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EAST LONDON.

THE work is progressing in this part of London, and we have had the joy of seeing several new Sabbath-keepers come out since our last report.

At Forest Gate we are seeing new additions to our little company of Sabbath-keepers almost every week now. Last week three members of one family took their stand. This family has been having a very peculiar experience. Before coming to London from Yorkshire, they were connected with the Wesleyans. When they came to Forest Gate, they wished to join the Wesleyan church here; but they were treated very coldly. The minister was not willing to receive them into membership, and the reason given was because they opened their business on Sundays. Fearing this boycott, they gave up their business, and took another where they could close on Sundays; but they could find no joy or freedom in worshipping with the people who had treated them in such an arbitrary manner. Then the Lord led them to Earlham Hall, and they saw the truth of the Sabbath. These three are already rejoicing in the liberty of the Sabbath, and two more members of the same family are on the point of keeping it.

Another family who commenced to keep the Sabbath a fortnight ago has had a very blessed experience. The husband is a gardener, and he and his wife and mother and three children all came out together. He went to his employer boldly, and told him that he could not go down to the hot-houses any more on the Sabbath. The Lord honoured his faith, and gave him favour in the eyes of his master, so that he has not only allowed him to keep his place, but has been willing to listen to his testimony.

The same week the husband of a lady who has been keeping the Sabbath for some weeks, took his stand, and husband and wife are rejoicing in the truth. Also a young lady who expects to go into the interior of China next September, has taken her stand for the Sabbath, and has sent on several of our books and papers to her friends in China, to prepare the way for her work when she arrives there.

Our church at Leytonstone is growing in numbers as the result of these and others who are now coming in amongst us. May the Lord grant that they who join themselves to the Lord may find the power of the Gospel among those who have been Sabbath-keepers for years, so that not the *theory* but the *power* of the third angel's message may hold the people together.

HARRY CHAMPNESS.

BRISTOL.

THE work seems to be growing in interest here. Next month I have been asked to give a temperance address at the Central People's Mission. They are forming a Young Men's Friendly, and they have asked me to come and help them by giving them Bible addresses on Health. The president of the Mission was here on Friday, and ordered four dozen copies of *Good Health* to be delivered every month.

Last week I attended a meeting of the Y.M.C.A., where the Vegetarian Society is trying to get established, and I have been asked to assist them as much as possible on health lines. Several took our magazine, and require it every month; so I trust this may be the means of getting the message before many souls.

C. JESSUP.

PONTYPRIDD.

THE Lord has given us a nice hall here, and we have begun meetings, February 16th being our second Sunday. Though the weather was bitterly cold, a very good company came out, and our hearts were made glad by hearing at the close of the service some testimonies of help received.

On week nights the attendance thus far has been small; but a few are staying by us, and lending their hands to help.

Sisters Farina and Hampton are a great help to us in getting the people to the meetings, and though they have their hands full with *Present Truth* and *Good Health*, their presence and help is a real com-

fort to us. These two sisters and myself are the whole staff here in Pontypridd. Brethren Gilbert and Roach render good help on Sundays.

We need your prayers. If some good brother could arrange to come here, there is a good field for book work, and we should be glad of his help and presence at the meetings. Remember, one-third of the Sabbath-school offerings during the year go to this field. Let your interest in the work here take a practical turn, and God will bless you and us. Greeting you all with love.

W. H. MEREDITH.

LET US GO FORWARD.

AGAIN we have a good report to give. For the third week in succession the *Present Truth* list has stood at 20,100. The good report is not that it stands at that figure, but that, having reached that point, it has not receded. It shows that it has not come there accidentally. It seems now as though it has stood at rest long enough, and that it is time for it to go forward. What do you think?

It should be said that the list might have been considerably larger the last two weeks, if all the orders had been sent in season. Some came in after the paper was off the press, and therefore they could not be filled. Please do not fail to post your orders early. If they do not reach the office before Monday, there is little or no prospect that they can be filled; and it must be remembered that there is no Sunday delivery in London. Orders must therefore reach the office by Saturday night.

