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Onward and Upward

I WISH I could portray the beauty of the Christian life. Beginning in the morning of life, controlled by the laws of nature and of God, the Christian moves steadily onward

and upward, daily drawing nearer his heavenly home, where await for him a crown of life, and a new name, which no man knoweth saving him that receiveth it." Constantly he grows in happiness, in holiness, in usefulness. The progress of each year exceeds that of the past year.

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God has given the youth a ladder to climb, a ladder that reaches from earth to heaven. Above this ladder is God, and on every round fall the bright beams of His glory. He is watching those who are climbing, ready, when the grasp relaxes and the steps falter, to send help. Yes, tell it in words full of cheer, that no one who perseveringly climbs the ladder will fail of gaining an entrance into the heavenly city.

Satan presents many temptations to the youth. He is playing the game of life for their. souls, and he leaves no means untried to allure and ruin them.

But God does not leave them to fight unaided against the tempter. They have an all-powerful Helper. Stronger far than their foe is He who in this world and in human nature met and conquered Satan, resisting every temptation that comes to the youth today. He is their Elder Brother. He feels for them a deep and tender interest. He keeps over them a constant watchcare, and He rejoices when they try to please Him. As they pray, He mingles with their prayers the incense of His righteousness, and offers them to God as a fragrant sacrifice. In His strength the youth

God Our Strength

MAN in his weakness needs a stronger stay

- Than fellow-men, the holiest and best; And yet we turn to them from day to
- day
- As if in them our spirits could find rest.

Gently untwine our childish hands, that cling

To such inadequate supports as these, And shelter us beneath Thy heavenly

wing, Till we have learned to walk alone with ease.

Help us, O Lord! with patient love to bear

Each other's faults, to suffer with true meekness;

Help us each other's joys and griefs to share,

But let us turn to Thee alone in weakness.

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as good can endure hardness soldiers of the cross. Strengthened with His might, they are enabled to reach the high ideal before them. The sacrifice made on Calvary is the pledge of their victory.

The church of God is made up of vessels large and small. The Lord does not ask for anything unreasonable. He does not expect the that you are not worthy to come

smaller vessels to hold the contents of the larger ones. He looks for returns according to what a man has, not according to what he has not. Do your best, and God will accept your efforts. Take up

the duty lying nearest you, and perform it with fidelity, and your work will be wholly acceptable to the Master. Do not, in your desire to do something great, overlook the smaller tasks awaiting you.

Beware how you neglect secret prayer and a study of God's Word. These are your weapons against him who is striving to hinder your progress heavenward. The first neglect of prayer and Bible study makes easier the second neglect. The first resistance to the Spirit's pleading prepares the way for the second resistance. Thus the heart is hardened, and the conscience seared.

On the other hand, every resistance of temptation makes resistance more easy. Every denial of self makes self-denial easier. Every victory gained prepares the way for a fresh victory. Every resistance of temptation, each self-denial, each triumph over sin, is a

seed sown unto eternal life. Every unselfish action gives new strength to spirituality. No one can try to be like Christ without growing more noble and more true.

The Lord will recognise every effort you make to reach His ideal for you. When you make failures, when you are betrayed into sin, do not feel that you cannot pray,



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before the Lord. "My little children, these things write I unto you, that ye sin not. And if any man sin we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous." With outstretched arms He waits to welcome the prodigal. Go to Him, and tell Him about your mistakes and failures. Ask Him to strengthen you for fresh endeavour. He will never disappoint you, never abuse your confidence.

Trial will come to you. Thus the Lord polishes the roughness from your character. Do not murmur. You make the trial harder by repining. Honour God bv cheerful submission. Patiently en-dure the pressure. Even though a wrong is done you, keep the Keep love of God in your heart. thy tongue from evil and thy lips from speaking guile. Depart from evil. and do good; seek peace and pursue it. The eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and His ears are open unto their cry.'

Beware of desperate steps ; the darkest day, Wait but tomorrow, will have passed away.

In quietness and in confidence shall be your strength." Christ knows the strength of your temptations and the strength of your power to resist. His hand is always stretched out in pitying tenderness to every suffering child. To the tempted, discouraged one He says. Child for whom I suffered and died, cannot you trust Me? 'As thy days, so shall thy strength be."

"Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in Him and He shall bring it to pass Rest in the Lord, and wait patiently for Him." He will be to you as the shadow of a great rock in a weary land. He says, "Come unto Me, ... and I will give you rest,"-rest that the world can neither give nor take away. Come unto Me, and your heart will be filled with the peace that passes all understanding. Words cannot describe the peace and joy possessed by him who takes God at His word. Trials do not disturb him, slights do not vex him. Self is crucified. Day by day his duties may become more taxing, histemptations stronger, his trials more severe; but he does not falter; for he receives strength equal to his need. MRS. E. G. WHITE.

" OUR sacrifice measures our love."



