

# The Jamaica Visitor

VOL. 7

KINGSTON, JAMAICA, DECEMBER, 1932

No. 2

## HOMeward BOUND.

"As I hear of the terrible calamities that from week to week are taking place, I ask myself, What do these things mean? The most awful disasters are following one another in quick succession. How frequently we hear of earthquakes and tornadoes, of destruction by fire and flood with great loss of life and property! Apparently the calamities are capricious outbreaks of seemingly disorganized, unregulated forces, but in them God's purpose may be read. They are one of the means by which He seeks to arouse men and women to a sense of their danger.

"The coming of Christ is nearer than when we first believed. The great controversy is nearing its end. The judgments of God are in the land. They speak in solemn warning, saying, 'Be ye also ready; for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh.' Matt. 24: 44.

"But there are many, many in our churches who know little of the meaning of the truth for this time. I appeal to them not to disregard the fulfilling of the signs of the times, which says so plainly that the end is near. O, how many who have not sought their souls' salvation will soon make the bitter lamentation, 'The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and my soul is not saved!'

"We are living in the closing scenes of this earth's history. Prophecy is fast fulfilling. The hours of probation are fast passing. We have no time—not a moment—to lose. Let us not be found sleeping on guard. Let no one say in his heart or by his works, 'My Lord delayeth His coming!' Let the message of Christ's soon return sound forth in earnest words of warning. Let us persuade men and women everywhere to repent, and flee from the wrath to come. Let us arouse them to immediate preparation; for we little know what is before us. Let ministers and lay members go forth into the ripening fields, to tell the unconcerned and indifferent to seek the Lord while He may be found. The workers will find their harvest wherever they proclaim the forgotten truths of the Bible. They will find those who will accept the truth and will devote their lives to winning souls to Christ.

"The Lord is soon to come, and we must be prepared to meet him in peace. Let us be determined to do all in our power to impart light to those around us. We are not to be sad, but cheerful, and we are to keep the Lord Jesus ever before us. He is soon coming and we must be ready and waiting for His appearing. O, how glorious it will be to see Him, and be welcomed as His redeemed ones! Long have we waited; but our hope is not to grow dim. If we can but see the King in His beauty, we shall be forever blessed. I feel as if I must cry aloud, 'Homeward bound!' We are nearing the time when Christ will come in power and great glory to take His ransomed ones to their eternal home."

---

"In the great closing work we shall meet with perplexities that we know not how to deal with; but let us not forget that the three great powers of heaven are working, that a divine hand is on the wheel, and that God will bring His promises to pass. He will gather from the world a people who will serve Him in righteousness."—Mrs. E. G. White, in *Testimonies for the Church*, Vol. 8, pp. 252-254.

## THE BIBLE STUDY

### PATIENCE

#### A Study on Rev. 14 : 12.

Three outstanding characteristics of the redeemed are mentioned by the Apostle John. They are patient, they keep the commandments of God, and they have the faith of Jesus. James the prophet of last day conditions, especially exhorts to patience. It would appear that this grace of character is especially needed by those who live in the day of Christ's return, for then it is that Satan is to reveal his great power. Impatience is, perhaps, the ground of greatest backsliding. There is much occasion but no need for it. In the home, in the daily work, in the church, indeed in all the avenues of life something is constantly appearing to tax the patience of him who desires to follow Christ. Circumstances and conditions both within and beyond our control cause the cords holding our feelings and words to snap and we feel, do, or say that which is unChristlike. Now, Christ has promised to heal all our backslidings, and as impatience is the cause of most backsliding, He will heal it. He has promised to write His law in the hearts of those who wish to follow Him. It is only when men love His law that they can possibly fully follow Him. Then is fulfilled the promise of God, "Great peace have they which love thy law, and nothing shall offend them." How wonderfully enjoyable is the course of a life that is offended by nothing, no matter how annoying. Christ's patience was prophesied of by Isaiah in the words, "A bruised reed shall He not break, and the smoking flax shall He not quench." Patience overcomes all criticism. It covers the faults and shortcomings of others. It promotes love in the home and unity among brethren. It is not a negative but a positive element of character. It secures results. It shall "not fail nor be discouraged" before its righteous cause. It is the source of great accomplishments of men as well as the happiness of the humblest home. It is the gift of God to be had for the asking and taking. Those who are redeemed from among men have the patience of saints as well as being able to keep the commandments of God and hold the faith of Jesus. These are the elements of the gospel which the missionary,—he who is sent of God—preaches. And he preaches all three of them by his life more forcibly than by his words.

FREDERICK GRIGGS.

"The first hour of the morning is the rudder of the day."

### SHALL WE HOLD OUR MISSIONS

BY MRS. E. G. WHITE

I know that times are hard, money is not plentiful; but the truth must be spread, and money to spread it must be placed in the treasury. Our message is worldwide; yet many are doing literally nothing, many more so very little, with so great a want of faith, that it is next to nothing. Shall we abandon the fields that we have already opened in foreign countries? Shall we falter and become laggards now, in the very last scenes of this earth's history? My heart says, No, no! I cannot contemplate this question without a burning zeal to have the work go. We would not deny our faith, we would not deny Christ, yet we shall do this unless we move forward as the providence of God opens the way. The work must not stop for want of means.

### RECENT ACTIVITIES

Since my recent illness in Kingston I have had the privilege of visiting a number of places in Jamaica and other Islands. In company with Pastor and Sister Edmed the week-end September 23-25 was very pleasantly, and we trust profitably, spent at Guy's Hill where we were comfortably and happily entertained in the home of Brother and Sister Walker. Sabbath day service was held with the church at Guys Hill. Sunday the 25th the dedication of the Gayle church was conducted. We are glad to know that our people have erected such a representative and substantial building to stand as a memorial to the message, and so beautifully situated in Gayle. The building is another memorial erected to the truth and message of God in Jamaica and one more to the credit of the hard work and earnest effort of Pastor H. Fletcher. These buildings do much to add permanence and strength to our work.

The following week-end we spent the Sabbath at the College at Mandeville. This has been fully reported in a previous issue so I will not speak at length of the services held at this time. The day following, the second of October, another neat and well erected church building was dedicated at Newport, the result of the efficient leadership of Brother E. E. Parchment with the faithful efforts of brethren and friends who assisted so nobly in the erection of this edifice which adds one more to the memorials for God's last great saving message in the island of Jamaica. Large gatherings of friends and neighbours gathered at these dedicatory services to listen to the message presented.

On the Tuesday following—October 4—I left for a hasty trip to Porto Rico to

meet with the brethren in counsel over the losses of several church buildings occasioned by the recent hurricane of the week before. While we are very sorry indeed to know that four buildings were completely destroyed and two or three others more or less seriously damaged, yet we are glad to believe that out of the ruin and wreckage the Lord will bring good in the erection of some better and more substantial buildings. While the Devil delights in destroying life and property, God only permits him to go as far in this work of devastation as may redound to His glory and the advancement of the truth. The wrath of the enemy shall praise Him and the remainder of wrath will He restrain. We are glad to report to the glory of God that none of the lives of our people were taken while hundreds of others were killed, and no member of our churches was injured more than one or two who suffered very minor bruises. It is truly remarkable how the Lord does protect and care for His people in these times of calamity. Psalm ninety-one is a very precious life protection policy to the believing trusting child of God in such times of calamity.

