# Union Conference Record

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

Volume V.

June 15, 1902.

Registered at the General Post Office, Sydney, for transmission by Post as a Newspaper NUMBER VII.

# "WHOM SHALL I SEND?"

"WHOM shall I send?" Who now will go To frozen lands of ice and snow? Where is the heart that willing, free, Will cry, " Here, Lord, send me, send me "?

"Whom shall I send?" Who now will go

Where tropic winds do gently blow? Who now will there My herald be? Oh, who will cry, " Send me, send me "?

"Whom shall I send?" To torrid zone, Where souls in sin's cruel bondage groan? Oh, who will haste to set them free? Who now will cry, "Send me, send me"?

"Whom shall I send?" Is thy heart cold? Would'st thou from them the light withhold? Canst thou ignore their piteous plea ? O haste thee, cry, "Send me, send me."

"Whom shall I send?" A living coal Hath touched the lips of one lost soul : Freed from his sins most earnest he Now cries, " Here Lord, send me, send me."

"Whom shall I send ?" Dost Thou enquire ! My heart doth burn with love's pure fire; Most gladly would I go for Thee— "O loving Christ, send me, send me."

-C. H. Keslake.

# To the Brethren in Australia.

STRENGTHEN your souls in the Lord. I plead with God to reveal His wonder-working power to you. I am sure that He will be with you, leading and guiding you step by step. We are certainly living in perilous times, and we need to keep our minds stayed upon God every moment. He who knows the power that the enemy has over those who do not trust fully in the Lord Jesus, says, "Come unto Me. I am thy refuge, thy hiding place. I will preserve thee from trouble. I will com-pass thee about with songs of deliverance." He knows the depths of darkness into which Satan would cast the soul. He is the exceeding brightness of the Father's glory, and He invites us to follow Him, saying, "He that followeth Me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life."

"We are laborers together with God." Lay hold of His work with clean hands, a pure heart, and holy, consecrated endeavor. Press forward to gain the tri-umphs of the cross of Christ. Are you not striving for a crown of immortality, for a life that measures with the life of God? O put your whole heart into the work ! Let nothing cause your zeal to flag. Amid trials and

perplexities, hear His voice saying to you, "Let him take hold of My strength, that he may make peace with Me, and he shall make peace with Me." True humility never hinders the Lord's servants from undertaking the most arduous and responsible service if the Lord requires it of them.

Patient continuance in well-doing,-this is to be our motto. We are to put forth persevering effort, advancing step by step until the race is run, the victory gained. Paul writes, "This one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

God's work will be carried on, though we may not always see how. His word in our hearts will give us confidence and assurance and hope. He is the Ruler of the world. The trials that come to the members of His church are sent for their purification and their advancement. In times of darkness, let us not despond. Let us comfort our hearts by remembering that if we walk and work with God, in humility and sincerity, He will be our joy and peace and hope, and will give us precious victories. Let us consecrate ourselves to Him. Let us regard Him with holy reverence, and commit the keeping of our souls to His care.

Christ's presence and His word, "Lo, I am with you alway," is our wisdom and our righteousness. It is the living Presence that makes the living Word. The kingdom comes to us not in word only, but in power. It is unwavering faith in Christ's presence that gives us power. Press forward unitedly to the help of the Lord, all of one heart and one mind. Depend not on human wisdom. Look beyond human beings to the One appointed by God to carry our griefs and sorrows. Taking God at His word, move forward with steadfast, persevering faith. You will see of His salvation.

MRS. E. G. WHITE.

St. Helena, California, March 19, 1902.

# Actions Taken at the Recent Union Conference Committee Meeting.

THAT the second tithe as a systematic plan of benevolence be adopted and presented to our people as a permanent means of raising funds for the cause.

That we recommend,— That one-third of the second tithe be devoted to the Union Conference for its general work.

That the action with reference to the second tithe taken by this Council do not go into effect until one year's second tithe has been paid to the Sydney Sanitarium.

That Mrs. Farnsworth be editor of the Bible Echo.

That the club rates of the Bible Echo be tenpence per dozen, except to those giving their whole time to Echo selling.

That the club rates to agents be made eightpence per dozen.

That our conferences be encouraged to subsidise their Echo sellers to the value of one and one-half gross per week free.

That all  $E_{cho}$  sellers be appointed by the Conference Com-mittees and be under the direction of the State agents, that they deal with the State societies direct, and that they be instructed

that they are not engaged to self to our own people. That E. C. Chapman be asked to act as managing editor of the UNION CONFERENCE RECORD.

That the publication of Joyful Tidings be discontinued.

That an effort be made in each conference to put the UNION CONFERENCE RECORD in each Seventh-day Adventist home.

That it is advisable in consequence of the loss on the UNION CONFERENCE RECORD that the club rates be dropped.

That the UNION CONFERENCE RECORD be published fortnightly,

and consist of at least eight pages. Recognising the need of widely disseminating the principles of health in Australasia, as a means of preparing a people for the reception of spiritual truths, thus preparing the way for the Third Angel's Message,

We recommend, That promising young men and women be drilled by the general and State canvassing agents, and encouraged to canvass for the Australasian Good Health, taking yearly subscriptions or selling single copies; and that such workers be allowed forty per cent. of the subscription or selling price.

Recognising that we have many promising young men and women in our midst who should be encouraged to receive an education that will qualify them for usefulness in this closing work, but that many of them cannot attend school because of a lack of means, it is-

Recommended, That we offer a scholarship of one year in our college to any young man or woman desirous of fitting themselves for work for the securing of 400 yearly subscribers for the Australasian Good Health, either individually or by the assistance of others, the full amount of such subscriptions to be paid to the Good Health office.

We recommend, That the office of the Australasian Good Health be located at 283 Pitt Street, in connection with the other medical missionary work, that the journal be mailed from the Avondale Press, and that the mailing list be kept by the corresponding secretary at the city office.

That a forward movement be made to disseminate the principles of health, and that the Medical Association send to our churches throughout this field the help needed to give lectures, instruction in healthful cookery, etc., with a view of fitting our people to do acceptable work on health lines in their community.

That the local conferences and churches encourage, and make provision to meet, either wholly or in part, the expense of such work.

