

"Sound an alarm: for the day of the Lord cometh, for it is nigh at hand."

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Heaven's Reward

Col. 3 : 23, 24.

The task that has been given to thy hand, Do it, my child; but not as unto man, Lest man's reward be given unto thee, And not reward which comes alone from Me.

Man may give glory, or the pomp of power Which satisfies the soul but for an hour; He may give joys which perish in a day, Of wealth and flattery which fade away:

But My reward is an inheritance Eternal in the heavens. No circumstance Of time or chance can change or e'er remove

This heavenly inheritance-reward of love.

Its glory may not here revealed be; But faith appropriates the word to thee. And so, whatever work thy hand may do, Do thou it heartily the whole day through. -Lilian S. Connerly.

Are We Losing Our Christian Simplicity?

It is well for us occasionally to put to ourselves this question. Around us in the world evil is rampant. Even in the great Christian church we see a wide departure from the standards and ideals of the past. The line of demarcation between the average church-member and the worldling is well nigh obliterated. While the church for the most part does not ape the grosser evils of worldliness, yet there are very many who seem to go just as far as it is possible and still avoid the final plunge into the vortex of worldly dissipation.

It must be confessed that this loss of simplicity is apparent among members of the Seventh-day Adventist church. To some among our people

the spirit of worldly pleasure is making a strong appeal. We find some of our boys and girls, some of our young .men and young women, some of our mature brethren and sisters in the church, yielding to this spirit. Some of the great national sports, moving-picture shows, and resorts of this character find among their devotees members of this church. We do not say that a large number attend, but it is to be sadly regretted that any of those who are looking for the coming of the Lord should find pleasure in ways of this kind. The plainness of dress that once characterized Seventh-day Adventists is not so clearly evident as it was some years ago. Much money is spent for show and ostentation. In some of our churches there is a display of more or less jewellery, rings, and valuable pins.

Perhaps, after all, it does not do so much good to continually preach against these abuses. The work should go deeper than this. Seventhday Adventists who find their pleasure in worldly sports, in following the fashions of the world, need one of two things-either instruction or conversion. Some, we are inclined to believe, have been received into the church without proper instruction. Others who have once recognized right principles have grown careless. It is not a condition calling for harsh measures or even unkind criticism, but one for prayerful, kindly labour.

We are surrounded on every side by these disintegrating, antichristian influences. Association with evil makes it become common in our eyes. Its entrance into the church is insidious. Sometimes we come into conditions unconsciously, and before we are aware of the drift of the current, we are being carried down the stream. Hence it is the church itself that needs to awake to a realizing sense of the great temptations that beset our people, and especially our young people, on every side.

We need, even more than exhortation from the desk, to exalt the standard, and in our lives and by our example day by day to place before the younger members of the Lord's family a proper and consistent example. It will hardly do for one to raise his voice against the wearing of rings when at the same time he displays an unnecessary pin; to speak against the unnecessary ornamentation of the hats of his sisters when by the display of useless ornaments in his own dress he acts quite as inconsistently; nor to protest against theatre-going when at the same time he is carried away by the spirit of the great national games of cricket and football; nor to protest against our boys and girls attending the circus when he is a frequent visitor at the movingpicture shows. There is a consistency in Christian example. We need to preach the truth of God to-day fearlessly and plainly, and at the same time kindly and sympathetically. But above this we need to place before our friends an example in our

own lives of the power of Christian living. Our example will preach more powerfully than our words. We may well bemoan the loss of simplicity which we see in some of our friends, but in seeking to stem the current and set ourselves against the rising tide of worldliness, let us see to it that we ourselves, in our own deportment, are the exponents of a consistent Christian standard.

F. M. WILCOX.



Stanborough Park Sanitarium, England

STANBOROUGH Park Sanitarium is situated in the beautiful woodland district of Hertfordshire, England. It is located just outside the town limits of Watford, about seventeen miles from London.

The Stanborough Park estate, upon which the sanitarium stands, comprises about seventy-five acres of choice country land, divided into meadows and woodlands, having a frontage of nearly one-half mile upon the picturesque St. Albans Road.