A letter was received last week from a man who said that he had received but two copies in three months. This certainly ought not so to be. Every one who has sold a single copy to a person ought to feel in duty and honour bound to see that that person is furnished with a copy every week thereafter as long as he can possibly be induced to take it. There is the same responsibility resting upon those who sell the paper, to see that it is placed in the hands of the people, that there is on the editors to see that every number is issued in time, and none omitted. Let us remember that we are "workers together" with God, and that equal responsibility rests upon us all.

For the encouragement of workers, the following extract is given from a letter in which a man expressed hearty thanks for the answer given to a question that he had asked:—

"Whilst I am writing to you I must testify to the great blessing I receive from your paper. To me it is an ideal paper, and I love it. Many a time when I have been cast down with cares and worries, and when I seem to have lost sight of my Saviour, I have taken up the *Present Truth*, and

I have received such a blessing after I have read a portion, my heart has become light, and all cares seem to have vanished. Why is it? Because the *Present Truth* is full of the real Gospel. It is really a *religious paper*."

This is one of many, and you could doubtless furnish similar reports. Now would it not be sad to allow such a person to be deprived of his paper for a single week? Shall we not rather redouble our efforts to give thousands more the same privilege?

E. J. WAGGONER.

WITNESS CORNER.



DEAR BROTHER BALLENGER:—

"Thanks be unto God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ." My heart is full of praise to God as I realise daily more and more of His wonderful love to me; and I do praise Him for having given me the privilege of listening to His message through you. All through my Christian experience I had felt a great lack in my life, and for some months past the Lord had been showing me something of the reason, and preparing me for your message. Though I knew I was a sinner, I had never realised how awful sin is—how vile I was—till God in his mercy showed me some four weeks ago, and by His grace I was just broken down. As I sought to humble myself and to search, the Spirit showed me sin after sin that must be confessed and put away, if I would have peace with God. Then He showed me I must live no longer to self, but to Him who died for me. "He that is dead is freed from sin." "Sin shall not have dominion over you." These words came with such power to me as you dwelt on them, and I saw how possible it was to have that experience. Now I know that it is possible to live day by day dead to sin. Thanks be unto God!

I am so glad for the experience that God gave; even for the valley of humiliation, for the sweet assurance during the wrestling and agony of soul, that Jesus Himself was with me, and sustained and strengthened me for the conflict. I was not alone in this wrestling, for there were two others whom God called to pass through the same thing. I cannot tell you how, as together we sought Him in the night vigils, we felt His presence during the week of wrestling and searching.

"Ye are My witnesses, saith the Lord, that I am God." Saved by grace, not for ourselves, but to serve; to live Christ, to witness, to be co-labourers with God in bringing others to the knowledge of the truth. This now is my desire—that my life may be entirely overshadowed by Him. I living, yet not I, but Christ living in me.

Praise God with me that there is a power in my life which never was there before, and freedom to

witness. For now I know, and can testify that which I know.

God is giving a burden for other souls, a longing that others, too, may be blessed as I have been blessed. He is giving us a spirit of prayer and intercession for others.

In our home, too, there is a marked change. God has worked wonderfully for us. He has wrought in us of His own good pleasure; and He who has begun a good work, will finish it.

Often when I have felt discouraged, these words have brought comfort, and strengthened me: "Blessed are they that hunger and thirst after righteousness, for they shall be filled." I just had

to hold on to this promise. I was so full of sin, there was no good thing in me, and I seemed to make no progress; but the Lord sustained me with this promise. I see now He was preparing me for this blessing, and I can only bow in wonder and awe before Him for His wonderful, wonderful love to me who am so vile and worthless. That He should call me, seems too wonderful. And that He should call me to work with Him!—it makes me humble, yet glad.

"We are living amid the perils of the last days, and we should guard every avenue by which Satan can approach us with his temptations."

Canvassers' Weekly Report.

