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THE CHRISTIAN LIFE

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.

Men of stamina are wanted, men who will not wait to have their way smoothed, and every obstacle removed, men who will inspire with fresh zeal the flagging efforts of dispirited workers, men whose hearts are warm with Christian love, and whose hands are strong to do their Master's work.

Some who engage in missionary service are weak, nerveless, spiritless, easily discouraged. They lack push. They have not those positive traits of character that give power to do something,—the spirit and energy that kindle enthusiasm. Those who would win success must be courageous and hopeful. They should cultivate not only the passive but the active virtues. While they are to give the soft answer that turns away wrath, they must possess the courage of a hero to resist evil. With the charity that endures all things, they need the force of character that will make their influence a positive power.

Some have no firmness of character. Their plans and purposes have no definite form and consistency. They are of little practical use in the world. This weakness, indecision, and inefficiency should be overcome. There is in true Christian character an indomitableness that cannot be molded or subdued by adverse circumstances. We must have moral backbone, and integrity that cannot be flattered, bribed, or terrified.

Many who are qualified to do excellent work accomplish little because they attempt little. Thousands pass through life as if they had no great object for which to live, no high standard to reach. One reason is the low estimate which they place upon themselves. Christ paid an infinite price for us, and according to the price paid He desires us to value ourselves.

Be not satisfied with reaching a low standard. We are not what we might be, or what it is God's will that we should be. God has given us reasoning powers, not to remain inactive, or to be perverted to earthly and sordid pursuits, but that they might be developed to the utmost, refined, sanctified, ennobled, and used in the interests of His kingdom.

E. G. WHITE

BIG WEEK THIS YEAR IS JUNE 21—28.

THE BIBLE STUDY

THE VALUE OF SYSTEMATIC READING

- Q. 1. What were two of the duties of a king?
 ANS. Deut. 17: 18, 19. To write copies of God's law, and read all his days.
- Q. 2. How did Joshua instruct the people of God?
 ANS. Joshua 8: 30-35. He wrote a copy of the law on stones, and read all the blessings and curses of the law.
- Q. 3. After the Book of the Law had been lost a long time, how did Josiah show his joy at finding it?
 ANS. II Kings 23: 1, 2. He gathered priests and people together and read it to them.
- Q. 4. When God's people had strayed far from Him, what brought them back?
 ANS. Neh. 8: 6-9. The reading of God's Word. It brought them to conviction and repentance, and they found joy in believing.
- Q. 5. What brought an angel to Daniel's side in a time of trial?
 ANS. Dan. 9: 1-3, 21. He was reading, studying, and praying.
- Q. 6. Why did the Lord have the Bible written?
 ANS. Prov. 22: 19-21. That our trust might be in Him—established and certain—so we could give the truth to others.
- Q. 7. What does the Lord command us to do?
 ANS. Isaiah 34: 16. To seek light from God's word by reading.
- Q. 8. When Jeremiah read and studied the Word of God, what did he obtain?
 ANS. Jer. 34: 16. He sought and found light, and meditated, until it brought joy and rejoicing to his heart.
- Q. 9. Does the Lord show that even in busy times we should not neglect reading?
 ANS. Hab. 2: 2. In the rush characteristic of our times, the Lord calls upon us to make it easy for busy people to read.
- Q. 10. Is any blessing promised to those who read?
 ANS. Rev. 1: 1-3. "Blessed is he that readeth."
- Q. 11. Who was brought to Christ by reading the book of Isaiah?
 ANS. The Ethiopian of high society.
- Q. 12. What did Paul urge Timothy to do in his youth?
 ANS. I Tim. 4: 13. To give attendance to reading.
- Q. 13. Why is it necessary to thus study?
 ANS. *Ibid*, and II Tim. 2: 15. That we may become profitable and approved of God.

Q. 14. Why was the whole Bible written?
 ANS. For our good, that by reading it we might be filled with hope and joy.

NOTE. In the light of the above Scriptures, and others that might be added, one can easily see the great spiritual and intellectual benefits to be derived from mental cultivation by taking time each day to store the mind with the truth of God. The Daily S. S. Lesson study, the Standard of Attainment, the Reading Courses, and the Morning Watch should aid us materially in carrying out God's plan. The Bible Year plan will surely appeal to those who study this reading. What joy, what conviction, what certainty, what progress, and what blessing is in store for the reader!

"Minds have been crippled and dwarfed for want of zeal and earnest, severe taxation. The time has come when God says, Go forward, cultivate the abilities I have given you." G. W., p. 281. H. J. E.

THE LORD REQUIRES THE TENTH, WHY?

Why should Seventh-day Adventists pay TITHES and give FREE-WILL OFFERINGS? Is it because it is one of the requirements of the denomination? Or a plan that is instituted by the church in order to raise funds for carrying on its work? Or should it be merely to test God to see if we will have temporal prosperity? These are not, and should not be the reasons for so doing. Every one who is a recipient of any of God's benefits is under obligation to publicly and tangibly acknowledge Him as the owner of all things, and that we are but stewards. To fail to do this is sin.

It is not a question of whether we are church members or not; or whether those who are responsible are faithful in their disbursement. No one is freed under any circumstance from paying a faithful tithe, and giving liberal offerings as they have been prospered. Let not Seventh-day Adventists feel that what may be said to them on this question from time to time is the conference trying to extract from them what they have (or do not have); that it is money, money all the time.

Space will only allow us a brief study of this question. First let us read I Chron. 29: 11, "Thine, O Lord is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty. For all that is in the heaven and the earth is thine." Again, in verse 12, "Both riches and honour come of thee." Also verse 14, "For all things come of thee." What is there then that we possess in our own right? Nothing! See also Acts 17:25; Ps. 50:10; Hag. 2:8; Deut. 8:18.

Those who indulge in the proud boast of MY money, MY property, MY this and MY that, need to learn the lesson that Nebuchadnezzar of old learned after his proud boasting: "Is not this great Babylon that I have built. . . by the might of my power, and for the honour of my majesty"; when he said, "Now I Nebuchadnezzar praise and extol and honour the king of heaven. . . whose dominion is an everlasting dominion."

God himself has told us how we are to show our acknowledgment of His ownership, and that we are His stewards. In Lev. 27:30,32 we are told that all the TITHE (tenth) is holy unto the Lord. Just as the Sabbath is holy, and the Lord's. We are also told in Prov. 3:9, to "Honour the Lord with thy substance, and with firstfruits of all thine increase." Thus by our faithful tithes and offerings we are to acknowledge God's ownership.

Ancient Israel was required to use one-fourth of their income for religious and charitable purposes. Did this reduce them to poverty? Indeed not. Note His promises to them. Mal. 3:11; Lev. 26:4-12; Hag. 2:18,19; and what was the result when they were unfaithful? Hag. 1:2-11; 2:16,17; Lev. 26:13-20.

