



# The African Division OUTLOOK



"Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest."

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## Sketches of the Past—No. 3

### The Unsealing of the Prophecy

As the time of the end drew near, there began to dawn upon the minds of prophetic students a flickering of the light that was increasingly to illuminate the divine forecast of the last days, and especially that prophecy that makes known the hour of God's judgment. It is impossible with the meagre information at our command to know exactly how the work started, but we can find traces here and there that show that in many countries, independently of each other, the bearers of the first angel's message were prepared, and their voices united in a loud cry that stirred the world.

In 1830, Rev. William Hales, D. D., the famous English chronologist, published a "*New Analysis of Chronology and Geography*," in which he stated that the seventy week period of Daniel nine "was evidently designed to explain the foregoing vision, especially in its chronological part of the 2300 days." In a footnote, he gives the credit for this thought to an Irish minister by the name of Hans Wood, who in the year 1787, published a commentary on the book of Revelation. This is perhaps the earliest writer known who saw the relation between these two periods.

These early writers, however, though they saw that the two periods logically begin at the same time, yet failed to see the true time for that beginning. Dr. Hales by reckoning 490 years backward from A. D. 70, the time of the destruction of Jerusalem, fixed on the date 420 as the starting point, and expected the 2300 years to terminate in 1880.

The earliest student of prophecy, of whom we have record, who saw that the 2300 years began in 457 B. C. and taught that the time would end in 1843, at which time Christ would come, was William Davis of South Carolina, U. S. A. In 1810 he published the evidence for this in a pamphlet, which evidently had a wide circulation and attracted considerable attention, for we have record of its being republished eight years later at Workington, North England. A minister of the Scottish church, Archibald Mason, of Wishawton, was convinced of its truth, and gave further publicity to the view by publishing "*Two Essays on Daniel's Prophetic Number of Two Thousand Three Hundred Days, and on the Christian's Duty to Inquire into the Church's Deliverance.*"

In 1822, Joseph Wolff, of England, published a book called "He Will Come Again, the Son of Man in the Clouds of Heaven." Four years later, we find Wolff with twenty representative Bible students of various denominations studying together in London, and coming to the unanimous conclusion that Christ would return about the year 1843.

Among those who proclaimed this message, probably there was no other messenger who taught it so widely, and to so many classes and nationalities as this Joseph Wolff, a converted Jew. Of his early life, he says of himself, "I received pure Christianity in the schools of the enlightened Friederich Leopold, Count of Stolberg, the well known poet, . . . next from the distinguished Roman Catholic Bishop, Sailer, . . . and the writings of Fenelon, Pascal, and Bossuet." He entered the Catholic Church, but, as he says, "saw many practices in the Church, at which my conscience revolted, and was openly obliged to protest against them, which induced Pope Pius VII and Cardinal Litta to decree my banishment from Rome." Later he attended the University at Cambridge, England. There, he continues, "I studied the Persian and Arabic, and . . . acquired theology, and when this further light broke in upon me, became a member of the Church of England."

After receiving his education, he began an ardent missionary campaign for his own people. From 1821 to 1830 he laboured as a missionary in Palestine, Egypt, Mesopotamia, Persia, Crimea, Georgia, the Ottoman Empire, Turkistan, Bokhara, Afghanistan, Cashmeer, Hindustan, and around the Red Sea. He published a book of 400 pages describing his travels, copy of which is before me as I write. It abounds in allusions to his teachings regarding the second advent such as the following:

At Lucknow, "I held disputations with several Mussulmans of the Sheah persuasion, and lectured here on the prophecies of the second coming of our Lord."

Of his visit to Calcutta, he says, "I lectured to about twelve hundred persons in the Town Hall. The Baptist missionaries, Marshman, and the veteran Carey, welcomed me gladly also, and invited me to their splendid and unique establishment at Serampore."

He notes with interest in Yemen, that "the Arabs

of this place have a book called *Seera*, which treats of the second coming of Christ, and His reign in glory."

In Arabia also he spent six days with the Rechabites. He met Israelites who had preserved their genealogy from the tribe of Dan, who expected "in common with the children of Rehab, the speedy arrival of the Messiah in the clouds of heaven."

Later, en route for the United States he stopped at the island of St. Helena, where he "lectured on the second coming of Christ."

