

# AUSTRALASIAN RECORD



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

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## "Only Wait"

When the spirit, worn and weary,  
Neath its daily load of care,  
Finds the pathway long and dreary,  
And the burden hard to bear,  
Tired with hoping, faint with fearing,  
Sighs to reach the golden gate,  
Then in accents soft and cheering,  
Patience whispers, "Only wait,"  
For a brighter day is dawning,  
Joy awaits us in the morning—  
In the beauty of the morning—  
"Only wait."

O sad hearts, whose soundless sorrow  
Dares not let a murmur fall,  
Only wait and trust the morrow—  
God's great love is over all.  
Only wait, O wounded spirit,  
By the cross of life weighed down;  
Thou shalt surely earth inherit—  
Bear the cross and win the crown;  
For a brighter day is dawning,  
Joy awaits us in the morning—  
In the beauty of the morning—  
"Only wait."

—Selected.

## The Gospel Ministry—No. 3

THE work of the gospel ministry is many-sided in its relation to men. In this study we will take up a number of the varied features made prominent in the Scriptures.

A minister is represented in the Scriptures as an ambassador, a watchman, a soldier, a teacher, and a fisher. All these terms are used to express the character of the work the minister has to do—his relationship to the people to whom he is sent to bear the message of God.

Let us consider, first, the ambassador. The definition is as follows: "An ambassador is one sent by a

king or a state to carry important tidings or to transact affairs of great moment with another prince or state. An ambassador is always the true representative of the monarch or state from which he receives his commission."

That reveals to us a position of dignity, importance, and weight, that we ought to consider. Note what Paul says about this in 2 Cor. 5:20: "Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God."

Ministers of the gospel are ambassadors, not of crowned rulers of this world, but of Jesus Christ, the King of all these kings. They are ambassadors of the kingdom of God, which is to take the place of all these earthly kingdoms, and to stand forever. They come from God with good tidings of salvation to sinful men in the kingdom of darkness here below. They come as representatives of God to transact important business for Him in this sinful world.

Now, when we think of the great care an ambassador must exercise in the country or government to which he is sent, so that he shall not in any way dishonour his sovereign or the people whom he represents, we can realize to some extent the great care we should take in our ambassadorship, not to dishonour in any way our Sovereign and the kingdom which we represent. It is no light affair to be called to this ambassadorship. And when we once surrender to this

call, and give our lives to it, we ought to realize that we have entered upon the highest, the most sacred, and the most dignified calling in this world. We should realize that from that very moment we are under bonds to God. We are not our own. We cannot do as we please. We must gird up the loins of our minds, and deport ourselves as ambassadors of Christ Jesus.

Here are a few points on this question: An ambassador of an earthly kingdom is a messenger. An ambassador of Christ is also a messenger. He represents the Sovereign of the universe; he also represents the people of that Sovereign. By his deportment, his words, and his endeavours of every kind, every Christian minister should, as he comes in contact with men of the world, rightly represent to them the people of God, who have been saved by the gospel of His grace.

An ambassador in this world has prescribed powers. He is subject to recall if he exceeds those powers, and also if he fails to meet them. And is it not just the same in this ambassadorship for Christ? God has prescribed our powers, our duties, our place, and our work. We must neither go beyond them nor fall short of them.

In a state, when a man goes from one country to another as an ambassador, he is supposed to look after the interests of all the people whose country he represents, and they have the right to appeal to him for assistance. If he is careless, or

thoughtless, or regardless of the interests of those people, he is subject to recall, and to be replaced by a man who will appreciate his responsibilities, and look after the interests of those people. So God's people have the right to go to the minister—God's ambassador—for counsel, and help, and protection in various ways; and the true ambassador must give a willing ear to those people, and help them to the extent of his ability. He must look after their interests, denying himself, and abandoning himself to their welfare. If he neglects his duty, and fails to help those who need help, he is subject to retirement by the Lord through his representatives on earth.

Again, a man must not exceed the powers that are conferred upon him. He is to preach the Word; and he must stop with the Word, too. That is one of his duties. When he goes beyond the Word, teaching the people fables, and devoting his service to something outside of the Word, he exceeds his powers, and goes beyond what God has commissioned him to do.

He is to feed the flock of God, taking the oversight of them, but not for filthy lucre. Should the salary become the motive of service, or should he become arbitrary and harsh in his treatment of God's people, he will be subject to reproof and correction. Ministers should realize that they are subject to observation, to instruction, to recall, and to retirement, if they do not meet the demands of God as set forth in His Word. Then how carefully ought Christ's ambassadors to walk every day! How circumspect, pure, and true, should be their lives and service! And this should not be a matter of eye-service, but of faithfulness before the Lord.

The minister is to be a watchman. Perhaps the best statement we have regarding the duties of the minister as a watchman is found in the first nine verses of the thirty-third chapter of Ezekiel.

Here God shows us that when the watchman sees danger coming, he is to warn the wicked in order that they may turn from their sins. If he warns them faithfully, and they refuse to turn away from their sins, they will die in them, but their blood will be upon themselves. On the other hand, if those people die without warning, when God's ministers

might have made known to them the hour in which they were living, and the doom that was hanging over them, they will die in their iniquity; but God will require their blood of His watchmen.

