible for yourselves, you will be swept away by the delusions of the last days. You must know the truth for yourselves. Any person who is able, and who does not have interest enough in the word of God to study one lesson from it each week, such persons will not be able to endure to the end.

"I wish to call attention to another thing: In our Sabbath Schools we give our means to help foreign missions, and special offerings are taken for needy home enterprises. I want to ask those who do not attend Sabbath School when do you give anything to assist in this way? At our Conferences reports are read of how much we have given to missions. Who gave it? Did you who do not attend Sabbath School? This shows you are taking things easy, and the burden falls wholly on those who do attend Sabbath School. I have now presented two reasons why you should not fail in your attendance: first, for your own good; secondly, for the good you may do others."

So it came to pass that one pleasant spring morning Brother and Sister Burns were found back in their places in the Sabbath School. They were surprised not to find a larger membership in the school, for other brethren and sisters had imitated their example. They soon became interested in the lessons, and by making a special effort, by studying and learning one or two points each day, they were well prepared for the Sabbath recitation. They also began to use their influence to get others to come to the school, and that church is entering upon a new era of usefulness and prosperity. Who will do likewise?

Our Sabbath School Donations.

To what will they be devoted during the first three months of the twentieth century?

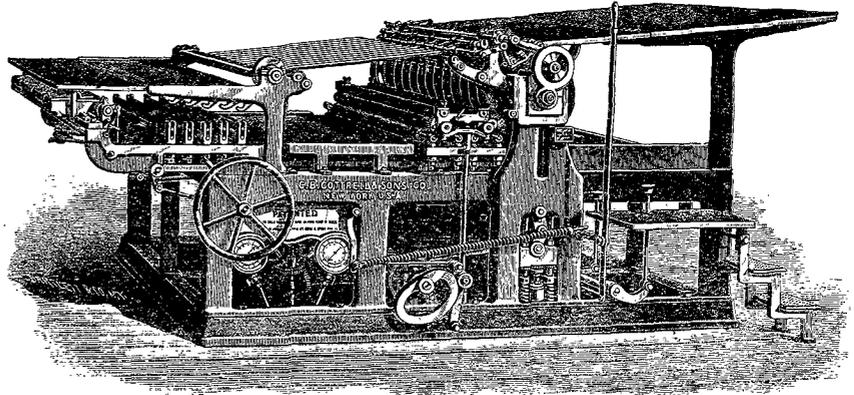
WITH cheerful hearts the members of our Sabbath Schools have scattered blessings by bringing in their offerings to carry the gospel to the heathen of benighted lands. One after another the various tribes and people of Polynesia and Malaysia have by this means been made partakers of heaven's richest blessing.

As we are about to enter upon the work of a new quarter, the question has arisen as to how the Sabbath Schools can best employ their God-given talent in such a way

brought us work; and last but not least, how He has given us a force of devoted Christian workers whose hearts are in unison, with a steadfast determination to honour God and advance His precious cause.

With the blessing of God which comes where there is unity, we have every reason to believe that the Avondale Press will continue to prosper. You can all readily see, however, that the plant must be paid for and the institution given a clear start by those who love the truth. We will then be in a much better position to aid in causing the pages of printed truth to fall like autumn leaves.

While much of the material for the Avondale Press, as the missionary enterprise is called, was donated by



The Press which prints the "Record," the "Herald," and other Evangelical Literature.

as to accomplish the most for the Master. Heavenly intelligences have enabled mankind to study out many inventions which greatly facilitate the spread of the Third Angel's Message to every corner of this sin-cursed earth; steam and electricity as applied to modern machinery will act a prominent part in carrying the gospel speedily to every "nation, kindred, tongue, and people."

Somewhat over one year ago, definite instruction came from the servant of the Lord concerning our work and institutions at Avondale. We were told that a printing office should be established. Its work as a missionary enterprise was dwelt upon. Its influence and work were shown to be far reaching. The enterprise has accordingly been started and thus far God has guided every step of the way.

We might tell how God has led us so that we have obtained just the machinery needed; how He has

friends of the cause, it was necessary for us to purchase a cylinder press, a wire sticher, considerable type, cases, and other equipments before we could carry on aggressive work. We are still owing the firm from which we obtained our press and material £146 which should be paid very soon. The Avondale Press is the property of the Union Conference and is operated under the supervision of that body.

We thank God that the Sabbath School contributions for the first quarter of 1901 are to go to this worthy and needy enterprise. May God bless us all with liberal hearts.

E. C. CHAPMAN,
Supt. Avondale Press.

OUR special contribution the last Sabbath in 1900 will be given to assist the medical work in South Australia. Let there be a liberal response to this invitation to assist this young Conference in its need.



"Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit."

Use of our Literature.

A Reading From the "Testimonies."

1. WHAT is the result of work with our tracts and papers?

"I have been shown that but few have any correct idea of what the distribution of papers and tracts is doing. The missionary work is opening doors everywhere, and preparing minds to receive the truth when the living preacher shall come among them. The success which attends the ministers in the field is due in a great degree to the influence of the reading matter which has enlightened the minds of the people and removed prejudice. The tract and missionary field is an extensive one."

2. If there is any work more important than another, what is it?

"If there is one work more important than another, it is that of getting our publications before the public, thus leading them to search the Scriptures. There should be a most thoroughly organised plan, and this should be faithfully carried out. Churches in every place should feel the deepest interest in the tract and missionary work."

3. Which is doing the greater work, the silent messengers or the living preacher?

"It is a fact that the circulation of our papers is doing even a greater work than the living preacher can do."

4. How is the great lack of ministers to be supplied?

"The great lack of men to go from place to place to preach the Word may be in a great degree supplied by tracts and papers and by intelligent correspondence."

5. In what line of work may each have a part?

"All can do something. Some can do more than others, but all should become intelligent as to how they can work more successfully and methodically in spreading the light of truth, by scattering our publications."

6. Are we using fully the facilities we now have for the spreading of the truth?

"We now have great facilities for spreading the truth; but our people are not coming up to the privileges given them. They do not in every church see and feel the necessity of using their abilities in saving souls. They do not realize their duty to obtain subscribers for our periodicals, including our health journal, and to introduce our books and pamphlets."