On his arrival at New York, he says, "I found myself surrounded with a phalanx of friends of all religious denominations. I lectured in the tabernacle on the personal reign of Christ. . . . I preached at Philadelphia, Washington, and Baltimore repeatedly. On a motion of John Quincy Adams, I received permission to give a lecture in the Congress Hall, in the presence of all the members of Congress of both houses, the Bishop of Virginia, and the clergy and citizens of Washington. I had the same honour conferred on me by the government of New Jersey and Pennsylvania."

He relates in detail an account of a conversation in Athens with the queen of Greece. In reply to the queen's remark that "It would be well if all the churches were united together," Wolff replied, "This is much to be prayed for, but this union will only be realised at the second coming of our Lord." She then asked, "Do you expect that this will soon happen?" to which he replied, "Yes, I do."

These few extracts from the biography of this remarkable man show his learning, his earnestness in preaching the second coming of Christ, which he expected, in common with many others, about the year 1843, and that through him the doctrine was brought more or less prominently to men of influence in many countries.

D. E. ROBINSON.



## In South West Africa

[THE following extracts are taken from a letter written by Mrs. O. O. Bredenkamp, from Grootfontein, S. W. A., and will no doubt be of interest to our readers.—Ed.]

"We left Windhoek the evening of May 20, and reached Tsumeb (Su'meb) Tuesday afternoon. We had to change at Usakos (U'-seek-us) Monday morning at 4.30, and wait over until 8.45 for our train. At the appointed time we boarded the train for Tsumeb. Such a train as it was! It had a funny old engine, but she deserves every credit, for she did her work well, and landed us at Tsumeb ahead of time. There were two seats, one on each side, running the length of the compartment. They were ordinary wooden seats like they have in some of the trains at the Cape. Things were none too clean, and the luggage was piled on the seats, and under the seats, or wherever room was found. The train was very low, and stones and pebbles jumped in as we went along. We were bumped, shaken, and lurched forward at intervals until I felt I had had about all I could stand. The second day did not seem quite so bad. I guess it was because I was feeling so much better.

"We reached Otjiwarongo about 8.15 P. M., and were then bundled out luggage and all to spend the night at a hotel. Bed never seemed so nice before.

"By 6.30 the next morning we were off again, and reached Tsumeb in the afternoon. I must tell you that the brakes on this train are worked by native boys who sit on top of the train at certain distances. There were five or six on our train. Each truck or compartment had a brake. From Usakos on, the trains run on a narrow gauge, and the rails are such funny looking things.

"We reached here Friday just after lunch, hot, tired and dusty, after travelling on an ox waggon since the day before. There was no tent to the waggon, and we had to seat ourselves as comfortably as we could on our luggage, of which there was plenty. The road across was very sandy in some places, and exceedingly stoney in others. The waggon belonged to a native who rides stone and bricks, and was almost coming to pieces. In fact one wheel did try the trick, but the boys hammered it together, and we went on.

"We camped out for supper Thursday evening, and then 'trekked' on again until 11.30 P. M. I had my first experience of sleeping out under the stars. We made our beds in the sandy road, and I slept soundly. Brother French had a cot and net, but he was so cold that he got up before we did and stood by the fire.

"We were off again by 5.30 and did not stop again until we were about five miles off from Grootfontein. We were glad to reach our destination, and I will leave you to judge how we felt driving up to the hotel in such a beautiful waggon, drawn by eight oxen. A good rest and hot bath fixed us up, and we are feeling none the worse for the trip. After each trip I feel I have never been so tired in all my life.

"Elder Anderson and Mr. Bredenkamp have gone up to the location to hold a service for the natives. They have to use two interpreters, so it is a slow job. Our Seventh-day Adventist boy, Modisi, from Bechuanaland, is stationed here, working for the natives, and has an interest started.

"The plan now is for us to return to Windhoek and study the Ovambo language, so we are off Wednesday morning at 7.20."



## Farewell

DEAR BRETHREN AND SISTERS IN SUNNY AFRICA,—

It is almost eight years since our family first set foot on African soil, and now that the time of our departure is at hand, we feel to write a fond farewell before boarding the steamer that is to bear us from those we love so dearly; yet at this time our hearts are so full that language seems inadequate to express our thoughts.