Territory.	Agent's Name.	Hrs.	Ordrs.	P & P'	Gt. C.	B. R.	H. H. B.	Man.	Guide	C. O. S.	Steps	C. O. L.	Lig'ts	Small Books	Total Value. £ s. d.	Books Del.
Falkirk, Newport, I. W. Chelmsford,	Cail, Miss E. Loal, Mrs. Brown, Miss M. Sparkes, Miss A. Hanna, Miss M. Niner, Miss Parry, Mrs. Gresswell, Miss E.															
Belfast, Ystrad, Treharris, Derby, Ulceby, Barnsley, Birkenhead, Merthyr, London, N. Lisburn, Maesteg, Darlington, Ebbw Vale, Bargoed, Swansea, Chesterfield,	Short, G. W. Freeth, A. E. Gillatt, J. Roach, A. Nickels, G. McClelland, D. Johnsen, A. C. Wood, A. King, W. Pickard, J. Buchman, E. Smedley, E. Day, B. I.		12	12											4 12 0	
Cambuslang,	Hastie, A. Bleasby, J. G. Crick, Miss A. O'Mara, P. Dyer, C. Lamie, R. M. Lake, W. L. Buckland, R. Strope, A. T. Hart, R. G.		32	39						37	2				3 15 6	34
Larkall, Birkenhead, Dumbarton, Lanarkshire, Portsmouth, Middlesboro' Newport, Mon. Rhondda Valley,	King, W. Pickard, J. Buchman, E. Smedley, E. Day, B. I. Hastie, A. Bleasby, J. G. Crick, Miss A. O'Mara, P. Dyer, C. Lamie, R. M. Lake, W. L. Buckland, R. Strope, A. T. Hart, R. G.		14	21						7		4		3	2 4 0 2 2 9	
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"Present Truth" Agents' Record.

Territory.	Agent's Name.	Hrs.	No.	Territory.	Agent's Name.	Hrs.	No.	Territory.	Agent's Name.	Hrs.	No.
Glasgow,	Bleasby, Miss M. Bleasby, Miss E. Bleasby, J. G. Crick, Miss A. Monteith, A. Monteith, Mrs.			Derby, Newport, Plymouth, Cardiff,	Gresswell, Miss E. Britton, W. A. Borrowdale, R. Parry, Mrs. Cooper, Miss Casson, H.	48	471	P'ntnewynydd, Pontypool, Stockport, Pontypridd,	Pickard, J. Pickard, Mrs. Salway, F. Hampton, Miss Farina, Miss M. McPherson, Mrs.		
Belfast,	Fry, W. Fry, W. H. Fry, S. Marks, Miss Mussen, R.			Rotherham, Middlesboro'	Buckland, R. Beharrell, T. Briggs, Mrs. T. McFadyen, A.		20	Nottingham, Portsouth,	Gill, Miss J. Lake, W. L. Holt, Miss Penning, E. Morgan, Miss L. Spicer, Mrs. R.	46	298 205
Londonderry, Leeds,	Byron, M. D. Wilkinson, W. Musgrave, W. H. Mainwaring, Miss	64	404	Sheffield, Hull,	Johnson, J. Johnson, Mrs. Saville, R. J. Ellis, J.			London,			
Merthyr,	Briggs, T.	35	206	Manchester,	Chapman, W. Davies, C.						
Ferndale,	Gilbert, A. D. Wilson, C.	23	326	Birmingham,	Campion, H. E. Revers, Miss Mountain, Miss Blackwell, Miss E. Jessup, C.	7	320		Sundry,		11973
Swansea,	Buchman, E. Hancock, H. A. Johnson, Mrs. A. C.	29	261	Bath, Bristol, Worcester, Croydon, Aberdare, Newcastle Tyne	Slater, W. A. White, Miss J. C. King, Mrs. King, Wm.						
Maesteg, Birkenhead, Liverpool,	Henri, L. E. Richardson, J. Bell, J. E. Bell, Miss L. Bell, Mont. Cowley, S. G.	28	342								
Burton on Trent	Matthews, Miss H.		420	Ebbw Vale,			264				
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BROTHER RODD is at present canvassing London for "Home Handbook" with excellent success. The other week he took fifteen orders.