Upon the estate, besides the sanitarium, the International Health Association has its plant, where many kinds of health foods are manu-The British Publishing factured. House also has its buildings and machinery, where all the literature for the English field is printed. On a prominent part of the estate stands the college, where the young people are educated for the work. The proximity of all these institutions to one another makes Stanborough Park exceptionally advantageous as an educational centre.

The sanitarium is four stories high, and was at one time, with the beautiful grounds surrounding it, one of the "stately mansions of old England." Wings have been added and alterations made so that now it is a modern, up-to-date, fully equipped sanitarium, comfortably accommodating about thirty patients.

The first floor contains the diningroom, kitchen, medical office, and electrical treatment-rooms, gymnasium, drawing-room, and the spacious bath-room. The second floor is devoted to patients' rooms, and also contains the surgical ward and operating-rooms, business office, and the solarium. The upper floors are also devoted to patients' rooms.

The building is fully heated with a hot-water system, and each room contains also an open grate. The English people are very fond of the open fire-place. It adds to the comfort and cheerfulness of the room, besides being an excellent ventilator. The rooms are plainly yet tastefully furnished. Every article of furniture and bedding is new, and with the polished oak floors and rugs, the rooms look very neat and hygienic.

The sanitarium is much indebted for such a commodious, well-equipped, and beautiful building to the long and valuable experience of W. C. Sisley, chairman of the board; to the sister institution at Caterham, England, for the financial assistance rendered in securing the equipment; and to the liberality of the brethren throughout the field.

Beautiful gardens and lawns surround the institution, upon which are growing some fine old specimens of pine-trees. The patients find great comfort and rest on pleasant days in the many shaded, natural nooks to be found in and about the grounds. The sanitarium employs a gardener, who raises many of the vegetables and fruits used upon the tables. A fine herd of cattle supplies plenty of good fresh milk and cream, while numberless fowls keep the institution supplied with eggs.

The staff consists of the medical superintendent; Mrs. R. Meyers (formerly Miss R. Hebbel, of Australia), as head nurse and matron; Mr. W. Meyers, as steward; Mr. and Mrs. Sallee, of Gland, Switzerland, as bath-room nurses; and Miss Barras, a graduate nurse from the Caterbam Sanitarium, together with a fine class of twelve young persons in training.

The institution was formally opened and dedicated by appropriate ceremonies on July 3, 1912. Over one thousand invitations and prospectuses had been sent out to different parts of the kingdom. A goodly number of guests and invited friends assembled on the day appointed. Elder W. J. Fitzgerald, president of the British Union Conference, acted as chairman. Elder S, G, Haughey, of the South England Conference, offered the dedicatory prayer. Dr. A. B. Olsen, of the Caterham Sanitarium, gave a very interesting and appropriate address on "Origin of the Sanitarium System." The college students rendered some excellent music. Refreshments were served upon the beautiful lawn, after which the building was thrown open to the public.

Patients began to arrive soon after the opening. First one table in the dining-room was filled, then another, and another, until four tables, seating twenty-four, were all occupied. We all felt this a remarkable token of God's approbation of the work.

¹The brethren and sisters in England have prayed long and earnestly that God would bless this new addition to the promulgation of the third angel's message in this field, and to see a goodly number of patients so quickly occupying the building was indeed gratifying to their hearts.

At the present time the institution enjoys a fair patronage, and nurses and helpers are united in seeking God's blessing and favour that success may attend this branch of God's cause in the British field.

C. H. HAYTON, M. D.

PASTOR R. C. PORTER writes of a very devoted minister, and a very capable teacher as having recently accepted the truth among the Kaffir people of Africa. He says, knowing this minister and teacher as he does, he believes they will become a great help and strength in the work among the Kaffirs.

WORD comes from the British Union that as the result of an effort continued for several months in Plymouth, England, thirty-two have signed the covenant to "keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus." Of this number, nineteen are new Sabbath-keepers; five were already keeping the Sabbath when the mission began, but had not been baptized and received into churchfellowship; and the others-eight boys-are sons of Sabbath-keeping parents. There are others keeping the Sabbath who have not yet signed the covenant, and still others who attend the services regularly who are under deep conviction.



West Australian Camp Meeting

THE closing camp-meeting of this season was held near Perth, West Australia. Pastor Lukens, Dr. E. Richards, and the writer attended as Union Conference workers. Leaving the Adelaide camp, we took the boat, and after a voyage of nine days, reached the camp in the West, and the meetings began on March 18. The first three days were devoted to conference business and the discussion of many interesting items of committee work.

