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What Then?

WHAT then? Why then another pilgrim song:
And then a hush of rest divinely granted;
And then a thirsty stage (ah me so long!)
And then a brook, just when it most is wanted.

What then? The pitching of the evening tent;
And then, perchance a pillow rough and thorny;
And then some sweet and tender message sent,
To cheer the faint one for tomorrow's journey.

What then? The wailing of the midnight wind,
A feverish sleep; a heart opprest and aching;
And then a little water cruse to find
Close by my pillow, ready for my waking.

What then? I am not careful to inquire;
I know there will be tears, and fears, and sorrow;
And then a loving Saviour drawing nigher,
And saying, "I will answer for the morrow."

What then? For all my sins His pardoning grace,
For all my wants and woes His loving kindness;
For darkest shades the shining of God's face;
And Christ's own hand to lead me in my blindness.

—Selected.

The Personal Element in Salvation

YOU cannot have your house lighted with electricity simply by glancing at the central power station, or by noting how brilliantly your neighbours' houses are illuminated by its current. To get the light into your home, your house must be connected with the line; and wherever you want a light, there must be an indi-

vidual connection between each globe and the line. Likewise, if you want light in your soul, you must come into personal contact with Jesus, who is the Light of the world.

It is not enough merely to look at John 3 : 16, and say, "Isn't it wonderful how God loved the world!" The blessing will not come merely by giving assent to the statement that Jesus loved us, and gave Himself for us. Salvation comes into the soul when we make a personal application of His saving grace to our own case, and say with Paul, He "loved me, and gave Himself for me." Galatians 2 : 20. Not only must I believe that He loved the world and that He loved the church, but I must know that He loves me. I must appropriate His love to me as an individual.

The Personal Message

How personal is Paul's message—I am the one He loved! Every soul in the world can say this. Leave Paul out of the text when you read it; for while the words were spoken by the apostle, they were no more true of him than of any other person. They are the words that the Spirit puts into our mouth, if we will but receive them.

The whole gift of Christ is for each individual. Every soul gets the whole of Him, just the same as if there were not another person in the world. While there are millions of people for the sun to shine upon, yet that does not make its light any the less for me. I get the full benefit of it, and could not get more if I were the only person in the world. It shines for me. So Jesus gave Himself for me, the same as if I were the only sinner in the world; and the same is true of every other sinner. I must make a personal application of the Saviour to my individual case. "This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to

save sinners; of whom I am chief." I Timothy 1 : 15.

Christ and the Woman

Many souls miss the blessing the Lord has for them by failing to take Jesus as their personal Saviour and Friend. On one occasion, when Jesus was in the midst of a large throng of people, a certain woman, unnoticed by any of the multitude as they pressed about the Saviour, touched the hem of His garment. Immediately her disease of twelve years' standing was healed. Then Jesus asked, "Who touched Me?" The disciples thought it very strange that Jesus should ask such a question. They said, "Master, with all these people crowding and pressing around You on every side, why do You say, 'Who touched Me?'"

Right here we should learn a lesson on the importance of the acceptance of a personal Saviour. While there were scores of people in the throng just as close to Him as this poor woman, and persons were brushing against Him on every side, yet His healing virtue went out only to this one woman, who touched the border of His robe. Why were not the others blessed?—Ah! the difference came in the touch. There was a general touch without any personal application to their needs. Hers was a personal touch accompanied by a personal faith in His ability to supply her individual needs. Hence the Saviour said, "Daughter, be of good comfort; thy faith hath made thee whole." Such is the difference between believing about Christ, and in accepting Him as a personal Saviour.

The Saviour deals with us as individuals. He knows His sheep. (John 10 : 27.) He knows all about us—our names, our business, where we live, in fact all the circumstances that surround our lives. He understands all the feelings and longings of our hearts. The relations between Jesus and each one of His followers is as distinct and personal

as though that one was the only person in all the world.

We Must Receive Him

We must always remember that the only faith that will benefit us is that which embraces Him as a personal Saviour. It is not sufficient to believe about Christ, we must *receive* Him. "As many as received Him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on His name." John 1:12.

When we read the Bible, we should regard it as the voice of God to us individually, just as though we heard Him speaking directly to us. When we thus appropriate its promises to our individual needs, great blessings will flow into our souls. We must put our names into the text if we wish to receive the help that we need.

An ungodly sea captain lay dying in his cabin in mid-ocean. Death stared him in the face. He shrank back in the presence of the "king of terrors." The dread of being unprepared for eternity made his soul tremble within him.

Captain Coutts and the Boy

Captain Coutts sent for his first mate, and asked him to pray for him. But Williams, the first mate, replied that he would gladly pray for him if he could, but that he was not a praying man, and so he could not pray.

"Well, then bring a Bible and read me a bit, for my rope is about run out," was the dying man's next request. But the mate replied that he had no Bible. Then the captain sent for Thomas, the second mate, to pray and read the Bible to him. But Thomas replied that he would gladly do it to oblige the captain if he could, but he had not prayed since he was a lad, and he had no Bible.

Then they searched the ship over for a man who could pray, but they searched in vain; and they searched for a Bible, but one could not be found, until one of the sailors told the captain he had seen a book that looked like a Bible in the hands of the cook's boy, a little fellow named Willie Platt.

"Send at once," said Captain Coutts, "to see if the boy has a Bible." The sailor hurried off to the boy and said to him, "Sonny, have you a Bible?" "Yes, sir, but I only read it in my own time."

"Oh, that is all right, my lad; take the Bible and go to the captain's cabin. He is very sick and wants a Bible. He thinks he is going to die."

Away went Willie Platt with his Bible to the captain's cabin. "Have you a Bible, my boy?" "Yes, captain." "Then sit down and find something in it that will help me, for I am afraid I am going

to die. Find something about God's having mercy on a sinner like me, and read it to me."

The Chapter He Had Learned

Poor boy! he did not know where to read. But he remembered that his mother had made him read the fifty-third chapter of Isaiah just before he left home for that voyage. Willie turned to that blessed chapter which so fully sets forth the love and mercy of the Lord Jesus Christ in dying for poor sinners such as John Coutts, and commenced to read. When Willie got to the fifth verse,—"He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon Him; and with His stripes we are healed,"—the captain, who was listening for his very life, realizing that he was surely having his last chance of being saved, said: "Stop, my lad! That sounds like it; read it again."