That an inexpensive cookery book be gotten up, with simple hygienic recipes, giving special instruction in the preparation and use of health foods; also health literature on the evils of tobacco, spirits, tea, etc., etc., and the benefits to be derived from hygienic living, including instruction in rational treatments in common diseases.

That the Sabbath-school offerings for the remainder of the term until the next Union Conference be appropriated as follows :-

Third quarter, 1902, Fittings for Sydney Sanitarium Treatment Rooms.

Fourth quarter, 1902, Queensland. First quarter, 1903, Missionary circulation of the Bible Echo.

Second quarter, 1903, Indian Tract Fund.

Third quarter, 1903, Literature for our Island mission field. Special quarter-end collections:---

Second quarter, 1902, Avondale steam launch. Third quarter, 1902, To assist in erecting a church in Rarotonga.

Fourth quarter, 1902, Sydney Ship Mission. First quarter, 1903, Union Conference Church Building Fund. Second quarter, 1903, Melbourne Ship Mission.

Third quarter, 1903, Fittings for the Christchurch Sanitarium 'Treatment Rooms.

Dates for Camp-meetings :----

New South Wales	October 23 to November 3.
Victoria	November 13-24.
	.October 23 to November 3.
Tasmania No	vember 27 to December 8.
New Zealand	January 15 to February 2.
West Australia	March.

ton, with the Maories of New Zealand; C. H. Parker, Fiji; G. Teasdale, Tasmania; E. H. Gates, Bible teacher for the Avondale School.

That we begin the Forward Movement studies, as instituted in the United States, of America, as soon as the present lessons on Revelation close.

Nominations to fill vacancies on Boards:

That J. E. Fulton be placed on the Mission Committee in place of F. E. Braucht; for the Retreat Board, G. A. Irwin; for the Avondale School Board, G. A. Snyder; editor of the Austra-lasian Good Health, Dr. D. H. Kress; Superintendent of Sabbath-school Department, Mrs. J. Hindson; these vacancies being caused by the removal of E. W. Farnsworth and wife to Melbourne.

That the Union Conference, as soon as possible, send a suit-able man and his wife to Fiji to engage in school teaching among the natives and half-castes.

In view of the fact that F. Hendy, of Singapore, is desirous of coming to Australia to prepare himself to labor in some branch of the work, we therefore suggest that he enter the Avondale School for Christian Workers for this purpose.

# Organisation of West Australian Conference.

At the commencement of our camp-meeting, which was held in Perth from March 7-17, 1902, and at which meeting the president of the Australasian Union Conference, G. A. Irwin, Dr. Kress, and Pastor Hare were present, also representatives from different parts of the field, a meeting was called to consider the propriety of organising the West Australian field into a conference.

As president of the Australasian Union Conference, G. A. Irwin took the chair, and on motion Susie Gurner was elected secretary, pro tem.

After the preliminary introduction by the chair, several reasons were advanced why this step was desirable of forming a conference, among which the disadvantages offtimes experienced through the distance intervening between this and the eastern States interfering with the despatch of business and other matters of importance. Then it would be a training school for our church members, by calling into action and educating them to become efficient workers in the promulgation of the Third Angel's Message.

It was apparent to all that the time had come when this State was in a position both financially and numerically to formulate into a conference, it being able to record three organised churches and four companies of Sabbath-keepers, totalling a membership of 150, the tithe for quarter ending December being  $\tilde{f}_{131}$ .

After a free discussion it was moved by Pastor Knight and seconded by Bro. J. Clarke that the West Australian mission field be formed into a conference. The question being put was carried unanimously.

The chair was appointed to nominate four Committees, i. e., Constitution, Nominations, Credentials, and Plans and Recommendations, which were arranged as follows :---

ON CONSTITUTION.-R. Hare, W. Knight, J. Clarke. ON NOMINATIONS.-D. H. Kress, Brother Wasson, A. Chapman.

ON CREDENTIALS AND LICENSES.-G. A. Irwin, J. Lang, H. Ward.

ON PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS .- J. Pallant, D. H. Kress, R. Hare, L. V. Finster, H. Ward.

Meeting adjourned at 12:20 P. M. until 9:30 A. M. next day.

At the appointed hour the second business meeting of the Conference was found in session. In reply to the call of the chair for reports of Committees, the Committee on Constitution submitted the following, which is to take effect from April 1, 1902, and which was adopted after discussing each section separately:—

## CONSTITUTION.

#### ARTICLE I.--NAME.

This Conference shall be known as the West Australian Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, and shall consist of the organised churches of that faith within the boundaries of the State, and such other territory as shall be delegated to it by the Australasian Union Conference.

#### ARTICLE II.—OFFICERS AND DUTIES.

Section 1.—The officers of the Conference shall be an Executive Committee of four members, a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer; Tract Society Secretary, Treasurer, and General Canvassing Agent; Sabbath-school Secretary and Treasurer; and such medical and other boards as may be necessary. The President and Vice-President shall be *ex officio* members of the Executive Committee. These officers shall be elected annually.

Section 2.—The duties of these officers shall be such as usually pertain to the offices named, and such as may be hereinafter specified.

Section 3.—It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to keep an accurate account of the receipts and disbursements of the Conference funds; to pay out the same as may be provided by the Conference; to report to the Conference Secretary each quarter the amount of money received, to furnish at the close of each quarter to the President and Executive Committee a statement of receipts and expenses incurred, showing the financial standing of the Conference; and to make an annual report thereof at the meetings of the Conference.

Section 4.—It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to appoint, through the UNION CONFERENCE RECORD or the Bible Echo, the time and place to hold the annual conference, and to call special conferences whenever in their judgment it may be needful to do so; to take general supervision of all labor performed within and for the Conference; to take charge of, and care for, all the property belonging to the Conference, and to exercise a general watch-care over all matters pertaining to the interests of the cause within the bounds of this Conference.

Section 5.—It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee at any time during the time of its office, when accounts of laborers are presented for settlement, to appoint an auditing committee of four members, who shall not have been in the employ of the Conference during any part of the year, who, with the Executive Committee, shall constitute an auditing committee, to examine and settle all accounts of the laborers which are presented to the Conference.

The Executive Committee shall, through its president, also appoint all standing committees required for the business of the annual session.

