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A TRIP THROUGH THE ANTILLIAN UNION

I have now had the privilege of visiting all the of the Missions of the Antillian Union except the Bahamas and plan on arriving there during September. During the month of July, arriving in Haiti June 30, following the Balboa Convention and Division Committee meeting, I have had the pleasure of spending two weeks in Haiti, then a week in Santo Domingo, and one in Porto Rico, where I am at the present writing. In company with Elder Barrowdale, the Superintendent of the Porto Rican Mission, we have now visited all but two of the sixteen churches and companies.

During the month of July, in the three missions visited I had the pleasure of preaching thirty-three sermons, besides assisting in conventions and holding Workers' and Committee meetings in the various fields; so while the work has been rather strenuous, it has been pleasant withal, and we trust somewhat profitable to the fields as we have endeavoured to inspire courage, confidence, and inspiration in the hearts of the many hundreds of believers that we have met in all of those churches visited.

One feature of the work that has been especially interesting has been the large number of people in attendance at the meetings. In nearly every place the churches and places of meeting have been more than filled, often times as many standing outside around the place looking in as there were of those inside. One advantage in these tropical countries is that the windows and doors are always wide open so it gives the advantage of many listening from without as well as those seated inside the room. Otherwise the work would be far more crippled than it is for the lack of church and meeting accommodations.

In this connection I may say that I have been especially impressed that the outstanding and most crying need in all of these fields is for more and larger church buildings. I verily believe that, if we had the means to erect suitable places of meeting in all of the fields of the Antillian Union, within a very short time our present membership could be doubled. For wherever we have held meetings in all of the islands, we find an earnest spirit of enquiry and a deep interest on the part of the people to hear the truth and listen to the message for these last days. Surely the time has come for the "quick work" and the outpour-

ing of the Spirit for the finishing of the work in these parts of the Lord's great vineyard.

We have in the Antillian Union now more than five thousand baptised members, with hundreds, yes thousands interested and studying the message; so the time is fully ripe for a larger ingathering of souls. The work is onward in each of the fields. We have greatly appreciated the help of Elder Hackman of the General Conference Home Missionary Department in the Conventions conducted in Cuba, Jamaica, Haiti, Santo Domingo, and Porto Rico, as well as the general help and assistance rendered by him in these various fields.

After spending a few days more in Porto Rico I will return through Santo Domingo, Haiti, and Jamaica to Cuba, spending the months of August and September in giving further help and counsel in these fields, holding a workers' meeting in Jamaica with Elder Edmed, who has just arrived from England to carry the responsibilities as President of the Jamaica Conference. The latter part of September I expect to reach the Bahamas. I will then have made a complete swing through the various fields of the Union. Pray for the work in this large, important, and interesting field, that there may be advance all along the line.

A. R. Ogden, Superintendent Antillian Union,
Genaro Sanchez No. 11,
Vibora, Havana, Cuba.

HOW SUCCESS IS ACHIEVED.

"There is nothing that succeeds like success," has become an axiom. It is demonstrated in every individual effort and aim; and it is backed by the experiences of thousands. But, "Real success is won only by hard, honest, persistent toil," says Charles M. Schwab—one of America's modern industrial magnates. Solomon preached the same gospel hundreds of years ago. when he said, "Slothfulness casteth into a deep sleep; and an idle soul shall suffer hunger." Prov.19:15. And again "He also that is slothful in his work is brother to him that is a great waster." Prov.18:9.

The Saviour demonstrated His appreciation of this principle when He chose His workers. The first lot were very busy fishing or mending their nets, collecting taxes, etc., and Paul was busy in his relentless persecution. But while we may not endorse the nature of Paul's work, and we may dislike the unfortunate taxgatherer, they were busy. And it was while they were busy

that the Lord called them to His service.

Mr. Schwab says too that "A man will succeed in anything about which he has real enthusiasm, in which he is genuinely interested, provided that he will take more thought about his job than the men working with him. The fellow who sits still and does what he is told will never be told to do big things." Carnegie says, "One great cause of failure. . . is the lack of concentration." This was in Solomon's mind when he said, "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might." Thus men who have succeeded, in looking over the past, are led to affirm that the two qualities that combine in a man to make success are enthusiasm and concentration.

Our ministers, colporteurs, teachers, office workers, and church leaders should study deeply these principles. They express the price of winning; and if we would win, we must pay this price. It is in God's providence that nothing comes to us without effort, and the greater the effort the greater the reward. Our Lord stated how He felt about these principles. He said, "My meat is to do His will, and to finish His work." And, "The zeal of thine House hath eaten me up." He put all He was and all He had into the one over-mastering object of His ambition. This is the supreme qualification for acceptance with God.