The present world depression is a sign of the END, a fulfilment of prophecy. See Jas. 5:1-12; and will become worse and worse until the climax is reached—that of world-bankruptcy, Rev. 18:11. But the Lord has insured His people a degree of prosperity that will not only exalt them before the eyes of all the nations, but will enable them to go steadily forward with the work he has given them.

The promises to ancient Israel are also to us. "All the people of the earth shall see that thou art called by the name of the Lord. . . The Lord shall make thee plenteous in goods. . . in the fruit of thy cattle, and in the fruit of thy ground. . . The Lord shall open unto thee His treasure, the heaven to give thee rain unto thy land in his season, and to bless all the work of thy hand, and thou shalt lend unto many nations, and shalt not borrow."

Brethren, are you faithful? Are you giving the Lord a square deal? Can you meet the Lord on Mal. 3:10,11? A brother who has been unable to give his personal attention to his business for months on account of sickness, recently bore testimony that his business was more prosperous then than when it had his personal supervision. The secret of it, said the brother, "I acknowledge that the Lord and I are partners, and while I was sick I said, Lord you and I are partners. I am laid up, you must carry on the business." It pays to be partners with the Lord.

A business man who could not pass the

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medical test for foreign service as a missionary, carried on business at home for the Lord, with the following result:—

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We need the temporal as well as the spiritual blessings of God for the speedy finishing of the work and thus bring to an end this life of sin and uncertainty, of sickness and sorrows, of grief and pain. Let us be faithful in our tithes and offerings, and in all the requirements of the Lord so that we can go home with Him when He comes.

HUBERT FLETCHER

SOUTH MANCHESTER

For many years my heart has been burdened for the needy churches around the vicinity of the West Indian Training College. I longed for the time and opportunity, if God so willed, to do my little part in helping to encourage and build up these churches.

When asked by the Conference Committee to assist Pastor Randle with these four churches, I willingly accepted the privilege, although I have more than enough to do in my work at the college.

Our first business was to elect officers for the new year. This gave us a splendid opportunity of getting a closer acquaintance with the members of each church.

As we met for our business meetings in the different churches, their problems and great needs were presented and discussed. The first step was to provide them with the necessary equipment for the observance of the ordinances, which will be celebrated regularly. It was most gratifying to see how readily the members rallied together to get these equipments.

When the importance of regularly reading the VISITOR was placed before them, over twenty new subscriptions were taken, without much urging.

The greatest of the problems was their church buildings. We attacked this problem whole heartedly at Grove Town, New Port, Campbell's Castle, and Porus.

At Grove Town we found they had a nucleus and stones with which to start building. At the first meeting pledges were taken to the amount of £15. A plan was immediately drawn for a stone building.

We are happy to report that at the time of writing the foundation of this church is completed, and at an early date the

corner stone laying will take place. It is wonderful how the members of the Grove Town church are taking hold and giving of their means and labour to erect a building to the honour and glory of God.

The Campbell's Castle church though humble has many true and loyal members that are putting forth every effort to make their church as presentable as they can afford. The building will soon be undergoing a thorough renovating, which we are sure will transform it into a place of worship where any one will be happy to go.

Poor Newport church for years have been meeting in a private dwelling house, with hardly enough space for the speaker to stand and see the congregation. The time, we think, has come for them to rally together and build themselves a suitable place of worship. This they have begun by clearing the ground and gathering materials for the building. So in the near future we hope to see a substantial building started.

Porus church with the smallest membership of the four, needed immediate attention from the very fact of its locality, so a full dress of paint and sand, and neat windows will be given this month.

We thought of many ways in which funds could be raised to assist these churches. Finally, in consultation with the faculty of the W. I. T. C. we decided to have a program, asking those of various talents, both faculty and students, to contribute their time and particular talent in rendering a program at different periods at the churches, and thus aid these needy enterprises.

The first was given at Porus, and was successful, all things taken into consideration.

I am sure the churches will be ever grateful to faculty and students for rendering them such substantial help, also the Jamaica conference for the liberal and ready financial aid. Pray that the good Lord will in a most marked way use these loyal lay members in helping to fill His soon coming Kingdom.

Yours for the Master's service.

ERIC E. PARCHMENT

NEWS NOTES

The ten-minute service at North Street on Sabbath, Feb. 28, was a real missionary service, kept to time too. Brother J. D. Robinson told of a sister who left St. Elizabeth to reside in Shady Vale, Morant Bay. Here she distributed tracts and visited her neighbours, holding Bible studies with some as they became interested in the truth. Later Bro. Robinson went there and sold several books, and as a result of this work several persons have taken

their stand. Five are keeping the Sabbath, and a wider circle of interest awaits a minister when the opportunity comes to work there.

On Sunday night, March 1, a great meeting was held in the North Street Church, the occasion being a baptismal service for the converts that have resulted from the effort recently conducted by Evangelist L. L. Hutchinson. Even during the late conference sessions, the church seating and standing capacity were never so severely taxed as on this occasion. The doors and windows were almost closed by the masses that thronged to hear and catch a glimpse of the solemn rite. Sister McCatty touchingly supplemented the music with her sweet solo, "Hold Thou My Hand, Dear Lord." Mrs. Meeker's earnest appeal in solo brought forth many an "Amen." The Conference President gave the address, showing that like the church of John the Baptist, and the Church of the Day of Pentecost, which were in fulfilment of prophecy, each having a definite message, so the S. D. A. Church is a response in ecclesiastical history to the voice of prophecy. Its birth was not found in the cradle of human creeds or uncertain speculation, but on the solid rock of God's imperishable word.

Pastor Hutchinson had his arrangements well made, even to warming the water in the font, and immersed forty-four choice fruits of his patient labours. All through the process the vast congregation watched with deep interest the witness of each one as he or she descended the steps into the water, the choir punctuating each administration with suitable music.

After the service was over, the congregation still remaining, Pastor Hutchinson presented the candidates, who stood upon the lower platform in a group, and they were voted into Church fellowship. Then, led by the President, the Church officers passed around and extended the right hand of fellowship to each one.

Pastor Hutchinson referred appreciatively to the assistance of Bro. E. S. Hudson in preparing the candidates, and Pastor B. A. Meeker and R. Harriott assisted on the platform.

It was announced that another similar service will be conducted in April, and we compliment Brother and Sister Hutchinson on the results of the unwearying labours they have put forth since their arrival in this field.

Under the faithful labours of Brother Stanley Smith and his wife, of Everton Park, a new company of believers has been raised up at Cavaliers.

On Sabbath, Feb. 28, this company was

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organized into a Sabbath school of eighteen members—twelve adults and six children. The living room in the home of Brother Smith was well filled.

Several members of this new Sabbath school are looking forward to being united with God's people by baptism in the near future. May the Lord bless this new branch of our Sabbath schools. May He bless, too, the lay members who are sowing the seeds of truth among their neighbours and friends, and grant that more such missionary efforts may be made to gather in souls for the kingdom of God.