Pastors Baker, Hilliard, Michaels, and Smith, with all the conference workers, were in attendance. The camp was located in a grove on part of the Leederville Reserve. There was plenty of sand, but the shade of the trees was very beautiful.

Harmony and good feeling prevailed throughout the entire meeting. Stirring discourses were given at the evening services, and a large attendance appeared at most of the meetings. Studies on the Holy Spirit were given by Pastor Lukens, and on the Book of Zechariah by the writer. Pastor Smith, principal of the Darling Range School, had charge of the young people's meetings, and Sister Bartlett of the children's meetings. Pastors Hilliard and Michaels conducted the baptismal class, and on Sunday, the closing day of the camp, forty-four candidates were baptized. The reports of conference work were all interesting and told of progress. The conference finances were in a prosperous condition. Pastor Baker was re-elected president, and Pastor Michaels vice-president. On the last Sabbath over 400 attended the Sabbath-school, of which Brother Behrens was suprintendent, and £10 was contributed to the mission field.

The lectures given by Dr. E. Richards were much appreciated, a large number of the public attending. The camp-meeting closed on Sunday night, March 30, after a stirring discourse delivered by Pastor Lukens on the change of the rest day. Testimonies were read from both friends and foes clearly demonstrating Rome's part

in the advancement of Sunday. At the close almost the entire audience stood up to evidence their acceptance of the position taken by the speaker.

The camp-meeting throughout was one of great blessing, and its influence will long remain with the many who attended. Some came from long distances, but the sweet communion with God's Spirit and God's people more than repaid for any earthly loss. On Monday morning farewells were taken, and the friends separated on their homeward journey.

R. HARE.

Boolaroo and Ourimbah

WE visited the tent mission at Boolaroo and found the workers nicely situated. Pastor Brittain has hired a house at Speers Point overlooking Lake Macquarie. This is a beautiful site, almost at the terminus of the train line. Brother Marriott is nicely located near the churches in Boolaroo. The tent is situated in this suburb, only a few minutes' walk from the Cockle Creek railway station. The tent is within an enclosure on a nice, grassy plot of ground.

The attendance is quite as large as could be expected. The tent is nicely full each service. An encouraging feature is that the same persons attend from meeting to meeting. The work that was done by the twelve young men from the college one year ago is spoken of in the highest praise.

We are planning for some of these same young men to spend some time in visiting the citizens of the immediate vicinity of the tent mission and the adjoining suburbs, and invite their interested readers to the meetings at the tent.

The question box and the offering box are well patronized. Already the offerings amount to about 15s. per week. The people are beginning to look upon the services as their meetings and feel free to vote on the time when the meetings should begin.

The season for this series is short, and we solicit the earnest prayers of our brethren, that our tent workers may be able to accomplish all that is possible in the brief time at their command.

The Lord's servant has spoken of this community as a place of special interest. More than 100,000 people are situated within twenty miles

of this mission, thus making any effort which we may put forth of more than ordinary importance. Pray for the work here.

Ourimbah

We met with this company in their quarterly meeting services on April 5, 1913. It was an interesting meeting. The Lord's tender Spirit came in, and all seemed to feel that God was very near to us. Some were prevented from coming on account of illness, and some for other causes.

The tithe report and missionary offerings, and the funds raised to provide them a church-building were certainly commendable. The Sabbath-school offerings were especially good. Over $\pounds 21$ 10s. was contributed the last quarter.

The church building is enclosed so that they can hold services, but is not finished. The seats have been ordered, but the building is not lined.

The brethren are planning to hold week-end meetings when the long winter evenings come. The teachers and students of the college are planning to render assistance along this line. Shall we not pray that the Lord will greatly bless every instrumentality for the finishing of His work in these parts. L. A. HOOPES.

Tent Work in Brisbane

At the close of the camp-meeting held in September of last year, the conference committee decided to erect a tent on a block of land near the Kelvin Grove tram terminus, three miles from the city post office, and commanding a view of the camp ground.

