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

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Sometime

(Written on the vovage from New Zealand to the Union Conference Council at Wahroonga, September 15, 1913.)

Sometime the voyage will be over,
Sometime the surges will cease;
Sometime the tempest forever,
Be hushed into infinite peace!
And the pilgrim shall enter the harbour,
Beyond where the storm-winds control,
To find in its quiet expansions
A peace and a rest for the soul!

Sometime the footsteps now weary
Will rest, with all burdens laid down,
And the brow that has ached in its struggles
Will be given its glory-gemmed crown!
Then what if the way has been dreary,
And the burdens oppressive or light,
When the spirit can sing in its gladness
The songs it learned in the night!

Sometime the pain will have vanished, And over the vessels of clay.

The Potter will smile as He kindly
Wipes tear-drops forever away!

No longer the tempest and tossing;
No longer the burdens and care;
No longer the moulding and weeping;
For heaven and resting are there.

R. HARE.

The Medical Work

Ir ever there was a time in the history of this world when there was need of advocating health reform principles, it is the present. The self-indulgent and unhealthful habits prevailing, make it necessary that the right arm of the message should be made more prominent than ever before. Notwithstanding the great precautions taken by local councils, health boards, and others, disease is spreading on every hand. Is it not

time we as a people should be placing the light more fully before the world? From the Testimonies we learn that "In the preparation of a people for the Lord's second coming a great work is to be accomplished through the promulgation of health principles." We must admit that this branch of the work is not receiving in the field the proportion of attention that it should. True we have encountered many discouragements, and financial difficulties have loomed high on the horizon; but this is no excuse for our slackening our efforts in any way. On the other hand, we must rise above these obstacles, and do the work the Lord has commanded us to do. The Lord says that "When the third angel's message is received in all its fulness, health reform will be given its place in the councils of the conference."

We must study more fully what God's design is in the establishment of the medical work, its relation to the church, the class of young men and women who should be encouraged to enter our institutions, how our ministers in the field can help to increase the patronage, and the instruction of our people generally on health principles.

Much has been said by the Lord concerning the need of combining the medical and ministerial work, and the good that can be accomplished by those who possess this combined knowledge. There are evidences of this in the field already. We must encourage more educated young men,

and those with business qualifications, to take a medical training, if we wish to see our medical work a real success.

THE SYDNEY SANITARIUM

The Lord has richly blessed us during the past year. All the patients appear perfectly satisfied with the attention bestowed upon them by the sanitarium family; so much so, that many express their sorrow at having to leave the institution. Doctors Sherwin and Freeman, with the medical matron, Mrs Shannan, are doing all in their power to see that every care is bestowed on the sick.

We wish all our people could visit the sanitarium and become more fully acquainted with the work. The bathrooms have been renovated, with a view to providing extra comforts for the patients; and the painters are now busy on the outside of the building, freshening up everything in readiness for the large patronage we expect during the summer months. A new descriptive booklet is in the hands of the Avondale Press, and this souvenir, beautifully illustrated with views inside and outside of the building, will soon be ready for circulation, and we shall esteem it a privilege to forward one to any of the RECORD readers on application. Perhaps you have sick friends who should be in the institution. You could not do better missionary work than to get them into the sanitarium, where their surroundings would be peaceful and enjoyable, and where they would come in contact with God's people.

Our nurses have taken hold nobly during the past year, and we do not know of any time in the history of the institution when a better spiritual interest was manifested. There will be six graduates from this year's class, the majority of whom will be called to other fields and positions at the close of the year.

HEALTH FOOD AND CAFE WORK

The Health Food Department's report is a record one, and the manufacturing department reveals an increase in the turnover of £1,073. As with all other lines of business, expenses have increased, and we are kept thinking all the time how to plan for the future. Rail and shipping freights are constantly on the increase, but after all the offerings, extra expenses, and other losses, we are able to hand over to the Union Conference a cheque for £100 tithe, for which we praise the Lord.

The increase in the wages paid by the Food Company for the year, amounts to nearly £400, and the total amount of wages earned in the combined cafe and food work, totals almost £6,000. Since the change made about three years ago, when the college was relieved of the management of the factory, over £2,000 in hard cash has been paid off the indebtedness, and several hundred pounds have been expended in equipping the factory with new machinery.

Brother A. J. Dyason, of Melbourne, who has had considerable experience in manufacturing foods, and who has also a knowledge of chemistry, has been appointed superintendent of the factory. On my trip to the General Conference, I visited several food factories, and learned many things which I trust with the help of my fellow labourers, will be a blessing to the work.