We must cultivate a passion for reaching our aim, whatever it is, and permit no side issues to divert us from it. Then every effort we make will become a dynamic force too powerful to fail, too concentrated to allow defeat. I have known young men and women to become so absorbed in their work as to not know when the hour for lunch or to retire had come, while others were watching the clock all day. Which would you say is the one to succeed? Dear reader, answer that question, and then get into line yourself. Apply these principles also to the Harvest Ingathering Campaign, and then see how success will crown your efforts. Try it, and try it to-day.

Herbert J. Edmed.

AN APPEAL

Since in the providence of God I have been asked to take up the Home Missionary Secretary's work in the Jamaica Conference, I feel free to claim an interest in your prayers that I may magnify the office. Truly, as you think of the great work, your own heart longs to enter into the service of the Master. May God strengthen you for service, be it ever so humble.

When the rally call for the Harvest Ingathering Campaign is sounded, let every member respond. You can go out with some papers. You can write letters. You can present the paper and ask for a gift from those who come to your door. Be sure and get your name on the Roll of Achievement,

and do not be satisfied until you receive stars and a crown.

Think of the good you may do when you do your best for the Master! He will add His blessing; and when He blesses, sweet is the Peace that fills the heart.

Byron A. Meeker, H.M.S.

CONFERENCE NEWS NOTES

CAYMAN BRAC. We have received an interesting letter from Brother Frank Fletcher, from which we take the following:—

"I suppose you are anxious to hear how things are progressing in this part of the vineyard. I can say from the depths of my heart, 'Praise God from whom all blessings flow.' I am thankful to state that five new believers have stepped out to observe the Lord's Sabbath, among them being one who was hitherto a bitter opponent. . . Some who were bitterly opposed to the truth are now attending the meetings and are deeply interested. This shows that there is a sound of a going in the mulberry trees, and the Holy Spirit is working upon hearts. A local minister is quite aroused, and preaches against us every time he comes this way to conduct service. But I pay no attention to him. I know that he cannot defeat the truth of God's Word. The membership of our sabbath school is now 29, including children. The dear ones who stepped out at first are still holding on faithfully, in spite of all that has been done to discourage them."

Let us all pray that the Lord may watch over this new work, and give Brother Fletcher grace and wisdom to lead the company on to victory.

WORKERS' MEETINGS. It was a happy suggestion that brought in our ministers and workers, August 27-30, to Kingston for the purpose of having days for council and prayer. Several members of the laity attended the meetings, and the public filled the church building each evening. Church Leaders and officers also came in, and a very profitable time was spent considering suggestions brought in by the excellent papers presented by Pastors Syne, Fletcher, Lawson, and Stockhausen, and Brother Grounds. We were doubly blessed by the presence and counsel of Pastor A. R. Oeden, President of the Antillian Union Conference, who had arrived from Haiti a few days previously.

Each day the ministers gave reports of the work in their respective fields, and we rejoiced in finding that over 250 persons have been added to our ranks by baptism since January 1, while a larger number are attending baptismal classes. Much of this is due to the activities of the laity, who are working everywhere to increase our membership.

Opportunity was taken to unify the plans for the Harvest Ingathering Campaign, and the ministers alone set their goals at sums which amounted in the aggregate, to £270.

A shadow of sadness was cast over the meetings by a letter from our dear veteran Pastor M. Jones, who was unable to attend through falling from his mule. He was in bed, suffering from the cuts and bruises, and was in fear that the results might prove fatal. A letter of sympathy was solemnly voted by the meeting, all standing with bowed heads and offering a silent prayer for our Brother's recovery.

At this writing, Sept. 14, we are in possession of the good tidings that Pastor Jones has recovered, and is attending to his work, for which we praise the Lord.

CORNWALL BARRACKS. Sunday, September 2, brought us an experience we shall not easily forget. Climbing the mountain, 5,000 feet above sea level, Pastor R. J. Sype took a company from Kingston over to Port Antonio to visit the new believers brought out by Brother Stevens in the Maroon district. The day opened fair, but gradually gathered clouds until rain descended very freely. Some of us felt that only the skilful driving of Pastor Sype could give us confidence in the ascent and descent of that most lovely mountain. Indeed it was difficult to decide where to fasten the eyes—on the thrilling twists and blind corners of the road, or on the majestic scenery of indescribable beauty throughout the journey. After a mid-day meal at the hospitable home of Pastor Stockhausen, we started for Cornwall Barracks, twelve miles further on, and another tortuous climb. Rain threatened to disappoint us, for at the end of the car ride there was a deep river to cross, with a surging current newly created by the heavy rains. The brethren were there, however, with their mules, and dressed suitably for helping us across. They cared nothing for the wet, whether falling or flowing, and it was a picture to witness tall Pastor Stockhausen sitting on the shoulders of a sturdy brother who waded him across the torrents, and Pastors Ogden, Sype, and Edmed sitting on mule backs, each mule having four brethren to hold him from falling or being washed under. Once across, a goodly company of about one hundred met in the Bamboo Tabernacle, covered with palms, and they listened with eager interest to three short sermons by the Pastors visiting. At the call of Pastor Ogden, all present promptly responded—thus showing their determination to follow Jesus, His word, and His Law.

