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ARE YOU A BARNACLE?

A barnacle is a little shell animal which fastens itself to the sides of a ship. It does not help in any way to make the ship go or to make its voyage any easier; on the contrary, it hinders it very materially, so much so that many times vessels are forced to go into the dry dock to have the barnacles scraped off. Now this little animal gets all the benefits of the voyage without helping in the least. It is carried along just as fast as the ship can travel, but still it does nothing but hinder its progress.

I trust none of us are proving to be barnacles on the old ship "Zion." There are people who just cling unto the church, and receive all its advantages and still because they take no interest in the work of the church, they are really like barnacles. It seems that it is sometimes more common to hear a person complain of what the church has not done for him than to hear one regret that he has not done more for the church. Now Beloved, we want to be a real part of the old ship doing all in our power to help her on the voyage, and not a barnacle just receiving all the advantages and still hindering her progress. It would almost seem sometimes that the old ship needs to go into dry dock to get these spiritual barnacles scraped off.

I once saw three of four big sailing vessels in a fresh water lake a short distance from the sea. I knew that it was somewhat difficult to get those vessels up there in that lake, so I asked what was the object in having them anchored up there. I was told that they were there that the barnacles might fall off, as these little animals cannot live in fresh water. I can not help but believe the same is true of the spiritual barnacles; so dear church officers and missionary workers in the churches, if there are barnacles in your church, get the vessel into the fresh water of the Holy Spirit and these parasites will either fall off or be suddenly transformed into a working part of the ship.

The Saviour promised that the Holy Spirit would come to lead us into service and into all the ways of Truth, so if we are wishing to know whether or not we have the Spirit let us just watch to see if there is manifest in our midst the spirit of service. Let all our churches be organized for service and be labouring for the districts in which they are located, and endeavour to

see souls brought into the Kingdom, and we will not see many playing the part of barnacles, neither will there be any doubt on their parts as to the workings of the Holy Spirit, for we know that it is not by might or by power but by the Holy Spirit that souls are taken from the world of sin and born into the Kingdom of God.

In the Testimonies for the Church, Vol. 9, page 46, we find the following statement, "When the reproach of indolence and slothfulness shall have been wiped away from the church, the Spirit of the Lord will be graciously manifested. Divine power will be revealed. The church will see the providential working of the Lord of hosts. The light of Truth will shine forth in clear, strong rays, and as in the time of the apostles, many souls will turn from error to the truth. The earth will be lighted with the glory of the Lord." From this statement it is very clear that the Spirit comes as a result of service. The church which is doing its appointed work for the salvation of souls will not be troubled with barnacles.

As we travel around among the churches we are many times impressed with the faithfulness of our loyal people in using every means at their disposal to get the message before their neighbours, and we have taken special notice that where a church is manifesting a real burden for souls there are no troubles in the church by way of disloyalty or misconduct.

Now I wish to bring to your notice one thing which we regret; that is a letting up on the use of our literature of late. I quite well realize that the main reason is the financial situation. But I am wondering if we can not by taking a little more painstaking effort in taking up some special offerings and giving special study to the situation, get to using more of our small tracts in our missionary effort. We have some of these little messengers of truth which are very cheap and I wish our people would make an endeavour to use more of them. I would be glad to hear from Home Missionary secretaries of churches where they are willing to put forth some effort in this line, and we will try to get some inexpensive literature for you.

Now let us say in closing this article that we are very anxious to hear more often from the secretaries and missionary leaders and to know your problems. Also we wish to assure you that you will hear from us more often as soon as we get our office

space arranged so we will have a place to write. We are now re-arranging our office so this will be possible. Up to now I have had no place to carry on such correspondence as I should like.

R. J. SYPE.

GRAND CAYMAN.

A TRIP TO EAST END.