Once more the boy read over the blessed words: "He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon Him; and with His stripes we are healed."

"Aye, my lad, that's good—that's it, sure."

These words from the captain encouraged Willie, and he said: "Captain, when I was reading that verse at home, mother had me put my name in it. May I put it in now, just where mother told me?"

"Certainly, sonny; put your name in just where your mother told you, and read it again."

Reverently and slowly the boy read the verse: "He—Jesus—was wounded for Willie Platt's transgressions, He was bruised for Willie Platt's iniquities: the chastisement of Willie Platt's peace was upon Him; and with His stripes Willie Platt is healed."

When Willie had finished, the captain was halfway over the side of his bed, reaching toward the lad, and saying, "My boy, put your captain's name, John Coutts, in the verse, and read it again."

Then the lad slowly read the verse again: "He was wounded for John Coutts' transgressions, He was bruised for John Coutts' iniquities: the chastisement of John Coutts' peace was upon Him; and with His stripes John Coutts is healed."

When the boy had finished, the captain said, "That will do, my lad; you may go now." Then the captain lay back on his pillow and repeated over and over again those precious words of Isaiah 53: 5, putting in his own name each time.

And as he did so, the joy and peace of heaven filled his soul. He had "received Him."

J. L. SHULER.

Word from the Tamil Field in South India

It is now a little over twelve months since I left Australia to connect with the work in South India. Most of that time has been spent in language study in preparation for work among the Tamil people.

There are about 16,000,000 Tamil-speaking people in South India. These, we are told, are more easily reached by Christianity than any other people of India. It is said that there are more Tamil Christians than in all the other language areas combined.

Their heathen worship manifests itself in various forms in different places, making it difficult to describe to European minds outside of India. But the fundamental principles of their worship are summed up in their dreadful fear of evil agencies attacking them at all times. Thus their religion is essentially one of superstition and fear, associated with some of the vilest practices conceivable.

As one travels by train, the village gods of South India are seen all along the journey; in some places life-size images of horses are under the village trees, in others tiny temples containing a single stone, painted and garlanded with flowers and a lamp kept burning before it. In still other places the temples are large and with towers and pillars gilded with gold.

In a temple not far from our home is a large stone image of a bull, upon which the worshippers pour quantities of oil and throw bright-coloured flowers.

In Bangalore, between our home and the bazaar, are numerous temples—one for tailors, another for shopkeepers and one for each of the different trades and castes. The social life of the people is very degraded by their association with these different modes of worship.

Another feature which makes it difficult for the missionary to reach the people is the caste system, though there is now a growing disregard throughout the country for the observance of caste rules. The people, the lower castes especially, are reaching out for education which gives them courage and self-reliance and enables them to gain an equal footing with the higher castes. In the Mysore government alone, which is purely a native state, 50 per cent of the employees are non-Brahmins. This reveals a wonderful improvement in the education of the lower classes. Thus a democratic spirit which demands equal rights to all men is slowly but surely being implanted in the minds of all. This in itself makes it much easier for the ideas of Christianity to enter their minds.

South India is divided into several language areas—Tamil, Malayalam, Telugu, and Kanarese. We have one European family working in each of these divisions, with the exception of Kanarese. When you realize that in one language area alone there are twenty-five million people, then it gives you some conception of the great need of workers in this field. Yet, notwithstanding the tremendous task

before us, there are many signs of progress.

Mrs. Crammond has been in charge of the South India Girls' Training School for eighteen months. During this time we have had many good and yet varied experiences. We have lived in the school compound and so been brought in daily contact with the inner life of these girls, and have been much encouraged to see the improvement the gospel makes in their lives. Not only do they believe the truths we teach, but they conscientiously study to prepare themselves to work among their own peoples.

A few months ago it was decided in the council at Poona to send us to open up work in Pondicherry, consequently the Girls' School has been transferred to Nazareth, where it will be controlled by our Tamil workers. It is our chief aim, after teaching the message, to train Indian workers to bear burdens and responsibilities.

Pondicherry is a French settlement of about twenty-five square miles, on the east coast of India, south of Madras. It is a Roman Catholic stronghold and we are told there is a law which prohibits public gatherings of more than twenty people. So we see there are difficulties in the way, but we are fully confident that God can make ways and means of bringing the truth to these people.

As we go to this new field we hope the prayers of God's people in the homeland will follow us.

J. J. CRAMMOND.

Bangalore, South India.

Word from Niue

THE time of being disconnected from other parts of the world has, we hope, ended for this year. A week ago "sail ho" was heard from many voices and soon a little vessel from Samoa anchored in our small bay. This little ship brought two nurses, and a trader and his family, also a large mail,—accumulation of four months.

We are glad to hear again of the things that are taking place in the world, more than ever these things show that we are living very, very near to the end of all things, and to the coming of our Lord and Saviour.

We rejoice to know of the progress of the work in all parts, but it makes us sad that so many from the mission fields have had to return to the homeland on account of failing health.

When we see the need there is for workers to carry the message, and money to help forward the work, and hear that the Union Conference is having such a hard time to find the means to keep the work going forward, how fervently our prayers should ascend to the Lord of the harvest that soon the great need for men and means may be supplied.

In this little land we are making some forward movements to try to win some souls for the Master. Seeing the great need for helping the people at Fialeuta, a little village ten miles from here, where Pastor Carr started work and which we have been carrying forward since, we said we would open a school to help them. Seven or eight said they would come. On the day of opening we enrolled about a dozen names, and after about four times

of holding the school we had fifty names on the roll. Then one day when I went up to start school I was told to cut off all the names except about a dozen. I found that the authorities of the church had stepped in and said the children and young people were not to come to the *Aoga he Aho Fitu* (School of the Seventh-day). These people have a great dread of having their names cut off from the established church here, and that is usually the threat that is held out when they start to go to something else not in accordance with the ideas of the church. At the present time the roll stands at twenty-four, who have dared to stand the ridicule and wrath of the church people. These are coming along fairly regularly, so I trust in time we may build up a nice school.

At the present time I am only able to hold the school two days in the week. We long to have some one that we could place at this little village who could hold the school regularly every day, and do other work in this village and several others that are near by. Will not some

**"We are coming to a crisis which, more than any previous time since the world began, will demand the entire consecration of every one who has named the name of Christ."—
 "Gospel Workers," p. 323.**

one step out and help us in this good work?