Section 6.—The Conference, through its Executive Committee, shall appoint an auditor and such field and corresponding secretaries as are deemed necessary to take the supervision of special lines of work. The Executive Committee shall also have power to fill all vacancies that may occur in any of the offices or boards during its term of office.

## ARTICLE III.-FUNDS.

Section I.—It shall be the duty of the churches belonging to the Conference to adopt the tithing system of the Bible, and the funds so raised shall be paid at least quarterly to the Treasurer of the Conference.

Section 2.—In addition to the tithe, the Executive Committee is authorised to call for donations as the wants of the cause, in their judgment, may demand.

Section 3.—All money shall be paid out by the Treasurer, on the written order of the President, or as may be provided by the Executive Committee.

Section 4.—All profits arising from the tract society, Sabbathschool, medical, and other departments shall be used exclusively in extending the missionary work of the respective departments.

## ARTICLE IV.-CHURCH REPORTS.

Section 1.—It shall be the duty of each church, through its clerk, to make a written report each quarter to the Conference Secretary of its standing, its additions and losses, and the amount of its tithe.

Section 2.—Calls for ministerial assistance or labor shall be made known to the Executive Committee.

## ARTICLE V.-CREDENTIALS AND LICENSES.

It shall be the duty of the Conference to determine who are

the approved ministers within the bounds thereof; to grant suitable credentials to the same; and to grant licenses to those whom it shall consider suitable to labor in the cause. And in the interval between the annual meetings, the Executive Committee is authorised to perform such duties.

## ARTICLE VI .-- LABORERS' REPORTS.

It shall be the duty of the laborers of the Conference to make a written report of their labors, expenses incurred, and donations received, during the quarter.

#### ARTICLE VII.-DELEGATION.

Section 1.—The delegates of the Conference shall be elected according to the following ratio: each church shall be entitled to one delegate and one additional delegate for every ten members.

Section 2.—Members of the Executive Committee shall be members of the Conference *ex officio*, and all ministers holding credentials, accredited physicians of our institutions, secretaries of the tract society and Sabbath-school departments, and the general canvassing agent shall be considered delegates at large.

Section 3.—Unorganised companies of believers shall be represented in the Conference by the delegates at large.

#### ARTICLE VIII.-AMENDMENTS.

This Constitution may be amended at any regular meeting of the Conference by a two-thirds vote of the members present, providing such amendment shall not conflict with the Constitution of the Australasian Union Conference.

Adjournment was made until 4 : 45 even date.

At 4:45 the Conference proceeded with the business of the afternoon. The Committee on Plans and Recommendations presented their report, which was adopted and read as follows:---

I. That we express our gratitude to God for the way in which He has led us in the past, and that as we organise this Conference, we individually consecrate ourselves anew to His service, to put forth effort in carrying the truth for this time to those around us.

2. That we urge upon all our churches the importance of keeping up the weekly missionary meetings, and of encouraging our brethren and sisters to engage more actively in the circulation of our literature.

3. That the circulation of the *Bible Echo* be more actively undertaken by the members of the churches.

4. Seeing the UNION CONFERENCE RECORD is the official organ of the denomination,

We recommend, That for the more intelligent education of our brethren concerning the work in general it shall have its place in every home.

5. In view of the importance of disseminating health principles preparatory to establishing a health institution in this State,

institution in this State, We recommend, That our people everywhere subscribe to the Good Health, and also use every endeavor for its distribution.

6. We recommend, That this Conference endorse the recommendation passed by the Union Conference to adopt the second tithe to assist in the erection of the new Sanitarium in Sydney.

7. We recommend, That we urge the importance of the faithful daily study of the Sabbath-school lessons in the home, and that we recommend that such study occupy a prominent place in family worship.

8. We recommend, That our Sabbath-school set apart the collection of the first Sabbath in each month for the running expenses of the school, and that all other collections be used only for such mission work as shall be specified by the Union Conference.

9. We recommend, That this Conference endorse the action taken by the Union Conference for the sale of "Christ's Object Lessons" for the benefit of the Avondale School for Christian Workers, and that we heartily co-operate in pushing the enterprise.

10. We recommend, That the interest of the canvassing work be more prominently kept before our people, and that such ones as may possess the necessary qualifications be encouraged to take up this line of work.

11. Whereas, In the good providence of God a Bible school has been located at Avondale, New South Wales, fully equipped to prepare workers to engage in the different lines connected with the message,

We therefore recommend, That our young people be urged to attend the school, with the object of being fitted for some part in the Lord's work.

The report was adopted as presented by the Committee on Credentials and Licenses, which is as follows:

FOR CREDENTIALS: J. Pallant, W. Knight. FOR MINISTERIAL LICENSE: L. V. Finster.

FOR MISSIONARY CREDENTIALS: Miss C. Farquhar, Mrs. T. A. Chapman, Miss M. Chandler, Miss S. Gurner,

The Nominating Committee submitted their report, which was adopted and stands thus :----

FOR PRESIDENT: J. Pallant.

FOR VICE-PRESIDENT: W. Knight.

FOR SECRETARY AND TREASURER : S. GURNER.

FOR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: J. Pallant, W. Knight,

L. V. Finster, H. Ward, R. Howie.

FOR TRACT SOCIETY SECRETARY AND TREASURER: S. Gurner.

FOR SABBATH-SCHOOL SECRETARY: Mrs. L. V. Finster.

Many profitable talks upon various phases of the work were indulged in and enjoyed, and all returned home with clearer ideas, keener appreciation, and a stronger determination to push forward the work of the Lord.

On motion our first and most helpful Conference session was brought to a close, sine die.

G. A. IRWIN, Chairman,

SUSIE GURNER, Secretary.

The Work Prospering in West Australia.

It is indeed with great pleasure we note the increase in our book business during April, it being over £100 in advance of previous reports for years. We have no more agents in the field, but God recognises the earnest efforts put forth and has added His blessing.

One agent chronicles seventy orders for his book, also fifty subscriptions to Good Health and Joyful Tidings, besides taking fifty orders for "Christ's Object Lessons, and doing the latter without once presenting the book. The people evidently placed reliance on his word, and were taken by the description given.