On the 1st November, 1926, Sister Lawson and I left Georgetown for East End. We had written to the brethren at East End to procure horses to meet us at Bodden Town. On our arrival at Bodden Town we received word that no horses could be obtained at East End. We spent four days at Bodden Town trying to secure some means of conveyance, but could get none. During this time our clothing had gone on to East End by boat, which made things worse for us. At the end of four days we decided to walk the distance of twelve miles through sand as it was useless returning to George Town. We planned to do the journey in the night, as it would be cool. Just as we were about to start, 9 p.m., we got a message saying that a horse with a saddle was going to East End, and Sister Lawson could get it. I was very thankful to my Heavenly Father for providing the horse and saddle as I knew that Sister Lawson could not stand the walk through sinking sand. With Mrs. Lawson on the horse, and the writer on foot, we began the journey. We had not gone very far when "Grand Cayman Infantry" (mosquitoes) attacked us. They seemed to have had a special dislike for me, as I was wearing a black coat, some of them even charging me in my nostrils. They followed us for about nine miles, making the trip very miserable. At about 2 a.m., we arrived at the home of Brother and Sister McLaughlin, where we were given a warm welcome. The road was overgrown with bushes, and I was wet from above my knees down. I was useless the day following, my feet were bruised, and painful. As we travelled along that night, praises and thanksgiving flowed from our hearts to God for providing the horse for Sister Lawson to ride. On the Sabbath following we met with the believers, and enjoyed blessed time together. The next Sabbath the ordinances of the Lord's house were celebrated.

We had a real spiritual feast. As we looked away from the emblems to the reality words of love and gratitude flowed from our hearts to our Heavenly Father. The next Sunday morning three precious souls were buried with their Lord in baptism. This brings the membership up to fifteen. After the baptism, another class was formed consisting of four. We had meetings almost every night for the believers and the public. Sometimes we were not able to

seat the crowd. Many hearts were deeply touched, but would not surrender. We believe that our Father in heaven is watching and watering the seed sown, and in His own good time a harvest of souls will be the result. The people are clamouring for me to come back to hold some more meetings.

We paid a visit to Northside to see Sister Whittaker and her daughter. Whilst there a woman who has been reading our books, and papers made her decision to obey the Sabbath of Jehovah.

After spending nearly three months at East End, we returned to George Town. We are now strengthening the believers, scattering literature, and holding Bible studies wherever there is an opening. A large number are interested, but are holding back. The chief reason which is given is "You have no church, we are afraid that you will do what other of your ministers have done, go away and leave us."

Our present way of giving the message, makes our work very hard and at times rather discouraging, but we are trusting in God to bless what we are able to do for Him. We are asking the VISITOR family to remember this hard field and its humble workers in their prayers. Pray definitely that God will open the way for us to get a church building, and a humble house to live in, so that we may be relieved of some of the crushing weights, and anxieties which rest so heavily upon our hearts. We are expecting a visit from our president. We are hoping that it will be possible for him to come before Cayman soldiers (mosquitoes) gather reinforcements. Our prayers and interest are in the work in the home field. Our hearts are made glad on the arrival of the Visitor telling of the progress of the work. We have entered perilous times. Satan is working now to hold the world in his grasp as he has never done before. If God's people would only press together, and pray as they have never done before, God will work to save His people, as He has never done since Apostolic times. Let us then as a family, press together, and storm the throne of Grace with our prayers, until the hand of Omnipotence pours upon us the Holy Spirit's power for the finishing of the work in our lives, and in the world.

H. P. LAWSON.

We are sure it will be of interest to all, especially to those who have had occasion to make the tedious voyage from Grand Cayman to Jamaica in the past, to know that the foregoing report was received at Mandeville within three days of its posting at George Town, Grand Cayman, having come on the maiden voyage of the new motor boat. We quote the following from the *Kingston Gleaner*. "The new Cayman motor-ship christened *Cimbeco*, from the name of the company—Cayman Island Motor Boat Coy—made her maiden voyage to Kingston, arriving yesterday with sixteen passengers and general cargo, doing the journey in three days. She is a trim little vessel with accommodation for twenty cabin passengers and cargo space of one hundred tons."—R.

A BAPTISM.

One cannot but see the deep movings of the Spirit of the Lord upon many hearts, as He makes His final appeal in the closing messages to the inhabitants of this our world.

The promise of God as penned by the prophet Joel which says, "I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh" is truly in process of fulfillment, only to be yet realized to a much larger extent as the human agent surrenders, that the capacity may be enlarged for a fuller reception.