There has been a good increase in our Sabbath-school numbers, especially in our Sabbath school here in Alofi. Most of these are children, but we trust as these little ones learn the words of Jesus they may carry some crumbs home to their parents that will awaken an interest in their hearts to know more of the truth these little ones are learning.

There have been a few inquiries regarding the truth and our work, also requests for more literature. We trust that these evidences of the working of God's Spirit may grow and develop so that at last we may see some standing firmly for the truth in Niue.

The great desire for excitement and pleasure that is in the world today is just as marked here as in any land, and on every small pretext there must be a *fiafia* (gathering for pleasure) or a cricket match, in which the white residents usually join. Of course these are accompanied by the customary feast, with as much excitement as possible attending it. These things naturally lessen any desire to seek after the true things of God.

The little ship that brought our mail, took away our commissioner, Mr. Evison and his daughter, whom we are very sorry to lose, as he was a good man for the place and always manifested a friendly spirit toward our work.

Though disappointment and trials may come in, yet we feel sure that at last the work will triumph and soon we shall see our Saviour coming in the clouds of heaven.

We would ask an interest in your prayers that we may at last triumph with the message with many dear souls from the land of Niue.

E. J. GIBLETT.

Asking and Receiving

THE silver and the gold which belong to God and which He has put into the hands of men to be used wisely and for His glory is by many in these last days being put to a wrong use. Instead of recognizing the true and living God they are using the silver and gold as idols of worship of which the Lord says "when He ariseth to shake terribly the earth, . . . a man shall cast his idols of silver, and his idols of gold, which they made each one for himself to worship, to the moles and to the bats." Isa. 2:19, 20. But just before this takes place, while God's message is sounding through the earth, some of the wealth will come to God's people. Isa. 60:5. But it will not come unless God's people ask for it. This is in harmony with what the Lord has told us. "Ask and ye SHALL receive." This statement has been verified to me as I have endeavoured as far as my health and strength would allow, to have a part in the Appeal for Missions campaign.

One gentleman in particular to whom I had loaned several of our truth-laden books I waited upon for a donation. He replied that he was giving to his church. I asked him if he could not spare me a little. He said, "Well you have been good to me and I will give you half a guinea." As he was not at home when I met him, he told me to call at his home and he would give it to me, or leave it for me. The following day I took along a book I had promised him, expecting to receive the donation at this time. His wife said that her husband would send the money to me. That evening his granddaughter came to me with a cheque for one pound saying that "grandfather had doubled the amount because he did not give the money in the morning." This the Lord says is how men will give, "Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom." Luke 6:38.

As far as I have been able to canvass the people, I have not had one refusal. To God be all the praise.

A. H. ROGERS.

An Aspiration

"MAKE my mortal dreams come true,
 With the work I fain would do;
 Clothe with life the weak intent,
 Let me be the thing I ment;
 Let me find in Thy employ
 Peace that dearer is than joy;
 Out of self to love be led,
 And to heaven acclimated,
 Until all things sweet and good
 Seem my natural habitude."

Notice

BROTHER G. C. Nye wishes to notify our brethren of Avondale and surrounding districts that it is his intention to open business as a Tailor and Costumier on or about July 1, 1922, at Avondale. Having had a long and varied experience in his trade in the various States of Australia, he guarantees every order entrusted to his care to be executed on an equality with any city house. Repairing and renovating a speciality.

Monthly Summary of Australasian Canvassing Work

North New South Wales

APRIL, 1922

Bible Readings—	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
R. Shewin	52½	15	19 17 6
W. Bedford	10½	8	8 10 0
<i>Christ's Object Lessons—</i>			
C. C. Ellis	79½	53	35 10 0
J. W. Cottier	89½	50	32 12 6
T. A. Mitchell	45	45	49 14 6
A. I. Mitchell	45	39	26 7 6
<i>Ladies' Handbook—</i>			
H. J. Evans	60	21	29 7 6
<i>Practical Guide—</i>			
H. J. Evans	2		2 15 0
<i>Daniel and Revelation—</i>			
G. Bailey	33	9	8 17 6
Helps Sold by Agents			19 1 6
	415	242	£212 13 6

South New South Wales

APRIL, 1922

Bible Readings—	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
B. H. Powrie	41½	23	43 10 0
A. J. Campbell	20	19	13 17 6
E. V. Garbutt	102	27	32 0 0
O. V. Hellestrand	38	19	21 0 0
J. W. Thompson	39	23	25 5 0
Mrs. Thompson	20	8	8 15 0
A. G. Carton	19	13	14 10 0
E. Speers	46	9	11 2 6
R. Peare	46	20	26 10 0
<i>Ladies' Hand-book—</i>			
E. K. Maisiey	35	121	222 17 6
Mrs. M. E. James	48	24	33 15 0
Mrs. V. Nolan	13	13	19 12 6
Mrs. Hamnoud	21	19	27 17 6
Miss A. Walker	25½	15	22 17 6
<i>Christ's Object Lessons—</i>			
Miss S. Evans	50	18	11 19 6
Mr. & Mrs. Vicary	131½	34	23 15 0
A. J. Kelly	9½	10	7 1 0
<i>Daniel and Revelation—</i>			
S. G. White	48	7	8 5 0
Helps Sold by Agents			26 12 3
	813	413	£601 2 9
<i>World Outlook—</i>			
Miss D. Chapman	54	83	4 3 0
Helps			10 6
	54	83	4 13 6

Queensland

APRIL, 1922

Bible Readings—	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
R. Cordingley	32	18	22 2 6
H. J. Robinson	11	11	12 5 0
J. T. Cox	11	2	2 5 0
<i>Daniel & Revelation—</i>			
L. H. Smith	58	33	41 2 6
R. J. Paterson	65	49	58 17 6
<i>Great Controversy—</i>			
O. W. E. Maxwell	46	14	16 10 0
<i>Christ's Object Lessons—</i>			
R. J. Paterson	15		8 8 6
L. H. Smith	13		7 12 6
<i>Practical Guide—</i>			
W. G. Hodginson	46	24	44 10 0
J. L. A. Lawson	5	20	30 10 0
<i>Ladies' Handbook—</i>			
Mrs. W. Kenealy	39	59	89 2 6
Mrs. R. Cordingley	15	5	7 17 6
Mr. & Mrs. J. Newley	41	13	18 7 6
Mr. & Mrs. H. J. Cooper	64	52	86 5 0
Mrs. M. C. Cox	52	24	34 15 0
Helps Sold by Agents			38 1 9
	494	352	£518 12 9