THE SYDNEY CAFE

The Sydney Cafe is crowded daily. Last January we turned one of the storerooms into a dining-room, thus occupying every available inch of space. Meals were served to the number 271,899, or 8,005 in excess of last year. We have advertised and looked for another suitable place in Sydney, but so far without success. The majority of landlords are cutting their floor space up into small sections as they find this more profitable than letting a whole floor. The excessive rents and the crowded condition of

the cities make it almost impossible to obtain suitable premises. Sister Ulrich has filled the position of matron during the past year, and Brother Moseley, who has superintended the factory for the last two years, is now acting as assistant manager. Twenty-three workers are employed at the head office and depot.

THE MELBOURNE CAFE

The Melbourne Cafe has also been passing through various changes this year. The central position that we occupied in that city for over fifteen years had to be sacrificed, owing to the sale of the building. For some time it looked as though we would have to go out of the cafe business for a while; but God, in a providential way, opened up another site for us. Although it is not nearly so central as the other, we are located in the midst of all the lawyers and solicitors of Melbourne. Chancery Lane is the home of law, and we are making many new friends. Naturally, we lost many of our old patrons; but our numbers are increasing and they are practically up to one thousand per week now. We have a very pretty and convenient dining-room there. Brother Glockler, from the Sydney Cafe, has charge, and is deeply interested in his work. At the present time the cafe is exhibiting health foods at the manufacturers' exhibition. This opened well, 12,000 persons passing the turnstiles on the opening day. The patronage for the year amounted to 44,278.

ADELAIDE

Brother and Sister Rogers with their small staff have been working hard, and their balance sheet reveals a good gain for the year. As the fruits of their labours, their debit balance has been reduced during the last two years from £453 to £72. This is very encouraging. They, too, have been searching for a more central and convenient location, but up to the present without success. The same difficulties as in other cities are encountered.

BRISBANE

Brother and Sister Thompson have been in charge of the Brisbane branch during the year, and have done excellent work in placing our health reform principles before the people. The cafe patronage increased by over four thousand and the food sales have made a substantial gain. The Brisbane Show exhibit has increased business considerably during the past few weeks, and the outlook is not at all discouraging. Brother and Sister Thompson will shortly come to Sydney to engage in city medical missionary work.

AUCKLAND

The Auckland Cafe has the best standing of any of our smaller institutions, and the business is growing. Last year the patronage numbered 27,560, or 3,500 increase on the former year. Sister Nellie Cooper has been in charge, and is now under appointment to Brisbane. She expressed a desire to be near her home, and Brother B. Cormack, who has been connected with the Sydney food work a number of years, will relieve her about the end of October. The balance sheet reveals a gain for the year. The Doctors Keller have been a great help to our work in Auckland.

WELLINGTON

Our Wellington Cafe has also undergone a number of changes. Sister Sandberg left just before General Conference, and Brother Jones as manager, and Sister Manson as matron, took charge, Being new at the work, they found it rather difficult, and the institution, after deducting some extra expenses incurred through the changes, came out about even.

CHRISTCHURCH

The work at Christchurch is being well looked after by Brother Colin Forsyth, who is taking special interest in the work. Quite a number of old outstanding debts had to be transferred to the profit and loss account. Nevertheless, the balance sheet shows a gain. It was my privilege to visit all three of these institutions in New Zealand on my return from the General Conference.

PERTH

Perth has changed its management during this year. Sister Leila Minchin was called away through family affairs, and Brother W. J. Wright was invited to take over the work. He writes that he is enjoying his work, and that the shop has been renovated, and other changes have been made which should be advantageous to the business. The profit for twelve months amounts to over £54.

We have great possibilities before us in these departments of the work. May the Lord bless all the efforts being put forth to bring our principles to the front. G. S. FISHER.

Pray

"Whate'er the care that breaks thy rest, Whate'er the wish that swells thy breast, Spread before God that wish, that care, And change anxiety to prayer."

Actions Taken by the Union Conference Council Held at Wahroonga, New South Wales, September 23 to October 3, 1913

Plans and Recommendations

MISSIONS

- 1. We Recommend, (a) That a cottage of two rooms fourteen by fourteen with tenfeet verandah and a detached kitchen of native materials be erected at Aitutaki; and (b) that we approve of the erection of a church, fourteen by twenty-six at Aitutaki.
- 2. That our mission centres in the islands be established among the natives away from steamer ports.
- 3. That in view of the necessity of our mission workers pressing into fields as yet unentered, the greatest care and economy be exercised in the erection of mission buildings.
- 4. That a suitable mission home be erected in Samoa as soon as a location has been secured.
- 5. That the necessary land be procured, on lease if possible, and a suitable fourroomed cottage with ten-feet verandah be erected as a mission home for our workers for the Indians in Suva, Fiji, and also that we authorize the workers in Suva to erect such native buildings as may be required.