While it is true that we came to you from across the sea and from a different land, the same truth and hope was burning in our hearts as in your own, and these, together with your kind sympathy and congenial ways, made it most easy and natural for us to feel perfectly at home and to forget that our training and previous experience had been had thousands of miles away. Indeed, as we go to the boat it is with the feeling that we are missionaries about to leave our home for a foreign field, where we shall have again to learn the customs and ways of the people and become acquainted with new faces,

As we look back over the path trodden the past eight years, we find many mistakes and we see where we might have done better in many ways; yet, also we see many faces that have come to the Lord and His truth during this time of God's ministry through us, and the joy of this happy vision so fully fills our hearts that we thank God that life has not been entirely vain, and we take leave of you feeling that we are leaving behind us many dear children in Jesus born after much effort, prayer and travail of soul. Our great concern and hope is that in the glad reunion in the near future we shall be permitted to meet you all again.

The many letters and telegrams with their messages of confidence and good wishes have been greatly appreciated, and your kind farewells shall ever be remembered. We would be glad to reply personally to each of these but since this is impossible, we shall be pleased if each will accept this OUTLOOK letter as a personal farewell. Our address will be C/o The General Conference of S. D. A., Takoma Park, Washington, D. C., U. S. A. We shall be glad to hear from any who may desire to write and shall endeavour to reply faithfully.

"Finally, brethren, farewell. Be perfect, be of good comfort, be of one mind, live in peace; and the God of love and peace shall be with you." 2 Cor. 13: 11.

PASTOR AND MRS. G. R. E. McNAY AND FAMILY.



**£20,534 Asked of the World's Sabbath Schools on June 30, 1923**

THINK of the following paragraphs when planning for the next thirteenth Sabbath offering:

"To carry the truth to the inhabitants of the earth, to rescue them from their guilt and indifference, is the mission of the followers of Christ. Men must have the truth in order to be sanctified through it, and we are the channels of God's light."—*Testimonies for the Church*, Vol. IV, page 80.

"God is not dependent upon man for the support of His cause. He could have sent means direct from heaven to supply His treasury, if His providence had seen that this was best for man. He might have devised means whereby angels would have been sent to publish the truth without the agency of men. He

**African Division Sabbath School Report for Quarter Ending March 31, 1923**  
(As furnished to the Sabbath School Department)

	Av. Mem.	Av. Atten.	Bk Mks.	Bap.	Birthday Offs.	12 Sab. Offs.	13 Sab. Offs.	Per cent of Quota
Conferences								
Cape (Eur.)	443	349	11	16	3 1 1	133 4 0	48 15 6	66½
Cape (Col.)	151	151		13	1 10	13 11 8	4 7 8	83½
Natal-Trans	594	485	2	16	9 6 9	145 11 10	56 5 1	50
Orange River	271	272	10	1	2 4	78 1 7	25 3 4	53½
Missions								
(European Constituency)								
Bechuanaland	86	86			1 10 11	10 9 3	19 0	53½
S. Rhodesia	68	62	1		1 7 8	27 15 4	9 2 7	153½
Missionaries	34	34				47 18 3	2 2 3	90
(Native Constituency)								
Basutoland	219	230		1		3 10 2	3 0 0	20
Bechuanaland	64	64		71		4 7 11	7	33½
Kafriland	392	398		7		15 6 4	3 1 3	33½
Zululand	110	354		22		6 16 3	17 6	50
Belgian Congo								
Nyasaland								
N. Rhodesia	1192	1192				5 5 8	8 9	50
S. Rhodesia	2560	1936		7		16 7 4	4 6	23
<b>Totals</b>	<b>6184</b>	<b>5608</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>15 10 7</b>	<b>508 5 7</b>	<b>154 8 0</b>	

Offerings Grand Total £678 4 2

MRS. A. P. TARR, Secretary.

might have written the truth upon the heavens, and let that declare to the world His requirements in living characters. God is not dependent upon any man's gold or silver. Whatever necessity there is for our agency in the advancement of the cause of God, He has purposely arranged for our good. He has honoured us by making us co-workers with Him. He has ordained that there should be a necessity for the co-operation of men, that they may keep in exercise their benevolence."—*Testimonies for the Church*, Vol. III, page 390.

"I saw that in the arrangement of systematic benevolence, hearts will be tested and proved. It is a constant, living test."—*Testimonies for the Church*, Vol. I, page 221.

"God's requirements come first. We are not doing His will if we consecrate to Him what is left of our income after all our imaginary wants have been supplied. In the old dispensation, an offering of gratitude was kept continually burning upon the altar, thus showing man's endless obligation to God. . . . God has made men the channels through which His gifts are to flow, to sustain the work which He would have carried forward in the world."—*Testimonies for the Church*, Vol. IV, page 477.