Victoria

APRIL, 1922

Bible Readings—	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
G. H. Lane (del)	90	24	31 5 0
D. Paterson (del.)			
<i>Christ's Object Lessons—</i>			
Miss E. Brown	56	24	13 6 0
Miss N. Knowles	4	4	2 2 0
Miss H. Wilmoir	43½	25	14 0 6
R. Cooper (Del)	80½	72	40 16 0
E. Collet	29	21	12 6 6
H. Davison	101½	31	17 7 6
C. Goodchild (Del)	79	63	34 3 6
J. O'Hara	104½	25	14 0 6
W. D. Podmore	62½	31	17 11 6
<i>Seer of Patmos—</i>			
M. Wilson		3	1 17 6
<i>Practical Guide—</i>			
G. H. Lane		1	1 7 6
<i>Ladies' Handbook—</i>			
Miss E. James	50½	26	39 15 0
Mrs. Coulsell		1	1 7 6
H. N. Carver (Del.)	66	29	41 12 6
J. T. Dunne (Del.)	23	2	3 0 0
J. O'Hara		1	1 7 6
M. Wilson	37	33	46 12 6
A. E. Baird	15½	7	10 7 6
Helps Sold by Agents			37 12 9
	842½	423	£381 19 3

MARCH, 1922

Periodicals—	Hrs.	Copies	Subs	Value
Mrs. Brooks	1	7		7 0
Mrs. M. Bullas	4½	23		1 3 0
Miss K. Bell	89	290		14 10 0
Miss M. Connelly	26	62	1	3 5 3
Miss M. Cameron	18	54	1	2 17 3
Miss J. Cameron	18	45	2	2 18 0
Mrs. Cox	17	76		3 16 0
Mrs. H. Devine	61	588		29 8 0
Mrs. Laurens	1	6		6 0
Mrs. Maunum	7	32	1	1 15 0
Miss I. Smith	15	34	1	1 15 6
	237½	1217	6	£62 1 3

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World Outlook—	Hrs.	Copies	Subs	Value
Mrs. Bullas	3	8		8 0
Miss K. Bell	49	127		6 7 0
Miss M. Connelly	100	104		5 4 0
Miss M. Cameron	15½	31	1	1 11 0
Miss C. Cameron	15½	34	1	2 0 6
Mrs. H. Devine	43½	384		19 4 0
R. Miller	42	157		7 17 0
	268½	845	1	£42 11 6

North New Zealand

APRIL, 1922

Bible Readings—	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
J. S. Archer	28½	17	20 0 0
E. Barnard	88½	50	65 2 6
R. K. Piper	47	17	19 15 0
A. E. Woodley	46	9	12 7 6
Mrs. Conrad	39½	16	19 15 0
W. A. Salt	24		
J. E. Laybourn	54	27	32 5 0
<i>Practical Guide—</i>			
J. E. Laybourn	30	12	21 0 0
A. Jackson	63½	36	67 10 0
D. Collins	89	22	32 2 6
<i>Ladies' Handbook—</i>			
J. Ivey	39½	32	60 0 0
Mrs. Ivey	123½	35	65 12 6
F. Tackaberry	62	44	67 5 0
Mrs. Wells	92½	44	71 7 6
<i>Great Controversy—</i>			
F. N. Smith	20	12	12 0 0
<i>Christ's Object Lessons—</i>			
A. Gunn	52	28	17 8 0
Helps sold by Agents			24 2 0
	899½	406	£607 12 6

South New Zealand

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Bible Readings—	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
A. H. Bateman	64	9	£11 5 0
W. Maddock	137	52	56 5 0
<i>Daniel and Revelation—</i>			
L. Fraser	25	3	3 0 0
<i>Christ's Object Lessons—</i>			
G. Englebrect	62	15	9 13 0
L. Fraser	93	78	43 8 6
<i>Ladies' Handbook—</i>			
Mrs. Ashcroft	21	18	28 0 0
Mrs. Haddock	32½	38	55 4 6
Mrs. Fraser	38	41	66 7 6
Mrs. J. Shin	70	65	94 7 6
J. Shin	78½	76	107 6 0
Miss M. Hossack	32	29	45 7 6
Helps Sold by Agents			21 10 6
	639	424	£541 15 0

Tasmania

APRIL, 1922

Bible Readings—	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
W. E. Battye	18½	11	12 15 0
H. C. Morgan (del)	43	10	14 10 0
L. J. Reid	36	31	39 17 6
<i>Christ's Object Lessons—</i>			
V. G. Bedford (del)	13	6	4 0 0
C. C. Widdifield	44½	17	11 5 0
Helps Sold by Agents			3 3 0
	15½	75	85 10 6
<i>World Outlook—</i>			
V. G. Bedford	34		1 14 0
C. C. Widdifield	6		6 0
H. C. Morgan	24		1 4 0
Miscellaneous	40	1	4 2 16 6
<i>Life & Health—</i>			
Miscellaneous	12		6 0
	116	1	4 6 6 6

South Australia

APRIL, 1922

Bible Readings—	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
A. C. Ball	94½	53	77 7 6
Miss E. Sorrell	67½	21	24 15 0
H. Halliday	22½	5	7 15 0
Miss M. Williamson	17½	4	4 10 0
<i>Ladies' Handbook—</i>			
Mrs. M. Badcock	52½	39	57 12 6
Mrs. Holdforth	41½	9	18 7 6
<i>Christ's Object Lessons—</i>			
A. R. Barrett	40½	9	5 17 6
Helps Sold by Agents			4 3 6
	396½	140	£1 3 8 6

West Australia

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Christ's Object Lessons—	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
J. Nancy	16	6	3 7 0
E. B. Dadd	71	37	20 14 6
F. H. Gall	35	11	5 17 6
<i>Christ Our Saviour—</i>			
J. Nancy		1	5 0
<i>Ladies' Handbook—</i>			
F. H. Gall (de')	45	12	17 5 0
A. P. Howse (del.)	7	2	2 15 0
<i>Heralds of the Morning—</i>			
		1	10 6
Helps Sold by Agents			4 5 0
	174	70	£54 19 6
<i>Periodicals—</i>			
Sold by Agents			£4 4 0