BYRON A. MEEKER

Pastor Peter Nygaard, Superintendent of the Santo Domingo Mission, has sent a very appreciative letter of thanks to this Conference for the donation authorized to be sent to his field, that had been largely devastated by the recent hurricane.

It was voted at our last conference session that we donate £24. 5. 6 to the relief fund, and this the treasurer sent on.

The letter says, "Please extend to the members of your committee and to the Conference, and to all who had a part in this, our heartiest thanks. It was very kind of you to help us."

Like Jamaica, Santo Domingo is passing through a very severe epidemic of the "Flu." Pastor Nygaard says that all public meetings have been forbidden, and even a Colporteurs' Institute had to be abandoned because of the sickness. Yet their courage and faith are strong.

We surely sympathize with our dear brethren in the Fiji Islands over the loss they have sustained in a recent three-fold hurricane. Seeking to save one of our mission launches, seven workers manned the boat and left harbour to try to bring it into a safer place. But neither the boat nor the men have been heard of since. Three such visitations following in quick succession have done terrible damage. How we need to sense our times! Who knows what a day may bring? The Spirit of God is being withdrawn, and Satan is working with greater power to destroy life and stop the work of the gospel. Let us be very serious and earnest in these days of distress of nations with perplexity.

The success of our denominational institutions is always a source of thankfulness to those who truly love the cause of God, and it has brought to us much satisfaction to hear of the many prizes gained by our Agricultural department at the W. I. T. College, which is under the management of Brother E. E. Parchment, at the various exhibits and shows that are held

locally annually. The Lord's plan is for His people to be the head and not the tail, which we take to mean that we are to excel all others in our spiritual and material activities.

Then there is the bread manufactured at the school, which is eulogized throughout the district and far beyond, and which has its "First prize" to mark its superiority in the minds of unbiased judges.

Now we are receiving commendations from readers of the VISITOR, for the improved appearance of our Conference paper. We quote one to illustrate the many. "Please extend to Professor Rathbun, and accept the same for yourself, my congratulations on the general get-up and appearance of the paper. It is the best we have seen from Jamaica." We say, "Thank you!"

A teacher who was trained at a Government School, for Government work as a teacher, volunteered this statement a few days ago, and she is now at the College taking training to be a teacher in our own schools: "I am enjoying the school so much, and I think the system here is far superior to what I was trained in at the Government school. There is such a difference in the methods employed, and I like it immensely."

A visitor to the school recently added that he considered the general atmosphere of the school a great improvement to that found in many similar institutions. "There is an atmosphere of pious industry on the campus, which is easily noticeable."

Truly we are favoured to have such a school in our midst, and many more students should be added to the nearly ninety that are now there. Such an education is surely worth working for very earnestly.

Among the Churches

Leaving home February 14, in company with Pastor and Mrs. Edmed, and Pastor Meeker, we visited the Bird's Hill church, the first of several, including Blue Hole, Old Harbour, Goshen, Mount Providence, Bryant Hill, and Porus. This was the first time President and Mrs. Edmed had been able to visit these churches, and there was a feeling of mutual joy that the way had now opened for such meetings. The programme followed the usual symposium plan, the President emphasizing the goals of character and achievement in a general way, and Pastor Meeker stressing the various goals of the Home Missionary and Missionary Volunteer departments, such as the Standard of Attainment, Bible Year, and the Reading Courses, junior and senior; while Mrs. Edmed presented the Sabbath school ideals. All were appreciat-

ed and were made glad by the hearty response that was given.

The Bird's Hill church held a Harvest Festival on the 15th, the success of which must be accredited largely to Sister Shaw, the church school teacher. The children each did their part with credit, the only regret being the trade depression, which possibly made the financial returns somewhat disappointing.

The visitors expressed their delight and appreciation for the hospitality extended by the members and the kindness they received, and also of the earnest spirit they found in each church.

W. H. RANDLE

Writing from Linstead, Sister Ruth Morrison says, "It is Sunday night, and I have just returned from having an open air study in one of the neighbouring districts. About forty were present, and young and old expressed their appreciation of the study. As they either will not or cannot buy my books, I am trying to give them the truth freely. I am sure God will supply my needs." Sister Morrison has been canvassing for about two years now, and has persevered with commendable courage.

Sister A. C. Stockhausen, after a few weeks in the hospital, has now returned to her home, much improved in health.

Visiting the Spanish Town Church, March 7, we were delighted to be assisted on the platform by Brother C. W. Gibson, whose injured arm, though still incapacitated in some measure, is gradually yielding to treatment. Brother Gibson was full of his old-time enthusiasm.

The President and his family are rejoicing over the family reunion that took place on the arrival of the S. S. *Jamaica Settler*, which brought among her passengers Pastor and Mrs. F. G. Clifford and their three little boys. It is over ten years since they have seen each other, Mrs. Clifford, who is the President's daughter, having married since that time. Pastor Clifford is an Englishman from Watford College (Stanborough Park) and is labouring in South Africa, whence they are taking their furlough.

"You will be interested to know of the spiritual progress as well as the material work. I have been doing my worthless best to awaken a strong interest at Ocho Rios. Several families are showing their interest. Three new ones are observing the Sabbath of the Lord, and some others will soon follow. A sister, spending some time with Brother Ricketts, visited a friend

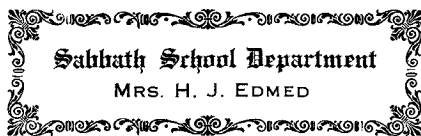
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last week and the lady she is staying with has decided for the truth. Several others also became interested, and I am under appointment to visit them next Sunday."

R. B. CAMPBELL

The great soul-winning campaign is now getting in full swing. It has brought us great joy to read the reports of the activities of the lay members in our churches in this direction. Send us more reports, please; we want our paper to be full of them, and our membership to be doubled this year. Pastors M. Jones and Geo. A. E. Smith are just starting to build up and establish an interest awakened by the members at Darliston. Pastor H. P. Lawson has settled his family in Trelaway, in which district he is proposing a strong series of meetings, first at Sherwood Content, and then at Spring Gardens. Already he reports a number keeping the Sabbath at the latter place. Pastor A. C. Stockhausen is planning a strong effort somewhere in Morant Bay district. Pastor Fletcher is getting the new church building ready at Gayle for another effort. Let us pray one for another, and do all we can to win souls from the impending destruction that will soon deprive men of the opportunity to be saved

H. J. E.



Sabbath School Department

MRS. H. J. EDMED

INVESTMENT DAY

We are greatly encouraged with the reports we have received from several of our schools, showing that our members entered heartily into the program on Investment Day by dedicating anew, for 1931, some gift to increase their offerings to Missions.