6. That we open up work in the Solomon Islands as soon as practicable.

7. That we provide a vehicle for the Tongatabu Mission and a horse and trap for the use of our missionaries at Vavau.

8. That we encourage the New Zealand Conference to seek out two promising young Maoris with the view of placing them in the Oroua Missionary School for the necessary time to fit them for work for their own people, and that in the event of such being found, we meet their school expenses from the Maori Fund now in our hands.

9. That in future the Maori paper be issued quarterly, instead of monthly as heretofore.

MEDICAL

WHEREAS, There is an urgent need for more experienced medical missionary workers in the field; therefore,

10. We Recommend, (a) That a two-year course be instituted at the Sydney Sani-

tarium for male nurses.

(b) That when a young man decides to devote his life to purely medical work, he be encouraged to take an extra year's training.

(c) That nurses' certificates be granted only when a three-year course is taken.

(d) That the two-year course be open only to those who have an education equivalent to three years of the Australasian Missionary College course and who are qualifying for missionaries, ministers, teachers, or managers.

11. That we urge that greater prominence be given to the teaching of health and dress reform as being a part of the message.

12. That in future when selecting sanitarium trainees, in order to encourage them to get an experience in the circulation of our literature and in house-to-house visiting, we give preference to those who have had a practical experience in this work.

PUBLISHING

WHEREAS, The world is full of social impurity and immorality, and there is great need of safeguarding our churches and people against the influence of this

wickedness; therefore,

13. We Recommend, (a) That the Signs Publishing Company republish such portions of the matter contained in the little book compiled by Pastor James White entitled, "A Solemn Appeal," together with such other matter bearing on the same subject as may be thought advisable by the special committee appointed for that

(b) That the book be printed in convenient form and at as reasonable a price as

possible.

(e) That all our church officers be urged to study it and to encourage its circulation

among our church members.

14. That each of our state conferences put forth earnest efforts to increase the circulation of Life and Health, to a number

at least five times its membership.

SABBATH-SCHOOL

15. That the Sabbath-school offerings for ensuing quarters be appropriated as follows: First quarter, 1914, training medical missionaries at the Sydney Sanitarium; second quarter, for the work in the Solomon Islands; third quarter, to re-establish the medical work in South Australia and to assist the Darling Range School (twothirds to the former and one-third to the latter); fourth quarter, for the support of our work for the Indians in Fiji. Last special, 1913, to cover transport, etc. of colporteurs we are sending to China; first special, 1914, to purchase a launch for the New Hebrides Mission; second special, to assist in the erection of a mission hall in Adelaide; third and fourth specials to be arranged later.

EDUCATIONAL

16. That in future it be considered an important part of the duties of our Union Conference Educational Secretary to periodically visit the church-schools throughout our Union and advise and counsel with the teachers.

17. (a) That all our institutions pay a tithe of their annual profits to the Australa-

sian Union Conference.

(b) That such institutional tithe be held by the Australasian Union Conference as an educational fund to be disbursed under direction of the Executive Committee for the following purposes: (1) For the better support of our church-school teachers, by granting subsidies to provide for an

amount of wage to be paid in excess of the present minimum wage of 25s. per week. (2) To assist worthy young people seeking to fit themselves for teaching in our schools to obtain state recognition when necessary.

(c) That this plan come into operation from July 1, 1913, and that it cover the profits of our institutions for the fiscal

year ending June 30, 1913.

(d) That we urge our local conferences at their approaching annual sessions to give earnest consideration to the better equipment of our church-schools, and that in order to meet the cost of this, funds be raised by subscription lists to be circulated systematically among the members of our denomination.

GENERAL

- 18. That we encourage our local conferences to renew their interest in behalf of the work for the blind.
- (a) In securing the names and addresses of the blind for the labourers in charge of
- (b) In collecting funds for the support of the work.
- 19. That copies of minutes of meetings of all state conference executive committees be supplied to the Union Conference office.

20. That the needed alterations and additions be made to the Union Conference office building to accommodate the Sabbath-school and Missionary Volunteer Departments.

21. That we approve of the erection of a building in Adelaide to serve as headquarters for the South Australian Conference, and as a centre for the Adelaide city

mission work.

22. That in order to promote the spirit of reverence in our churches, the congregation should remain for a few moments in silent prayer after the benediction has been pronounced. This would be in harmony with the statement made by the Spirit of Prophecy. "When the benediction has been pronounced, all should still be quiet, as if fearful of losing the peace of Christ. Let all pass out without jostling or loud talking, feeling that they are in the presence of God, and that the eye of God is upon them, and that they must act as in His visible presence."—"Testimonies for the Church," Vol. V, page 494.