Many who are clinging with faith's arm to the Great Tower of Strength, are more than ever solicitous that the mighty rushing wind of the Holy Spirit will now winnow from the chambers of the soul every chaff or trace of sin, so that the complete infilling of that Pentecostal pour may be experienced, and the glorious work consummated.

A cry of hunger for much of the Spirit's influence is going up from many of the hearts of God's children, while there is a growing perplexity and unrest on the part of others for their belief and practice contrary to the advent message. A baptismal scene at New Roads and Robin's River will be long remembered because of the interested listeners, the impressive ceremony, and the pitiful utterances from the masses relative to their belief, when viewed in the light of the advent message. There is a sample: "My! my minister is worldly and takes more time with land and other business, so that we don't get any teaching." Another, "My! he has opened my eyes." Still another: "When you are holding your meetings be sure to notify me, for I am convinced that the doctrine you set forth is in harmony with the Bible." This last is a Government official.

The time is surely come when every fibre of the soul should be woven in with this mighty forward movement, giving entire consecration of body, soul, and spirit, that the flashing forth of divine power may be witnessed among the advent believers, the last precious jewel raised from the debris of sin, and God's mighty reclaiming work be cut short in righteousness.

The burial of seventeen candidates by baptism is an evidence of the advance of the work upon hearts to this end, for which let us pray more earnestly.

METHUSELAH JONES.

BEESTON SPRING.

We are glad to report the way in which the gospel has made its way into the neighbouring districts. A few days ago we had the opportunity of witnessing some of our believers buried in baptism by Elder M. Jones. The notice was given out only five days before, and we were surprised that

at about 6 a.m. there were nearly a hundred present. At about 7.30 the service was opened. Elder Jones placed before the two hundred present the necessity of baptism. He made much use of the Scriptures, pointing the Bible to them as their own book and the only book to make them perfect. He also spoke of the coming of Christ and of the Sabbath truth. The hearers gave good attention.

A few days later I was told by one man of the evidences he gained. He said, "Sir, I had not thought that such truths were in the Bible. I hope to gain further truths before long." Another man who was the leading one against the truth decided to study in order to be saved in God's kingdom. Among the many others one woman decided to give her heart to the Lord. They are asking for open air services that they can learn more of God's truth. We pray God to help those who came to the place that they may find their errors and that they may soon step forward to be soul winners.

EDWARD MORGAN.

AMONG THE WESTERN CHURCHES.

Sabbath the 12th of February, we were privileged to make a visit to Seaford Town for Sabbath School and morning service. Most all the members were present on time and a good interest in the study of the lesson was manifested. It is very encouraging to see the large class of children at the sabbath-school and to know that these are also being instructed in the day school.

Many are meeting with bitter opposition but are standing true. Some precious promises from the word of God and the testimonies were rehearsed with profit to all.

Sabbath afternoon we attended a service at the Lamb's River church about two miles away. The little church was full and a good time was spent there.

Sunday morning found us on our way to March Town for the Harvest Festival service. The little church proved much too small for the accommodation of those who attended and it was very evident that a new building is needed there. In that district the Lord is adding to the church daily such as shall be saved." The church school under the direction of Miss Sangster is doing well and having a good influence.

Monday morning found us at Little London where most of the members assembled for an informal round table talk when questions were asked and answered and helpful instruction was given which was much appreciated. Brother Palmer, the leader of this church is conducting a church school of about twenty children.

All are of good courage and are pressing on amid opposition and many drawbacks. "The test of a Christlike spirit is not the

zeal we show when people praise us and things go our way; it is the fire we put into our work when it is hard and discouraging. Anybody can be enthusiastic over a mounting cause, but only a man of mettle keeps his enthusiasm at white heat when conditions are below zero. The Master did this. Some of the most enthusiastic and hopeful and confident things he said were when His enemies were closing around him and making escape impossible. Throughout the entire third year of his ministry, his cause was a waning cause, but he maintained it as valiantly and enthusiastically as though it were gaining every day. Keep up your courage. Christ never loses in the long run, and he is your Captain." (Learning to Teach from the Master Teacher, page 65.)

MRS. W. J. HURDON.

GROVE TOWN.

