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CONFERENCE SESSION—JANY. 12-22.

January 12—22 is the time set for the biennial session of the Jamaica Conference, to be held in Kingston.

At the last Conference Session it was thought best to have our meeting in the cooler time of the year; so January was the month selected. We trust that as many as possibly can will attend this session. "Anciently God gave direction to the Israelites to assemble at set periods. God requires no less of His people in these last day

Furthermore the servant of the Lord has said, "It is important that the members of our churches should attend our *Conference Sessions*. The enemies of truth are many; and because our numbers are few, we should present as strong a front as possible. Individually you need the benefits of the meeting, and God calls upon you to number one in the ranks of truth.

"Some will say, 'It is expensive to travel and it would be better for us to save the money, and give it for the advancement of work where it is so much needed.' Do not reason in this way; God calls upon you to take your place among the rank and file of His people. Strengthen the meeting all you possibly can by being present with your families. Put forth extra exertion to attend the gathering of God's people.

"Brethren and sisters, it would be far better for you to let your business suffer than to neglect the opportunity of hearing the message God has for you. Make no excuse that will keep you from gaining every spiritual advantage possible. You need every ray of light. You need to become qualified to give a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear. You cannot afford to lose one such privilege.

"Anciently the Lord instructed His people to assemble three times a year for His worship. To these holy convocations the children of Israel came, bringing to the house of God their tithes, their sin-offerings, and their offerings of gratitude. They met to recount God's mercies, to make known His wonderful works, and to offer praise and thanksgiving to His name. And they were to unite in the sacrificial service which pointed to Christ as the Lamb of God that taketh away the sin of the world. Thus they were to be preserved from the corrupting power of worldliness and idolatry. Faith and love and gratitude were to be kept alive in their hearts, and through their association to-

gether in this sacred service, they were to be bound closer to God and to one another.

"In the days of Christ these feasts were attended by vast multitudes of people from all lands; and had they been kept as God intended, in the spirit of true worship, the light of truth might through them have been given to all the nations of the world.

"With those who lived at a distance from the tabernacle, more than a month of every year must have been occupied in attendance upon these holy convocations. The Lord saw that these gatherings were necessary for the spiritual life of His people. They needed to turn away from their worldly cares, to commune with God, and to contemplate unseen realities.

"If the children of Israel needed the benefit of these holy convocations in their time, how much more do we need them in these last days of peril and conflict! And if the people of the world then needed the light which God had committed to His church, how much more do they need it now!

"This is a time for every one to come up to the help of the Lord, to the help of the Lord against the mighty.

"At these gatherings we must ever remember that two forces are at work. A battle unseen by human eyes is being waged. The army of the Lord is on the ground, seeking to save souls. Satan and his host are also at work, trying in every possible way to deceive and destroy. The Lord bids us, 'Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.' Eph. 6: 11, 12.

"None of us should go to the camp-meeting depending on the ministers or the Bible-workers to make the meeting a blessing to us. God does not want His people to hang their weight on the minister. He does not want them to be weakened by depending on human beings for help. They are not to lean, like helpless children, upon some one else as a prop. As a steward of the grace of God, every church-member should feel personal responsibility to have life and root in himself. Each one should feel that in a measure the success of the meeting depends upon him. Do not say, 'I am not responsible. I shall have nothing to do in this meeting.' If you feel thus, you are giving Satan opportunity to work through you. He will crowd your

mind with his thoughts, giving you something to do in his lines. Instead of gathering with Christ, you will scatter abroad."

We extend a hearty welcome to all our brethren and sisters.

W. J. HURDON.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

It is desired, that if any of our brethren are in possession of foodstuffs, ground provisions, peas, beans, potatoes, cocons, vegetables, coconuts, etc., and are desirous of disposing of them, they be good enough to communicate immediately with the office at 112 Tower Street, quoting kind of provisions that can be supplied, and cost of same delivered at the Railway Station, Kingston, or by truck.

At the coming Conference such foodstuffs will be of great assistance for providing the board of the delegates.

W. J. H.

AMONG THE CHURCHES

At the present writing I am on a trip toward the West end of the island. I expect to visit the churches in the parishes of St. James, Hanover, and Westmoreland. I have already visited some of the churches in St. Ann, and am at present in Brown's Town, and have been having a very enjoyable visit with the few believers here. They are of good courage and expect to keep pressing the battle on until the work is finished, expecting to see souls in the Kingdom as a result of the work done.