23. That when a church has lapsed into a state of careless living, and disregard for the principles of the message, or when forms of heresy creep in that antagonize the truth, the church be disbanded and reorganized with only the loyal members who accept the truths of the message. That such action be taken only by direction of

the conference executive.

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY

24. That our secretary be instructed to write to the Australian Freedom League expressing our appreciation of the visit of their deputation to this council. That we assure them of our interest and co-operation as embodied in the following resolution:

25. That we encourage our people throughout the Australasian Union Conference to use every legitimate means, such as the circulation of suitable literature and obtaining signatures to petitions to the Federal Government, to secure the abolition of the compulsory clause in the Military Defence Act.

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Distribution of Labour

That R. Hare be directed by the Union Conference and labour in connection with our camp-meetings.

That M. Lukens connect with the Victoria-Tasmania Conference as president.

That E. H. Gates take the presidency of the New South Wales Conference.

That A. H. Piper take the presidency of the West Australian Conference.

That W. H. Hopkin connect with the Union Conference office.

That P. Foster connect with the New South Wales Conference as secretary and conference and tract society treasurer.

That Miss Eunice Pallant connect with the Sydney Sanitarium business office.

That Miss Westerman labour in the Queensland Conference.

That Mrs. G. Chapman connect with the South Australian Conference.

That Miss Edith Gregg connect with the New South Wales Tract Society as secretary

tary.
That Miss A. T. Newbold take further studies at the college with a view of again connecting with the work.

That Miss Eva Edwards connect with

the Union Conference office.

That Miss G. M. Groube attend the Australasian Missionary College for further

training. . That Miss G. Oliver connect with the New Zealand Conference office.

That Gordon Robinson connect with the New South Wales Conference.

That Eric Hare labour in the Victoria-

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That George T. Newbold connect with the West Australian Conference.

That L. R. Harvey connect with the West Australian Conference.

That A. H. White connect with the New South Wales Conference.

That A. Chesson labour in the South Australian Conference.

That C. P. Michaels connect with the work in the South Australian Conference. That L. J. Imrie connect with the West Australian Conference.

That R. E. G. Blair proceed to West Australia and connect with the conference

there as secretary and treasurer.

That R. H. Constandt connect with the field work in West Australia.

That Miss M. H. Shearer connect with the West Australian Conference.

That Stewart Harding take up field work as tent-master in the New South Wales Conference.

That Lester E. Newbold connect with the Queensland Conference.

That Miss Sybil Reid connect with the New South Wales Conference in Bible work and in circulation of our health literature, preparatory to returning to the islands.

That J. Thompson connect with the New Zealand Conference.

That Miss L. M. Bree connect with the Queensland Conference as missionary volunteer and Sabbath-school secretary.

That Roland Wilson connect with the South Australian Conference for office work.

That Frank Butler connect with the Union Conference office.

That C. H. Pretyman visit our mission in New Guinea in the near future.

That E. S. Butz visit the Central Polynesian group of islands as soon as possible.

That Miss Edith Clarke connect with our training school in Fiji.

That G. F. Jones and wife open up work in the Solomon Islands; and that they attend the Queensland camp-meeting and continue to labour in that field until they proceed to the Solomon Islands.

That A. G. Stewart be superintendent of the Central Polynesian field.

That J. Gillis enter the New Zealand Conference for six months, preparatory to taking up work in Fiji

taking up work in Fiji.

That A. Fowler connect with the New Zealand Conference with a view to taking up island work.

That M. W. Carey connect with the New Zealand Conference pending appointment to the island field.

That in response to the call from the General Conference for workers for the China mission field, H. Stacey and wife be invited to go to China.

That A. Mountain, jun., be invited to go to China in response to the call for workers from the General Conference.

That A. Carrick of the Sydney Sanitarium connect with the Warburton Sanitarium.

That R. Govett connect with the Sydney Sanitarium.

That Nurse C. S. Powell engage in city medical missionary work under the direction of the Sydney Sanitarium.

tion of the Sydney Sanitarium.

That Nurse E. Heise be recommended to the Sydney Sanitarium Board to fill the position of head nurse.

That H. C. Amyes be invited to connect with the health food work as soon as a

vacancy presents itself.

That W. L. H. Baker connect with the
Australasian Missionary College as Bible
teacher.

That A. W. Anderson be Union Conference Educational Secretary.

That Miss Jessie Fulton take charge of the Wahroonga church-school.

That Miss L. Davies of the Sydney Sanitarium connect with the Oroua Missionary School in New Zealand.