Book Totals for April, 1922

	Hrs.	Ord.	Value
South New South Wales	813	413	£601 2 9
North New South Wales	415	242	212 13 6
Victoria	842½	422	381 19 3
South Australia	336½	140	196 8 6
North New Zealand	899½	406	607 12 6
South New Zealand	659	424	541 15 0
Queensland	494	352	518 12 9
Tasmania	155	75	10 6
West Australia	174	70	54 19 6
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Standing of Subscription List "Signs of the Times"

June 1, 1922

State	Clubs	Singles	Total	Av. per member
South New Zealand	659	85	744	3.02
North New Zealand	1866	250	2116	2.32
West Australia	1521	114	1635	2.19
South N. S. Wales	2302	328	2630	1.99
North Queensland	10	60	170	2.1
Queensland	1280	197	1477	2.15
Victoria	2003	830	2833	2.07
South Australia	851	432	1274	1.99
Tasmania	213	93	306	.91
North N. S. Wales	471	366	837	.87
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Total average in all States 1.92 copies per member.

Total Circulation for May

Victoria	15,605
South New South Wales	14,140
North New Zealand	10,519
West Australia	8,213
South Australia	7,370
Queensland	7,400
North New South Wales	5,315
South New Zealand	3,530
Tasmania	2,140
North Queensland	861
	75,093

Using the Newspapers in New South Wales

SOME one has said, "The pen is mightier than the sword," and so we have endeavoured to wield the "sword of the Spirit" by the pen, hoping to create an impression upon the hearts of our fellow beings more lasting than even indelible ink. The press today is a tremendous force in disseminating knowledge; and why should it not be used in carrying the knowledge of the truth, the good tidings of a risen, soon-coming Saviour? There is no reason in the world why it should not. Not only with voice, but with the pen must we proclaim the message; we must *publish* the glad news.

Ministers of this conference with the writer of this brief report have made considerable use of the press in connection with evangelistic work in the northern part of New South Wales. Almost every country town—even those with a population of a few hundred—has its one or two local newspapers, read by people living in the town and more especially by those living in the farming districts surrounding the town centres.

If we can place reports of our sermons in these papers, the people who are too far away to attend meetings have the opportunity of reading at least a few phases

of this great message. And it is encouraging to hear at times from persons who have read the reports and articles with interest. Thus seed is sown in their souls which may some day bear fruit, and prepare their hearts for the personal touch. When conducting a series of tent-meetings we have reports published regularly in the newspapers, some editors being fairly liberal with their space, others not so much so. An editor at Kurri Kurri has printed regularly for some time reports of Pastor Sydney Watson's sermons, a column or so at a time.

In a weekly paper called the *Watchman*, the official organ of the Loyal Orange Lodge of New South Wales, a discussion arose over the Sabbath and Sunday question, in which ministers and laymen of other denominations taught the keeping of the first day, the abolition of the law, and other false theories. Several of our ministers seized the opportunity of entering into this press discussion, some of our lay brethren also taking part, and thus considerable of the truth was brought before the readers of the paper, which has a circulation of about 16,000. The editor himself adopted a very fair attitude toward us.

During this discussion there was providentially published in this same paper a report of an interview with a past grand master of the Orange Lodge concerning his impressions of our sanitarium at Wahroonga, where he had gone to take treatment. This report was an excellent advertisement for our medical institution and a fine recommendation of the character, work, and spirit of Seventh-

"LET those who gain an experience in working for the Lord, write an account of it for our papers, that others may be encouraged. These reports should find a place in our papers, for they are far-reaching in their influence. They will be as sweet fragrance, a savour of life unto life."—*Testimonies, Vol. 6, p. 336.*

day Adventists, from a man who confessed that before he went to the sanitarium he was prejudiced.

Quite a number of our ministers use the press in connection with their evangelistic efforts,—some more, some less. And here is a field for usefulness for any of our brethren and sisters who have ability to write, who are not called to leave home. In their own communities, as opportunity arises, they could have facts and figures concerning our work as a denomination, and short articles pointing out the significance of world problems now confronting the nations published in their local papers. Even if no direct result be seen from it, it is sowing seed and giving the warning. The General Conference publishes a pamphlet entitled, "Lessons in Newspaper Reporting" for the benefit and instruction of all who wish to engage in press work. Any one who desires a copy of this may have one by sending a penny stamp for postage to the address of the writer: "Lens," Macquarie Street, Glen Innes, New South Wales. Let us all unite with both pen and voice in speeding up the work of the third angel's message.

R. A. SALTON.

Ingathering Experiences, Queensland

THE Spirit of Prophecy says, "Go Forward, the obstacles that hinder our progress will never disappear before a halting, doubting spirit."—*Gospel Workers, p. 262.* Again we read, "He will more than fulfil the highest expectations of those who put their trust in Him." The truthfulness of these words has in many ways been verified in the writer's experience during this Appeal for Missions, both in souls and in financial help; notwithstanding the drought conditions and adverse circumstances which prevail. Many short conversations and studies have been held, and prayers offered for souls. We praise God that one lady who heard the message under the labours of Pastor Reuben Hare, has decided while talking to the writer, to obey God's commandments.

From a monitory viewpoint God's promises have become yea and amen, as we have allowed His Spirit to lead the way. I have seen many in poor and some in serious circumstances give, when appealed to, their widow's mite. One farmer after looking at my two and three shilling card, decided to give half a guinea and not having the exact amount brought out a guinea. Thinking I had finished a certain district, I was about to leave when the name of a station owner was mentioned to me with advice to call on him. Although twelve miles away, the Spirit of God impressed me to return, which I did and received one guinea, also had a good conversation with this owner and received half a guinea from his only employee.

My best week thus far was spent in the small but thriving town of Kingaroy, where Brother Doyle and I worked together. Our first appeal was to a leading merchant who readily led out with a guinea, whereas only half of that amount was given last year. We next visited another leading business man who strongly opposed the Appeal because we were not, as he thought, a pioneering people. But when enlightened he also gave a guinea, whereas small donations were given previously. Other half guineas followed and we gathered £12 in two short days' work. God blessed our united labours with many good interviews. We called on one gentleman for whom Brother Doyle has been labouring, who gave liberally to the Appeal. He promises to consider taking a stand for the truth. God has also used Brother Doyle to lead another influential man to take a stand for the truth. Shall we not pray the Lord of the harvest to send forth labourers into His harvest, as this town and many others visited by the writer are ripe for the harvest.

