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HELPFUL INSTRUCTION.

PLACE yourselves in the divine current, where you can receive the heavenly inspiration, for you may have it; then point the weary, the heavy-laden, the poor, the broken-hearted, the perplexed soul to Jesus, the source of all spiritual strength. Be faithful minute-men to show forth the praises of Him who has called you out of darkness into His marvellous light. Tell it with pen and voice, that Jesus lives to make intercession for us.

THE Lord has a work for women as well as men to do. They may accomplish a good work if they will first learn in the school of Christ the precious, all-important lesson of meekness. They must not only bear the name of Christ, but must possess His Spirit. They must walk even as he walked, purifying their souls from everything that defiles. Then they will be able to benefit others by presenting the all-sufficiency of Jesus.

WATCH ye and pray, lest ye enter into temptation." Mark xiv. 38. Watch against the stealthy approach of the enemy, watch against old habits and natural inclinations, lest they assert themselves; force them back and watch. Watch the thoughts, watch the plans, lest they become self-centred. Watch over the souls whom Christ has purchased with His own blood. Watch for opportunities to do them good. MRS. E. G. WHITE.

OUR PERIODICAL CIRCULATION.

WE are glad indeed to note the interest that is being shown by our brethren and sisters in the circulation of our periodicals, *Present Truth* and *Good Health*. For some weeks the *Present Truth* has stood at 20,100, but now we have gained a little more ground, adding several hundred. We hope that this may continue to increase, and so it will when we put forth our earnest efforts in behalf of the paper. We hear excellent reports from the canvassers; many souls are having their attention

called to the truth for the first time, and every little while we hear of one moving out in obedience. We praise the Lord for the glorious work that is thus going on.

We are also receiving encouraging letters with regard to *Good Health*, how it is appreciated, and the good that it is accomplishing. May the good work continue to increase more and more until the message shall go with power, and the whole earth be lighted with its glory. O. A. O.

GLASGOW AND SCOTLAND.

WE feel sure our brethren in England are interested in the work here, and we are glad to be able to report that the work is taking definite shape in Glasgow. The presence of Brother Armstrong among us is a stimulus to all. His teaching is very much appreciated.

Our Sabbath meeting is growing in interest, and our Sunday evening meeting, which is a public effort, is being attended by quite a number not of our faith. Our hall is not very large; but we expect to need a larger one soon. We have got some cards to advertise our Sunday evening meetings, which we hope, with God's blessing, will help us to reach the people.

There is a great need for the message to be given in this city, hence the great responsibility that rests on each one here whom God has blessed with a knowledge of His truth, that they should live it out before the people. Pray for the work, and also that God may unite our hearts in love, so that we may be standing where God can use us to bring others unto the light of the Gospel of Christ.

We are glad to hear of the progress of the work in other parts of the Conference, and we read the *WORKER* with interest.

We find there is also a great need here for trained workers in Medical Missionary lines, who, while supporting themselves, could be teaching healthful cookery to the well, and nursing the sick. Through the health work we are reaching nine families with the gospel of health, and seven patients are receiving treatment. These homes are visited from two to six times each week. We have nearly

every day to refuse persons who ask and expect from us the help they need. If we had a small sanitarium where these could come to, we feel sure this work would grow to large dimensions in this city, and be a means of reaching the people which no other work can reach. R. M. LAMIE.

WHAT HATH GOD WROUGHT!

DEAR FELLOW WORKERS:—

I want to tell you as briefly as I can what God has done in the Kettering church during the last month.

When Brother Ballenger came amongst us, he found a true representative of the Laodicean church—neither cold nor hot, just ready to be spued out—but the Spirit of God by him showed us our true condition; there soon began to be a shaking among the dry bones, and cries for help went up from first one and then another, until the whole church was down on its knees seeking for help. Such confession of sin and true repentance toward God I have never witnessed before.

I shall never forget the earnest pleading by the Spirit of God through Brother Ballenger. Many were melted to tears, and cried out in their hearts to God, "Men and brethren, what shall we do?" The answer came fresh as ever, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ; He died for you, He died for me." Oh, what amazing love, that while we were yet enemies, He died for us. "Tell them they are free," sounded again and again in our ears. "Reckon yourself dead to sin, but alive unto God. For sin shall not have dominion over you."

As these truths were made so simple and clear by Brother Ballenger, and drunk in by the thirsty souls, first one, and then another made a complete surrender, until the whole church was leavened. "Old things are passed away, behold, all things are become new."

Members and backsliders who had not taken any interest in the meetings for months, and some who had quite given up the Sabbath, gradually came in, and, their hearts being touched, confessed their sins, and yielded all to God. They are now rejoicing again in the truth, and it is music in our ears to listen to their testimonies of victories over sin, self, and Satan. We now have a new church with a new membership. Sixteen precious souls were buried with Christ in baptism, and arose from the watery grave to walk in newness of life. Ten of these were re-baptisms.

Shouts of victory are still going up. The Wednesday evening prayer meeting, held after the leaving of Brother Ballenger, was well attended, and it was good to hear the testimonies, as one after another got up to witness to the keeping power of God. One brother said that he did not

ever remember looking forward to the prayer-meeting before, thinking that the time was long, but that he had looked forward to this one, showing the change that had come into his life and experience. We had the best meeting possible, and on the Sabbath the interest was maintained throughout, so that there was not time enough for all to give in their testimony.

Oh, how different! My heart leaps for joy. A great burden has been rolled away, so that I cannot give expression to my deep gratitude to God. Prayers have been answered, and the reproach of the Kettering church has been rolled away.

