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## THE CROSS OF CHRIST

THEY were living to themselves; self with its hopes and promises, and dreams still had hold of them; but He began to fulfil their prayers. They had asked for contrition, and He sent them sorrow; they had asked for purity, and He sent them thrilling anguish; they had asked to be meek, and He had broken their hearts; they had asked to be dead to the world, and He slew all their living hopes; they had asked to be made like Him, and He placed them in the furnace sitting by "as a refiner of silver," till they should reflect His image; they had asked to lay hold of His cross, and when He reached it to them, it lacerated their hands. They had asked they knew not what nor how; but He had taken them at their word, and granted them all their petitions.

They were hardly willing to follow on so far, or to draw so nigh Him. They had upon them an awe and fear, as Jacob at Bethel, or Eliphaz in the night visions, or as the apostles when they thought that they had seen a spirit, and knew not that it was Jesus—they could almost pray Him to depart from them, or to hide His awfulness. They found it easier to obey than to suffer—to do than to give up—bear the cross than to hang upon it; but they cannot go back for they have come too near the unseen cross, and its virtues pierced too deeply within them. He is fulfilling to them His promise, "And I, if I be lifted up, will draw all men unto me;" but now their turn is come at last, and that is all.

Before they had only heard of the mystery, but now they feel it. He has fastened on them his look of love, as He did on Mary and Peter, and they cannot but choose to follow.

Little by little, from time to time, in flitting dreams, the mystery of His cross shines out upon them. They behold Him lifted up—they gaze on the glory which rays forth from the wounds of His holy passion; and as they gaze, they advance and are changed into His likeness, and His name shines out through them, for He dwells in them. They live alone with Him above, in unspeakable fellowship; willing to lack what others own, and to be unlike all, so that they are only like Him. Such are they in all ages who follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth. Had they chosen for themselves, or their friends chosen for them, they would have chosen otherwise. They would have been brighter here, but less glorious in His kingdom. They would have had Lot's portion, not Abraham's. If they had halted anywhere, if He had taken off His hand and let them stray back, what would they not have lost? What forfeited in the morning of the resurrection. But He stayed them up even against themselves. Many a time their foot had well nigh slipped; but He in mercy held them up. Now, even in this life, they know all He did was done well. It was good for them to suffer here, for they shall reign hereafter—to bear the cross below, for they shall wear the crown above; and that not their will, but His, was done in them.—*Selected.*

## Medical

V. L. MANN, M. D., - - Secretary

### HEALTH HINTS FOR ADVENTIST MISSIONARIES IN INDIA

THE missionary coming to India from the temperate zone is beset with many perplexing problems. The habits and customs of the people are strange, and the climate is trying. All of these react and have more or less influence upon the health of the foreigner. It is sometimes the case that a missionary is invalided home not because it was the climate of India, but because of carelessness on the part of the worker. While the climate of India is far from a health resort for the white man, yet a fairly healthy person, by giving some time and thought to the preservation of the health, is enabled to live a fairly healthy life in the tropics.

To put forth an extra effort to care for the health is an obligation that the missionary owes to the base of supplies. If by carelessness on his part he is invalided home after two or three years stay in India, he becomes a very expensive worker. During these two years, he has been gaining knowledge of the habits and customs of the people for whom he is working, and gaining a hold of the language. These are all lost, as well as the large sum of money it has taken to transfer the family to the field and back again. For these reasons, the preservation of the health of the missionary is worthy of serious thought.

Tropical morbidity is due to two general causes. These are unsanitary conditions and the effects of intense heat. The unsanitary surroundings are due to the habits and customs of the people with whom we must mingle in our labour for them. These cause typhoid fever, dysentery, cholera, plague, small pox, skin diseases, malaria, and worms to be rife in

the country. Yet the unhygienic conditions can be overcome by the missionary, so that they cease to be a serious menace to his retaining health in the tropics.

The intense heat in India is a more difficult thing to meet satisfactorily. In the large cities of the temperate zones, the mercury reaches startling heights, but is soon succeeded by a fall. Here it is different. Year in and year out, there is prolonged intense heat without respite. On the sea coasts it is modified somewhat by the sea breezes, and in North India by the eternal snows of the Himalayan mountains giving a fairly snappy three or four months. The prolonged heat results in inactivity, skin diseases with irritation, and restless nights spent in tossing about without proper sleep. A few years spent under these circumstances without combating these conditions usually results in heat stroke, heat exhaustion, or some nervous malady. But here again we are thankful that with a little care on the part of the worker, conditions can be modified to such an extent that residence in the tropics is made fairly bearable.

Food: Because of the custom of using night soil to fertilize the land, the eating of vegetables is safe only after they have been cooked. Tomatoes can be eaten after being scalded and peeled. Lettuce, celery, etc., can be soaked thirty minutes in a 1-1,000 solution of potassium permanganate before eating; yet the safer method is to forego the pleasure of eating salads. Fruits that grow and ripen close to the ground bear the same objection as vegetables, but can be prepared in the same way. Handling with contaminated hands is another source of danger in the use of fresh fruits and vegetables. Bacteria are known to live in polluted soil for months, at the end of which time they are capable of setting up disease in an individual. Over-ripe fruit should always be avoided. An

excess of food should be guarded against. The inactivity of the vital processes do not call for as large an amount of food as in cold countries. Smaller amounts of fats and carbohydrates can be taken to advantage. These burn up in the system with liberation of heat. The heavy meals are best taken at 7:00 A. M. and 5:00 P. M., with a light lunch at 12:00. This allows sleep and rest on a comparatively empty stomach, and is also an advantage in the excessively hot part of the day. All water and milk should be boiled before using. The water-borne diseases are typhoid, cholera, dysentery and worms. Milk spreads tuberculosis, the water-borne diseases are spread by contaminated water either for drinking or culinary purposes, while smallpox, diphtheria, and the other acute exanthema diseases are carried by the milkman.