To encourage our people to press forward, God's servant says, "The arm of Omnipotence is outstretched to lead us onward and still onward. Go forward; the Lord says; I will send you help. It is for My name's glory that you ask; and you shall receive. Those who are watching for your failure shall yet see My word triumph gloriously."—*Gospel Workers, p. 263.*

C. M. LEE.

Prayer for Missions

Our Island Needs

"SAY not ye there are yet four months and then cometh harvest? behold, I say unto you, lift up your eyes and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest." The only source of missionary supply recognized by the Master was "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that He will send forth labourers into His harvest."

To seek labourers for the great harvest field in any other way than by earnest, persevering prayer, is to fail to recognize the Lord's way. Christ spoke of no other method of selection, and it is the men and women who have gone out in the spirit and atmosphere of prayer, who have achieved the most for God. Every advance which the gospel has made into new fields has been effected by men who knew how to pray. Carey, Judson, Brainerd, Moffat, and Livingstone are examples of men who lived in the audience chamber of the Most High God, and the pages of missionary history tell of the glorious victories over the powers of darkness claimed by these great missionaries.

The proclamation of the third angel's message in all the world in this generation depends first of all upon a revival of the spirit of prayer among the people of God. Deeper even than the need for men and means is this need for prayer. Unless the workers at the battle front, and the churches at the base of supplies, unite in earnest seeking of God for His converting power to graciously visit the heathen, all our efforts will be marked with sterility. The potency of the missionary's message is absolutely dependent upon this, for "without the aid of the Spirit of God, no heart will be touched; no sinner won to Christ." So, dear friends, we earnestly beseech you to begin now and continue through the forth-coming prayer season, to pour out your souls to God in intercession for the conversion of the heathen in our island field.

For eight long years our missionaries have laboured in the New Hebrides amongst a people who practice the grossest heathen rites, and we have yet to reap our first fruits. Pray for this people. Pray for Brethren Nicholson and James, who labour there in loneliness amidst such depressing surroundings, that the Lord will visit them with power for service that they may snatch some of these precious souls from the hand of the enemy. And when you pray let it not be merely the echo from the lips, but make it the very passion of your heart for the salvation of the lost.

"Lift up your eyes" with me and "look upon the fields" in order that you may pray the more intelligently for the success of God's cause in mission lands.

Long years have rolled by while our workers in New Guinea have laboured and prayed that the Koiari tribe would respond to our efforts to bring to them a knowledge of the saving grace of the Lord, and now there comes to us the good news from Pastor Jones that about twenty of the young men of this tribe are in school at Bisiatabu. At last a break has come, but in Pastor Jones' own words, "They are a lot of untamed, undisciplined, savage, larrikin youth; who know nothing but to have entirely their own way, and

who have revelled in the wanderings, murders, and other favourite pastimes of the tribe." Surely we should seek God earnestly at this season in behalf of our work in New Guinea, and especially for these boys on the mission station, who are now under gospel influences. Oh, for more of that heart-longing for souls which will keep these poor benighted heathen uppermost in our hearts and minds as we daily approach our Heavenly Father for the bestowal of His mercies.

Our people have been greatly encouraged recently by the news of the opening of the island of Choiseul, in the Solomons, to the preaching of the message. Jugha, a native evangelist, is now there and the omens for a successful work are bright indeed. He needs your prayers, and the work in Choiseul should be an object of special intercession. The work in the Solomon Islands is still progressing, but we find the opposition of those who desire our failure is unabated, though just now it is rather secret than open. The Lord's people can move the

"The simple prayer indited by the Holy Spirit will ascend through gates ajar, the open door which Christ has declared, 'I have opened, and no man can shut' These prayers mingled with the incense of the perfection of Christ, will ascend as fragrance to the Father, and answers will come." "Testimonies," Vol. VI, p. 467.

arm of God by prayer today as verily as in the days of Nehemiah, that He may bring to naught the designs of evil men and make His cause to prosper.

From Fiji news has reached us of a turning to God on the part of the many people of the mountain districts, who have been, up till now, only nominally connected with this remnant people. Pastor S. W. Carr and Brother A. P. Ward need much of the wisdom and power of God, as Christ is held up to this people as the power of God unto salvation. Brethren pray for them.

Will you not also pray that the Spirit of God will move upon the hearts of His own people that they may be liberal in the bestowal of their means for the opening of new fields, and that He will "send forth labourers into His harvest." Tens of thousands of precious souls have never heard the voice of this saving message. In New Caledonia, the Loyalty Islands, New Britain and New Ireland, as well as in other island groups scattered far and wide on the bosom of the Pacific, they still await the arrival of Christ's ambassadors of truth, with the word of reconciliation. Oh! that God would give us grace to lay our all upon the altar of sacrifice for the salvation of the lost. To seek to save them in any way that neglects the unceasing search of prayer, is not the Lord's way. So during the approaching week of prayer, "pray without ceasing." There is no other way than this to fill the mission treasury and to supply the workers for an immensely widened work in foreign fields.

May the dear Lord give to each and all of us "the secret and sweetness of un-

ceasing, prevailing, triumphant prayer for the coming of the kingdom of the Lord Jesus Christ." H. M. BLUNDEN.

A New Series of Leaflets

WE feel confident that all our readers will be pleased to learn that our publishing house has just issued a new "OUR DAY SERIES" of leaflets identical with the "Leaves of Autumn" which are being circulated by the million in the United States. Shall we not give them a wide circulation here in Australasia? Ten leaflets, arranged in logical order, and giving the real message for this time, constitute the Series as follows:

1. Inspiration of the Bible.
2. The Sure Word of Prophecy.
3. Second Coming of Christ
4. Signs of Approaching End.
5. The Bible Sabbath.
6. The Law of God.
7. The Great Threefold Message.
8. The Nature of Man.
9. The Millennium.
10. The Home of the Saved.

These leaflets are of a convenient size so that they can be used in correspondence as well as general missionary work. Three packets have been prepared: 1s. packet containing thirty leaflets: 2s. 6d. packet containing seventy-five leaflets: 5s. packet containing one hundred and fifty leaflets. One hundred leaflets of any one kind 3s. 6d. (postage extra).