On Sunday evening, February 20, our harvest festival came off most satisfactorily. We were glad to have Elder Randle with us, also two of the students of W.I.T.C., Messrs. Cecil Thompson and Joseph Ziadie. A programme was arranged in which Elder Randle made an address on the subject, "Seed Time and Harvest Time." This he gave in its spiritual meaning, using a number of texts. He made an especial appeal to the young people.

The products brought in by the people were excellent. There was a sugar cane given by a brother which measured about 16 feet, and a hill of St. Vincent yams, given by Brother Capper, weighing 71 pounds, and also yellow yams from one vine, given by Brother J. Thompson, weighing 31lbs. This encourages us both temporally and spiritually in drought-stricken south-west Manchester.

We caught the vision of how we as a people must be the head and not the tail.

JAMES W. SHAND.

CRAIG.

"Thy people shall be willing, in the day of thy power." Such is the case with our brethren in these days of power.

Though the enemy is endeavouring to frustrate the work of the Most High, nevertheless the Laymen's movement still moves on, and I am sure that they will never stop until the work is done.

The Lord has put it in the minds of some of the brethren from Craig to start this work, so five of us walked sixteen miles last Sunday to sow the seeds of truth. Before going that distance I prayed for success that day, and one of the brethren told me that he had also for which I was glad. It was not a surprising thing to us when we had reached our destination to find that the ploughman from heaven had been there

preparing the soil in such a manner that when the grains were scattered they grew and brought forth instantaneously.

This is true of a permanent man in whose locality we went to do missionary work.

He has been a church leader for another denomination for many years, but for some reason had given up his leadership and been keeping home department. He said he was always praying for light.

When we went in and told him our mission he said "If you are sent by God I will hear you" for this we were thankful to the Lord, and after the truth had been presented in concise manner, he and his wife decided to obey. He has a very large family. Please remember them in your prayers always.

H. D. LAWRENCE.

AMONG THE CHURCHES.

During the Week of Prayer it was my privilege to visit the following churches; both in the conduct of the spiritual refreshings to which that week is especially designated, and also for the purpose of appointing church and departmental officers for the year 1927. It was a labour of love to walk about fifty miles during that week, where the trains did not operate in going from one church to the other. I enjoyed very much the opportunity of visiting Blue Hole and Bellas Gate and to see the growth numerically and spiritually that has been made at these places. I thank God I had a part in the birth of these two churches. The devotion of some of these believers would put many of us to shame.

Mount Providence is forging ahead on all lines of endeavour.

The brethren there disposed of the old church property at Past Roads, which had been in disuse for the past two years, and will soon initiate the construction of their very large church building at a more favourable site. They are full of earnestness and zeal in the finishing of the work.

Bryant's Hill, under the capable leadership of Brother Charles Griffiths is by no means standing still.

The lives of these brethren are speaking to their friends and neighbours, and interests are being awakened in the neighbouring districts.

The church at Bird's Hill has activities far and near, those who are not able to go miles go furlongs with the result the souls are won continually to the message. Soul winning is their chief business.

The company at Old Harbour have been struggling for a number of years against false brethren that were within; and inasmuch as their numbers are reduced God is now doing with the few, what could not be done with the many. In Brother and Sister Plummer we have two young people

in whom we have the utmost confidence. They and the other brethren have purchased with some help from the Conference, a site on the main road to Kingston, about quarter mile from Old Harbour square, for a church building and plans are being set on foot to raise the money for the building.

GEORGE A. E. SMITH.

FLORENCE HILL AND GLENGOFFE.

On the 16th and 17th February my maiden visit was made to the church at Florence Hill. The difficulty experienced in my scramble up those rugged steeps, that led to this place, particularly from the point by which I entered was more than compensated by the good time passed with these brethren.

One the afternoon of the 16th I had the pleasure of uniting in holy wedlock, Brother Ezekiel Theophilus Heslop, and Sister Mary Agatha Nooks. This was a quiet, neat and orderly little home wedding.

On the morning of the 17th an expectant little group assembled on the banks of that portion of the Wag Water, known as Tom's River, and listened first to the service, and next witnessed the burial of eleven with their Lord in baptism. Heaven seemed to have come near on the occasion, and Jordan scenes rose vividly in mind.