V. L. MANN, M. D.

## Home Missionary

R. D. BRISBIN, - - - Secretary

### IS IT RIGHT TO REPORT MISSIONARY WORK?

WHEN asked to report the missionary work they do, many of our people say that they do not think it is right to do this. This idea is a mistaken one, and is not in harmony with the Bible, or with the Testimonies.

Much of the Bible consists of reports of work. The very first chapter of the first book is God's report of His work of creation. Here we have our first example of missionary work, given for the encouragement and enlightenment of human beings. Christ was the Father's agent in creation. We are told "that ye should follow His steps." 1 Pet. 2:21. Here then in the very beginning of God's letter to his children, is an example for us to follow.

Moses recorded his life work in the

books of Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers and Deuteronomy. Daniel gave a report of his life work in the book of Daniel. Ezra and Nehemiah reported their work. The book of Acts is very largely made up of reports, as its name indicates. If all these reports were removed from the Bible, we would sustain an irreparable loss.

We have several reports of Paul's work. Acts 14:27; 15:4-12; 21:19. When he returned from a tour, he gave to the church which sent him, a report of what God had used him to do.

Some say that these reports in the Bible are right because the Lord directed the writing of them by His Holy Spirit. This is true, and it is equally true that the Lord has, through the messenger He has selected in these last days, directed us to relate our experiences week by week. "Let church members, during the week, act their part faithfully, and on the Sabbath relate their experiences. The meeting will then be as meat in due season, bringing to all present new life and fresh vigour." *Testimonies for the Church, Vol. VII, page 19.*

"Let all have a part to act. Train the young to do what is appointed them, and from week to week let them bring their reports to the missionary meeting, telling what they have experienced, and through the grace of Christ what success has been theirs. If such reports were brought in by consecrated workers, the missionary meetings would not be dull and tedious. They would be full of interest, and there would be no lack in attendance." *Testimonies for the Church, Vol. VI, page 436.*

"Let those who gain such an experience in working for the Lord, write an account of it for our papers, that others may be encouraged. . . . These reports should find a place in our papers for they are far-

reaching in their influence. They will be as sweet fragrance in the church, a savour of life unto life. Thus it is seen that God works with those who co-operate with him." *Id.*, page 336.

These instructions are definite and show very plainly that the Lord desires his people to report the work they do, both orally in their churches, and in writing, that such reports may appear in the papers. How then must the Lord regard the refusals of his people to report?

Some who refuse to report base their refusal on the text which says that we should not let our left hand know what our right hand does. We are not, however, left in doubt in regard to just what application this text has, for through the Spirit of Prophecy the Lord has given us his commentary on it. "With many, the left hand does not know what the right hand does, for the right hand does nothing worthy of the notice of the left hand. This lesson of Jesus to his disciples was to rebuke those who wished to receive glory of men . . . I was shown that this Scripture does not apply to those who have the cause of God at heart, and use their means humbly to advance it." *Id.* Vol. I, page 193.

(To be Concluded.)

## Sabbath-school Dept.

MRS. S. A. WELLMAN, - - Secretary

### REPORT

For quarter ending December 31, 1914.

By comparison, it will be seen that the following report contrasts very favourably with that of the preceding quarter. One school failed to send in any report except of donations, but the others reported all the items in full. The donations fell a little shorter than last quarter in some schools, as they were closed before the quarter was completed. This was the case in Mussoorie and Garhwal. Alto-

gether, with the very good donations for the two Sabbaths of the General Meeting which amounted to Rs. 166, the total amount of the quarter exceeded Rs. 1000. For the year the donations have amounted to Rs. 3, 700 approximately, so we feel that we are not setting our stakes too high in planning for Rs. 5,000 for the year 1915. May we ever keep this goal in view throughout the year.

According to this report, only eight schools have kept track of the amount of the Thirteenth Sabbath Offerings given. Soon the day will come for the taking of the offering for the first quarter of 1915. The offering for March 27, 1915, is to be used for the Malaysian field. It is hoped that enough may be raised by our Sabbath-schools throughout the world to support the work in this division for one year. Of course, every school will do their best on this day; and we trust that every secretary will be careful to jot the amount of donations for March 27th in the space on the quarterly report blank, designed for the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering.

MRS. S. A. WELLMAN.

### SABBATH-SCHOOL REPORT

Following is the Sabbath-school report for quarter ending Dec. 31, 1914:—

Name of School	Mem.	Ave Att.	Don.	13th Sab. Offerings.
Calcutta (Eng.)	44	35	75- 7- 6	
„ (Ben),			5-10- 6	
Nazareth,	119	99	17-11- 7½	13-11
Pondicherry,	19	17	17- 7-10	2- 7- 6
Trichinopoly,	4	3	17- 4- 3	
Bombay,	32	21	93-	
Lonavla,	31	20	83-	
Kalyan,	71	42	20-14	
Panvel,	54	41	13-12- 7½	1- 5-10½
Jagadishpur,	34	25	18- 3- 3	
Karmatar,	33	27	5-14- 6	
Gopalgunge,	10	8	7- 1- 9	3- 1- 9
Lucknow,	24	15	74- 1- 6	2- 3- 3
Najibabad,	16	16	17- 9- 6	
Garhwal,	38	22	4-	
Mussoorie,	40	38	22- 8-	
Simla,	19	16	110-13- 9	16-12-
Meiktila,	38	36	49-10- 6	
Rangoon,	52	39	151- 6- 3	38- 7-
Lahore,				13- 2-
Conf. S. S.			168- 8- 9	
<b>Total</b>	<b>676</b>	<b>520</b>	<b>974- 2-4</b>	<b>78- 5- 3½</b>