Send in your order at once for a supply of "OUR DAY SERIES" leaflets and have a part in giving them a wide circulation.

"Does Jesus Know? Does Jesus Care?" This is the title of an excellent leaflet just printed. It is written by Pastor J. M. Cole, and is especially suitable for distribution to those who are in trouble. It will bring joy and comfort to their lives as they realize that there is One who knows all about our troubles, and that Jesus *does* care for His children. This leaflet is worthy of a wide circulation. You can obtain a supply from your conference office, price 6d. per dozen, postage extra.

Obituary

ROYLE.—Sister Sarah Jane Royle, aged seventy years, passed from this life May 21 1922, after a long and painful illness. Sister Royle accepted the present truth seven years ago this month, and has been a faithful and devoted member of the North Brisbane church since that time. She was very devoted to the message, and in all her suffering during the long months of her illness, she never murmured nor complained. She leaves a husband whose constant attention during her illness was a comfort to her, and several children, all of whom deeply mourn their loss. The interment took place in the Toowong cemetery, and a large circle of relatives and friends were present. We feel sure that Sister Royle will come forth at the call of the Life giver in the morning of the first resurrection. The services were conducted by the writer.

S. M. COBB.

Gathering Report

	Rec.	Per cent
Tasmania	£570	142½
Victoria	2,911	116½
South New Zealand	1,262	105
W. Australia	787	98
South N. S. Wales	2,421	97
North New Zealand	3,125	89
North N. S. Wales	738	82
S. Australia	755	75½
Queensland	977	65
Total for Union	£13,546	97

Our Dynamo charts this week indicate that our workers throughout the conferences have been so faithful in gathering material for the generation of current that our aim will soon be reached. Since our last report no other conferences have been successful in reaching the goal, but it will be noticed that two have almost succeeded. West Australia is within two per cent of the goal, and South New South Wales within three per cent. Both of these conferences should reach their aims next week. We have good reason to believe that by the time our next issue is printed at least six conferences will have succeeded in reaching their aims. This will also mean that the aim of the Union Conference will also be reached, and that without any donations from our mission fields. All that is collected by our missionaries will then be an overflow.

That such a large amount of money can be collected by our churches in an eight weeks' campaign, when everything is apparently against such a campaign meeting with success, should give us much cause for gratification, as well as en-

couragement to believe in the ultimate victory of the message we have learned to love.

A. W. ANDERSON.

AS the Appeal for Missions campaign is now almost completed we would urge every church member who has not finished his allotted territory to do so this week if possible, and to send in all cash and collecting cards so that we can make up our aggregate totals for our nine conferences before the end of the month

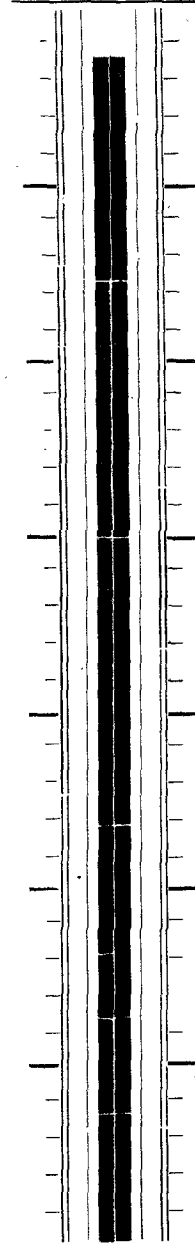
OUR workers in Tasmania report finding a lady who has been keeping the Sabbath for three years, and who had never come in contact with our people. Reading matter had fallen into her hands, which led her to take her stand for the truth. Let us keep on circulating the good literature.

A MAN in business in Tasmania made an offering to missions, and suggested that a card be left with him for a fortnight during which time he plans to solicit donations from his customers.

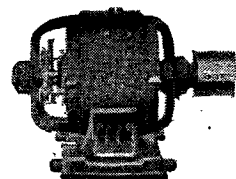
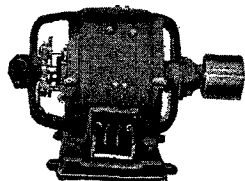
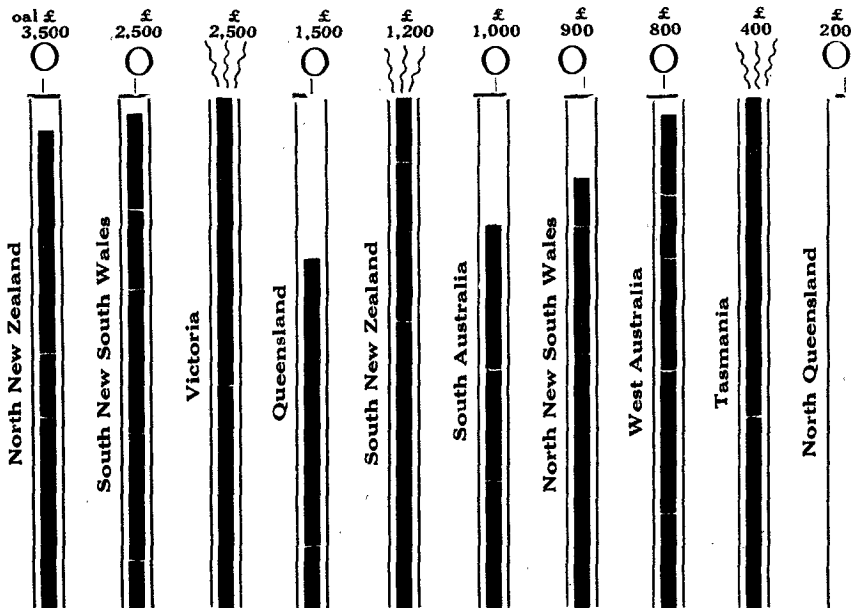
A MISSIONARY Volunteer had a talk with a chemist who said that Adventists are a clever people to invent such fine health foods, and further stated that he recommends them to his patients, also uses them in his own home.

THERE is an Indian living in a certain district in Tasmania who had never been asked by Adventists to donate to missions. One Missionary Volunteer decided to call on him, and instead of a refusal or at most a very small donation as expected, received instead one guinea.

£14,000



Union Conference Goal, £14,000



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PASTOR F. A. Allum was among the delegates to the General Conference from China.

