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TRUE RELIGION.

“THE religion of Christ means more than the forgiveness of sin; it means taking away our sins, and filling the vacuum with the graces of the Holy Spirit. It means divine illumination, rejoicing in God. It means a heart emptied of self, and blessed with the abiding presence of Christ. When Christ reigns in the soul, there is purity, freedom from sin. The glory, the fulness, the completeness of the gospel plan is fulfilled in the life. The acceptance of the Saviour brings a glow of perfect peace, perfect love, perfect assurance. The beauty and fragrance of the character of Christ, revealed in the life, testifies that God has indeed sent His Son into the world to be its Saviour.” C.O.L.

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“God will accept only those who are determined to aim high. He places every human agent under obligation to do his best. Moral perfection is required of all. Never should we lower the standard of righteousness in order to accommodate inherited or cultivated tendencies to wrong doing. We need to understand that imperfection of character is sin. All righteous attributes of character dwell in God as a perfect harmonious whole, and every one who receives Christ as a personal Saviour is privileged to possess these attributes.”—C.O.L.

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“The plan of redemption contemplates our complete recovery from the power of Satan.” —D.O.A.

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“Christian life is more than many take it to be. It does not consist wholly in gentleness, patience, meekness, and kindness. These graces are essential; but there is need also of courage, force, energy, and perseverance. The path that Christ marks out is a narrow, self-denying path. To enter that path and press on through difficulties and discouragements, requires men who are more than weaklings.”—M.O.H.

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“As the will of man co-operates with the will of God, it becomes omnipotent. Whatever is to be done at His command, may be accomplished in His strength. All His biddings are enablings.”—C.O.L.

E. G. WHITE.

BIBLE STUDY.

1. Psalm 24:1. God owns everything.
2. Matt. 25:14, We are stewards of the Lord's goods.
4. Lev. 27:32. One tenth is kept by God. But we are to give it to Him.
5. Lev. 27:30. This is holy, and does not belong to us.
6. Mal. 3:8. If we use the tenth for ourselves, we rob God.
7. Joel 2:17. The priests who ministered were the Lord's servants.
8. Num. 18:20-24. The Lord supported them with the tithes.
9. Num. 18: 20, 24. They were to be wholly dependent upon the tithes.
10. 2 Chron. 31: 11, 12, Mal. 3:10. These were to be paid into one common treasury.
11. 2 Chron. 31: 12-16. Tithes were distributed under direction of a Committee.
12. Verses 16-19. The distribution was made according to the "set office" or position of the worker.
14. Verse 20, 21. This was approved of God and brought blessing.
15. Acts 13: 2-4. God still selects His own workers.
16. 1 Cor. 9:8-13. He expects them to be supported in the same way.
17. Matt. 23:23. Jesus said we ought to pay tithes.
18. Prov. 10:22: Mal. 3:10-12. Much blessing attends the tithes paying.
19. Prov. XI: 24. The book of Haggai. Withholding brings poverty both of soul and body.

H.J.E.

NEWS NOTES.

The arrival of Pastor E. E. Andross, President of the Inter-American Division of the General Conference, gave the North Street, Kingston, Church the privilege of hearing a very inspiring discourse from one who has his hands upon reports from all over the world. The following texts were chosen for study: Isa. 66:7-11; 44: 1-4; 52:9, 54: 1-5; 55: 6-11; 60: 1-4, 8. From these the President enlarged upon the promise that in our time we may expect to see a wonderful and sudden outpouring of the Holy Spirit through which large numbers would unite with our movement, so that it appeared to the prophet that a nation would be born in one day. The fulfilment of this was being witnessed in many parts of the world-to-day.

Speaking of his recent visit to Europe and England, Pastor Andross told how at a meeting in one of England's largest cities, held in the City Hall, he addressed a crowded audience on, "Why I am a S. D. Adventist." When concluding his address, he invited those who endorsed his address, to raise their hands, and the response was almost unanimous. Among those who responded was a Canon of the Anglican Cathedral, who declared that he believed every word.

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Telling of another meeting in the great Berlin Theatre, Pastor Andross described the splendour of the Royal Box in which the German Kaiser and his royal suite had sat when attending the theatre. Curtained with royal colours and crowned with the coronet of the monarch, the Box was now occupied by Seventh Day Adventists listening to the greatest Message ever sent to the world. In the city of Berlin we have thirty churches, and there are forty thousand believers belonging to our Churches in the territory from which sprang Luther's Reformation.

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The Trinidad Conference, he said, baptized 599 new believers in one year and nine months.

At Martinique, where Pastor Philip Giddings laboured with little apparent fruit for about fifteen years, fourteen have recently decided to walk in the light. The meetings are crowded, and it is expected that one hundred will be baptized in that Island during this year.