After the few days spent in Porto Rico I stopped over the week end in Santa Domingo city. Our eyes were made happy and the heart to rejoice to see how the work of the message is prospering in that city. Where our little church building was completely destroyed two years ago we now have the large new "temple" filled with worshippers. The Sabbath school membership including a large Home department now numbers over five hundred in Santa Domingo City. It is indeed marvelous how God is blessing the work in that city. On returning from Porto Rico and Santa Domingo I was happy to spend the following week-end, October 21-25, at at the College attending the annual closing exercises. On Sabbath I had the privilege of preaching the baccalaureate sermon to the graduating class. On Monday night the graduating exercises took place which was a real credit to the good and efficient work of the College. Professor Shafer's graduating address to the class was a clear presentation of the reasons for our conducting schools of this character. The day following I have had the privilege of speaking to our churches in Kingston on occasion.

A. R. OGDEN.

### HEAVEN'S AMOURIES OPENING

October-November weather season this year will long be remembered with distinction. Unusual depressions with their

attendant spells of heat of a very trying intensity, followed by storms and high winds of unusually destructive force, have emphasized the uncertainty of human life in hundreds of families residing in a wide area. To-day thousands lie lifeless who but a few days ago were enjoying physical health and strength and moving among their friends with every prospect of longevity. Some were snatched by angry waves, some by devouring fires, some were buried alive 'neath falling debris, while we know not how many were snatched from us by agencies unsuspected. Porto Rico first signalled her distress, and we had scarcely sent to her succour when Jamaica and the Leeward Islands simultaneously prepared for what might be. But our imagination cannot grasp the possibilities of Nature, and what we expected did not come; what we did not expect came. From Ne-gril to Port Morant, the whole northern coast felt the chastening rod that beat down property, fruit, and docks, but spared our people. As if to show a special dislike for our produce, the high winds attacked our lands throughout the Island, and most of it is to-day an agricultural wreck. We thank the Lord for our spared lives. We began life with nothing, and He has graciously cared for us all the years, and now that our garden is a wilderness, He can still lead us like a Shepherd, and He will.

The main cyclonic movement appears to have traversed the Caribbean midway between Jamaica and the northern coast of Columbia—possibly farther East. But it was not too steady and touched our Western end with bitter results to some of our best coast lands. Then it swept round to the Cayman groupe and completely devastated the two small islands, killing and wounding many and leaving them marooned upon a barren Island without home, food, or cover. From thence, it moved to Cuba, crossed a part of that Island killing 2,000 unsuspecting persons and wounding several thousand others. It buried one town 21 feet under sea water and when the waves receded there was not a living person, or a house, or any living thing to tell the story. Unsatiated it passed the Bahamas, touching a few of the smaller ones, and thence to the United States, where we hope it spent itself.

To all who have suffered loss or bereavement or both, we extend our heart-sympathies and would point them to the God of all comfort in whose hands we are. We are told in Psalm 148: 8, that stormy winds fulfill His word. Maybe Isaiah 26: 9 explains this, for it says that when God's Judgments are in the earth, the inhabitants of the world will learn

righteousness. The world needs something unusual to awaken it from its spiritual slumber. Preaching seems to have lost its attractiveness to many. The truth does not impress human hearts as it used to do fifty years ago. Mad-set on pleasure, vice, and sport, steeped in cold religious formality, and shelving the fundamentals of heaven's home life, men are carelessly rejecting the highways of God. They are sleeping when they should be wide awake to eternal realities. This calls for the appearance of preachers of greater strength than human ambassadors—and God speaks to us all in the voice of calamity. It was His way with Israel (see Amos 4). And He wants us to consider, "For, lo, He that formeth the mountains, and createth the wind, and declareth to man what is his thought, that maketh the morning darkness, and treadeth upon the high places of the earth, The Lord, The God of hosts, is His name." Amos 4: 13.

Dear Brethren, let us seriously consider our own personal spiritual relationships, for we know not when or how quickly and suddenly our lives may be involved in some calamity. And in the meantime, let us not think too much of our material losses. Like the prophet, let us say, "Although the fig-tree shall not blossom, neither shall fruit be in the vines; the labour of the olives shall fail, and the fields shall yield no meat, the flock shall be cut off from the fold, and there shall be no herd in the stalls; yet will I rejoice in the Lord, I will joy in the God of my salvation." HAB. 3: 17.

H. J. E.

#### GEMS FROM THE MINES OF ACTIVITY

##### What Old Books and Papers Do.

Many years ago a Seventh-day Adventist family lived in a village far up in the Mile Gully mountains. They lived faithful lives, and although no one accepted the truth in their neighbourhood, the people respected them highly, and they left good impressions on the minds of many. The wife died, and later the husband gave up the truth and left the place, having sold the property.

On vacating the premises this man left behind many remnants of papers, old books, etc., and the wife of the new tenant read these until she began to observe the Sabbath. Her husband did not yield easily to his wife's new light, until one Friday night he returned home with the good news that he had decided to obey the command also. As a result we organized a Sabbath school of 17. The brethren of the Coleyville Church have been a great help to them and five of their number were recently baptized, and

several others are waiting for the next opportunity.

Never throw away the old books or papers bearing the last Message of God. Someone may give you credit in the New Earth for those you may have left in some place which ministered to their salvation. There are great surprises awaiting those who keep on sowing, in spite of no immediate results. Let us be of good courage sowing beside all waters until the Lord of the Harvest comes.

LIN RASHFORD.

#### Mount Peace Church.

This little church, five miles from Lucea, consists of very poor people, but they are rich toward God. Sister Scarlett, the leader, finding that the immediate neighbourhood only yielded a few fruits to the Message, directed the operations of her little regiment into fields afar, and as a result, some captives have been delivered.

Sunday, Sept. 18, was a day of great rejoicing, when twelve precious souls united with the other Adventist band by Baptism.

A crowd of several hundred persons heard the solemn message of preparation to meet Jesus, and witnessed the rite. Thus two new districts and centers have been created. To God be the glory.

G. A. E. SMITH.

#### A New Church.

The Petersfield Church, formerly a company known as Water-Works, have been functioning for over seven years, their membership being held at Darliston Church.

The writer was invited to take over the territory of the late beloved Pastor Jones about this time, the number increased by baptism held at Darliston, and Bro. R. Myrie having moved his home to Petersfield, it was decided to organize the company into a church. A temporary thatched meeting place was exchanged for a weather-proof structure.

On Sunday, Sept. 11, the second baptism of the year took place and the membership is now 40, with ten or twelve attending the baptismal class. Our present difficulty is to find space for these additions, but the believers are working hard and the dear Lord is abundantly blessing.

G. A. E. SMITH.

#### Amity Church

On Sunday, October 16, Pastor G. A. E. Smith baptized eleven new converts amidst great rejoicing and thanksgiving.