## North West Mission

H. R. SALISBURY - Superintendent

### ON THE NORTHWEST FRONTIER

The readers of "*Eastern Tidings*" may be interested to know that remote stations of the Northwest Frontier are now being visited with our literature. I have completed a four week's tour of Dera Ghazi Khan, Dera Ismail Khan, Bannu and other points. I am now going to Kohat, Peshwar, Rawal Pindi and other important stations of the far Northwest.

Here, as elsewhere are found precious souls glad to get our message-filled literature. I am so thankful that the Lord is holding the winds in these parts so that all may be reached. I praise Him for His tender care, for many favours along the way, and for continued health and strength. It is indeed a blessed privilege to have even a small part in the great work of carrying God's last message to waiting souls.

To reach Dera Ghazi Khan and also Dera Ismail Khan, I cycled about sixteen miles, half the distance being across the sandy bed of the Indus, the road for miles being matted with coarse grass to keep the cart wheels from sinking deep into the sand. The river is here crossed by long pontoon bridges. Almost the only means of transport is by camels. Caravans of even 2,000 come down from Afghanistan early in the cool season, bringing wool, skins, nuts, fruit, etc., and return to Kabul five or six months later with tins of Standard Oil and various products and manufactures of the outside world.

Many thus come in contact with the missionaries who are carrying on a splendid medical and educational work all along the frontier. I esteemed it a special privilege to visit Bannu, only four miles from the border, and the scene of Dr. Pennel's life work.

As I think of the hundreds of waiting district towns all over India, to say nothing of the larger cities, I pray that God will raise up many devoted canvassers to carry the truth-filled pages into all the highways and byways of India. It involves a sacrifice of settled home life, but the effort is not without its reward day by day.

My February sales were nearly Rs. 500 with many blessed experiences. To the Giver of every good and perfect gift, all praise is due.

F. O. RAYMOND.

### NORTHWEST DIVISION ITEMS.

The following report comes from Simla where Dr. Menkel in labouring this season. He says: "Returning from the Calcutta meeting, we arrived in Simla, Feb. 1st, and received a hearty welcome at the Railway station from the friends in Simla.

I found Sister Mills was very low with sprue, against which she has been battling for eight years. On February 18th we laid her to rest, awaiting the call of the Master. Her sister, Mrs. Hardinge from Calcutta, was with her during the last week. Brother Mills and his two children will receive the sympathy of all who know him.

A certain Mr. Holmes from Calcutta has been in Simla the past month preaching on the Mall, and claiming to be the "angel ascending from the East, having the seal of the living God." As he advocated the Seventh-day Sabbath, many persons, unfortunately, have thought him to be associated with our movement.

The church is fairly throbbing with soul saving enthusiasm, and each member is planning for active service during the season's effort. As a result of work done by the church members during the winter, several persons are earnestly considering the message.

Brother Nolda, who is head clerk to the Deputy Commissioner, has been granted his Sabbaths. This is an item on the general prayer list of the church over which we have fairly stormed Heaven for several months and now with thanksgiving we mark it off as answered.

We are having a splendid attendance at the Sabbath services conducted in our home. The public effort will begin in the Masonic Hall April 1st."

## North India Mission

S. A. WELLMAN, - Superintendent

### NAJIBABAD AND AGRA

THE company in Najibabad was visited by the writer on Sabbath and Sunday, February the 27th and 28th. Arriving in Najiabad at noon on the 26th, the balance of the day was used in counsel with the brethren over their building and other work connected directly with the station. Sabbath morning service was held in the little chapel in the city, Sabbath-school preceding it. A goodly number were present, including the padre of the Methodist Mission, and the Lord blessed in the effort to place the truth directly before the congregation in their own tongue. In the afternoon, some little time was spent in a nearby village, instruction being given to those who were enquiring, by Sister O'Connor and the Indian evangelist. On Sunday, Brother Morris and the writer put in part of the day in a visit to the station at Lhaksar Junction to see what kind of work our colporteurs were doing and to ascertain the conditions under which they are labouring. We found them busy, and their work going nicely. It is planned to erect a small house in the village for these workers that they may be more comfortably situated.

Returning to Lucknow, March first, the week was spent in the office, and Friday, the fifth, the writer left for Agra to meet with Brother and Sister J. Janes and their family over Sabbath. They were found well and of good courage. Sabbath morning, in accord with a custom they have been following while alone, they had family Sabbath-school, both grown ups and children taking a keen and lively interest in the lessons. It was arranged for them to report their little

home school to Lucknow, their membership being in the church there.

In the afternoon of the Sabbath some of their friends were called in and we had service in their drawing room. A number have been interested by Brother and Sister Janes, and on subsequent visits in coming months, we hope to have further studies with them.

Brother and Sister Janes are doing as far as lies in their power, all they can to bring a knowledge of this message to others. These isolated believers need the prayers of God's people as they hold up the light of truth in new places, while carrying their own personal responsibilities.