That Norman Faulkner go to Adelaide and engage in church-school work.

That Miss Rhoda Hard be invited to connect with the Eugowra church-school.

That A. W. Anderson and A. G. Miller be editors of the Signs of the Times, and Life and Health for the coming year.

That Walter Codling engage in periodical work in the New South Wales Conference.

That F. J. J. Parkin take up canvassing work in South Australia.

Managing Boards and Committees

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Mills, W. G. Hodgkinson, Miss Cooper, G. S. Fisher.

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FOR TEACHER'S LICENSE: E. Rosendahl.

Appointments

Queensland camp-meeting South Australian camp-meeting Tasmanian camp-meeting Victorian conference New Zealand camp-meeting West Australian camp-meeting

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THERE is absolutely no estimate to be put upon the amount of work a man can do when he is handed over to be broken for the Lord Jesus. Sometimes you wonder how it is possible for that man to do so much work. A man broken in the hands of Jesus Christ can feed his thousands, whereas a man held in his own hand will fail to satisfy one.—Dr. Len G. Broughton.

"LIVE so that those who know you and do not know Him, will want to know Him because they know you."

"A word kindly spoken, a smile or a tear, Though seeming but trifles, full often may cheer;

Each day to our lives some treasure 'twould add,

To be conscious that we had made somebody glad."

Monthly Summary of Australasian Canvassing Work

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Report of General Agent

THE healthy growth in the Publishing Department gives us much cause for gratification. The Lord's prospering hand has been over our work during the year just closed in a marked degree. As the third angel's message swells to a loud cry, the work with our literature plays a most important part in warning the people, for "in a large degree through our publishing houses is to be accomplished

the work of that other angel who comes down from heaven with great power, and who lightens the whole earth with his glory."—" Testimonies for the Church," Vol. VII, page 140.

During the past year the actual value of sales of subscription books and helps from our book department total £18,616–12s. 6d. This is a considerable advance on any previous year's work. For the past five years our reports of subscription books and helps stand as follows:

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|------|------|------|--------|-------|
| 1909 | | | 11,895 | 8 3 |
| 1910 | | | 11,708 | 10 3 |
| 1911 | | | 14,813 | 43 |
| 1912 | | | 16,146 | 79 |
| 1913 | | | 18,616 | 12 6 |

This means that we are selling fiftynine per cent more books to the public than we were selling five years ago, while the percentage of increase in the number of agents is only fourteen. This gives evidence of a higher grade of work done by the men in the field. The average number of colporteurs employed during the year is seventytwo.

The books represented in the sales for last year are as follows:

| Bible Readings | | | 616 |
|-------------------------|-----|-------|--------|
| Christ Our Saviour | | | 196 |
| Christ's Object Lessons | | | 773 |
| Coming King | | | 60 |
| Daniel & Revelation | | | 180 |
| Desire of Ages | | | 839 |
| Eden to Eden | | | 1 |
| Great Controversy | | | 4,284 |
| | | ••• | |
| Heralds of the Morning | | • • • | 3,948 |
| Patriarchs & Prophets | | | 651 |
| Prophetic Waymarks | | | 161 |
| Seer of Patmos | | ••• | . 829 |
| Total religious sub. bo | oks | | 12,538 |
| Home & Health | | | 4 |
| House We Live In | | | 54 |
| Man the Masterpiece | | | 57 |
| | | | |
| Practical Guide | ••• | ••• | 8,079 |
| Total medical sub. boo | ks | ,,, | 8,194 |
| Grand total sub. books | š | | 00 700 |
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In addition to these subscription book sales, we have passed on to the field no less than 22,740 helps of various kinds, making a grand total of 43,472 books, irrespective of trade books and tracts. Of this total. 30,277 are distinctly religious books, and the balance of 13,195 is made up of other kinds. This means that we have sold to the public in Australia 117 of our distinctly denominational books for every working day in the year. It may be interesting to note in this connection that the number of pages of literature containing present truth sold in book form during the

year ending June 30, 1913, is approximately 14,817,785.

But, while we measure our finite efforts by figures of this kind, eternity alone will reveal the infinite results of the work done by our colporteurs.

What has been termed the "Victorian experiment" of placing the subscription book work under the direct control of the publishing house, remains no longer an experiment, as the utility of this arrangment has now been proved. The subscription book summary for 1913 is £6,685 9s. 3d., as compared with £3,242 14s. 6d. for 1911, the last year it was under the direct control of the tract society. This shows an advance of 106 per cent. In her report for that year, the Victorian Tract Society secretary wrote, "During the past year the canvassing work in this conference has been most encouraging," and yet we have been able to more than double

Another advantage of this plan is that the Tract Society Department, being free from the care of the book work, did far more in aggressive lines of missionary work than formerly.