Prof. L. L. Dunn, superintendent of the Mandeville school, writes: "I am very happy to give you a report of the splendid work done by the Mandeville Sabbath school in aid of the Investment Fund. Our children form a very important part of our school as was demonstrated in their exercise to promote the Investment work. Fourteen of our primary members were arranged on the platform, each representing one letter of the name, I-N-V-E-S-T-M-E-N-T F-U-N-D. Our hearts were made glad as each of them gave us a message suggesting an idea of how each of us could raise an offering for the Investment Fund.

"Faithful pledges were made that I am sure will afford us a very substantial offering. One member of our school has set apart the returns from some chickens and their eggs. Another has pledged 5s. and as much more as possible, from painting

pictures. Another dedicated that which she expects from prizes in a flower show, and from the sale of plants and flowers. One of our primary members plans to give the increase from a goat twice a year. Several others have pledged the money which they will receive from the sale of Sabbath eggs.

"An Investment offering was taken at the close of our exercise, and far beyond my expectation, it amounted to £3. 12s. 0¼d."

Miss D. V. Golding, superintendent at Manchioneal, says: "I am writing to let you know that our Investment program came off successfully. Three brought in returns of a previous investment. Others have dedicated bananas, and one sister some chickens. A few made investments for the first time. I promised to give the proceeds from the first piece of dress-making each month. Last year I raised 15s. this way."

Brother L. A. Morrison writes: "Sabbath School Investment was observed by the North St., Kingston, Sabbath school on February 14. The program, which went through without a hitch, served as an inspiration to all present to reconsecrate themselves and their means to the speedy finishing of the work of God in the earth. Many pledged to invest something for the Investment Fund for 1931, realizing that by doing so they are laying up treasures in heaven where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, nor thieves break through and steal."

Sister Jackson of Cooper's Hill says: "I thank the Lord for the good spirit that was manifested on Investment Day. Many have made an investment, and the future looks bright."

Sister J. W. Grounds, Superintendent of the Kencot Sabbath school, reports a very interesting time, and says that nearly every hand was raised in response to the appeal to dedicate something to the Investment Fund.

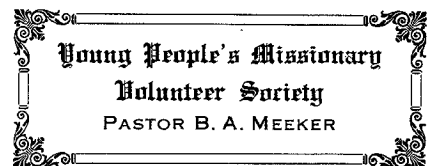
Miss Huldah Brandon of Goshen: "Our Investment program was a real success. God's presence was felt and all left with a greater determination to be more intimate co-workers with Jesus by becoming more liberal to the Investment Fund. Everybody dedicated something, some a coconut tree, one a goat, others, hens or eggs, and the youngest of our members, a little two-year-old girl, pledged all the eggs laid on Sabbaths. We are not very many in number but all are of good courage and do deem it a high honour to be workers together with God."

N. Hurst, St. Ann's Bay: "I am pleased to write you today re the last Investment program, and especially of the pledges received from the brethren to invest various products for the ensuing year. Fol-

lowing are the items invested: four persons dedicated Sabbath eggs; two, vegetables; four, chickens; one, a goat; one, the profits on hides; another a breadfruit tree; one, a breadfruit limb; one, plantains and yams; three, banana trees. This surely is not a bad list considering that many persons were not present. The plan is surely getting more popular each year, and let's pray that it will grow stronger day by day."

We are very happy to welcome into our circle of Sabbath schools three newly organized. Brother C. C. Thompson of Spanish Town tells of one at Reeves Mountain; Brother Robinson of North Street another; and Elder Meeker, of one at Cavalier's, near Florence Hill.

We have been made very sad, however, to hear of the death of Brother H. A. Mullings of Santa Cruz, one of our most faithful Sabbath school members. Up to the time of his last illness, he had completed a perfect record for six years in Daily Study of the Sabbath school lesson and Perfect Attendance. The Sabbath School Department tenders its sincere sympathy to the bereaved family. May the Lord hasten the day when such sad experiences will be things of the past.



Young People's Missionary

Volunteer Society

PASTOR B. A. MEEKER

Missionary Volunteers, Prepare for Service!

A growing interest is manifest on the part of our churches everywhere in the educational features of the Missionary Volunteer Society.

In company with Pastor and Mrs. Edmed, we visited the churches in Pastor Randle's territory. We were very much pleased to see large numbers respond to the invitation to observe the Morning Watch, to take the Bible Year, to read the books in the Reading Courses, and to study for the Standard of Attainment.

Mount Providence gave in 34 names; Porus, 15; Goshen, 6; Bryant Hill, 31; Blue Hole, 16; and Old Harbour, 14. Some of these are taking more than one course, and all seemed very enthusiastic. Where members were too poor to buy the books, classes were formed, and a leader was elected on the spot to take charge of the class.

At a recent meeting in the North Street Church, 103 names were given in by those

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planning to do at least one thing toward reaching the Conference goals. Some are planning to reach every goal.

Why not join these earnest seekers for truth, dear reader, and prepare yourself for better service in the Master's vineyard?

What Will the Harvest Be?

When this VISITOR falls into your hands, the first quarter of another year will be in the past. How fast the time has flown! It is gone and never will return.

The experiences of the past quarter however are not dead. The seed that was sown will live, and we trust the harvest will be fruit unto life eternal.

Now we are looking for reports from each church, that we may know how the gospel seed is growing. If for any reason your church has failed to send the quarterly report, please do what you can to hurry it on to the office.

The harvest is the ultimate goal of seed sowing. What fruits are being gathered in? Is your church membership increasing? Has the Missionary Volunteer Week of Prayer been observed in your church? Are the young people looking forward to baptism as a result of efforts for their salvation?

This is a solemn work in which we have enlisted. If we fail to do our part some one must take our place.

PROFITABLE BIBLE READING

Pastor B. A. Meeker has been among the churches urging us all to read through the Bible this year. The plan is a popular one, especially as it is mapped out in the Morning Watch Calendar. (We hope you have one.) Reading steadily through, one learns the setting of each incident and character. Difficult subjects are more easily understood, and many problems are solved by the plan. It makes us familiar with Bible characters, and enables us to appreciate that which the Lord approves more fully.

To stimulate the memory as well as to make special incidents prominent in our minds, it is well to notice the use of groups and words, or even figures. For instance, take the use of the figure three. It is applied to the Godhead—God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Ghost. Three Persons, but one name, holding the same high dignity and power. Paul divides man into three qualities—body, soul, and spirit. I Thess. 5:23. When replying to the young lawyer, our Saviour measured the acceptable service we should render to God, in the threefold co-operation of all the heart, all the soul, and all the mind. Matt. 22:35-37. John followed the same plan when he classified our evil nature in-

to three heads, "The lust of the flesh," "The lust of the eyes," and "The pride of life." Strangely enough these three are found to be the three avenues that led Mother Eve into the hands of the evil one. To her, the forbidden fruit was good to be desired—the LUST of the FLESH. Then she saw that it was pleasant to the EYES—the LUST of the EYES. Then it promised her wisdom, and the appeal touched her PRIDE of LIFE.