A Visit to the Bisiatabu Sabbath School

THIS, our only Sabbath school in New Guinea, has a membership of thirtyseven. As the boys dressed in their white ogonas (loin cloths), and the girls in their blue dresses, file into the building, each bows reverently in silent prayer before being seated. Vanire, the assistant superintendent, announces the hymn, "Jesus Loves Me." This is sung in Eng-lish by all present. The native boys and girls do particularly well, considering the short time they have been on the mission station. Timoci (Timothy), our native worker, and Pastor Jones are asked to lead in prayer, which is followed by the recital of the Lord's prayer by all in the Koiari language. Little Bennie, the four-year-old son of Mitieli and Fika, our Fijian workers, is asked to lift the offering. The spirit of giving, which is a strong characteristic of the people comprising the remnant church, is also notice-able among those of this land who are members of the Sabbath school. Looking at the chart hung on the wall, I notice that on the previous Sabbath the offering

amounted to 9s. 5d. The hymn, "T. ke My Life and Let It Be," is then sung, the first stanza of which we quote :---

> " Da isalaganu dadiwa Tesu aiero Di wani tafigau Da momima dadiwa."

All enter enthusiastically into the singing of this hymn. Considering that but a lew short months ago the singing of one of our beautiful hymns of praise was unknown to them, we should certainly thank God that they can unite their voices with ours in praising Him with the good hymns of Zion. What a wonderful song service it will be when they come from the north, the south, the east, and the west and join in that song of experience-the song of Moses and of the Lamb! As I listened to them singing, I thought, some from this dark land will be there to join their voices in songs of praise to the great God of heaven and earth who is doing so much for them.

Titus, one of the advanced school boys, whose life is devoted in service to his Master, conducts the first half of the review of the past quarter's lessons. He does this without Bible, lesson pamphlet, or notes. How many of our Sabbath school members in the homeland would like to be without their Bibles and lesson pamphlets while the review is being conducted on the last Sabbath of each quarter? It would indeed be a pleasant sight could the members of our Sabbath schools in Australia and New Zealand witness the way in which this young man enters into the task in hand. Questions are asked in quick rotation and suitable short explanations made.

Mitieli, our Fijian worker, who has laboured for these people for more than

ten years without returning to his homeland, conducts the second half of the review of the quarter's lessons. Having a good knowledge of the language of the people, he is able to make the review bright and to the point. The art of questioning and drawing from the members of the school that which they know about the quarter's lessons is demonstrated as the review proceeds.

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The Sabbath school picture roll is used to advantage as attention is given to the lessons studied during the quarter. Only can the picture roll be fully appreciated where the people do not have the Scriptures in their own language. The pictures assist largely in conveying to the minds of these people so long steeped in gross darkness and heathenism, the spiritual truths c ntained in the Book of God. When it is considered that the twelve lessons of the quarter must be kept in mind, as there are no lesson pamp lets or Bibles in the language of the people, the interest and attention as the lessons were taught during the quarter is noticeable.

The hymn, "Wonderful Words of Life," is sung to close :---

"Kowa Ruka Dadiwa Guama"

Kowa ruka dadiwa guama Ufiamanu guama Oto ruka mawahu okoe Uriamanu roi Negetu nisoloanu Oto ufiamanu.

CHORUS:

Oto ruka, kowa ruka Uriamanu roi.

This hymn was translated by Mitieli and Fika, our Fijian workers. Their one desire is that they may find in Jesus the Living Word that endureth for ever and ever. Surely these "wonderful words of life" are proving such to the young people here as day by day they sit at the feet of the great Master Teacher and learn of Him who is "the Way, the Truth and the Life" Truth, and the Life.'

After the benediction had been pronounced, a period of silence followed and the last Sabbath school gathering for 1923 had ended. The impression left on the mind is that the Sabbath school is a mighty factor in a heathen land for the inculcation of the blessed truths of the third angel's message in the hearts and minds of these people, so long deprived of hearing the story of a Christ who saves from sin and who is coming again to gather the sinless to that everlasting home. Let us remember before the throne of grace the work already commenced and that which still remains to be done. The field is white already to the harvest, but the labourers are few. " Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that He will send forth labourers into His harvest," that many from this benighted land may stand in the eternal kingdom of God. H. C. WHITE.

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| Our Day— C. C. Ellis J. Race | $\frac{1}{33}$ | 1 9 | 1 9 | $\frac{2}{2}$ | 6 6 |
| Prophetic Waymarks- | | | | | |
| C. C Ellis A. J. Kelly | 49 32 | 53 15 | 60 16 | 0 5 | 0 0 |
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GOD gives to us as though we were kings, We give to Him as though He were a beggar; God gave to us the Best Gift of heaven

God gave to us the Best Gift of heaven, We give to Him what we can get along without. —Selected.

Standing of Subscription List "Signs of the Times"

March 1, 1924

| State | Clubs | Singles | Total | Av. per member |
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| South N. S. Wales | 2916 | 441 | 3357 | 2 36 |
| West Australia | 1330 | 432 | 1762 | 2.32 |
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| Victoria-Tasmania | 2595 | 1186 | 3781 | 2.09 |
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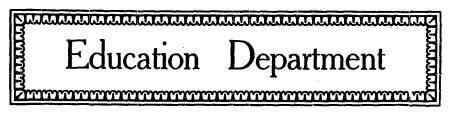
Total Circulation for February

| Victoria-Tasmania | 15,153 |
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| South New South Wales | 13,261 |
| North New Zealand | 7,502 |
| West Australia | 7,097 |
| Queensland | 6,588 |
| South Australia | 4,753 |
| North New South Wales | 3,332 |
| South New Zealand | 2,496 |
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The Opening of the College Year

WEDNESDAY, 8 p.m., February 27, was the time appointed for the opening exercises, though for most, work had begun before that hour. It was a pleasure to see the chapel well filled with earnest young people and friends from the village, and quietness fell as Brother A. Martin rendered a pianoforte selection. Pastor W. W. Fletcher invoked the Master's presence and blessing during the coming year, and a prayer in song followed, "I Come to Thee." Brother G. S. Fisher, who was not present

at the morning chapel hour, extended a welcome on behalf of the Industries, which work had been established with a definite two-fold purpose,-to aid students by opportunity for work and to extend the message of truth.