A great awakening has recently occurred in Panama, where certain persons sought out our people and announced that seventy-five were observing the Sabbath, and another company of fifty persons had also been found. Some of these in explaining their reason for observing the Sabbath said that they found that the Virgin Mary kept that day, and they and thirty-nine others had decided to follow her example.

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Pastor Andross closed a stirring address by exhorting us to do all in our power to lead our neighbours into the truth.

AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE,

During the Union Conference Committee meetings just closed each President was given time to lay before the committee the urgent needs of his field, and earnest and prayerful consideration

was given to each Budget of finance upon the basis of which the work must be operated. This Budget represents our share in the great world-wide distribution of the Denominational income. The President of this Conference, Pastor H. J. Edmed, had a thrilling story showing how the Lord has been blessing our work in Jamaica, so that over four hundred persons were added to our membership last year by baptism, largely through the labours of our devoted laity. At the close of 1928 there were also as many in the baptismal classes, and we have again set our SOUL WINNING GOAL at 500 for 1929. God is richly blessing you, dear brethren, and we look to you to even increase your activities until the goal is more than doubled.

The reports of the other Presidents showed that in some of our neighbouring fields the membership was more than doubled in 1928. Indeed the growth of our world-wide work has been phenomenal, so that the millions of dollars sent into the General Conference Treasury is insufficient to meet the increasing urge and call for sending new workers to new fields. On an average of ones in every twenty-two days we are opening up Mission work in a new language somewhere in earth's dark corners, and still unentered fields await our response to their appeals for light. Such a programme as we have demands from each member throughout the world the spirit of sacrifice and economy.

We also had a list of the names of over thirty Churches which we presented asking for financial aid in the erection of Houses of Worship. The Committee listened very sympathetically to our plea, and very generously gave us their share of the Harvest Ingathering for 1929—a gift which we gratefully appreciate. Yet helpful as this will be, it does not begin to meet the urgent appeals that we have on the list. Before these meetings were over the list had increased to thirty-five; and to-day Brother J. D. Robinson reported having raised up a new company at Dallas Castle, five members of which were actually at the sabbath service, and another Brother walked fifteen miles from another village, bringing his tithes and asking, like Bro. Robinson, for a Church building to be given them at once. It would take a few thousand pounds to meet all these requests, however, and it will be necessary to move carefully and wisely in responding to these calls only as the Lord provides the means.

At a meeting of our Jamaica Conference Committee held since, it was decided to make a definite plan or programme for assisting our Church buildings in such order as will best conform our limited resources to the highest interests of our work in general, and also to keep within the limits of our income. Buildings already begun should first be completed, and help may be extended only to such as have been planned and constructed in counsel with the Executive. If there are companies unable to wait until we can assist them in a permanent building, it is advised that they erect a temporary wattle or clay walled tabernacle, using local tree poles for the frame. An iron or thatch roof brought two or three feet over the walls will keep out most rain, and such buildings will be cool and healthy. We realize that outside persons may scoff at these buildings. But Christians are not guided by unsanctified opinions, and can stand a little ridicule. Paul worshipped on the banks of a river, and held services in houses for months and some of the most heroic conquests of the Christian Church were born in a cave or the Catacombs. Jesus Himself, though able to create a universe, used the grass, a boat, a mountain-side and a small room for His services. Luther's tracts that brought Protestantism to Europe were written in a cell, and the book that ranks second only to the Bible—Bunyan's Pilgrim's Progress—came from behind the criminal bars. While Church buildings are necessary in many cases, yet we must not allow too much money to be diverted from our great Missions enterprise. Satan would be so happy to see this—but we are not out to make Satan happy. Instead, let us move cautiously, and while gathering materials for a future building, work to increase the membership, and that will also bring in means and financial strength to build.

Instructions have been sent on to all our ministers and workers to economise severely in all their plans of labour among the Churches. The spirit of our dear people in Jamaica has ever been one of co-operation, and we have confidence that they will stand by the workers in their endeavours. We suggest that each church plan its special meetings, Harvest Festivals, dedications, stone laying, marriages, etc., in counsel with the minister in charge of their district. This will enable the minister to make one round itinerary from Church to Church instead of incurring the expense of special trips. Such a plan as

this would be a gain to each church, for each event would be accompanied with several revival meetings and activities at once, and opportunity would be afforded for baptizing new candidates, thus extending the interest.

H. J. EDMED.

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Field Notes.

Since the last 'Visitor' was placed in the hands of the printers, the Kingston Churches and the College at Mandeville have enjoyed many stirring services in the ministry of the members of the I.A. Div. and Antillian Union Committees. The first to arrive was Pastor A. R. Ogden, then came Pastors Borrowdale, De Caenel, Nygaard, and Davis, of Porto Rico, Hayti, San Domingo, and Cuba, respectively. Brother Taylor, Sec. Treas. of the Antillian Union, and Bro. W. A. Bergherm, the new Field Secretary of our Union, also attended, and later, Bro. Harrison and Pastor D. Parsons. Pastor E. E. Andross arrived on the 29th.