7. How are the sisters mentioned in connection with this work?

"Our sisters have been too willing to excuse themselves from bearing responsibilities which require thought and close application of the mind; yet this is the very discipline they need to perfect Christian experience. They may be workers in the missionary field, having a personal interest in the distribution of tracts and papers which correctly represent our faith. All can not go abroad to labour, but all can do something at home . . . Hundreds of our sisters might be at work to-day if they would. They should dress themselves and their children with simplicity, in neat and durable garments free from adornment, and devote to missionary work the time now spent in needless display. Our sisters may meet together to consult as to the best manner of labour. Money can be saved to present as an offering to God, to be invested in papers and tracts to be sent to their friends. Let each sister who claims to be a child of God feel indeed a responsibility to help all within her reach . . . Women of firm principle and decided character are needed,—women who believe that we are indeed living in the last days, and that we have the last solemn message of warning to be given to the world . . . Sisters, God calls you to work in the harvest-field and help gather in the sheaves."

8. What is the real value of our literature as a "preacher" of the truth?

"But few have correct views of what can be done by personal efforts in a wise distribution of our publications. Many who will not listen to the truth presented by the living preacher will peruse a tract or a paper; many things they read meet their ideas exactly, and they become interested to read all it contains. Impressions are thus made upon their minds which they can not readily forget. The seed of truth has in some cases been buried for years beneath the rubbish of the world; but after a time some earthly sorrow or affliction

softens the heart, and the seed springs up and bears fruit to the glory of God.

"Again, many read these papers and tracts, and their combativeness is aroused, and they throw the silent messengers from them in a passion. But new ideas, although unwelcome, have made their impression; and as the silent messenger bears the abuse without retaliation, there is nothing to feed the anger which has been excited. Again the hand takes up the neglected paper or tract, and the eye is tracing the truthful lines, and again in passion it is thrown from them as their pathway is crossed. But the mind is not at rest; the abused paper is at last perused, and thus point after point of truth commences its convicting work; step by step the reformation is wrought, self dies, and the warfare against truth is ended. Had the living preacher spoken as pointedly, these persons would have turned away, rejecting the new strange ideas brought before them. The papers and tracts can go where the living preacher cannot have access to the people, because of their prejudice against the truth."

9. What is the present situation of the people of God?

"Men and women are needed to act a part in this great work, in spreading the light of truth by circulating our publications. This work has not been taken hold of as it should be by those who profess the truth. The larger part of the members of our churches are not working Christians; they are living as though there were no great emergency,—no fearful danger of their fellow-men losing eternal life. Many fold their hands at ease, yet profess to be followers of Christ. Not only men are wanted, but women also should set their hearts and minds to become intelligent in regard to the very best manner of working for the Master, qualifying themselves to do that part of the work for which they are best adapted. The burden of the work has been left principally upon ministers, while many church-members have stood looking on to see how matters were coming out . . . All will, if connected with God, see something to do, and will do it. They cannot be soldiers in the Lord's army unless they shall obey the call of the Captain, and bear responsibilities which some one must bear."

Mrs. L. Flora Plummer.



"Study to show thyself approved unto God."

CONDUCTED BY C. B. HUGHES.

Notes.

"WISDOM is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom."

THE Avondale School will reopen January 30, 1900. The time will soon be here, so the present should be faithfully used in preparing to come to the school.

"RUN, speak to this young man," or woman, and tell him that the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and that the Avondale School exists only for the purpose of imparting this wisdom. Do not think your duty is done when you have told him this once, but continue to tell him until you see him safely on the boat or train bound for Avondale School.

DID you ever hear a person regret having secured a good education? No; but you have heard many deeply regret having failed to get one. In many cases this is so, because there was no kind friend to advise them when they were young, of the great value of an education. We owe it as a duty to every young man and woman to impress upon their minds indelibly the priceless value of a good education.

DURING the coming year our School will offer an excellent opportunity to those who wish to take a brief course in Bible and history study. Pastor Robinson and wife have had many years of experience in the work in America, South Africa, and these Colonies. We hope to see a number of people, who are too far advanced in years to take a long course in regular school work, improve this opportunity, and fit themselves for more effective work in their home churches, or to enter some branch of the cause.

News Items.

IT is still very dry. We have not had a good shower for many weeks. The dry weather is seriously affecting our garden, but our maize is still growing nicely.

MRS. PATRICK has eleven boarders, of whom three are ladies and eight are gentlemen. Six of these work for the School; two are employees of the Food Factory, and three of the Avondale Press.

SOME kind friends have helped the school in a substantial way by donating a combined reaper and mower. When someone donates us power to run our chaff cutter, the school will be in a position to produce chaff economically.

OUR oats are quite a fair crop this year. The boys vote the new machine quite an improvement over the scythe for cutting them. We are very thankful that we have such a commodious barn in which to store the oats.

OUR orchard is looking well, and if the dry weather does not continue too long we shall have a fair crop of fruit this year. The grapevines are growing rapidly, notwithstanding the dry weather.

OUR bees are doing well this spring. Last year was a poor season, and we took only 1400 lbs. of honey. Some of our neighbours lost nearly all their bees, but by giving careful attention to ours we lost only two or three swarms. They have swarmed quite freely this spring, and we now have eighty hives, and have taken 880 lb of honey.

THE closing days of school were busy ones for the fencing gang. In fact, they were not quite able to complete their work. Since the school closed the work has been finished. As a result a large addition has been made to our pasture. We now have several paddocks in which our stock can graze. The school ground has also been fenced, so that the cows no longer roam through our flower garden. The fowl yard has been enclosed, and a house erected for the fowls.

PASTOR A. T. Robinson and wife, C. B. Hughes and wife, Miss Hattie

Andre, Miss Whittenberg, and Miss Lizzie White are spending a fortnight at Blackheath in the Blue Mountains. E. R. Palmer has visited the South Australian Camp-meeting, and will visit the other Camp-meetings yet to be held. J. H. Paap is at Avondale, and will assist his father in the erection of his new house during the summer. Mrs. Boyd is matron at the Avondale Health Retreat.

WISHING to know the effect lime would have upon our swamp land, we chose two and three-quarter acres of the swamp, and divided it into four plots. Upon the first, we placed no lime; upon the second, lime at the rate of two tons per acre; upon the third, at the rate of three tons per acre; and upon the fourth, at the rate of four tons per acre. Where we placed no lime there were not oats enough to pay for cutting. The other plots have all produced a good crop of oaten hay. We see no difference in the growth on the different plots, but those who have had experience tell us that the ground which has received the most will not need renewing so soon as that which received less. It is stated that the effect of this lime will continue for several years, so that it will prove a very profitable investment. We are hoping that some of the friends of the school will give it money enough to lime the entire place.