The subject of the address, delivered by Pastor H. C. White, was "Heathenward and Heavenward." On the wings of fancy we were carried to New Guinea heights, where green sward, heather, and violets were more familiar than the native villages. From them comes the question, "When are you going to send our missionary?" and the speaker stated the answer lay with the young people before him. He urged progress even as that of the boy Jesus, and "Seek ye first the kingdom of God." Emerson's statement, "Life is a search after power," reveals an actuating motive in service. Knowledge is power, but for the Christian student the power sought must be the power of Christ; the knowledge pursued, the knowledge of Christ. This will lead heathenward and heavenward, since the gospel is to go to all. Of some workmen in a quarry the question was asked, "What are you doing?" and the answer was variously given, "I am trimming the stones;" "I am working for wages;" "I am helping to build a temple." Only he who sees the form of the temple are here the the temple in his own humble part has caught the spirit of the Master Builder. May we "build for eternity" this year.

RHAE ALLBON.

Our Teachers

AT 7:50, Wednesday morning, February 27, Pastor L. H. Wood, principal, intro-duced our teachers for 1924. They were very earnest, very sincere in appearance, as they gazed over the sea of eager, excited faces before them in the chapel.

Pastor W. W. Fletcher, former president of the Southern Asia Division and recently returned from that field, is to have charge of the Bible classes. In response to an invitation, he spoke for a few moments on the nearness of the end as a call to the young people to prepare for service.

The business students welcomed Brother S. V. Stratford, recently engaged in Union Conference Home Missions work. He spoke of former visits to Avondale as green spots in his memory, and expressed pleasure at the call to work with us for a time. God takes a few months to make a pumpkin, but when He wants an oak, He takes a hundred years. This was how he impressed us with the importance of a thorough training.

Brother A. E. Speck, who has had consid-erable experience in State and church school work, will instruct the students of the Normal Course. "The church school teacher," said Brother Speck, "must have connection with a higher power to be a successful educator of the youth.'

Pastor Wood then introduced Pastor J. Mills, who will teach Language and History, besides continuing the duties of farm manager. Brother Mills thanked the boys for their co-operation and expressed wishes for a truly successful school year.

Despite his recent illness, Pastor E. S. Butz, our teacher in the subjects Physiology and Home Nursing, and the preceptor in the Boys' Hall, was present to encourage the old students and welcome the new ones.

Music is a very necessary part of our education as it takes such a large place, not only in our worship, but also in the giving of the message. Brother A. Martin, our instructor this year, although he much preferred to sing "a song without words," extended a hearty welcome and urged the music students to work hard. This wonderfully attractive and vitalising gift of God comes by hard work, not in one's sleep.

Miss R. Allbon, the teacher who has stood by us through many a change and is well known to all old students, appealed to us to make a close friend of the Honourable Good English and sever all connection with the Dishonourable Bad Slang. We must learn not only the King's English, but the English of the King of kings before we enter the pearly gates.

Miss A. L. Shakspeare, former business teacher at Darling Range School, is welcomed by all the girls as their preceptress. We know by her consecration and deep experience that she will prove equal to the task of "mothering" about sixty girls. She reminded us of the necessity of a close friendship with Jesus.

We are fortunate in obtaining the services of Mr. and Mrs. B. Schwartzkopf, who will teach respectively Art and Expression. As both are experienced in these branches of study, we feel confident that well-equipped students will issue from their classes. In studying the work of city artists in commercial and theatrical advertising, Brother Schwartzkopf said he felt as Elijah when he exclaimed, "I have been very jealous for the Lord God of Hosts." If Satan can attract by beauty, then can we not use this gift of the Creator to attract people to the light?

In conclusion, Pastor Wood reminded us that if much study proved "a weariness of the flesh," then Domestic Science would provide a valuable recreation for the young ladies under Mrs. Wood's instruction, while he himself would guarantee interesting manual work for the young men in the Woodwork Department.

Pastor A. W. Anderson concluded the meeting by a few personal experiences, relating to the work in the fields for which our students are preparing. THELMA MASON.

Should I Attend School?

In response to the question, "Would you advise others to attend a Christian school?" the following reply was sent by Horace Reid. Tasmania :--

There was a time in my experience wher like many more of our young people, i thought that should one spend some time at school and then fail to find a place in the organised work, the time spent would be wasted; but now I see it in quite a different light. It was not my pleasure to complete a course, but I am indeed thankful for the privilege of being able to attend Avondale for even a short time. I do not consider that time lost or wasted, but rather regard it as the most profitable year of my life, although gaining nothing financially.