At mid-day we were again on top of the Hill in a solemn assembly. The ordinances of the Lord's house were solemnized; and the day concluded, leaving rich blessings in the hearts of everyone.

Sabbath, March 5, was spent with the Glengoffe brethren. A profitable day was also spent with these earnest-hearted brethren. All are resolved to gain the overcomer's reward. With a promise of an early return I left in the evening for Kingston.

S. U. POWELL.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

W. I. T. C. NEWS NOTES.

Brother G. D. Raff, Field and Home Missionary Secretary of the Antillian Union, assisted by Elders Hurdon and Sype, and Bro. O. P. Reid, conducted a very profitable Colporteurs' Institute at the West Indian Training College, March 14-17.

About twenty prospective and experienced colporteurs were in attendance, a majority of which are students at the College. Besides the devotional meetings which were held for the whole school, three sessions per day were held, during which time an intensive study of gospel salesmanship was conducted.

The thought was kept before the colporteurs that the work that they were pre-

paring for is missionary work of the highest order. Brother Raff returned to headquarters via Santiago immediately following the institute.

Boileau Mehu, from Hayti, is the latest student to enrol. He arrived Sunday, March 13, having come on the same boat with Elder Hurdon and Brother Raff who had been attending a conference there. Brother Mehu expects to remain two years to complete his training for teaching.

During the week of the colporteurs' institute the school observed its annual spring week of prayer. The assistance of the ministering brethren has been greatly appreciated by both teachers and students. Elder Sype is remaining for a time to follow up the work, and we have the promise of Elder Hurdon's help as far as his heavy duties and responsibilities will permit.

Sister R. J. Sype and Minita Belle are with Elder Sype at the College during his stay of the latter part and following the week of prayer. This is their first opportunity to be with us for any length of time since their arrival in Jamaica last October and we are glad to have them with us.

Professor and Mrs. Rathbun, Misses Edna Wright and Edna Parchment, and Mr. Enoch Brodie attended the Harvest Festival service at Newell, including the week end. Our students can do much good in this way in visiting their home churches.

Mr. Lindon Wright has been obliged to give up school work temporarily on account of his health.

Miss Enid Wright, an alumna of W.I.T.C., made a brief visit to the school during the week of prayer while on her way to her home at Newell. Miss Wright has been engaged in educational work in Spanish Honduras since completing her course, and this is her first visit home.

SABBATH SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

TO ALL SABBATH-SCHOOL WORKERS.

We have reached the end of another quarter and the time is at hand when all Sabbath-school reports should be sent in if they are not already on the way. Remember Secretaries, your faithfulness or tardiness either helps or hinders someone else.

I have been greatly impressed with the wonderful lessons we are studying from the book of Acts and when we realize that these are available to us, only because some people were faithful in reporting, we should examine ourselves and see if we are causing anyone to lose a blessing because of our unfaithfulness.

The Conference Home Department members should bear in mind also that it is of utmost importance that they send in the marked envelope every quarter which serves

as their report. Of course, I am always glad to get a few lines beside the envelope.

It is well for every Sabbath-school secretary to carefully read the instructions on the back of the report blank and endeavour to follow them out as nearly as possible. Do not give membership and leave out the attendance. Kindly record all money in pounds, shillings and pence and not in dollars and cents.

We were much disappointed in not receiving Memory Verse cards for this past quarter but trust they will be here for the new one. Send your orders in to the office and they will be filled as soon as cards arrive.

The two books for the 1927 Teacher's Training course are in stock at the office at 4/- for the two. These are well worth the money and every Sabbath-school should have at least one set of them. All the teachers and officers should join this class as well as others who desire to be fitted for more efficient service in the Sabbath-school. I would say to those who studied the books for the past year that it is not too late yet to answer the questions and send them in to me. These are not difficult and none should fail to finish what has been started.

The schools which have previously held these classes; I trust will need no urging to continue this year and those who have never started are missing much and should not delay to get the books and start at once.

From Testimonies on Sabbath-school Work, page 98, I quote: "Not all who teach in our Sabbath-schools qualify themselves for the work. Let every teacher feel that he must know more: he must be better acquainted with those with whom he has to deal, better acquainted with the best methods of imparting knowledge; and when he has done the best he can he has come far short."

