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### SOLEMN REALITIES Some Startling Extracts

"The return of Christ to our world will not be long delayed. Let this be the keynote of every message."

"The battle of Armageddon is soon to be fought. He on whose vesture is written the name, 'King of kings, and Lord of lords', is soon to lead forth the armies of heaven.

"It cannot now be said by the Lord's servants, as it was by the prophet Daniel, 'The time appointed was long.' It is now but a short time till the witnesses for God will have done their work in preparing the way of the Lord."

"Everything is now clothed with a solemnity that all who believe the truth for this time should realize. They should act in reference to the day of God. The judgments of God are about to fall upon the world, and we need to be preparing for that great day . . . We have no time to spend in haphazard movements. We should fear to skim the surface of the Word of God."

"The history of nations speaks to us today. To every nation, and to every individual God has assigned a place in His great plan. Today men and nations are being tested by the plummet in the hand of Him who makes no mistake. All are by their own choice deciding their destiny, and God is overruling all for the accomplishment of His purposes. . . ."

"Today the signs of the times declare that we are standing on the threshold of great and solemn events. Everything in our world is in agitation. Before our eyes is fulfilling the Saviour's prophecy of the events to precede His coming: 'Ye shall hear of wars and rumours of wars. . . Nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places.'"

"The present is a time of overwhelming interest to all living. Rulers and statesmen, men who occupy positions of trust and authority, thinking men and women of all classes, have their attention fixed upon the events taking place about us. They are watching the relations that exist among the nations. They observe the intensity that is taking possession of every earthly element, and they recognize that something great and decisive is about to take place.—that the world is on the verge of a stupendous crisis."

"God's message for the inhabitants of earth today is, 'Be ye also ready; for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh.' The conditions prevailing in society and especially in the great cities of the nations, proclaim in thunder tones that the hour of God's judgment is come, and that the end of all things earthly is at hand. We are standing on the threshold of the crisis of the ages. In quick succession the judgments of God will follow one another,—fire, and flood, and earthquake, with war and bloodshed. We are not to be surprised at this time by events both great and decisive; for the angel of mercy cannot remain much longer to shelter the impenitent. . . . The storm of God's wrath is gathering; and those only will stand who respond to the invitations of mercy."

Mrs. E. G. WHITE

#### THE JAMAICA VISITOR

#### THE BIBLE STUDY

# OUR RELATION TO THE QUESTION OF TIME.

- 1. Q. What does a wise man study and observe?
- A. Ecc. 8: 5. Time.
- 2. Q. Is life regulated by Time?
- A. Ecc. 3: 1-8. There is a time for everything.

NOTE: The whole universal activity is governed by Time. The sun's rising and setting, the seasons, the days and years, the privilege of prayer, of study, of rest. There is a time to play with our children, and a time to be in the House of God. A wise man lives and acts to time. Promptness is the spring of activity. Tardiness, the "wet blanket" that stifles progress. A tardy person stamps himself with unreliability, instability, and disability. A prompt man can be distinguished by his gait, his uprightness, his integrity.

- 3. Q. What are we exhorted to do with our lost time?
- A. Ephesians 5: 16. Redeem it. As we would say, "Make it up."
- 4. Q. What emphasizes the importance of this?
- A. Ephesians 5: 16. The existing evil.
- 5. Q. What other reason does Paul give?
- A. I Cor. 7: 29. The shortness of our opportunity.
- 6. Q. What fault was found in the Athenians and strangers?
- A. Acts 17: 21. They were ignorant of essential things of God, because they wasted their time in unprofitable and idle conversation and speculation. Many a girl has lured herself into sin's pathways by yielding to this habit. Let the word of the Master burn into our hearts, "Why stand ye here idle all the day?"
- 7. Q. Is there a proper time for prayer?
- A. Psalm 69: 13. Surely.
- 8. Q. What is the proper time to pray?
- A. Psalm 32:6. When in need, the soul knows that the Lord hears its prayer.
- 9. Q. What did the Psalmist ask the Lord to remember?
- A. Psalm 89: 47. How short is our span of life—our opportunity.
- 10. Q. When should our children yield their hearts to Jesus?
- A. Ece. 12: 1. In the days of their youth.
- 11. Q. What is this time called in the Bible?
- A. 2 Cor. 6: 2. The "accepted" timetime to be saved.
- 12. Q. What does the Lord call this time ?A. Ezek. 16:8. A "Time of love."

NOTE: This touching text represents

a young person whose love is maturing, and affections are going out into wider circles than the home and its influences and companions. At that time, Satan would detract the affections, and turn them into sinful pastimes and among unholy companions. Right then, the Lord steps in and asks for the youthful love to be given to Him and His Kingdom. If the soul yields to the Lord, then He covers their sinful life with the garment of His righteousness, makes a covenant, with the child, as in Deut. 26: 17-19, · and adorns them with the ornaments of His grace (vss. 9-13) and prepares them for His eternal Kingdom. Wonderful condescension ! Marvellous love! And how appropriate the time!

- 13. Q. When we have grown spiritually cold and wayward, what is it time to do?
- A. Hos, 10: 12. It is then time to seek the Lord.
- 14. Q. How shall we seek him?
- A. Hosea 14:14. By returning to Him, and asking him to forgive and receive us. We should also persist in seeking Him until we are assured that He has heard us. Jer. 20:13.
- 15. Q. Why should we watch and pray?
- A. Mark 13: 33. Because we do not know what time we may cease to have opportunity.

#### A YEAR OF PROGRESS.

The past year, 1931, has been a year of cheering progress in the work of the Lord in our Island field. I am especially pleased with the good work done in the Jamaica conference. It is reported that five hundred and eight persons were baptized in this conference during the year. That is indeed a splendid record. We welcome these new ones to our fellowship. Haiti baptized about two hundred persons, and Santo Domingo, about one hundred and fifty; so it is evident that when all the reports are gathered, the Antillian Union will show over one thousand baptisms for the year. To each one whose name contributes to the list, we extend a most cordial welcome and extend the right hand of fellowship in the truth and message for our time.

Not only are we glad for this splendid increase of members, but also for the many other evidences of God's blessing that call for gratitude and thanksgiving. Not only numercially is the Lord blessing, but spiritually and financially. While we are passing through a time of great finantial depression in all the world the work of the Lord marches triumphantly forward. Gripping the world as it does, it has affected our income, especially the appropriations which we receive annually from the General Conference, which have had to be greatly reduced. In this we share with the rest of the world, and it has been necessary to reduce the workers' wages; and it is a source of great satisfaction to see the willing spirit of sacrifice that our workers have manifested. All are willing to accept the reduction of wage rather than to have associate workers cut off from the work entirely. Not only has it been necessary to make a reduction in wages, but also the travelling and other expenses incident to the carrying forward of the work. Every economy and conservation possible must be made by all the workers, for it is impossible for the conference administration to make expenditures in excess of its income. There are two sources of income for the direct support of the work in the regular operations of the conference. First, the tithe from the membership of the conference; and, second, the appropriations received from the General Conference. Beyond the receipts from these sources the local administration is not permitted to go in expenditures. It is well, therefore, for all the members to understand that the conference administration is forced to plan its work in harmony with the available resources.