During the service, heavy rains increased the depth of the river, and we had to take a higher-up path for crossing, where the mules and picka back plan was repeated. The visiting Pastors had to remove boots and socks and "tuck up," and even then scarcely escaped a ducking. Thanks to the sturdy giants of Cornwall, however, we soon compassed the difficulties and were safely landed for the return journey.

Our hearts are filled with praise as we see how the Lord has led out in this work, and for His preserving care amidst the perils of that day, from which no one suffered in the least. As we stood on one mountain, our attention fastened on some homes on another mountain peak higher up. "There," said Pastor Stockhausen, "is Tuscany, where we have another company of believers." Thus Jamaica is yielding its fruitage for the soon-coming Kingdom of our dear Lord. Yet there are hundreds of villages, many towns, and thickly populated country estates where we have no members, and we pray that the Lord may send us means to bring the waiting thousands to the light of Present Truth.

THE WEST INDIAN TRAINING COLLEGE. Since the departure of Prof. Wineland, Prof. Rathbun has been carrying a very heavy load of responsibility and work, until we feared that his health would break under the strain. The General Conference had appointed Prof. A. C. Nelson and his wife to join the institution, and they had sold their home and made all preparations to come to us. But at the last moment the doctors discovered the need of a somewhat critical operation in each case, and the appointees were forced to disappoint us, at least for several months. After counsel with Pastor A. R. Ogden, the Committee decided to invite Pastor and Mrs. Sype to join the College staff, the former to act as Principal until Prof. and Mrs. Nelson could safely come. Naturally, it was first thought to invite Prof. Rathbun to the place, but the Executive Committee felt that his grip on the business management which has been so very successful, and which helps so many students to pay their way through school, made it imperative that he retain that responsibility, and hence the appointment of Pastor R. J. Sype to the Principalship of the school.

Pastor Sype was inducted into his new office on September 11 by a very pleasing ceremony, in which the Faculty and the students took part.

OTHER CHANGES. When Brother E. E. Parchment joined the Agricultural Department of the College, with responsibility as Farm Manager, he cherished a strong desire to make this a stepping stone to other work of an evangelical character, and after ten years of successful work in this capacity, he has presented an earnest request that his desires be given practical consideration. In order to permit nothing to stand in his way, Sister Parchment quietly withdrew from the Normal Department of the College, which she has carried so successfully for several years. Sister Parchment's close and intimate influence and activity at the School during these years is well known to our membership all over the Island, and we are glad to state that her loyalty and devotion to the

educational work, and the success she has attained, have made her a very valuable acquisition to the school. Her withdrawal before her husband's appointment has been made solely to avoid the calamity of breaking into the year's work. The School Board and Faculty are indeed sorry to lose Sister Parchment, as her labours are very highly appreciated.

A NEW TEACHER. Just at the time when this withdrawal took place, Sister Violet Peake arrived here from Haiti, and as she has been trained in our Atlantic Union College, and carries with her excellent recommendations and diplomas, the Board invited her to join the Staff, and she is now teaching in the College.

HOME MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT. The removal of Pastor R. J. Sype created a vacancy in this department, and Pastor B. A. Meeker has accepted an invitation to fill this place, and Brother Albert Haig has accepted a call to act as Assistant Field Secretary. We are glad indeed to welcome these Brethren to their new responsibilities, and we shall pray that the Lord may bless and prosper them.

RECENT ARRIVALS. Mrs. and Miss Edmed, of the President's family, arrived from New York August 7, after visiting Washington, D.C., etc. They are delighted with Jamaica and grateful for the warm-hearted reception accorded them. Pastor G. N. Moulton has also arrived from Santo Domingo to take a period of rest and medical treatment. We trust Pastor Moulton's recovery may be speedy and complete.