One of our workers, when calling upon a family who had previously bought the book from her, found the husband reading it, consequently the conversation turned upon it. He was delighted with it, and was full of the good things he had read. He asked his wife if she had paid for it, and then said, "I would not part with it for twice that money." Take courage, brethren, and push its sale, and thus liquidate our debt on the school, and God will add His blessing and reward us accordingly. S. GURNER, Secretary.

WE hope the elder of each church, or some one appointed by him, will send in a brief report of the week of prayer for publication in the next RECORD.

# Monthly Summary of Australasian Canvassing Work.

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

# West Australia.

APRIL, 1902.

Ladies' Guide-	Orders.	V	alu	e.
C. J. Anderson, Gera Other books	ldton 42 £	50	5	6 6
E. Cleal, Subiaco				
Desire of Ages-				
F. Masters, Beverly.			10	
Other books			12	
R. A. Caldwell, S.W.			7	
Other books			18	
Mrs. Chapman, Gera	ldton 6	6	13	6
	199 £:	208	18	6

## Tasmania.

APRIL, 1902.

Ladies' Guide- Orders. Value.	
Miss Adcock, Campbel't'n 25£30 10 0	
Home Hand Book-	
W. W. Fletcher, Howell 3 4 10 0	Hor
I. W. Rigby, Scottsdale 32 48 10 0	R. L.
A. W. Fair, ,, 19 31 00	I. Kn
Coming King—	Lac
Miss Horne, Launceston 28 12 12 0	
Mrs. Furniss, ,, 6 2 7 6	Mrs. Mrs.
113 £129 9 6	Con
	G. 10

# Victoria.

#### APRIL, 1902. .....

Home Hand Book- Order	rs. V	alų	е.
G. Burgess, Ballarat Dist. 28	£46	ιб	6
G. Hubbard, Donald 20	33	10	0
D. Deering, Donald 17	26	8	0
R.S. Bell, Allendale 7	10	10	0
Other books 5	5	0	0
L. Currow, Gippsland 32	52	15	0
Other books 3	3	ō	0
H. Harker, Wimmera 32	: 52	0	0
C. Hosking, Gippsland 8		4	
J. B. Anderson, Kyneton 18	30	6	0
Ladies' Guide-			
Mrs. M.Masters, Hamilton 12	12	15	0
Coming King-			
Miss Rule, Euroa 34	21	2	6
Mrs. Lear, Euroa 28	10	12	6
W. Codling, Castlemaine . 30	181	14	
J. F. Ward, Castlemaine., 44	. 25	ц	
G. Stewart, Warragul 21		12	
Other books 3		2	
Desire of Ages-			
H. Hughes, Sale	, 11	10	6
B. Judge, Euroa 15		10	6
Other books		0	0
W. Ryder, Euroa 15	19	10	9
Miscellaneous 4	4	15	
384	£44	47	6

## South Australia.

## APRIL, 1902.

6
Bible Readings— Orders. Value. T. Whittle, Glanville 15 £11 2 6
Great Controversy-
M. Janeczek, Victor Hbr., 15 10 12 0 C. Ellsley, Murray River., 7 5 4 6 A. W. Walght, Burnside 9 7 15 6
Patriarchs and Prop.—
Mrs. Arnold, Clarence Pk. 10 9 13 0 Miss Gunther, Thebarton, 7 6 9 0
Home Hand Book— A. P. Roesner, Pt. Pirie 5 8 18 0
Man the Masterpiece- A. P. Roesner, Pt. Pirie 4 .5 0 0

72 £64 14 6

Queensland.

House	We Live In- Orders.	Value.

20000 H 0 100 110 010	ter.		trui.	••
Miss Laurison, Bundab'g.	6		7	
Other books	I	0	12	6
Mrs. Streeter, S. Brisbane	8	2	I	0
Miss Mills, Hamilton	32	7	14	o
Mrs. Eldrett, New Farm.	20		17	
Bible Readings—				
W. F. Ford, Townsville	26	20	17	6
Other books	5	I	2	6
F. Brett, Townsville	82		12	
Home Hand Book-				
H. Streeter, Goombungee	I	I	18	0
A. W. Horwood, Bundab'g	3	4	14	6
Other books	2		5	
Sundries	9	9	8	0
1	95	£115	59	6

New	Zealand.
-----	----------

## APRIL, 1902.

Home Hand Book- Orders. Value.
R. L. Irving, Gore 31 £49 00 J. Knox, Palmerston N 14 22 15 0
Ladies' Guide-
Mrs. Covell, Greymouth 34 33 17 2 Mrs. Smith, Ch. Ch 13 13 0 0
Coming King— G. Johnson, Wairoa 6 1 18 0
H. of Morning—
C. Reynolds, Ch. Ch 18 5 17 0 House We Live In-
H. Williams, Dunedin 4 0 18 0 A. Hansen, Palmerston 21 4 14 6
Patriarchs and Prophets-
W. W. Ward, Marton 14 8 18 0
Good Health subscriptions
2010 Sales (11135 UWell) 2016

# New South Wales.

## APRIL 1002

···· ····		
Home Hand Book- Order		
W. Gregg, Jilliby 7	£10	ro o
W.Richardson, Manning R 24	38	00
M. A. Connell, ,, 28	43	10 0
Other DOOKS	2	00
Daniel and Revelation-		
A.E.Hodgkinson, Emmav'l 73	59	176
R. Salton, Tenterfield 33	24	15 0
T. Reekie, Tenterfield 13		26
G. A. Wood, Guy Fawkes 18		76
W. R. Lamb, Kiama 16		76
H. J. Cooper, Byron Bay., 45	36	15 0
Other books 42	12	66
Desire of Ages—		
C. S. Badger, Bega 71	81	10 0
Geo. Ryder, Cowra 15	17	00
Geo. Ryder, Cowra 15 Mrs. Edwards, Balmain 8	8	00
Other books 7	1	156
Coming King—		
E. Atkins, Wollongong 19	8	46
Miss K. Jennett, " 5	2	36
Mrs. Guest, 23	9	90 60
Other books 3	I	
Mrs.Gregg, Campbelltown 39	40	10 0

491 £434 0 0

## Totals for April, 1902.

	Orde	rs. Value.
New South Wales	4 <b>9</b> 1	£434 00
New Zealand	155	140 17 8
Tasmania	113	129 96
Victoria	384	444 76
Queensland	195	115 96
South Australia	72	64 14 6
West Australia	199	208 18 6
Grand Totals,	1609	1537 17 2

1609 £1537 17 2



# Selling "Christ's Object Lessons" by Post.

MANY copies of "Christ's Object Lessons" are now being sold through the post. Those writing for the order describe the book the best they can. It is much easier, however, to show a person a book than to describe it, so a neat folder has been prepared, just the size for enclosure in an ordinary envelope. These will be supplied free by any State tract society.