I am personally very pleased for the good spirit of harmony and co-operation among the workers and people of the Jamaica conference in entering heartily and fully into the effort of conservation. We believe that the entire membership of the conference will render unto the Lord a faithful tithe that the work may be carried forward with as little embarrassment as possible in these times of very great stress, for it is indeed a time of great perplexity when the income of our people in all the world has so reduced their tithe and the possibility of making as large offerings as in past years, so that the General Conference finds itself short by hundreds of thousands of dollars of its income.

This is a great perplexity to the brethren at the head of our work, who are very anxious and greatly burdened that the work should be carried forward in as strong a way as possible in all the earth, so that the message of preparation for the coming of Christ may be hastened to all lands.

"And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come." How assuring these words from Jesus! Do we long for His coming to put an end to the reign of sin, sorrow, suffering, and death? Then let us do all possible to hasten the message to all peoples of all the earth that the glad day may be speedily hastened.

At the Workers' meetings, and a meeting of the Conference Commitee recently held, definite plans were laid for a greater soul winning compaign in 1932 than ever before. The ministers will give more of their time to evangelistic work, holding as many series of meetings as possible for the bringing in of new members. This will necessitate the churches getting on with less help from their ministers that they may devote more of their time to preaching the gospel. The General Conference is calling upon our ministry and other workers to enter into this campaign for a greater evangelism in all the world that the message may be more quickly preached and the membership of our churches greatly increased. I am sure that all our people will respond with a hearty "Amen," to this programme and be willing to do with less ministerial help, where such meetings can not be held immediately that others may have the opportunity of hearing the blessed truth for these last days. We appeal also to all our dear people to enter as fully as possible into this soul winning work by their personal endeavours in every line of missionary work. Much can be done by every believer in sowing the seed of truth among relatives and neighbours and thus help to rapidly advance the message. Let all work and pray for this noble and blessed endeavour to win many souls to the light of the truth during 1932.

A. R. OGDEN, Supt. Antillian Union Mission.

#### CARD OF THANKS.

I wish for myself and children to express our sincere and heartfelt appreciation for the many kindly and sympathetic expressions that have come to us from churches and individuals in this time of our great sorrow in the loss of my dear wife.

While it was impossible for me to have been with my dear companion during her last sickness of but two short days duration, it was satisfying that our three children were with her, and with the best medical skill and with the help of kind friends, did all possible to minister to their dear and loving mother.

#### A. R. OGDEN.

#### "LET IT BE, WHEN THOU HEAR-EST THE SOUND, THEN THOU SHALT BESTIR THYSELF"

These words were spoken to David when he was warring with the Philistines. In the driving out of those nations from Palestine, David did not feel that it was by his might or strength that the task would be done, but that it was a work that the Lord was doing for His people. Before he undertook the least of his campaigns he "enquired of the Lord." Yet he had a part to act. When he saw the Lord break forth on his enemies, he was to bestir himself. The Lord had said to him in answer to his enquiry, that when he would see the "going in the typs of the mulberry trees," that that was a sign for him to bestir himself. That is, when he saw the Lord working with power, then he was to cooperate with the Lord in the work of driving out the enemy. It seems in the plan of the Lord, in his work here on the earth, that He wishes to use humanity in the carrying out of His purposes. He might do the work alone, or He might use angels to carry out His plans, but He chooses weak humanity, when they are humble, to accomplish His mighty acts. When David did as the Lord directed, and bestirred himself when he saw the Lord working, á great victory was won.

It seems to me that there is a great lesson in this experience for us in our work for today. We as a people have been looking for the time when the Loud Cry of the message would come-when the latter rain would fall in mighty power and thousands would respond to the invitation to come and prepare for the "Coming of the Lord." A time when the sick would be healed, and other miracles would be wrought. A time when prayer would be seen among God's people as was manifested before the day of Pentecost. A time when doors would be thrown open on every hand for the proclamation of the truth, and hearts would be convicted by the power of the Holy Spirit. A time when hundreds and thousands would be visiting the people and opening before them the word of God. Now the question. Have we not reached that time? Can we not see the going forth of the Lord in a more mighty power than we have seen in the past? And if so, is it not time for US to bestir ourselves?

In a letter just received from America it tells of 8,000 more souls being won for the Lord during the 3rd quarter of the last year than in any 3rd guarter before in North America. At our last Division meeting we heard of wonderful ways in which the Lord was breaking forth in many places. From one tabernacle effort in British Guiana nearly 500 have signed the covenant to keep all the commandments of God, and they have baptisms planned for every Sabbath for more than six weeks to come. Their church will not accommodate one-half of the people who desire to attend. In Trinidad nearly 300 were won for the Lord last year. In Barbados nearly the same number were baptized. These were largely won to the truth by the laity. In the Colombia-Venezuela Union most remarkable experiences were reported. In Mexico a wonderful lay men's movement is in progress in one of the states. At the beginning of the year there were some two or three hundred believers, now they report more than seven hundred. We could recount such experiences in all parts of this great field. God is at work, brethren. Is not this a call to us now as missionary workers to bestir ourselves? While the Lord is working in such marvelous ways, should we not literally do that which the servant of the Lord said she saw the church doing when "hundreds and thousands were seen visiting families and opening before them the word of God?" Let it be, when thou hearest the sound, then thou shalt bestir thyself.

L. V. FINSTER.

#### THOSE GOALS AND SOULS.

At the beginning of this quarter it may be wise to consider a little about the above subject. It is a live matter, and there are differing angles and varying viewpoints from which it may be examined. Much has been said and written about the question as if to suggest that setting goals is inimical to soul winning.

But goals are heaven born. The Sermon on the Mount presents many goals. Every sinner if he would be saved must get his life between those two gate-posts the Lord designates as "Strait." The builder must aim for rock for his foundation, the prophet must present his goal credentials by reaching up to good fruit bearing. The Bible is full of goals which the Lord set for Himself to reach. The 2,300 days holds the Lord down to specific goals which He had to reach on many specific dates; and when we consider that nations and peoples and tongues were all involved, it was no small undertaking. But the Lord always reached His goal in the way and at the time He set it. Even the Coming of our Lord at the first and second advents are timed events-goals for the Lord to reach in His control of human and universal affairs.