I find that this little company has been supplemented by two recent arrivals. Sister Smith of the Kingston church has removed to this city and is doing excellent work in this her native home, where she is so favourably known. Brother Winter who has for some time in the past been the leader of the church at Windsor Forest in Portland, has removed to this city, which is his birth-place. Brother and Sister Winter and their family have been heartily welcomed by the few believers here, and we feel that there are brighter days before the Brown's Town company.

One thing has greatly impressed me about these two removals. Both Brother Winter and Sister Smith were strongly impressed that they should leave their congenial surroundings, where they were members of large churches, and come to this place to labour for their friends and acquaintances in their native parish. I feel sure that these were the promptings of the Holy Spirit, as neither of them had any other reason for coming. Sister Smith was nicely located in Kingston, and Brother Winter had a pleasant home at Sherwood Forest where he was having success. We trust that the Lord will greatly bless the united efforts of this little company of believers.

On November 9, I met with the church at St. Ann's Bay. This was a real privilege, and I greatly enjoyed meeting with these brethren and sisters. I am happy to report that they have their lovely little church building all completed, except the building of the new benches, which they are planning to finish up in a short time. The building is nicely painted both inside and out, and is a real credit to the Cause.

I was much interested in the report Brother Barnes, their leader, gave of his experiences in the Harvest Ingathering work. The things he told us reminded us of what we read in a recent *Review* from the pen of Elder Spicer. He said that the greatest feature in this Ingathering work was the privilege it brought us of giving the message to our neighbours and friends. Brother Barnes can testify to the truth of that statement, as he has had some wonderful experiences with the people whom he has met in the Ingathering Campaign.

On November 10, I visited Mr. and Mrs. Gideon Gallimore, and he and I went out to look for some of our isolated believers in the Dry Harbour Mountains. We were successful in finding these dear people and enjoyed a pleasant visit with them. It is truly a pleasure to meet with our people and to find them of good courage and pressing on toward the goal of our Christian warfare.

We are anticipating a pleasant visit with all the churches which we shall meet on this trip, and solicit the prayers of God's people everywhere for these churches in the West part of the island. Our prayer is that the Lord may bless the united efforts of all the churches for the finishing of this great work in Jamaica.

R. J. SYPE.

SPANISH TOWN AND OLD HARBOUR

It was my privilege to meet with the Spanish Town company Sabbath morning, November 12th. A bright and lively Sabbath-School was held, and a deep interest was manifested in the study of the lessons for the day. The ordinances of the Lord's House were celebrated, and the Spirit of God came near.

On the wall was the Harvest Ingathering chart, well dotted over with the red stars—showing that Spanish Town has reached their Harvest Ingathering church goal; but as all have not reached their individual goals, they are still working. The Lord is blessing the Spanish Town church and their faithful leader, Brother Gibson.

In the afternoon I travelled on to Old Harbour to meet with the little company there. After some difficulty we crossed the gully, which was swollen from the recent rains, and reached the home of Brother and Sister Plummer, where the meetings are held. Here a faithful little company of believers were already gathered, and the

ordinances of the Lord's House were celebrated. The Spirit of God came very near, and all were encouraged to press on in the good way. This little company is greatly in need of a place of worship. The lot has been secured, but no building as yet. Brother Plummer's home is often too small to hold the people, and the faithful ones are longing for some place where they may be able to invite strangers and interested ones to meet and hear the message. Let us not forget to pray for the faithful struggling companies in the country. Mrs. Hurdon, the Conference S.S. Secretary, accompanied me, and she reports that more book marks for faithful S.S. attendance and daily study are sent there than to any other company of the same size. Some of us are faithful when everything goes well, but the test is faithfulness when things go hard.

W. J. HURDON.

NOTES FROM THE EAST END

We are glad to be able to bring before the readers of the *Visitor* further news of the progress of the work at this end of the Island.

On Sunday, October 16th, we had the pleasure of attending a Harvest Festival Service at Sherwood Forest, eight miles from Port Antonio. A very interesting programme was prepared for the occasion by the Sherwood Forest choir, which was added to by members of the Port Antonio and Manchioneal choirs. The service was largely attended by the inhabitants of the district, and was a success from every point of view. Between £7 and £8 were realized from the offering and sale of products. The writer had the privilege of speaking to an overflowing church at 7 o'clock in the evening.

We journeyed over to Moor Park to spend the week-end, November 4-7, with the brethren there, but, unfortunately, incessant rains made it impossible for us to have any good meetings. Only a very few were able to come out for a couple of hours on Sabbath afternoon and the rest of the time we were compelled to remain indoors.