Satan had evidently studied well these three avenues, for he adopted them when attacking our Lord with triple force and super-hellish precision: "Command that these stones be made bread," he said, knowing that Christ had fasted forty days and that He craved for food. Here was a test for the lust of the flesh in Jesus. That failed, so he tried the lust of the eyes by taking Him where He could see all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. Jesus had come to die for these in order to get them as His own, but Satan failed to reach His pure heart by any of these avenues. Yet there is test No. 3 left, to do something for the sake of show, and to test His Father's Word. Presumption is the highest expression of pride, but in Christ the pride of life was assailed in vain.

So three times Satan failed. Three times the Saviour won, by holding to God's word, quoting THREE texts. And when the triumphant Jesus was transfigured, He took THREE disciples—Peter, James, and John into the mountain to witness His glory, in the midst of which stood Moses, Elijah, and Jesus,—another THREE, a glorified TRIO. When the work is done another TRIO will be brought into prominence—the beast, the false prophet, and the devil, and with the eye of faith we see them burning in the flames of Divine wrath, not saved in the fire like the THREE Hebrew worthies of Daniel's narrative. Then, lest we forget—just pause and think, lest we forget—where two or THREE are met for prayer Jesus will make the fourth.

In the consummation, all threes will be crowned by those THREE heavenly graces—faith, hope, and charity, that will compose our passport into the presence of God. Then we will pass into the THIRD heaven, especially those who have given to the world the stirring THREE-FOLD messages of Revelation 14, and have won the seal of His eternal acceptance.

H. J. E.

"The Lord is fitting a people for Heaven. The defects of character, the stubborn will, the selfish idolatry, the indulgence of fault-finding, hatred, and contention, provoke the wrath of God, and must be put away from His commandment-keeping people. Those living in these sins are

deceived and blinded by the wiles of Satan. They think that they are in the light when they are groping in darkness. There are murmurers among us now, even as there were murmurers among ancient Israel. Those who by unwise sympathy encourage men in rebellion when their self-love is smarting beneath merited reproof, are not the friends of God, the great Re-prover. God will send reproof and warning to His people as long as they continue upon earth." Testimonies, Vol. 4, page 180.

West Indian Training College

PROFESSOR R. E. SHAFER

RIGHT VIEWS OF LIFE

A few days ago one of our students, not of our faith, coming to bid farewell and express appreciation, said, "I have learned what is right and am going to live that way." He came to us to learn English, which he has done fairly well during his stay, but in the learning he has gotten a vision of something far better.

This encourages us to keep up the program that has been arranged for the carrying on of Seventh-day Adventist schools. It doesn't matter so much what text books are used to teach arithmetic, grammar, (true) science, or just what method is used in reckoning up the completion of a course. What matters is whether the school is co-operating with divine agencies in imparting to the youth a knowledge of God.

This greater duty is the reason for the existence of the West Indian Training College and affiliated institutions throughout the world. One of our educational workers, now gone to rest, was often heard praying that his students might have "right views of life." That is the aim of a Christian school, to help young people to have "right views of life."

For that reason as much importance is attached to religious services and other exercises as to the class work. That does not mean that less emphasis is placed upon intellectual or book studies than in other schools.

Not many months ago we had a visit from the Commissioner of Education for Jamaica. He did not ask a question about our regular school work nor seemed to be worried at all about the standards we hold in the intellectual studies. What he was interested in was our industrial program—how we are able to carry on such a variety of well-equipped industries. His visit was another evidence that the educational men of the world recognize that we are doing a work of a nature much needed today.

BIG WEEK GOAL THIS YEAR SHOULD BE REACHED.

There are scores, yes hundreds, of young people in Jamaica who should be getting the training for life that W. I. T. C. offers. Let those who have a desire to get such an education resolutely determine to do so and leave no stone unturned for accomplishing that object, and God will open the way. May all seek for such an experience as will prepare them for entrance into the higher school when Jesus comes to take His faithful ones with Him.

F. O. RATHBUN

The week just closed has been a week of rich blessing to those living "On the Hill." Students and faculty alike pressed into the line of consecration; and every meeting—we held three each day except the Sabbaths—was well attended and richly endowed by the Holy Spirit. The President of the Conference brought his son-in-law, recently from South Africa, who added much to the enthusiasm by his studies; and Professor Shafer, the President of the college, assisted in the daily study and appeal of God's word.

Six o'clock, nine o'clock, A. M., and seven o'clock, P. M., were the hours fixed for the services, and each one enjoyed a full attendance. The studies were largely selected from the Week of Prayer readings, and there was a remarkable response to the appeals made for fuller surrender to God on the part of such as had already accepted the Lord as their saviour, as also on the part of those who yielded their hearts to God for the first time. Wednesday evening, appeals were made by Professor Rathbun and Professor Shafer and only a few—four or five—remained in their seats while the rest came forward for prayer. Some who remained in their seats were Spanish friends who had lately come to the College, and could not follow the reading.

Again, on Friday morning, in response to another appeal every student united with all the faculty in a "Double Consecration," following the reading on "The Holy Spirit." Between the meetings Pastor Clifford assisted the two presidents in personal work, and some precious victories were gained. Our Spanish students entered fully into the spirit of the meetings and joined in the surrender of their hearts to God, with a clear understanding of what was meant by the step they took.

We praise the Lord for His condescension and mercy, and the precious gift of the Holy Spirit, under whose holy movings the whole student body yielded to the Lord.

We cannot close the report without expressing our appreciation for the hearty co-operation of Professor Shafer and his faculty, and also for the well organized

bands, whose frequent prayers secured the favour of God. It did our hearts good to see how the students laboured for each other, and as they brought their reports to the Band Leaders' meeting each day, it was thrilling to hear how the Lord was blessing them.

We trust that the experiences of these meetings may form a solid foundation upon which all who shared the blessing will build an unmovable and unassailable character, prepared for the coming of our Lord in glory.