S. A. WELLMAN.

### NORTH INDIA NOTES

During the latter part of February and the first of March, Brother Lake held a series of lectures in the Y. M. C. A. in Hyderabad, Decan, on the prophecies of the Bible. He reports a lively interest awakened. The pastors of the different churches tried to close up his work and warned the people not to attend, but he continued to have a good attendance in spite of the opposition, and the people took his part so that the hall was allowed to remain open to him. We are glad to know that the truth is finding reception everywhere it goes and we have no doubt that the seed sown in this place will bear harvest for the kingdom of God.

The brethren engaged in language study in Lucknow are using some time each week getting out with vernacular literature in the bazaars and villages. A number of quarterlies have been sold and many pages of tracts distributed thus far.

In North India the various believers and workers are entering heart and soul into the plan for the circulation of the Present Truth Series of the *Oriental Watchman*, mentioned in another column. Eight hundred fifty papers monthly are already on order and only a part of the field has been heard from.

The North India Committee held a meeting at Lucknow on the 14th and 15th of March. A report of the committee action will be presented next month.

## NAJIBABAD

Miss Kurtz reports having given eight copies of the special *Temperance Watchman* to the headmaster of the government school at this station. He gave them out to his English knowing students, a number of whom have written Miss Kurtz, expressing their appreciation. The headmaster offered to place any literature we desired in the hands of his pupils, being himself much interested in Christianity.

Miss Shoto Mitter, and Sister O'Connor's daughter, Olive, have several times spent a half-hour at the station, selling our English and vernacular papers. Sometimes Miss Kurtz accompanies them, and if not, other workers. They have had excellent success and a number of interesting experiences. One lady to whom the *Temperance Special* was sold, asked for several more to present to her friends.

In their dispensary and zenana work, the sisters in Najibabad have used a large number of Gospel portions and Testaments. Some time ago, Miss Kurtz visited a village on medical call, when she came across a young lad busily engaged in reading a Testament. He turned out to be a school boy to whom she had presented a Testament some months before. He had been studying it much since, and expressed his love of the truths it taught.

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## Bombay Pres. Mission

G. W. PETTIT, - Superintendent

### BOMBAY PRESIDENCY ITEMS

A family of five was baptised Sabbath, February 27th in the New Hall, our regular place of service in Bombay. The members of this family have been attending our services for more than a year, and most of this time Miss Boose has been giving them regular Bible studies. We rejoice to see the Message reaching hearts. This man lost his position on account of the Sabbath, but felt that he could not have peace with God if he did not fully surrender. The Lord graciously opened another way for him to support his family.

Brother Asprey, of the Calcutta Health Food Co., spent Sabbath and Sunday, Feb. 27th and 28th, with us. He was on his way to attend a food exhibition, which this year is being held in Baroda. We were pleased to have Brother Asprey in our congregation once more.

For the hot months, the Poona language school moves to the hill station of Mahableshwar. It is fortunate for Brother and Sister Kelsey and family and Miss Read, that this change has been made, for it gives them the most favourable circumstances under which to pursue their studies. Let us pray for these and others who are studying the vernacular, that they may speedily be able to carry this truth to those who sit in darkness.

A gentleman with whom Brother French has been having regular studies for some time, called on us recently, with his daughter of nineteen, to tell us that they were going to obey God. He said that he could not any longer follow the world, and for himself and his family, they were going to leave all and follow the Lord. This brother holds a good position in the railway, being at the head of his department. He feels that if his Sabbaths are not granted, they are willing to "suffer affliction with the people of God." Let us remember this family at our altars, that God may make a way for them.

Brother Nelson recently met a man who has attended only a few of our meetings, but has been receiving the *Oriental Watchman* for about five years, and says that he is fully persuaded we have the truth. We may not preach very many sermons; but if we succeed in getting our neighbours to take this pioneer preacher, or lend it to them to read, by and by there will be believers. This has been the history of this denomination. Those who have accepted the message in Bombay have been readers of our literature, and in most cases, of the *Oriental Watchman*. I wish we could extend the circulation of this paper to every English speaking home in India. Our workers in the Bombay Presidency will by God's help do more, and endeavour to get the churches to doing more. Shall we not all pray for the canvassers.

G. W. PETTIT

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## Bengal Mission

L. J. BURGESS, - Superintendent

### CALCUTTA

It was with fear and trembling that we accepted the responsibility which was placed upon us at the last conference in the call to take up work here in Bengal. As it seemed the call of duty, however,

we felt that the Lord would sustain us in it, and we have not been disappointed. The kindly spirit in which we have been received by all with whom we are associated in the work here has done much to make the way easy.

Since coming here we have visited East Bengal, Karmatar, and Jagdishpur in an endeavour to become acquainted with the work and workers in these places. The prospects for the work and the courage of the workers in these places is good and we are organizing for an aggressive campaign.

I have been quite handicapped without a knowledge of the Bengali language, but have entered upon a study of it and with prayer and perseverance hope before many months to be able to use it so as to be understood.

We are planning to hold an Institute with all of our Bengali workers during the last two weeks in April. Brother James is planning to be with us and to take a leading part in the programme. We anticipate a great blessing from this meeting and trust that it may put new life into the work in Bengal. We must feed our workers with good spiritual food if they are to do active work.

We desire an interest in your prayers.  
L. J. BURGESS AND WIFE.