On the front of the folder is a neat cut of the book printed in colored ink, while inside a description is given and the object stated for which it is sold. Testimonials from different ministers who have read "Christ's Object Lessons " show how the book is being appreciated. On the back of the folder is a short description of the work of the school, and the object to which the proceeds of the sale will be applied. Shall we not revive the oldtime missionary spirit, and appeal to our friends to send us 5/6 and postage for a copy? This will be one way of making up our quota, and earning the blessing which the Lord promises all who engage in this work. Many, who from various causes cannot leave their homes, can sit down and write a nice letter, recommending the book and soliciting an order. The folder speaks for itself, and will create a desire for the book. You need not trouble to post the book yourself, unless you can see that it is best to do so. Just turn the money over to your State tract society, and they will properly wrap it and send it as directed. The postage on the book is sevenpence, but your State tract society will send the book to any address on receipt of six shillings.

CHAS. P. MICHAELS.

# "Christ's Object Lesson" Campaign in Victoria.

WE are glad to report that the work for the "relief of the schools" has begun in this State. Already testimonies have been borne of blessings received in fulfillment of God's promises. During the past month Brother C. P. Michaels has been giving instruction in our suburban churches, and between three and four hundred books have been circulated. A goodly number are studying the book with a view to canvassing, and we know that the cheery reports of those who have already begun the work will stimulate others to start. This work has brought life and light into our missionary meeting, and is educating some to be "personal" workers for Christ.

Some of our agents are taking hold with "willing hearts." One, a former student of Avondale, writes,—

I have received "Christ's Object Lessons," and am getting acquainted with its contents. I wish I had received it before, but never mind, I will carry it with me now till the debt of Avondale is removed, and I am there studying again.

This is the spirit which will receive the blessing of God. This agent evidently expects to sell more than his quota.

Another agent writes,—

I hope "Christ's Object Lessons" will arrive early, for it is a

sweet book indeed. It means blessing to read it personally, and blessings to read it to others.

Pastor G. B. Starr, who has taken more than fifty copies, writes,—

I took five orders to-day and delivered three books, and had some very precious experiences. Yesterday I had a hard pull, worked hard all the morning, and talked hard, and did nothing. I prayed, and went out again with hope and a cheerful face, and took four orders between 3: 15 and 5: 30 P. M. and met some of the nicest people in Ballarat. There is nothing like the canvassing work to educate a person in steady persistent work, and also give courage and hope against apparent odds. I wish I could put in the whole month at this work, and it is possible I may. It seems one of the best means of meeting the best people. To-day I have taken nine orders. Enclosed please find order for more books to be sent as early as convenient.

Letters have been sent to the isolated Sabbathkeepers with reference to this work. Some have already responded, ordering as many as five books. We believe this work will result in awakening many who are now careless and indifferent, and bring harmony and joy among the believers. L. GREGG.

# "Christ's Object Lessons" in Tasmania.

ALL, doubtless, are interested in the sale of "Christ's Object Lessons," and are anxiously watching the progress of this work in Australasia and America. At our campmeeting Brother C. P. Michaels gave instruction to a few, after which he visited Hobart, Bismark, and Upper Huon. Since then some have gone out trusting in the Lord for help to sell the book, and have been successful in disposing of a few copies. The Hobart Church had, on the last of April, sold about seventy-five books, and the Launceston Church, 150. A sister at Little Hampton has disposed of fourteen, and a brother at Beacons-field twelve copies, and also taken twenty-one orders for "Fireside Sketches." One brother at St. Marys has ordered twenty "Object Lessons." Here and there one after another are falling into line and taking up the work.

Brother C. H. Parker and the writer have spent a few days canvassing on the Western Railway line. We canvassed Perth, Cressy, and the surrounding country. All of the conference laborers are giving more or less of their time to circulating this book, and all report a rich blessing in every effort.

While passing to my field of labor on the train, I took a copy of "Christ's Object Lessons" out of my portmanteau to study, preparing to meet the people. A young man sitting by my side asked, "What book have you there?" I thought the opportune moment had come, so I briefly showed him through the book. When I had finished, I said, "Would you not like a book?" He replied, "Let me see the author's name." I pointed to it, and he said, "Yes, I will take one. I always read everything I find written by Mrs. E. G. White." As he lived but a few houses below me in Launceston, I invited him to call and see me, stating the night I would be at home. He came and we showed him our stock of health foods, of which he bought several shillings' worth. He then looked over our books and tracts. After selling him several books, I handed him two tracts written by Sister White. He took them, saying, "Some way I do not read but a few lines of her writings before I feel it down in here (pointing to his heart)." He continued, "It seems to me that she writes under the influence of the Holy Spirit." He is a business man in the city, and we believe the time will come when he will accept the Third Angel's Message. I met another man on the train (a stranger), and after telling him about the book, he gave me an order, telling me to deliver it in the afternoon at such a place in Launceston, at the same time handing me the cash. I had no book with me, but simply told him about it. Two ladies in Perth gave me their orders, and insisted on paying me in advance.

Brother Parker and other workers have had similar experiences. He has taken one hundred and eleven orders up to date. I have canvassed four days and a half and taken forty-nine orders. The Brethren Murfett kindly assisted in the work by driving around with us in our delivery. Our delivery is partially finished and has been remarkably good. Out of thirty-six I delivered thirty-four, and took one order. Brother Parker has been equally successful. One lady who was afraid of being taken in asked me, "Is this a Seventh-day Adventurer book, and are you a Seventh-day Adventurer?" I replied, "I am a Seventh-day Adventist, and the book is published by them, but it is not a doctrinal book." "If it is," she said, "I do not want it. I do not know much about you as a people. It may be you are right and we are wrong. I suppose," she continued, "that we ought to study the Bible and see what is right." I told her to take the book and read it carefully, and then write me just what she thought of it, leaving her my address. She seemed pleased, and cheerfully paid me for the book.