THE improvements which have been mentioned from time to time in these columns give us excellent facilities for using young men here on the place. Now we are ready for the young men. Send to your Tract Society or to the School for calendars. Study the calendar until you become enthusiastic over the advantages offered by the School, then visit or write to parents and young people, and thus influence young men and women to attend the School. Do not be discouraged if the way does not seem clear for the young person to come. If he has a desire to come, help him to devise plans whereby his expenses may be met. If you think a letter from the School would help in a right decision, send along the address, and the person will receive a letter from the Principal. Please do not delay in this matter, but as soon as you read this item go at once about the work; for the time is short in which to prepare for the School.



"Let us not weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap if we faint not."

Monthly Summary of Australasian Canvassing Work.

Queensland.

OCTOBER, 1900.

	Orders.	Value.
<i>Bible Readings</i> —		
F. Brett, Ipswich Line.....	68 £ 43 6 9	
<i>Desire of Ages</i> —		
W. Codling, Laidley District...	7 10 12 9	
T. Whittle, Lowood District...	10 10 10 0	
A. W. Horwood, Bundaberg...	5 7 16 2	
<i>Patriarchs</i> —		
R. G. Walker, Sandgate Line	18 13 9 6	
E. Chapman, Sandgate Line ..	14 10 17 6	
E. Bernoth, Beaudesert Line ..	29 27 4 0	
W. Prees, Beaudesert Line ...	29 23 7 0	
<i>Daniel and Revelation</i> —		
J. C. E. Jacobson, Bundaberg	20 16 15 6	
<i>Masterpiece</i> —		
W. R. Lamb, Bundaberg ...	11 13 12 6	
<i>Home Hand Book</i> —		
T. Whittle, Lowood District ...	15 29 12 6	
Mrs. A. J. Hewitt, Allora ...	3 4 10 0	
<i>Ladies' Guide</i> —		
Mrs. A. J. Hewitt, Allora ...	50 50 5 0	
J. H. Hewitt, Allora ...	15 15 1 0	
<i>Christ Our Saviour</i> —		
T. Whittle, Lowood District...	1 0 4 6	
A. W. Horwood, Bundaberg...	4 1 2 0	
	299 £278 6 8	
<i>Herald of Health</i> ...	4 0 10 0	

West Australia.

OCTOBER, 1900.

	Orders.	Value.
<i>Home Hand Book</i> —		
A. A. Shapcott, Cue Line ...	11 £ 17 15 0	
<i>Great Controversy</i> —		
F. Masters, Coolgardie ...	15 9 5 0	
<i>Bible Readings</i> —		
A. A. Shapcott, Cue Line	72 63 6 6	
<i>Ladies' Guide</i> —		
Mrs. Cleal, Guildford	8 8 19 0	
Other books "	8 4 16 6	
A. A. Shapcott, Cue Linc	16 16 17 0	
Mrs. Roberts, Fremantle	4 4 0 0	
<i>Masterpiece</i> —		
A. A. Shapcott, Cue Line	38 41 11 6	
F. Masters, Coolgardie.....	23 21 11 0	
<i>Christ Our Saviour</i> —		
W. Maslin, Perth	4 0 18 0	
Miss Chandler, Perth	18 4 15 0	
Mrs. Masters, Coolgardie	10 2 13 0	
<i>Sunshine at Home</i> —		
Mrs. Masters, Coolgardie ...	7 2 10 0	
<i>Miscellaneous</i> —		
Mrs. C. J. Anderson, Fremantle	17 8 3 0	
	251 £207 0 6	

FROM the above report it is evidently clear that the Lord has been at work in this branch of the Message, and we cannot help but feel with one of our workers. When writing to me last week he said, "I am beginning to realise that the promptings of the Holy Spirit are real and substantial."

What a different experience we would all have in our daily walk and different occupations were we, like the Apostles of old, ever to respond to Divine promptings, put natural feelings away, bury that expression "I can't," and continually have in our minds such expressions as, "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me," becoming nothing that Christ may be everything. Says the Saviour, "My grace is sufficient for thee." Although blackness and terror are fast approaching the inhabitants of this sin-stained earth, how good it is to know that every faithful laborer in this last message of mercy will have heavenly beings as companions in his daily walk. What a blessed privilege the canvasser has to be out day by day accompanied by the Divine Presence, dispensing that which is able to heal all physical and spiritual diseases and finally fit a people for eternity.

God grant that every man and woman who is out labouring to get this Message before the masses may ever feel that they are led by the One who is able to keep them from making mistakes and deliver them from all their trials, and eventually fit them as living stones in the heavenly building.

Sincerely your fellow-worker,
T. A. CHAPMAN.

Victoria and Tasmania.

OCTOBER, 1900.

	Orders.	Value.
<i>Home Hand Book</i> —		
G. Burgess, Bendigo, Vic.	19 £34 3 0	
G. Masters, Ballarat, Vic.	13 19 10 6	
E. Crick, Maffra, Vic.	2 2 15 0	
C. P. Michaels, Geelong, Vic. ...	46 67 12 6	
<i>Ladies' Guide</i> —		
Mrs. M. Masters, Ballarat, Vic.	23 22 15 0	
Mrs. D. Deering, Ballarat, Vic.	5 4 7 6	
" " other books	4 2 1 0	
<i>Masterpiece</i> —		
G. Masters, Ballarat, Vic.	7 8 3 0	
<i>Patriarchs</i> —		
B. Judge, Beechworth, Vic. ...	22 15 1 6	
T. Southon, Beechworth, V. ...	12 8 9 6	
<i>Bible Readings</i> —		
L. P. V. Larsen, Derwent Valley, Tasmania	3 3 17 6	
A. Appeldorff, Newtown, Tas. ...	5 3 2 0	
<i>Desire of Ages</i> —		
Mrs. H. Appeldorff, Garden Island, Tasmania	31 45 7 6	
<i>Coming King</i> —		
Miss L. Southon, Hobart, Tas.	3 1 9 6	
Miss M. Southon, Hobart, Tas.	3 1 6 6	
W. Ryder, Stawell, Vic.	53 16 12 6	
Mrs. E. J. Roberts, Williams-town, Vic.	28 9 9 6	
Miss C. Rule, Warnambool, Vic.	23 11 3 0	
Mrs. L. J. Lear, " Vic.	34 16 3 6	
J. F. Ward, Hamilton, Vic.	51 21 6 6	
Miss E. Adcock, Hobart, Tas. ...	23 9 0 0	
Miss A. Ryall, Bairnsdale, Vic.	59 19 7 0	
Miss A. Murray, Bairnsdale, V.	36 13 3 6	
R. Caldwell, Portarlington, V.	53 17 19 6	
	558 £374 6 6	

New South Wales.

OCTOBER, 1900.