#### CALCUTTA TREATMENT ROOMS

The month of February has been a good one for the Calcutta Treatment Rooms, in fact the best we have ever had, eclipsing all previous records. In January, 1913 our best record for any one month was 192 treatments worth Rs. 801-8-0. In Feb., 1915, 206 treatments were given, worth Rs. 919-8-. To average 9 patients at an average of Rs. 40-per day is reason for thankfulness. We set our mark for Rs. 1000 and doubtless should have had it in a month of 26 working days. We hope to accomplish this some time.

Our motto is "Work and pray", and I believe the good patronage we have had is in answer to prayer.

These days there is nothing but war news in the minds of the people, still we drift into the Eastern Question in our conversation with the patients and the way opens to make the application of the prophecies. Brother Daniell's clear elucidation of the Eastern Question at the Theatre Royal has helped me to talk intelligently on this subject with my patients.

As John the Baptist was only a "voice," so it is my desire to be only a humble instrument in the Master's service, and I must say with him, "He must increase, but I must decrease."

For what success we may have, may we always give the praise and glory to the great "I Am".

Yours in His service,

J. H. REAGAN.

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## South India Mission

J. S. JAMES - - Superintendent

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#### THE SOUTH INDIA MISSION

I AM glad to report all workers well and the work going forward very encouragingly in this division of the field. We have all been very busy since the Conference in Calcutta, and the Lord has been blessing and leading us daily.

In the press of extra duties in preparing for the General Meeting I forgot to report a very interesting visit it was my privilege to make to the French colony at Pondicherry in November last where Brother Peugh and Brother Devasahayam have been labouring the past six months. The Lord has blessed their efforts among the people at that place, and some have stepped out to obey the truth. On Nov. 22nd I baptized seven souls in a temple tank near the city. Thus another light



has been erected for the truth in this field. Still others are interested and are being prepared for baptism. I pray that this little company may grow and prosper in the Lord and be instrumental in gathering other fruit. Our workers in Pondicherry have had to labour under some disadvantages because of certain restrictions the French government have imposed on account of the war, and in the regulation of Protestant societies. But we have petitioned the Governor regarding our needs, and hope to be given favourable consideration before long.

Brother Morrow is pushing vigorously ahead in his language study in Bangalore with his eye fixed on the calander for the June examination. Recently he has introduced a new stimulus into the monotony of Indian house-keeping in the form of a blue-eyed baby girl, so he is now taking lessons in two languages. We believe he will get both of them well. Brother and Sister Morrow are looking forward to the time when they can use the Tamil and be able to link their lives and interests more closely with the Indian people.

Brother Lowry and myself have been spending some time recently in searching for a suitable location for our new school and for himself. We visited Nagercoil, Trivandrum, and Quilon in the state of Travancore, and found there a country unlike any that we have ever seen in India.

The country lies in graceful hills and valleys (the name "Malayalam" means hills and valleys), the soil is wonderfully productive and covered with an evergreen foliage. Drouth is almost an unknown thing, and the climate is very good for the plains. Best of all, we have some who are taking hold of the truth in that section, the result of the industrious work of one of our colporteurs, and these are now calling for teachers and more litera-

ture to instruct them further. The Tamil and Malayalam language are very similar as they are spoken, one being able to understand the other with little difficulty, but the written language is difficult. We were not able to find a place in that section where we could carry on our school to good advantage, but we feel sure the Lord has a place for this important feature of our work, and will lead us to it in due time.

Brother Thomas and his staff of workers have their hands more than full with the day and boarding school work at Nazareth, and carrying forward evangelical work. Some special studies are now being held with interested parties who are being prepared for baptism.

Our colporteurs are meeting with good success in their work, and the seeds which they sow are springing into life and bearing fruit. The last two issues of our Tamil paper were exhausted six weeks before the quarter ended. For the April quarter we will print 5000 copies. A new edition of "Steps to Christ" will soon be ready, but we must look some distance still in the future for our "Bible Readings" booklet, which we need so badly at this time.

While we work in the midst of many difficulties, we do not forget that God is a great leader and deliverer to those who trust Him. We remember all the workers in India in our prayers each day, and we ask that we be remembered in yours.

J. S. JAMES.

#### SOUTH INDIA NEWS NOTES

Pastors James and Lowry, and Mrs. Lowry recently spent a few days in Pondicherry with Brother and Sister Peugh counselling with them about the interests of the work at that place. While there they called on the British Consul and the Governor of Pondicherry relative to matters having a bearing on our work.

Since the General Meeting Pastor Lowry has been located temporarily at Trichinopoly awaiting the arrival of his goods from America,

and the selection of a location for work in this country.

On February 1, Brethren James, Lowry, and Thomas visited Nagercoil, Trivandrum, and Quilon in the State of Travancore, meeting interested parties and getting better acquainted with the country. They report having found a "promised land," which they feel able to go up and take.

Pastor Lowry, accompanied by Pastor James, recently visited Coimbatore in quest of a location. Ample accommodation has been found for Brother Lowry, with prospects of securing adjacent property for carrying on a Higher Secondary School. They expect to be in their new quarters by the first of March.

In connection with his language work, Brother Morrow is making occasional visits to Kolar, a large mining center a few miles from Bangalore to foster and build up an interest started there through the work of one of our colporteurs. He feels that in time a good company can be brought out.

The issue of the Tamil Quarterly for April will be 5000 copies. The last two issues have been entirely sold out within six weeks from the date of issue.

Brother James expects soon to make a visit to the brethren in the Telugu field. Good reports have been received from the interest which has begun there.