The operation of the Canvassers' Training Home has added materially to the success of the work in Victoria as well as in other fields. At the last Victorian camp-meeting we were able to send five of our best canvassers to other fields; three of these were trained in our school. Since then two others have been sent to work in New South Wales. In this way, we are able to make Victoria a training ground for the whole field, and so in time will build up a strong staff of permanent workers.

To God we give all the praise for the marked success which has attended the work of this department during the year just closed, and to Him we look for wisdom to make even greater advance in the future, and to this end we count on the active co-operation of all the brethren throughout the field.

L. D. A. LEMKE.

"I Tell you, fellow Christians, your love has a broken wing, if it cannot fly across the ocean."

Liquor Misrepresentations

Liquor men are publishing in the papers of New South Wales that "there is not a shadow of evidence that prohibition has reduced drinking, or drunkenness, or crime, or insanity, or poverty, in a single instance, while there is abundant proof that in many places it has really increased each and all of these."

It would be difficult, if not impossible, to state a greater falsehood in the same number of words composing the article from which the foregoing statement is taken. This article is by one who is paid by liquor men to fabricate these lies. He makes this sweeping statement, but gives not a single statistic or fact in proof of his bare assertion. The reason is obvious—there is not a statistic or fact to be adduced in its favour, because there is not a "shadow" of truth in the assertion.

We will notice just one of these particulars, namely: that no-license never reduces crime.

Statistics show that no-license has reduced crime from sixty-two per cent to ninety-five per cent. As the result of closing the liquor bars in the following New Zealand towns, convictions for crime were reduced thus:

| Clutha . | | | | 95% |
|--------------|-------|-------|------|---------|
| Masterton . | | | | 87% |
| Port Chalmer | cs | | | 65% |
| Ashburton | | | | 64% |
| Oamaru | • • • | • • • | | 62% |
| | | | | |
| Average | - | | | 74% |

In other words; for every one hundred persons convicted of crime under license, there were only twenty-six after no-license went into effect.

Here is what men, whose education and experience enable them to speak with authority, give as a percentage of crime caused by the drink traffic.

Average 79 %

Notwithstanding this statement to the contrary, these authorities show that there is from sixty-six per cent to ninety per cent more crime committed when there are open liquor bars. Or to put the other side; the closing of the liquor bar reduces crime in the district from sixty-six per cent to ninety per cent.

During the first six months of nolicense in Masterton, the sittings of the criminal court were reduced from 119 to 39.

The liquor interests are putting hundreds of paid canvassers into the field, who are deceiving voters by these misrepresentations. Beware of these falsehoods. Edwin S. Butz.

Twelve Reasons Why You Should Sell Twelve Copies of the October-November "Life and Health"

- 1. Because "the circulation of our health publications is a most important work. It is a work in which all who believe the special truths for this time should have a living interest," and that means YOU.
- 2. Because "God desires that now, as never before, the minds of the people shall be deeply stirred to investigate the great temperance question, and the principles underlying true health reform," and Life and Health will do this.
- 3. Because "it is impossible to work for the salvation of men and women without presenting to them the need of breaking away from sinful gratifications, which destroy the health, debase the soul, and prevent divine truths from impressing the minds," and this is the special mission of Life and Health.
- 4. Because "the people are in sad need of the light shining from the pages of our health and temperance journals," and they cannot receive it unless you take it to them.
- 5. Because the principles of Life and Health are the right arm of the third angel's message, which will open the door for YOU to follow with other literature.
- 6. Because one of the specific objects in the formation of the missionary campaign was the circulation of the health magazine, and this campaign takes in every man, woman, and child in the denomination, and that INCLUDES YOU.
- 7. Because the article on the cigarette evil may enable you to save many a boy from soul debasement and utter ruin.
- 8. Because this number contains two special articles of immense value to the people at this season—"Diph.

[&]quot;Nor getting the better of another person, but getting the best out of one's self, is success."

[&]quot;In speaking of persons, if you cannot say a pleasant word, say nothing."

theria" and "Cold in the Head." A mere mention of these and the treatments given for them will immediately sell this journal. YOU try it and see.

- 9. Because this number contains specific instruction for father, mother, son, and daughter—every member of the family. They need this life-giving knowledge, but cannot get it without YOUR co-operation.
- 10. Because by so doing you will earn funds to use in further missionary effort.
- 11. Because YOUR EXAMPLE will set others to work. YOU have a RESPONSIBILITY in this direction.
- 12. Because it requires ACTION, and action means life, and life means growth, and growth means strength, and strength means victory, and victory means heaven.