	Orders.	Value.
<i>Patriarchs</i> —		
H. J. Cooper, Murrwillumbah	29 £30 3 6	
<i>Daniel and Revelation</i> —		
A. E. Hodgkinson, Muswellbrook	9 8 18 0	
R. Salton, Singleton.....	1 1 3 3	
E. Appleton, Tenterfield.....	1 1 0 0	
<i>Coming King</i> —		
R. Salton, Singleton	6 1 10 0	
A. E. Hodgkinson, Muswellb'k	1 0 5 0	
A. E. Edwards, Bathurst.....	1 0 5 0	
A. E. Appleton, Lismore.....	1 0 5 0	
<i>Desire of Ages</i> —		
E. Appleton, Tenterfield.....	28 32 6 6	
<i>Bible Readings</i> —		
N. Harker, Moss Vale	27 14 16 0	
G. Ryder, Moss Vale.....	8 5 7 6	
<i>Sunshine at Home</i> —		
Mrs. A. E. Edwards, Bathurst	17 7 2 6	
Mrs. E. Appleton, Lismore.....	1 0 7 6	
<i>Home Hand Book</i> —		
A. G. Ma kenzie, Woolongong	43 65 6 0	
A. Smart, Junee	26 24 5 0	
M. A. Connell, Germantown.....	12 19 13 0	
H. Ross Lewin, Junee	12 18 12 6	
J. C. Jensen, Moss Vale	5 9 6 0	
J. Paap, Maitland	1 1 15 0	
<i>Ladies' Guide</i> —		
Mrs. E. Appleton, Lismore.....	30 30 16 6	
Mrs. J. Paap, Maitland	13 14 16 6	
M. A. Connell, Germantown.....	1 0 17 6	
<i>Other Books</i> .....	... 3 1 0	
	263 £291 18 9	

New Zealand.

OCTOBER, 1900.

	Orders.	Value.
<i>Home Hand Book</i> —		
R. L. Irving, Invercargill	54 £78 15 0	
H. C. Harker, Nelson	52 40 5 0	
J. Knox, Taranaki.....	32 52 5 0	
C. Honor, Auckland	26 38 5 0	
J. C. Rouse, Dunedin	22 32 2 6	
J. Reekie, Timaru	20 32 7 6	
Mrs. Hamilton, Carterton	19 29 10 0	
J. B. Anderson, Rangiora.....	14 19 12 6	
I. Johnson, Hastings.....	12 17 12 6	
A. Mountain, Auckland	10 14 10 0	
W. Richardson, Auckland	11 16 12 6	
A. E. Rickards, Milton.....	8 13 12 6	
J. T. Nash, Auckland	3 4 2 6	
<i>Ladies' Guide</i> —		
W. H. Covell, Gore, Otago.....	108 103 1 6	
Mrs. Anderson, Marton	101 88 7 6	
H. C. Harker, Nelson	1 1 1 0	
<i>Patriarchs</i> —		
W. Ward, Inglewood.....	3 2 5 0	
<i>Coming King</i> —		
Mrs. Kinnear, Auckland	19 5 2 6	
	515 £589 10 0	
<i>Echoes sold</i>	3801	
<i>Herald of Health</i> sold	145	

Totals for September, 1900.

	Orders.	Value.
Victoria and Tasmania	558 £374 6 6	
New South Wales.....	263 291 18 9	
South Australia .....	...
Queensland	299 278 6 8	
New Zealand	515 589 10 0	
West Australia	251 207 0 6	
Grand totals.....	1886 £1741 2 5	

Waiting.

The restless millions wait
That light whose dawning maketh all things new;
Christ also waits, but men are slow and late.
Have we done what we could? Have I? Have you?
A cloud of witnesses above encompass us;
We love to think of all they see and know.
But what of this great multitude in peril,
Who sadly wait below?
Oh, let this thrilling vision move us
To earnest prayers and deeds unknown;
That souls redeemed from many lands may join us,
When Christ brings home His own.

—Selected.

Canvassing.

THE work of the canvasser should be considered a part of ministerial labour, and as such, the character of the canvasser and the training necessary cannot differ materially from that required of the Gospel minister. Indeed, canvassing is personal teaching, and the experience of the early church shows that those upon whom the pentecostal showers fell, went from house to house, teaching about the risen Saviour. Probably the stigma, if we may so speak of it, which in the minds of many attaches to the work of canvassing, is due to the fact that much of this work has been undertaken merely for financial profit, and this spirit entering into an enterprise which should be wholly unselfish and from the heart, brings this result, and can bring no other.

When the work of canvassing is a heart work, and every house that is entered is entered because there is a soul hungering to bring the Gospel to the inmates, then will the book in the canvasser's hand be the means of leading souls to the Fountain-head of light. No wonder, then, that we begin to realize that canvassers need a thorough training, and that the former short institutes through which we hurried these workers were belittling their work. Training, in the light of Christian education, is not simply giving instruction in the art of meeting people and requiring the student to memorize a canvass for some book.

The education needed is Christ in the soul, which makes us realize the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man. It tightens the very soul-strings until angel hands can sweep the cords and heavenly music will fill the air. Human woes will touch the heart and the influence of the God-man will be felt as truly as when "virtue, the healing power of love," flowed from the Saviour when touched by a feeble woman in the surging multitudes that hung upon His words.

It is soul-food the canvasser must dispense, and to feed others he must himself be fed.

Men should now be in training who desire to devote their lives to this branch of the Gospel ministry. You ask for the relation of canvassers to the ministry? The two are one, and many of those who will yet do mighty work for the Master will begin, perhaps continue, as canvassers.

Paul, writing to the Corinthians of the work of each member of the church (1 Cor. 12), states plainly that the blessing comes to us only after we have found our individual work. If my place is as a canvasser, then as a canvasser I shall receive the divine unction; and should I be elsewhere when I should be canvassing, then I have no reason to expect that refreshing. To my work, then, I must hasten.—*Training School Advocate*.

Working For God.

The Result of From Four to Eight Hours' Work on Wednesdays.

WE publish the following experience taken from the *Review and Herald* Supplement, to show what can be done by those who cannot devote all their time to canvassing. Let others do likewise.

DEAR BRETHREN: As an encouragement to others, I thought I would write a few lines in regard to my experience, to show how the Lord blesses those who make an effort to do what they can toward spreading the truth in the earth.

In December, 1893, Brother W. D. Beeby gave my wife and myself an interesting canvass for one of your books, and influenced me to read *Thoughts on Daniel and the Revelation* and *Great Controversy*. I must confess these were the most remarkable books I ever read. Being too poor to buy, I borrowed *Thoughts on Daniel and the Revelation*, and many nights sat up until two or three o'clock reading. Often I read a page over a half-dozen times, and would then condense it, and write it down on paper. I studied the entire book in this way, and when I had finished reading it, I had committed a considerable portion of it to memory. Four months from the time Brother Beeby canvassed me for the book I was baptized, and became one of those who keep the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus.