The minister is a soldier. "Thou therefore endure hardness, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ." 2 Tim. 2:3. A soldier of an earthly kingdom is called to fight battles for his sovereign; he is to meet the enemy of his sovereign, vanquish him, and deliver the people from their captivity, their danger, and their peril. Those who are called to the work of the gospel ministry are to join one another under the banner of Prince Immanuel in warfare against the powers of darkness. In that warfare they are to endure hardness, privation, self-sacrifice, hardships, trials, and even death itself; but they are to do this cheerfully, as "good soldiers of Jesus Christ."

The minister is a shepherd. Here we have a different picture presented to us. A shepherd does not go out with a sword to fight, but with his staff, to lead the sheep and lambs into good pastures, to keep them from harm, and to lead them back to the fold at night. The apostle Peter says to the ministers of the gospel: "Feed the flock of God which is among you." 1 Peter 5:1-4. Here is something for the preacher to remember as he goes about visiting the churches. He may not have the privilege of feeding that flock again for a long time. Then how earnestly he should endeavour, by prayer and study, and close association with the members of the flock, to give them just the food they need. He should not go there to deliver some pleasant-sounding essay prepared at some previous time. He should have something fresh and appropriate for them, something that will be meat in due season. This will take careful thought, and study, and close association with the people.

Some ministers seem very careless about this. When they are to preach in a tent in a new place, or in some large hall, they feel that they must make special preparation; but when they go to a little church, where there are only a few of our people, they seem to think it is not necessary to study and pray much, and that almost any kind of sermon will do. But that is a grave mistake. There are souls right there that need help.

They are struggling under temptations and trials, and the same effort should be put forth for that little church as for a large new congregation. The children should receive attention. Some may not have had the best influences thrown around them to draw them to Christ. It may be the Lord has directed you to that place at just the right time to save the young people of that church. If you are living close to God, and have a clear vision to discern what is needed, and an earnest yearning for the salvation of souls, you may be able to win these young people to Christ.

The preacher is a fisher. When Jesus was selecting His disciples, He called some fishermen from their nets, and said to them. "Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men." Matt. 4:19. How different is the manner of the fisherman in his work, from the watchman who goes about blowing his trumpet of warning, and the soldier who goes forth in his armour to battle! You know how careful and quiet one must be in order to catch fish. He must not go about that business with a great blare of trumpets; neither should he jump into the water with a sword to do battle with the fish. The fisherman must work in a calm, quiet, cautious way, or he will catch few fish.

This illustrates very forcibly another side of the work of the gospel minister. While he must at one time sound an alarm, and at another time meet the enemy on the battlefield, he must at other times do the careful, noiseless, unseen work of successful fishing. This is what the apostle Paul meant when he said "Being crafty, I caught you with guile." 2 Cor. 12:16. "I am made all things to all men, that I might by all means save some." 1 Cor. 9:22.

Thus the work of the gospel minister is many-sided, calling for the full consecration of all his powers and talents to the one great end of soul-saving. A. G. DANIELLS.

BRETHREN and sisters who have long claimed to believe the truth, I would ask you, have your practices been in harmony with your light? with your privileges? with the opportunities granted of heaven?

E. G. W.



THE growth of our work in Austria, previous to the outbreak of the war, led to the organization of two new mission fields in that country, the organizations being formed at the time of the Central European Union Conference held in July. "Thus the number of our fields," Elder Conradi writes, "is constantly on the increase."

A RECORD Sabbath-school offering was made one Sabbath during the recent camp-meeting in Michigan, when the sum of £850 was given in cash and pledges for missions. Our people in America, and other countries as well, are greatly stirred over the situation caused by the war in Europe, and funds are flowing into the treasury of the General Conference, to help in this time of need.

IT is really a remarkable report that comes to us from Shanghai, in the word that the August edition of the Chinese *Signs* totals 81,500 copies. "It is the largest edition ever published by us," writes Pastor Shultz, of the Shanghai office. "It is not a special issue, but represents a regular growth and a quickening interest in China in the message of the third angel." We thank the Lord for the gospel seed-sowing being done by the believers in China.

GREATER interest than ever before is being manifested in our tent meetings in various parts of the United States. Our workers write that the tents are being packed every night, from five hundred to one thousand five hundred people being present. On a recent Sunday evening, Brother Prescott spoke on the "Present Crisis," in the tent at Washington, to an audience that filled every available seat, and that stood thickly round outside. Brother Prescott spoke powerfully for over an hour, showing that the end is near, and that we are now in the "loud cry."

BROTHER A. R. Duckworth writes thus of the work in the Malay States:

It is a little over two years since the third angel's message was heralded in Kuala Lumpur, the capital of the Federated Malay States. Progress has been slow but sure.

This is necessarily so for several reasons. With only one or two exceptions, there is no work obtainable where one is exempt from working on the Sabbath. Believers in the message seek employment elsewhere; if unsuccessful, their only alternative is to return to their native country.

Last year two persons were baptized by Pastor Detamore, and three others are awaiting baptism on his return from America. There are evidences of the spirit's working upon the hearts of others, who I hope will surrender before the end of the year. Tracts, papers, books, etc.,—silent messengers of mercy and love, have found their way to many homes, and are doing their work. They are not read here only, but are forwarded from state to state, and even to distant countries.