Brethren and sisters, this is God's plan to help us to qualify ourselves for His work, so let us begin now to co-operate that we may be greater soul winners.

MRS. W. J. HURDON.

PUBLISHING DEPARTMENT

IS THE BOOK WORK IMPORTANT?

By some this question may be answered in the negative, but even a casual observer can come to no other conclusion than that it is. The servant of the Lord has said: "If there is one work more important than another, it is that of getting our publication before the public, thus leading them to search the scriptures." *Colporteur Evangelist*, p. 80.

Again she says "The canvassing work properly conducted, is missionary work of the highest order, and it is as good and successful a method as can be employed for placing before the people the important truths for this time. *Ib.* p. 5.

This work may be likened to the very blood of our bodies. Our message would have never met the success that it has met if it were not for the publishing work which goes inseparably with the canvassing work. As the body could not exist without the life giving fluid no more can the success of this message do without the book work.

To many it would be interesting to note how insignificantly the publishing work started, and like the sun has increased in glory and strength.

In the year 1848 Sister White was given a vision and on coming out, she announced to her husband the message of publishing a little paper, at first, which was to be sent out to the people. From this small beginning it was shown to be like streams of light that went clear round the world. From a human standpoint this seemed impossible. One man rumoured that it would take 144,000 years to do what was purposed. But God was leading therefore success attended the efforts. Sister White in relating their first experience said that after prayers were offered, and the papers directed to those who were interested, the small package was taken to the post office in a carpet bag. Means soon came in from all sides to help in this work. The Lord prospered this phase of His work until to-day there are train loads of our books going out to the public. This denomination now possesses 51 publishing houses which print the gospel in 115 languages, scattered here and there all over the world. Instead of taking 144,000 years, as the incredulous has said, this great work is accomplished in only 77 years, thus fulfilling the prediction.

I would venture to say that more are won into this truth through the printed page than by any other means. Suddenly stop publishing and destroy all our books and the cause would instantly receive a paralytic stroke. It would have the same effect as if all motor vehicles were to be taken away from us to-day.

But not only is the publishing work important for placing before the public the message for this time, but also for preparing one to fill every phase of our work. The canvasser is required to be a minister, a doctor, a teacher, a mechanic, a farmer, and a hundred and one other things. *Testimony*, Vol. 6, p. 334 says, "Those who are fitting for the ministry can engage in no other occupation that will give them so large an experience as will the canvassing world." We may therefore call it a training camp. It is the best place to develop the qualities of tact in dealing with people of various minds and characters. I well remember how much my ability was called upon to be exercised during my last experience in the field in this respect. One very rainy and cold day my fellow canvasser and I thought of moving on to another district. We had to pass

through one of the places that we had canvassed the day before therefore I called on a man whom I had failed to see. After the usual salutation I introduced my book to him but he immediately confronted me with prejudiced arguments. He said he wanted us to give up the foolish thing we believe in and not for us to try to bring him over by selling him one of our books. As the book I was then handling was "Hope of the World" it was not hard for me to hold his attention by showing him that it deals only on current events and would be a great source of information to him. After spending a half hour with him I succeeded to get his interest by introducing only those subjects that I believed would interest him. I soon had him decide to have one at a later date than my time of delivery as he was unable to take it on my return. At first it seemed almost impossible to secure his order but the Lord helped me to exercise enough tact to get it. Who knows that this book may be the means of persuading him to accept this blessed truth?

The finishing of this work will depend to a large extent on the book work. I would venture to say that about three-quarters of our converts, or more, have been brought in directly or indirectly by our books. The field now needs more recruits to take hold of this important feature of the Lord's work and carry it on to its culmination. The older ones are fast giving up this line of work in this field for other fields and other work. There is still a vacancy for many more of our books to be placed in the homes of Jamaica. Are we going to allow this noble cause to decline or are we going to rally to its support? The Lord has said that where there is one there should be an hundred. I quote, "Hundreds of men should be engaged in carrying the light all through our cities, villages and towns. The public mind must be agitated. God says, let light be sent out into all parts of the field. He designs that men should be channels of light, bearing it to those who are in darkness."