Prior to the service heavy rains had caused the flooding of the river, and several candidates who lived miles away had to wade through water and mud to reach the appointed place. A gathering of over two hundred persons assembled on both sides of the river to witness the ceremony, some attending as mockers. Pastor G. A. E. Smith delivered a simple but convincing message, Brother Haig assisting with the music etc. At a later service the same day, these new members were received into the Church, and suitably joined with the church in the celebration of the Ordinances of the Lord's House.

R. S. Brown.

### The College Break-Up

The report of this auspicious event will be given elsewhere, but we may be forgiven for placing on record our sincere appreciation of the splendid programme that covered much of the time between Oct. 21-24. It was a symbol of progress and advance whatever one heard or examined. From a critic's viewpoint, the finish and strength of the woodwork appeared far in advance of previous exhibits. The plumbing and sheet-metal products added to the credit of the institution. The printery ranks with or is better than the best in the Island. Even the agricultural department, although not pretending to exhibit this year, had two bunches of bananas that made us both proud and hungry. The Confectionery and Bakery exhibits would be hard to beat. The Laundry demonstrated its efficiency which was much praised. The art exhibit drew crowds into the Library where the technical side of school work held the visitors for long hours. Keeping to the left, one met the Commercial and mathematical papers. Miss Morgan has reason to be proud of her class which gave a very creditable set of papers. The Commercial class in charge of Miss Edmed was able to exhibit certificates of success in University examinations. Mrs. Dunn's Nurses' class covered a wide field next to the printing, and created a deep interest in the visitors. Passing through visions of many varied scenes and admiring the achievement of Mrs. Peake and Miss Randall, we reached the English exhibit of Mrs. Rathbun—always a classic. Here one could revel in prose and poetry and reach the highlands of speech, or talk with the authors of olden fame or modern culture. The Misses Ebanks and Wilson looked justly proud as the visitors admired the products of their teaching in grades 1-8, in which it was evident that from the little-tot age to the end of the preparatory stages, the children's heads and hands and hearts are all in it. Miss Harrison has also raised the standard of

musical selection, and the renderings showed careful training.

The members of Class '32 excelled in most numbers and should be complimented for the success of their part. We also appreciated the address of Professor Shafer whose treatise on Education was lucid and clear.

Thus briefly we have reviewed from memory the items that impressed. Maybe we omitted someone or something. However, we may summarize it all up by affirming that the whole was a very creditable exhibit, deserving of the deep appreciation of all who are interested in our Mandeville educational institution.

An army of 8,741 young people was added by baptism to our ranks in 1931. These are scattered all over the world.

Up to the present time the sales of our denominational literature have aggregated 90 million dollars (£18,000,000) since the movement began. Our books are found in the peasant home as well as king's palaces. Presidents of powerful republics have read them, and queens have acknowledged their value. Ministers and preachers of many denominations have recommended them, some even using them in the preparation of their sermons. Royal princes and princesses have been calmed for slumber as their attendants read the sweet messages of our story books. One of our Jamaica Colporteurs says he has found an average of nine of our books in most of the houses where he has canvassed.

In a wealthy city where diamonds are the staple source of wealth a young Jewish convert laboured for many years. He became a resident colporteur until the people regarded him as their established bookseller. It is said that as many as sixteen of our books are found in almost every home in that city. To-day, two large churches herald our message, and at the present moment a young evangelist whom the writer nursed when a baby is holding crowds every night in an evangelistic series of meetings. Somehow the message in our books commands attention, and the more they are persecuted and condemned, the more power goes forth from their pages. The Lord bless our literature.

A great scientist has lately written in one of the leading London papers, of his firm belief in the Bible. He says that archaeology has yielded a mass of evidence of the truthfulness of Bible history which cannot be denied. Even the story of the flood is confirmed by

recent discoveries of mud settlements that have been uncovered beneath which lie buildings suddenly submerged by water. The complete bodies of large animals such as elephants, which belong now to tropical climes, are preserved by the icy regions that must have come into existence at that time. Clothed in sackcloth for many years, the two witnesses—the Old and New Testaments—now stand upon their feet and feature the long past while heralding the coming of king Jesus. Their Testimony, doubted by many in the past, is being more and more firmly supported by the discoveries of great men. Thank God for the Bible!

Among the modern wonders of our inventive time is a new Marconi message-sending machine. It is a typewriter which, when used, sends a message which is duplicated by another typewriter hundreds of miles away. What next?

Our Sutseque Mission is situated in the dense jungles of Peru, right in the line of the aeroplanes which ply between Lima and Isquitos, over the Andes. The station is situated where cross and cold currents make flying difficult. So, with the help of the Indians, our Missionaries cleared a landing field for emergencies, where the planes can land. These dear brethren were out of reach of neighbours and places of supply, and they have lived under terribly difficult and lonely conditions. But now, in return for their courtesy in making the landing-field, the company has offered them free use of the aeroplanes, thus changing their conditions entirely. Fifty minutes is now all the time occupied in bringing the missionaries into touch with all they need. How it pays to be thoughtful of others!

The minority demand for the repeal of the Prohibition Law of the United States of America has created an agitation of the greatest proportions. It has also created an opportunity for our *Signs of the Times* and *Watchman* magazines, which are enjoying an unprecedented circulation. Ministers of other denominations and leaders of temperance societies are ordering them in large lots and are circulating them. The *Signs* has repeatedly been acclaimed by other church leaders as the finest ever produced in the cause of prohibition.

Have you ever thought of the law of God, that the giving of it was the greatest event, Deut. 4: 32, 33; that to maintain it cost the greatest sacrifice, Rom. 5: 18, 19; and that keeping it brings the greatest reward, Rev. 22: 14?

In spite of the depression-fright so many are suffering from, Pastor B. A. Meeker and his associates in the Harvest Ingathering have maintained a daily goal equal to that of last year, and like last year, passed it. The goal was £5 a day, they have brought in £6 plus.

A visit to Mount Providence Church proved a refreshing change from the constant drive that had been maintained through the week. The members under the faithful shepherding of Brother Bailey and his associate church officers is making good progress. At Milk river we found the old Race Course church building bowing like Joseph's dejected brethren, to the ground. But the little flock still holds on, and the Lord is raising others up to cheer their hearts. We were happy to meet the new converts there. The road was not too inviting, however, for the rains were deepening the floods, and we had to plough through. We got out in time to save being held up by water. The last Sabbath day we spent at Devon Church, where, though seemingly discouraged, the members were holding fast. Oh, how much we need workers to help hold what the Lord has given us! In one district, we found that a company had been brought out years ago, and then left, with the result that all have given up obeying the truth. It was a pleasure to meet one of these, and to know that if work could be carried on, a new start would be made, as those members still cherish a love for the Message.

A cheering letter from Pastor H. Fletcher says: "The third of the series of meetings which were planned by the Committee for my district closed on the 16th instant. In the morning we had a most impressive baptism. Twelve were baptized including Miss Dorothy Graham and Sergeant Major Clark. Some who were present were visibly moved and I expect they are not far from the Truth. There is still a good interest which needs watching.

The same evening we had a sacred concert which was presided over by Mr. H. E. Vernon, J. P., M. P. B., and which he praised very highly.

The 23rd we had a very full day at Spanish Town. Fourteen were baptized, among whom was a grandmother, mother, and son—three generations. Several other baptisms will soon follow.