We have need of workers in the several languages spoken, Chinese, Tamil, Malay, etc. "The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few; Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that He will send forth labourers into His harvest."

A RECENT issue of one of the great daily papers in New York appeared with glaring headlines: "Seventh-day Adventists Have Now Come into Their Own. Things They Have Preached Fifty Years Now Coming to Pass." Then the editor went on to tell how things this denomination have preached are being fulfilled. They have told our workers in New York that they will print anything they like to write upon this matter, as the people want to know about it. This will be the means of placing the truth before the teeming millions of that great city.

AN interesting incident occurred recently in Washington, D.C., and shows how the minds of men and women are being stirred by the present European war. A worker in the General Conference office writes: "Last Sunday morning we noticed a lady on the front verandah talking to one of our sisters. We learned that she had become so agitated over the war news, that she could not rest. Although living in the city, she determined to come right out to Takoma Park to hunt up the Adventists, for she felt confident that we could tell her what these things mean. 'Even the darkest clouds have a silver lining,' writes Pastor Conradi from Europe. 'Men who a few weeks ago would hardly mention the name of God, now turn to Him, and thousands are to-day more susceptible to religion, and more inclined to read religious literature.'"

"It is the truth which is assailed in any age that tests our fidelity."

## British Union Conference

A MORE commodious, comfortable, and convenient place of meeting could hardly have been secured for the largest Union Conference ever held in Great Britain, July 30 to August 4, than the Battersea Town Hall, with its seating capacity of 1,200 in the large hall, its roomy corridors, minor halls, and its ample conveniences. Brother L. R. Conradi, president of the European Division, Brother Raft, president of the Scandinavian Union, Brother Tieche of the Latin Union, and Brother N. Z. Town, the General Conference canvassing agent, were in attendance.

Well nigh four hundred were in attendance at the opening meeting of the Conference proper on Thursday evening at 7.30, when Pastor Conradi preached a stirring discourse on John 1:16, 17.

On Friday evening, Brother Fitzgerald preached a powerful discourse to an audience of 750 people, on the increasing evidences that the sure word of prophecy is not of man but of God.

The Sabbath-school, which opened at ten o'clock on Sabbath morning, had an attendance approaching eight hundred people. Following the study of the lesson, Brother Conradi gave a brief, bright, and inspiring talk on missions. A collection, amounting to £23 6s., was taken for foreign missions. The service that followed was fraught with the power and the presence of God. Brother L. R. Conradi based a long and earnest appeal for deeper individual consecration and searching self-examination on the words: "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto Me." John 12:32.

At three o'clock Sabbath afternoon, the large congregation again assembled for an ordination service. The Spirit of God came very near as the service proceeded. Brother Fitzgerald placed before the candidates and the assembly the responsibilities and privileges of the gospel ministry as set forth in the Word of God. Hands were then laid on Brethren Albert Armstrong, William Maudsley, and L. F. Langford, while Brother Fitzgerald offered prayer on their behalf, remembering also their wives. Brother Conradi read the charge, and Brother Raft, on behalf of the ministry and people, welcomed them

as fellow-workers in the cause of God. Each of these three brethren testified, in turn, to his love of the truth, and his desire to become a faithful and efficient worker in God's cause.



### Young People's Meetings Held at New South Wales Camp-Meeting—No. 2

Tuesday, September 22

IN reviewing the steps that had been taken in our morning studies, Brother Stewart showed that it is God's love to man that brings the sinner to Christ, so that is the first step to draw us to Him. When we see God's love, we see our great need, and repent. After repenting we must confess. Confession is the next step in the ladder which leads to our Saviour. It must be heartfelt. (Ps. 34:18.) It should also be specific and definite. In our confession we should tell the Lord what we have done, or if the wrong has been to an individual, confess the fault to him. (1 Sam. 12:19.) Brother Stewart also showed that the confession should be accompanied by sincere repentance. After confessing we should make restoration. (Ezek. 33:15.) From the verses Gen. 3:12,13, we learned the lesson that confession should be without excuse. "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness," removing our transgression "as far as the east is from the west." He left us with the injunction, "Confess your faults one to another."

This morning our prayer bands increased to a membership of thirty. The leaders who had been appointed were meeting daily with small companies who had gathered together to pray for themselves, and for individuals for whom prayers had been asked. One band met in the early morning before the first meeting. A company of young men met each evening at sunset, and another after the evening meeting.

There were eight bands, and their

reports of blessings received, were most encouraging.

Wednesday, September 23

Pastor Gates, our conference president, was pleased to speak to the young people, and to meet so many of them at the early morning meeting. After reading 1 John 2:14, Brother Gates spoke of the call God has made to the young. God is looking among Seventh-day Adventists for young men whom He can trust with responsibilities. They will need to come to the front to lift the burdens and carry the responsibilities. Those who are now young, must become strong men. They must be able to plan and give counsel. The Word of God abiding in them will make them pure, and will fill them with faith, hope, courage, and devotion. Before the Lord can place these heavy responsibilities upon young men He has to do just as he has done in the past. When the Lord has wanted men who would do His work, He had first to try them and to test them. Pastor Gates' closing thought was that those who were strong among the young men are those in whom the Word of God abideth. Of the 190 present, many testified to the goodness of God.