And now as the cloud lifts, and more light comes in, we see all around us new responsibilities, and the command comes clear and distinct to the Kettering church, "Forward."

We are now all ready, though not in our own strength, but in the strength of God, to go forward and press the battle to the gates. Praise the Lord, the anchor holds! The victory is ours through faith, for we walk by faith, and not by sight. May like blessings attend the ministry of Brother Ballenger at Wellingborough, and wherever God shall call him, is the earnest prayer of the Kettering church. Your fellow-worker in Christ,

D. REDHEAD.

FOREST GATE.

We have had the largest meetings during the last two weeks that it has been my privilege to hold in this part of London. Our interest has rapidly increased, and we have had large crowds assemble both on Sunday afternoons and evenings.

We are giving opportunities for questions at the close of each meeting, and this has greatly helped to increase the interest. Men will rise up in the audience, and put their questions; some for the purpose of trying to entangle and catch us in our words, as in the days of Christ's ministry, but others for the purpose of learning the truth.

I never realised so much before the need of the warning given to us in 2 Timothy ii. 15: "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the Word of truth." There is need of constant *study* in this respect on the part of all who handle the Word of God. He who knows the Word is a workman who needeth not to be ashamed, for everything that is *worth knowing* is there, and what is *not worth knowing*, and therefore is *not in the Word*, he need have no shame in admitting that he does not know.

A splendid testimony was given a week ago last Sunday before a crowded audience at Earham Hall, by a man who was a perfect stranger to me. He rose up in the congregation, and asked to be allowed to give his experience. He told how he

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THE second monthly meeting of the North London Good Health Club was held Tuesday evening, March 25, the attendance and interest being encouraging. Similar clubs have been organised recently in Plymouth, Bristol, Swansea, Bath, and Leytonstone. The principles of healthful living are well worthy systematic study, and we trust that the organisation of these clubs may prove effective in enlisting the interest and co-operation of a large number of people.

THE North London church enjoyed the privilege on Sabbath, March 22, of listening to an address on the subject, "Jesus Christ a Total Abstainer," delivered by Rev. John Pyper, editor of the *Bible Temperance Educator*. Brother Pyper has been engaged for many years in temperance work, and is the author of some very helpful books and tracts dealing with various phases of temperance reform, which are on sale at this Office. We wish him Godspeed in his noble work. We rejoice that he has found the blessing of true Sabbath-keeping.

WE can rejoice the hearts of the friends of *Present Truth* by the announcement that last week's paper was the largest regular issue ever printed, being 21,300. This is encouraging, and we hope it will prove such a tonic that all will be strengthened to make the next number as much larger than this one, as it was larger than the one before. There are difficulties enough in the way; but as surely as this is the work of the Lord, it must go forward. The only question is, Shall it be through our agency, or by somebody else? What say you?

A LATE communication from Brother Harry Armstrong contains the following paragraph:—

"The work in Glasgow is steadily growing. Last Sunday evening's service showed an increased interest, larger attendance, and the best collection we have had yet. We are of good courage in our planting, for we know that these precious living seeds of truth must grow; "first the blade, then the ear, and after that the full corn in the ear."

We learn from another communication from Brother Armstrong that one brother has begun the observance of the Sabbath, and is entering the canvassing field. Also that the company at Glasgow are taking hold heartily of the work of selling "Christ's Object Lessons" and our literature generally.

BROTHER A. T. STROPE writes: "This morning was such a pleasant one I decided to try for the first time to see if I could do a little Sunday canvassing, and the result was that I sold 108 *Good Healths* in about four hours, which took all I had on hand. Hence this order for more." Sunday is an excellent day for introducing *Good Health*. The agent can properly say that it is a bright, interesting magazine, full of good Sunday reading.

BROTHER W. KING writes from Ebbw Vale:—"A few weeks ago a man belonging to the Salvation Army called on me in uniform, said that he had received great light by reading *Present Truth* loaned him by one of my customers, and seemed desirous to learn more about the truth. So we studied the Word together, he saw the light of the Sabbath, and said he would like to keep it, and have a part in giving the message to others. He is now in the work in Ferndale, and writes me that he thinks he will like the work very well. Others here are interested. Brethren, pray for us."

WE are sorry to have to record the death of Sister C. Barker, who fell asleep in Jesus, February 12th, cancer being the cause. Sister Barker was living in Cheltenham at the time, but she and her husband resided for a time in America, where they showed a deep interest in the progress of the message. The deceased leaves four daughters to mourn their loss. Sisters Gill and McPherson, of Nottingham, were at the bedside the last few days to render assistance.

ONLY FORWARD.

WHILE visiting recently our companies at Portsmouth, Cowes, Southampton, Plymouth, Bristol, Cardiff, Swansea, and Bath, I have been much encouraged to note the spirit of self-sacrifice shown by our brethren and sisters generally in taking up the work of circulating our papers. This is the secret of whatever success has attended the work. The Lord blesses self-denying effort, and an enterprise which depends upon the co-operation of earnest, God-fearing people who are already occupied with many cares, and hence take up the work out of pure love and devotion, is sure to succeed.

In every place visited, when the situation was placed before the brethren and sisters, and they could see the importance of enlarging our health magazine, that it may contain a larger variety of reading matter, with more illustrations, and thus be a more efficient representative of health principles, the answer was: "Go forward, and we will do our best." This is what we hope to do, and we invite the prayers and co-operation of all our people. We need the help of every one. Fifty thousand copies of *Good Health* monthly means an average of fifty for every Sabbath-keeper.

Let every church and company be on the alert to do as much as possible, and further to distribute the work, allot the territory, and do everything as systematically as possible. "Light is the task when many share the toil."

M. E. O.