"I was shown that the recording angel makes a faithful record of every offering dedicated to God, and put into the treasury, and also of the final result of the means thus bestowed. The eye of God takes cognisance of every farthing devoted to His cause, and of the willingness or reluctance of the giver. The motive in giving is also chronicled. Those self-sacrificing, consecrated ones who render back to God the things that are His, as He requires them, will be rewarded according to their works. Even though the means thus consecrated be misapplied, so that it does not

accomplish the object which the donor had in view—the glory of God and the salvation of souls—those who made the sacrifice in sincerity of soul, with an eye single to the glory of God, will not lose their reward.”—“*Testimonies for the Church*,” Vol. II, page 518.

“If thou draw out thy soul to the hungry, and satisfy the afflicted soul; then shall thy light rise in obscurity, and thy darkness be as the noon day: and the Lord shall guide thee continually, and satisfy thy soul in drought, and make fat thy bones: and thou shalt be like a watered garden, and like a spring of water, whose waters fail not.” Isa. 58: 10, 11.

MRS. A. P. TARR.



### The “Sentinel” is a Soul Winner

A RECENT mail brought a cheque for over £5 from a brother who as yet has never heard a sermon from a Seventh-day Adventist preacher. His attention was first called to the truth through the *Sentinel*, and through reading some books that were advertised in it. He has been keeping the Sabbath for some months, and is asking that one of our ministers visit him, as he believes all we teach, and is desirous of uniting with the church. This is the second time he has ordered books.

Yesterday, I met the leader of a native delegation who had come on a delegation to the Prime Minister. In the course of the conversation, I mentioned my connection with the *Sentinel*. “That is the paper that has so much to say about the prophecies,” he replied. “I have noticed that everything has come out just as it has been saying.”

Great pains are being taken to make our representative magazine attractive and filled with the message that the people need. It is not, however, reaching the circulation that it should have, perhaps because our readers have not been reminded of its need of their support.

Here are a few features of interest in the July issue, which is now being prepared:

“*Not the Hope of Christ's Return, but Its Denial is the Real Doctrine of Gloom.*” The article contrasts the gloomy predictions of well known scientists regarding the end of the world with the Bible doctrine.

“*Happy is that Servant,*” an article in which A. W. Spalding pleasingly shows the true attitude of the believer in Christ's coming.

“*For the Sake of that Boy,*” in which Dr. D. H. Kress makes an earnest appeal to fathers and men of influence to set the right example of temperance, and non use of tobacco.

“*The Fathers*” and their authority; a letter from a reader in perplexity because his minister tried to prove Sunday keeping from the Fathers; a panel quoting the words of Jesus regarding commandment-keeping and tradition; and a panel in which the editor invites a discussion as to the best way of answering the letter, form a grouping of thoughts that make a striking appeal for Sabbath-observance.

“*This is Life Eternal,*” points the reader to Jesus Christ as a personal companion and friend, and to an intimate acquaintance with Him as the only way to eternal life.

These are only a portion of the contents of this

issue of the *Sentinel*. Will you not order a few, either for sale or for free distribution among your friends?

D. E. ROBINSON.



### What Time Is It?

THE apostle Paul says, “Knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep: for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed.” Rom. 13: 11.

“Knowing the time.” Do you know what time it is? We carry watches that we may continually know the time. We wake up in the night and consult a timepiece to know the time. We plan to take a train. We ascertain the hour and minute of departure, as we are anxious to know the time when we must prepare and be there, so we may not miss the train. Or perhaps friends are coming on a certain train. We make inquiry of those who know, and consult time-tables that we may know the time when the train will arrive, so we can be on hand to greet them.

The text refers to the arrival of the King of kings and Lord of lords, with all the holy angels who surround His throne. Do you know the time when He is due to arrive? Are you studying the prophetic time-table and keeping informed, so you will be ready and not be taken by surprise?

The end is approaching with muffled tread. All the kingdoms of the world are soon to be overturned. If we are so anxious to know the time of events of minor importance in this world, surely we ought to be informed concerning the greatest of all events.

What time is it? Are your business affairs shaped up as they should be in the life of a man who is daily looking for the coming of the Lord?

The events in the world all about us indicate that it is indeed “time to seek the Lord, till He come and rain righteousness upon you.” Hosea 10: 12. Study this question: What time is it?—G. B. Thompson, in *Lake Union Herald*.