Truth to tell, if one makes a goal, he makes plans by which to reach it. Paul set his task to reach the prize of his high calling. His life reveals an indomitable determination that nothing should divert him. He did not beat the air, neither did he consult with his own or any one else's flesh and blood. He says "I therefore so run not as uncertainly; so fight I, not as one that beateth the air." I Cor. 9: 24-27. Before was his goal, and to that he bent his whole time and strength to achieve. This was no haphazard method. Goals create enthusiasm, they demand unceasing energy. They awaken to action every resource of genius, consecration, and strength which a desire to win can stimulate. They provide the sinews of success and the tonic of indomitable determination.

In the work of the Master, Goal-winning is Soul-winning. The goal-less worker is a soul-less laggard. Like the hollow reed from the marshy swamp, there is nothing to prevent its snapping off its duty with the feeble breezes of doubt and discouragement. John Knox said, "Give me Scotland, or I die!" Then he worked to win his goal, and won it.

Dear fellow-worker, set your goal, strive in God's strength and heaven's energy to reach it, and you will find that goals win souls.

Ed.

# News from the Field.

Those who read the reports of the recent meeeting of the I. A. D. Committee may have noticed the inspiring goals set for our M.V. and church members generally. As one of this division's largest fields Jamaica should advance beyond the response of other fields. Instead, it appears that we are very far behind, both in numbers taking the reading courses, as well as in reporting. Goals are not difficult to reach, and they take less time than many imagine. The editor of this paper has read all the courses for 1931 and has received certificates for work reported. It required but a few minutes each day in otherwise busy time. Nothing uplifts one more than good reading. If only fifteen minutes morning and evening is used, it can be done. Try it!

Many cannot afford to buy the books, perhaps. But by forming a band in each church, and appointing a suitable leader, several can subscribe for one book at a time until the course is obtained, read them together, and then report. That is a good way to spend an hour each sabbath day.

The Prince of Wales recently gathered ten thousand young men and women together to talk about the times in which we are living. He made a strong appeal to the youth of the British Empire to rally to the flag and to helpful ministry to the needy. There was pathos in his doleful warning that the depression is not merely a "grin and bear it" for a few months, but requires that we "enlist for duration"

Could not the same words be used to apply to the needed rally to the flag of Zion? Not for a few days or months, but for eternal duration? If we should consecrate our material realities to the advance of an earthly empire, should we not much more put our shoulder under the burden and lift for the finishing of the work of God?

What a picture presented itself in a recent British daily paper: a long line of people standing in cold and rain on a

winter day, patiently awaiting their turn to pay their taxes (not yet due) to help the empire tide over the depression! The line was over two miles long. That truly is loyalty. A similar scene featuring Seventh-day Adventists lining up at the treasurer's office to pay their undue tithes and offerings to help the Cause of God tide over the present crisis would startle the world. But why not? The Prince of eternal peace and salvation appeals to men and women, and young people, to remember their Creator. Remember His need, His claims, His love. Remember that when you receive money your tithe is His, and if you honour Him with the firstfruits of your increase, your barns will be filled with plenty. Let our young people that are evading their responsibility to give to the Lord His own, remember their Creator, and the older people too!

A recent visit to our College at Mandeville impressed us with the steady progress to be seen on every turn. Professor Shafer remarked that he had never seen a new term open with greater ease and promptitude. It was an admirable scene to witness the students occupying the seats in the Chapel, the girls in their "middies," and the young men in their spic-and-spans, all intent upon laying a good foundation for future achievements.

The choir won many laurels of praise in musical display, and the string-saw band touched the musical spot in every heart. Brother "B." with his skillful staff attracted us to the sheet-metal department, but there was no time to talk, except to say "We are full up with work." The humming-bird engine purred away while the intermingling chimes of the saw and the plane bade us not disturb the busy wood-workers who were hard at it.

The printery, cramped and piled up, with a passage  $8\frac{1}{4}$  inches wide to keep out the chairman of the Board—for it certainly could not let him in—and a staff too busy to know that anyone was watching them, and with work for a month ahead, was a very great attraction. The VISITOR was finished by the 25th of the month, and the workers from Professor Rathbun down, were all so happy. Brother Colin smiled, and all the rest joined in.

The new bakery looks promising, and Professor Parchment stalks the land as if he had just built Babylon. You have only got to say the word "profit," and he shows that he knows it by heart, for he is always making it. But as we asked about his problems, his face sobered a bit, and he exclaimed something like this. "You see our problem is this: we have a £300 building to finish, with only £200 to build it with." All we could suggest was that he appeal to Miss Morgan the college mathematician to find the solution. It was no use asking the treasurer! As a kind of opiate we retired to the dining room, where Sister Peake regaled us with samples of the bread, and the viands of the kitchen, and we forgot the problems.

But what a wonderful institution that college is! Last year over £1500 was devoted to the help of students earning their way through school. Is it any wonder that the public hold high opinions of the work done there? Yet—and we must emphasize this—we should have three hundred students there. The present staff of teachers could as easily teach larger classes. Why not every family plan to get their youth up "on the hill" to school?

January 12 was a happy day for the children of the Riversdale Sabbath school. With their parents they spent the day at the home of Pastor and Mrs. H. Fletcher. Refreshments and games intermingled, the children taking full advantage of the swing, the ball-games, and other frolic. Pastor and Mrs. Fletcher showed a great interest in the children and did much to make the day enjoyable. We feel that it is a duty as well as a privilege to make the children happy, not forgetting that all work and no play makes Jack a dull boy.

#### GERALD RENNALLS.

Appointments spelled with a "dis" were prominent in the early days of the first month of this year. A Ministerial and Workers' Institute was planned for the 15th to 21st of this month. Of visiting Brethren we were to have Pastors I. H. Evans, A. R. Ogden, and J. R. McWilliam. Pastor Finster was also to join us from Balboa, and the programme was anticipated with eager interest by hundreds of our own members and the citizens of Kingston. However, the date for their arrival brought the vessel in which they were to sail, but minus the Pastors! Then came a letter asking us to meet four students, which we did, only, like Nebuchadnezzar when he looked in the fire for three men and saw four, we looked on the ship and espied five! Four students, and Pastor L. V. Finster. Next came a cable informing us that the other visitors were unable to secure passage. Pastor I. H. Evans returned to the States, and Pastors Ogden and McWilliam arrived only on the 28th, after the meetings were over.

We will not endeavor to feature the measure of the general disappointment that was felt by our people and the public in not having Pastor Evans with us; and we hear that he also was in the same difficulty. We sincerely hope that when he makes atonement for the misfortune, he will come over and stay twice as long.