It is only when we are called upon to take up our position in this world of sin, among those who know not the truth, and we are asked by them "a reason of the hope that is in you," that we realise somewhat the value of a training in a Christian school; but I believe we sl all never fully realise its value until we reach the kingdom of God. A taste of such life seems to kindle a fire in the heart which is not easily quenched by the things with which the world overwhelms the young people of today. When talking to an old class-mate a few days ago, I asked if he was planning to go back to school again; and his reply was, "Yes, I cannot keep away. When the week-ends come around, away. When the week-ends come around, and I think of Friday night meetings and the good singing we used to enjoy, I feel I must go back again."

We, as young people, may give our energies to worldly pursuits and succeed in gaining some important worldly position, but unless we are able to lead some soul to the foot of the cross and be found there ourselves, our time will surely be wasted. Mrs. E. G. White has told us in "Testimonies for the Church," Vol. VII, page 64. "The Lord has appointed the youth to be His helping hand." There is nothing that will better fit us to fill this place than some time spent in training at one of our schools. It is true that education does not count for everything in the Lord's work. Most important is consecration, but if we have consecration combined with education then we can be a far greater power for good in the service of the Lord.

My advice to every young person is, Go to school, whether you intend to go through and have a place in the organised work or not.

[&]quot;IF we surrender our lives to His service, we can never be placed in a position for which God has not made provision. What-ever may be our situation, we have a Guide to direct our way; whatever our perplexities, we have a sure Counsellor; whatever our sorrow, bereavement, or loneliness, we have a sympathising Friend."—"Ministry of Healing," page 173.

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Conference and Camp-Meeting

JANUARY 15 marked the opening of the tenth annual session of the North New Zealand Conference, which was held in conjunction with the camp-meeting on the grounds of the Hawke's Bay Jockey Club, Hastings. These extensive grounds with their spacious appointments made it necessary for us to erect only about sixtysix dwelling tents. The rest of the campers found very comfortable accommodation in the various buildings, all of which were very freely placed at our disposal.

The first meeting of the camp was held on the evening of the 15th, when his worship the Mayor of Hastings gave a very hearty welcome to those who had come to spend the twelve days in his town.

While it is true the business meetings extended until Friday, the 25th, yet in all the deliberations it cannot be said that there was one sentence uttered that was not actuated by the spirit of love. In fact, right through the entire camp the presence of God could be felt.

We were pleased to have the help of the brethren who had joined us as representatives of the Union Conference, in the personnel of Pastors W. J. Wester-man, R. Hare, and A. W. Anderson. It was interesting to listen to the testi-monies borne by these and other brethren, some of whom had seen the work grow in New Zealand from its infancy, until today in this North Island alone we have twenty churches with a membership of 1.016. Fourteen of these churches meet in buildings of their own, the estimated value of which is £9,600.

A Year of Progress

From the secretary's report, it was seen that during the year ended September 30, 1923, 104 new members had been added by baptism, while during the last three months of 1923, no less than ten baptismal services were conducted, when about eighty-two precious souls took this definite forward step. During that quarter, too, three new churches were organised, namely, Papatoetoe, Dannevirke, and Whangarei. These churches were received into the sisterhood of churches of this conference, by vote of the delegates assembled. It is gratifying to know that during the calendar year 1923, a total of no less than 147 were baptised.

While our hearts have been made sad through ten of our members being laid aside to await the call of the Life-giver on the resurrection morning, yet it is still more sad to know that eleven have drifted from the fold, and it has therefore been found necessary to remove their names from the respective church rolls.

During the year aggressive work was carried on in Auckland, Papatoetoe, Dannevirke, Hastings, Napier, Gisborne, Feilding, and Whangarei, and as we listened to the reports given by the representatives from these different places, our hearts were filled with gratitude to God

for the manner in which He had worked through human instrumentalities to the breaking down of strongholds, and the building up of the cause of Christ.

The financial side of our work, which was shown by the treasurer, proved how wonderfully the Lord had blessed this part of the great movement. Our total offerings for the year 1923, including tithe, but not including Harvest Ingathering, amounted to £14,026. The present worth of the conference had increased by £350, thus bringing our present worth up to £4,712. The total funds on hand were £1,506 which included £940 tithe, or an increase on the tithe fund of £701 for the year. Additional tithe amounting to no less than ± 50 had been paid in to our church treasurers, and should have been included in the December quarter reports, but because of the necessity of closing the conference books promptly at the end of the year, to enable the balance sheet to be prepared for presentation at the conference, these amounts had to be held over until the next quarter, thus preventing a record showing for tithe in the history of this conference.

A Good Average

The delegates could not refrain from expressing their gratitude to God by singing with heart and voice the Doxology, when they learnt that from all sources, excluding the Harvest Ingathering, the per capita amount given by our members was almost £17 for the year. The Appeal for Missions campaign resulted in £3,350 being collected from the public for the furtherance of the message in the islands of the Pacific, this sum bringing the per capita offerings to \pounds 19 16s, for the year. The North New Zealand Conference gave to foreign missions last year an average of 2s. 101d. per member per week, thus surpassing the goal set for 1924 by the Union Con-ference at the recent Union Conference council.

Departmental Reports

Brother Hookings, the Sabbath school secretary, reported two additional Sabbath schools for the year, bringing the total up to fifty-eight, with a membership of 1,282. Our Sabbath schools gave £1,391 during the year for foreign mission work, this being £63 more than the previous year's total.

Our Missionary Volunteer Department was reported by the secretary, Brother N. H. Faulkner. It was gratifying to learn that in every line of missionary activity except four there was a very substantial increase over the work reported during 1922.