I was a machinist by trade in the employ of the Union Pacific Railroad; had been with the company about six years. In that time I had saved £240 and invested in a home costing about £400, owing £160 on it. In 1893 the panic came; I lost my work and my home, and a few months later, took a stand for the Third Angel's Message.

I was impressed to go to the railroad and other machine shops in the city, and gather up the men's overalls. I took them home, washing and ironing them, and my wife mended them.

I did this for about two years, and we saved about twenty pounds, with which we bought a horse and waggon. I then made a contract with a steam laundry to carry the overalls to them, and to work on a commission. I have done this for about four years, and have got along nicely in providing for my wife and four children.

Since working on the waggon I have found a little spare time every week,—four to eight hours on Wednesdays,—and by reading *Zion's Vaktare* and the *Review and Herald*, I was impressed to use my spare time in canvassing for our good publications. I have done this, and with God's help have had good success. I have up to this time sold and delivered the following publications:—

Name.	No. Sold.	Value.
<i>His Glorious Appearing</i> ...	1,011	£75
<i>Heralds of the Morning</i> ...	142	36
<i>Home Hand Book</i> ...	46	46
<i>Ladies Guide</i> ...	29	18
<i>The Desire of Ages</i> ...	52	42
<i>Daniel and Revelation</i> ...	28	21
<i>Arming of the Nations</i> ...	106	2
Various Tracts ...	104	1
<i>Christ our Saviour</i> ...	57	8
<i>Life Sketches of Jas. White and wife</i> ...	7	1
<i>Gospel Primer</i> ...	27	2
<i>Great Controversy</i> ...	37	22
<i>Sunshine at Home</i> ...	98	23
<i>Bible Readings</i> ...	8	4
<i>Two Republics</i> ...	5	4
<i>Patriarchs and Prophets</i> ...	6	4
<i>Making Home Happy</i> ...	137	12
<i>Friend in the Kitchen</i> ...	40	5
Bibles ...	123	100
<i>Review and Herald</i> ...	4	1
<i>Signs of the Times</i> ...	23	4
<i>Zion's Vaktare</i> (Swedish) ...	23	5
<i>Evangeliets Sendebud</i> (Danish) ...	16	4
<i>Mount of Blessing, Gospel Reader, Life of Captain Bates, Steps to Christ, Eastern Question, From Eden to Eden, Looking unto Jesus, and other works of our publication</i> ...	115	27
Total ...		£467

Many of the people who have purchased the books have become interested; Bible readings are now being held with them, and some have begun the observance of the Lord's Sabbath. Nearly every one of my laundry customers have bought one or more books, and many express themselves well pleased with the truths contained in them and in the periodicals.

If God is willing, I expect soon to leave my laundry business, and to work more faithfully in doing the little I can, with God's help, in spreading the blessed pages of truth which we poor sinners need so much.

Hoping the above experience will encourage some soul, I remain,

Your brother in Christ,

OSCAR EINARSEN.



"They rehearsed all that God had done with them."

South Australia.

ADELAIDE.—On Sabbath, September twenty-nine, we celebrated the ordinances of the Lord's house. A large number attended, and the Lord sanctified place and people by His presence. The tithe from Adelaide Church for the past quarter was a record one, and amounted to over £115. Sister Berry, self-supporting missionary from the Holy Land, recently paid us a visit. The Spirit of the Lord revealed the light to her on the Sabbath and other truths about three years ago. She is now returning to her field of labour. We are busy preparing for our forthcoming Camp-meeting, to be held in Adelaide, November one to eleven.

BROKEN HILL, N. S. W.—The interest in this city still continues. Since Pastor Knight left, Brother J. E. Collins has conducted the meetings. Seven have lately united with the church; two by restoration.

KADINA.—We spent about a week in this district lately, visiting and holding meetings. Sabbath, October six, was quarterly day. It was a precious occasion. On Sunday evening, October seven, two adults were baptised and added to the church.

TEROWIE AND PARNAROO.—Since last report others have taken their stand under the labours of Pastor Knight. Eighteen have now decided to obey the Message. A Sabbath School has been organised at Parnaroo, with a membership of twenty-two. A family school has also been started in Terowie. The interest in the district continues excellent.

J. H. WOODS.

West Australia.

AS WE look back upon the past three months, ending September thirty, we feel to thank the Lord for His goodness to us in the different branches of the work here. The ministerial effort has been abundantly blessed in the various parts where

labour has been carried on. We are regularly receiving letters full of encouragement from the little company at Bokara. Before leaving them Brother Pallant organised a Sabbath School. The first report received is as follows:—Membership twenty-five, average attendance nineteen, contributions received for quarter £1 9s 1½d, tithe three shillings. This makes us feel that our brethren are working in the right direction, and our prayer is that they may go on to perfection.

In Bunbury, also, the work is onward and we feel to rejoice that there is about to be organised a church in that place. Brother Pallant is now with them and expects to hold a baptismal service.

At Freemantle there are several families who are deeply interested, so we find the Spirit of God is manifesting itself in many parts of this field.

Our brethren at Preston are full of courage and manifest a daily growth in grace. They are a great help to us here, financially.

Perth:—Our folks here are of good courage, although greatly missing ministerial help, on account of Brother Pallant being so much away from us. We feel that this experience is doing us all good, as it has resulted in each one setting his mind more to work in searching out things for himself. The attendance keeps up very well and is now improving on account of the fine weather.

The Reading Circle Study is conducted every Sabbath afternoon, and many avail themselves of the opportunity of getting a firmer and clearer grasp of the precious Message. We feel to thank God for this light which is soon to break out upon this poor dark world and its inhabitants in all its fullness and power.

The children's meetings are still being carried on by Sister Mary Cleal and Sister Kingston. Both of these sisters are taking a deep interest in this work and are being blessed in their labours. Brother Pallant or myself meet with them whenever opportunity affords.

Our Sabbath School, we are pleased to say, is improving in every way. During the quarter we have been conducting a five minutes' talk on the Tahitian Mission field and a week ago last Sabbath decided to have a week of self-denial, which proved successful and resulted in our donations for Foreign Missions being increased to £2 3s 10½d for the quarter against

fourteen shillings last quarter, therefore we feel impressed to have self-denials more frequently, for in giving, all, both old and young, experienced a blessing which otherwise would have been missed.