We were very glad to welcome the four students, who soon completed their journey to the school. They are from Panama, and we wish them success. As for Pastor Finster, as we looked at him, we could not resist the feeling that he is big enough in his heart and experience to fill the place of the three who did not come. We put him to the test, and every meeting he took us by storm. When talking to the public, he held his audiences. When speaking to the crowds that swarmed into the North St. Church, he made the times pass too quickly. At the Institute, he led us through green pastures of Bible truth, and unfolded the wisdom of our great movement with continued attraction. The days were given to hard study of workers' problems, and we all felt that it was good to be there, and now laity-activities is becoming epidemic.

Two days following the Institute were used for a Home Missionary convention. The churches from far around were represented, and a goodly number gathered to study methods and plans by which the work of God may be hastened on to completion. Pastor Meeker and the President assisted in these meetings, and when they were over, the general sentiment expressed was filled with joy and satisfaction. We praise the Lord for sustaining His servant in the heavy pull on his strength.

Immediately following the North St. Institute, the trio left for the College, where a similar H. M. Institute was held, which was as successful. Officers and members from the adjacent churches came in, and for two days a very profitable time was spent.

We need not take space to outline the programmes, as they are being repeated at many centers throughout the Island. But we will take space to praise the Lord for these uplifting and helpful men who come to us to help carry the burdens of the work.

At the minister's meeting, the following resolutions were unanimously passed:

1. In view of the urgent and pressing call of our denominational leaders to make the year 1932 a strong and outstanding evangelical year, we, the ministers and workers of the Jamaica Conference of Seventh-day Adventists do hereby respond, consecrating ourselves anew to the task of a special endeavour to reach a goal of 500 souls to be added by our own personal efforts, and saptized in 1932, in addition to those broug...t in by the laity, believing that the Lord will help us in this endeavour.

2. That we pledge ourselves while conducting an effort to stand by it until the new converts are fully established in the full faith, and are taking an active part in the usual activities of our Body.

3. That each minister who is not burdened with executive and departmental work, accept for his definite programme for 1932, the holding of at least three full series of meetings in places to be chosen in counsel with the executive committee, such meetings to commence respectively at the following approximate dates:

February 14, May 22, and September 25.

4. That to save expense of building and removing tabernacles, these meetings be held mostly in our church buildings, special consideration being given to churches that have buildings for worship, but are weak in number of members.

5. That where possible, the church members be encouraged to render such assistance as they can at these meetings, and that endeavours be made to meet the expenses connected with each course by nightly collections, and the sale of our literature to the congregations.

6. That in the Big Week and Harvest Ingathering Campaigns our ministers and workers take a lead, and that besides the regular goal required of each worker in the Big Week, they set an individual goal of  $\pm 10$  in the Harvest Ingathering Campaign, for the encouragment of the churches.

7. That we cordially and earnestly urge our churches to loyally hold together and co-operate in every way possible, by assisting in efforts where possible, and by abstaining from plans that would call a minister or worker from his effort; and also by taking part in the Lay Evangelistic movement of the church bands.

We are sure that these resolutions will bring such joy to our members and

increase to our numbers that all will want to co-operate with that readiness that is so characteristic to the Jamaicans, that they will bring our nearly 4,000 members into a steady and united move to win Jamaica for the truth. We trust these resolutions will be carefully studied by all our members, especially the church officers. Then we should pray earnestly and continuously for the reaping of many converts.

Much is said to-day about the DEPRESSION. We ought to say less, because it is depressing to talk about depression. Why not change the word a little, and make it read WEPRESSON. This would leave a lasting impression that will gather joy for the redeemed the other side of Jordan. How is that? read it: We-Press-On. Then let us emphasize the syllables a bit like this—WE-press-on; we-PRESS-on; we-press-ON. Just read it thus two or three times, and if you get a heart attack, find the remedy in the word, and put your own heart into it.

A remarkable response to the ten minute service plan was given at the North Street church on Sabbath, January 30. The building was packed with a very orderly congregation, which had shown much keen interest in the study of the rich young man who went away. The children did not return to the church at the close of the school, thus dispensing with an aged custom, as they observed the ten-minute time in the tabernacle. But Brother Hudson was quickly on the platform, and as the Sabbath school closed, marshalled his force of adjutants, who very quietly filled in the report blanks, Pastor Hutchinson giving encouragement to promptness. Thus, by concerted action, and united effort, our largest congregation had reported. We congratulate Brother Hudson and the North Street members on their precise and efficient endeavour to fall in line.

On the same day, Pastor Ogden gave a very touching account of his wife's demise, taking for his text, "The Blessed Hope." Every heart was moved with deepest sympathy as he related his recent experiences and made a heart appeal to all. The Obituary was read, written by Pastor J. E. Foulton for the funeral, which took place in California. Pastor L. L. Hutchinson called for the singing of "There is a Blessed Hope," and this was followed by words of comfort by the President.

Another phase of this service which added solemnity, was the special prayer offered in response to the call of a letter recently sent to all our churches. During this season, all the male officers of the church occupied a place on the lower rostrum. Prayer was offered by the President, Dr. Johnson, and Pastor L. L. Hutchinson.

The Jamaica Conference Committee met at Kingston, February 2 and 3. We were glad to have the counsel of Pastor A. R. Ogden. The agenda was a very heavy one, not for the number of items to be considered so much as their importance. But the splendid spirit of courage and co-operation manifested by all helped to push the business through.

The two great campaigns were fixed for this year—Big Week May 7-14; and Harvest Ingathering, August 7 to Sept. 30.

In view of the general depression that is felt extensively by our members throughout the Island, it was decided to postpone the consideration of date of our next Conference Session to a later time.

The disbursement of the Harvest Ingathering funds received very close consideration. The amount allowed to the several church schools was maintained at about the same standard as last year, and Montego Bay church school is added to the list, Miss Horthens Williamson being the teacher for 1932.

All the balance was divided among the church buildings as far as possible. Some may be disappointed, but we must patiently wait our turn, for there are so many requests that it is impossible to satisfy them all in one year. In agreeing to this plan, the Conference executive shouldered some heavy sacrifices, as some money is needed to supply urgent requirements in the office. We trust our brethren will appreciate the fact that the Harvest Ingathering funds available for the last three years have been wholly devoted to the finishing or erection of church buildings, church schools, and a little help to the College.

Just a word to our lay members as to how they can help the workers to concentrate upon their respective efforts. If a minister commences an effort February 14, it will be about May 14 before he can leave his interest to attend to other duties. The second effort will take the same length of time, and also the third. During the three periods, we ask the church members to abstain from programmes and other diversions that must involve the presence of a minister, yes, and even the marriages. The ministers will be able to visit some nearby churches perhaps certain Sabbath days. If there are items that are very urgent, possibly they

can be attended to by the Conference executive and departmental brethren.