Our sales of books in this field has been gradually going down. Why so? Let us sense our responsibility to the cause by making this year a record year for our book work in this field. This affords a good opportunity for those who are desirous to come to school. I am glad to say that I have been able to support myself through school by this means. I do hope that before long many more will take hold of this work and carry it to its final issue.

R. B. CAMPBELL.

SOUL-SAVING WORK.

There is no higher privilege than that of labouring for souls. There is nothing that makes me feel so happy as to know that I have influenced some one for the truth.

Brother R. B. Campbell and I were over in Frelawny for the December holidays canvassing, and some of the experiences that I had I am passing on to the readers of the VISITOR.

While on my way from Ulster Spring to Falmouth a distance of twenty-four miles, I came in contact with a woman who appeared to be very hungry for the message of salvation. I then made good use of the opportunity and I outlined to her the different points of faith which Seventh-day Adventists believe.

She asked me to explain that text in Romans 6: 14, which says, we are not under the law, but under grace." Her belief was that the law was abolished. She brought this text in Col. 2: 14-16 and said that she firmly believed that the Seventh-day Sabbath is Jewish, also that the law was given by Moses by Jehovah on Mount Sinai was abolished at the death of Jesus Christ.

I then explained to her the difference between the moral and the ceremonial laws. After explaining this part, I went on to explain the text in Rom. 6: 14, but before I could say anything she said, "Mr. Reid, I am not under the Jewish dispensation but under the Grace of God, so I don't have to keep any law." I then asked her to permit me to explain the text a little more. I said: "Mrs. B, suppose I were to come into your property and take out one of your cows, by what authority would you arrest me?" She said "By the commandment which says, 'Thou shalt not steal.'" Then I asked her if she thought the law of the ten commandments has been abolished? She was silent. It was now my time to drive the nail home and with the help of the Lord I gave her the truth.

It was now getting late and I still had eighteen miles before me, so I had to bid her good bye. She did not want me to go as I could see how interested she was in my arguments. She asked me to come back and teach her more.

As the colporteur goes along he meets people who are hungry and thirsting for the message of salvation, and oh! how glad am I to know that I am connected with such a movement as this great second advent movement that is calling men from darkness and pointing them to Calvary's Cross.

One Sunday evening my fellow worker and I had a good opportunity of revealing to two others the gospel of salvation and its power to save from sin. We spent a profitable time with them.

I then promised to bring a copy of the book, "Hope of the World."

The evangelist colporteur is next to the gospel minister. There is a great contrast between the colporteur and the book-seller. The man or woman who enters the work with the sole purpose of getting money is

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not going to make a success, but will soon lose hold on the truth, and God, and then go out into the world of woe.

The only way that some people will be reached is through the efforts of the printed page and I do hope that our young men will realize what it is to be workers for God and then go forth as never before scattering the truth filled literature.

Signs on every hand are fast fulfilling. The great Messiah is soon to lay down His priestly garments and take the sickle in His hands with which to reap the harvest of the earth. Will you and I be ready to meet Him, with the souls for whom we have laboured? Let us rally together and give the last gospel message to a dying world.

Christ's words to us are, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature."

D. B. REID.

REPORT OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY, 1927.

Church.	Tithe.		Offerings.		Total.	
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
Axe & Adze	0	17 2½	0	5 3½	1	2 6½
Isolated	0	12 0	0	2 0	0	14 0
Blue Hole	3	2 5½	0	3 7½	3	6 1
Ballimony	0	12 7½	0	5 8½	0	18 3½
Bird's Hill	4	6 9	0	13 3	5	0 0
Belfield	2	6 3	0	16 10	3	3 1
Bonny Gate	0	9 0	0	2 4	0	11 4
Bluefields			0	15 6	0	15 6
Bryant Hill	1	8 5½	0	14 8	2	3 1½
Brown's Town	0	10 2	1	2 4	1	12 6
Bellias Gate	3	7 6	0	2 6	3	10 0
Canaan	2	3 1½	0	6 4	2	9 5½
Conference Church	25	18 6	3	0 0	28	18 6
Contented Hall	0	18 0	0	14 3	1	12 3
Claremont			0	15 0	0	15 0
Craig	0	14 5	0	9 6	1	3 11
Devon	0	16 0	0	6 10	1	2 10
Darliston	3	19 7	1	8 9	5	8 4
Everton Park	3	5 10½	0	5 1½	3	11 0
Flower Hill	0	10 9	0	2 11	0	13 8
Guy's Hill	4	7 11½	1	3 9½	5	11 8½
Glengoffe	1	19 3½	0	11 9½	2	11 0½
Hector's Riv.	0	10 9	0	0 8	0	11 5
Jointwood	1	13 9½	1	6 5½	3	0 3
Kingston	52	16 6½	9	0 6	61	17 0½
Kencot	1	19 7	1	15 5	3	15 0
Linstead	1	7 0½	0	12 4½	1	19 5