**SPECIAL S. O. S. CALL.** We would like to get into touch with the following persons:

Mrs. Sarah Blake, Miss Gladys Blake, Mr. James Leach, Miss Emma Leach,

Miss Merdina Leach, and Mr. David Watkis—all lately from Cuba. If their eye catches this, or if some reader knows their whereabouts, kindly communicate with us at once, and give their Post Office Address.

Sabbath, Nov. 5, was a thrilling day for Jamaica. The severest storm known during our term of office was experienced. Accompanied by Pastor A. R. Ogden and a company of friends, we visited the Morant Bay and Manchioneal churches. The journey was one we shall long remember—more for its Grandeur than its terrors. The waves dashed in mountains of snowcapped foam over the land leading to Port Royal. Along the main road, banana trees, telegraph poles, and broken branches yielded to the push of the tempest, while the waves dashed in unusual fury against the coastal boundaries. Parts of the bituminous roads were washed out or broken away. At many places we passed through water from the sea, and the rivers rushed beneath the bridges with savage gait. At times it looked as if we must return, but the car pushed on and enabled us to have the meetings and keep the appointments. Pastor Ogden for the first time enjoyed speaking to these enthusiastic believers, who gathered together in spite of the inclement weather. Our safe return caused us to feel thankful to the Lord.

#### A TRIBUTE

Rulers are under appointment of heaven. God ruleth in the kingdom of men. He setteth them up and putteth them down at His pleasure. True they are elected by votes, but God in some way guides the voting, and in the results, whatever they may be, He is placing His agents for accomplishment of Divine purpose.

At this writing, the United States of America is undoubtedly at the highest pitch of excitement over the choice of their new President. Their aims are largely political and economic. But behind it all God has it in mind to finish His work and cut it short in righteousness. Therefore whatever may be the result of the voting anywhere, we rejoice in remembering that our times are in God's wise hands.

Jamaica is also on the summit of expectation. The old Governor, Sir Edward Stubbs G. C. M. G. having relinquished the honourable position of Jamaica's Chief Executive is handing his office to another.

In the parting ceremonies, Seventh-day Adventists were officially represented, and the Jamaica Conference signed the address that was presented to His Excel-

lency by the citizens of this Island. We appreciate the courtesies extended to us by the Committee, and take it as an evidence that we are counted among the recognized mediums of good as a people.

We have travelled and seen some of the good work done by Sir Edward during his term of office. Bridges have been built and some splendid roads opened that have made our work easier, as well as providing the poor with suitable pathways to the markets. He has also laid the foundations of a good "Back to the land movement," so that all thrifty persons may find an easy way to secure a comfy home with an acreage attached. The Hospitals of the country, the Child Clinic, and the various government charities have been strengthened. They may not yet be perfect, but they show great improvement as compared with earlier years. The foundations of co-operative activity have been well and truly laid under His Excellency's guidance, and even though some may find causes for complaint—as men always will do as long as we are dealing with men—yet we feel that Sir Edward Stubbs deserves to live long in the warm corners of our hearts.

But now, another is appointed to step into his place, and soon we shall welcome Sir Ransford Slater K. C. M. G. whose successes in West Africa may find their reflects in this Island. West Africa under his wise rule has become a strong competitor with Jamaica, and having a Governor from there may help to balance the competition. In any case, the Lord is setting His men out for the final scenes of human history, and we shall welcome the new Governor as warmly as we bade farewell to Sir Edward Stubbs; and we shall watch how the hand of Divine Wisdom leads him in the sublime task of uniting the peoples of Jamaica with all the advance movements that focus on the plans laid down in God's word.

Welcome Sir Ransford!

God save the king!

#### A Great Wall Round A Great Nation.

You have perhaps heard of the Great Wall of China? It is the longest wall in the world. It took five years to build, the foundations being very strong and made of large stones, the upper parts being built of bricks. The length is about twelve hundred miles, and was so well constructed that it scarcely ever needs any repairs. It is a product of a united effort, as it is said that every working man in the country assisted in the construction, which was erected over two thousand years ago.

The top of the wall is wide, and is laid with flag stones, so it is easy to walk on. Watch towers are built as on all such

walls, and the gates to the cities can be closed at will. The wall is about twenty feet high, although in some of the mountain passes it rises higher above rivers, and it winds its way deep into the mountainous regions, where the end is lost to most people. Its starting point is at Leao-Tong.

For hundreds of years, the peace-loving Chinese people kept themselves separated by this wall from other nations. They loved their own religion, and did not want any other to be brought in to disturb them. Therefore when Christian Missionaries tried to find entrance, they had great difficulty. It is reported, however, that from the days of the Apostles, the ambassadors of Jesus spread the knowledge of Christianity with some success in gaining converts, some of the disciples of St. Thomas, going there from India very soon after Christianity began to spread.

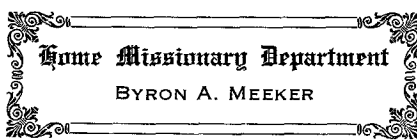
The first modern missionary, Mr. Robert Morrison, gave his life to work among the Chinese in 1804. But he was obliged to live outside the Great Wall, and putting on Chinese clothing, he only left his house at night when it was dark. He was not permitted to preach about Jesus for many years, but he learned the language, invented a dictionary, and translated the Bible. So clever did he become that in time he was employed as a government translator, and he also worked for the trading company that prevented his getting into the country. Since then the gates of China have been opened, and they welcome many of those whom they refused to admit in earlier days. They too, have traveled much, and mingled with the nations, many of them making good substantial citizens, and they are not averse to Christianity when it is carried out in the same way that Jesus lived. Thus the Lord has fulfilled the prophecy of Isaiah, given 27 hundred years ago (chapter 49: 11, 12). The gospel of Jesus breaks down all barriers between nations and makes earth's differing peoples one great brotherhood. Let us recommend the religion of Jesus by our consistent lives. This will help them to unite with us. Jesus said, "And I, if I be lifted up, will draw all nations to myself." Let us lift Him up in all we do and say.

### WEEK OF PRAYER

DEC. 7 - 13.

Leaders please take notice! The Readings for this special week have been forwarded to you in good time, and we look to you to make your very best plans so that your church may enjoy the fullest possible benefit of this solemn prayer-week. Never did we need to draw close to God and to each other more than today. We are with you in spirit and in the fellowship of intercession, and we now pray

that the Lord may pour out His Spirit upon His dear people in Latter Rain abundance.  
H. J. E.



### Home Missionary Department

BYRON A. MEEKER

The reason for the growth of the work in Jamaica may be traced to the faithful service of the lay members of our churches. A sample of this as it is being carried on by many of our churches is expressed by R. J. Edwards, leader of

Campbell's Castle Church. He says, "I am very glad to report that through God's help, and his holy spirit working on the hearts of the dear ones, we were able to present eleven souls for baptism at the Mandeville Church on October 1. I am also glad to say that we are planning to start another baptismal class, and we have four candidates." Thus the Lord's fold increases. We have twenty-eight companies in Jamaica which have sprung up as a result of this evangelistic work on the part of lay members. Brethren, God is verifying His promise to do great things through His children.