Order one dozen by next mail from your tract society. H. M. B.

Broken Hill

THE Lord has blessed the preaching of the gospel in this desert city. Since the tent has been stored away, meetings have been conducted on Sunday evenings in the Protestant Hall. Classes were held in our home for those who desired baptism, and seventeen candidates were prepared to follow their Lord. Sunday morning, September 14, a number of our people assembled at the public baths to witness the sacred ordinance, when these precious souls were buried in the "likeness of His death and raised to walk in newness of life." was a solemn meeting.

The following Sabbath was a glorious day when eighteen adults were united to the church, and after the right hand of fellowship was extended to them, the ordinances of the Lord's house were celebrated.

A young Englishman who is a draughtsman at the mines, with whom studies have been held for some time past, has just taken his stand for the truth and intends to be baptized later. Others are interested.

The Protestant Alliance Committee invited the writer to conduct the service at their annual gathering. The hall was decorated with blue and white flags and asparagus fern, these being artistically arranged diagonally through the building. After preliminaries, three men walked down the

aisle, one carrying a large open Bible on a velvet cushion, while on either side a man held a drawn sword. Over five hundred people listened attentively to the study revealing the inspiration of the Bible in the four great nations of prophecy, and the work of the Papacy, especially during the 1,260 years of its supremacy. There is a great work yet to be done in this place, and the people are deciding quickly for or against the message, fulfilling the scripture, "For He will finish the work, and cut it short in righteousness: because a short work will the Lord make upon the earth." We thank the Lord for His goodness and power manifested upon human hearts, and hope to triumph with God's people at last.

A. SMART.

A Meeting that will be Remembered

Among the many interesting meetings held during the late council at Wahroonga, none proved more interesting or perhaps more helpful than the devotional service held in the early morning of September 30. Beginning at 6.30, it continued till 9 o'clock, and yet none grew tired or hungry. The heavenly manna came in a bountiful supply.

A Bible study on prayer, conducted by Pastor Fulton, formed the basis of thought, and in it the miraculous power of faith was seen to rest on the Word of God alone, and to act only on the conditions there presented.

Brother Walter Codling, one of our gospel workers, sought relief from a deafness that has for years hindered in his service for the Master. The story was told of a long endeavour to obtain relief from the trouble that earthly physicians had not been able to cure.

The conditions of healing were briefly pictured by the leader—on one side the forgiveness of sins, and on the other the confession of faults one to another. Confessions of every known wrong were freely made by the brethren assembled, and the sweet Spirit of peace and harmony came in until the council chamber became the "house of God, and the gate of heaven."

The anointing with oil was carried out in the name of the Lord, and according to Bible instruction. Many fervent prayers were offered; which, whether fully answered according to the petition or not, brought the soul nearer to God.

It was a time of great blessing and no one present will forget those hours spent in conscious communion with the Divine.

R. HARE.

Obituaries

BRYSON.-It is with deepest regret that we record the death of our late Sister Bryson, who fell asleep at the home of her son, Mr. N. L. Bryson, Percival Road, Stanmore, on the morning of August 14, 1913. Sister Bryson was born at Aberdeen, Scotland, on August 13, 1837, and came to New South Wales in 1853. Of a family of nine, one daughter and seven sons remain to mourn her loss. Sister Bryson used to tell how when a girl going to school, she many times wondered why the first day of the week was observed as the Sabbath instead of the seventh, according to the fourth command-ment. When some years ago her attention was attracted to the subject through reading our literature, she welcomed the light of present truth, and shortly after became a member of the Stanmore Church. many friends and all who had the privilege of knowing our dear sister, can testify to her faithfulness and loyalty to the principles of the message. Her faith in the Saviour, ever firm, seemed to gain strength as the end drew near, and she died with the full assurance of a part in the first resur-rection. Words of sympathy and comfort were spoken by Pastor Butz and the writer at the church and the grave-side. While, with the bereaved, we mourn and miss her, we do not sorrow as those without hope, but look forward to a glad reunion on the resurrection morn.

"Asleep in Jesus! Soon to rise,
When the last trump shall rend the skies;
Then burst the fetters of the tomb,
And wake in full, immortal bloom."

A. W. CORMACK.

McTaggart.—On September 11, from heart disease and dropsy resulting from shock sustained about twelve months previously, Sister Georgina McTaggart passed away. She was a foundation member of the Capel Church of West Australia, accepting present truth under the labour of Pastor Craddock in 1900. Sister McTaggart loved the truth, was a diligent student of the Word, and was always ready to give a reason for the hope that was in her. Though suffering intense pain for about a month before the end came, she did not lose consciousness; her faith never wavered; nor did her love for the truth lessen. The day after she died, she was laid to rest in the little local cemetery: the fact of so large a number of residents being present was a testimony to the respect in which the deceased was held. A sorrowing husband expects to meet her in the first resurrection, and we trust that her four sons, who are industrious, temperate, and respected young men, will come to share the same hope. A short, appropriate service was conducted in the church, and also at the grave-side, by the writer.