We feel sure that our readers will rejoice to know that the Port Antonio Church has burst its "Ingatherometer." The total figures last Sabbath revealed the fact that we had £3 11/ over and above our goal of £38. Only five of the nine bands organized have so far reached their goal; so the other four are still pressing on. We hope to have a good overflow when they too get the 'Victory' pennant. Everyone here has shown a splendid spirit of willing service, and the Lord has richly blessed our efforts by giving us favour with those not of our faith. Quite a few persons have become interested in the message through the Harvest Ingathering work this year, and we shall have some follow-up work to do. Pray that God

will bring them to a saving knowledge of his Truth.

ALLAN C. STOCKHAUSEN.

JOINTWOOD

I visited the Jointwood church, September 30—November 3, and passed a very good time with the brethren. Things are in good shape there. I was agreeably surprised to see how advanced they were in the Harvest Ingathering work. The map was well-nigh filled in. But comparatively few red dots were left to be crossed.

The ordinances of the Lord's House were celebrated, and a young couple, Ronald Clarke and Clara Smith, were joined together in holy matrimony.

S. U. POWELL.

FAITH IN GOD

"Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen." "The Lord is faithful, who shall establish you and keep you from all evil."

The Apostle Paul in letters to his churches and brethren tells us what faith is, and warns us to trust in God to keep us from all evil. We must look through faith to see the things that are not visible to the eye. Looking through faith, we see Christ on the cross suffering for sinners; through faith we see Him standing before His Father's throne making intercession for us.

Looking back on the patriarch Abraham, we see him ascending the mountain with his only son to offer as a sacrifice; and we hear his voice of faith, borne to our ears, in answer to his son's question, "My son, God will provide Himself a lamb for the burnt offering." Again we see Moses in a little basket made of bulrushes being placed in the River Nile by his mother—through faith. First she delivered up her son to the bosom of the Nile—he came back to her a prince; she delivered him up the second time to the deserts—he came back to her a ruler instructed of God to lead the children of Israel out of Egypt.

Through faith we obey God, studying the Beloved Volume and trying to do whatsoever it teaches, believing that at the last day, if we remain steadfast, we shall inherit everlasting life. God's promises are sure; His words stand forever and ever. He has promised to keep us from all evil; His words He will keep. "Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and all things else shall be added unto you," was Jesus' warning to us. Why fret ourselves then? We have a merciful Saviour who has promised to supply all our needs. He who marks the sparrows' fall will care for us. Only *trust* Him! The very lilies of the field get their clothing; raiment and food are not more than He can supply.

Faith worketh by love. Faith and love will carry us through this world. Through faith we shall be able to overcome the many temptations that assail us. We shall be able to stand and battle for the cause of Christ unmoved. We shall be friendless and alone except for Jesus, who is better than a brother to us. His promise, "Lo, I am with you always even unto the end of the world," is ever a comfort to weary minds.

Through faith the centurion's servant was healed, the leper, and the blind—faith in the healing touch of Jesus' hand. According to our faith, so let it be. Christ reproved his disciples with "O ye of little faith!" The same words are being said to us to-day.

May the Lord help us to have faith in Him, ever leaning on his right arm and delivering up ourselves to His protection.

LUCILLE HOSANG.

HOME MISSIONARY DEPT.

OVER THE TOP

The Harvest Ingathering campaign is progressing nicely in spite of all hindering causes, such as unfavourable weather conditions and other obstacles. The true soldier does not permit himself to be swayed by circumstances and fights through all kinds of difficulties; so we believe we have some real soldiers in some of the churches of Jamaica.

Just before I left the office, I received word that two of our leading churches had reached their goals. They are the Port Antonio and the Spanish Town churches. Truly this is really good news, and we must congratulate these churches on their success. I have not yet been able to learn which of these two churches was the first to "go over the top," but as near as I can find out they were almost a tie, and so may have to share the honour of being the first in the conference. However, I think the goal which was set for them by the conference was reached first by Port Antonio, but as related in the last *Visitor*, they set their goal higher than what had been set by the Conference, and it is their own goal of £38 which they have now reached. This is surely splendid work.

We understand that there are a few other churches that are nearing their goal, and we may soon be able to report a good number who have successfully concluded the campaign. What others have done, you can do; so let us all put forth another good effort to bring this wonderful campaign to a successful end.

Surely I could give no stronger argument for the importance of our doing our best, than to remind you of the great need. We are standing on the borders of eternity and the only thing which stands between us and

the promised land is the great unfinished task of warning the World.