SABBATH SCHOOL DEPARTMENT. Sister Grounds, who has carried the sabbath-school department so well during the interval since last Conference, has now handed over the work to Sister (Mrs.) H. J. Edmed. Our Sabbath Schools have appreciated Sister Grounds' good work, and are sorry to lose her services.

DISTRICTING JAMAICA. A recent action of the Conference Committee will bring each church and company into closer touch with ministerial help, and enable them to hold the Ordinances of the Lord's House more frequently. The church business meetings will also be more frequent, as the minister in charge can be present. We give the list of churches under the name of the minister in charge as follows:

MONTEGO BAY—ELDER G. A. E. SMITH.
Montego Bay, Orange, Mount Carey, Vaughnsfield, Axe and Adze, Seaford Town, Lamb's River, Mount Peace, March Town, Sav-la-Mar, Little London, and Sheffield.

DARLINGTON—ELDER M. JONES.
Darlington, Bluefields, Beeston Springs, Contented Hall, Fustic Grove, Canaan, and New Roads.

PORT ANTONIO—ELDER A. C. STOCKHAUSEN
Hart Hill, Moor Park, Swift River, Port Antonio, Sherwood Forest, Windsor Forest, Long Bay, Manchioneal, Hector's River, Dalvey, Trinityville, and Morant Bay.

ST. MARY—ELDER H. FLETCHER.
Port Maria, Jack's River, Bonny Gate, Gayle, Guy's Hill, Carron Hall, Belfield, Bagbie, Williamsfield, and Riversdale.

KINGSTON—OPEN.
North Street, Regent Street, Kencot, Spanish Town, Leper's Home, Linstead, Everton Park, Glengoffe, and Florence Hill.

ST. ANN—ELDER S. U. POWELL.
St. Ann's Bay, Brittonville, Ocho Rios, Mile End, Ballimonay, Devon, and Brown's Town.

CLARENDON—ELDER W. H. RANDLE.
Old Harbour, Bird's Hill, Bellas Gate, Blue Hole, Duxes, Bryant Hill, Mount Providence, Goshen, and Race Course.

LOWER MANCHESTER—ELDER R. J. SYPE.
Mandeville, Porus, Newport, Grove Town, Campbell's Castle, and Southfield.

UPPER MANCHESTER—ELDER H. P. LAWSON.
Craig, Coleyville, Waterloo, Beverley, Mahogany Grove, Troy, Spring Garden, Sherwood Content, Jointwood, White Hill, Mulgrave, Santa Cruz, Newell, and Parrottee.

REGRETTABLE DEPARTURE. After some very busy days, Pastor A. R. Ogden sailed for Cuba on the 5th instant. During his stay, our Union President filled a large number of appointments, and worked assiduously, although very tired from the long strain of his itinerancy. He has now been to all parts of this Union, and has travelled out in the countries continuously since assuming the responsibilities of his office. We have greatly appreciated the pleasant congeniality of his companionship, as well as his stirring messages delivered in many places. While we wish him Godspeed, we will look forward to the time when he will return to give Jamaica further benefit of his counsel and grace.

HERBERT J. EDMED.

MONTEGO BAY

On the 10th of September our Harvest Festival Service was held. Many of the brethren laboured willingly in soliciting from friends and well-wishers various things, along with what they had, to make it a success. After everything was collected in the evening, the church was nicely decorated with flowers, fruits, canes, etc. Among the many things that were given were two lovely stoves, which were made by Brother A. C. Stanford.

We were privileged to have with us Elder

Jones who took charge of the service. A few very appropriate selections on the occasion were nicely rendered by the Choir, directed by Brother Stanford. The attendance was fairly good. Elder Jones, looking around and seeing there were scarcely any empty seats, took hold of the opportunity, thinking he was in his teens, and with the aid of the Holy Spirit delivered a very forceful sermon, taking the minds of his hearers from the earthly sowing to the Heavenly sowing and from the earthly Harvest to the Heavenly Harvest. As he dwelt forcefully on the spiritual sowing you could see marks of conviction in many faces. A visitor said to the writer that the Spirit of the Lord was working in her behalf. Realizing that is true, I believe that in the near future we will see some of these very ones fall in line with us, preparing for the Heavenly Harvest. Our profitable evening was brought to a close with the beautiful song, "O there'll be joy when the work is done."

A. M. LAWRENCE.

TRINITY VILLE

To keep the readers of the *Visitor* informed of the progress of the work in this part of the field, I will mention a few items.