R. H. CONSTANDT.

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A NUMBER of reports are held over to make room for the council proceedings.

A SISTER in New South Wales with the help of her two little boys distributed one thousand copies of the Temperance Number of the Signs.

THE Queensland camp-meeting is now in session in Brisbane, while the South Australian meeting convenes the day after the date of our paper.

The late council was characterized by unanimity of thought and action on the part of all who participated in the proceedings. Not a discordant note was sounded throughout the entire meeting.

BROTHER LEMKE returned from the General Conference via Europe in time to attend the greater part of the council. He had some very interesting experiences on his homeward voyage in presenting the truth to his fellow passengers.

THE annual meeting of the New South Wales Conference was held from October 3 to 6, in the Stanmore Church. The same good spirit, so manifest throughout the Union Conference Council, was present also in this meeting.

One of the decisions of the council that gave the greatest satisfaction to those in attendance, and one that we feel sure will cause rejoicing throughout the field, is the one pertaining to the opening of the work in the Solomon Islands, a field hitherto untouched by the message, and one enshrouded in the darkness of heathenism.

At an early morning meeting in the Wahroonga Church, October 3, an impressive service was held, when Brother J. M. Johanson, one of the vice-presidents of the Union Conference, was ordained to the gospel ministry. This service seemed a fitting close to the good council, that was so marked by the presence and working of the Spirit of the Lord.

NEVER in the history of the school work at Avondale, have so many promising young people from this institution been available for service in the harvest field, and never have their services been more needed than at the present time. It was a great satisfaction to the Committee on Distribution of Labour, to have such a large number of young people to draw upon for the home and mission fields.

Pastor G. F. Jones and wife, after years of faithful service in the South Sea Islands and in the East Indies, feeling a burden to pioneer the work in a new field, offered their services for the Solomon Islands, and thus the opening of a mission in this group was made possible at this time. Brother and Sister Jones are now in attendance at the Queensland campmeeting, and after labouring for a time in that conference will proceed to their field of labour.

ONE of the most interesting occasions of the council occurred on the closing day of the meeting, when those in attendance met with the members of the sunitarium family, to notify those who were ready for service of their appointment to positions of usefulness in the home and mission fields. It was truly inspiring to see such a large number of promising young people in training in this institution, and to note the willingness of those at present available, to be used in any capacity or field in need of their services.

A MEMBER and worker in the Methodist Church, recently attended one of our services in the North Sydney Church when Pastor Butz spoke on the subject of temperance. He was so much impressed with the facts presented that he wrote to Pastor Butz expressing his appreciation in the following words: "I make bold to ask if you can supply me with some of those telling statistics you made use of in that wonderful address at the hall

in North Sydney. I do not remember when I have heard a more lucid, and interesting address."

A DAY was spent recently by the students of the college in collecting money for the temperance work. The campaign was unavoidably delayed by the non-arrival of the Signs, and it happened that the Tuesday which was finally appointed was very rainy. But it seemed best not to put it off any longer, so fifty seven students visited the suburbs of Newcastle, and the towns along the line as far as Cessnock. Twenty enthusiastic young men, under Brother Bell's chaperonage, went to Hamilton on Monday evening and slept in the church-school room. This enabled them to get to their respective appointments early, and put in a full day. Although the weather was so inclement, the students were very successful and collected £27 5s. After the fares were paid the net amount is about £20 to be devoted to the furtherance of the great cause of temperance.

An Experience

A SISTER in Victoria, who is nearly seventy years of age, felt that the Lord was calling her to active service. There was no financial need for her to work, but she loved this message, and responded to the call by taking up work with Life and Health. Now she reports as follows:

I liked the work very much, though I was only six weeks canvassing. I lost seven days out of that with wet weather and going from one place to another, so I was twenty-five days canvassing, in which I sold 450 magazines, an average of eighteen per day. I did well the first two weeks, but I worked long hours until my feet swelled with walking. My reports were not as good as I would like them to have been, but the work was new to me and I had nobody to guide me. I made a practice to give myself to the Lord every morning and ask His guidance and help.

What an example age sets us who are younger. Let us all respond to the call of God and take up this work with courage.

Wanted

An active lad, about fifteen years of age, to assist in orchard work and to make himself generally useful. Carr Brothers, Galston, New South Wales.