These Presidents very kindly gave their services to the churches, and their preaching drew large congregations. Pastor Davis of Cuba rendered some effective solos which were much enjoyed. Yet they were held very closely to their committee work. There were many special features in their association which made us all regret their departure when the committee meetings closed.

Several mornings the worship hour at our College was taken by our leading Pastors in relating experiences of progress in the various fields, and Scripture study President Andross created many thrill, as he told of the wondrous moving of the Holy Spirit in many parts of the Division, and the awakening interest in the Truth in heathen hearts, leading them to call definitely for workers to be sent. As many of these experiences are related in the recent numbers of the *Messenger*, we will not repeat them here. The students greatly enjoyed these hours, at the close of which there was a spontaneous rise of all to reconsecrate their lives for the service for which our College offers a splendid training.

On the morning of April 2, Brother O. P. Reid was the center of interest, for the Committee had called him to the Bahamas to engage in evangelical

work, and, in view of the manifest blessing of the Lord that has followed his labours in soul-winning work, it was decided to call him into the sacred ministry of the gospel. To enable him to sail sooner in available passage, this morning was chosen for the solemn ordination service. The Faculty vacated the platform which was occupied by the large gathering of Presidents for the occasion. The chapel was well filled, and a deep solemnity rested upon all as Pastor Andross addressed us upon the subject of the call and work of the ministry of the gospel. Pastor Ogden very suitably related the reasons for setting our dear brother apart to this work, and as the ministers gathered around Brother Reid, the local President offered the Ordination Prayer, which was accompanied by the laying on of hands by the ministers. Pastor E. E. Andross then delivered the very solemn charge, and the right hand of fellowship was touchingly extended to our new colleague by all the ministers.

Many of the students expressed the sense of the solemnity of the call to which they look when the Lord shall indicate, and the service stirred every heart.

During the Committee discussions we were daily impressed with the phenomenal growth of the work in each field. It seems that every president is weighted with perplexity in seeking to meet the demands of his field with the limited resources of available men and means. Converts are springing up on every hand and in unexpected places. The demand for the erection of Church Buildings is almost without limit. Never in our denominational history were so many doors opening to the Message, and converts are springing up even where no known work has been done. The consecrated activities of our lay members has brought this about largely, and our ministers seem to have little time for evangelical efforts, as their time is wholly taken up with preparing for baptism and organizing those whom the laity have brought to the truth.

Much of this interest is also awakened by the faithful colporteurs, whose books have placed the people in touch with the great Message that unites us as one people. What a wonderful unfolding of God's ways there will be in the great day when we gather together around God's throne, and learn how our neighbours were led by the Holy Spirit to Jesus through our individual efforts and example! This is the day of

sowing. Soon we shall reap what we have sown, and the souls we have won will be stars in our crown of rejoicing.

"During the past five months in which I have laboured at Contented Hall, the Lord has richly blessed His work. We started with an enrollment of fifteen, to-day we have thirty-five. Others are attending for special lessons. So our Church School is growing. Nearly all the S.D.A. children around here are of one family of our own people, so we are unable to get many from our neighbours but we do have two. I am of good courage and desire to be faithful in my corner."

E. E. WILLIAMS.

"The Lord helped us in carrying out our Harvest Festival programme, at which, owing to the accident to Pastor Randall, Brother Albert Shaw occupied the chair very acceptably. A heavy downfall of rain, blowing in through our unfinished windows impressed the people with our need of means to complete our Church building, and a very successful Festival brought us £3 10/. We solicit an interest in your prayers."

WILFRED E. LANGLEY,
Blue Hole.

"I desire to make known to you the interest that is growing at Retirement, fifteen miles from Brittonville. A lady invited Brother Gaynor to study the Bible with her, and she gathered a number of her neighbours in, and we have been holding studies with them ever since. On the 29th March, we spent the day visiting them and distributing tracts. Five persons have taken their stand for Jesus and His truth, and we expect to start a new Sabbath School next week."

S. WILLIAMSON,
Brittonville.

"We are glad to hear of the progress of the work in various parts of Jamaica, and we are trying to do our bit in our corner. We are at present holding meetings in three different districts, namely, Bushy Park, five miles from Beverly, Content, also about five miles away, and Mile Gulley, not far from Balaclava. There are many interested ones, and five adults and some children are walking in the light. They are preparing for baptism. This is a promising district. At Roses valley where we have started a work, a man has donated a lot of land for a church build-

ing. Another has given us ten shillings to help us build. We solicit your prayers for these interested souls."