#### Report of Home Missionary and Missionary Volunteer Department of the Jamaica Conference For the Quarter Ending Sept. 30 1932.

Number organized churches, 79; Companies, 28; M. V. Societies, 60; Isolated, 53.  
Total church members in the conference, 4,244.  
Number churches reported, 80; M. V. Societies, 55.  
Number of churches holding First Sabbath Church Missionary Service, 66.  
Number churches holding weekly prayer and missionary services, 60.  
Number holding weekly Ten-minute Church Missionary Service, 80.

#### Report of Work Done:

|   | ADULT  | SENIOR M. V. | TOTAL  |
|---|--------|--------------|--------|
| Number reporting missionary work                              | 1,430  | 1,463        | 2,893  |
| Bible readings and cottage meetings                           | 8,868  | 3,835        | 12,703 |
| Missionary visits   | 17,664 | 10,347       | 28,011 |
| Persons taken to Sabbath school or other services             | 2,786  | 1,779        | 4,565  |
| Persons given needed help                                     | 15,265 | 9,356        | 24,621 |
| Treatments given  | 4,194  | 2,442        | 6,636  |
| Articles of clothing given to the needy                       | 1,658  | 1,163        | 2,821  |
| Books, missionary periodicals and tracts distributed          | 8,989  | 6,681        | 15,670 |
| Missionary letters written                                    | 1,032  | 577          | 1,609  |
| Number led to Christ and added to the church by personal work | 48     | 127          | 175    |

#### Special M. V. Report

|   |          |
|---|----------|
| Number of societies (Including conference society)                      | 60       |
| Number of societies reporting (Including conference society)            | 55       |
| Total membership [Include members of conference society]                | 1662     |
| Total average attendance at society meetings                            | 1451     |
| Number reporting  | 1463     |
| Number of societies holding regular weekly executive committee meetings | 22       |
| Total number of Senior and Junior young people baptized                 | 127      |
| a. Number of those baptized whom young people had a part in winning     | 22       |
| Number of young people belonging to Missionary Bands                    | 194      |
| Society offerings for local society work                                | £1. 8. 6 |
| Harvest Ingathering funds reported by young people                      | £6. 5.11 |
| Big Week funds reported by young people                                 | £1. 5. 1 |
| Number observing the Morning Watch                                      | 906      |
| Number reading the Bible through systematically                         | 323      |
| Number taking a Reading Course  | 154      |
| Number studying for Standard of Attainment membership                   | 200      |

BYRON A. MEEKER, *Secretary.*

**Sabbath School Department**  
 MRS. H. J. EDMED

Report for quarter ending September 30, 1932.

|   |             |
|---|-------------|
| No. of schools                                | 107         |
| No. reporting                                 | 107         |
| Membership                                    | 5078        |
| Attendance                                    | 4288        |
| Honour cards issued                           | 990         |
| Bookmarks for one year                        | 95          |
| Bookmarks for two years                       | 11          |
| Bookmarks for three years                     | 7           |
| Bookmarks for four years                      | 2           |
| Bookmarks for five years                      | 2           |
| Twelve Sabbaths offerings, including S. O. S. | £220. 7.10½ |
| Thirteenth Sabbath                            | 76.16. 5½   |
| Birthday offerings                            | 2.16. 0¾    |
| Investment                                    | 8.17. 3¾    |
| Total   | £308.17. 8½ |

Note the Sabbath School membership at the close of September was 5078. Our goal at the beginning of the year was 5,000. We expect to be well over the mark by the end of 1932. Elder Ogden, our Union President, suggests that we make 6000 our aim for 1933. We believe it will be possible to reach it if each one adopts the "Bring one" method again.

Our offerings, as a result of the S. O. S. call, are almost £40 in excess of the previous quarter. We trust we will continue to make progress for the need is great, for men and means to finish the work.

Ten of our schools reached the Inter-American goal by giving on an average one shilling per church member on the Thirteenth Sabbath, and eighteen have the membership Goal.

Our "Pennant" schools now are:—

|                |             |
|----------------|-------------|
| Belfield       | Mandeville  |
| Darliston      | Old Harbour |
| Everton Park   | Orange      |
| Guy's Hill     | Ocho Rios   |
| Hart Hill      | Porus       |
| Hector's River | Riversdale  |
| Spring Garden. |             |

How many will be added to this list by the time of the Conference?

**Publishing Department**  
 W. S. NATION

The Storm has done its destructive work over the Island. There will be on every hand the cry of men and women "More depression." This should not cause any to retreat. No colporteur has ever yet failed if he used God's prescription against hard times. Failure comes

only through neglect of prayer and diligent, persevering, hard work. Hard times cannot stop the Lord. His work must be finished. "Discouragement is the devil's visiting card. If we accept his card, he will soon be coming in at the front door."

Our goal is in sight. We only need £40 to catch up with last years delivery. We still have two months to do it. Colporteurs, work definitely, cheerfully, and energetically. Work with one clear purpose in view. Use your mental powers to the utmost. Be deeply interested in the goal that is set before you, and let nothing divert you from it. The end of the battle is always the hardest. Napoleon at this juncture wished that night would fall or Blucher would come to his rescue.

Brother Farrell, one of the graduates, has come to help us out. Cheer up boys, and go forward with full speed.

The words of George H. Knox, a famous salesman, are very complimentary. He says concerning the colporteurs, "They carry to the doors of the people the best thoughts and experiences of our great men until every fireside becomes a preparatory school. Civilization could no more get along without them than it could without railways. In no other walk

of life are to be found men who are more vigorous, more courageous, more generous, more dauntless, or more tireless workers. The world owes them much. The house-to-house canvasser is a radiator of hope and good cheer. He talks the bright side and leaves a burst of sunshine that lasts all day." Surely the colporteur work is the greatest work in all the world. It is a wonderful profession from God to man. "The acquiring of knowledge is not in itself an education. To get an idea is not enough, we must tell the story, we must deliver the message; we live by radiation, not by absorption."

**Colporteur Report**  
 October, 1932.

| NAME            | HOURS | SALES    | DELIVERIES          |
|-----------------|-------|----------|---------------------|
| Destoe, K.      | 73    |          | 73. 5. 9            |
| Ricketts, C.    | 79    | 5.13. 0  | 22.18. 6            |
| Fletcher, H. H. | 142   | 98.17. 6 | 20. 4. 0            |
| Nation, S. A.   | 64    | 8. 6. 0  | 17. 2. 6            |
| Robinson, A.    |       |          | 15. 3. 6            |
| Dawkins, A.     | 93    | 22.17. 0 | 14.17. 0            |
| Dillon, L.      |       |          | 12.10. 0            |
| Haig, Albert    | 10    |          | 8.10. 0             |
| Miller H. G.    | 28    | 2.14. 6  | 7. 8. 6             |
| Wallace, R.     | 29    |          | 6. 3. 0             |
| Ricketts, B. A. | 66    | 45. 4. 0 | 4. 9. 0             |
| Heron, A. W.    | 54    | 15.19. 0 | 3. 6. 0             |
| Campbell, R. B. | 99    | 73.19. 0 | 2.12. 0             |
|                 | 13    | 727      | 273.10. 0 208. 9. 9 |

**Young People's Page**

"Mind that stone!" shouted Harry, as the car sped through the gate. But the warning was too late, for cars move quickly, and George had not seen the stone that was lying in the path of the right wheel.