Pastor Cady had charge of this effort, Brother M. Munson and the writer working under his supervision. Three weeks in succession we visited the homes in the district, selling *Signs*, distributing tracts, and inviting the people to attend the meetings; but as often as not there was only one or two, sometimes not one, present (our own people excepted). One lady, whom Brother Munson met, became interested in the plan of salvation, embraced the "truth as it is in Jesus," and is rejoicing in the knowledge of its sure triumph.

In the fourth week we moved the tent a mile nearer the city, where, after a fortnight, we had a fair interest. Just when the work was at its crisis, and we were about to present the Sabbath question, Brother and Sister Cady left us for America. Soon after, Brother Munson went to Sydney, and Brother Streeter from Avondale joined me. The first week in January we took the tent down. The same week Sister Chapman arrived in Brisbane and connected with this mission. We are glad to have Sister Chapman to help bind off this interest, which has resulted in six adults' remembering to keep the seventh day holy.

After pitching the tent in another suburb and working for four weeks without a visible sign of genuine interest, we removed to Ithaca, our present location. We are grateful for the help that Pastor Watson was able to give us during the first fortnight in this place. We have a better interest here, and have reason to hope that this will be our most successful effort. We are of good courage, and beg an interest in your prayers for the advancement of God's work in this corner of the vineyard.

BENJAMIN COZENS.

AFTER repeated attacks of the dysentery in Rarotonga, Brother R. K. Piper has, by the doctor's orders, been obliged to leave the field ; and, in company with his wife, arrived in New Zealand, their homeland, by the Tahiti on March 28. It was a great trial and disappointment to these faithful workers to leave their mission station. A month before, Brother Piper wrote very hopefully in regard to his condition, but a relapse almost immediately followed, and the doctor assured him that the humidity of the climate there was not only against his recovery, but that there were grave dangers of serious complications unless they left at once. Through it all Brother Piper writes that his faith and trust in God are firm, and that He is their help and stay. He says that they have been thankful that Brother and Sister Giblett were with them, and that they helped them much to get away. We know that the sympathies and prayers of our readers will be with these dear workers in this hour of trial. We trust that in the bracing climate of New Zealand, Brother Piper may be restored to health and to further service for the Master. It was a comfort to them to meet Brother Fulton at Wellington, their boats reaching there about the same time.



The Australasian Missionary College

THE Lord Himself was man's first instructor, and the infinite works of the Creator afforded exhaustless themes for study in the divine school.

Afterwards, when corruption was widespread, a company of pious, intelligent, and studious young men was gathered by Samuel in the schools of the prophets, where they communed with God and studied His Word and His works under instructors who were well educated in divine truth and endowed with the Holy Spirit.

In later times, when the light of truth was obscured, the best and greatest Teacher was sent from God. Jesus did not establish educational institutions, but He implanted His own ideal, His own nature, in human hearts and lives.

Then came the catechetical schools in the period of primitive Christianity, followed by the revival of learning, and the Reformation of the sixteenth century.

Now, in the closing years of this world's history, when the earth is defiled and marred by sin, and men are defiant in their disobedience to God's law, the Lord has established the Australasian Missionary College as an exponent of the primitive Christian education. And as the evidences of activity, advancement, and success are witnessed, words of praise and thankfulness ascend to Him who has so richly blessed and highly honoured His people.

Of the one hundred and sixty-three senior students now on the college roll, there are one hundred and nineteen in the homes. These are about equally divided between the two homes, and all the available rooms are occupied. Forty-four day students attend, and there are thirty-five children attending the primary school. The faculty number thirteen.

Thirty of the young men are constantly employed on the college farm. Thirty acres of land were planted in corn, and seven in sorghum, but owing to the dry weather which prevailed during the summer the crops did not do

well. Fair crops of plums, pears, and early apples were gathered. The grapes bore well, and the yield of passion fruit was greater this year than last. The orange grove is in good order, but there are not many signs of a large quantity of fruit. The vegetable garden has furnished excellent tomatoes. marrows, and beans. After "stoving out" a large black-butt tree, fifty bags of charcoal were obtained, and there are prospects of another fifty from the second burning. Twenty-one cows are giving milk, and there will be a number of others soon.