The Sunday night Missionary meetings are proving a blessing, although not many of the outside people come. Yet we have a few who take an interest in this branch of our work. Each week we are enabled to pay expenses, also give some assistance to other branches of the work financially and to help some of the poor of Perth with food and clothing. All seem to enjoy taking part in the "Pound night meetings." Besides this we still have sisters who keep on the work of gathering from outside and distributing to those who are in need.

Although our Helping Hand Mission report does not show large figures in the way of donations for the quarter, we have been helped in other ways considerably. We are pleased to be able to keep a good flow of literature going out which we believe will bear fruit by-and-bye.

The *Echo* work is still onward. During the quarter 4069 *Echoes* have been sold in this field, beside 1130 that have been given away to the poor through our Helping Hand Mission work. The greater part of the above has been accomplished by Sister Mary Chandler. The last week in the quarter besides placing 210 *Echoes* she took fourteen orders for *Christ our Saviour* and two for *Coming King*.

Our Canvassing work seems to have made the least apparent progress of any branch this quarter. The figures are lower than for any previous quarter that I have been here; and yet for the hours worked by the few agents, results show far above the past. Just when we have felt that we were gaining a good impetus in this branch of the work the devil seemed to step in and hinder. The great difficulty that we have to contend with here is that the field is so scattered that two labourers cannot go side by side.

As a little band of workers our testimony is that "The Lord is good and very merciful;" therefore our desire and determination is to press on, lean hard upon our Elder Brother, and ever keep the channel of prayer clear so that our communications with heaven may be continual.

T. A. CHAPMAN.

The Lambton Camp-Meeting.

THE New South Wales Camp-meeting was held this year at Lambton, a suburb of Newcastle, October 18-28. There was a fair attendance on the part of our own people, especially toward the close, but not so large as we would have liked to have seen. Some of our churches were very poorly represented.

One thing, however, which contributed to make the attendance seem smaller than usual, was the fact that at the two previous camp-meetings the plan has been to hold the meeting immediately at the close of the Avondale School year, and have all the students attend as far as possible; whereas, at the request of the school management, this plan was changed this year, and the students, or nearly all of them, sent directly either to their homes or to their respective fields of labour, without attending the Camp-meeting. This made quite an appreciable difference. Everyone of the thirty-one new, snowy-white tents pitched on on the ground was occupied before the close of the meeting, however, and the attendance of Sabbath-keepers on the last Sabbath and Sunday far exceeded the number present at the Camp-meeting held a year ago at Maitland.

The attendance from the outside was good from the first, the large 87 x 63 foot tent being frequently well filled and crowded to overflowing. The sermons preached and Bible lessons given by Pastors Farnsworth, Tenney, and Robinson, who took the leading part in the meeting, were most excellent, and greatly appreciated by all who were present. Those who were not there do not, of course, know what they missed.

The camp was located on a lovely grassy spot in a beautiful and extensive park, past which the Newcastle and Wallsend trams ran at regular intervals.

The weather was all that could be desired. In response to the united prayers of His people in this Conference, requests for which were made before the meeting was opened, the Lord graciously protected us from all sweeping storms and destructive and devastating gales which have been such frequent accompaniments and such unwelcome visitants at our colonial Camp-meetings heretofore. To Him we give all the praise, and remember Him with

thanks. He heard and answered our prayers.

Evening meetings were continued for two weeks after the close of the Camp-meeting proper, when the large tent was taken down, and a neat church building near by rented for regular services and the carrying on of the interest aroused by the Camp-meeting. The next Sunday after the close of the Camp-meeting eight persons were baptized at the Hamilton Church, three from Maitland, four from the Newcastle District, and one from Sydney. Pastor A. S. Hickox and wife and Miss Robertson remain in Lambton to carry on the work for a time, being assisted by Brother A. T. Jessup.

For the first time in our experience in this colony we were able to have a camp under our own canvas exclusively. We did not rent a tent. Every tent on the grounds except three belonged to the N. S. W. Conference, and these three to Sabbath-keepers in the Conference. We felt this to be a decided step in advance, and a matter for sincere congratulation.

By practising strict economy in every detail, and appropriating only about a third of a thirty pound pledge and donation toward a tent and camp-meeting fund taken up at the close of the meeting, we were enabled to come out "on the right side of the ledger" with our camp-meeting expenses. We feel truly thankful for this, and can look forward to another camp-meeting without the harassing thought that the last one entailed upon us a heavy weight of debt.

W. A. COLCORD.

The South Australian Camp-Meeting.

THE third meeting of the Australasian series of Camp-meetings for the present season was held according to appointment, November 2-12, in Ovingham, a northern suburb of Adelaide. The Committee experienced considerable difficulty in obtaining a suitable site. Their application for a space in the celebrated park lands, which belt the interior portion of the city, separating it from the surrounding suburbs, was decided adversely by the Council. Many members were favorable, but for fear of establishing an inconvenient precedent, a majority of two

voted against it. While this was a disappointment, we were even more disappointed when we first saw the place finally selected. It seemed necessary to locate upon a site a long distance from trams, close to a noisy railway where but few trains stopped. The grounds were bare and uninviting and almost entirely to one side of the city. But, remembering the Ballarat experience of two years ago, we refrained from any regrets and trusted that the Lord would justify the necessity into which He had permitted us to come. And He did. The meeting had not continued long before we were constrained to recognize God's hand in the selection of grounds which none of us would have chosen. There was a good attendance of our people from abroad. About thirty tents were occupied. The Word was received by them with readiness of mind. About twenty pounds were expended by the committee in advertising the meeting. From the start the public were very attentive. A good class of candid listeners greeted the speaker each evening, and during the day many strangers were in attendance. The interest spread and deepened daily. The subjects of the Coming of Christ, the Millennium, the Sabbath, the Nature of Man, evoked deep attention. Vital Piety and the Reception of the Holy Spirit, Health Reform, etc. were presented and received with gladness.

Both Sabbath days were seasons of refreshing. Seldom have I attended such meetings as we had on the last Sabbath. A large number declared their determination to stay in the service of God or to make a decided forward movement. The movings of the Spirit of God were deep and powerful. For some peculiar reasons it was not thought advisable to continue the camp beyond the twelfth, though many desired to have it so. Tent meetings were continued, however, on the same grounds. Brother Farnsworth remains for a time to assist in carrying on the work.

Those who attended the meeting from beyond the colony were Brother and Sister Farnsworth, Brethren Palmer and Pallant, and the writer. The workers in the Conference were present and shared the labors

of the meeting. Sister J. Wilson now joins the S. A. Conference as a Bible Worker.