## HARVEST INGATHERING CAMPAIGN

JUNE AND JULY

OUR GOAL £3,000

### The Campaign Opens Enthusiastically

THE “Appeal for Missions” campaign is now well launched, and we hope in our next issue to be able to give an encouraging report of the results achieved during the first week or two. That the *Outlook* may be able to meet the expectations of those who will watch each issue eagerly to see the progress toward the goal, we urge all to be prompt and faithful in sending in their reports. On Sabbath, let each church member hand in his week's report to the missionary leader, who should on Sunday mail the report from his church to the tract society secretary. From the conference office, the reports from the various churches

will be hurried to the Division office. Then just as soon as these reports are received at this central clearing house for information, we shall notify each office in turn what the totals are for the campaign in the entire field.

Beginning next month a suitable diagram will be printed, showing at a glance how the work is going in the various conferences.

We can give no reports in this issue, but we can say that the churches in the Peninsula have entered into the effort heartily, and the totals for the amounts handed in as individual goals have been very encouraging. Brother Joseph writes from Kimberley:

"Today we had a good meeting at the church, and practically every one is joining in. I am encouraged to believe that this church will reach its goal of £3 for every member on its roll. The first call I made on Thursday the lady gave me £2. This was a good start. I have set my personal goal at £25. It will take some gathering, but I am trusting in His promises, and am looking to Him for success, as I do my part."

D. E. ROBINSON.



### Faithful Work Brings Success

By the time this number of the OUTLOOK reaches the field, our Harvest Ingathering Campaign will be well under way. I am glad to report that the plans have been well perfected here at headquarters for the strongest campaign ever put forth in the Cape Peninsula.

The Division and Sentinel offices are closing down for a day in order to give our entire staff an opportunity to engage in the work of the campaign, and the Sanitarium management is arranging to give all of their staff opportunity to give as much time to it as possible. The Cape Town church members have set their individual goals aggregating £161, and we believe that they will be able to reach this and perhaps more. The Claremont church is also well organised, so we believe that the campaign will be carried on in a stronger way in the Peninsula than it ever has been before.

We trust this will be true throughout the Division. Some reports have come through to us already telling of advance work that has been done, and these reports are very encouraging indeed.

I hope that all of our people will have faith to ask for large contributions this year. The people are willing to give if we make them acquainted with the tremendous work Seventh-day Adventists are doing in mission lands. Special attention should be called to the first page of the paper, which gives an account of ten years of growth. There is sufficient information on this page alone to enable you to greatly interest your neighbours and friends in the work of Seventh-day Adventists.

The Division goal is set again for £3,000, and surely with everybody working we ought to be able to far more than reach this amount.

If you run out of papers early in the campaign, be sure to order a new supply through your tract society, in order that the work may continue right on to the end of the campaign period. If there are any who have not been able up to the present to engage in this work, we trust that they will not allow another

week to go by until they have thrown themselves into the campaign to assist to the extent of their ability in helping to make it a grand success.

The ability of the General Conference to furnish the funds necessary to finance the work through the world field is dependent upon our people doing their full duty in connection with this work. Let us therefore be faithful.

W. H. BRANSON.



### Receiving Gifts

"You inquire with respect to the propriety of receiving gifts from gentiles or the heathen. The question is not strange; but I would ask you who is it that owns our world? Who is the real owner of houses and lands? Is it not God? He has an abundance in our world which He has placed in the hands of men by which the hungry might be supplied with food, the naked with clothing, the homeless with homes. The Lord would move upon worldly men, even idolaters, to give of their abundance for the support of the work, if we would approach them wisely, and give them an opportunity of doing those things which it is their privilege to do. What they would give we should be privileged to receive. We should become acquainted with men in high places, and by exercising the wisdom of the serpent, and the harmlessness of the dove, we might obtain advantage from them, for God would move upon their minds to do many things in behalf of His people. If proper persons would set before those who have means and influence the needs of the work of God in a proper light, these men might do much to advance the cause of God in our world. We have put away from us privileges and advantages that we might have had the benefit of, because we chose to stand independent of the world. But we need not sacrifice one principle of truth while taking advantage of every opportunity to advance the cause of God.