I know that the angels of God especially accompany us in the sale of this book. All heaven is anxious that souls shall have the light of truth, and is co-operating with every effort put forth to save the lost, and at the same time roll away the reproach of debt upon our schools. We should be as anxious to pay the debt as though the property was in our own name, and the encumbrance rested upon us individually. Let us all take right hold of this work with faith and energy, and we certainly will experience a rich blessing.

Ĕ. Hilliard.

# "Christ's Object Lessons" in New Zealand.

You will be pleased to know that God is blessing the efforts made in getting "Christ's Object Lessons" before the people of New Zealand. Here are a few extracts from letters received at the office of the tract society, showing something how this work is going forward :---

Sister Letts, librarian of the Kaeo Church, says,— So far the selling of these books has proved a blessing to our church.

Sister Alice Knight, librarian in Christchurch, reports,---

It quite cheers our hearts to hear the various experiences that they have in selling this book. One old lady, over seventy years of age, has sold already seven copies, and is hoping that she will sell more. So you see the old as well as the young are trying hard to sell this book.

One of our Sabbath-school secretaries writes,---

There was a testimony meeting last Sabbath, and everybody had to tell how many books they had sold, and some of their experiences in selling the book. It was quite interesting to hear all the different ways in which the book had been sold and different people's opinions about it. When Mr. Michaels first proposed about selling the book, I felt sure that I never could, and never tried until just the other day I made up my mind to sell one and succeeded in selling three,—one to the Wesleyan minister, one to a traveller, and one to the girl we have working at our place. Another writes,—

I must not forget to tell you that a lady told me she had bought "Christ's Object Lessons," and had lent it to a lady who has a private school, and she reads out of it every morning to her pupils. So the Lord is sending His truth forward, and let us all praise Him as long as we live.

Brother Lacey writes,---

On Sabbath morning I spoke on the work of selling "Christ's Object Lessons." They unanimously voted to sell our quota of books in this place. The new members are assisting as well.

He sends in an order for 134 copies, which, with the number they have already had, makes a total of 180.

Brother Lyndon, in and around Gisborne, is covering a large district with the canvass for "Christ's Object Lessons." He has found it a splendid way to reach the people, and to bring before them in Bible readings different points of present truth. Following his work with "Object Lessons," he proposes to go over the same ground with the Australasian Good Health.

In Wellington, Brother Mountain loaned "Christ's Object Lessons" to the Baptist minister and asked for his testimonial, which he gave as follows :---

I have studied "Christ's Object Lessons," by Ellen G. White, and am prepared to commend it very highly, and to recommend it to Sunday-school teachers as a very helpful volume in the preparation of lessons referring to or dealing especially with Christ's parables. The book does not contain Seventh-day Adventist special teaching, or I should not recommend it. The writer is a very diligent student of the Word, and has written with marked ability and Christian grace.

"I was so interested in trying to sell 'Christ's Object Lessons' that I forgot all about my business," was the report of one of our Victorian brethren at the missionary meeting. It is time to forget "our" business and "be about my Father's business." We believe this work will cause many to forget "their" business, and we trust "forever."

# Who Will Help Them?

OUR native brethren are very desirous to build a church building. They are willing to do as much as they can, but this is rather a heavy lift. Our brethren here gave over twenty pounds toward the new launch. This proves that they are willing to help. The church building which they propose building is needed very much. The building now used for that purpose is now needed for something else. We therefore stand in need of a building as soon as possible. Now since our native brethren have shown themselves willing to assist the work in other lines so liberally when money is very hard for them to obtain, is it not a worthy object for some of our donations? Let us help them build their church. All who wish to aid them may send their gifts to Miss E. M. Graham, 56 George Street West, Sydney.

J. E. Fulton.

"How LITTLE do men, even men of God, realise the littleness of little things and the greatness of great things! How much time is frequently used in the discussion of minor matters without prayer; whereas if the greatness of the need of God's blessing and the greatness of the help of His presence were but realised, and a part of the time were spent in seeking Him, much time would have been saved and mistakes avoided!"

# Sabbath School Quarterly Reports.

For the Quarter Ending March 31, 1902.

New Zealand.

## South Australia.

Name of School.	Membership.	Con	ota tril	bu-	Dona t Miss	0		Name of School
Aratapu Aratapu Cambridge Cambridge Christchurch. Dune din Epsom Gisborne Hastings Kaikoura Linc'In-Irwell Napier Norswood Ormondville Palmerston'N Parkhurst Petone Pungare Tologa Bay Weaganui Weilington Westport Family Sch ColonialClass	44 2 60 13 18 25 18 36 13 8 70 3 12 355 16 15 13 11 28 19 2 3 41	1 2 4 1- 6 1 3 1 2 2 1	1 0 8 0 8 10 8 19 8 15 6 12 7 2 4 1 15 6 3 2 9 0 9 4	4 0 6 0 0 9 10 0 4 0 1 2 5 4 11 4 10 2 0 0 6 2 3 2	£00 1 1 1 2 2 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	15308 43079 3896 4152 2 56 10 5 2	0207880007110016000952 02	Adelaide Mr. Gami Prospect Clela'd's C Queen's C Town Kagina Broken H Parneroo Pt. Augusl Wallaroo Gawler State Class Aldgate Total Special d riun Tithes pai
Total Special dopp	567	£48	14	2	£30			

Special donation for Sydney Sanitarium,  $f_8 \ z \ 3$ . Donation to Maori Mission, 135. Tithes paid by schools,  $f_4 \ 0 \ 6\frac{1}{2}$ .

MRS. J. BAKER, Sec.