LIST OF STUDENTS, MAR. 27, 1931

1. Anderson, Obed
2. Andrean, Eulalee
3. Arguelles, Maria
4. Ares, Reuben
5. Ares, Santiago
6. Bent, Clifford
7. Bent, Stanley
8. Bignall, Mildred
9. Boyd, Edith
10. Brandon, Hulda
11. Brodie, Dell
12. Brooks, Sybil
13. Brown, Doris
14. Bruce, Gwendolin
15. Burton, Alfred
16. Burton, Ivy
17. Burton, Kenneth
18. Burton, Louise
19. Campbell, Owen
20. Carter, Ivy
21. Crawford, Stuart
22. Daley, Mildred
23. Davis, Felix
24. Dosaiguas, Ernesto
25. Ebanks, Vivia
26. Edwards, Cebert
27. Fernandez, Miguel
28. Fletcher, Earl
29. Fletcher, Wilbur
30. Galliano, Ralph
31. Galliano, Thomas
32. Golding, Hazel
33. Hall, Lucas
34. Hamilton, Aston
35. Hamilton, Viola
36. Harris, Septimus
37. Henriques, Clayton
38. Henriques, Cleve
39. Henriques, Frederick
40. Hutchinson, Florence
41. Jones, Icy B.
42. Jones, Susan
43. Lawrence, Ualee
44. Lindo, Asbert
45. Lindo, Samuel G.
46. Lopez, Federico
47. McCalla, Wilbert
48. McFarlane, Viola
49. McGhie, Cynthia
50. McGregor, Robert
51. McKay, Gerrick
52. Menendez, Jose
53. Menendez, Manuel
54. Milanes, Emerio
55. Morgag, Eric
56. Murray, Thelma
57. Newman, Elva
58. Nicholas, George
59. Ogilvie, Cyrus
60. Pantin, Luis
61. Parchment, Annabelle
62. Parchment, Curtis
63. Parchment, Edna C.
64. Parchment, Edna W.

65. Peake, Joyce
66. Percy, Donald
67. Pitt, David
68. Pitter, Colin
69. Randall, Mymis
70. Reid, Gilda
71. Reyes, Jose
72. Roberts, Ernestine
73. Rodes, Mario
74. Rodrigues, Francisco
75. Sailsman, Joyce
76. Sailsman, Sylvester
77. Shaw, Icyline
78. Smith, Iris
79. Thompson, Inez
80. Tomlinson, George
81. Valentine, Edwin
82. Walker, Vinette
83. Warner, Wentworth
84. Webb, John
85. Wellington, Enid
86. Williams, Joseph
87. Williams, Kenneth
88. Williamson, Hortense
89. Willis, Melbro
90. Wilson, Leila

COUNT IT ALL JOY

"Here's a riddle, boys," said Smartie to a company of thriftless lads as they sat soberly watching each other, waiting for some suggested mischief to break life's monotony. The idea startled them all, and awakened a thinking mood which was wholesome at that idle moment. "Tell me the longest word in the English language! It begins and ends with 'S' and there is a mile between." "Smiles," ejaculated Bert, and the roar of laughter that followed completely annihilated the sombre quietude of the previous moments.

This may seem to have been a trifling incident. But smiles are really no trifle in the stern realities of life. A cheerful, optimistic temperament is a most valuable asset to any young man or woman, and often clothes the most difficult and distressing crisis with ease and conquest. A successful man will always say he feels fine. He looks upon the sunny side of things; he sees victory where others see defeat, and smiles when others frown.

During the great war, one man in a country hospital was the object of the greatest pity, and thousands flocked to see their comrade who had come out of a battle without an arm or a leg, and one half of his face blown away. Yet to their surprise, they would almost breathlessly approach his bedside, afraid to speak, until he would smile and bid them welcome to see, "What is left of me." "Glad I am that those Germans did not get the whole of me, as they desired; and I'm happy to be alive to tell 'em I've given 'em all I'm going to."

I was travelling down a very steep, long hill in an old Dodge, one time, and my host had gone into low gear to save the brakes. But the old car pushed down until, reaching the bottom, it wheeled into a

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BIG WEEK SHOULD BE WELL ORGANIZED BEFOREHAND.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S PAGE

"I WILL DIE RATHER THAN YIELD MY FAITH"

We often hear it said, "If stones could speak!" and there are many stones around the world that briefly announce the courage and loyalty of some hero of old-time Christianity.

One of these may be seen at Brentwood, a little old fashioned town of Essex, England, on which is inscribed the following words:

"WILLIAM HUNTER MARTYR.

Committed to the flames March 26th, MDLV. Christian reader learn from his example to value the privilege of an open Bible, and be careful to maintain it."

Hunter lived from the year 1536, at a time when the lurid flames of persecution consumed thousands of England's most honourable and noble Protestants. Where the light of truth found acceptance, the followers of both sexes were sought out and cruelly tortured, and if they refused to renounce their faith, they were ignominiously put to death by burning. To become a Protestant was to be branded as a heretic, and no shame was thought too contemptuous, no suffering too great, for those who found peace and joy in believing the sweet assurances of God's word.

The Bible was scarce those days. King Edward VI had placed a large Bible in every church, with a wooden cover, and chained, so that it could not be removed. One day, when Hunter was nineteen years of age, the priest found him enjoying the solace of Bible study. The cleric grew very angry, and cried out, "Why meddlest thou with the Bible? Canst thou expound the Scriptures?" The lad remained calm, and he courteously told the priest how he found much comfort in reading it. Whereupon the very man who should have encouraged him to go on reading, threatened that if he persisted, he with other heretics would broil for their belief.

Soon he was seized and placed in the stocks for two days and nights with little food. But he was full of peace in believing. Then finding that torture would not move his faith, the Bishop came and offered to start him in business and to give him £40, or make him a steward of his house if he would only recant. Calmly he answered, "My Lord! if you cannot persuade my conscience by the Scriptures I cannot turn from God for the love of the world, for I count all things but loss in comparison with the love of Christ."

Then he was hastened back to Brent-

wood, and there being no prison, he was kept under guard at a drink shop. Seeing his mother here, he assured her that he was happy in Jesus. "For my little pain," he said, "which I shall suffer, Christ hath procured for me a crown of joy." Then they knelt down together and she prayed that God would strengthen her son to be faithful to the end.

Soon his father came, only to find him being chained to the stake. "God be with thee, son," he cried. "Be of good courage, father," the son replied, "we shall meet again where we shall rejoice together." As the chains were being placed around him he was offered pardon if only he would renounce his Protestant faith. But he resolutely refused. Curses, taunts, and jeers accompanied the crackling of the flames as they leaped upon his consecrated body, and as the blistering tongues of fire rose higher and higher, he was heard to say, "I am not afraid, Lord! Lord! receive my spirit."

JESUS IS LOOKING AT YOU

It is really wonderful how intimate Jesus is with all our thoughts our words and our deeds. In the second and third chapters of Revelation He repeats seven times the words, "I know thy works," works done or neglected, open or secret.

A touching illustration of this is given by Mark 12:40-41. The congregation was passing around, placing their gifts in the receptacle in the synagogue. Different motives prompted and measured the gifts of the majority of donors. Some gifts fell with heavy thud, while others were so light that they could scarcely be heard. Jesus sat nearby, so He could see, just as He still does, invisibly, today. The rich gave large sums to be seen of men, but none of them gave so much that it involved them in sacrifice, to help the cause of God. They gave only from their surplus. Jesus heeded not their gifts, for He was more concerned with the spirit in which they gave than in the amount. Of course no one else was like Jesus; and the throng looked with admiration upon the rich with flattering eyes that only strengthened their spiritual pride.