On Thursday morning, September 24, a general meeting was held in the large tent.

Friday, September 25

"Live out Thy Life within Me" was the prayer expressed in song by the many who gathered for the morning meeting.

Pastor Parker related a story of two men who were arguing, and in conclusion one was asked, "Do you do that?" On learning that he did not do as he had argued should be done, the speaker said, "Well, you had better say nothing." It is just so with the Christian life. We are placed here on trial, and others are watching to see if we live up to what we profess. (1 Cor. 4:9.) Profession and argument mean nothing without a consistent life. Our influence is a mighty factor in leading our associates to God.

A slum worker, when teaching the life of Christ to the children, asked the question, "Who is Christ?" The unexpected reply was given, "He lives in our street, next door to us." This shows how some lives are witnessing day by day for the Saviour.

Faithfulness in little things is the way in which we can witness, for "He that is faithful in that which is least is faithful also in much." The story of the little boy who saved thousands of lives by placing his finger in a leak in one of the dikes of Holland impressed us with the necessity of faithfulness in the smallest duty.

"Obedience—the service and allegiance of love—is the true sign of discipleship." . . . "Instead of releasing man from obedience, it is faith and faith only, that makes us partakers of the grace of Christ which enables us to render obedience." "Steps to Christ," pages 76, 77. Satan meets his defeat when we are obedient to God.

After these and other helpful thoughts had been presented by Pastor Parker, on the "Test of Discipleship," we engaged in a season of prayer, and many earnest petitions ascended to God. Before the meeting closed, 188 persons signified that it was their purpose to yield obedience to God, and place themselves definitely on His side.

Sabbath, September 26

"Overcoming the World" was the subject chosen by Pastor Daniells for his morning talk with the young people. The promise "All things are yours" came to us as the message of the hour. "In Christ all the fullness dwells" so that all things are ours in Jesus. Christ died in our stead. Now we have victory through Him. A man who was placing a wreath on a grave was asked, "Is it for your son that you mourn?" But he answered, "Not my son—myself." This man was the husband and support of his wife and children, and he had been drafted to the war. But a young man in the same town hearing this, offered to take his place for the sake of the dear home ties. The young man who made such a wonderful sacrifice was killed, and now the father considers *himself* dead, for some one died in his stead. Christ fought the battles for us, and it is for us to appropriate to ourselves the gift and sacrifice of Jesus.

God has all the riches of the universe in heaven's depository, and the death of Jesus made it possible for us to present our claim for anything we need. They are ours if we reach out and take them. If we know there is money in a bank here, and we need to have some of it, we simply pass our

cheque over the counter to the clerk and without the shadow of a doubt expect to receive its equivalent. So it is with our spiritual possessions. We must claim the promise, and it is ours.

Faith comes by hearing the Word of God, so if we would increase our faith we must hear or read that Word. We were impressed with the fact that if we would have victory, it must be through the study of the Scriptures, and faith in that Word. Pastor Daniell's closing appeal to the young people was, "Will you endeavour to reach out and claim God's promises?"

Thirty-eight remained for the prayer meeting.

**Monday, September 28**

In the closing young people's meeting Brother Sterling dwelt on the promise found in Ezek. 36:26. "A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you." We were admonished to take God at His word, and believe that He has done what He has promised to do. The Saviour said to the man sick of the palsy "Son, be of good cheer, thy sins are forgiven thee," and this was the message borne home to every heart gathered for this closing meeting. The text given us by Pastor Parker after the praise service, in which so many took part, was 2 Cor. 2:14. "Now thanks be upon God, which always causeth us to triumph in Christ."

Space will not permit our telling of the many victories gained at this camp-meeting, but the encouraging reports of answered prayer were very definite. One young man who had asked prayers for his father, told of a letter he had received telling that this parent had decided to return to the truth and to this people.

Another experience was related by a young man. He had been turned from his home because of the truth, but in answer to prayer a change had taken place, and he received a letter while on the camp-ground to say that he would be welcomed back at any time.

A leader told of a sister who had gained a definite victory before leaving the camp.

On the closing day of camp, forty of these young people went forward in baptism, and many others have planned to be baptized in their home churches in the near future.

E. M. JAMES.



### Studies on Home Missionary Work—No. 2

#### FIFTH MEETING

A NUMBER of forceful extracts were read by Pastor Gates in introducing his remarks upon the important place our literature should occupy in the homes of our people. The books of the Spirit of Prophecy, and the Testimonies and other standard denominational works should be in the library of every Sabbath-keeper, and their contents diligently studied.

The Mohammedans have a literature which is carefully read, and is a strong factor in keeping the Moslems true to their faith. The Roman Catholics have a constant round of services which helps greatly to sustain the enthusiasm of the Papist for his religion. And, in like manner, the constant study of our truth-filled literature will strengthen every pin and pillar of the faith, and help us to guard against false theories.

Furthermore, our tracts and other literature should be carefully read by our people before they circulate them among the people.