## Queensland.

Name of School.	Membership.	Cont	tal rib ns.	ibu- to			
S. Brisbane N. Brisbane Rockhampt'n. Toowoomba	33 39	£3 1 1	6 3 13	1 5 8	£1 I	i8 0	4 0
Bundaberg Grantham	13 9	1 0	2 9 17	5 10 5	0	15 15	98 96
State Class W. Webber Children'scol. Church Sch	7	I 0 I	16 2 15	9 6 6 6	1 0 1	16 2 15	9 6 6 6
************	210	1 0 £13	15		0 	. 5 10	. <u>.</u>

Special Donation for Sydney Sanitarium,  $\pounds 1$  15 0. Tithes paid by schools,  $\pounds 1$  2 9.

LOUISE TUXEN, Sec.

## Tasmania.

Name of School.	Membersup.	Cont	otal rib ns.	u-	Donation to Missions.	s
	57	( £.8	б	7	£2 18 4	
Launceston /	12	3	15	11	1 18 0	
Bismarck	54	3	7	8	0 15 0	)
	īб	I	7	2	060	)
	27	1	9	9	IOS	
L. Hampton	8	3	2	5	2 11 3	
Beaconsfield.	I3	I	3	5 5	0 18 11	
State Class		I	17	5	T II I	
Camp-Meet'g.		I	3	ï	год	1
Total 2	27	£25	14	5	£13 0 7	i

Special donation for Fiji, 18. Special donation for Sydney Sanitarium, £5 5 5. Tithes paid by schools, £2 13 1. KATIE JUDGE, Sec.

Name of School.	Membership.	Con	otal trit	u-	Don Mis	to	
Adelaide	105	£6	15	1	f2	5	0
Mt. Gambier	26	ĩ		9			
Prospect	1 c		ő	Í	0		
Clela'd's G'lly	14	0	3	6	0		2
Queen's Own	ł .		0			2	
Town	18		6	7			
Kangarilla	18		19		0	17	
Kadina	14	0	18	0	0	II	6
Broken Hill	20		5	5	1		
Parneroo	15		0	8		13	
Pt. Augusta	21		2	5	1	5	10
Wallaroo	8		16		0	7	11
Gawler			19	Q	1	ò	ο
State Class	2	0	3	0	0	0	9
Aldgate	1		•••				
Total	311	£21	12	4	£8	10	5
Special donation for Sydney Sanita- rium, £4 4 9.							
Fithes paid b			s 1	`2	тf	5.	
MRS	ь. <u>е</u> .	. SEI	YI IV.	101	чэ,	Sec	Ç.
			_				

## Victoria.

Name of School.	MICHINGIAM	To Conti tio	rib	u-	Donations to Missions.
Brunswick	71	£4	17	8	£3 6 10
Brighton	13	2	4	7	I IO 4
Bendigo	33	3	6	I	1 I I I G
Beechworth	0	ō	12	0	0 10 10
Ballarat	78	3	5	4	0 6 10
Dandenong	22	ī	3	IÓ	0 4 10
North Fitzroy	73	9	17	4	5 12 3
Geelong	25	2	4	II	I 4 9
Hawthorn	23	I	19	II	I 4 9 0 16 3 I 5 4 I 11 8
	81	4	11	5	I 5 4
Williamstown	42	3	10	ō	
Gambuk	9	ō	16	3	0148
Isolated	5	0	17	1	0 15 5
Totals58	34	£39	6	5	£19 14 0

Special donation,  $f_2$  I 9. Tithes paid by schools, £3 18 7. MRS. W. A. HENNIG, Sec.

## New South Wales.

			-		
Name of School.	Membership.	Cont	rib ns.	u-	Donations to Missions.
Ashfield	79	£ 6	4	2	£1 10 8
Auburn	41	4	7	0	292
Avondale	[149		17	9	4 12 0
Cranebrook		σ	10	٥	0 10 0
Corndale	36	9	9	0	202
Epping	. 41	3	16	10	1 16 10
Hamilton	42	7	5	- 8	2 3 11
Kellyville	22	I	5	5	011 7
Nullawa	. 3	0	IO	0	0 10 0
Orchard Hill	. 3	2	19	9	III 2
Parramatta	. 32	3	4	I	1 3 0
Prospect	. 19		15	II	0 10 6
Singleton	. 20	l I	9	5	017 6
Stanmore	. 68	7	- 9	IO	II 3
Wallsend	18	3	ō	5	
W. Maitland.	. 26	2	5	5 б	0194
Wollongong.	1 12	0	9	0	0 5 0
Woollahra	. 12		19	0	0 5 0
State Class	. 2	5 8	19	6	8 19 6
Totals		f.81	18	3	£32 9 1

Special donation for Sydney Sanitarium, £33 10 2.

Tithes paid by schools, £4 5 112. ANNA L. HINDSON, Sec. West Australia.

			_					
Name of School.	Membership.	Con	otal tril ns.	bu-	Dona t Miss	σ		
Perth	63	£8	II	7	£6	2	II	
Fremantie	5	I	б	r	Ĩ	0	2	
	22	3	2	7	2	б	4	
Bokara	29	Ó	18	6	0	9	4 8	
Cookernup	17	I	9	7	I	0	7	
Bunbury	9	I	4	II	0	18	8	
Preston	10	4	10	0	3	9	0	
Total	155	£21	3	4	£15	7	5	

Т	ota	I S	um	m	ar	v.

Name of Colony.	Present Membership.	Tot Contr tion	ibu	-	Donation: to Missions.				
N. S. Wales.	676	£81	18	3	£69	17	6		
N. Zealand.:	567		14		39				
Queensland			15	2	10				
S.Australia .	3IÍ	21	12	4	12	15	2		
Tasmania	227			5	18	6	0		
Victoria	584		6	5	21	15			
W.Australia	155	21	3	4	17	6	I		
Grand Total	2739	£252	4	I	£189	9	3		

Special donation for Sydney Sanitarium, fr 18 8. Tithes paid by schools, f2 1 9. SUSIE GURNER, Sec.

Total tithes paid by schools, £20 4 1 MRS. C. W. IRWIN, Sec.