One thing to be avoided is hurried appointments. If it is desired that the President or other office worker should attend some special need, let everyone remember that with so many churches and companies it is necessary to have our plans laid quite a long way ahead. Then, in case some appointment has already been made, they should be given the privilege of appointing the definite date. So please keep us informed and give us time. We will endeavor to attend to needs as far as possible. In any case, Leaders should counsel with their Superintendents. By careful planning and organized endeavour we can cut down many expenses for travel etc., and erase the word depression from our budget expense account. Do not forget that which ever way it goes, it costs about £4 for every one hundred miles from Kingston and if the same ground has to be covered many times, our expense allowance will soon be exhausted. We can make money by saving it.

Bird's Hill church was en fete January 31, when a very large gathering assembled to the dedicatory service of their churchbuilding. The service was a combined programme, in which Brother Albert Shaw outlined the history of the church, which covers over 26 years. The present building is the third to be completed, the others having suffered destruction by hurricanes. The new building has been erected largely by the efforts of the members without aid, and is painted and attractive. Pastor A. R. Ogden preached the sermon, in which he featured the growth and extent of the work of our denomination. Much interest was shown in this, especially by the friends that came to help us rejoice. The President offered the dedicatory prayer, and Pastor W. H. Randle welcomed the friends present. A good collection was taken up, and Brother Henry, the leader of the church at the present time, assisted.

The service was next changed into a well rendered programme, in which old and young entertained us with very select and choice exhibits which gave evidence of very careful and efficient training. Most of the items were recitations which contained a good moral, the little children leading our thoughts upward toward faith, loyalty, and confidence in God. The music, though without an instrument, was creditable, and the whole audience seemed well pleased. Now the church is considering how to enlarge the building to house the growing interest all around. The new lay movement will doubtless solve the problem. The Lord will still help that faithful company at Bird's Hill.

Here's a telegram that thrilled us all with praise: "Success delivered £91. Delivery not over, money lodged in bank." This is from Brother B. A. Ricketts. In these times that is wonderful, and we extend to our dear Brother most hearty congratulations. In dollars this would be \$438.30. Hard work and stick-to-it won this victory and defied the hard times. Keep at it, Brother.

It was a sad experience to bid "farewell," to Pastor A. R. Ogden, as we parted on the deck of one of the great floating palaces that was to take him to Hayana. He is at this writing on his way toward home, and we realize with sympathetic love the painful ordeal that awaits him when he steps over the home threshold and sees for the first time the vacant place that has been so lovingly filled for 33 years by his now sleeping companion. We know that the fond greeting of his children will pierce his heart, and together the wound sting of death will break upon them afresh. But we pray that God will sustain them all, and sweeten the draught with the assurance of the Blessed Hope.

It was indeed a noble sacrifice which we heartily appreciate for Pastor Ogden to come here at such a time to assist us by his counsel. He came to find us all much perplexed as to the right way to meet the present situation. He did not leave us until the atmosphere cleared, and we thank fim for his aid.

Among the items on the agenda for Sunday, February 21, was a service for the administration of baptism. The attendance was large, and the service in the church impressive. The President gave an address on the subject, showing the difierent viewpoints from which the subject of baptism should be considered-death to self and sin; a new life in which a change is real; marriage to Christ, in which we assume the name and character of our Lord; union with the Body of Christ, in which we accept all the responsibilities of church fellowship; and ambassadorship for God, in which we become His agents for the finishing of His work. The close of the sermon was a brief exposition of Deut. 26: 16-19. Pastor A. C. Stockhausen then led fifteen candidates into the font which has been constructed in the church vard. Two were from Cornwall Baracks. six from Sherwood Forest, and seven from Port Antonio, and most all were the fruit of the labours of our faithful laity.

# MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER WEEK, MARCH 19--26. A Special Message To Our YOUTH In Jamaica.

To Our Jamaica Young People, Greeting.

To-day you are all invited to take part in an earnest, heart-searching Week of Prayer. You will not be alone in this observance, but many thousands of the flower of earth's youth of every race and clime will meet you at the Throne of grace to seek a new and deeper experience in things spiritual.

Difficult times are rushing upon us with bewildering rapidity. We live in an atmosphere of pleasure, folly, sin, and God-forgetfulness. The abounding iniquity foretold by Jesus is causing many to stumble, and the world is rushing to its doom. The statements of Inspiration which you will find on the front page of the March VISITOR will impress you that our times demand that we possess a more than ordinary Christian fortitude, a devotion to God's cause and righteous principle, and a loyalty to His law, which are not common among men.

Recently we found in our magazine, *The Ministry*, a quotation from the pen of Sir Philip Gibbs, who says,

"Scientists of to-day, the wisest of them, are filled with great anxieties about the near future, and prophesy dark things, They are afraid of the powers they are putting into the hands of men. They have no great faith in man's intelligence or moral code. When they stare starkly ahead, many of them see a fiercer struggle for existence than has yet happened."

Many such statements have been made of late, and we may add one that was written by the Lord's servant many years ago in an old edition of the *Great Controversy*—"The season of distress and anguish before us will require a faith that can endure weariness, delay, and hunger. —a faith that will not faint, though severely tried. The period of probation is granted to all to prepare for that time."

From this it will be clear that every soul needs to make thorough preparation in order to successfully and victoriously meet this crisis upon which we have now entered. To impress this thought more fully, we quote again from this book: "It is often the case that trouble is greater in anticipation than in reality; but this is not true of the crisis before us. The most vivid presentation cannot reach the magnitude of the ordeal. And now, while the precious Saviour is making an atonement for us, we should seek to become perfect in Christ . . . None can neglect or defer this work but at the most fearful peril to their souls.'

Already we have heard of some who

have become disheartened and discouraged. Not realizing their need of a shelter and through their lack of consecration they have lost happiness and buoyancy so characteristic of youth. Had they been prepared by seeking Jesus, and making Him a sare Friend, no crisis would mar their peace, no disappointment would have crushed their spirit. Of such the prophet Jeremiah asks. "If thou hast run with the footmen, and they have wearied thee, then how canst thou contend with horses? And if in the land of peace wherein thou trustedst, they wearied thee, then how wilt thou do in the swelling of Jordan?" Jer. 12:5. Oh, how sad is the picture of one, who, having once enjoyed the blessing of salvation, goes into despair, and steps into the path of perdition!