A. A. FRECKLETON,
Beverley.

Pastor A. R. Ogden left for Balboa, after rendering to this field some very valuable services. These included not only the many Churches he has visited and ministered to, but his pleasant and kindly association, and his efforts to secure help for us to enable us to have some funds with which to help in the erection of Church buildings. May the Lord bless him richly.

The Union Committee decided to set off the Cayman Islands as a Mission Field under the Antillian Union Conference. This plan meets our hearty approval, as it will give our neighbours resident instead of visiting help, and will meet the growing work with the strength of direct supervision

Home Missionary Department.

B. A. Meeker.

**A.T.T.E.N.T.I.O.N.
BIG WEEK CAMPAIGN
JUNE 23-29.**

We look to every church to organize into bands so that every member may have a part in this effort. Well planned organization brings best results. Each band should be assigned its own territory, and should have special prayer for this special work. Church officers can render great service to the Cause of God by giving attention to this work. The word "BIG" needs enlarging this year, and to be made the "BIGGEST." Jamaica is to get £300 out of this week's sales. The Colporteurs have set their goal for giving hours and sales to the Missions Extension Fund.

Since we are all workers together in a great Missions enterprise, let all who have ability join in and follow all the plans that will be laid.

The books chosen for this year's Big Week are, "Alone with God," and "Sweetest Stories Ever Told." They will sell for 1/3 each and the profits will be turned into the Missions Extension Fund. What will your Church do? The answer will come to us in the Big Week results.

Publishing Dept.

B. A. Meeker.

A very helpful colporteur institute was held at the West Indian Training College, Mandeville, March 28 to April 7.

Brother W. A. Bergherm, our new Union Field Missionary Secretary, gave us spiritual and practical instruction. I am sure that I express the sentiment of all the colporteurs when I say that we appreciate his business-like methods, and his gentle manners.

Fortunately, the Institute was held at a time when members of the Union Conference committee were among us. As these men spoke before the student body, they expressed their high regard for the colporteur work. It is good to know that they too, as time permits, are willing to go from door to door with the printed page.

Representatives of this branch of the Lord's work were present from all parts of the Island. We are sorry that all our regular colporteurs were not with us. Counting the students who will unite with the colporteur forces later, we expect to have about twenty-five making the sale of message-filled literature their business this summer. With your co-operation in "Big Week," and on special field days, we can sow Jamaica with gospel literature.

We solicit the prayers and co-operation of all our brethren, especially for these workers who are devoting their time to the circulation of the printed page.

Sabbath School Dep.

Mrs. H. J. Edmed.

GLEANINGS FROM REPORTS.

As we opened the reports for the first quarter of 1929 we were glad to see the progress so many of our schools have made toward the attainment of our goals. Several who had dropped down in the Daily Study of the lesson have started afresh, and from the lists before us it looks as if the Sabbath School lesson study is forming part of the daily program in many homes.

We wish to extend our appreciation to those of our secretaries who have complied with our request to give the full Christian name with the title Mr.

Mrs. or Miss when sending the names of those meriting Honour Cards or the officers of the school. We hope that those who have not done so will take this as a reminder to them.

We are glad also to note the way our schools have taken up the Investment Plan for 1929. Since our last report lists have come in from Mt. Carey, Little London, Seaford Town, Kencot, Tuscany, Port Antonio, Ocho Rios and Contented Hall. Mandeville, Santa Cruz, and Regent Street (Kingston), also had a good time on Investment Day. Hens, chickens, sugar cane, roots of bananas, banks of yams, ears of corn, coconut trees, papaw trees, fancy work, a bed of turnips, a day's wages (4/), tomatoes, cassava, and milk from the cow on Sabbath, have all been dedicated to the Lord by the schools named, and we know these precious gifts to God's cause are recognized by Him and will be multiplied to the saving of souls.

Here are some items of special interest.

Our North Street, Kingston, Sabbath School increased their Honour Cards by 100% and went beyond their offerings goal by £5. This caused their thermometer goal device to burst, splashing the mercury all around. The joy of the school when they saw the result of their effort and sacrifice was expressed in a hearty chorus of Amens.

Regent Street, Kingston, shows an increase of 50% in offerings and 61% in Honour Cards.

Kencot, Kingston, that always does so well, had their largest offering to missions and a splendid increase in the number of members reaching the Daily Study and Perfect Attendance goals.

Spanish Town made their record in offerings the last quarter of 1928, and the past quarter they have a record in Honour Cards.

Contented Hall has an average of 63% in Honour Cards and Offerings, so that they lack only 2% of reaching the requirement for the Pennant.

Mandeville report reveals excellent progress giving them a record in both Honour Cards and offerings.

Ocho Rios, one of the last schools added to our list, increased their gifts more than 100%.