Some of the possibilities of the magazine and periodical work in reaching our aim, were presented by Brother A. G. Miller, who showed clearly that the circulation of our periodicals is one of the most effective ways of spreading the message; and the possibilities of this work in reaching our aim are so far-reaching that we cannot comprehend them. Through our periodicals we are brought into touch with many thousands of persons who otherwise might not hear the message; and our two journals, the *Signs of the Times* and *Life and Health*, are proclaiming the third angel's message and the gospel of health to a vast congregation scattered throughout the length and breadth of the land.

#### SIXTH MEETING

The subject of "Soul-Winning by Correspondence" was introduced in a

paper read by Sister Hindson. Missionary correspondence opens up many avenues by which we may pass on to others the great light that we have received.

Our relatives—those nearest by the ties of nature—should receive our first attention, and by the exercise of care and tact, an interest may be awakened.

For some time one of the officers of our church at Wabroonga has been writing to his sister and her husband on the Isle of Man. Just recently letters have been received from them, stating that both the husband and wife are keeping the Sabbath. So far as they know there is not another Sabbath-keeper on the Isle of Man. This is just one result of sending literature with correspondence to relatives, that has come under our immediate notice within the past few weeks.

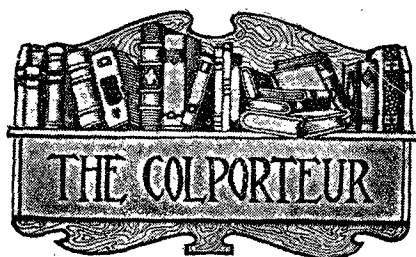
All have friends who appreciate a letter and the kindly interest prompting the writing of it, and there are also many acquaintances and persons whom we meet while travelling, that may be won by a little persistent effort and friendly correspondence, accompanied by literature. Our business correspondence often affords an opportunity to drop a word or enclose a leaflet on some live topic.

Scattered over a vast extent of territory, and far removed from the great centres of commercial and social life, are thousands of souls to whom we owe a debt. Missionary correspondence affords an excellent opportunity for reaching these homes with the message. Many of these isolated ones possess copies of our books, which have been placed in their homes by our colporteurs; but this is not sufficient, and there is need of earnest co-operation on the part of the missionary worker at home, that an interest may be awakened in the literature. Thus a strong link will be forged between the colporteur in the field and the missionary worker at home.

With so many evidences of fulfilling prophecy on every hand, there never was a time so favourable as now for soul-winning by correspondence.

After the presentation of the paper, a number spoke of the good results achieved by this important line of missionary activity. Thus closed a very interesting and instructive series of meetings.

J. P. GREGORY.



## Monthly Summary of Australasian Canvassing Work

### New Zealand

SEPTEMBER, 1914

<i>Heralds of the Morning—</i>	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
S. L. Hoopes ...	60	44	£34 5 0
Miss F. Knowles ...	45	27	17 14 6
J. Pascoe ...	69	34	23 11 6
C. J. Reynolds ...	71	55	26 13 6
R. H. Tutty ...	53	5	2 18 6
B. Waldrom ...	73	36	26 5 6
<i>Practical Guide to Health—</i>			
A. Cambie ...	38	21	21 0 0
L. W. Jones ...	113	51	52 10 0
L. Staples ...	172	55	44 2 6
<i>Great Controversy—</i>			
L. Frazer ...	169	24	17 17 6
G. R. Tasker ...	145	31	21 10 0
R. H. Tutty ...	37	3	2 4 6
F. N. Smith ...	84	48	34 1 6
<i>Family Bible—</i>			
B. Waldrom ...		1	2 15 0
Helps sold by Agents ...			3 6 6
	1129	415	£330 16 0

### Victoria and Tasmania

SEPTEMBER, 1914

<i>Heralds of the Morning—</i>	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
Miss M. Armstrong ...	6	6	£ 2 15 0
A. Robinson ...	27	27	14 5 6
M. Wilson ...	44	10	5 15 0
<i>Prophetic Waymarks—</i>			
E. M. Jeffery ...	93	11	7 8 0
H. Jewiss ...	89	3	2 9 6
L. G. Sedly ...	91	23	15 18 6
F. P. Ward ...	107	16	10 15 6
R. W. Darbo ...	32	3	2 9 6
G. S. Joseph ...	33	5	4 1 0
<i>Practical Guide to Health—</i>			
R. A. E. Anderson ...	22	7	4 7 6
Miss L. Fehlberg ...	86	27	17 12 6
W. Gilson ...	59	19	13 7 6
Miss A. S. Griffiths ...		1	12 6
C. Hallam ...	118	30	23 5 0
Miss N. Holgate ...	37	13	9 12 6
P. Lloyd ...	63	20	12 10 0
C. A. W. McGowan ...	84	30	22 2 6
G. McLaren ...	32	10	7 0 0
Miss G. Pascoe ...	23	3	1 17 6
Miss D. I. Quodril ...	103	20	13 12 6
O. G. Russell ...	31	1	1 0 0
J. L. Smith ...	87	29	18 17 6
F. W. Vicary ...	27	8	7 5 0
Mrs. A. Vicary ...	20	10	7 0 0
G. Webb ...	38	10	7 0 0
<i>Great Controversy—</i>			
H. Swain ...	23	12	8 19 0
Helps sold by Agents ...			13 13 6
	1380	354	£255 12 6