Do not forget that the Lord has a place for you in the movings of His Spirit. His plan definitely includes YOU. Many of the old pioneer warriors are passing into the sleep they have earned, to rest from their labours. The youth of to-day must step into their places. There is no one else. Will you not in this Week of Prayer seek the enrichment of a new experience that will fit you to step into the vacancies on the battle-front? Listen to this: "Youthful talent, well organized and well trained, is needed in our churches." And again, "In order that the work may go forward in all its branches, God calls for vouthful vigour, zeal, and courage. He has chosen the youth to aid in the advancement of His cause.'

When the prophets of old began to warn Israel of impending crises, mothers took their boys and girls, taught them the promises of God and their duty to Him, and prepared them to meet the temptations that would accompany future trials. Daniel's mother, for instance, devoted hours each day for months preparing him for the Babylonian captivity. In the test, we find him with a well anchored purpose to uphold the principles he had learned, in the face of death. Then we find him calling his chums to prayer. He had learned to do that years before. In the crisis he went to God and told Him all about it, and asked for help just as he used to do before the trial came. He never wavered in his confidence in God. He had learned before to trust Him and to be true when tested. Now by holding fast to his consecration, he stepped up and up until he practically ruled the world and enlightened it with the knowledge of the true God.

This story may yet be repeated in your life: "Many a lad of to-day, growing up as did Daniel in his Judean home, studying God's word and His works, and learning the lessons of faithful service, will yet stand in legislative assemblies, in halls of justice, or in royal courts, as a witness for the King of kings." *Education*, p. 262.

Do you not feel, dear young friends, that, the hour calls loudly to you to prepare for the future? Will you not in this Week of Prayer seek the Lord for a baptism of His Holy Spirit to fire you with new zeal, deeper consecration, and unblemished purity? We know it will take all your heart, your strength, your mind, and your soul; but these in your own hands will only mar your prospects, while in God's wonderful hands, they will become beautiful, and bring you and those whom you win for Jesus, untold happiness.

Praying the dear Lord to visit you with His saving grace, I am your sincere brother in Christ,

HERBERT J. EDMED.



When we realize how rapidly we are hastening on to the Great Harvest day, it gives us pleasure to find our Sabbath Schools, notwithstanding the depression. increasing their gifts so that workers may be sent with this gospel of the kingdom to all the world. The past two quarters show an increase over the first half of 1931, and had we done as well the first two quarters, we would compare very favourably with 1930, but we show a little decrease in the year's offerings. We trust that in 1932 we will continue to progress as we have done the last half year for if ever there was a time our Sabbath schools needed to "Lift" it is now. Our Sabbath schools throughout the world have for many years provided half of all the means that have been expended on our missionary enterprises and we must keep up this record. What joy will be theirs to see in the Sabbath School of the Hereafter thousands saved as the result of their gifts!

It is well to set a financial goal for the school, and if the officers will lead out in an enthusiastic way to reach it, we are sure new life and devotion will be the members' experience. Sister J. A. Reid, wife of Pastor Reid, who is superintendent of our Regent St. school this year writes very encouragingly on this point. She says, "We set a goal at the first of the year and I am glad to say we have reached the mark every week and over. We had such an interesting day Sabbath last, that at the social meeting almost every one expressed how that the Spirit of the Lord had been in the place from the time Sabbath school began.

The financial goal set for the Sabbath schools in the Inter-American Division for 1932 is an average of 3d. per church member each week instead of  $3\frac{3}{4}d$ . as in the past. Now that the goal is reduced; do not reduce your gifts, for, remember it is an *average* of 3d. Some cannot reach it, but others can do more, so let each one give as the Lord has prospered him.

Our Investment offering for the past quarter is the best on record since this fund was started in Jamaica for any one quarter, being \$145.60. We are glad our Sabbath school members are taking hold so nicely of this easy means of raising our gifts to missions.

Our Birthday offerings have also increased as will be seen from the comparative table below. These are sacredly set apart for new work and new workers in the Mission-fields. Our shortage comes in the Regular offerings and the Thirteenth Sabbath. As the overflow of this offering goes to a special field to supply a special need, let every Sabbath school make the Thirteenth Sabbath a very special day by giving a special offering. We fear that some of our schools have lost sight of the fact that there is anything special about the day. The Goal set for this day by the Inter-American Division is an average of one shilling for each church member. If. every one will give as he is able, we should reach this goal.

The Daily Study and Perfect Attendance goals have been reached by a larger number of our members as the comparative table will show.

#### Sabbath Schools and Membership

	Schools		Membership		
1931	105		4555		
1930	95		4243		
	Mission	Offering	<b>;s.</b>		
	12 Sabs.		13th.		
1931	\$3595.99		\$1219.60		
	B. Day	Inv. Fnd	l. Total		
1931	\$59.51	\$316.49	\$4815.39		
	12 Sab	š. '	13th.		
1930	\$3768.9	7	\$1462.26		
	B. Day	Inv. Fnd	l. Total		
1930	\$38.84	\$233.67	\$5231.23		
Honour Cards and Book Marks.					
	CARDS	\$	BOOKMARKS		
1001					

1931	2931	274
1930	2427	234
Of the	271 Bookmarks	sent out for the

Of the 271 Bookmarks sent out for the past year, 160 received them for the first

year, 66 for the second year, 28 for the third year, 7 for the fourth and fifth, and and one for the sixth, seventh, and eighth years.

Besides those mentioned in our issue last month, the following have attained to a five year's perfect record:

North St. Kingston, Mrs. R. Rubey, Mrs. M. Knibbs, Mrs. Allison.

Spanish Town, Mr. C. W. Gibson, Ocho Rios, Mr. W. A. Stevens.

Regent St., Mr. C. E. Law.

March Town, Miss A. W. Sangster.

This Department offers its hearty congratulations to all these and extends its best wishes for a continuation of these splendid records.



#### HOW A COLPORTEUR ESCAPED PRISON

A colporteur was arrested and brought before the Judge. He was sentenced to go to prison so many days or pay a fine. The colporteur said, "I will go to prison." But the priests and the government men did not want to put him in prison for fear he would influence those who were there. They said, "If we put him in prison, he will carry on his propaganda there, and the first thing we know all the prisoners will begin to believe as he does." Then they turned to the colporteur and said, "If you have no money to pay you are a free man, because we will not put you in prison." So the colporteur was free to go about his work again.

FIELD SECRETARY SAKNIT.

#### NIGHT WORK

Roger Babson, an eminent business authority, makes this observation-"From 8:00 A. M. to 5:00 P. M. most people are employed, but from 5:00 P. M. to 8:00 A. M. they are customers." Secretary. Fleming of Greater New York writes: -"The colporteurs who have tried out evening work find it the best time to work. This is particularly true among the foreigners. Their women are reluctant to buy without consulting their husbands. In the foreign section we find that from 4:00 P. M. to 9:30 or 10:00 P. M. is the best time to make calls. One colporteur working evenings has practically doubled his sales. He also finds it easier to secure advance payments. This method is particularly successful in families where the man and wife are employed."

