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THE DAY OF PRAYER IN LONDON.

GOOD FRIDAY, March 28th, 1902, was a day long to be remembered by our churches and companies in London. At 11 o'clock in the morning, people began to arrive from all parts of the metropolis; not only our brethren and sisters, but others who had heard of this day of prayer. Brother Ballenger and Brother Salisbury were with us part of the day, and the Lord used their testimony in a very striking manner.

The Spirit of the Lord came to convict of sin in the morning, and then followed a scene such as I have never witnessed before. Individuals got up and made public confession of cherishing hard and bitter feelings, and talking against their brethren, and before the congregation sought out those they had wronged, and asked forgiveness. For several minutes they crept noiselessly about the house settling their differences, and then God began to visit us. Outside sinners were converted. One lady, at least, that I know of, began to keep the Sabbath when the sun set that day, being convinced that such scenes as she had witnessed could be wrought only by the Holy Spirit. Backsliders also were restored.

In the afternoon, a call was made for restitution and thorough cleansing of the camp, before we could ask for the outpouring of the Spirit. Brethren and sisters rose from all parts of the audience, confessing unfaithfulness in not paying their tithes; debts that had been left standing for years were remembered, and publicly confessed, the tears streaming down the faces of the speakers; wrongs against God and against individuals were acknowledged, and God gave the witness of His Spirit to all who determined to make thorough restitution.

People are already coming long distances to our meetings to see these sights. The revival has spread through the Leytonstone church, until now it is completely renovated, and will need to have a new name. Men and women, utter strangers, are coming into our midst, and falling down, acknowledge that God is with us of a truth. Last Sunday night I was interrupted by the sobs of a contrite sinner, who was crying to God to save his soul, and I stopped in the middle of a sentence while

we all fell on our knees to pray for sinners. That night seven souls were converted.

O! the living God has rolled away our reproach, and is coming near to His people with the power of Pentecost. At Leytonstone and Forest Gate we are being interrupted at nearly every meeting by men and women sobbing out, "What must I do to be saved?" May God keep us low enough, so that this revival may spread through the whole Kingdom, and the Spirit of God come into our churches to humble us in the dust, and strip from us all the pride and self-exaltation that have hindered His work in the past.

"Before honour is humility. To fill a high place before men, Heaven chooses the worker who, like John the Baptist, takes a lowly place before God. The most childlike disciple is the most efficient in labour for God. The heavenly intelligences can co-operate with him who is seeking, not to exalt self, but to save souls. He who feels most deeply his need of Divine aid, will plead for it; and the Holy Spirit will give unto him glimpses of Jesus, that will strengthen and uplift the soul. From communion with Christ he will go forth to work for those who are perishing in their sins. He is anointed for his mission; and he succeeds where many of the learned and intellectually wise would fail." *Desire of Ages*, p. 518.

HARRY CHAMPNESS.

HULL, GRIMSBY, SHEFFIELD, LEEDS, AND MANCHESTER.

ON Monday, March 24, I closed a ten days' mission at Hull. We had meetings every evening, and during the day visited among the friends, and laboured from house to house. It was a time of earnest work. The Spirit of God led to heart-searching and repentance, and some souls obtained glorious victories that set them free in Christ.

Still, we did not achieve all that we desired to see. The enemy does not readily yield his hold on the human soul. Instead of making that full and complete surrender which alone brings the desired results, *self* seeks for justification in its own works, and so we continue in bondage. Some that were

previously interested decided henceforth to be wholly for God, and obey all the tru.h. We shall visit them again shortly.

Spent Monday evening with the friends at Grimsby. On the way there called on the two families at Ulceby. We have arranged a union meeting for Grimsby and Ulceby, April 13, in the Ulceby chapel, for baptism and the celebration of the ordinances. We hope all the friends in the vicinity will be present.

At Sheffield, March 25, I met Brethren Johnson and Casson, who are canvassing for *Present Truth* and *Good Health*. Had a little meeting with interested friends in the evening.

March 26-29 I spent at Leeds, and had a very interesting and profitable time studying the Word with the friends there. Meetings were held at Sister Kennington's house, as she was not able to go out on account of an injury to her foot. On Sabbath we enjoyed a most precious season, celebrating the ordinances of the Lord's house. The Lord's presence was very marked, and our souls rejoiced in his salvation.

The last two days of March I was in Manchester. Here, too, we celebrated the ordinances with great joy by reason of God's presence and blessing in our midst. What a blessing when the soul can see and appropriate Christ by faith, and know His full salvation. We are glad to see the countenances of His children lit up by the glorious presence of Christ in the soul.

These little meetings, for we have had no large gatherings, have been a source of much blessing to me personally. I now go to Bolton and Liverpool.

O. A. OLSEN.

HINTS TO SABBATH SCHOOL TEACHERS.

THE *Iowa S. S. Helper* offers the following helpful suggestions to teachers:

Be regular and punctual.

Salute your pupils everywhere.

Win their love.

"Without Me (Christ) ye can do nothing."

Teach as if each Sabbath were your last.

If your class goes to sleep, *you* wake up.

Exhort each pupil personally and alone.

Make their salvation your one aim.

Invite the class frequently to your home.

The sure road to the heart is kindness.

Remember the influence of early impressions.

"As the twig is bent, the tree is inclined."

Pluck the thistles, and plant flowers.

Sing, and inspire your class to sing.

Have the best lesson text memorized.

In teaching be familiar, affectionate, practical.

Know each pupil—his temper, habits, and associations, and adapt instruction accordingly.

WITNESS CORNER.