WE regret to have to announce the sad news, wired us by Brother Prescott, that our Sanitarium and Hospital in Battle Creek, Mich., U S A, have been destroyed by fire. The particulars will probably come in this week's mail, and will be communicated in our next issue. At present we only know that no lives were lost.

THE North London Good Health Club held its first meeting on Tuesday evening, February 25th. About 150 attended, including quite a few strangers. An interesting and instructive programme was presented, including talks and demonstrations on the uses of water, physical culture, care of the sick, etc. All seemed to enjoy the evening very much, and the club bids fair to be a real success. We have also learned of clubs organised recently at Birkenhead, Leeds, and Bolton, while Birmingham has had one for some weeks, and has held two very successful meetings.

BROTHER BACON has received an interesting letter from one of the junior members of the WORKER family, which we take great pleasure in printing below;—

DEAR BROTHER,—

I thank you very much for your kind letter, and also for letting me have the papers. You will be glad to know that week before last I sold thirty-two papers. Last week I did not sell so many, as it was very cold on Sunday. My father is speaking to all the the people he knows about the books I am selling. Some have promised to have some of me. I am going to have a half-holiday to-morrow afternoon to canvass some of the people dada has spoken to. I am selling two dozen *Good Healths*, and sometimes more, every month. I hope to sell a great many more when the weather gets warmer. One lady told me there was nothing half so nice as *Good Health*. My sister Dorothy, who is eight years old, is going to canvass with me next Sunday. She once went with me, and sold six papers. My little brother, five years old, wants to come, too; but mother says he is not quite old enough. He cannot reach the knockers. But I take him out sometimes to give some away, which he likes very much. I also have two sisters older than myself. I shall be ten years old the 12th of March.

I like the work very much. I started canvassing last summer, and mother says I have been a great help to her, as I have been able to buy a lot of my clothes and pay my

tithes, and have nearly five shillings in the post office, besides sowing the good seed. I hope if you ever tell any little children about my work, they will feel they will like to do the same, and it may be the means of their trying it.

From your little sister,

GLADYS GOLDING.

This letter breathes a beautiful missionary spirit. Gladys is getting a valuable experience, and doing a lot of good. Are there not other boys and girls who could do likewise? Some, we know are already doing so. Met us hear from them. The WORKER belongs to those who work, children as well as adults. We should take great pleasure in printing some more letters like the above.

M. E. O.

TRY AGAIN.

You have tried to introduce our periodicals into peoples' homes; you did not succeed as well as you expected, and now you are discouraged. You tell the librarian or leader to order no more papers for you. This has no cheering effect upon these officers; other members learn of your attitude, and they feel a little dispirited, and perhaps follow your example. A Christian can't be discouraged himself without exerting a discouraging influence upon others.

"Well, but I am not discouraged as a Christian but only in the matter of selling papers." Very well, have you then set apart for some other line of Gospel work the time that your brothers and sisters are devoting to the introduction of the printed page? "No, I can't say that I have."

What shall we call such an attitude? Shall we say that you obeyed the command, "Go, work in My vineyard;" but when the sun rose high in the heavens, and it was very hot and dusty, and you felt tired, and thought you were not accomplishing much anyway, you withdrew from the field?

Dear friend, consider this matter in the light of eternity. God needs you in the great harvest field. If you are not able to accomplish as much in an hour as somebody else, is that any reason why you should not do what you can? Only God Himself can measure the results. We have nothing to do with that. We are to give the message, whether men will receive it or not.

The matter of circulating our literature is especially referred to here, not because it is the only way of doing missionary work, but because it is so simple that every one can bear a part in it. The only preparation required is a love for the truth and for perishing souls. Will not the discouraged ones (and we know there are some) make another effort, and trust God for good results? This is emphatically the *time to work*; the resting comes by and by. Now we are to be cross-bearers, presently crown-wearers.

M. E. O.