From the Pub. Dept. Digest.

Good news come from our dear Colporteurs this month. Bro. Ricketts' delivery has increased since we sent in the MS for this month, and is now over £120. That is over \$600. Brother Nation has been out with Brother Harold Fletcher, and has secured £34 worth of orders in a few days. Bravo, lads, keep the ball rolling. Who says we cannot earn a scholarship these days!

#### **Colporteur Report**

January, 1932.

NAME	HOURS	SALES	DELIVERIES
Dawkins, A.	47	23.18. 0	
Destoe, K.	43	12. 7. 9	17. 5. 9
Edwards, J. N.	25	20. 0. 0	
Fletcher, H. H.			20. 0. 0
Haig, A. R.			8. 0. 0
Hurst, B. E.	,	· •	9.0.0
Miller, H. G.	53	32.19.9	4.14. 9
Reid, E. C. H.	,	2.12. 0	2.10. 0
Ricketts, B. A.	92	78.13. 3	11. 3
Ricketts, C.	39	13. 3. 0	
Robinson, A.	330	(6 mos.)	57. 5. 6
Spence, A.	26	19. 5. 6	
Wallace, R.	96	41.15.0	2, 4, 0
13	751	£244.14. 3	£121.11. 3



#### NEWS NOTES

The first six-week period of the 1932 school year is now in the past. Examinations are over and on the whole all did well. The average grade is much higher than last year, which speaks well for the industry and effort of our student body.

We are indeed thankful for the way the Lord has blessed us in our industries during the past year. Each department was kept busy the entire year. Just now the printing and wood products departments are nearly overwhelmed with work. The printery is booking more orders now per week than it did per month a few months back. If no more orders came in for a whole month they would still have work.

Orders for furniture are also pouring in, more orders being booked now than we have had at any one time during the past year and a half.

Our bakery also continues to run at full capacity. We shall be very thankful when we get into our new building.

January and February are usually slow months for the Sheet Metal department and this year is no exception. They have not been without work as yet, neither have they been especially crowded. Their work will probably pick up as we approach the rainy season.

We are certainly thankful for these departments and for their progress, as they are a source of education as well as a means of financial aid to the students. All but three of the boarding students enrolled this year are working a part of their way in these departments. Several are working their entire way.

At the time of writing the Week of Prayer for the school has just begun. We are very fortunate in having Pastors Finster and Edmed with us for the week, with Pastor Finster leading out in the studies. We are very thankful that Pastor Finster could remain with us for the week as he has had much experience in our schools and with our young people. We feel sure that the Lord will bless his efforts here as in other places, and that the Week of Prayer will prove a real blessing to all. A very wholesome spirit is manifest on the part of the students which is conducive to the Holy Spirit in our hearts. R. E. Shafer.

One of the early Saturday nights of the school year was devoted to the re-organization of the clubs. The officers elected for the school year 1932 are as follows:—

EXCELSIOR CLUB (Young Men) C. A. Pitter, President, V. S. Bent, Vice-President, Earl Fletcher, Secretary, Thomas Galliano, Asst. Secretary, Ralph Galliano, Sergeant-at-Arms, B. R. Hamilton, Treasurer. PHILMELODIC CLUB (Young Ladies) Miss V. Ebanks, President,

Miss L. Wilson, Vice-President,

Miss I. Smith, Secretary-Treasurer,

Miss M. Willis, Asst. Secretary-Treasurer.

Saturday night, February 6, while the young ladies were busy washing dishes ready for supper, the Entertainment Committee, assisted by a number of young men, was occupied in re-arranging the chapel as a parlour with a number of homelike touches, and soon after supper all gathered there to enjoy the program provided by the Faculty. Each Faculty member had a part, and judging by the hearty applause, every item was thoroughly enjoyed by the students.

We are glad for the interest being manifested by our more advanced students in the new College Courses being offered. At the present time we have six students taking college work. Our latest recruit is Mr. U. E. Morgan, who graduated from twelfth grade in 1930, and after spending some time in conference and colporteur work has now returned to continue his studies. E. M. EDMED.

# Young People's Page

#### TRANSLATING WHILE DYING.

There are many sides to the question of the value of the dear old Bible. It is so cheap and generally possessed to-day that we are apt to forget what it has cost to give it to us. Usually, it is the costly things that we value most. But too often, we forget that this most priceless treasure which the Lord has made it possible for even the poorest to have was placed in our hands at the cost of much suffering, and even life itself, yet is treated with neglect and carelessness that almost amounts to irreverence, if not blasphemy.

We hesitate to take up the Bible Year and the Morning Watch, often because we do not prize the opportunity as we should. But the stories of what men suffered to give us God's Book in our own tongue should inspire us to greater love for its contents. Men have suffered persecution and even death for their endeavours to give us the Bible.

It was an evening when the shades of night were fast falling in more senses than one, that the venerable monk of Jarrow—the famous Baede, or Bede—was struggling bravely against physical pain, infirmity, and exhaustion. Death dews were fast gathering upon his furrowed brow; and he lay propped up in his hard bed dictating the Gospel of John from the Latin to the English tongue. Around his bed were gathered a number of fair Saxon youth who had learned to love and respect their teacher, whose vast store of knowledge and sweet disposition had made him the idol of the university. He was the most famous scholar of his day, and could have gone down to his grave with national laurels and honour had he so desired. But he cherished an overmastering desire to give us the Word of God in our own language, and the threats of a fast approaching death did not deter him.

His limbs were swelling fast, and his laboured breathing threatened to thwart him. His frail body scarcely stood the strain of the position. But in his resting moments he reflected upon the sufferings of Jesus, and the cost of his salvation, as his heart swelled with new vitality and thanksgiving. The angels of light stood by and sustained the noble saint as he would call his scribe to his side to take down the translation. At last the writer exclaimed, "There remains but one chapter!" Tears blinded the youthful eyes, so that it was hard to write, as he said, "It seems very hard for you to speak."

But Bede replied softly, "Nay, it is easy, take up thy pen and write quickly."

Verse by verse poured from the lips of the dying saint. The scribe found it difficult to write as fast as the words were given. Listen! He has translated the Lord's last interview with Peter and the touching dialouge of John 20. Now, verse 24 was written down. Hoping to cheer the old man, the youth exclaimed with quivering lips, "And now, Father, only one sentence remains;" and the closing sentence was soon completed. The task was done, "It is finished, Master," whispered the scribe again. "Ay it is finished; lift me up and place me by the window of my cell, where I have so often prayed to my God," said the dving man.