Among the queue was a little, bent, old lady, whose widowed, aged form, wrinkled features, and thin boney hands, told the story of her hard life and poverty. No one seemed to notice her, unless it might be to step aside for fear she might contaminate them or lower their standing in so-

cial circles. But the eye of Jesus fastened itself upon her, and He watched her broken gait, and read in her heart the spirit of gratitude and love to God. As she pressed nearer and nearer, at last she untied the little skin bag, emptied it of all she possessed, and gratefully deposited it in the box. Hungry, and with an empty purse, yet full of the joy of benevolent service she passed on, and disappeared from the crowd, none of the donors noticing her. But Jesus knew her works, and had it recorded for our learning and comfort.

He measured her gift by the sacrifice she made. She gave all that she had. This was the measure of her love for God. In this she was Christlike, for that is what He gave for our salvation.

He knows your works and mine today, and measures our gifts by the same standard. If through a covetous spirit we withhold, He knows. He says, "I know THY works; and when angels gather the remnant into glory, He will command them to gather together unto Him those who have made a covenant with Him by sacrifice. Psalm 50:5.

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deep stream of overflowed water from the river. Right in the middle, with the water running at our feet in the car, it stopped. My host laughed heartily, as he said, "We'd better eat our lunch here, and save time." I asked, "Then what will we do?" It was quite a nasty predicament we were in, but his cheerful smile robbed the experience of its unpleasantness. "Let's sit and whistle," he said, "It won't always rain, and the heat of the engine will dry the wires, and then we can just swim with the stream." So we whistled duets for a while, and then he put his foot on the starter, gave her plenty of gas, and off we went.

Solomon says, "A merry heart doeth good like a medicine, but a broken spirit drieth the bones." Prov. 16: 22. Yes, a smiling minister is a benefactor. A smiling doctor will save half our sick-bills. The school teacher that smiles, imparts light to the puzzling problems, and makes study easy. The cook that sings while she cooks adds flavour and digestion to our food.

Our conditions may not always seem to be of the smiling kind. But, smile! A Persian prince was once advised to wear the shirt of a contented man, and the only contented man in all the realm was one who did not possess a shirt.

Isaiah says that it is the Word of God that produces this smile. (See 55: 12, 13.) Under its magic influence, the very hills and mountains seem to sing for joy, and the trees clap their hands. Thorns hide behind the fragrant blossoms, and the soul is bathed in love. You smile and the world smiles with you.

BIG WEEK SHOULD BE EVERY MEMBER'S BIG WEEK.

LITTLE FOLKS' CORNER

Well, Little Folks, how are you all today? I was out at Old Harbour last week, and our little brother Eric Plummer was attending the meetings held, but he had hurt his foot badly and suffered much pain. Yet he sat through the meeting, bravely enduring the agony. When the meeting was over, I expected he would get home and lie down as quickly as possible. But do you know, he gathered all the children together and taught them their Sabbath school lesson first. As a soldier, he endured for Jesus' sake, and we just prayed the Lord to heal his sore foot.

Now, this morning word comes that little brother Wesley Brodie has also been suffering great pain, and the doctor had to come and operate upon his little body. He is always so happy and bright, we cannot bear to think he suffered so.

The Secretary Bird, about which I wrote, seems to have interested so many of you—judging by letters received, that I have decided to tell you about another bird, the largest known. It is a very graceful creature, has small wings, but cannot fly. Its legs when full grown are about three feet long. Its knee bends backward. From the ground to its back, it is about four feet and it has a long neck, which lifts the head eight, nine, or ten feet above the ground. This neck is about as thick as my arm. Its legs, thighs, and neck are without any feathers, but the body and tail have large and small feathers that are very valuable. The papa bird has black, and the mamma bird has brown feathers on top; and underneath, both have white ones, and they are from six inches to three feet in length.

The bird is called the ostrich. The feathers are taken from them when the moulting season comes, just before they fall off, and are curled very prettily and sold for military helmets, ladies' boas, and other ornamental things.

The mamma bird is smaller than the papa, and lays very large eggs, about the size of your head, and equal to from thirty to forty hen's eggs. She lays these in the hot sand in desert lands, and leaves the sun to hatch them. But in grassy lands, both birds take turns in sitting on the nest; and when the chicks come out of their shell covered with tiny white fluff and little black spikes which afterwards grow feathers, they look very sweet and cute. Their bodies are about the size of a large cocoanut.

It is interesting to watch the papa birds

in the cool of the day engage in a dance. They run single file some distance apart, with their beautiful feathers outspread. At intervals they twirl around and around, and then sit down to the ground, make a great noise like a boom, and quickly rise and run and repeat the dance over and over. They will keep this up for an hour and I know of nothing more attractive, providing you are not among them.

They are very angry birds, especially when their eggs are hatching, and it is dangerous to go near. You can always know the angry time, for the papa bird's legs get very red.

I was out with a little boy friend one day, when we picked up a whiskey bottle and put it on a fence-post and started to throw stones at it, to see who would hit it first. As we kept throwing, ostriches came up and kept eating the big stones we threw, until one of us hit the bottle and broke it into two halves. Then the birds picked them up and swallowed them, and we had a good laugh as we watched the shape of the broken bottle going down and round and round in their long necks. Then when they reached the base of the neck, they got into the gizzard, and we could hear them grinding inside.

When an ostrich gets sick, the farmers chase them into a small stall, pull a stocking over their eyes, and thrust a big bottle filled with turpentine and rum or whiskey down their throat, with some castor oil, and then let them run. The stockings and stall keep them from kicking.

When we think what a beautiful bird the ostrich is and how graceful, yet how angry and spiteful, it reminds us of some persons who dress finely, look well, and seem graceful, but who are really ugly in temper inside their hearts and so full of wickedness. Let us not be like them, but watch ourselves that we are good in our hearts.

H. J. E.

Next month's story is about a little boy who died to save his papa and mamma. Be sure and read it.

Thinking Cap Questions

1. What great man greatly loved a boy, and then wanted to kill him?
2. What great woman visited a king?
3. What heathen king asked a man of God to pray for him?
4. Who baptized Jesus?
5. Why was king Saul jealous of David?

Names of those Answering Thinking Cap Questions

Ena Mac Matt, Lillian Mullings, Willel Mullings, Bramwell Holness, Theophilus Mullings, Balfour Johnson, Roy Crosby, Sylvia Morgan, Luna Davis, Swiftley McIntosh, Curdell Duhaney, Edgerton Brown.



The Editor asked the printer man to put a block in the Little Folks' Corner this month, so here it is. Perhaps the Editor will tell a story about it next month if you will write to him about it.

Publishing Department

W. S. NATION

"If the iron be blunt, and he do not whet the edge, then must he put to more strength: but wisdom is profitable to direct." Eccl. 10: 10.