More than thirty workers are employed in the health food factory. which has a growing demand for its excellent products, now numbering thirty-seven different kinds. The factory is well equipped with modern machinery, which is kept running at full speed. The output has greatly increased during the past twelve months. Last year shipments were made by the ton, now they are made by the truck load. A thousand pounds worth of new machinery-including three granose mills, a dough mixer, and a complete tin making plant have recently been installed. Inquiries are now being made in the market for a larger engine. Special lines of foods at present manufactured for island use are put up in sealed, air-tight tins, and a large trade is being done in them by the leading Sydney firms.

The college printing department employs thirty students, including several from the islands, who are engaged in translating. Altogether eleven periodicals are printed: The RECORD weekly; and the Young People's Programmes, the Maori, Samoan, Tahitian, Tongan, Rarotongan, and Fijian papers, monthly. Besides these the church and Sabbath-school readings are printed, and cartons are made, and work for the food factory is done. Among books recently issued are "Bible Readings" in Java Malay, and Rarotongan; "Thoughts on Daniel," for Tahiti; "Early Writings" for Fiji; and various tracts for the Maoris of New Zealand, and for the natives of Tahiti, Samoa, and Niue. Work is also being done on a thirty-two page booklet descriptive of the health foods.

The college carpenters have nearly finished the large addition to the boy's hall, which was begun last year. The commodious parlour is a great advantage. Alterations have been made in the rear of the business office to provide a neatly furnished office for the principal. The accountants', the stenographers', and the principal's offices are now in the one building, which facilitates the transaction of business. The college store has also received an addition. New and larger counters have been provided and the store is stocked with new goods. Other are prospects of more. The poultry department is under new management, and the intention is to increase its capacity, so that it may not only supply all the eggs for the college family, but be a source of profit also.

The tin-smithing, black-smithing, and boot and harness repairing departments are full of work. The bullock

The Canvassers' Training School

THE accompanying cut illustrates the present class of students in attendance at our school of gospel salesmanship at Warburton. Two or three have come in later, bringing our class up to fifteen, all possessing an earnest deter-



necessary buildings, far superior to the old ones so long in use, have been erected, painted, and fitted with electric light, and thus the college and "all its surroundings [are] object lessons, teaching the ways of improvement, and appealing to the people for reform, so that taste, industry, and refinement, may take the place of coarseness, uncleanness, disorder, ignorance and sin."

An office has been built for the farm manager, and the honey house has been removed and re-erected, with additions, on a better hillside position, having a north-easterly aspect, and all the bee-hives will be removed to the stands built there. A good quantity of honey has been extracted, and there team is constantly employed drawing firewood and logs for the saw-mill.

The kitchen often presents a busy scene. The matron and her assistants have preserved six thousand quarts of various fruits.

During the summer months, on Sundays and holidays, boats from places near Newcastle arrive at the college boat landing, bringing hundreds of visitors, who seem to enjoy viewing the college and its departments, and sampling the fruit and health foods purchased at the store. W. CODLING.

"PRAYER is the living heart that speaks to the living ear—the ear of the living God." mination to have some part in pushing forward this grand work to final victory.

While this school is a new departure in the organization of our work, yet it fills a long-felt need. While we have expected that every worker in other departments of the message would receive a training for his work, we have been content to send our canvassers into the field with no training whatever, although their work requires more skill and adaptability than does the work in many other lines. At Warburton, we do not profess to impart this necessary skill and adaptability, but we do claim to put the worker on the right road to obtain it. We believe we are able to do this better here than it can be done elsewhere, since at this place we are specializing on this very thing, thus giving it our undivided attention. The Lord has instructed us to "educate, educate, educate young men and women to sell the books which the Lord by His Holy Spirit has stirred His servants to write." This is the command which we are endeavouring to obey in establishing our canvassers' school at this place.

Our present term began on March 3, and closes on April 26, thus giving just eight weeks' instruction. Our course includes Bible doctrines, salesmanship, book-study, applied English, and business methods. School is held in the forenoon, and the students work for two hours each afternoon. The expense to the student is $\pounds 1$ 1s. per week, or $\pounds 8$ 8s. per term, which may be paid in cash, or arrangements made to pay after returns begin to come in from the field.

We are planning to commence our winter term on June 9, and are looking for about twelve more students to take the instruction of this term. Are there not many now in good positions in the world whom the Lord is impressing to cut loose from these ties, and throw their whole energies into the work of proclaiming to a perishing world the glorious message that our Lord and Saviour is just about to return? If you are in this position, dear brother, and are impressed that the Lord is calling you to this work, lose no time in communicating with us.