Four church schools are in operation in the conference, with an enrolment of ninety-nine. Plans are on foot for two other schools to be opened during the present year. The educational offering amounted to £73 16s. 10d., in addition to £119 2s. 7d. raised on the one per cent plan.

Brother J. E. Laybourn, who recently took over the work of Field Missionary Secretary, laid down by Brother G. F. Hansford when called away, told of the good work being done by our faithful band of thirteen colporteurs, who took orders during the year to the value of £5,602. One encouraging feature in connection with our colporteur work is the fact that of the 4,053 orders taken,

3,253 were for r ligious books, and the other 800 for medical works.

The work done in the Home Missions Department showed that there were decreases in five lines and considerable increases in sixteen.

Sabbath school attendance on the last Sabbath of camp was 463, and the offerings for the two weeks, £61 5s.

Credentials and Licenses

The regular standing committees were duly appointed by vote of the conference, namely, on Credentials and Licenses, Nominations, Plans and Recommenda-tions, and Delegation.

Credentials and Licenses were granted as follows :---

CREDENTIALS: H. M. Blunden, F. G. Rampton, L. Currow, J. E. Steed, C. A. Paap, W. R. Scragg.

MINISTERIAL LICENSE : R. A. Anderson, C. J. Reynolds, H. L. Tolhurst, J. Hookings, N. H. Faulkner, G. F. Bohringer.

MISSIONARY LICENSE: P. G. Foster, E. Mountain, J. E. Laybourn, V. Nilsson, A. Kranz, Miss F. Knowles, Dr. E. Caro (honorary), Gordon Smith (honorary).

TEACHER'S LICENSE: Miss M. Currow, Miss M. Sutton, Miss A. Graham.

COLPORTEUR'S LICENSE: E. Barnard, A. Jackson, R. K. Piper, B. Waldrom, W. Boniface, R. J. Martin, Mrs. Conrad, Mrs. Boniface.

Officers for 1924

The report of the Committee on Nominations was unanimously adopted as follows :---

PRESIDENT : H. M. Blunden.

SECRETARY: P. G. Foster.

TREASURER : E. Mountain.

HOME MISSIONS SECRETARY: P. G.

Foster. FIELD MISSIONARY SECRETARY: J. E.

Laybourn. SABBATH SCHOOL SECRETARY: J. Hookings.

MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER SECRETARY: N. H. Faulkner.

EDUCATIONAL SECRETARY: N. H. Faulkner.

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY SECRETARY: F. G. Ramnton.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTLE: H. M. Blunden, W. Richards, J. Strange, J. Hookings, F. J. Pearce, J. E. Steed, W. A. Tulloch N. Z. MISSIONARY SCHOOL BOARD G. F. Wright, W. R. Scragg, Dr. E. Caro

Plans and Recommendations

The recommendations passed included the following subjects : A resolution of thanksgiving and consecration; the need of love and unity in all our churches; instructions regarding the correct procedure for appointing officers in our churches and the principles which govern these appointments; methods regarding the operation of church loan accounts and how these may be systematically liquidated; urging that parents and guardians avail themselves of the provision made in our schools for the safety and training of the youth; that the regular Education Day be observed on the first Sabbath of the second month of each quarter; the Conference Students' Aid Fund; that we aim for 3s. 3d. per week per church member for missions, as this conference has already exceeded the goal of 2s. 10d. per week suggested by the Union; that our young people avail

themselves of the opportunities for selfimpr vement afforded by the Standard of Attainment and Reading Courses; that we accept the suggested goal of $\pounds 3,250$ for the Appeal for Missions, the effort to commence February 17 and continue six weeks.

Closing Days

On the last Sabbath of the camp, the president spoke of some of the needs of the work in the island fields, and $\pounds I_0 \otimes 0$ was handed in to the treasury in cash and pledges. In addition to this, several articles of jewellery were given to be sold for this worthy cause.

Owing to the early departure of the train on Monday morning, the 28th, the campers were invited to remain after the close of the preaching service on the last Sunday evening, for the purpose of saying a few farewell words. During the hour and a half that we remained together, about two hundred brief, inspiring testimonies were given, and though the hour was late, yet all felt that it was the best meeting of the camp.

Special Favours

We feel we cannot close this report without saying a few words of appreciation for the many kindnesses extended to us by the civic authorities of Hastings. It seemed as if all had made up their minds to make our stay a most profitable and enjoyable one, and indeed so it was. Several business men offered to lend us anything that they had that we could use in connection with our meetings. The mayor himself was instrumental in getting us the use of 300 chairs from the Concert Chamber of the Town Hall. The stationmaster, too, gave us good help, especially in connection with the departure of the delegates and visitors. All the luggage that left on the Monday morning, comprising in all about 400 packages, was labelled and checked before leaving the grounds, thus enabling it to be carried direct to the luggage van, and we are pleased to be able to say that so far as we can learn, nothing has been lost.

Our application for the use of part of a very large room in one of the main buildings has been granted, for the purpose of storing our camp equipment for the year. To several of those who had shown us kindnesses, the conference voted to present copies of our subscription books.

For several months before camp, the weather was so dry that the ground in the Hawke's Bay district was so parched that there was very little vegetation. We saw the need of rain, and on the Saturday evening prior to the opening of camp those of us who were gathered to erect the camp, had special prayers that the Lord might send some showers of rain to refresh the parched earth. Our hearts rejoiced as showers fell before eight hours had passed by, and again a few days later, many lighter showers came, so that when we left Hastings, beautiful green grass was in evidence.