Loving, yet trembling hands, lifted the feeble form carefully, and the closing of a great life was marked by moving lips, unheard as they committed one of God's great benefactors to rest.

Yes, Bede was dead. But his last and greatest work lives on. He wrought it for us in the burning fires of suffering—do we value it? Do we appreciate it? Do we love it? And will Bede meet us among the trophies of grace when the saved walk the streets of the New Jerusalem?



#### A big tent had been put up under the trees in a shady plat of land down Blank Street. Hand bills were sent out inviting the people to the meetings, and when they began, a goodly congregation attended to hear what the preacher had to say. He had a large motto over the desk, with the words, "Behold He cometh," in very bold letters, and the children had gathered the green and flowers and helped in preparing the tent.

A number of musical people offered to help with the music, and the singing was made very lively with the little band a cornet, two violins, one double bass, and one cello.

There were some lovely mottos hung around the walls, and when the tent was full it looked very comfy and pretty. On the front seat, which no one seemed to want there sat one lone little girl. She was about ten years of age; and when the chart showing all the wonderful things

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from Daniel and the Revelation were explained, little Mary looked so interested. After the preacher had explained Nebuchadnezzar's dream, she came to the preacher and asked if the beasts would be explained soon. He said yes, and she ran away quite happy.

Next morning, while the minister was cleaning up the tent, little Mary came in with a duster and helped, and showed a great interest in the meetings. The preacher asked her whether she had a father and mother who could attend the meeting and, she said, "Yes, but they belong to the big church on the corner, and Daddie says he does not want to come to the tent." "Well," said the preacher, "you try and bring him, wont you?" Little Mary looked a bit sad, for she had already tried hard to get her parents to attend. She told them all about the coming of Jesus, and the dream of the heathen king, and then she went to Jesus and asked Him to bring them to the meeting. How happy she was when the evening came, and they went with her, and her two little brothers, and sat on the same row where Mary always sat.

Mary could sing too, and everybody could hear her shrill little voice rising above all the others, and when the service was over, she brought her Papa and Mamma over to the preacher, and he was very happy when they said they had enjoyed the meeting and would come again.

From that time, they all attended every meeting; Mary and her little brothers became very much attached to the preacher, and they spent all the time they could helping at the tent or taking out invitations to the people. They brought quite a lot of people to the tent; and one night, when the preacher had told about the Lord's Sabbath, and that we ought to keep the seventh day, he asked how many would that night promise the Lord that they would never knowingly break another Sabbath day, little Mary and her parents were the first to stand up; over fifty others promised the Lord that night, and the preacher was so happy that when he prayed he thanked the Lord for this harvest of his work, and wept.

Some time after, there was a large gathering by the river. The candidates for

baptism stood out separate, and a solemn service was conducted. Then the Pastor led little Mary and her father and mother into the water, and baptized the three together. As the boys grew up they also followed on and were baptized, and Mary counts that when Jesus gives her a crown to wear in Heaven, it will have one star for Papa one for Mamma, one for little Willie, and one for Angus. And Mary will shine with glory too, and it all came through her love for Jesus and her effort to save her parents. Have you tried to save your loved ones?

#### Names of Little Folks answering Thinking-Cap Questions :

Egerton Brown, Larkland Lynch, Cyril Wright, Claris Gordon, Levin Bennett, Eric Plummer, Kenneth Robinson, Edgar Bennett, Louie Bennett, Carmen Bradshaw, Edward Chen, Luna Davis, Ellis Anderson, Haskell Webber, Syboid Morgan, Endora Webber, Luceil Jones, Chester Jones, Earl Duhaney, Elsie Mackintosh, Edna Mae Watt, Roy Crosbie, Daphne Crosbie, Evelyn Fletcher, Curdell Duhaney, Swiftly McIntosh, Enid Billet, Veta Henriques, Vivia Henriques, Ena Henriques, Winnie Stern, Charley Duren, Asenath Dolley, A. Haffenden.

#### **Thinking Cap Questions**

Who took honey out of a lion?
Who saw a tree that was so high that it reached up to heaven?

3. Who saw a ladder that reached from earth to heaven?

4. What man are we told first preached about the second coming of Jesus?

5. What king gathered the men and women and children together to pray for help in a great war?

#### ADDITIONAL NEWS NOTES

The new effort at Morant Bay is now about to commence. A site has been secured next to the Court House, right in the center of the town, and the Tabernacle has been so constructed that it can be removed without damage. For reaching the society folks a specially attractive yet inexpensive invitation was sent to them by post. The enthusiasm manifested by the public already gives promise of a large interest. We trust our members will pray specially for the efforts that are now about to commence. Pastor Stockhausen recently announced that he has set a goal for the Lord to give him 200 converts in 1932. Several local brethren are rallying to his aid and are working hard.

"Our people have been regarded as too insignificant to be worthy of notice; but a change will come. The Christian world is now making movements which will necessarily bring commandment-keeping people into prominence. Every soul will be tested."—Vol. V, p. 546.

Hello mosquito! Malaria is one of our most dreaded enemies, and the mosquito is to blame. Recent discoveries of a German doctor, have provided a drug which he claims is able to both prevent and cure the dreaded malady. Taken in tablet form, this Plasmoquine brand of Beprochin destroys the germ in human blood, and should a mosquito bite one who has taken the drug, it would also be cured. We must confess that our only interest in curing the anopheles imp is a selfish one; nevertheless we will forget that phase of the remedy if only we can get rid of Malaria.

Several reports have just come in, but we will have to hold them over for the next VISITOR.

#### OBITUARY

Mrs. Emma Smith born at Jointwood, in the parish of St. Elizabeth, died October 13, 1931. Sister Smith was of a quiet disposition, and although an invalid for several years, bore her sufferings with much patience until the end. Brethren Wallace and Williams conducted the funeral service.

Dan. J. Smith

Irene Reid, of Bird's Hill, died December 16 after a brief but painful illness. Sister Reid was baptized in 1922, by Pastor C. E. Wood and was taken ill during one of the recent Week of Prayer services, and died shortly afterwards. She leaves a husband and five children—one of them a new-born babe—to mourn her loss, and the wide respect in which she was held was shown by the large concurse of mourners that filled the church at the funeral service, which was conducted by Brother A. Shaw.

Morgan, Edward R., leader of the Beeson Spring Church. Bro. Morgan accepted the truth in April 1922, and has been a faithful and active member since, occupying several church offices with efficiency. He was also a great worker among his neighbours and friends. He was born Jan. 15, 1885 and died on the 14th of the same month 1932. Pastor M. Jones conducted the funeral. Brother Morgan leaves a wife, four sons and three daughters, and many friends to mourn his loss.