This is a fitting text for the colporteur work. Those colporteurs that go out with dull tools are using too much strength, with poor results. They generally cover an extensive territory, but make very little progress. "Butterflies cover more ground, but bees gather more honey. Imitate the bees." Since iron sharpeneth iron an Institute at an early date is on foot. We hope all our Regulars will be there to get sharpened.

The Lord is wonderfully blessing the colporteur work, especially those that are using the "Two-edged sword." Brother Wallace has been successful in placing "Bible Readings" in some of the important homes in Westmoreland. Brethren Hurst and Fletcher made a splendid record in Montego Bay, taking over one hundred pounds orders in two weeks. The said territory has been worked by several others before. The two following experiences will help to show how they made success: "While canvassing last week I found myself with only a few pennies. I was in need of gas and other things. All morning I worked receiving only one order without any advance. Af-

BIG WEEK BOOKS SHOULD BE STUDIED WELL BEFORE BIG WEEK.

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ter dinner I went aside for a few minutes to speak with the Lord. I told Him I would give Him one-half of whatever He would provide for me. The first home I went to I met both husband and wife. They gave me an order without any great effort on my part with ten shillings advance, saying I deserve the order. Thus I saw that prayer changes things."

—B. Hurst.

"One Friday when about to leave for my headquarters I found that I hadn't enough money to pay my bills. I went to God as a child would to his father for his daily supply, and asked Him to give me ten shillings. My fellow worker shortly after told me it was time to leave for home. I said "Just give me a few minutes more, the ten shillings I asked the Lord for has not been received yet." On turning away I entered a Chinese shop and canvassed the man and his wife. They were not very much impressed. His wife said, "I have seen this book before." But the man turned to her and said, "Let's give him an order." I took the order and got ten shillings advance, the direct answer to my prayer."—H. Fletcher.

The Lord has promised the Holy Spirit and heavenly angels to accompany and prepare the way for his faithful colporteurs. An experience from Brother Destoe will prove this: "Having travelled twelve miles on a lonely road in the heat

of the day, I was accompanied by a young man who knew the way. After reaching to a certain distance where I was to leave his company he said he saw a man in white clothes standing just in the path where I was going. When we got to the spot there was no one to be seen. My companion was very much alarmed, but I tried to calm his fears. I felt certain that the angel of the Lord was leading the way."

Surely the colporteur work is a great factor in the finishing of the Message. Although financial conditions coupled with other adverse circumstances do much to make the outlook gloomy, knowing that the success of the work does not depend on material prosperity we are constrained to try the uplook, for "if God is for us who can be against us?" W. S. N.

Mention is made elsewhere of the death of Sister Ada M. Hamilton, of Southfield, which sad event occurred on 20th March. An extended obituary will appear in our next number.

LATER COLLEGE NOTES

Miss Edmed spent the week of March 23-30 in Kingston visiting her sister and family who just recently arrived from Africa.

We were very pleased to have Pastor Edmed and his son-in-law, Pastor Clifford, with us during our Missionary Volunteer week of prayer. We sincerely thank them for the splendid help they gave us.

The hand of death has come very near our midst since our last report of the school happenings. Miss Gilda Reid was called home March 7 by the death of her mother. Then on March 20 word was received of the death of Sister Hamilton, mother of Brother B. R. Hamilton, Viola,

and Aston. Our sympathy goes out to these bereaved ones in the loss of their beloved mothers.

Conditions on the hill are becoming quite serious just now, as our water supply is just about exhausted. Unless rain comes very soon, we will be forced to close school until we get rain. [Later—A refreshing rain, Sabbath, the 28th, has given some relief.]

Brother B. R. Hamilton is the proud father of a son born February 27.

We are glad to report that, even though financial conditions throughout the island are very bad, our woodwork and sheet-metal departments are getting all the outside work they can take care of. Many calls are coming to our printing department for job-printing. We are certainly thankful for the various departments of the school, as they furnish means by which many are able to get an education who would otherwise be left out.

Quite a number of new students are planning on entering at the beginning of our next term. We only hope that many more will see the necessity of getting a Christian education to prepare themselves for the finishing of the work.

WHAT GOD EXPECTS OF YOU

All heaven is in activity, and the angels of God are waiting to co-operate with the human agent who will devise plans whereby souls for whom Christ died may hear the glad tidings of salvation. Every soul has an influence for good or evil. If the soul is sanctified to the service of God, and devoted to the service of Christ, the influence will be to gather with Christ. God depends upon the church for the forwarding of His work, and he expects that His professed followers will do their duty as intelligent beings. There is great need that every trained mind, every disciplined intellect, every jot of ability, shall be brought to the work of saving souls. There will be no idler, no slothful one who neglects the work of the Lord, found inside of the kingdom of heaven.

Mrs. E. G. White.

OBITUARY

"He sleeps to await the call of the Life-giver."

It was with sorrowful hearts that we laid to rest one of the veterans of this message, Brother Bertie Mullings, who, after nine months of severe illness, fell asleep on March 8, at 2 p. m. Brother Mullings has been local elder of the Santa Cruz church for over twenty years, but it has seemed fit to the Master that he should lay down his burden for a short while. He died with the blessed hope of having part in the first resurrection. Just a few hours previous to his unconsciousness, his last testimony to his beloved wife was, "I am not afraid to die; I am only waiting for the call of the Master." It was the writer's privilege to perform the burial ceremony, assisted by Professor Crawford. We extend to his wife and dear ones our deepest sympathy in their bereavement. E. E. PARCHMENT

Report of Colporteur Work for February, 1931

| NAME | HOURS | SALES | DELIVERIES |
|-------------------|-------|------------|------------|
| Fletcher, H. H. | 71 | £ 51. 6. 0 | £ 27.10. 0 |
| Hurst, B. E. | 44 | 44. 6. 0 | |
| Ricketts, B. A. | 85 | 41.14. 6 | 25.12. 3 |
| Cousins, Clifford | 58 | 37. 9. 0 | 2. 3. 7 |
| Destoe, K. E. | 75 | 36.13. 9 | |
| Flynn, L. | 106 | 34. 5. 0 | 16. 0 |
| Haig, A. R. | 32 | 30. 3. 0 | 1.12. 0 |
| Dawkins, A. | 45 | 25.19. 0 | 2. 4. 0 |
| Wallace, R. | 88 | 21.16. 0 | 2.19. 0 |
| Ricketts, C. | 72 | 16. 2. 0 | 1.14. 3 |
| Dillon, Leslie | 60 | 14.17. 0 | 3.18. 0 |
| Reid, D. B. | 38 | 10.15. 0 | |
| Miller, H. G. | 31 | 9.14. 0 | 16. 9 |
| Morgan, Russel | 26 | 8.18. 0 | |
| Morrison, Ruth | 44 | 3. 4. 0 | |
| 15 | 875 | £387. 2. 3 | £ 69. 5.10 |

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