Truly we might say, as did the Psalmist, What shall we render unto the Lord for all His benefits toward us?

H. M. BLUNDEN, President. P. G. FOSTER, Secretary.

QUEENSLAND

PRESIDENT : E. B. RUDGE SECRETARY : P. GLOCKLER

.Grasping the Golden Opportunity

An Eleventh Hour Conversion

ONE of our lay brethren travelling in the train between Theebine and Murgon, Queensland, was providentially placed in the same compartment as a young lady who was very ill, in fact she told our brother that the doctor said she must die very soon unless God worked a miracle on her behalf. She was not ready to die, and the thought of death troubled her greatly. This gave our brother the needed opening for a talk on the state of the dead. As the beautiful story of life only in Christ was unfolded to her, she accepted it in all its fullness, and it placed within her heart a brighter hope than she had ever before experienced.

As it happened, this young lady lived in our brother's home town, and was a member of the Baptist Church. An invitation to her home was accepted, and the blessed hope of the second coming of Christ was planted in her soul, and brought further joy to this dying girl. The Judgment and kindred Bible truths were also readily accepted by her.

The next time the Baptist minister called, she told him that he could not consider her a member of his church any longer. She told him of the glorious light that now flooded her soul, and how she praised the Lord for sending our brother to her with such an inspiring message. He told her the Seventh-day Adventist people kept certain doctrines back until they got a firm hold of one, etc. He mentioned certain points, but she told him that our brother had already made that all clear to her mind, and all the minister's efforts to turn her from the truth were unavailing.

The Methodist minister visited her often, and prayed with her, but his words were all praise for the wonderful change that had come to her, and how she could walk peacefully into the valley of the shadow of death hand-in-hand with her Redeemer. The dying girl's sister said to the Methodist minister one day that it was hard to think there was no hope for her after coming all the way from England. He replied, "I think your sister has been well repaid in coming to Australia by gaining such a bright hope of life beyond the tomb that she tells me she has received from the teaching given her during these last months."

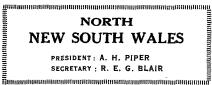
During the last few weeks of her life she often spoke to others <f their eternal welfare, and felt anxious that they should accept the blessed Saviour who was such a comfort to her in her physical weakness.

The last visit our brother had with her, tears of joy streamed down their faces, and as they clasped hands for the final farewell it was with the consciousness of a renewed friendship in the better land in the near future.

The end came on Sabbath morning, January 26, and the hours of holy rest enfolded a sleeping child who owed her hope of soon meeting her Redeemer, to the fact that a servant of God had taken advantage of a golden opportunity of speaking a word in season to one that was weary.

Brethren and sisters, we pass this way but once; let us watch for souls as they who must give an account.

J. S. STEWART, Q'land Home Mission Sec.



ON Sunday evening, January 27, Pastor S. Watson commenced his tent mission at Taree. The tent is nicely situated in the centre of the town. When engaged in erecting the tent lone-handed, some of the business men of the town very kindly left their work and gave Brother Watson assistance. From the outset the tent has been crowded on Sunday evenings, and the week-night meetings are also very well attended. The interest is good, for on one occasion the people were sitting in their motor-cars outside the tent listening to the service while it was raining. There was no more seating accommodation inside the tent at the time. The prayers of all are invited that this interest may continue, and that a rich harvest of souls may be won for the Master.

On Sunday evening, February 10, the first tent mission meeting was held in the town of Lismore, where Pastors Whittaker and Newbold are unite in labour. Unfortunately heavy rain fell on this evening, but in additio to the members of the Corndale church there were about thirty-five strangers present. We are hopeful that this effort away up in the northern portion of our State will be the means of building up a strong church in the town of Lismore.

Pastor R. A. Salton is kept very busy visiting, holding Bible readings, and conducting cottage meetings in and around Newcastle, as well as conducting Sunday evening services in the Hamilton church. His hands are full of work. Interests are springing up all around the place.

Brother H. E. Carr has secured a hall in Armidale in which to hold public services. Brother T. M. Cole is conducting meetings in Grafton, and is holding cottage meetings both in that city, and in the township at Halfway Creek, about twenty miles from Grafton.

At our recent camp-meeting a fair number offered themselves for service in the canvassing field, and we are glad to report that they have now made a commencement in their new line of service, and the outlook is encouraging. We bespeak for these new workers the prayers of God's people, that they may have good success in placing our truth-filled literature in the homes of the people in all parts of our conference. Five of the new canvassers are married men, and we believe that the Lord has called them all to service for Him. During the month of January the value of orders received totalled £318, thus passing the monthly average aim by £5. This is exception17/3/24

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ally good for a month in which the campmeeting was held.

Last year this conference passed through a time of distress (drought, strikes, etc.), but notwithstanding this the Lord has enabled His people to return to H $_{\rm im}$ in tithes no less a sum than $\pm 6,250$, which is an increase of about £900 over the previous year. Nothing but gratitude to God, and a desire to honour Him, could make such a report possible under such unfavourable circumstances. ROSS E. G. BLAIR.