"The Lord would have His people in the world, but not of the world. They should seek to bring the truth before the men in high places, and give them a fair chance to receive and weigh evidence. There are many who are unenlightened and uninformed, and as individuals we have a serious, solemn, wise work to do. We are to have travail of soul for those who are in high places, and go to them with the gracious invitation to come to the marriage feast. Very much more might have been done than has been done for those in high places. The last message that Christ gave to His disciples before He was parted from them, and taken up into heaven, was a message to carry the gospel to all the world, and was accompanied by the promise of the Holy Spirit. The Lord said 'Ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and to the uttermost part of the earth.'

"'The earth is the Lord's and the fulness thereof.' 'The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, saith the Lord of hosts.' 'Every beast of the forest is mine, and the cattle upon a thousand hills. I know all the fowls of the mountains: and the wild beasts of the field are mine. If I were hungry I would not tell thee; for the world is mine, and the fulness thereof.'"

—Mrs. E. G. White.

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## ORANGE RIVER CONFERENCE

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### Our Afrikaans Hymnal

THE "Afrikaanse Liedere," the song book that we are using for the first time in our effort here in Kroonstad, is a complete success. All the Free Staters who attend the lectures are delighted with the pretty songs. The little work has met with instant favour among the hundreds of Afrikanders who come from night to night and hear the lessons and the singing of appropriate songs.

Among the regular attendants at the lectures have been doctors, lawyers, teachers, officers in the defence force and leading farmers. All these have expressed their satisfaction over the music, and especially that it is sung in the language of the country. The "Afrikaanse Liedere" was one of the strongest means of attracting people to the meetings, thus presenting an opportunity to hear the last message of mercy.

Our effort is still in progress. Some souls have already taken their stand for the truth, but it will be a few weeks before we can tell just how many will decide to obey God. From the very beginning the opposition was bitter and strong. In addition to this, we were obliged to hold our meetings in the Town Hall, which was not centrally located for the attendance. Yet despite all these adversities, we are thankful for what God has done. I expect to remain in Kroonstad till the end of August, then to go to the Transvaal.

Brother Hiten has been a great help during the effort, and it has been a pleasure to me to work with him. As music leader he has also excelled. He heartily joins me in strongly recommending to our brothers and sisters to use the "Afrikaanse Liedere" and to make others acquainted with it.

Remember the effort here in your prayers.

J. J. BIRKENSTOCK.



### Pray for This Young Man

BROTHER R. M. LANGA, one of our native workers, writing from Alexandra, O. F. S., tells of a deep interest in the truth among the natives of that locality. He makes special mention of a young man, who is a teacher for another denomination, but who attended the studies conducted by Brother Langa, and has begun the observance of the Sabbath. He has been in training for the ministry, and the acceptance of this truth comes as a great test of faith to the young man, as he must give up all his present occupation and prospects. Recently, he was called before a minister, and his superintendent, and other leaders of his church, to give his reason for not attending the class meetings. Of this experience, Brother Langa says:

"Before he went to the meeting, we united in prayer that he might be guided by the Holy Spirit. Everything possible was used by the minister in charge and other speakers to cast reflection upon our work. He was told that we are inconsistent because

we keep the law of Moses, yet refuse to accept circumcision, which is also a part of that law. Then he was told that it matters not which day we hallow, just so long as we keep one day in seven, also that the blood of Christ has freed us from all laws.

"Before this gathering the young man was able to bear a good testimony. He showed the difference between the ceremonial laws and the unchangeable law of God, the Ten Commandments, and declared that Christ did not come to change this eternal law. He told them that he must accept the Word of God as the only foundation of his faith.

"When it became evident that he could not be persuaded to yield his convictions, he was threatened with the loss of his position, and has been given till the end of June to make his final decision. Another teacher, who has permitted us to hold studies in his house, has also been told that he will be discharged if he continues to have us study with him.

"We ask that our readers especially pray for the work in this place and for this young man in particular that he may overcome, and that he may become a helper in the Lord's work. He is well educated, and is able to speak three native languages besides English and Dutch."

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## CAPE CONFERENCE

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### Cape Town City Effort

On the 7th of January last, the writer assisted by Elder W. L. Hyatt, opened a series of meetings in the Cape Town Opera House. The meetings were held every Sunday night in the Opera House for some ten weeks, and every week night in the Railway Institute for a period of eight weeks. Since that time the Sunday night meetings have been continued in the Railway Institute where they are still going forward.