On Sunday, 12th August, Elder Meeker, our welcomed visitor, buried seven souls in the watery grave. As we had not thought Elder Meeker would be here for that, we had invited the President, Elder Edmed, who with Elder Sype, left Kingston to come a distance of about twelve miles in rainy weather which seemed to be over the greater part of the Island, to Trinity Ville, to perform the ordinance of baptism, and preside at a Rally which the church had prepared. Finding that the weather was getting severer, and that damage to their car might be the result of continuing, they returned just in time to get over the rivers before they were too heavy. As they were aware that Elder Meeker would be here, they felt that we would not be too much disappointed.

Owing to the inclemency of the weather we could not have the Rally and would not have been able to have the baptism had the baptismal tank not been built in the church, and that baptism was the first for it.

To get those seven dear souls to be baptised meant much sacrifice and fighting against the evil one. One sister, after deciding for the truth, suffered abuses from her husband. He got so infuriated one evening that to go home and pray was the only thing I could do. In spite of all his threatenings she and her children were out to church the next Sabbath. We had a special prayer meeting for her and others of like trouble, and, thank God, they conquered.

The 26th August was the day which the districts around were eagerly anticipating. That was our Rally day. At about 3.30 p.m. a programme of choir songs, duets, solos,

dialogues and recitations, such as were unknown to the filled church of listeners, was well rendered. The Government school teacher, who presided at the organ, was so much taken up with the songs especially that he asked for the book containing the songs to be loaned to him. The last song "A song of Victory," held the audience spell bound.

One of the ways improvement is shown is in the wandering sheep returning to the fold. In this church now and six months ago there is a vast difference. Six months ago one would see between four and six people out to Sabbath School and Church coming in from 10—12 a.m. To-day you will find between twenty-five and thirty people, most of them out on time. Six months ago there was little life in the Sabbath School, and there was hardly an M. V. Society to speak of, nothing to interest the young people. To-day we are having a lively S. School meeting its weekly goal in offerings, a growing M. V. Society reporting weekly, and a newly-formed choir of Young People to render songs for the M. V. meetings.

Six months ago some had thoughts of repairs for the church, and some necessary additions, but did not know how they would get through. To-day half the church is re-floored, a baptismal tank is built, and some few months more and we shall be through repairing and remodelling.

Nothing makes one more happy than to know that he is using all his talents for God. God is wonderfully helping us, but not without showing us our defects and the wrong paths in which we have unwittingly travelled. Having to depend on God more, we learn to love Him more, and now that God has showed me my duties, by His help I will die a servant of His.

ARTHUR W. HERON.

"AT THE DOOR"

The following extract from a letter received at the office from one of our M. V. secretaries, a young lady of about 17, will surely be read with interest by our young people all over the island. After all, having a vision of what God wants us to be and do is one of the first essentials in our preparation for service. This is what she says:

"Some years ago a Bible study was given by one of the brethren. His opening text was taken from 2 Kings 7: 1-11. Commenting on verse nine, he said, 'My brethren, this is a day of good tidings for God's people. To-day we are blest with light more than our forefathers were. We are divinely commissioned to carry the good tidings of a crucified and risen Saviour to a benighted world, and yet we are holding our peace. Oh, brothers, if we tarry longer, the mischief of our lost brothers' blood will befall us, the wrath of God will fall on us, and the darkness of destruction will enclose us eternally.' These words must have been

spoken about four years ago, when perhaps I was only thirteen years old, but the impression has not left me with the rolling years. These impressions are what I want to have stamped upon the minds of the young people here, and I am endeavouring to work to that end. I believe that if the youths are made to see the end as it really is—at the very door—our experiences would be different from what they are.”

P. J. BAILLEY.

RATIONAL TREATMENT OF DISEASE

The HEALTH question to-day has become one of national importance, and the man or woman who has not an idea of how to combat disease and to observe the laws of nature, is like a boat on the wide ocean without rudder or helm.

God in his providence did not make us to live as we are living to-day. Civilization with all her ingredients has highly seasoned the life of man, and the more he enjoys the pleasure of the civilized world, unconsciously the more he is shortening the life lent him by the great I AM. Man was made in the image of his Creator and endowed with health, and as a consequence he was able to give names to different animals and elements of creation: But, sad to say, since his fall, he has turned his head towards the foot of the hill, and he is physically degenerated to what is left of him, a SKELETON of the true man. Man has reached the stage now, where he finds the laws of nature are his best medicines; such as fresh air, sunlight, proper food, water, and exercise mixed with the rest.

F. HALL.

(To be Continued.)