Carron Hall has almost doubled their gifts to missions, and Manchioneal and Glengoffe have record offerings, while the five "B's"—Bryant Hill, Bagbie, Beeston Spring, Brittonville, and Bonny Gate are making good progress in the Daily Study and Perfect Attendance goals. Troy also is coming forward in this respect.

Williamsfield, Southfield, and Ewarton were the first reports to hand, They reached the office April 2nd. As the result of setting a definite goal the Williamsfield School has more than doubled its offerings. Southfield did also.

Montego Bay increased from £4 14 7¼ to £9 0 4¼, almost double.

We trust the enthusiasm of the first quarter will continue throughout the year, so that as the Macedonian call continues to resound we may feel we are doing our part to make some response possible.

BOOK AND BIBLE HOUSE.

Children possess the desire to do something. They like to borrow papa's saw to cut a piece of wood, or his hammer in order to nail two pieces of wood together. In order to develop this tendency of John and Mary into useful production, and to help them out of mischief, the little book "Something to Do" has been published. It contains scores of useful things. Order one now for the children. Price 1/3 per copy, less 40% to our people.

SOUL WINNING SABBATH SCHOOL.

This book will make you an efficient and successful teacher of the Sabbath School. It was the Teacher's Training Course of last year but it is still of great value to the school. The purpose of the Sabbath School is to win Souls, and this book will be, a source of great help to the teacher in making him more efficient to do this. Every phase of the Sabbath school work is dealt with thus making it a complete text book for the Sabbath school. No teacher can afford to be without one, except at a great loss to himself, to his class, and his school.

Order at once, price 6/ each.

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Our Day in Prophecy and Providence 700 pages	8/	„
The Throne of David	2/6	
The Hand That Intervenes	6/	„
The Pillar of Fire	2/6	„
Practical Guide to Health	12/	„
Hymns and Tunes, cloth	5/	„
Learning and Teaching	2/	„
On the Eve of Armageddon, paper	4½d.	

M.V. NOTES.

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The Circulating Library is still circulating. Since the beginning of the year fifty-six parcels of books have been mailed out. But every church is not yet using the Library.

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We are hoping that our young people will keep the Tract Society busy filling orders for books as a result of the Book-a-year programme.

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Since March 31, Kencot has sent in six names for Junior Reading Course certificates, and Darliston the first name for a Bible Year Certificate. Mandeville adds two to this list—one for the Gift Bible, the other for the Bookmark. Brother Campbell, of the office, has won both Gift Bible and Bookmark.

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SPANISH TOWN: "We are going ahead with our Standard of Attainment. Although a bit late, we are determined to take it" (the examination). How many of our societies can say that?

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SANTA CRUZ: "I can truly say that M. V. Week was indeed a success. The members showed great interest, and the programme was successfully carried through. I must confess that this was the best meeting we have had for a good while and I sincerely hope the interest will continue."

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Forty-three reports reached the office by the 6th of April. This is the largest number to come in by the first Sabbath after the close of the quarter. This means that forty-three gold stars will be going to as many secretaries. Among the first reports received were those from Cornwall Barracks and Springfield, two new societies reporting for the first time.

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"The Master calls for gospel workers. Who will respond? Not all who enter the army are to be generals, captains, sergeants, or even corporals. Not all have the care and responsibility of leaders. There is hard work of other kinds to be done. Some must dig trenches and build fortifications, some are to stand as sentinels, some to carry messages. While there are but few officers, it requires many soldiers to form the rank and file of the army, yet its success depends upon the fidelity of every soldier. One man's cowardice or treachery may bring disaster upon the entire army."—G.W. pp. 84, 85.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S PAGE.

WHO'S WHO.

THE LIFE OF WILLIAM MILLER.

William Miller was born at Pittsfield, Massachusetts, February 15, 1782. An upright, honest-hearted farmer, who had been led to doubt the divine authority of the Scriptures, yet who sincerely desired to know the truth, was the man specially chosen of God to lead out in the proclamation of Christ's second coming. Like many other reformers, William Miller had to battle with poverty. Though he did not enjoy the advantage of a college education, his love of study and habit of careful thought and close criticism rendered him a man of sound judgment and comprehensive views. He filled various civil and military offices with credit, and the avenues to wealth and honour seemed wide open to him.

In early manhood, however, he was thrown into the society of deists, whose influence led Miller to adopt their beliefs. He continued to hold these deistic views for about twelve years; but at the age of thirtyfour, the Holy Spirit impressed his heart with a sense of his condition as a sinner. He found in his former belief no assurance of happiness beyond the grave. The future was dark and gloomy.