Home Again

IT was a very happy and enthusiastic company that gathered to welcome Matron Shannan on her return to the Sydney Sanitarium on Tuesday asternoon, March 4, after nearly nine months' absence on furlough in the United States. The San tarium entrance gates were gay with bunting waving in the bright sunshine, and notices of welcome suspended here and among the greenery in the gymnasium hall spoke the thought uppermost in the hearts of the Sanitarium family, patients, and friends from the village who were gathered there when the motor car drew up between two rows of uniformed nurses.

After a few minutes had been spent in shaking hands all round the nurses united in singing a song of welcome, the words of which had been composed for the occasion by Pastor Smith.

Dr. Sherwin, as chairman of the gathering then called upon Brother Smith for a few words of welcome to the "mother of the Sanitarium family." In vivid language he described how much it means to a home when mother takes a holiday, and how glad all are when she returns.

The company were entertained by a violin solo by Nurse Baird and a vocal selection by one of the patients, and then listened with interest while matron re-counted how the good hand of the Lord had been with her in her travels by land and sea. Before leaving Australia she had dreaded the sea voyages, having been very ill on previous trips, but this time she had been greatly favoured both going and returning, and had not been sick at all. Although February is usually a bad month for sea travelling, even the captain had remarked upon the smoothness of the passage, the return voyage being the best the Niagara had experienced for some months.

While visiting in Chicago, Sister Shannan had made all arrangements to leave for California on a certain day, but was persuaded to postpone her journey for one week. She afterwards learned that the train by which she had intended to travel was held up by robbers during the journey, all the passengers were robbed, and five of them were killed. In sparing her this harrowing experience the overruling hand of a kind Providence was seen.

A visit to her old home State, Iowa,

afforded the pleasure of meeting a brother and two sisters and many other relatives and friends of former days, although during twenty year's absence time had wrought many changes, and some faces were sadly missed. Three months had been spent in our sanitariums in America, and much information gained regarding the inside working of these institutions that will be of value to her in her future work. With letters of introduction to those in charge, she had visited a number of hospitals some containing over two thousand beds, and had the privilege of being present at operations by famous surgeons, and of observing the nurses at their work.

When asked on different occasions as to whether she would accept an appointment over there, Sister Shannon replied that she belonged to Australia; she regarded Wahroonga as her home, and was now glad to be back again, She said she had scarcely realized how tired she was until she laid her burdens down, but was now feeling much refreshed and was a stone heavier than when she left us.

To our Heavenly Father who, "Looking down the ages has counted his workers and chosen the sphere of usefulness for each," we unite in returning thanks for His prospering care of the institution of His planting at Wahroonga, and for bringing back to us with renewed health and vigor one who will ever hold a large place in the hearts of our Sanitarium workers.

VIOLA. M. ROGERS.

Interesting Sidelights on Two **Camp-Meetings**

THE camp-meetings in New Zealand this year were singularly blessed of God. The weather throughout was delightful, and the harmony and concord of the people was very marked. The real success of our work depends much more upon the unity of God's people than perhaps we think. The experience of Pentecost was possible only when the disciples became of one accord. The burden of Christ's prayer, before He left His disciples to meet the crisis of His life and the crisis of this world, was: "That they all may be one." John 17:21. This unity on the part of the believers is the evidence which will lead the world to believe that Christ is the Sent of God.

Some very notable victories were in evidence in the New Zealand camp-meetings. The Lord has been blessing the labours of the ministers and workers in that field in a very remarkable manner during the latter part of last year, and the large increase of membership which was recorded for the final quarter of the year gave our members much joy. Scores of new people rejoicing in their first love are a valuable contagion of influence and enthusiasm in any church, and as these new people relate their experiences and victories in the social meetings, those who have sacrificed time or means in the promulgation of the message rejoice that they have been permitted to play some little part in the grand work.

North New Zealand

At the North camp, which was held on the Hastings race course, our people met with a splendid public welcome. The mayor of the town attended the opening

meeting and in a very graceful speech ex pressed his pleasure in according the con ference a public welcome to the town. He extolled the work in which we were engaged, and wished the camp great success. His interest in our welfare had been shown also in a very practical way, for he had granted us the use of sufficient upholstered theatre chairs from the town hall to seat the large pavilion free of charge.

The local daily newspapers were very generous in giving us ample space for re-ports of our meetings, and in this way many people heard much of the truth who were prevented by distance or other obstacles from attending the camp. The value of good newspaper reports is beyond our capacity to calculate.

Prior to the camp-meeting the thought had been expressed that as the district had been thoroughly worked for a considerable time, the workers located there should move on to pastures new. However, the interest of many people became so deepened by the camp-meeting services that it was decided to pitch a tent in the vicinity and develop the interest still further. A keenly interested congregation put in an appear-ance to hear the message after the camp had closed, and on the second Sabbath fifteen new Sabbath-keepers (fruits of the camp) attended our two Hawke's Bay churches to worsbip God. Brethren Roy Anderson and V. Nilsson, together with Sister F. Knowles, are carrying on the mission in Hastings.

South New Zealand

At the South camp, which was held in a beautiful park near the Health Food Factory, Papanui, about three miles out from Christchurch, there was also a very fine interest in the message manifested by the public. Night after night a good audience assembled to hear the Bible expounded, and some notable decisions were made by men and women who were convicted by the Spirit of Christ to consecrate their lives to His service. As a result of the splendid mission which had been conducted by Pastor James Kent in the centre of the city of Christchurch, about thirty-five per-sons had been led to accept the truth; while numbers of others had become deeply interested. Their education in the things of God was carried a little further as a result of the camp, and some of these took a very definite stand before the meeting concluded. Then, too, some of our people whose love was waxing cold, and who were tempted to slip, were led to re-consecrate themselves to the service of the Master.