January 30, a church of forty-one members was organized at Nazareth. Bro. E. D. Thomas was ordained the local Elder; Pro. Gnanasahamoni, Treasurer; and Bro. Asirvatham, Church Clerk.

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## Burma Mission

R. B. THURBER, - Acting Supt.,

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### BURMA NOTES.

THE year has begun with good prospects for the work in this field. In Rangoon a number of new people are interested and are taking Bible studies, while a good attendance seems assured at the hall for the Sunday evening services. Miss Jones is taking over Mrs. Shannon's work in a satisfactory way, and will also relieve Miss Gibbs in the treatment rooms so that the latter can get away for a change in the hills. We are very sorry to see Mrs. Shannon leave Burma, but she is still determined to work for God, and this spirit will be a blessing to the cause wherever she goes.

On my recent trip to Meiktila four school boys were baptized. They are all direct from Buddhism and give evidence of being firmly grounded in the truth. They have been at the school for some time and have proved their worth, not alone in strictly spiritual things, but in temporal as well. Two of them are brothers of Maung Ngae, our successful canvasser. Others were anxious to be baptized, but we felt that they had better wait till they had been tested. Every time boys are led into the waters of beautiful Meiktila Lake to die with their Lord those of their schoolmates who stand on the bank are deeply impressed.

Brother Ba Tin, one of our teachers, is teaching Brother and Sister Ludington the Burmese language, and they are making real progress, in spite of the fact that Brother Williams has been compelled to be away most of the time, leaving the full burden of the school on them. We are taking steps to put the industrial work on a more solid basis, which will increase the attendance.

At Mandalay Brother Beckner has a large class of Bible readers, and some will be ready for baptism soon. This city is destined to be a center of our work in Upper Burma. We desire to see a great Burmese work started there. Hundreds of accessible villages, having had an introduction to our work through the medium of our Burmese paper, are ready for entrance. The little company in the city, now have an active interest in the spread of the Message.

The Karen work was giving promise of other long delays in getting started, when suddenly a better proposition presented itself, which we can take up immediately, and we feel that the Lord has led all along. Brother Hamilton has been entirely freed from all other work, and is strenuously pushing the matter of getting land and buildings, for we are assured of help from the General Conference.

We are confidently setting our mark to baptize fifty souls during the year, and we want the prayers of all our brethren to this end. Abundant seed has been sown; why should we not now begin to reap the harvest?

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"Christ calls for young men, who will volunteer to carry the truth to the world; men of spiritual stamina are wanted; men who are able to find work close at hand, because they are looking for it. The church needs new men to give energy to the ranks; men for the times, able to cope with its errors; men who will inspire with fresh zeal the flagging efforts of the few labourers."—*Testimonies.*

## THE PRESENT TRUTH SERIES

## Oriental Watchman Extras

WE are living in a time when the opportunities for service are greater than ever before. To-day the attention of the world has been irresistably drawn to a consideration of matters of serious import by a conflict embracing two-thirds of the world's population, and directly affecting those who are not actually involved. At such a time as this, it is not a cause for wonder that many are seeking for a knowledge of God and a clearer insight into His dealings with men and nations, searching to find some foundation for hope for the future and comfort in the midst of the world's greatest sorrows. The opportunity offered to the faithful Christian at such a time as this, of turning the attention of the masses to the Word of God and the Message, to the Source of all comfort and the author of the only permanent peace, is so unexampled that it would be a serious neglect of duty to fail make use of it.

Here is the situation. How can the few scattered believers and workers in India make use of this hour of opportunity? In America the three leading church papers, the "*Review and Herald*," "*Signs of the Times*," and "*Watchman*" are issuing in cheap form a series of extras, twenty-five in number, covering all the main features of our message, and these are being scattered by the hundred thousand in all parts of that land. England, Germany, Australia, in fact everywhere, like efforts are being put forth on a scale suited to their needs. But everywhere the opportunity is being made use of for the presentation of the message of God concerning these times.

To us came the call from several parts of the field, that following the lead of the brethren at headquarters, we should issue a special series of papers as extras

to the *Oriental Watchman* so as to make possible the free circulation of large numbers of these truth-filled messengers at this time. A circular letter was sent out to the workers in the field. Already the response has brought in orders for over three thousand copies of each issue, and each mail adds to the list. If *five thousand* advance orders can be booked, we will print the series, commencing in May. On our brethren in all parts of India we must rely for the answer.

The plan is to issue eight page specials, identical in size with the War Extra, i. e., 8 pages, *Oriental Watchman* size. That twenty numbers be issued in all; that they be issued monthly, and that the circulation of these specials be made a part of the individual missionary work of each church member and worker. The prices set upon each number put them within the reach of all, and make them cheaper and more effective material than tracts. Yet they will cover the entire scope of this message. The publishing house is putting them in your hands at the bare cost of production. This is its part in the missionary programme. Will not you, brother and sister, likewise bear a part of the burden?

The prices decided upon for these specials, are,—25 for 9 annas, postpaid; 50 for Rs. 1 postpaid; 100 for Rs. 1-9, postage extra; 1000 at Rs. 12-8, postage extra; 500 at the 1000 rate. This is less than one pice per copy in large lots.

With your co-operation we can easily circulate ten thousand copies per month. If each member in India would circulate from 25 to 50 copies, it would be done; and think what a flood of light it would put before the English speaking population of this land. Many can take 100, 500 or more copies, but let us all do something, pressing in at every opportunity and following up the first effort with

the entire series, thus ensuring the full message reaching those who need the hope that lights our souls.