PARENTS, HERE IS YOUR OPPORTUNITY

You've been wanting just this chance. Now it is yours. While they last, 1926, 1927, and 1928 *Parents' Lessons* are to be sold for 50c a set (a year's Lessons). Beginning with January, 1929, *Parents' Lessons* will be in book form, the books being handled through the Book and Bible Houses. In the meantime, embrace the opportunity to get these valuable *Lessons* for almost nothing. Here is a sample of the letters we get relative to these *Lessons*:

"The 1927 *Lessons* closed a five years' course of study for me. As I look back and think of all we have studied, my heart goes up to God in praise and thanksgiving for all the good things we have enjoyed.

"It has made the training of our children much easier, and although they are far from perfect, people have asked me how it is that we have such fine children. Up at—people often came to me for advice, and I was always glad to tell them about the *Parents' Lessons*, and often lent them my

own sets. Mrs. T., wife of the Technical School Master, has had two years of my *Lessons*, and now she has sent for them herself. She says they are just what she has been looking for."

Do you want your children to be respected and valued? Do you want them to be fitted for the heavenly home? *Parents' Lessons*, carefully studied, will help you. Address: HOME COMMISSION GENERAL CONFERENCE, Takoma Park, Washington, D. C.

WEDDING

On the ninth of September the writer of these lines had the pleasure of again visiting the West Indian Training College and of taking part in a pretty little wedding. The contracting parties were Mr. Albert Haig and Miss Louise Parchment. Both these young people are graduates of the West Indian Training College, who have left a good record behind them. Nearly all the members of the faculty were in attendance, and gave evidence of their interest in the young couple. Miss R. Harrison, the music teacher of the West Indian Training College, prepared a short programme which was certainly a suitable one. Many of the students helped in the musical part of the programme.

Friends, relatives, and well-wishers from Southfield and Old Harbour were in attendance. The newly married couple left the same evening for Southfield. I believe the readers of the *Visitor* will join with the writer in wishing these two promising young people continued success and happiness, with much of the Lord's blessing.

W. H. RANDLE.

PUBLISHING DEPARTMENT.

AMONG THE COLPORTEURS

The readers of the *Visitor* will be glad to hear again from our colporteurs.

Brother Alexander Spence, working out in Hanover, says: "We have rain down in this end very much. We could do very little last week. I have tried very, very hard to get cash on delivery but in some cases find it impossible. However since receiving your instruction to keep books till the full account is collected, I have not left out any book. Brother Barnes is nearly all right now."

We met V. S. Bent, R. Bowyer, U. E. Morgan, S. Harris and David Reid. While deliveries were not as good as we could hope for, yet their faces wore a smile. They are now over at the West Indian Training College, and we are sure that their influence will be felt for good there.

Brother Ricketts, labouring in Portland, has proved that the Lord will verify His promises. He writes: "I am still of good

courage, for I realize that the Master is working with me, and is giving me favour with the people. I am praying that the Lord will strengthen you and help you to be strong physically to do His service."

Brother Andrew Robinson, out in Saint Thomas, tells of how one woman ordered a number of books from him of one kind and helped circulate them, reselling them to her friends. He tells also of one man, at the time when things were darkest, ordering two books. At the time of his delivery the streams were swollen, but God provided help at each of six crossings. Our colporteurs cannot doubt that God cares for them.

Time and space will fail to permit us to present all of our colporteurs to you. Suffice it to say that in spite of hard times God is preparing these men to stand as loyal soldiers of the cross.

At a recent conference committee meeting the writer was elected to take the Home Missionary Secretary's work in the conference. You will be interested to know that Brother Albert Haig, who has had a wide and successful experience in colporteur work, has been elected to act as Assistant Field Missionary Secretary.

I trust that your prayers will continue to be raised for our colporteurs, and that you will co-operate in making their work a success as far as possible.

The colporteur work is in need of men of business ability, who will "shun debt as the leprosy". Men are needed who will work hard and economize. God will bless such men, and success is in store for them.

BYRON A. MEEKER, F.M.S.

REPORT OF COLPORTEUR WORK JAMAICA CONFERENCE, JULY, 1928.

Name	Book	Hours	Orders	Value of Orders.
R. B. Campbell	H.P.	42	24	38 8 0 *6 19 6
H. D. Lawrence	H.P.	151	39	60 10 0 *22 10 0
U. E. Morgan	R.J.	126	110	103 19 0 *3 2 6
E. C. H. Reid	H.P.	72	33	24 2 0 *3 15 0
B. E. Hurst	H.P.	30	12	18 6 0 *3 15 0
B. A. Ricketts	H.P.	34	5	9 10 10 *8 1 6
D. B. Reid	H.P.	28	14	18 8 0 *0 3 9
A. Spence	H.W.	36		7 6 0
C. J. Ogilvie	H.P.	70	4	9 9 0
Andrew Robinson	R.J.	30	5	4 18 6
D. L. Barnes	H.W.	64	8	14 1 0
Septimus Harris	R.J.	136	33	22 5 10 *0 19 5
Franklin Jones	R.J.	33	8	7 19 0
V. S. Bent	R.J.	15	13	11 9 0
*E. C. H. Reid	H.W.	52	17	17 7 3
*R. E. Bower	H.W.	46	28	37 16 3
B. A. Meeker	B.R.	42	37	61 13 0
Totals		1,007	390	467 8 8

*Value of Deliveries 60 16 5

BYRON A. MEEKER,
Field Missionary Secretary.