The meeting closed with a good feeling, and as the people returned to their homes, it was with a renewed determination that the Ovingham meeting should mark the beginning of a new experience with them. We all hope and trust that much fruit of the meeting will appear in the kingdom, and that many honest souls will follow the light they have already received.

G. C. TENNEY.

Gifts Sent to Christchurch Sanitarium.

SOME time ago a call was made to the members of churches in New Zealand to assist in furnishing the new Sanitarium in Christchurch. We give below a list of articles sent. Perhaps other churches might assist this and other institutions in the same substantial way.

From Palmerston North Church.

Two pillows, two white quilts, one blanket, one cushion, two pairs of sheets, three dessert knives, sixteen pillow slips, six serviettes, five toilet covers, two tray cloths, fourteen bedroom towels, three pincushions, piece of plush for fancy work, five shillings for sauce-pan or any useful article.

From Wellington Church.

One pound for dishes, eighteen shillings donation, ten shillings for sauce-pans or other useful ironware, two separate donations of five shillings and six shillings for an easy bed-room chair, twelve pillow slips, one toilet cover (stamped), three toilet covers with hand-work crochet edging, one tray cloth (drawn thread), one pillow, assorted knives, forks, and spoons; one fancy sofa cushion, three toilet mats, carving knife and fork, six plated forks, six knives, three towels, seventeen Scripture texts.

From Ormondville, Norsewood, and Dannevirke.

Eleven shillings for towels, one crewel-worked cushion, milk jug, sugar basin, jam dish, butter dish, salt cellar, two sugar basins, two cream jugs, two cups and saucers (fancy), one plate (fancy), one butter knife with pearl handle.

From Napier Church.

Four pillows, one large work-bag, nightdress bag, brush and comb bag, eight pillow slips, one counterpane, one cushion, small workbag, tray cover, and one pound one shilling toward the silverware.

Dunedin Friends.

Three quilts, one dipper, one coffee pot, two linen table cloths, two table-napkins, assorted knives and forks, one basin, five plates, six Scripture texts, three pillows, one length of carpet, two sheets, four table-napkins, one blind, two cards.

Raglan Friends.— Crochet mats, washstand cover.

From a Sister.—A gift of thirty pounds.

From a Sister.— A gift of one pound.

Wanted Known.

SPECIAL opportunity is now given for four young men to enter the Nurses' Training Course at the Sydney Sanitarium.

The requirements are,—consecration to God's work, a pleasant disposition, gentlemanly bearing, good health, a fair degree of knowledge in the following subjects: reading, writing, spelling, grammar, English history, and geography.

If you feel called by the Lord to take up this line of work, write to the Medical Superintendent, enclosing any references you may have, and also a letter from the Elder of your Church.

The Avondale Health Retreat.

COORANBONG, N. S. W.

DURING the past month this institution has been in a state of internal transition, and at the present time it is undergoing extensive external transformation as well, all of which combine to improve both the physical and social, and, through these, the moral and spiritual life and character of the entire place.

An entirely new faculty has been provided with Mr. and Mrs. Robie, of the world-famed American Sanitarium at Battle Creek, Mich., as superintendent and head nurses; and Mrs. Boyd, late of the Avondale Training School for Christian Work-

ers, as general matron. Each of these workers has had long experience and is thoroughly competent and skilful in the duties of their respective departments, and under their able direction we predict for the institution a more prosperous future, a larger patronage, and greater success than it has yet enjoyed.

Beautifully situated amid the scenes of nature, enveloped in a pure, untainted, life-giving atmosphere to be found only in rural districts, employing the very best methods of treatment, and, more than all else, pervaded throughout with a spirit of genuine Christian kindness which takes an interest in the welfare and happiness of each inmate and finds pleasure in ministering to the individual requirements of each patient, the Health Retreat is an ideal place for all who need rest, recuperation, or skilled treatment and nursing, and we can heartily recommend it to the sick and suffering of every class, with the assurance that everything possible will be done for the comfort and restoration of all who place themselves under its care. Ministers, canvassers, and all other readers of this paper, are requested to use their influence in sending the needy to the Retreat, for by so doing they will confer great blessings upon many who have given up hope. Those in charge of this place recognize the fact that love and kindness are powerful agencies in controlling disease, and that under their influence hope will be inspired and health revived in many who would, under other influences, pine away and die. The institution is therefore conducted, not as a hotel or boarding house, nor even as a hospital, but as a Christian home in which each inmate is regarded as a member of the family, and entitled to every facility and opportunity the place affords for his recovery and his happiness.

New patients are coming in and the outside work is increasing, and we have no doubt that the increased capacity of the building will soon be fully taxed. W. M. CROTHERS.

THE faithful performance of home-duties has an influence upon those not in the home. Our spiritual progress in the home is carried into our missionary work abroad. In the Father's house is to be given the evidence of a fitness to work for the church.

Personal

OUR friends in Queensland should note the change in the address of their Tract Society office as given in another item on this page.

E. HILLIARD reports a Sabbath School of thirty-eight members, twenty-one of them adults, at the Huon River, where he and C. H. Parker have been holding meetings.

THE address of Pastor E. W. Farnsworth and Mrs. Farnsworth, until the close of the New Zealand Camp meeting, will be "Sanitarium," Papanui, Christchurch, N. Z.

BROTHER TADICH is planning to erect a small church building at Bundaberg. He will be glad to receive financial assistance toward this enterprise from any who are disposed to help in this good work.

WE continue to receive encouraging reports concerning the medical work in Rockhampton. Brother and Sister Skinner are giving eight or nine treatments a day, which places the institution on a self-supporting basis.

E. W. FARNSWORTH and wife, G. C. Tenney, E. R. Palmer, and Mrs. G. T. Wilson left Sydney, October 31, for Adelaide, to attend the Camp-meeting to be held there. Mrs. Wilson will remain in that field as a Bible worker. Mrs. G. C. Tenney and daughter accompanied the party to Melbourne.

FROM the Queensland *Visitor* we learn that the tent meeting in Brisbane will be held in Teneriffe, about half a mile distant from the site of the recent Camp-meeting. After a few weeks in this place the tent will probably be moved to another section of the city, that the truth may be brought to as many as possible during the season.

PASTOR J. PALLANT attended the Camp-meeting in Adelaide, S. A. He reports good success in his labors in Bokhara, S. A., though he met with severe opposition. He left a company of nineteen adults rejoicing in the truth, and since he left he hears that the little company are growing in the grace of Christ, and that they are having very good meetings.