MY DEAR BROTHER BALLENGER,—

I was brought up in a Christian home. Some of my earliest reminiscences are those of going with my parents to chapel on Sunday, and kneeling with my father in family prayer. Despite such advantageous home influences and generally good environments, I strayed away from my Father's fold. I was convicted of sin before I was fourteen years old, but did not yield to the Spirit's strivings until I was nearly eighteen. The first few weeks or months I realised Christ's power to save me from the thralldom of sin; but I fell again, and did not live the overcoming life, except at short periods of say a few weeks at a time. And yet I was sure that the Lord could save me absolutely and for ever. I never lost hope that the last time I had fallen would remain the last.

Eventually, when I was twenty-one, after having prayed the Lord very definitely for guidance, I became a missionary to the Argentine Republic. My experience was now that of the overcomer, and I thought the sad past of my life since my conversion had become an historic thing. But, oh! the agony of soul when I found myself again fettered, having had another fall. My missionary life of a little more than three years' duration in that far-off land was analogous to the former years, always wandering and coming back again, though no one, possibly, knew it.

I was almost giving up in despair, ready to console myself with the idea that it was impossible to overcome absolutely and for ever. In this condition I returned to England, and attended the camp-meeting at Wanstead. As you told in unmistakable language and dogmatic confidence what the Lord actually had done for you, and what He was waiting to do for all, my hope for victory, which was like a dull spark, glowed, and finally flamed. I went home, and told the Lord that I would have this blessing at any cost. It had been my quest for all those weary years, this indescribable joy of victory over *besetting sin*. Now, without writing any more, for the time is gone, words utterly fail to convey any adequate expression of the gratitude I have toward God, for the blessing obtained by faith. I am sometimes tempted to believe I shall fall again, but I meet the adversary with the sword of the Spirit, remembering the text upon which you preached, "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me . . . to preach liberty to the captives." I am rejoicing in the liberty of the Son of God, and delight in telling others about it.

Your sincere brother in Christ Jesus.

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THE gracious revival which the friends at Leytonstone have recently enjoyed, is only another evidence of the Lord's willingness to bless His people. Let the brethren and sisters elsewhere put away self and sin, and pray in all confidence for the infilling of the Spirit for service. Our God is ever on the giving hand. Let us hasten to receive what He has for us, and then offer thanks.

CAPTAIN SCOUGHALL, of Plymouth, is spending a few days in London. We believe he is planning to attend the School next year. Thanks to a strictly temperate life, and careful dietetic habits, the captain is young and fresh in mind and body, though he has seen over thirty years of life at sea. He was brought to a knowledge of the truth, which he joyfully accepted, some years ago, through literature received from Brother Drew.

THE students are making satisfactory progress in their studies, as well as enjoying a good degree of success in canvassing for our books and papers. When the school term closes, which will be at the end of the month, they will have the satisfaction of looking back on four months of hard, faithful study to improve themselves, and become better fitted for future usefulness, and also have the joy of realising that during the same time they have been sowing thousands of seeds of truth, which will in due time spring up, and bear fruit.

BROTHER CHARLES DYER writes from Ayrshire that he is having good success, and enjoying rich spiritual blessings in the work. His orders the few days previous to writing were as follows: Friday, twenty-two C. O. S.; Monday, twelve C. O. S. and three "Bible Readings;" Tuesday, twenty-five C. O. S. Brother Dyer finds time evenings to hold Bible studies, and has conducted services several Sundays at the Ayrshire Christian Union Mission. He says there is a deep interest amongst the people in the prophecies.

THANKS to the earnest efforts of our WORKER family, many of whom have at considerable personal sacrifice circulated a large number of *Good Health's* every month, we have now reached a point

where the desired enlargement of the magazine is in sight. With the increased circulation which we have reason to expect, as a result of hearty, all-round co-operation, the June number of *Good Health* and all forthcoming issues will be double the present size, containing thirty-two pages, while the price will remain the same, namely, one penny a copy. Now may we not have the help of every reader in realising the necessary 50,000 circulation? What we need is "a long pull, and a strong pull, and a pull altogether."

SOME are doing nobly already. Even these, we trust, will put forth earnest efforts to do a little more, in view of the enlargement; while others, who have not done much, will now want to take hold, and do their best. The principles are God-given; they are entrusted to us, in order that we may publish them to all the world. There is a joy in going from door to door, and introducing that which will bring healing and health. Take up this work in the Spirit of Christ, and you will realise this joy.

A LADY writing to the office on other business makes the following mention of *Present Truth* :—

"I should like to add one word in favour of *Present Truth*. Its constant perusal for some years has thrown much light on my Bible, especially with regard to the seventh day. I kept Sunday; now I keep the seventh day, the Sabbath of the Lord."

How many others there are who could give a similar testimony, we have no means of knowing; but we may be sure that there are many. And there are certainly thousands who have received light, and who are still receiving light, who have not yet taken the stand that this sister has; and therefore we should be encouraged to press the work forward with greater zeal and energy. Suppose people have read the paper for years without giving any indication of accepting truth? That does not show that they will not. This sister read it for years before beginning to keep the Sabbath; but all the time the paper was doing its work. Is it a light thing to carry comfort and encouragement to weary souls?

"In the morning sow thy seed, and in the evening withhold not thine hand; for thou knowest not whether shall prosper, either this or that, or whether they both shall be alike good."

All must rejoice with us to know that the list last week was 21,300. Would'nt it be grand if we could make it 25,000 by the time the General Conference is held in May? Why not? Let us work for it.