*Not previously reported.

REPORT OF COLPORTEUR WORK, JAMAICA CONFERENCE, AUGUST, 1928.

Name	Book	Hours	Orders	Value of Orders.
U. E. Morgan	R.J.	79	3	2 18 0 *28 10 6
E. C. H. Reid	H.P.	28		0 0 0 *9 7 0
B. A. Ricketts	H.P.	79	3	7 13 6 *12 10 0
A. Robinson	R.J.	79	35	36 14 0
C. J. Ogilvie	R.J.	106	14	9 8 0 *2 5 0
Septimus Harris	H.P.	106	9	9 5 0 *3 1 11
D. L. Barnes	H.W.	26	1	1 2 0 *2 10 0
R. B. Campbell	H.P.	30		0 0 0 *18 14 0
Franklin Jones	R.J.	19		0 7 6
A. Spence	H.W.	52	2	2 2 6 *9 16 6
Totals		604	67	68 3 2
Value of deliveries*				96 2 0

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REPORT OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS FOR MONTH OF AUGUST, 1928.

Churches and Cos.	Tithes.	Offerings.	Extension Fund.
Axe and Adze	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Blue Hole*	1 6 10	0 3 0	0 0 0
Bellas Gate	1 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Ballimoney	0 3 9	0 3 3½	0 0 0
Beverley	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Bird's Hill	2 13 8	0 10 10½	0 8 9
Bagbie	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Belfield*	4 3 0	1 17 0	0 0 0
Bonny Gate	0 9 7½	0 16 6	0 0 0
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 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Brittonville	1 0 11	0 0 0	0 0 0
Croft's Hill	0 15 10½	0 2 11	0 0 0
Carron Hall	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Canaan	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Contented Hall	4 10 7	1 10 5	0 0 0
Craig	1 14 8½	0 17 7½	0 0 0
Campbell's Castle	0 0 0	0 2 6½	0 0 0
Coleville	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Cornwall Barracks	0 17 8	0 17 7	0 0 0
Duxes	0 7 7½	0 5 2½	0 0 0
Darliston	4 19 11½	1 6 2½	0 0 0
Devon	0 10 10	0 6 10½	0 0 0
Dalvey	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Everton Park	1 3 8	0 5 9½	0 0 0
East End	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Florence Hill	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Fustic Grove	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Goshen	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Glengoffe	0 14 4½	0 8 11½	0 0 0
Guy's Hill	5 12 9	1 0 8	0 13 0
Grove Town	1 4 6	0 19 1	0 0 0
George Town	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Grantville	5 0 9½	0 11 10½	0 0 0
Hart Hill	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Hill Top	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Hector's River	0 16 0	0 2 9½	0 0 0
Jack's River	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Jointwood	1 17 1	0 19 4½	0 0 0
Kingston	51 7 6½	9 8 11½	0 0 0
Kencot	3 7 2½	2 11 8½	0 0 0
Lamb's River	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Linstead	0 13 5½	0 9 7½	0 0 0
Long Bay	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Little London	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0