As he was reading a sermon one Sunday in a little Baptist meeting house, "Suddenly" said he, "the character of a Saviour was vividly impressed upon my mind." Finding a Saviour through whom he could have a future existence brought great joy to his heart. This led him to search the Bible, which now became his chief study. With intense interest and earnest prayer he studied the books of Daniel and the Revelation, comparing Scripture with Scripture and He soon discovered that the literal and personal coming of Christ was plainly taught in the Scriptures, and that all the signs of the times, and the conditions of the earth corresponded to the prophetic description of the last days and that the end of all things was at hand.

The prophecy which seemed most clearly to reveal the time of the second advent was that of Dan. 8:14; "Unto two thousand and three hundred days; then shall the sanctuary be cleansed." Accepting the generally received view, he concluded that the earth was the sanctuary, and that the cleansing

referred to the purification of the earth by fire at the second coming of Christ. He devoted two years to the study of the Bible, when in 1818, he reached the solemn conviction that in about twenty-five years Christ would appear for the redemption of His people. Being convicted that it was his duty to tell others of his newly found light, he entered with trembling, upon his work of proclaiming the soon coming of Christ, leading his hearers through the prophetic periods step by step. In nearly every town there were scores, and hundreds converted to Christ as a result of his preaching.

In 1833 Miller received a license to preach, from the Baptist Church, of which he was a member. He travelled and preached extensively. Men of learning and position united with him, both preaching and publishing his views, and from 1840 to 1844 the work rapidly extended. As with earlier Reformers, the truths which he presented were not received with favour by popular religious teachers. His work, nevertheless, made great progress in spite of much opposition.

William Miller strongly cherished the thought that Christ would come in the year 1843 or 1844. But the time passed without realizing his hope. He and his followers were greatly disappointed, but their hope did not grow less. After further study, they were soon convinced that the cleansing of the sanctuary of Daniel 8:14 did not refer to the destruction of this earth by fire, but to the investigative judgment that would take place in heaven just prior to the coming of our Lord.

In the year 1849 William Miller died at Low Hampton, New York, Dec. 20. Under his labours, six thousand persons were converted, seven hundred infidels being won by him to the faith of Christ. His hope in the second coming of Christ remained strong even to his death. On his dying pillow, he sent this message, "The coming of the Lord draweth nigh; but we must be patient and wait for Him."

R. B. CAMPBELL.

FIND THE ANSWER.

QUESTIONS FOR MAY.

1. What chapter in the New Testament makes direct reference to the millennium?

2. Give the reference to the prophecy that was fulfilled by the outpouring of the Spirit on the day of Pentecost.

3. What text shows that God wrote the ten commandments the second time with His own finger?

4. Who was our first foreign missionary? What year was he sent out, and where did he go?

5. Name two stars or constellations of stars mentioned in the book of Job. Give reference.

ANSWERS FOR APRIL.

1. By baptism. Rom. 6:3-5.

2. To Gideon when he was threshing wheat by the winepress to hide it from the Midianites. Judg. 6:12.

3. The parable of the Good Samaritan. Luke 10:30-35.

4. At Loma Linda, California, U.S.A.

5. But unto you that fear my name shall the Sun of righteousness arise with healing in his wings; and ye shall go forth, and grow up as calves of the stall. Mal. 4:2.

Thank you, dear young people, for the answers sent. Some of you may not see your name this time, but that should only make you more determined to try again. Here are the names of those whose answers were correct: Lucille Heron, Cathrell Heron, George Mitchell, Amy Morgan, Mrs Rachael Morgan, Henry Morgan, Lily Hewitt, Doris L. Hewitt, T. E. Shaw, Bernice R. Lee, Alma Wright, Una Johnson, Merah Bell Campbell, Elsie L. Jones, Mrs. A. A. Plummer, Hannah Briscoe, E. M. Duhaney, Pearl E. Patrick, Harold Penicott.

One correct unsigned answer came from Sherwood Forest. Be sure to sign your name to your answer.

I am awaiting with keen interest your answers to the May questions. Just dig right down into your Bibles and bring up the answer. Address your answers to Young People's Page, 112 Tower Street, Kingston.

P.J.B.

M. V. NOTES.

Port Antonio writes of a very profitable time spent on the last Sabbath of M. V. Week. With a membership comprising 32 Seniors and a number of Juniors, they set a goal of 20 souls for 1929.

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LITTLE FOLKS' CORNER.

Dear Little Folks,

I have been made so happy to see so many boys and girls in Jamaica while enjoying the privilege of visiting several churches the last few weeks. I have found some in every place. How happy the angels of God must be, and how glad the Lord Jesus (who was also once a little child) to see many of you love Him who first loved you. When He was upon earth He said, "Suffer the little children to come unto Me, for of such is the Kingdom of God." Jesus loves little children.

I have also been happy to see so many of your names in the "Visitor" who have answered the questions.

I am glad that your Conference President, Pastor Edmed, though such a busy man with his great work is taking time to notice the children in this conference.