If ever there was a time when God's work required all the talent and energy we can give to it, that time is just now. We have no time to lose if we are to accomplish God's purpose in finishing this work in His appointed time. Do not put the matter off, but seek the Lord earnestly to know what He would have you to do. And if the reply comes back, "Son, go work to day in My vineyard, and whatsoever is right, that will I pay thee," do not hesitate to respond immediately, "Here am I, send me." Leave the matter of wages with God, and you will find Him a faithful and liberal pay-master.

We shall be p'eased to communicate with any who desire information. Address communications to the writer or to the Manager of the Signs Publishing Company at Warburton. We earnestly solicit the prayers of God's people in behalf of our school at Warburton, and especially request that your prayers ascend daily at the family altar in behalf of our canvassers amidst all their trials and perplexities. H. M. BLUNDEN.



Our Publishing Work

THE past year has been a period of progress in the work of our publishing department. Souls have been won to the service of God through the influence of our literature, and in many instances through the canvassers' personal and direct work for souls.

During the year 140 persons have been directly employed in the manufacture and distribution of literature in the Australasian field. In addition to this, much excellent work has been done by our churches collectively in connection with the missionary campaign work.

The total value of literature sold during 1912 is £19,568 14s. 4d. This demand has kept our publishing house busy, and we are glad to note that the prospects give promise of an increasing demand for the printed page.

But notwithstanding these encouraging results, the demand for earnest workers becomes more and more pressing. The rapid fulfilment of the prophecies which show conclusively that we are nearing the close of probation, and that we are fast approaching the realization of "that blessed hope and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ" surely constitute the most urgent and convincing appeal for whole-hearted service that has ever come to this people.

We have without doubt reached the time in the history of this work when the compelling power of the Spirit of God will impress men to leave the work of the world to the men of the world in order that the time and talent of God's children may be devoted to the more important work of saving souls for Christ's everlasting kingdom. Men will respond to the call of God, and as stated in Volume VII, "As rapidly as possible they are to be prepared for labour, that success may crown their efforts. They co-operate with heavenly agencies; for they are willing to spend and be spent in the service of the Master. No one is authorized to hinder these workers. They are to be bidden Godspeed as they go forth to fulfil the great commission. No taunting word is to be spoken to them as in the rough places of the earth they sow the gospel seed."

It is to this end that the Union Conference has established a small training institution at Warburton. This home is already making its influence felt for good in the field. Agents from this institution have been sent to West Australia and These workers South Australia. have not only had the advantage of thorough instruction in salesmanship at the institute, but they have demonstrated their ability as energetic evangelistic canvassers in active field work, and our prayers follow them as they begin work in their respective fields, that God will bless their efforts in soul winning work for the Master.

There is at present a large class of promising workers in the training home whose labours we know will prove an additional strength to the field work.

The interest of the Union Conference Committee in the work of this institution has been manifested in a very practical way in arranging for Brother Blunden and for Brother and Sister Todd to carry forward the important work of the training home.

Brother Blunden is not only a thoroughly qualified instructor, but he is one of our leading canvassers and comes to the institute fresh from the field, with a practical and helpful experience.

Brother Todd has also brought to the work an excellent experience both as a canvasser and State agent, while Sister Todd as matron, makes the institutional life really home life for those who are preparing for service.

The Union Conference has, therefore, in establishing this training home, added to our publishing department a valuable factor for promoting the best interests of our field work; and as we are now in a position to afford all who desire to enter the canvassing field, facilities enabling them to secure the very best preparation, we trust that many will take advantage of this, and in response to the call of the Spirit of God prepare for active work in the great harvest field.

J. M. JOHANSON.

From the Field

THE following letter from one of our canvassers calls vividly to mind the statement by the prophet Isaiah, "For as the rain cometh down and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower and bread to the eater ; so shall My word be that goeth forth out of My mouth, it shall not return unto Me void ; but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereunto I sent it."

This is a sure promise, and the one who makes it his experience will always have the assurance that however difficult the work may be, our labour is not in vain to the Lord.