### South Australia

SEPTEMBER, 1914

<i>Great Controversy—</i>	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
Miss Bennetto ...	29	6	£ 4 2 0
<i>Bible Readings—</i>			
Mrs. E. Penniment ...	20	5	3 17 0
E. Penniment ...	39	6	4 2 0
Helps sold by Agents ...			2 14 9
	88	17	£14 15 9

### New South Wales

SEPTEMBER, 1914

<i>Heralds of the Morning—</i>	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
D. Abel ...	84	32	£19 10 0
C. H. Davis ...	23	9	4 16 6
J. W. Davis ...	19	5	2 14 6
C. L. Rowland ...	21	23	12 13 6
<i>Practical Guide to Health—</i>			
L. W. N. Byrne ...	26	2	2 0 0
R. A. Caldwell ...	33	4	3 12 6
F. Hedges ...	40	4	4 15 0
A. M. Potter ...	67	21	13 15 0
H. G. Rowland ...	58	6	4 10 0
A. S. Wilson ...	22	8	7 5 0
Helps sold by Agents ...			3 6 4
	393	114	£83 18 4

### Queensland

JULY, 1914

<i>Heralds of the Morning—</i>	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
E. C. Watts ...	208	47	£31 2 6
G. H. Bartlett ...	196	55	34 19 6
C. M. Lee ...	100½	24	16 8 6
Mrs. Macleay ...	44	4	3 15 0
F. F. Lee ...	28	11	7 5 0
Miss Lee ...	46½	21	14 2 6
<i>Practical Guide to Health—</i>			
G. S. Joseph ...	43	15	18 7 6
J. Tinworth ...	32	8	9 17 6
Mrs. Macleay ...	44	22	22 0 0
A. E. Hodgkinson ...	25	4	4 0 0
A. T. Start ...	18	18	15 0 0
<i>Prophetic Waymarks—</i>			
W. J. Joseph ...	104	42	33 18 0
<i>Desire of Ages—</i>			
Mrs. Newley ...	130	38	31 17 6
<i>Patriarchs and Prophets—</i>			
A. T. Start ...	164	57	44 17 0
Helps sold by Agents ...			8 6 9
	1164½	366	299 12 3

AUGUST, 1914

<i>Practical Guide to Health—</i>	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
A. T. Start ...		8	£ 8 0 0
<i>Heralds of the Morning—</i>			
F. F. Lee ...	27½	10	7 0 0
E. C. Watts ...	56	1	12 6
G. H. Bartlett ...	33	8	5 0 0
<i>Patriarchs and Prophets—</i>			
A. T. Start ...	133	19	14 18 0
Helps sold by agents ...			1 6 0
	248½	46	36 16 6

SEPTEMBER, 1914

<i>Practical Guide to Health—</i>	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
Mrs. Macleay ...	61½	12	£12 7 6
A. T. Start ...		9	9 0 0
J. Tinworth ...	49	11	12 10 0
<i>Desire of Ages—</i>			
Mrs. K. M. Newley ...	168	21	18 7 6
<i>Heralds of the Morning—</i>			
W. Keitley ...	112½	21	14 10 0
F. F. Lee ...	216	55	38 3 6
Miss A. E. Lee ...	95	22	14 4 6
C. M. Lee ...	166	47	32 5 0
G. H. Bartlett ...	134	35	22 2 6
Mrs. Macleay ...		2	1 5 0
J. W. Koper ...	203	69	45 15 0
W. A. Thorpe ...	137½	18	11 11 0
E. C. Watts ...	170½	53	37 17 0
Miss Wright ...	8	4	1 18 0
G. Wells ...		2	1 5 0
<i>Patriarchs and Prophets—</i>			
A. T. Start ...	185	79	60 17 0
Helps sold by Agents ...			16 19 9
	1706	460	£350 18 3

### Totals for September, 1914

	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
New South Wales ...	393	114	£83 18 4
New Zealand ...	1129	415	330 16 0
Victoria and Tasmania ...	1380	354	255 12 6
South Australia ...	88	17	14 15 9
Queensland (July, August, and September)	3119½	872	687 7 0
	6109½	1772	£1372 9 7

### Good Meetings in Victoria

PASTOR DANIELLS finished his work in Victoria on Wednesday, October 21, on the afternoon of which day he and Mrs. Daniells left for Adelaide. The writer had the privilege of being with Pastor Daniells in his closing efforts in Melbourne and Warburton.

The meetings on Sabbath and Sunday, October 17 and 18, were held in the Temperance Hall, Melbourne, and we had an excellent attendance and a profitable meeting. On Sabbath afternoon, in connection with the young people's meeting, which was largely attended by both old and young, a revival meeting was held, with excellent results, large numbers of our young people taking a stand for God. Among these was a large number of children.

In Melbourne there is a large number of fine young people. We long to see them more definitely connected with this last great work.