May the Lord bless every Seventh Day Adventist boy and girl in Jamaica, is the prayer of your friend,

A. R. OGDEN.

Dear Little Folks,

What a lot of little brothers and sisters I have! And all of them are so nice. I am quite proud of them. Just think, I have forty-three names of those who gave correct answers. Eight of them are for March, but came in late. They did not receive the "Visitor" on time, so they are recorded... Here they are:

For March.—Linneth Weir, Leslie Weir, Cyril Tennant, Ruby Weir, Merah B. Campbell, S. E. D. Chambers, Charles Morgan, Louise Benain.

For April.—Marion Brodie, Kathleen Brodie, Evelyn Fletcher, Kathleen Stephens, Winnie Stern, Carmen Bradshaw, Ethel Roberts, Miriam Roberts, Larkland Lynch, Elma Robinson, Viola A. Henry, Claudett Nelson, Louie Bennett, Claris Gordon, Wilfred Grey, Aston Davis, Edgar Bennett, Violet Plummer, Eric Plummer, Cyril Wright, Luther Morgan, Ethel Morgan, Arthur Morgan, Lilith Legister, Ruby L. Legister, Ruby Johnson, Artilin Heron, Gloria H. Newman, Hermine Bacquie, Unzy Johnson, W. J. Billett, Dorothy Walters, Myrtle Walters, Lily Hewitt, Willie Fletcher, George Groskopf, Pearl Groskopf, Willie Kamaka, Levi Kamaka, Iris Brown, Calvin Brown, Vinenete Gardner, Iva Gardner, Gerald Kamaka, Floris Greene, Minita Belle Sype.

The answers to the April questions are:

1. Eli, 1 Sam. 4:18.
2. Ruth, Ruth 1:16.
3. Saul, 1 Sam. xi. 15.
4. Sampson, Judges 16:17.
5. Jacob's, Gen. 28:12.

The Questions for May are:—

1. What woman was destroyed through looking the wrong way?
2. Whose grandmother was Lois?
3. What boy had eleven brothers who were shepherds?
4. What does the Bible say Daniel did three times a day?
5. How does the Lord say we sometimes rob Him?

One of my Little Folks wrote me a nice letter and said I am his "big brother." Another one wrote that she had asked Jesus to be her Friend, and "He really is," This made me very happy, I do enjoy such letters.

H.J.E.

THE STORY

One very wet day when I was travelling through a lonely part of South Africa selling our books, I was unable to go on with my journey because of the heavy rain. But it was too cold to sit in the wagon all day, and the wood being too wet to light a fire, I put on a big rain coat and started for a walk up the mountain nearby. I thought the walk would make me warm. When about half way up the mountain, I saw a number of little birds flapping their wings but not moving. They were screaming too, as if very frightened, and they made a great noise. They did not take any notice of me as I came near to them, and as they were near a big branch of a tree I thought there must be something in the tree that I could not see. So I stepped under the big branches and looked up. At first I could see nothing, but as I watched I soon found a very big snake coiled around the branch. Its colour was so much like the tree that it looked like a part of it. It had a large head and its mouth was wide open. Its eyes looked like balls of fire, and its body was very slowly moving towards those dear little birdies. The snake did not take any notice of me until I wanted to deliver the birds, for I did not want him to eat them. So I threw a stone at the snake, and then he began

to come down, and I ran away up the mountain. The little birds no longer saw the light, in his eyes, and they flew far away out of danger. The snake would have been so glad to have me, for I was bigger than the birdies. But Jesus gave me strength to get out of his way.

Now there was a lesson in this for me, and I pass it on to you? It taught me how Eve was caught by that old serpent called Satan. The Lord had set apart one tree that Adam and Eve must not go near. But its fruit was so beautiful that Eve went to look at it, and when once she fixed her eyes on it, she found Satan among the branches, and she could not take her eyes from the beautiful forbidden tree. Soon she wanted to taste the fruit, and Satan saw her desire by her face, and he told her to disobey God and take it to eat. She ought to have run away. But she did not understand that looking at wrong things makes us want them, and soon she obeyed Satan. Poor Eve! She did not think how much sorrow she would bring into the world by her sin. But sin always brings sorrow. So when wrong things seem to look nice, we should not even look at them. Those little birdies had looked at the light in the snakes eyes and then could not get away from them, and if I had not come along at that time, the snake would have eaten them. In Isaiah 33:15 we are told to keep our eyes from seeing evil. Paul tells us why. He says, By beholding we become changed. If we look at evil it makes us evil in thought, and evil thoughts make evil actions. But if we live looking at Jesus, we will become like Him, and go to heaven when He comes.

HERBERT J. EDMED.

A HAPPY GIFT.