All orders should be sent to the International Tract Society, 17, Abbott Road, Lucknow, and will be registered as they arrive. State whether to be sent V. P. or otherwise, when you order. Also remember that this is your opportunity, given in God's providence, and do not let your heart say, tomorrow, but give us the assurance of your active co-operation *To Day*

#### TRACT LIST

The following list of tracts are published in Lucknow, and can be obtained in any quantity at the price given, with 25 per cent discount when used for missionary purposes. The price of each tract is six pie or half an anna per sixteen pages, unless otherwise noted. Please order all these by *number* given.

We are told to distribute these "as the leaves of autumn." Let us prepare the way for the coming of our King.

1. We Would See Jesus.
3. *Heralds of His Coming*, 24 pages, 9 pie.
4. Signs of the End.
5. The Darkness of Millennial Dawn.
6. Spiritualism.
8. Drunkenness and Crime, Their Significance. X
9. Elihu on the Sabbath.
10. The New Testament Sabbath.
11. The Sufferings of Christ. 32 pages, 1 anna. X
12. Perpetuity of the Law.
13. Waymarks to the Holy City.
14. Who Changed the Sabbath?
15. *Is the End Near?* 8 pages, 1 pice.
16. Thoughts for the Candid. 8 pages, 1 pice.
17. The Name. (Temperance)
18. The Demon's Council. (Temperance) 8 pages, 1 pice.
19. Perilous Times. Annas 12 per one hundred, 4 pages.
20. Is Sunday the Sabbath?
21. Is Man Immortal?
22. Ceremonial and Moral Law Distinguished.
23. Prayer.
24. Some Facts About Cigarettes. 8 Pages, 1 pice.

25. *Baptism, Its Significance.*
26. *Fundamental Principles of Seventh-day Adventists.*
27. *The Rest Day.* (Very best for your Sunday-keeping friend) 40 pages, 5 pice.
28. *Tormented Forever and Ever.*
29. *The Benefits of Bible Study.* X
30. *Justification by Faith.*
31. *Rome's Challenge to Sunday Keepers.* 40 pages 5 pice.
32. *The Rich Man and Lazarus.*
33. *The Way to Christ.* X

Those marked X are by Mrs E. G. White.

Please cut this out and hang it up where you can see it at any time of the day when you wish a tract for some friend or other interested person. They will answer their arguments. You will find something here on almost every subject. Others are to be added from time to time.

#### Home Workers' Books

- Best Stories from the Best Book,—Rs. 1-12  
 Christ our Saviour,—Rs. 1-12  
 His Glorious Appearing,—Annas 12  
 God's Two Books;—Cloth, Rs. 1-8; Paper, Rs. 1  
 Health for the Million,—Cloth, Rs. 2-8  
 Mount of Blessing,—Cloth, Rs. 2-8  
 Steps to Christ,—Cloth, Rs. 2

All the above books are sold to those who wish to use the same for missionary purposes in quantities, for 40 per cent. less than the retail price.

#### COLPORTEURS' SUMMARY

	Weeks	Hours per week	Orders	Total Value
ENGLISH				
Colporteurs. 3		698	Rs. 340	Rs. 1210-2-
BURMA				
Colporteurs.				422-3-
BENGAL				
Colporteurs. 5		300	133	50-7-3
NORTH INDIA				
Colporteurs. 4		421	60	22-1-
SOUTH INDIA				
Colporteurs. 10		1234	448	168-1-
Total	22	2653	981	Rs. 1873-6-3

BROTHER W. E. Perrin and wife and little girl, and Sister M. M. Quantock and daughter, Edna, left Lucknow, Monday, the 15th of February for Calcutta, from which place they sail Feb. 24th for America, via China and Japan.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT  
OF THE INDIA UNION  
MISSION

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 13, 1914.

<b>Resources</b>	
<b>CASH, ETC.</b>	
Cash on Hand, .. Rs.	359-12-3
Bank of Bengal,	
Calcutta, .. ..	1,511-10-7
Bank of Bengal,	
Lucknow, .. ..	37,048- 7-9
Delhi & London	
Bank, .. ..	328- 5-0
Drafts, .. ..	6,250- 0-0
Bank Deposit, .. ..	10,000- 0-0
<b>ACCOUNTS REC,—</b>	
LABOURERS, .. ..	6,092-11-10
<b>OTHER ACCOUNTS,</b>	
Annfield School, ..	64-13-0
Bombay Treatment	
Rooms, .. ..	3,372- 3-6
Calcutta, Treatment	
Rooms .. ..	422- 0-10
Rangoon Office, ..	466- 3- 0
Annfield Building	1,719- 0- 0
Headquarters	
Equipment, .. ..	1,396-11-9
<b>INVENTORIES, ETC.,</b>	
Furniture, .. ..	1,453- 8-0
Mission Furnishing	90- 0-0
Dried Fruit, .. ..	45-11-0
Transportation,	
Total .. ..	6,181- 7-9 76,802-10-3
<b>I. U. M. Present</b>	
Worth Jan. 1, 1914,	
10,958- 5-0	
Loss 12,871- 4-6	
Deficit	1,912-15-5 78,715- 9-9
<b>Liabilities</b>	
Accounts Payable,—	
Labourers, .. ..	13,112- 3-9½
<b>OTHER ACCOUNTS</b>	
Mussoorie Treatment	
Rooms, .. ..	337- 0-3
General Conference,	1,710- 1-0
India Financial	
Association.. ..	4,408- 6-0
Int. Tract Society	6,382-13-11
North India, .. ..	650-0-0
South India	
Equipment, .. ..	2,251-0-0
<b>TRUST FUNDS</b>	
Medical Training	
School, .. ..	1,592-13-0
Educational Fund,	4,339-12-7½