R. J. SYPE.

THIRD QUARTER MISSIONARY REPORTS

We wish to take this opportunity to thank those of the Church Home Missionary secretaries who have so faithfully sent in their reports from quarter to quarter. At the close of the third quarter we made a strong appeal to all these dear secretaries to make that a banner quarter for number of churches reporting. The response was quite good, though not so good as we would have liked. Counting several churches from which I received oral reports, by going after them, we received 63 reports. However, some of these were too late to go into the general report; so I am going to publish here the names of the churches that sent their reports in in time to be counted with the rest. I trust that for the fourth quarter every church will be in this list. They are:—

Bagbie	Montego Bay
Bellas Gate	Newell
Belfield	New Roads
Ballimoney	New Port
Beeston Springs	Ocho Rios
Bonny Gate	Orange
Blue Hole	Port Antonio
Brittonville	Port Maria
Bird's Hill	Porus
Bryant Hill	Riversdale
Canaan	St. Ann's Bay
Contented Hall	Santa Cruz
Craig	Sheffield
Duxes	Sherwood Forest
Everton Park	Spanish Town
Georgetown	Swift River
Glengeoffe	Tuscany
Grove Town	Vaughansfield
Jointwood	White House
Kencot	Windsor Forest
Kingston	And two churches
Lamb's River	that failed to sign
Linstead	any name or give
March Town	any clue so that we
Manchioneal	could tell who the
Manogany Grove	reports belonged to.
Mandeville	Even the post marks
Mt. Peace	on the envelopes
Mt. Providence	were too blurred to
Mt. Carey	read.

This time we shall not publish these churches in the order in which we received the reports, but next quarter we expect to do that, and then we can see which ones are the most prompt. We sincerely trust that all the churches will do their best in doing faithful work, and then not forget to report.

R. J. SYPE.

KINGSTON

In spite of knowing the steep, uphill work before us in the Harvest Ingathering campaign, we were courageous enough to retain our goal at £200, although it would have been strictly justifiable to have lowered it by about £50. to quadrate with existing circumstances and conditions.

Now the set period, six weeks, for the campaign is away in the past; and we regret that the goal is not yet attained. There is some distance yet to climb, but we are determined to employ extension of time in which to achieve our aim.

Our experience in the campaign this year seems to be a bit different from that of former years, last year in particular, when we seemed to have had everything our own way. Now, it is much like the story of "The Tortoise and the Hare," on the side of the Tortoise, of course—slow, but sure.

There is an intake at present of £135. A few more weeks of more united effort, and God's further blessing will set us ahead of the goal, we trust. S. U. FOWELL.

GRAND CAYMAN

Since the cool of the glad spring morning the Master has been calling for the seeds of truth to be planted. He is calling on you and me and all others who have heard the command. Did I say on *you* and on *me*? Yes, he has given every man his work. Now here is work in the Harvest Ingathering Campaign. Let us not fear the reproach of the Gentiles, for wealth must come from them to place labourers in the harvest field. We know what it is to meet reproaches, for we are getting them; but in the strength of the Lord we labour and pray. God's truth must be planted, watched, and tended. We are down in the autumn, and the harvest is white.

Soon will come the winter morning, when the work will be ended. Some wheat lies all ungarnered. Some seed was stored and wasted. Am I a faithful seed-sower and harvester?

We must fight to win the crown. This is an individual battle. Jesus fought and won for us, and planted His banner on the glorious heights; but we must fight to hold what has been won. The time is short. Let us not get weary before we finish. Jesus is coming soon to take His faithful few. Dear readers of the VISITOR, remember in your prayers these few brethren and sisters in this small part of the Lord's vineyard, that we may be faithful till Jesus comes.

THERESA NAVIS.

PORT MARIA

On Sunday afternoon, September 25th, our Harvest Festival came off most satisfactorily. In spite of a heavy shower of rain just at the hour appointed for the service, it was well attended. We were glad to have with us Brother A. C. Stockhausen of Port Antonio, who gave a very touching and interesting talk on "The World's Great Harvest." Fitting into this was our prepared programme, in which the little children with

their exercise and song expressed their desire to be little workers for Christ.

Though it was said to be not the most fruitful time of the year, we were no less successful than in the fruitful time. The Lord is with His people at all times, in and out of season.

We were also privileged to have Brother Stockhausen with us for the night service, when he again spoke as led by the spirit. He both defined and impressed upon his hearers the true meaning of having faith in Christ and having the faith of Christ, and we are sanguine that each one went away feeling greatly helped.