There was a terrific bang, and Mildred gave a scream and fainted, and all that were in the car were suddenly shaken. George became very pale, and quickly jumped out to see what had happened, and found that the tyre had split and the inner tube was torn almost in two.

Harry was busy trying to attend to his sister, who soon regained consciousness, however, and the boys jacked up the wheel and repaired the damaged rubber.

Little was said during the repair work, for all were too shaken, and sore to talk. But as the tyre was adjusted, George offered the suggestion that "Stones were alright in their place, but a nuisance when in the path of the car."

This started a conversation, for Harry was a thinker, and always endeavoured to find some lesson in the incidents of life. "Look at the old mill over there," he said. "It is built of stones the same size and facing." The stone in the foundation that tells the history of the mill says it was

built in 1716, and the structure appears to be just as solid and strong as then."

"You've always got some sermon to preach, Harry," said Mildred. "We cannot do anything or suffer any wrong but what you begin to preach at us. Perhaps you think George ought not to be driving, because he happened not to see the things that laid in the path. But you know one cannot see everything."

"That may be, dear, but there is still the fact that if that stone had been with the others in the building, it might have been a very useful part. Look, the steps into the building are just as strong as they could be, and I suppose they have lifted thousands of people out of the mud into the mill all the years. Then too, I would rather have small stone ground to run a car on, than to skid it on mud. What do you say, George?"

The argument was too convincing for George to deny. So to turn the subject, hoping to escape more sermon, he added ironically, "I think this car is in the wrong place, and we had better get on."

The time taken to repair the tyre made it too late for them to make their call, so they turned for home.



Here they found Gerald Haughton talking seriously to their father and mother. He had lost his job, and felt so troubled over it. Said he could never agree with the others in the store, and believed himself to be a misfit. But now he was out of a job, he could not tell what would become of him, for so many were out of work, and who would employ a misfit?

Harry immediately began to compare his friend to the stone, and told how their afternoon visit had been cancelled by a stone being in the wrong place.

"Maybe, you would be a strength to a business where you really fit, and which you are capable of doing. I read of a great railway magnet who is now a millionaire. As a boy he wanted to be a railway manager. But if he had gone into that business without any training or preparation, he would have failed. So he just studied and was offered a place as a porter. He worked hard at that job, and then he was promoted to be a window cleaner. Next, he looked after the Pullman Sleepers. During this time, he studied all he could about railway construction and management, until one day there was an accident on the line. An Express was due at the spot in half an hour, and knowing how to prevent the catastrophe in which hundreds of people would have been hurt; many, perhaps, killed, he stepped into the manager's office and sent a message to hold up the Express. When the manager returned, he was told what had been done by this humble man, and he immediately promoted him to a sub-manager's position. After serving there a few years, he suddenly took over the management, and found out the place where he really fitted, and his name to-day is honoured. This is how men get fitted for the place where they can add strength, and grace to their position. I believe you should take any work you can get — and there is just as much work in the world as there always was. Keep at it, improve yourself, and someday you will be a stone in the industrial building that will be worth while."

"But suppose I could not get a job, what would I do?" said Gerald, despondently. "Make one," answered Harry. "There is another man whose posterity to-day supplies the world with seeds, plants, flowers, fruits, etc. When a boy he accepted a post in a drapery store as messenger boy. But he soon found that he did not belong to that trade. Somehow he failed at everything and got in the way so that he finally stayed at home without even giving notice. Every morning he would go out seeking employment, but could find none. So he started growing vegetables and flowers in his father's garden patch. He

studied how to garden on scientific lines, and soon worked up a fine trade in his sales. He also enjoyed the free life, and the study of botany and fruit-culture. Soon he had saved enough money to buy a large garden which he improved and enlarged as the days went by, and now his wonderful farm ranks high among the distinctive land industries of the world. His children are simply handing out to a grateful world the fruits of his early misfit."

Life opened up to the vision of this despondent failure in a new and hopeful perspective, and in a little while he had found where he fitted. The lesson of the stone out of place awakened a new life, and opened up a pathway that led to future prosperity.

### SPENDING TO SAVE

Henry Ford, who has done more to introduce economy into industry than anyone else, astonished the world the other day by saying that successful men seldom saved money when they were boys.

At first this looked like an attack on the time-honoured institution of thrift.

But when Mr. Ford's remarks were read carefully it was discovered that he had really advocated putting away money in the bank of education and self-improvement.

That is a very good bank, especially for the young.

For knowledge and skill deposited in the brain are like treasures laid up in Heaven. Moths or worms can not rust or corrupt it, nor thieves break through and steal.

It matters little to a young man beginning life whether or not he has a nest egg in the bank.

It matters a great deal to him whether he has a trade or profession inside his head, and has diligently added to his ability to follow it.

That is a wise saving. And spending to save is the wisest kind of saving.

The young man or woman who has worked hard to earn money for an education makes the best possible saving when they use it to buy the education.

It may cost them all they have.

But it will be of use, by and by, and of great use.

If, incidentally, they can put away a little money in the bank for a rainy day, so much the better.

But their brain is their "plant", and it is as important to them as the great manufacturing plant of Henry Ford is important to him.

Henry Ford in his counsel gives no encouragement to wasters or squanderers.

He does not tell young people to go out and toss their money in the air or to buy "good times" with it.

He tells them to use it to improve themselves, which means to add to their stock of knowledge and their stock of experience, and the training of their faculties.

That accomplished, plus average ability, the young people will soon be able to save right along, and to put their savings in the bank.

But if they begin tucking away the pennies which might have brought them an education they will soon find themselves without the training they need to get along in the world, and without the mental ability to enjoy life by and by.

Mr. Ford and a number of his contemporaries who did not in their youth neglect their business educations in order to save money have been able to save plenty of it since that time.

But they have "ploughed" a good deal of that back into their businesses, assured that they would still have enough to go on: (*John Blake in the Fort Worth Star-Telegram.*)

QUESTION. Kindly give us your reason for urging the use of the individual glasses for the Lord's Supper.

ANSWER. The use of one glass in a large gathering is always attended by the danger of the transmission of infectious germs from one to another. Years ago it was discovered that the use of the community cup at public fountains and such conveniences was the cause of epidemics in which thousands lost their lives. Microscopic examination revealed the presence of such germs as Tuberculosis, Syphilitic, Typhoid, and other malignant diseases. These taken into the mouth are swallowed often with fatal results. In a large gathering, I cannot tell what is the physical condition of the people assembled, for persons often carry germs of diseases as yet undeveloped without knowing it. If I should drink from a glass after another has used the same glass, the germs from the mouth of the one who drank before me would be on the glass, and I would take them into my system, through my mouth. Many of us inherited the fruits of the sins of our fathers and mothers to "the third and fourth generation," and we should all do what we can to prevent the spread of these diseases.

We do not deny that Jesus handed the same cup to His twelve disciples. But they had been closely associated for over three years and He knew their physical condition. Moreover, they were known to be men of esteemed genealogy.