Others assisted in this effort. Sisters Fortner and Tarr did Bible work. The music was under the direction of Brother Hurlow, and the local members of the Cape Town and Claremont churches furnished us very efficient help in this line of the work. Those giving special assistance with the music were Sisters Reith, French, A. G. Fleming, A. M. Sparrow and E. Davies, and Brethren F. Macdonald, A. P. Tarr, R. P. Robinson, P. W. Willmore and F. Visser. We also had a volunteer corps of young ladies who did very efficient work as ushers.

The meetings opened the first Sunday night with about 800 present, and the Sunday night attendance for the first ten weeks ranged from about 800 to 1200. The week night attendance averaged from about 200 to 400. At the present time the Sunday night meetings being held in the Railway Institute are attended by about 350 to 400.

We are glad to report that up to the present time forty people have been taken into the church by baptism, and several others are keeping the Sabbath and attending the Sabbath meetings regularly, some of whom are to be baptised during the next few weeks. The forty who have already united with the church

have not all been received into the church at Cape Town; eight have united with the church at Claremont, one has gone to Kimberley, one to Klerksdorp, three have gone to Australia, and one to Taungs. The rest have united with the Cape Town church.

The writer is now leaving the city for an extended trip into the Belgian Congo, but Elder Hyatt will continue the meetings on Sunday nights, and the whole theory of the truth is being presented the second time, and from the deep interest manifested on the part of those who are attending the meetings it seems certain that many others will shortly take their stand for the truth.

The running expenses of the effort have been £478-0-3 of which amount £259-12-0 was for rent. We have found rent charges very high indeed, but it was the best that could be done if representative halls were to be secured. The total collection from the meetings plus contributions, amounted to £377-14-8, leaving a deficit in the expenses of the meeting of £100-5-7.

W. H. BRANSON.



### The Native Work at Queenstown

THE little company of native believers at Queenstown have long been asking for a church building. Since the time of Elder Paap's effort in that town, when interest in the truth was first aroused, they have had to hire a hall for the Sabbath services, and the day school has been kept in the evangelist's house.

At our recent camp-meeting in King William's Town, an appeal was made to our people, and a sum of money was raised toward the cost of material, but not sufficient for the hire of labour. Encouraged by this help, the local members all promised to help with the building. The men promised to do the brickwork, etc., the women to carry the water and attend to the floor, and the school children to carry on the bricks and sand.

The writer recently spent a few weeks there to direct and help in the work, and now we have, in the best part of the location, a nice little building of our own for church and school purposes.

During this time, public meetings were held every evening, which were well attended. The lantern pictures proved a great attraction, and a number were greatly interested in the message. Several asked for further studies, and have connected with Brother Joel Dabukelana's baptismal class.

WILLIAM HODGSON.



Does the world the wrong way rub you? Let it pass.

Does your best friend seem to snub you? Let it pass.

Chances are you are mistaken,

None are ever quite forsaken,

All for naught your faith was shaken—Let it pass.

—S. E. LECTED.



### Division Office Address

SOME of our correspondents are still addressing us at Rosmead Avenue. Will everybody please note the Division office address now is Grove Avenue, Claremont, C. P?

W. B. COMMUN.

### Sanitarium News Notes

MRS. ARMER, recently of East London, C. P., is at present acting as matron of the institution.

MISS L. SOUTHGATE, one of our nurses, is having a holiday before taking further studies along medical lines.

BROTHER DOUGLAS WEBSTER, of the Orange River Conference office, was a recent visitor at the Sanitarium.

WE are glad to report an excellent patronage at the Sanitarium, especially for this season of the year. For a number of weeks all rooms have been booked.

DOCTOR REITH is spending some time in the Congo at present. During his absence Doctor A. J. Ballantine, of Wynberg, is carrying on the work at the Sanitarium.

FRIENDS of Miss Thomason will be glad to learn that she is soon to return to the Sanitarium to take up the duties of matron. She has been spending about three years in America in sanitarium work and it is felt that she will greatly strengthen the work here at the Sanitarium.

YOU would hardly recognise the Sanitarium building now. All the old colour wash has been brushed off and a new coat of oil paint applied, which greatly adds to its appearance. We are also busy at present beautifying the grounds. About twenty palms have been set out together with several other different kinds of shrubbery and flowers. A new croquet court has also recently been completed which is greatly enjoyed by both our guests and the Sanitarium staff.