In the March issue of the RECORD there appeared a short article written by Brother Farnsworth, relative to a boat for the Avondale School. In the article he referred to what the testimony had said about it, and also showed the great need of the boat at the present time. Instead of buying a boat as was then contemplated, it was thought best to have one built to order. Consequently, Brother Metcalf Hare, a member of the School Board and a practical boat-builder of several years' experience, was given the contract. Brother Hare has been at work upon the boat for some time, and the accompanying cut will give you some idea of how near it is to completion. The boat is twenty-five feet long, and is very strongly and substantially built. Brother Hare says it will safely carry five tons weight anywhere on the river or lake. The boat is not intended for picnic or pleasure excursions, but for the practical use of the school in carrying goods, students, and those having business with the school, between the school and the station. It was thought that a large proportion of the cost of this enterprise might be borne by the friends of the school in the form of donations if they were given an opportunity. Over sixteen pounds have already been received, but in order to make it more general, and give all the opportunity to contribute, it has been decided to make the Avondale School launch the object of our last Sabbath special donation for this quarter. We trust that church elders and Sabbath-school officers will take pains to interest all, both old and young, in this much-needed boat, so that a liberal donation may be received to apply on its cost. We hope those having this enterprise in charge will furnish us a picture of the boat when it is finished and launched, for insertion in the RECORD, that children and all who have contributed may see it on the river where it is to operate.

G. A. IRWIN.

# Union Conference Record,

PUBLISHED SEMIMONTHLY BY THE

Australasian Union Conference of Seventh Day Adventists.

56 George Street West, Sydney, N. S. W., Australia.

All subscriptions, copy, and communications intended for the editor should be addressed UNION CONFERENCE RECORD, Cooranbong, N. S. W.

SUBSCRIPTION RATES.

Single subscription, per year, post-paid, - 2 6

Foreign Countries, per year, post-paid (75 cts.) 3 o

Printed for the Conference by the Avondale Press, Cooranbong, N.S.W.

ENCOURAGING reports continually come to us concerning the work of the Vegetarian Café of 283 Pitt Street, Sydney. A few months ago it started with a few patrons. They are now feeding nearly 200 people daily, and are continually making new friends.

BROTHER ARTHUR CURROW has located among the natives of a small island of the Fijian group. In isolation for his Master, surrounded by natives for whom he labors, and with whom he makes his home, he is finding plenty to do and bear for Jesus.

NEVER before, since the laying of the foundation stone, has the work upon the Sydney Sanitarium moved forward in such an encouraging manner as during the past few weeks. Soon the building will be completed and doing the work which God designs should be accomplished.

ELDER E. H. GATES has returned from his tour through the East Indies. He has gleaned many interesting items in his associations with the peculiar people of those tropical isles. As this important mission field lies so near our doors, with its teeming millions of heathen, we will take especial interest in presenting some facts regarding them in future issues.

PASTOR S. N. HASKELL and wife are conducting a mission in New York City, U.S.A. From letters we learn that many are hearing of the truth by this means in that great and wicked city. Synopses of sermons are printed and distributed, and interested persons come and visit the mission to obtain reading matter and inquire concerning the truth. Fifteen thousand copies of one sermon were thus distributed. The newspapers insert advertisements of their meetings free of charge. Train men carry our workers without pay, and thousands of cards are distributed on the elevated railways. As a result, many are becoming interested in the truth. The health work is also receiving attention, and simple treatments are given at the mission, thus benefiting the bodies as well as the souls of those who come.

## Notice.

THE offices and headquarters of the Union Conference and New South Wales Tract Society have been removed from 25 Sloane Street, Summer Hill, to 56 George Street West, Sydney. All correspondence from this date should be sent to the latter address. The place is about three minutes' walk to the left on George Street as you leave Redfern Station. We would be pleased to receive a call from our brethren when they visit the city on business. GEO. A. IRWIN.

# Young Men, Attention.

THE Avondale School could now admit several young men as industrial students. The applicants will pay 7/6 per week in cash, and the school will furnish work to cover the balance. For particulars, address C. W. Irwin, Cooranbong, N. S. W.

# Special Missionary Offer.

HAVE you not an intimate friend, relative, or neighbor in whom you are interested, that would be benefited by a monthly visit of *Good Health* for a year?

Kindly forward us the name and address of your friend, and enclose a postal note or money order for two shillings, and we will forward the journal as directed by you for one year.

Would you like to send it to several friends? Send us 5/- and the names of three friends and their addresses in full, and we will forward the journal for one year. Send us 10/- and the names of six of your relatives or friends that live perhaps at some distance from you, and we will promptly send them the journal. If we all lift and do our best, we shall see great results.

Let us see if we cannot double the circulation of *Good Health* during the next few months.

# North Fitzroy Church Report.

A MEETING of the North Fitzroy Church was held Wednesday evening, May 14, at which reports of various lines of church work were presented.

In response to the question, "What is the present membership of this church?" the clerk reported for quarter ending March 31, 1902, a membership of 224. The treasurer showed that 110 had paid tithe during that quarter to the amount of  $\pounds 155$  8s 2d.

One of the most interesting and encouraging reports was that presented by the chairman of the Churchschool Board. The financial statement presented, covering one year's work, showed that the total receipts amounted to  $\pounds 106$  4s  $3\frac{1}{2}d$  and the expenditures  $\pounds 102$ 175 11d, leaving a balance on hand of  $\pounds 3$  6s  $4\frac{1}{2}d$ .

17s 11d, leaving a balance on hand of  $\pounds_3$  6s  $4\frac{1}{2}d$ . The present membership is 82. Several of these are children outside of our faith, but whose parents have every confidence in the system of teaching and standing of the school. Others are expected shortly who have made inquiry re terms, etc. Three teachers are employed and doing excellent work, taking a keen interest in the children in every way, and thus winning their affections.

Brethren A. W. Anderson, J. Wallace, R. L. Bond, W. A. Hennig, and J. Johanson were appointed as the School Board for the ensuing year.

The treasurer for the church trustees reported that the present indebtedness of the church building was  $\pounds 491$  4s  $1\frac{1}{2}d$ . Originally this was  $\pounds 1300$ , and all felt glad it had come under the  $\pounds 500$  limit.

The church librarian showed that the tract society debt had been reduced from £49 to £13. One sister in selling the *Bible Echo* and small books, donating the entire profits to the society, had paid in over £12. Surely this is an example worthy of imitation.

As these reports were presented, we could but feel that the Lord was assisting His people. We look forward with joy to the great "jubilee" service when "the land shall be free from debt." L. GREGG.