Our times have changed. The sins of to-day are like the sins of Noah's day,



and of Sodom. Read Isaiah 24: 4-6. This says the people are growing weaker. That is, less able to resist disease germs. Therefore it becomes us as God's dear children to do all in our power to guard our bodies from infection.

If the people of the world are careful to preserve their bodies, surely God's people should be more so!

## LITTLE FOLKS' CORNER

### FRUITS OF UNFAITHFULNESS

(Continued from last month.)

It was Friday morning, a bright sunny day, when everything in nature blended with the spirit of thanksgiving in the Anderson's home. George was to be brought home at eleven o'clock. Mrs. Anderson had made his room look pretty with a large motto, "WELCOME HOME," made on white paper, with large green leaves. His school books were arranged on a table by his bed, and his toys were all dusted and cleaned, a beautiful bunch of roses and lilies filled a vase on the table, and with new curtains and clean bedding, the room looked very inviting. Mr. Anderson had got the morning off from his work to fetch his son, and right on on time, he arrived in the carriage and carried his boy up to his room. Mrs. Anderson was at the door to meet her boy, and they embraced long and lovingly, while Mrs. Anderson praised God for preserving her precious boy.

When he saw his room and how prettily it was made for him, he felt some of his fears leave him, for all the days since he had recovered consciousness, he had remembered how he broke his promise to his mother. Mrs. Anderson saw her husband off to his work, and then came up and helped her boy with his toys, and tried to make him forget the thoughts that she knew must be stinging his conscience. She managed it nicely for a time, until he felt tired and sleepy; and then, as she covered him in his bed, and kissed him, he put his arms around her, and drawing her to his lips, whispered, "Mother, before I sleep, please forgive me." Then he sobbed, as mother pressed him to her forgiving bosom and assured him that she had done that long ago. Then he tried to tell her, but his sobbing prevented utterance, and she stroked his forehead while he sobbed himself to sleep.

The home was very quiet next Sabbath day. But a great peace rested over each heart. Mr. Anderson went to church and heard the minister speak about the words, "Whom he loveth he chasteneth." George and the Singleton boys grew stronger every day, until Mrs. Anderson allowed her boy to tell what happened. Mr. Anderson had just finished telling about that sermon, and George now began his story:

"It was like this, I really meant to keep my promise to you, Mamma, and we played all afternoon without going near the water. But just when we were preparing to come home Edgar said, 'Let's go by the water, and see if we can catch any newts.' At first I said, 'No,' but as he

urged me, I at last gave in. I know I should not have done so. But we went, and we could not find any newts until we went around another part of the pond. We did not know the bank was unsafe there, and we all laid down to catch. But suddenly the bank gave way, and we all fell into the deepest part of the pond. My feet got caught in some rushes that grow there. Edgar tried to save his brother, but was pulled into deeper parts, and we all sank. The keepers came just in time to save us.

None of us knew anything more until we found ourselves in the hospital, where they told us what a lot they had to do to bring us back to life before they could move us. I have learned a lesson, my dear Mamma and Papa, and if ever I make you a promise again, be sure I will keep it."

Mr. Anderson looked at his son with admiration and joy, while Mrs. Anderson mentioned how she had prayed that the Lord would preserve him. Now that He had heard her prayer, they would kneel and thank Him, and also praise Him for teaching them all such a valuable lesson, and ask Him to keep them all from the fruits of unfaithfulness.

### THINKING CAP QUESTIONS.

Here's for the Young People over 15.

1. What Bible army was victorious through its choir?

## W. I. TRAINING COLLEGE CLOSE SCHOOL YEAR

Exhibit of Class Work and Industrial Products Attended By Many Visitors.

### EDUCATION SPEECH.

Enjoyable Programme Rendered: Chair is Taken By Pastor H. J. Edmed.

[FROM THE GLEANER.]

The West Indian Training College at Mandeville closed another successful school year on Monday, the 24th October. The Exhibit of class work and industrial products was held on the same day and was attended by hundreds of enthusiastic visitors. As one entered the spacious library of the college, one became almost speechless with admiration at the attractive display of pictures from the art department, which faced one, showing exceptional talent in pastels, pen and ink drawings, etchings, oils, and water colours: portraits, fruits, flowers, birds, animals, and landscapes, reflecting much credit upon Mrs. Bertha Peake, the instructor in art.

Class work in mathematics, bookkeeping, history, Scripture, home nursing, literature, composition, rhetoric, and Latin decorated the side walls of the library, and it would be difficult to tell which attracted the most attention, for all showed neatness, carefulness, and accuracy.

Younger visitors were greatly interested in the display of work done by the children in grades one to six where the practice teachers of the college normal department gain their experience. Pupils in grades seven and eight also had

2. What people won a victory, not speaking a word for seven days, and then shouting God's praise?

3. In answer to whose prayer did an angel destroy a great army?

4. Where was the first war fought and by whom?

5. What will be the last great Battle, and when will it be fought?

### For Little Folks, under 15.

1. What book is called a lamp in the Bible?

2. Which candlestick had seven lights?

3. What did Jesus say is "The light of the world?"

4. What parable teaches that for a lamp to burn it must have oil?

5. What great light did God make that "rejoices?"

### Young People Answering Thinking Cap Questions.

Chester Jones, A. Boyd, W. Boyd.

### Little Folks Answering Thinking Cap Questions.

Evelyn Fletcher, Daphne Crosbie, Roy Crosbie, Eric Plummer, Kenneth Robinson, Louie Bennett, Lenn Bennett, Edgar Bennett, Beryl Bennett.

a separate exhibit of maps, art work, and written work.

An extensive exhibit of samples from the college printery was also in the library. We were told that six students earn a large part of their school expenses by working in the printery, and that that is the average number in the other industrial departments.

In the room usually occupied by shorthand and typing classes, was a charming arrangement of furniture from the wood-products department, the comfortable-looking chairs inviting one to linger and rest a while. In the mathematics room was more a varied exhibit than usual from the college bakery, with its appetizing odors; but the farm and the garden department was out of luck at this season. In an adjoining room a large variety of manufactures from the sheet-metal department represented a part of the activities of another group of workers; and in still another room was a tempting array of cakes, pies, cookies, and doughnuts from the culinary department.

By 8 p. m. the college auditorium was crowded with the friends and relatives of the students and patrons of the school, and the seventy students were packed in on either side of the main rostrum, which had been tastefully decorated for the event. Then the class which had finished their secondary education, and others taking part in the programme marched in, followed by the remainder of the teaching staff. Mr. R. E. Shafer, B. A., President of the College, introduced the chairman of the evening, Pastor H. J. Edmed, and both expressed appreciation of the large concourse of people from all over the Island who had gathered to hear

## The Jamaica Visitor

Published monthly by THE JAMAICA CONFERENCE OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS on the first of the month at 112 Tower St., Kingston. Printed by the College Press, Coolsworthy, Mandeville.

All subscriptions should be sent to the Jamaica Book & Bible House, 112 Tower St., Kingston. Price 1/- per annum.

All matter for publication should be sent to the THE JAMAICA VISITOR, 112 Tower St., Kingston, and be written on one side of the paper only.