Pastor Kent, together with Pastor Westerman, and a strong corps of workers are carrying on the interest in Christchurch. We anticipate a real harvest of souls from that city.

We pray that God may greatly water the seed that is being sown in both conferences in New Zealand, that there may be an abundant fruitage to His glory. A. W. ANDERSON.

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A CABLE message from North New Zealand reports an Ingathering total of £856 for the first two weeks of the effort.

PASTOR Kent's mission services in Christchurch were reputed to be the most largely-attended religious meetings in that city.

DURING the year 1923 the North New Zealand Conference experienced the largest ingathering of souls in the history of that conference.

THE Appeal for Missions began in North New Zealand on February 17. By the end of the first week, one church had reached its aim of $\pounds 75$. Our congratula-tions to Whangarei, one of the youngest churches in the Dominion!

"SOME of our Baiap boys came over to the Malekulan coast opposite Ambrim and held a number of Bible studies. The result is, that the whole town is stirred, and they have requested a teacher, as they want to connect with the Sabbath Mission." This statement in one of Pastor Parker's latest letters demonstrates once more God's willingness to use all who yield themselves to him for service, including these native boys of very meagre knowledge who are endeavouring to spread the light.

"BROTHER Nicholson brings a cheering report of the work on Ambrin," writes Pastor Parker. "Everything is optimistic for the mission, and the grain is ripe for the sickle. They are holding services in five other towns on the Sabbath, and now two more towns are agitating for services to be held for them. Quite a number of the Bush people are coming to the meetings at Baiap. The people at Baiap are developing nicely, and they are proving solid characters. Their very looks are changing. They are a real credit to our work,"

WRITING from the Tasmanian campground during the first week-end, Brother J. L. Smith says: "In beautiful Glenorchy, on the banks of the Derwent, within five or six miles of Hobart-that is where the camp-meeting is being held for this section of the Victoria-Tasmanian Conference. Pastor W. G. Turner con ducted a good revival service on Sabbath, February 23, and at its conclusion forty persons, young and old, went to the front seeking the help of the Lord as they consecrated and reconsecrated their lives for service. God is greatly blessing us and we feel that he is going to give us a glorious time as we humbly seek His favour. The Hobart Mercury and the World have given us good space in their columns, and we are grateful for the opening afforded to reach the public o Tasmania in this powerful way throug the columns of the press."

IT is of interest to know that the Sabbath School goal in the British Isles is nine pence per week per church member. Their church paper, the Missionary Worker gave the name of a school that had given four times as much as this goal; three that had given tw ce as much; and nineteen others that had exceeded the goal. In view of the serious financial condition in England it would seem that nine pence for them would be about as much as one shilling for us in this Union.

An Explanation

TO the members of the Australasian Training Schools Association. Greeting:

Through the RECORD columns we send you this year our word of welcome instead of by circular. We have thoroughly enjoyed the union of interests sustained by the Association, and hope to continue this—in a chang d form. It has been felt that the news of the College and sister insitutions would reach a wider circle through these columns, as parents and

We are certainly deeply inter-ested in the object to which our Thirteenth Sabbath offering is to be denoted on March 29. None but those who have laboured in the New Hebrides can appreciate the joy it brings to us to read of the development of the work there. The support of the work at Atchin for one year is certainly a very worthy object, and I trust it will lead our people to respond liberally. A. G. Stewart.

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prospective students are interested in such news, as well as past and present students, which latter comprise our present membership. The editors of the RECORD, there-fore, have turned over to us one page weekly to be used as a medium of communication on matter educational, in place of the paper Far and Near.

We trust to continue the same items of interest,-news from educational institutions, word from past members, and articles of general interest, and we invite your continued co-operation.

Members of the Association through Sanitarium connection will probably ere this have received the yearly letter from the energetic secretary of that branch, but will hereby know the change of plans, which has only just been decided upon.

Again thanking you for your interest during the past three years,

On behalf of the Association, RHAE ALLBON.

AUSTRALIA has the honour of winning the first Sabbath-keeper on the Isle of Man. From Wahroonga, N.S.W., Brother J. W. Thompson sent literature to his sister who was residing on the island. As a result she embraced the Sabbath truth,

and her husband followed her in this step Two of their sons are now at our college in England, the eldest, a young man of twenty-five, desiring to be a missionary in India.

Wedding .

On the afternoon of February 20, 1924, a very pretty wedding was celebrated, when Brother R. J. Paterson and Sister Alice Scarfe were united in marriage in the South Brisbane church. Particular interest was manifested in this union as both these young people have been connected with God's work for some time, Brother Paterson having been in field work here for some years, and the bride, a graduate nurse of the Sydney Sanitarium has for the past year been connected with the treatment rooms of Brother H. Morrison in Brisbane. Brother and Sister Paterson have recently been asked to take up work in India, whither they will sail in a few months' time. The wedding breakfast was held in the home of the bride's brother, where many friends assembled to wish the happy couple God's blessing in their united F. KNIGHT. efforts for Him.

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