PASTOR H. C. LACEY writes very encouragingly of the work in Queensland. They expected to begin a tent meeting in Brisbane in a few days. Brother Lacey concludes his letter with these encouraging words: "The Queensland Tract Society is now located in 'Kingsdown,' O'Connell Terrace, Bowen Hills, Brisbane. The Medical Treatment rooms are being fitted up. The canvassing work is beginning to boom, and things are 'going' generally. Pray for the success of the work here."

SISTER J. WILSON, who has been in Maitland the past year as a Bible worker, has gone to South Australia to connect with the work in that Conference. We congratulate the brethren in South Australia on account of their securing the services of Sister Wilson, and the best wishes of many friends will follow her to her new field of labor. She will assist in training several young ladies as Bible workers, and thus develop the interest awakened by the Adelaide Camp-meeting.

BROTHER E. R. PALMER, who has been connected with the Avondale School as Business Manager the past year, has now entered the field to engage in book work for the Echo Publishing Company. After the close of the Lambton Camp-meeting he went to Adelaide to attend the South Australian Camp-meeting, and will, no doubt, attend the Camp-meetings in the other colonies. May abundant success follow him in this line of work for which his past experience has given him special fitness.

A Home Wanted.

FOR a blind young man. He accepted the truth about eighteen months ago, and was turned out of the blind institution in Tasmania because he would not work on the Sabbath. The Hobart church supported him for some months, after which he was sent to the Melbourne Helping Hand Mission. But this Mission is in no sense a home for a brother in the faith. It is frequented by men sunk in sin, and the constant association with such is neither pleasant nor beneficial. He is about twenty-two years of age, has no friends in the world, except our people, and has behaved himself very well indeed while in the Mission. He has been

engaged in basket work, can wash dishes, help in the kitchen, and do such odd jobs. He understands the Braille writing for the blind, and could be useful in writing tracts and literature for the blind. He is, like all blind men, very slow, but has a quick and intelligent mind, and a good hold of the truth. He could go back to the blind institution if he would work on the Sabbath, but considers that out of the question. Surely the Lord has given this afflicted brother into our care, and His blessing will be bestowed on anyone who will give a home to him.

Apply to the Helping Hand Mission, Latrobe Street, Melbourne.

Notice.

AT a late meeting of the Avondale School Board, R. H. Constandt was elected Treasurer of the School. All money should be sent to him and not to E. R. Palmer, who is away from the school during the summer. At present we are suffering inconvenience because orders and cheques have been sent to E. R. Palmer, and cannot be collected by the school until they are forwarded to him for his signature.

Wanted at Once.

A HOME for a nice little girl of nine years, who has been in the Children's Home for nearly a year. The child is healthy and useful. Who will receive a blessing from the Lord by being a blessing to this little one?

Address Sanitarium Matron.

APPOINTMENTS

Camp-Meetings.

AT the Union Conference Council, when representatives were present from all the Conferences, the time for holding camp-meetings was considered. The following dates were arranged:—

New Zealand . . . January 10 to 21.
Tasmania February 6 to 16.
Victoria, December 13 to January 1.

We hope our brethren and sisters will note the date of these gatherings, and begin to lay their plans now to attend these important meetings.

E. W. FARNSWORTH,
Vice-president Union Conference.

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Do NOT fail to read the article from Sister White beginning on the first page of this paper. It was written the night before she left Sydney, and shows the deep interest she feels in the health work, and our duty to help all we can at this present time.

We call attention to the remaining camp-meeting appointments as given in this issue. Some people have lost a great blessing by not attending the meetings already past. Some have been greatly blessed in attending. For your own sake, brethren and sisters, do not let these occasions go by without doing your utmost to attend such important meetings. And come at the beginning, and come to stay till the meetings have closed.

The "Herald of Health"

Is rapidly making friends with both the canvassers and the public, and scores of orders are being taken for the journal wherever it has been given the attention it deserves. As an instance of what may be done by live agents, we quote the following from a post-card received from Brother D. A. Owen, Christchurch, New Zealand, bearing date of October 19.

"I am now canvassing for the *Herald of Health* and have taken fifty-five yearly subscriptions. I expect to canvass right along and hope to secure fifty or more orders per week. So far I have taken *fifteen to twenty orders per day*. Print 200 or more extra copies of the November number to fill my orders."

Brother Owen is an old man, "well stricken in years," and in feeble health, yet, when able to work, he takes from fifteen to twenty orders per day for this excellent journal, and expects to average at least fifty

orders per week. As we allow agents a commission of one shilling on every subscription, it will be readily seen that intelligent, wide awake, energetic men and women may find in canvassing for the *Herald of Health* employment both pleasant and remunerative. Why are there so many unemployed in our churches depending for a livelihood upon irregular work for unbelieving masters, when both young and old of either sex could use their spare time, or all their time in the Lord's service, with profit both to themselves and to others. There are many among us who, if they had the faith and courage to try, would, after gaining a little experience, find in the canvassing work an occupation more pleasant and more lucrative than that in which they are now engaged, and also a better master to serve.

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PASTOR W. C. WHITE writes from Oakland, California, U. S. A., under date of October three, as follows:

"We had a very pleasant voyage all the way. We could hardly count it rough at any time excepting the last day before our arrival. Much of the way the sea was as smooth as an inland lake. The *Moana* anchored in San Francisco Bay Thursday night, September twenty. The next day was spent in going through the mill at the quarantine station. The New Zealand passengers were landed about two o'clock Friday, the first-class passengers from Sydney about six o'clock, and the second-class at eight o'clock the same day. On Sabbath I attended church in San Francisco and was surprised to find the large meeting house filled. It was a congregation of many nationalities. At Oakland, Pastor G. A. Irwin spoke in the forenoon, and mother in the afternoon. The congregations were large."

The Camp-Meetings.

THE brethren in Victoria, New Zealand, and Tasmania, are familiar with the times when and places where their meetings will be held. Only one thing more is necessary, and that is to attend. It matters little how good the meeting may be, those only will be blessed by it who are there. I appreciate the fact that in New Zealand and Tasmania the distances are long, and the expense correspondingly heavy; but by an earnest effort both these difficulties may be overcome. I trust that no ordinary obstacle will be permitted to stop any from attending. Read carefully what the Spirit of the Lord has said about attending Camp-meetings in the little tract you have received, entitled, "Camp-meetings."

THE time is now short. What is done must be done quickly, and so we hope all will do their utmost to attend. The meetings thus far held have been most excellent. The Lord has been with us. The meetings yet to be held will be a source of blessing to those who come.

Brother Tenney expects to attend these meetings. His instruction has been blessed of God to the good of many. All should hear the good things God has given him for us. Let all come at the beginning and stay till the close of each of these meetings. E. W. FARNSWORTH.

LET us work to do the thing we can, and not fret because it's little.