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Montego Bay	5 16 10½	1 6 4½	0 0 0
Mt. Providence	2 6 7½	0 8 4½	0 0 0
Mt. Peace	0 3 6	0 1 0	0 0 0
Mt. Carey	....	2 5 8½	1 0 3½	0 0 0
Mile End	....	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Manchioneal	....	0 19 3½	0 11 1	0 0 0
March Town	....	5 11 2½	1 10 5½	4 0 0
Mandeville	....	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Moor Park*	....	2 14 9½	0 10 10½	0 4 6
Mahogany Grove	..	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Newport	....	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Newell	....	2 5 0½	0 12 3½	0 0 0
Norway	....	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
New Roads	....	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Old Harbour	....	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Orange	....	0 17 8½	0 10 6	0 0 0
Prospect	....	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Port Antonio	....	13 10 8½	3 19 3	0 3 10
Porus*	....	0 10 9½	0 10 5	0 7 3
Port Maria	....	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Riversdale	....	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Race Course	....	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Spring Garden	....	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Sheffield	....	1 9 3½	0 9 7½	0 0 0
Spanish Town*	....	12 14 3½	3 16 1	0 0 0
St. Ann's Bay*	....	2 12 0	0 16 7	0 0 0
Southfield	....	1 1 0	0 11 1	0 0 0
Santa Cruz*	....	2 12 0	1 0 8½	0 0 0
Seaford Town	....	1 14 6	0 8 3	0 0 0
Sav-la-Mar	....	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Swift River	....	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Springfield	....	1 1 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Sherwood Content	....	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Sherwood Forest..	....	2 11 3½	1 9 9	0 0 0
Trinityville	....	0 11 11½	0 12 9½	0 0 0
Troy	....	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Tuscany	....	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
Regent Street	....	10 4 10	1 18 7½	0 0 0
Vaughnsfield	....	0 11 2	0 3 11½	0 0 0
Waterloo*	....	0 0 0	0 12 9	0 0 0
Windsor Forest	....	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
White House	....	0 12 3	0 6 6	0 0 0
White Hill*	....	0 12 5	0 7 8½	0 0 0
Isl. & Conference	....	46 19 2½	0 14 9 11 6 11½	

*Totals £216 8 9 50 8 10½ 17 4 11½
*Report for month of July included.

J. W. GROUNDS,
Treasurer.

HARVEST INGATHERING ITEMS

There are many pointers to our work which can be used in soliciting funds in this campaign, which, if mentioned, might open the hearts as well as the purses of the public. Brother Lowry, of the Leeward Islands, tells of having called at one estate where he found a Wesleyan minister, who was paying a visit at the time. After showing the magazine, Brother Lowry began to tell what is being done at our new school at Trinidad. Instead of showing an antagonistic

attitude, the minister exclaimed, "Fine! That is just what we ought to be doing." The estate manager gave him one Pound. Many people admire the industrial side of our College, as affording an opportunity to our youth to advance, and why should not we tell the public what we are doing at Mandeville?

Another experience is recorded in the H. M. News Letter of the Inter-American Division as follows: "We called upon one man who, somehow, had been missed in previous campaigns. He manifested considerable interest in the work we represented. After listening very attentively to our presentation, he retired to another room in which he kept his safe, and returned with two ten dollar bills. Before he passed these to us, we directed his attention to the medical missionary work we are doing, as it is outlined in the magazine. This seems to have touched a responsive chord in his heart. He made another trip to the safe for a five-dollar bill to make his donation the even 25 dollars." (£5.)

Here are some facts worth relating: Our first year's Ingathering, amounted to about 3,000 Pounds. Then each year, as the public became better acquainted with our work through the magazines circulated, it rose steadily until in 1916 the amount obtained was 25,231 Pounds. In 1926, the donations amounted to 137,255 Pounds. Every year we received more, showing that as the people learned more about us, they gave to us more freely.

Again, our membership increased in the last four years by 52,190 baptized members. The number of labourers sent forth the past four years was 717, and the previous four years, it was 769. We have added a new language to our Church work every twenty-two days during the past six years. Our denomination employs at the present time an army of Gospel Workers numbering 18,307, who use in their work 279 languages.

Only recently Government officials became acquainted with the leper hospital which is being carried on by Dr. Birkenstock in Africa. Some lepers have been cured by the newly discovered remedy, and the Government has recommended his work. The London Leprosy Society, whose chairman is the Prince of Wales, showed their appreciation of this work by sending an unsolicited cheque for one hundred Pounds sterling.

There was great enthusiasm at Spanish Town last week, when the Harvest Ingathering plans were laid before the church. Although they have been busy soliciting funds for their local church annex recently completed, they set their goal at £30, and two squares were broken on the worship device before the meeting closed.

HERBERT J. EDMED.

OBITUARY

Samuel Montique Hall, the ninth child of George Dennis Hall and Marian Hall, of Devon, Manchester, was born April 1, 1877, at Devon, and died at Wamindick the 16th of August, 1928. When an infant he was very sickly, but after good care and careful handling he became strong, but nevertheless he bore a trace of weakness all through his manhood days.

In 1903 he married Miss Mary Blake of Mahogany Grove, and to them were born nine children, four boys and five girls. He died leaving six brothers and five sisters and his dear aged mother. In his early manhood he accepted Christianity and was baptized with his mother in Hector's River by Elder W. W. Eastman. All through his life he carried an even temper.

He was a true hearted citizen, and won the confidence of all his neighbours. The interest of his family was always at his heart, and he did his best for them until the last day came. A part of his life was spent in Cuba.

F. HALL.

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