### Missionary Volunteer Notes

THE members of the Claremont Missionary Volunteer Society have recently had the privilege of having several of our missionaries address their meeting. Brother and Sister P. J. Raubenheimer, who have returned from Java on account of ill health, took the meeting two weeks back, and told of their experiences in that field. Brother J. D. Baker, who was on his way from Emmanuel Mission to Portuguese West Africa, spoke to the society the following Sabbath.

BROTHER W. MARTER is now leader of this society, and Mrs. C. W. Bozarth assistant leader.



### Please Note

ALL mail for the South African Union Conference should now be addressed to P.O. Box 4565, Johannesburg, Tvl.

IN future the address of the Orange River Conference and Tract Society will be 41 West Burger Street, Bloemfontein, O. F. S.

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### The Better Land

"SOMEWHERE I know there's a sunset land,  
A land that is bright and fair;  
The flowers that bloom there never fade,  
Its people know no care.  
Death wins no trophies, wears no crown,  
And love breathes never a sigh,  
And over it all there rings the call:  
'The dwellers can never die.'

"Somewhere I know there's a home prepared  
By hands once pierced for me;  
Its streets of gold and jasper walls  
From death shades ever free.  
No sun need shine, for glory beams  
In radiance from the throne;  
And there by the side of the Crucified  
'We'll know as we are known.'

—*Lake Union Herald.*



### General News Notes

BROTHER AND SISTER O. O. BREDEKAMP'S address is P.O. Windhoek, S. W. A.

MISS TINNIE VENTER has connected with the Orange River Conference office as stenographer.

BROTHER G. S. JOSEPH is away from office on a trip through the field in the interests of the Harvest Ingathering work.

As the result of a day's work, Miss T. Venter, of Bloemfontein, passed her individual Harvest Ingathering goal of £4.

THE Claremont church school children, under the supervision of Misses R. Visser and V. Renou, collected in one day between £3 and £4.

BRETHREN A. F. TARR AND T. L. BULGIN, of the South African Union Conference, have recently left for Johannesburg, where the Union offices are now located.

MISSSES O. M. WILLMORE, S. MOCKE AND S. NELL left Cape Town for Port Elizabeth, Sunday, June 10. As announced in a previous issue the Cape Conference offices are now located in Port Elizabeth.

We hope that all our readers are carefully following the series of articles written by Elder D. E. Robinson, entitled "Sketches of the Past." To follow the rise and progress of this message will surely be of much benefit to us all.

ELDER G. R. E. McNAY and family left for America June 2. Elder and Mrs. McNay have given about eight years to the work in Africa, and they are now returning to their home land so that Elder McNay may take the medical course. We will greatly miss these workers.

WORD has been received from the Minister of the Interior authorising Brother and Sister S. W. Palmer to enter the Union of South Africa. This information has been cabled to Washington, so as to enable these workers to come forward as soon as possible, as their help is much needed by the Zambesi Union.

For several months Sister Bredenkamp has been ill at the Sanitarium. Thursday morning, June 7, she passed peacefully away. Thus is severed one more link that unites us with the early days of the message in South Africa, when, as Arvilla Ogden she came from the United States with a company of workers. We extend our sympathy to her husband and children, one of whom, Brother Ovid Bredenkamp, has recently left for mission work in the South West Territory.

ON the 5th of June, Brother J. D. Baker sailed from Cape Town for Angolaland. At Walfish Bay he expected to be joined by Elders French and Anderson, who have been assisting Brother O. O. Bredenkamp, and wife to locate in South West Africa, and who will accompany Brother Baker and help him select a mission site in Portuguese West Africa. Sister Baker and children are at the Cape, and will remain here until Brother Baker is ready for them to join him. Brother Baker is our first missionary to Angolaland. We are sure our people throughout this Division will rejoice with us that we are at last able to send a worker to this, thus far, unentered field.



### News From Abroad

BROTHER BIERKLE, of California, was expected to come to this field soon, but on account of his wife's health his departure has been delayed.

THE Harvest Ingathering goal set by the Australasian Union this year is £14,000.

ELDER SPICER left Washington recently for Europe, planning to spend some little time over there attending general meetings, and advising regarding the advancement of the work in that field. Brother Spicer was planning also to pay a visit to Russia.

ELDER C. H. WATSON, vice-president of the General Conference, in a letter to the Division office, writes with reference to the work in Australia. Brother Watson was until recently president of the Australasian Union Conference. He writes as follows: "I am not in Australia, Brother Commin, but I can assure you that in the hearts of the Australian brethren and sisters there exists a great deal of warmth and love for the workers and work in the African field."