"This week I have been putting in my time at Bridgewater, about halfan-hour's ride in the train from here, on this same line. It is rather a poverty-stricken district, especially Bridgewater Junction, where I made a start, so I pushed through it as fast as I could.

"It was evidently worked with "Heralds" just recently, for I came across several copies of this book. Many of our other books too, are thickly scattered in that district, as many as four being in one home. Some of the people are reading and studying them, knowing them to be Adventist books. I had some nice talks with some of the people. One old lady showed me a "Christ's Object Lessons," which she had had many years, and which she pronounced "a beautiful book." Another person brought out "Bible Readings," well worn with use, and said her husband and sons often studied it in the broughtevenings. Still another "Great Controversy," which she said she had read and studied carefully. She expressed herself as fully in harmony with its teachings, and said she knew no other denomination that explained the Word of God so clearly and satisfactorily as do Seventh-day Adventists.

"On Wednesday I had a specially interesting time with a dear old Christian lady. She had four of our books, "Great Controversy" and Daniel and Revelation" among them. This lady said she had studied and was still studying them, with great interest. She is fully in harmony with our teachings, and has even adopted vegetarianism.

"Some one in Melbourne sends hera copy of the Signs occasionally, and when I told her I could send them regularly, she thanked me and said how pleased she would be to read them herself each week, and then pass them on to others.

"It is so encouraging to meet such people as these, and I believe that many of these honest-hearted souls will before probation closes take their stand with the people of God."

There is inspiration in the personal touch and an experience in the power of the message that money cannot buy, but which becomes part of the man or woman who heeds the command, "Go ye... and teach." VICTORIA-TASMANIA CANVASSING

Department.



The Sabbath-school Workers' Training Course

Outlines for Home Study

(May)

Text-Book: "The Teacher's Pedagogy," Part 1, Lesson 2.

The Teacher's Training

FIRST WEEK

1. WHAT IS TEACHER TRAINING? a. What is it not?

b. What are three essentials in teacher training?

2. BUILDING UP PERSONAL INFLUENCE FOR GOOD :

a. What should the truth do for us personally?

b. What enabled Jesus to teach with such power?

c. What value should all our knowledge have?

SECOND WEEK

3. ACQUIRING KNOWLEDGE:

a. The teacher should understand the purpose of his work.

- b. He should know what to teach.
- c. He should know his pupils.
- d. He should know how to teach.

e. He should understand the purpose and work of the Sabbath-school. 4. The PRACTISE OF TEACHING:

(In connection with this study read "Testimonies on Sabbath-school Work," pages 54-58.)

THIRD WEEK

Text-Book: "Individual Soul-Winning," chapter entitled, "Why Should I Do Personal Work?" pages 9-15.

1. PERSONAL WORK:

a. The experience of a young girl.

b. Fred's experience.

c. How to do personal work.

(Read also instruction to teachers on doing personal work, "Testimonies on Sabbath-school Work," pages 45, 47, 58.)

FOURTH WEEK

Text-Book: "How To Be a Successful Teacher."

a. Give your whole attention to your class.

b. See that the class takes part in all the exercises.

c. Take part yourself.

d. Be prompt.

Obituary

HAZELHURST.-Brother E. Hazelhurst, of Wellington, New Zealand, died on Tuesday, February 18, 1913, aged thirty-three years. About four months ago, just after accepting the truth, our brother was taken ill and had to be removed to the hospital. The doctors pronounced his case hopeless, as he was found to be suffering from that dread disease, cancer of the stomach. Before studying present truth, he had no confidence in the Bible, even quoting infidel writers against God's Word. But the Word that God declares "quick and powerful" cut its way to his heart, and like the gaoler, he said, "What must I do to be saved?" During his illness, the Word of God was precious to him, and he clearly understood almost every leading point in our doctrine. His one burden was to make it known to his loved ones and friends as they visited him. His patience and confidence in God in his suffering was an impressive testimony to the keeping power of God, and seed has been sown in many hearts. Just before his death, he had the joy of seeing his sister take her stand for the message. His wife, who decided for the truth with her husband, was baptized here on Sabbath, March 15. Sister Hazelhurst returns to her parents' home in Christchurch. The remains of our brother were removed to Christchurch for burial, where Pastor A. H. White conducted an impressive service at the home of the wife's parents, speaking words of comfort to the sorrowing relatives and friends assembled. We have every confidence that when the voice of the Lifegiver awakes the sleeping saints at the first resurrection, our brother will come forth, clad in immortality, to greet the Saviour he learned to love. W. J. WESTERMAN.