Church.	Tithe.	Offerings.	Total.
Long Bay	0 8 3½	0 5 6½	0 13 10½
Mile End	0 9 4	0 5 11	0 15 3
Montego Bay	3 2 0	1 14 6	4 16 6
Mt. Peace	0 18 8½	0 3 6	1 2 3
Mt. Providence	2 5 11½	0 13 6½	2 19 6½
Mt. Carey	3 5 0	0 11 7½	3 16 7½
Mandeville	10 0 0	4 7 4	14 7 4
March Town	6 0 7	1 18 0	7 18 7
Manchioneal	0 6 10½	0 8 10½	0 15 9
Newport	1 10 10	0 18 5	2 9 3
Newell	2 17 6½	0 16 7½	3 14 2
Old Harbour	0 19 11½	0 3 3½	1 3 3
Orange	1 1 10	0 0 0	1 1 10
Prospect	0 2 7	0 1 9	0 4 4
Port Antonio	7 8 11	2 1 11	9 10 10
Riversdale	1 3 6	0 11 8½	1 15 2½
Sherwood			
Forest	0 17 11	0 18 7	1 16 6
Spanish Town	6 19 10½	1 7 2	8 7 1
St. Ann's Bay	2 5 1	0 17 4	3 2 5
Southfield	1 7 10½	0 6 1½	1 14 0
Santa Cruz	1 8 2½	0 7 7½	1 15 10½
Seaford Town	1 1 3	0 16 2	1 17 5
Trinityville	0 17 4½	0 6 4½	1 3 8½
Upper			
Regent St.	12 11 9½	2 3 4½	14 15 2½
Vaughansfield	0 12 5	0 4 1	0 16 6
	190 17 3½	49 13 3½	240 10 6½

C. F. WILLIAMS, Treas.

COLPORTEUR WORK IN THE JAMAICA CONFERENCE FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY, 1927.

Names.	Book.	Hours.	Orders	Value	Orders.
				£	s. d.
A. Heron, H.W.	24		*8	3 0
U. E. Morgan H.W. & C.O.S.	21		*10	9 6
E. C. H. Reid, H.W.	20		*7	10 0
J. T. James B.F.	25	7	*5	10 0
C. H. Reid, B.F.	18	5	*2	7 0
Miscellaneous			43	3 5
				*26	15 0
Total		108	12	51	0 5
				*55	4 6

*Value of Deliveries.

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OBITUARY.

FANNY GROSE.

On Friday the 11th of February, the writer journeyed from Kingston to Bryant Hill, Crooked River P.O., to officiate at the funeral service of Sister Fanny Grose. Sister Grose was baptized in August, 1920, by Elder Hubert Fletcher and was a consistent member up to the time of her death. She was very helpful to the Church, and was responsible in a great degree in raising funds for the completion of the church building.

She suffered very severe agony for the past two years, from which she could obtain no medical relief; and when she was seen by the writer about six weeks before her demise, she was firm in her confidence in the Lord and His soon coming, and had no fear of death.

A large number of friends and relatives, along with the brethren of the Byant's Hill church were in attendance, and shewed their last tribute to one who had lived the Christlike life. She was sixty-three years old, and leaves a sorrowing son.

Words of comfort from Revelation 14: 13 were spoken by the writer.

GEORGE A. E. SMITH.