Reporting further, we are also glad to say that we are not behind hand in our missionary work. We are continuing our usual weekly meetings, where reports are given of work done. The number of tracts distributed for the month of August was 844 pages. As we distribute them, we find the people willing to receive them. The small tracts "Leaves of Autumn" we are expecting to scatter according to the title in the town of Port Maria. We are thankful to say that our little company is progressing, though slowly. The Lord has promised to finish the work and cut it short in righteousness and we want to finish with it.

M. A. COORE.

SABBATH SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

THE LAST OF THE YEAR.

We are nearing the close of another year, and the time has come for us to look back over this past year and rehearse the tender mercies of God, His deliverances from dangers seen and unseen, the victories we have won through the name of Jesus.

Another special season is almost here—our annual Week of Prayer. Now is the time for heart-searching, that every barrier may be broken down and by meditation and prayer our hearts made soft and tender for this occasion. This should be the prelude in our experience of what we may have at our coming Conference. God forbid that any barriers be left in the way.

My mind goes back to the first part of last year when we set our various goals for Sabbath-school and our individual goals. Let us bear in mind that "The end of goals is the winning of souls." Individually I believe most of us pledged to pray and earnestly work to win at least one soul for the year. Have we seen results? Have we faithfully done our part? Then our Sabbath-school money goals are very important. The Sabbath-school is becoming the right hand of the Mission Board. They know that they can count on us.

For the past eight years, the Sabbath-schools over the world have given more than a million dollars to missions every year. Surely the Mission Board has something to

count on; and, brethren and sisters, it is not only the Mission Board that is counting on us but it is the Lord. May we realize our responsibilities as members of the Sabbath-school and faithfully work, not as men pleasers but as unto the Lord.

The time is here now to finish our work in the Sabbath-school Training Course classes. Those who have the December S.S. Worker can begin at once to review the questions and prepare to answer. Let us not look upon this as a great task, but let us take one or two questions a week and faithfully continue until we finish. These have been very helpful studies, and we receive a blessing as we willingly co-operate with the Lord in all His plans to help us and to help others.

A Sabbath-school Investment programme has gone out, and I strongly urge every school to have this programme either December 3, or the first Sabbath in January. I know the last of the year is filled very full with the Week of Prayer and the 13th Sabbath, and so many things crowding in; but I believe with some extra effort this programme can be made a great blessing to all our schools and to us as individuals. Let us all bring in whatever we have pledged and dedicated, that it may be counted on this year's investment. I desire all secretaries and treasurers to report amounts for the Investment Fund and Birthday offerings separately.

The times are becoming more trying every day; so let us make our Sabbath-school lessons a part of our every-day lives, and learn to have a "deep and abiding trust in the Lord," no matter what may come.

"A lot of little worries lie
Along the path of every day;
Oh, shall we make them stumbling
blocks,
Or stepping-stones along the way?
"We can leave them to trip the feet,
And hold us from our onward goal;
Or we may build them into stairs,
An upward path to speed the soul."

H. A. HURDON.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

WEST INDIAN TRAINING COLLEGE

[The commencement speeches will be concluded next month.—Ed.]

PRESENTATION

We, the Senior Class of 1927, hereby express our heartiest and sincerest appreciation to the West Indian Training College for all that she has done for us, by giving her a Sundial for measuring time. With the Sundial for indicating it, we trust that all who see the dial will be reminded of the demands of time, and make use of the golden hours.

Some men in the world to-day are in a state of bankruptcy, and they owe the world more than they can pay, because they will not make the proper use of time. Time, which is measured by the sun from day to day, is like matter; it can neither be destroyed nor created, and is at the disposal of every man. It is the greatest gift from the divine hands of the Omnipotent; and like the golden sun which shines in the path of every creature, it encircles us, and we find ourselves walking from day to day in this field of time. For everything that we see in the world, the many discoveries and inventions, the building of stupendous bridges, the laying of cables, the mighty ocean liners, airplanes, steam engines, railway engines, skyscrapers, and the great works unknown to us in this part of the world—for all these, time receives the credit. The greatest thing that time has produced is the creation of this world. The great God took a portion of time (six days) and made the world. God gave time to man, and it has decked and decorated this world with all the comforts of life, and has made of all men who have put her to the right use, useful vessels through which fame, honour, comfort, and all the true virtues of life come.

As a further evidence of our heartfelt gratitude, and to make sure that we shall be remembered, we have planned to hoist on the campus before the College building, the beautiful Union Jack, an advocate of union, which belongs to our Alma Mater. We hope that under the banner of the Union Jack our true loyalty to British rule may remain unchanged unto the end of time.