EDITOR, PASTOR H. J. EDMED

the annual closing programme of the college. The items as given on the printed programme then followed: Invocation by pastor A. R. Ogden, chairman of the College Board, from Havana, Cuba; Chorus "O For the Wings of a Dove"; Mendelssohn, with Miss Harrison as director and Mrs. Meeker accompanist; Oration, "The Horizon widens as We Climb," Mr. Samuel Farrel; Selection by the College Orchestra; Biographical Speech, "Perseverance Wins," Miss Julia Brown; Double Quartette, "Beautiful Land on High"; Recitation, "A legend of Service," Mr. Septimus Harris; Chorus, "Lovely Appear," by Gounod; Essay, "Examinations," Miss Melbroe Willis; Vocal solo by Mrs. B. A. Meeker, of Kingston; Vaedictory, "Ships," Miss M. Randall. These ships were not steamships, but such as play a part in an educational voyage; Kinship, Scholarship, Workmanship, Comradeship, Friendship, and Discipleship. All the speakers showed the careful training given by Mrs. F. O. Rathbun, B. A., instructor in Rhetoric and Expression.

A piano duet, "Rondo Capriccioso," by Mendelssohn, was played by Mrs. Meeker and Miss Harrison to separate the part of the programme given by the class of '32 from the address by the president of the college on the subject of Education. He said that the class had chosen wisely in selecting their motto, "More Beyond," as it signifies that their education is not yet completed and that they intend to continue in the specialized courses offered by the college: ministerial, commercial, or normal.

"Education," said Mr. Shafer, "means change, a drawing out of the potential powers of the body, the mind, and the soul. It also means the adaptation of the individual to his environment. All should continue their education, even after their formal school days are past. Useful facts are the tools of life. One should also give attention to right physical habits, that his body may be a fit temple for God to dwell in. Our students train the body—not by athletics, but by useful labour for the most part. . . . Moral or spiritual training is the most important of all. The demands of to-day are greater than ever before—the demand for efficiency, for moral stamina, for faithfulness to duty, and for loyalty to a high purpose. This is a day of specialists, but a thorough general education is needed first, and the choice of 'that better part' enjoined by Jesus Christ. There is grave danger in head training alone."

Following this scholarly address the chorus sang, "Great and Marvellous are Thy Works, Lord God," from Gaul's 'Holy City'; Pastor B. A. Meeker pronounced the benediction, and the audience joined in singing the National Anthem:

Of the fifty-three young people who have finished their secondary school work at the West Indian Training College in the past nine years, nineteen have held teaching positions, four are ministers, three are graduate nurses, two are bookkeepers, five are stenographers, one a sanitary inspector, one an electrician, one a licensed plumber, one has become a physician, one is a cabinet-maker, and three others are continuing their education.

### THE HURRICANE—SPECIAL.

After many days of suspense we are now able to make some report as to the effects of the recent Hurricane on this and our sister islands. Pastor Ogden visited the devastated areas at Porto Rico, where four of our church buildings were wrecked, thousands of homes destroyed, and a long list of killed and hurt persons. A letter of sympathy was sent to Pastor Borrowdale from this conference, and special prayers were offered for the injured and ruined people who suffered under this judgment from God. On returning, Pastor Ogden was able to report that not one of our members suffered death or anything more than minor injuries. Many, however, had lost all their material possessions. The General Conference voted a fund for the rebuilding of the churches amounting to \$5,000.

Then when the last tempest assailed a more extensive area, Pastor Ogden sailed on the Cimboco for the Cayman Islands. He saw Pastor I. G. Knight on shore, with his baggage, awaiting the Cimboco's arrival, intending to join Pastor Ogden. But as the sea was still dangerous for landing, the vessel was unable to make connections with the land.

Cayman Brac was a total wreck. The water cisterns along the beach, from which the inhabitants obtained their drinking water were all filled with sea water from the mountainous waves that washed about everything before them. The road running from end to end of the island was completely washed out. Every home is destroyed. People found refuge in the caves and whatever shelter possible. Over 75 persons are known to have been killed, and others are missing.

Food and water were hurried to the scene, so that in three days they were well supplied. But the people of the island are left without home, clothes, or boots, and their plight is a sad one. We are collecting what clothes we can get and are sending them forward. As in the other areas, not one of our members has been killed, and for this we record our grateful thanks to our heavenly Father. The little church that witnesses to the Message suffered with the rest but Pastor I. G. Knight is trying to make the best he can out of the ruins, so that there will soon be another witness in place of the old one.

We specially congratulate our veteran comrades, Pastor I. G. Knight and his wife, who have come through the ordeal unharmed either in person or in courage. Their long years of service in the message has equipped them with undaunted optimism and unwavering faith, and we rejoice with them in the kind care which our heavenly Father has bestowed upon them.

We have not yet heard much from Cuba. Our College at Bartle suffered a little by the destruction of a steel Barn recently built, many fruit trees were blown down, and an avenue of Victoria Palms which they prized highly, was destroyed. The main buildings, four in number, of the college were unharmed, although homes were wrecked in the neighbourhood. One calf of the cattle pen appears to have suffered from the cold, but our reporter informed us that while he was writing, the young ladies had the calf in the kitchen by the stove, where they were giving first aid veterinary attention.

We cannot hear from the Bahamas, and we wait anxiously to know the fate of our church and members on one island that is reported to have suffered like the Cayman Brac island.

Jamaica, though visited by the same or a sister storm suffered much but none of our people have been injured, and we praise the Lord that nothing more than damage to a few bananas, and minor housing destruction, has been reported. The old church building at Racecourse, which was needing repair, seems to be the only church building that was completely thrown down.

We call upon all who desire, to make the second Sabbath in December a day of thanksgiving and consecration. We could not think of passing by our deliverance from these storms where so many have suffered, with indifference. In every church let there be sung a special hymn of praise, and thanksgiving offered to God.

HERBET J. EDMED.

### OBITUARY

Mary McDowell-Knibbs, born June 30, 1880. Died October 30, 1932, at Kingston. Sister Knibbs was married to Mr. Alexander Knibbs in 1910, whom she leaves with three sisters, many friends, and a host of other affectionate mourners. She united with the S. D. Adventist church twenty-three years ago, and devoted herself to its work and interests as an active church member until the last. The faithfulness of her attendance at church is witnessed by the fact that had she survived a few weeks longer, she would have won her sixth ribbon of perfect attendance and daily study in the Sabbath school. Her influence was always loyal, true, devoted, and self-sacrificing. Many have appreciated the smiles and words of encouragement as well as the wise counsel for which she was noted. As a Deaconess in the North Street Church, her faithfulness stood high in the estimate of her associates. Her popularity was emphasized at the funeral services which ranked among the largest known to our largest church. It was filled as the choir greeted the casket carried down the aisle by loving hands with music. Solos were sung by Mrs. Meeker and Miss Petrie. Pastor Hutchinson conducted the ceremony very touchingly, being assisted by Pastors B. A. Meeker, G. A. E. Smith, and the Conference President. A long string of cars filled with friends of the deceased formed the cortege to the cemetery where our dear Sister will make her rest-home until Jesus calls her to active service in the land that is fairer than day. "He giveth His beloved sleep."