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WHEN your copy of the **BECORD** comes in a red wrapper, it indicates that your subscription is expiring, and that your renewal is kindly solicited. Please order promptly, that no copies may be missed.

THE time set for our week of prayer is May 10 to 17. On May 15 the General Conference opens in Washington. Let us especially remember this important meeting during our prayer season.

SISTER QUEENIE HILL, a graduate nurse of the Sydney Sanitarium, has been called to Warburton to act as head nurse in our sanitarium at that place. Sister Hill left Sydney on April 8, for Victoria.

ALL who would like a set of the General Conference Bulletins, and have not already ordered, should do so at once, sending their orders to their State Tract Society. The price will be about 3s.

THE next number of the RECORD contains the readings for the week of prayer and consists of twenty pages. There will be no paper the week following this special number. Our first issue after the week-of-prayer number will bear date of May 12. We hope all our readers will remember this, that you may not be disappointed on receiving no paper dated May 5.

WE would call special attention to the children's lessons in the RECORD containing the week-of-prayer readings. These lessons are well adapted for children's meetings during this special season of prayer, and we trust that wherever it is at all possible arrangements will be made to hold such services for the little ones. They should not be overlooked nor forgotten on this occasion. At such times the instruction is, "Gather the people, sanctify the congregation, assemble the elders, gather the children." Notice carefully the general instruction given in reference to meetings for the children in the week-of-prayer RECORD.

ALL will be sorry to learn that Pastor Fulton was quite sick on his way to Wellington, his first port of call en route to the General Conference, having had a return of malaria, contracted in the East Indies a number of years ago, and which has troubled him on different occasions since. Letters state that he was somewhat improved before leaving Wellington. We know that Brother Fulton will have a special interest in our prayers that he may be restored to health as he goes on his way and strengthened to participate in the deliberations of the important meetings of the General Conference.

A Day of Intercession

MANY of our readers will remember that two years ago the Sabbath preceding that on which the week of prayer opened was observed as a day of fasting and prayer that the week of prayer might do for all, that which it was intended to accomplish.

The executive officers of the Union Conference have decided to invite all our members who are able to do so to observe Sabbath, May 3, the Sabbath immediately preceding the opening of the coming week of prayer (May 10 to 17) in a similar way.

The Lord had respect to the earnest cries of His people two years ago, and He will hear and help us again on this occasion if we earnestly seek Him. His promise is still good, "Ye shall seek Me and *find* Me if ye search for Me with all your heart."

The conditions in the world to-day are a call to prayer. The conditions in the church call to us with equal force to "pray without ceasing." We *must* have God's help, and it will come in response to the united and sincere prayers of His people.

Dear brethren, we are anxious that this week of prayer shall be the best that we have ever experienced; it should be—and it needs to be, for we are in the "shaking time"—and it will be if we seek God with all our hearts. Who then will join us in spending Sabbath, May 3, in the manner suggested above? C. H. P.

Our Fourth Sabbath Reading for April 26

AMONG other items printed in our reading for Sabbath, April 26, is an extract from a letter received from Brother R. K. Piper, late of Rarotonga, in which it is stated that he was improving in health. It is with the deepest regret that we have to inform our readers that since the matter was printed and sent out, we have had later word from Brother Piper that a renewed attack of the dread malady had compelled him, under doctor's orders, to return to New Zealand.

We feel that this explanation of the situation is necessary, and will ask all those who take charge of the missionary service on April 26, either to eliminate the reference to Brother Piper's case from the reading, or to make some explanatory statement regarding it. The changed circumstances are no evidence that the Lord did not hear the prayers offered. We know He did on the authority of His Word. And though we cannot understand His providences, we know that all things are working together for good, and for the advancement of His cause. Let us continue to pray for the work in Rarotonga.

The improvement in health mentioned by Brother Piper enabled him at least to gather sufficient strength for the voyage when it became necessary for him to take it, and we are glad that he has arrived safely in Wellington, where he is at present recuperating. C. H. P.

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