The thought of the Sundial brings to mind these reflections of our poets and sages: Shakespeare, one of the greatest characters in English literature, says:

"Minutes, hours, days, months, and years
Pass'd over to the end they were created,
Would bring white hairs unto a quiet grave,
Ah, what a life were this!"

The Earl of Chesterfield urges: —

"Know the true value of time; snatch, seize, and enjoy every moment of it. No idleness, no laziness, no procrastination; never put off till tomorrow what you can do to-day."

The poet Young will long be remembered by this short verse:

"Time wasted is existence, used is life."

Vandyke, realizing the true value of time, could not refrain from writing these two short poems on Sundials:

"Time is
Too Slow for those who Wait,
Too Swift for those who Fear,
Too Long for those who Grieve,
Too Short for those who Rejoice;
But for those who love,
Time is not."

"The shadow by my finger cast
Divides the future from the past;
Before it sleeps the unborn hour
In darkness, and beyond thy power;
Behind its unreturning line,
The vanished now, no longer thine;
One hour alone is in thy hands,—
The Now on which the shadow stands."

Teachers, students, parents, and friends may we get the true vision of time, which is able to do for us what the great God has outlined, so that when our future years of labour shall be made glad, and we look back upon the screen of time we may see written in golden letters, Thy name has been well spent.

WALTER D. HALL.

CURRENT ITEMS

Miss Lily Moulton has written from her home in Santo Domingo to renew her subscription to the *Jamaica Visitor* in order that she may not miss the news from the W.I.T.C.

All were glad to see Miss Vida Hamilton looking better when she spent a few hours here on Sunday, November 6th.

Messrs. Nation and McKinley and Misses L. Parchment and E. Andreade were weekend visitors to Kingston recently.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Parchment went to Southfield November 4th for the week-end, but were suddenly called home early Sunday morning by the death of Mr. Felix Heron.

Mr. Arthur Heron and his mother spent Sunday and Monday with us, Mr. Heron having arrived Sabbath afternoon in time to see his brother before he passed away, tho' the latter was too ill to converse. Mr. Felix Heron is greatly missed, especially in the business office and the cabinet shop.

A feeling of solemn sadness pervaded our campus for many days. No school was held on Monday following Mr. Heron's funeral and the picnic planned for "Peacemaker's Day" was indefinitely postponed. The second six-week period examinations began on Tuesday.

An interesting and informing lecture on "Sound" was given in the college auditorium on the evening of November 12, by Mr. Ogle, school inspector for this part of Jamaica.

Messrs. Pitter and Haig have spent some time visiting their Alma Mater the past month, and seem loath to leave her.

REPORT OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS FOR MONTH OF OCTOBER, 1927.

Churches and Companies	Tithes.	Offerings	Har. Ing.
Axe and Adze	1 3 0 ³ / ₄	0 4 3	1 0 0
Blue Hole	1 19 10	0 1 8	0 0 0
Bellas Gate	1 2 8 ³ / ₄	0 3 6 ¹ / ₂	0 0 0
Ballimoney	0 19 0	0 6 4 ³ / ₄	0 1 6
Beverley	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Blue Hill	2 3 4	0 6 7	1 11 6
Bottle	2 18 0	0 10 3	0 0 0