On Sunday we had a good attendance of the outside public, especially at the evening meeting, when Brother Daniells spoke on the "Eastern Question." This was presented with great clearness, and we believe that impressions for good were made.

Two meetings were held in Warburton, one in our church, and the other in a large hall in the township. We had a good attendance here also, and the outside public spoke of how much they appreciated Pastor Daniells' address. While in Warburton, we had the benefit of Pastor Daniells' counsel in connection with our Home Missionary Department. After due deliberation, it was voted unanimously to recommend both the Victoria-Tasmania and the New South Wales Conferences to take over the subscription book business which the Signs Publishing Company has been operating during the past year in New South Wales, and during the last three years in Victoria. Brother Daniells set before us in his counsels at Warburton, and later in a meeting

held with the workers in the conference office at Melbourne, just before he left, the great work to be done by our churches in the distribution of our literature, and it was pointed out that we have certainly come to the time when there should be a great revival in this work. To accomplish the task set before us, all our ministers and Bible workers were urged to lead out in this soul-winning effort. God has placed a great wealth of literature in our hands, and we have come to the time when our message-filled literature is to be distributed far and wide.

We feel certain that God's people have benefited greatly by Pastor Daniells' visit in Victoria, and all will remember him in their prayers as he goes on his mission to far-off lands.

J. E. FULTON.

### Two New Books for Your Library

OUR Publishing Department has just issued two new volumes which should be in the home of every Seventh-day Adventist.

#### A SOLEMN APPEAL

This book is from the pen of Sister White, and is written especially for mothers. It deals fully with the important subject of social purity. We quote the following extract from the preface:

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#### THE BEACON LIGHT

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We walk among our fellow-men and hear them speak of the Bible—sometimes in words of personal esteem, sometimes in words of bitter criticism, and sometimes in words of earnest inquiry concerning the origin and history of that Book. Such questions as these are often asked: How was the Bible written? How do you know it is inspired? Is it a true revelation? How did we get that book, and who were its writers? These simple questions the author

answers in the simplest way, believing that when these are answered and the Bible accepted as the Book of God, all the other perplexing questions that atheism and infidelity would suggest need not require attention.

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### "Signs of the Times"

#### War Special

THERE never has come to us a more favourable opportunity than the present for bringing prominently before the people the truths concerning the Lord's second coming. The work of the past years has convinced many thousands that Adventists have important light on the prophecies. These are turning to us in this present solemn crisis with the anxious inquiry, What of the night? So closely does the present war resemble the battle in which "the kings of the earth and of the whole world" will meet at the end of the world, that it is no marvel people are asking, Is it Armageddon?

This war has already drawn in nations whose populations aggregate upwards of 725,000,000 of people, which is well on toward half the world's population. Armageddon, when it comes, cannot much more than double the nations and armies involved. This is a precursor of that greater struggle so soon to burst on the world. How thankful we should be that as the people come to us with anxious inquiry we may still speak to them in the terms of the "everlasting gospel." If it were Armageddon we would no longer have a message of mercy and peace for men. Therefore, we should now the more earnestly beseech men to be reconciled to God.

A special war number of the *Signs of the Times* will be issued, by which we hope to tell the people the true meaning of the present struggle. This special will be dated November 2, 1914. The following outline will give some idea as to its contents:

*The Conflagration in Europe.*—An outline of the course of events leading up to the war.

*Is this War Armageddon?*—Definition of Armageddon. Armageddon

the last of all wars. Who will participate in it? What circumstances will lead up to Armageddon? A comparison between the present war and Armageddon. Is Armageddon far off? What will follow Armageddon?

*Will Universal Peace Succeed the Present War?*—The articles in the section on "Armageddon" have been written by Pastor A. G. Daniells, and by Pastor A. W. Anderson, the editor of the *Signs*. The other sections are being furnished by special contributors.

The circulation of this issue of the *Signs* will be limited only by the amount of time and effort our people are able to put into it. Nothing sells so readily as a "War Special." Let us take advantage of this situation to bring the truth prominently before many people.

The papers will be furnished to church members at ninepence a dozen. We trust that each believer in every church will promptly order a liberal supply through the missionary secretary. Here is an opportunity, too, for our young people's secretaries to help forward a good work. We hope many will be led to love the present truth as a result of this effort.

W. W. FLETCHER, *Home Missionary and Missionary Volunteer Secretary*.

### Obituary

TREWIN.—Sister Trewin, aged eighty-five, fell asleep in Jesus at her daughter's home, Newmarket, Brisbane, October 5, 1914. Worn with years, our sister gradually and peacefully sank into the valley of the shadows. Just before her death she gave expression to a beautiful trust in her Saviour in the following words: "Christ is my portion, my protector, my all and in all." Sister Trewin, with her daughter, Sister Rex, embraced the fullness of the glorious gospel about seventeen years ago under the ministrations of Pastor Pallant, in Bulimba. It can be truly said of her, "Faithful till death." Her quiet, consistent, godly life was refreshing to all who associated with her. We laid her to rest in the Bulimba Cemetery, till that day when the tear-stained sod will be penetrated by the trumpet-toned voice of the Son of God, calling His slumbering saints to a land where there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, nor any more pain; for these former things of sin will have forever passed away. Relatives, church members, and friends, gathered by the grave-side to pay the last tribute of respect to a loving mother, a bright fellow-Christian, and a sincere friend. The glorious hope of the resurrection morn was the theme of the burial service.