Indian Libraries,	405- 1-3	
Harvest Ingathering,	452-14-6	
Mission Offerings,	408- 8-0	
Sabbath-School		
Offerings, .. ..	760-0-10	
Special Donations,	14,104-12-9	
\$300,000 Fund,	27,800-1-10	78,715-9-0

**LOSSES AND GAIN**

**LOSSES**

General Expense,	1,146- 2-9	
Depreciation on		
Furniture ..	171- 2-0	
Family Allowance,	5,252-13-0	
Labour, .. ..	113,679- 0-6	
Labour Expense,	16,588-15-1	
Medical Training		
School, .. ..	2,570- 0- 0	
Rent and Repairs,	2,023-10-0	
Transportation,	15,008- 6-6	
Bi-ennial Meeting,	1,008- 6-9	
Bombay Effort,	5,549- 3-3	
Calcutta Effort	1,557- 8-6	
Simla Effort, .. ..	1,928-12-9	
Bengal Division,	12,132-15-0	
North India		
Division, .. ..	7,350- 8-11	
South India		
Division, .. ..	6,472- 7- 1	
West India		
Division, .. ..	5,212- 9- 9	
Publishing Fund,	9,375- 0-0	
Rangoon Treatment		
Rooms, .. ..	6,831-14-6	
Exchange, .. ..	1,110- 7-0	
Meiktila School,	1,497- 2-0	216,461-1-4

**Gains**

Calcutta Treatment		
Rooms, .. ..	60- 0-6	
Int. Tract		
Society, .. ..	7,365- 6-11	
Donations, .. ..	966- 7-5	
General Conference,	168,525-13-6	
Medical Receipts,	52- 0-0	
Tithe, .. ..	24,180-11-4	
Bengal Equipment,	410- 1-6	
Haskell Fund,	116- 4-3	
Loss,	14,784- 3-11	216,461-1-4

MRS. M. M. QUANTOCK, TREASURER.

**Auditor's Statement**

I hereby certify that I have carefully examined the accounts, with the vouchers produced, of the India Union Mission for the year 1914, have checked all footings and the post-  
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# The Eastern Tidings

OFFICIAL ORGAN OF THE  
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R. D. BRISBIN, - - - EDITOR

LUCKNOW, - - - MARCH, 1915

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## SPECIAL NOTICE

A resolution was adopted at the Biennial Conference held in Calcutta, regarding the circulation of *Eastern Tidings*, which is as follows;—

"Whereas, Many of our brethren in this field are losing the living touch with the work in India, because of their neglect in failing to subscribe to *Eastern Tidings*, the organ devoted to recording the progress of the message here; and,

"Whereas, Such a condition is decidedly detrimental to the welfare of the Cause,

"Resolved, That *Eastern Tidings* be sent regularly to every English-speaking Sabbath-keeping family or unit free of charge; and that it be left to all to subscribe as God prospers them, to the end that the paper may so far as possible be issued without expense to the general work."

We do not wish to urge unduly upon our readers the last clause of this resolution, but as we are dependent upon the generous free-will offerings of our people in America for any extra expense connected with the printing of this paper, it is urgently requested that all who are receiving *Eastern Tidings* send Rs. 1 to this office for their yearly subscription. Our brethren and sisters in America are making noble sacrifices at the present time that the cause of Christ be not hindered in any of the mission fields affected by the war. Some are giving their houses and lands, and even their personal belongings to help us and other fields: shall we not share in this spirit of sacrifice also? We

feel sure that you enjoy the monthly visits of this little messenger enough to deprive yourself of the amount mentioned, and we trust that you will attend to this matter without delay.

Miss Hare, of Pastor Daniells' party, and Mildred Comer, daughter of Pastor J. M. Comer, were to have left Rangoon, Burma, the 18th of February for Singapore to join Brother Daniells, but Government commandeered the boat as a transport, and from the last word received, they expected to leave Feb. 28th.

Brother F. A. Wyman and wife are enjoying their holidays in the cool climate of Kalaw, Burma. We are glad to know that Sister Wyman, who recently underwent an operation, is convalescing rapidly.

Good reports come to us from the Bengali effort in Calcutta. Many are interested and willing listeners to the stirring truths of the third angel's message. Caste, however, has its iron grip upon them, but we know that earnest prayer and the power of God can break all these chains. Let us remember this part of the field in our prayers.

As we go to press, we regret to learn of the death of little Paul Comer, in Calcutta. Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to the bereaved father and mother, and we are sure they will have the prayers of the "Tidings" family, that God may sustain them in their loss and comfort them as only our loving Father can.

Brother C. C. Belgrave reports the safe arrival of himself and wife at the school in Garhwal. The school opened March 1st, and good attendance was anticipated.

The go-downs for the Najibabad property are under process of erection and Brother Morris is giving careful attention to them while continuing his language study.

LATEST returns show that the orders Watchman "Present Truth." Series Specials now exceed the five thousand mark, so printing is assured. If you have not joined in the campaign order now.

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ings of representative accounts, reconciled the various bank accounts, and verified the cash balance; and that the above balance sheet is correct according to the books of account as at Dec. 31, 1914.

W. E. Perrin, A. L. A. A.

Certified Accountant, Auditor.

Lucknow, March, 2, 1915.