Belfield	5 7 3	0 15 1	1 8 4
Bonny Gate	0 11 3 ¹ / ₂	0 3 10 ¹ / ₂	2 7 3 ³ / ₄
Bluefields	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Bryant Hill	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Brown's Town	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Beeston Spring	0 15 8	0 2 4 ³ / ₄	0 14 6
Brittonville	1 10 4 ¹ / ₂	0 0 3	0 1 4 ¹ / ₂
Carron Hall	1 8 3	0 4 6	0 0 0
Canaan	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Contented Hall	3 1 1 ¹ / ₂	0 19 8 ¹ / ₂	0 0 0
Craig	3 16 3	0 17 2	0 18 2
Campbell's Cas- tle	0 0 0	0 6 8	0 0 0
Coleyville	1 13 4 ³ / ₄	0 8 9 ³ / ₄	0 0 0
Duxes	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Darliston	2 16 7	0 19 8 ³ / ₄	1 7 10
Dalvey	0 10 6	0 9 0	0 0 0
Devon	1 3 3	0 3 3 ³ / ₄	0 1 1
Everton Park	2 18 6	1 1 9	0 0 0
Florence Hill	2 10 4 ¹ / ₂	0 12 1 ³ / ₄	0 0 0
East End	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Flower Hill	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Fustie Grove	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Goshen	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Glengoffe	2 12 2	0 19 6 ¹ / ₂	2 19 6 ¹ / ₂
Guy's Hill	6 9 2 ¹ / ₂	1 3 9 ³ / ₄	0 0 0
Grove Town	2 17 0 ³ / ₄	0 9 0	0 0 0
George Town	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Grantsville	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Hart Hill	7 18 4 ³ / ₄	1 11 9 ³ / ₄	2 1 0
Hill Top	1 1 4 ¹ / ₂	0 0 0	0 0 0
Hector's River	1 15 1	0 14 10 ³ / ₄	0 12 0
Jack's River	0 13 9 ¹ / ₂	0 2 8 ³ / ₄	0 0 0
Jointwood	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Kingston	70 19 9 ¹ / ₂	2 14 8 ³ / ₄	91 0 8 ³ / ₄
Kencot	3 15 0 ³ / ₄	4 5 0	9 7 6 ¹ / ₂
Lamb's River	4 18 9	2 1 6	0 0 0
Linstead	0 19 11	0 7 9 ³ / ₄	0 17 0
Lonz Bay	2 2 9 ³ / ₄	0 15 0 ³ / ₄	0 14 6
Little London	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Montego Bay	8 13 3	9 2 2	3 12 4 ¹ / ₂
Mt. Providence	1 15 7 ³ / ₄	0 6 1	0 0 0
Mt. Peace	0 9 1 ³ / ₄	0 5 7	0 0 0
Mt. Carey	2 3 6 ¹ / ₂	0 13 7	2 5 4
Mile End	0 12 0 ³ / ₄	0 4 1 ¹ / ₂	0 0 0
Manchioneal	0 6 9	0 6 11 ³ / ₄	0 0 0
March Town	3 12 11	1 9 11	0 0 0
Mandeville	18 15 19 ³ / ₄	6 16 11 ³ / ₄	0 15 10 ³ / ₄
Moore Park	6 17 9 ³ / ₄	3 19 8 ³ / ₄	0 6 1 ¹ / ₂
Mahogany Grove	14 6 2 ¹ / ₂	0 3 9	0 0 0
New Port	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Newell	3 2 0 ³ / ₄	0 14 5 ³ / ₄	0 8 7 ³ / ₄
New Roads	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Old Harbour	1 0 6 ³ / ₄	0 11 9	0 4 6
Orange	0 14 0 ³ / ₄	0 8 0	1 3 4
Prospect	0 1 9	0 3 4	0 0 0
Port Antonio	19 8 9 ³ / ₄	4 18 10 ³ / ₄	24 5 5 ³ / ₄
Porus	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Port Maria	1 1 11 ¹ / ₂	6 5 4 ³ / ₄	0 0 0
Riversdale	2 5 2 ³ / ₄	1 11 11 ³ / ₄	0 2 3
Race Course	0 4 6	0 5 3	0 0 0
Spring Garden	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Sheffield	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Spanish Town	6 4 8 ³ / ₄	1 3 9 ³ / ₄	18 1 11 ³ / ₄
St. Ann's Bay	3 1 10	1 0 4	4 13 11
Southfield	1 16 10	5 15 11 ¹ / ₂	0 0 0
Santa Cruz	2 2 0 ³ / ₄	0 8 1	1 13 0
Seaford Town	2 14 7 ³ / ₄	0 10 7 ³ / ₄	0 0 0
Sav-la-Mar	0 9 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Swift River	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Springfield	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Sherwood C.	0 15 8 ³ / ₄	0 8 4 ³ / ₄	0 0 0
Sherwood Forest	3 7 0 ¹ / ₂	3 3 5 ¹ / ₂	0 4 7 ³ / ₄
Trinity Ville	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Troy	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Tuscany	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Upper Rgt. St.	11 0 4	2 10 10	6 4 16 ³ / ₄
Vaughansfield	1 0 5	0 1 11	0 0 0
Waterloo	1 6 3	1 6 3	0 0 0
Windsor Forest	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
White Hill	1 0 0	0 4 9	0 2 9
Norway	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Conf.	0 1 0	2 0 0	0 0 0
Isol.	2 18 7 ³ / ₄	1 8 1	0 0 0
Totals	256 10 10 ¹ / ₂	82 15 11 ³ / ₄	181 8 10

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so far as our churches are concerned they have kept their current accounts for this year paid up. Of course there are a good many who have old accounts which we trust will be settled before the year closes. Many are striving toward that end already. Two weeks ago a church that had a very long-standing account paid up in full. On the whole we have reason to heartily thank all for their faithfulness during the year 1927. Soon this year will bid adieu to us, and it might be that there are many things we can do even now to help repair the ravages caused by our failures and mistakes of the past months.