SINCE making up our Ingathering report we have received a wire from West Australia bringing the good news that they have reached their goal. Well done, West Australia.

THE Victorian Conference Office received an anonymous letter enclosing £1 for the Russian Relief Fund, in which it was stated that it was given "for the love of Him."

OWING to the high rate of exchange between America and other countries, the Pacific Press Publishing Company reports that their foreign business shrank from \$500,000 in 1920 to \$280,000 in 1921. This meant a loss of business with foreign countries of £45,000 in round figures.

NOTICE the announcement in this number of a new series of leaflets entitled "Our Day Series." You will be interested to read these yourself and will find them most useful in your missionary work. We feel confident that the better they become known the more they will be appreciated and the greater demand there will be for them. Send for a packet and judge for yourself as to their merit.

WE are pleased to record the fact that the Signs of the Times Publishing House in Shanghai, China, reports a gain of sales in 1921 of more than \$34,000 over the previous year. This is particularly gratifying in view of the fact that in many parts of the world there has been a falling off of sales. Our brethren in China are looking forward with courage for still larger sales during 1922.

A NEW Sabbath school of seventeen members has been organized by Pastor Chesson at Balwyn, near the site of the recent camp-meeting in Melbourne. Pastor Chesson and a staff of workers have been holding a series of meetings in a tent since the close of the camp-meeting, the result of which is that another centre of influence for the truth has been created in the Victorian metropolis.

SISTER Tarr, the Sabbath School Secretary of the African Division of the General Conference, writes thus of the work in that field: "Our work is growing and spreading. By this I mean that where the work has been established a long time, it is growing stronger, and also that it is spreading into other areas. Hitherto our mission stations have been only in the centre of Central Africa and along the East Coast. Now the work is spreading its roots towards the west and nearer the east from that middle line."

SISTER Smith and two daughters, the family of Pastor R. W. Smith, superintendent of the Tongan Mission, arrived in Sydney on Thursday, May 25. After labouring for some years in Honolulu and Tonga with her husband, Sister Smith was in need of a change, and preceded Pastor Smith who will be coming over to attend the Union Conference in October. After spending a few days at the sanitarium they went to Cooranbong, where the eldest daughter is entering the Australasian Missionary College as a student.

News from the General Conference

SUBSEQUENT to the close of the General Conference, cable advice reached Wahroonga to the effect that the following brethren have been appointed to act as officers of the General Conference for the ensuing quadrennial period:

PRESIDENT: Pastor W. A. Spicer.
VICE-PRESIDENT: Pastor C. H. Watson.
SECRETARY: Pastor A. G. Daniells.
TREASURER: Pastor J. L. Shaw.

The cable stated also that the delegation to the Australasian field for our approaching session will consist of Pastors M. E. Kern and R. D. Quinn.

We have earnestly prayed that the mind of God might be revealed to the brethren in session, and we believe that the appointments are of Him for greater advances in His cause to the quick completion of His work in the earth, and we unite with you in further prayer that the Lord will very definitely manifest His presence with the officers of the General Conference in their changed responsibilities.

We deeply regret the approaching departure of Pastor Watson from this field, but recognise that the Lord has called him to fill a position of greater responsibility in His service.

We look forward with genuine pleasure and eager anticipation to the visit of Brethren Kern and Quinn to these shores. Pastor Kern is General Conference Secretary of the Missionary Volunteer Department, and will doubtless bring inspiring help to our young people throughout the field. Pastor Quinn, who laboured some years ago in Queensland and Tasmania, has for some time been one of the three field secretaries of the General Conference. As such, he has been conducting strong institute work throughout a wide field and will come to us with hopeful messages of helpfulness and courage.

W. G. TURNER.

THE girls of the South Hall, Pacific Union College, U.S.A., denied themselves a certain portion of their daily food during the week, April 14 to 21, and as a result were able to send \$115 (£23) to the starving Seventh-day Adventists in Russia. Some saved on desserts, others went without meals, but every one sacrificed something and did it enthusiastically. For the same worthy cause an offering was made recently by the Australasian Missionary College at the chapel exercises amounting to fifteen guineas and some jewellery.

NO doubt the RECORD readers looked for a special number of the paper bearing date of June 5. But it had been decided to discontinue the series of specials with No. 5, and a statement to this effect was sent to the Press, and should have appeared in our issue of May 29. We are sorry for the omission of this note explaining that no special would be published on that date. As our Ingathering campaign is now nearing its close, it was thought that in future we could give fortnightly reports of progress in the regular issues of the paper. We are pleased to learn that these special numbers of the RECORD issued during the campaign have been appreciated and that they have proved a stimulus to greater activity in the Harvest Ingathering. A wire received from one of our members in a distant church reads as follows: "RECORD Ingathering specials very encouraging. Instrumental in gaining personal achievement—£32. Continue."

Indian Believers Go Out Ingathering

FOLLOWING are letters received from two of our Indian Ingatherers. The first one is from Stanley Chowla, a little boy aged nine years, whose father has placed him in the care of Sister Meyers, and at present he is with her at Cooranbong. The second one is from Mrs. G. Singh, who is also with Mrs. Meyers, and under her care, while her husband is in India receiving a training to enter the work:

"Cooranbong, N.S.W.

April 29, 1922.

"I WAS glad to be of some help in the Harvest Ingathering work. My collections for the two days amounted to £1 8s. 7½d. I went out in company with the church school children of Avondale. The people were interested when I told them that their offerings were used to send the gospel to save children like me in foreign lands. (Signed) Stanley Chowla."

"I did enjoy my day's work in connection with the Harvest Ingathering in Newcastle. I felt a little discouraged at first because I met with a few refusals. I made up my mind that at least I must collect £1, so I pressed on with a firm determination to succeed. At last I got sixpence, and at the end of the day my collections amounted to £1 6s. 6½d. I had some interesting talks with people as I presented them the paper and told them of some of the experiences of our workers in the island fields. I also gave my own experience of how the gospel came to me through the means collected from the public. This seemed to interest them very much, and led them to ask many questions. One asked me what mission I belonged to, and I replied, 'The Seventh-day Adventist mission.' They expressed their approval of my work by pronouncing it good, and wishing me success. I met all kinds of people, even a man who advocates Bolshevik principles. The Lord helped me to meet his questions. I was sorry when this day full of experiences and happiness in the Master's service came to a close. I wished it had been longer. (Signed) G. Singh."