J. W. KENT.

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WHEN your copy of the RECORD 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.

BROTHER T. ESCREET and wife left for Western Australia on October 21, where they will spend an extended vacation with friends and relatives. Brother and Sister Escreet have for a long time been connected with the Australasian Missionary College, and it is a number of years since they last visited their home folk in the West.

SISTER M. E. LEARNED sailed for the United States by the *Ventura*, on October 24. She is returning to the home of her parents in Southern California. Sister Learned has been in this field for about sixteen years, during which time she has occupied positions of responsibility in the offices of several of our state conferences.

AS most of our workers were in attendance at our Union Conference, and many have not had time to return to their fields, there is a scarcity of reports for our paper, both from mission fields and the home field. We are therefore improving this opportunity to publish some of the good matter presented at our Union Conference. We trust that this will be of interest to all.

FROM the office of the *Bible Training School* we have received advance sample sheets of a new book entitled, "The Cross and Its Shadow." This Volume is from the pen of Pastor S. N. Haskell, and is on the sanctuary question. The book is the result of sixty years earnest study of the priesthood and the work of Christ for a lost race. The work is a comprehensive one of about four hundred pages, and over seventeen hundred texts are referred to and explained.

BY the latest American mail we have received a copy of the War Extra of the *Review and Herald*. This contains four extra large pages dealing with the present European conflict, and is issued at a low price in order that it may be largely used for free distribution. The orders for this special mark a record in the circulation of any one issue of our periodicals, over a million copies having been requisitioned.

FROM the British publishing house we have received a copy of a tract entitled, "Armageddon," containing sixteen large pages of live matter upon the international crisis. Thousands of copies are being circulated, and the proceeds are being devoted to the relief fund for the assistance of our people in Europe who have been affected by the war. We hope that the circulation of the War Special of the *Signs* will be entered upon as heartily as this work is being done in other countries. Read carefully Brother Fletcher's article on the preceding page.

THE following extract is from a letter just received from Sister Geiss, and was written from England on September 4: "We are full of thanksgiving for God's great mercy in keeping us in peace of mind in the midst of all this war. Now in the time of this upheaval I am more than ever thankful that God led me in time of peace to invest what I had in our Conference work, and to get rid of any jewellery and other needless possessions I had so that the money could be in the Lord's cause. I wish we could impress upon our people what the Scriptures and the Spirit of Prophecy say about the time coming when people will long to help with their money, and it will be too late. Cheques were practically valueless during the first week of the war; and if that is the case in these days, what will it be later?"

FOUR tents are being placed in the field this season, in the New South Wales Conference, one being at North Sydney, near the site of the recent camp-meeting. Pastor White is in charge, assisted by Brother and Sister Marriott, Brother Knight, Sister Sybil Read, and Sister Clara J. Brown. Pastor C. A. Paap has charge of the tent at Tamworth, assisted by Brethren R. Salton and M. Connell and Sister A. E. White. An-

other tent will be located at Dungog, in charge of Pastor Smart, with Brother A. G. Wise, a graduate nurse from the sanitarium, and Sister M. Caro as assistants. Another tent is situated in Broadmeadows, near Newcastle. Pastor Brittain, Brother G. Robinson, and Sister Hawkins are the labourers in that district. Brother F. L. Sharp will for a time continue the work begun in Bathurst by Brother Marriott. Sister I. Robertson, and Sisters H. R. and A. E. Pearce will labour in the vicinity of Sydney.

BROTHER and Sister Thorpe of Tonga, write as follows:

We feel encouraged about our work here, even though there is nothing to boast of. Three others are nearly ready for baptism, for which we thank God, and take courage. One of these is a young chief about twenty-three years of age, who stands very high among the chiefs. He gave his heart to God as a result of Mr. Thorpe's labours, and very much desires to come and live with us. Our girls are doing well, and our baptized male member is paying his tithe and showing a good spirit.

We had several men-o'-war here about five or six weeks after the war broke out, so until that time we were in perfect ignorance of what was taking place. Some newspapers recently came to hand from Nukualofa, and we have been devouring war news all day.

This war means additional trouble in the world. We have felt impressed that the end is very near, and we must get ready and be ready for the end. Our girls have been much impressed with this thought; so have the boys. Our meetings are better attended than before.

Pray for us. Satan contests every inch of the ground we gain here, and our young people have many temptations peculiar to their environment. Thus far we have no old people who are interested. Our greatest hope is in the young men and women.

I must add before I close that the Lord has been very near to us all, and we have been kept in health. The Lord has supplied our needs, for which we are thankful. We realize the need of entire dependence upon God in these troublous times.

"SHALL we, as we look upon the tombs of our missionaries, say that Christ's cause is dead?"

"THE more we know of the world, the more doubtfully we ask, 'Can such a world be saved?' And the more we know of Christian nations, the more incredulously we ask, 'Can these be the saviours?' . . . But the more we know of Christ's cross for ourselves, the less we can believe that anything is beyond its power, or any soul outside its destined range."