We are glad to notify all that our supply of "Morning Watch," and "Home Missionary Calendars" has arrived. The prices are as follows:

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Order your supply early so that there may be no disappointment.

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OBITUARY

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

Names	Book	Hrs.	Orders	Value of Orders
Albert Haig	H.W.	30		0 0 0
	B.F.			*60 10 0
C. A. Pitter	H.W.	22		0 0 0
	B.F.			*19 13 0
B. A. Ricketts	H.W.	79	12	14 17 6
				*17 2 6
E. C. H. Reid	H.W.	47	15	25 0 6
	D. & R.			*1 2 6
R. B. Campbell	H.W.	49	28	26 5 0
	D. & R.			* 17 0
A. W. Heron	H.W.	28	26	20 4 0
	R. J.			
D. Hurst	O.D.	6	12	6 5 0
	B. F.			*0 8 0
C. Edwards	O. D.	13	2	1 19 0
				*0 6 0
U. E. Morgan	H.W.	20		*8 0 0
D. L. Barnes	H.W.			0 0 0
	C. O. S.	30		*12 19 0
J. D. Carter	Miscel.	90	60	52 0 0
				*12 0 0
Miscellaneous				57 0 7½
				*34 14 6
		414	155	203 2 7½

* Value of Deliveries *167 12 6

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NEWS NOTES

Brother Albert Haig, who has been suffering for a few days from an abscess is making improvement and will soon be able to attend to his duties again.

The North Street Kingston Church has reached the sum of £136 0. 0. in the Harvest Ingathering. The campaign has gone a bit slowly this year, but there are bright hopes of the Church reaching its goal by the time this note reaches the readers of the VISITOR.

Brother E. Harriott, the father of our office assistant, returned from Cuba a few weeks ago with failing health. At the time of our writing he is in a very critical condition, and we solicit the prayers of all on his behalf.

This being the last number of the "Jamaica Visitor" for the year 1927, we want to take opportunity to thank all our people for the faithful co-operation we have received from them. Colporteurs as well as our various churches throughout the Conference have all done a very good business with us, and as a result we have reason to believe that there are many souls rejoicing in the message. We are glad to say that

"With the rising sun of a morning in July, 1896, came a baby boy to the district of Axe and Adze in the parish of Hanover. Nurtured and tended by loving parents, this baby, Felix Emmanuel Heron, grew into boyhood. He was a loving and tender-hearted lad. He attended the school of his home district, and like the lowly-Nazarene spent his leisure around the carpenter bench of his father.

"In the year 1920 we find him as a student of the West Indian Training College. His calm influence while here, gained for him the esteem of his fellow-students.

During his four years of school career, his life like a candle, threw its beams across the abyss of many a dark soul. His love of the beautiful, his appreciation of the true, and the high value which he placed on a consecrated life, all make the life of Felix Emmanuel Heron abide forever in the hearts of his friends and acquaintances. He was not pompous, but unassuming, meek, and merciful. He was ever willing and ready to take an active part in Missionary Service. His heart had no shame nor gloss, but was as pure as gold and sensitive to wrong. As a man, he was honest with God, honest with himself. He possessed upright scruples. As a worker he was competent, reliable, trustworthy, and conscientious in all his undertakings.

"In the year 1925 he was graduated, having completed the Academic course. After leaving school, he went to Christiansa, where he worked successfully as cabinet-maker, but again a longing to be in the work of the Master, crept into his heart, and in January, 1927, he returned to the West Indian Training College.

Then he began his commercial career as book-keeper. Here again, he won the regard of those in authority. Just a few days ago his cheerful presence was missing. Unknown to many, the bloom of his manhood was fading. At the midnight hour of November 5th he fell asleep, leaving a mother, two brothers, and a sister, Mrs. Solomon Harriott of Represso, Canal Zone, as well as a large number of relatives and friends, to mourn their loss.

Father, in thy gracious keeping,
Leave me now thy servant sleeping."

At the funeral, held in the college auditorium on Sunday afternoon, following the reading of the foregoing life sketch Pastor W. H. Randle conducted the service, and the grief-stricken students marched in a body to the little burial ground on the school estate, where interment took place.

We are sure that all the VISITOR family join in extending sympathy to the bereaved mother and brother, who were present at the funeral, and to the sister in a mission land.

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