In response to a request from the Ocho, Rios company, Mrs. Flora Stewart, proprietress of the Shaw Park Hotel, just before leaving for England, set apart a fine plat of ground for our new Church building. The site is very central and suitable. A never failing stream rolls down along side, and it is on the bottom of the celebrated Fern Gully Road. In making this donation, Mrs. Stewart wrote: "I am very happy to be able to help you in this way."

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"Your duty cannot be shifted upon another. No one but yourself can do your work. If you withhold your light, some one must be left in darkness through your neglect." "Testimonies," Vol. V. p. 464.

MAKING A WAY.

Thrift, industry, self-confidence and trust in God will sooner or later deliver the determined and ambitious from the deepest pits of poverty and ignorance. Some of the world's greatest men began life with apparently no outlook for success—no education, no rich friends, but God: they were victims of distress and hopelessness. Two young men failed at university exams four times and with funds exhausted, and starving, they were left in a cold world without a penny. "Let's sell our school books," said one. "Good," said the other, and soon they found that the demand for second hand school books was tremendous, so they bought up other's books and sold them, and from that humble start, "Foyle's" great second-hand book stores, with their several floors and millions of books have grown. It is one of London's thrills to visit those stores to-day, and if there is a book you can't get, Foyle's will get it for you if they do not have it already.

John Wanamaker was the son of a brickmaker. Left school at nine years of age to help in the brick field. At fourteen he was an errand boy earning five shillings a week. His mother ever impressed him not to fear hard work, and he did not. In 1922 he died an employer of 17,000 men and women, and left the greatest Department store in New York, with millions of pounds for his family.

There are two sides to this thought, read Prov. 24:33, 23, and 22:29.

H. J. E.

SUCCESS TOWN.

There is only one road to the town of "Success".

The name of the road is "work,"

It has room for only honest guests,
Traffic's blocked to those that shirk.

Nearly all of the way is an uphill road,

It will seem like a tough old fight,
But once on your way just bear up your load

And keep going with all your might.

You will pass through many towns each day

Such as Failure, Gloom and Despair,
At each of these stations just keep on your way,

For "Work" does not tarry there.

After you have entered the town of "Success,"

Tho' your load may have been hard to bear,

Once inside you will find both comfort and rest,

Just be thankful you started for there.

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A HAPPY GIFT.

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Her interest has been aroused by the faithfulness of some of our members who are in service at the Hotel. Our grateful thanks are due to Mrs. Stewart.

The Seaford Town Church School has taken on new life since 1929. Twelve new children have been admitted and six who had stopped away last year have returned. There are now forty enrolled with a daily attendance of between twenty and thirty-four. The average attendance for the months of February and March was twenty-one.

This morning a woman told me that she intends taking her three children from another school and sending them to this. She said that her friends and neighbours threatened to report her to the priest, but that will not prevent her, because the children are not learning to her satisfaction in that school. She especially said that they are not learning any Bible lessons.

O. B. LAWSON.

W.I.T.C.

A number of the students and teachers assisted in giving a public program at Campbell's Castle on the 17th for the benefit of the building fund of the company there. This company was brought out largely by Brother Parchment and other workers from the College.

Six new students enrolled for the second semester. Some changes were made in our program, by which several others could enrol for one class in the evening and still continue to work full days towards their future school expenses.

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As adopted for the second semester, our program no longer permits classes in the afternoon and does not require an afternoon study period. Instead we have three periods of supervised study in the library at night, and during one of these a class for each grade is conducted. The classes of one recitation period were moved from the forenoon for this purpose. All students must be in the library studying when not in class forenoons and on five nights Sunday to Thursday, with supervision. The new plan is working well.

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On a recent Saturday night the school family enjoyed a social evening, directed by the Entertainment Committee. We were first divided into groups of five for a guessing contest on parts of the human body, then we were grouped by the months of our birthdays into six groups, each of which furnished something to entertain the other groups. The last diversion was shadowgraphs.

Plans are now on foot for a Cosmopolitan Program to be given on the night of February 24. Talks on the national anthem are to be given by Cubans, Haitians, Costa Ricans, Panamanians, Porto Ricans, Caymanians, Americans, Chinese, and Jamaicans.

OBITUARIES.

AMELIA WOOD, of Grove Town, aged 93, died March 3, after a short illness. Sister Wood was baptized by Pastor F. I. Richardson in 1901 and has been a faithful and useful member.

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HAMAN GODFREY of Bluefields Church, passed away April 4 at the ripened age of 82. Bro. Godfrey accepted the message under the labours of Pastors Haysmer and Eastman and was baptized Sept. 23, 1898. He has been a faithful member. A few moments before his death he testified of his love for Jesus and that he was going to rest awaiting the first resurrection. He died very peacefully. Bro. Fred Vaz conducted the funeral service.