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Life.

LIFE is a burden, bear it;
Life is a duty, dare it;
Life is a thorn crown, wear it;
Though it break your heart in twain,
Though the burden crush you down,
Close your lips and hide your pain—
First the cross and then the crown.

—Selected.

The Higher Life.

"And this voice which came from heaven we heard, when we were with Him in the holy mount." 2 Peter i. 18.

As the most musical agent in the world is the human voice, so the grandest music in the universe is heard in the voice of the Creator—"as the sound of many waters." Rev. i. 15. The word here rendered "sound" means particularly an articulate as opposed to an inarticulate sound; music as opposed to mere sound; the voice. To the casual passer the leaping of many waters is only as a rush, a roar, and a rage; but to the waiting lovers of nature sublimest chords strike majestically on the ear. The first essential, then, to our hearing the music of our heavenly Father's voice is to *abide* with Him.

Oh, for an hour on the steps of the great throne, listening to the exquisite tones of the Father's voice! No wonder that angelic beings love to hearken "unto the voice of His word." Psa. ciii. 20. Truly the soul's delight should fasten on to the commands spoken in the melody of that voice. To the reckless passer they will seem only a raging torrent of prohibitions, but to the one who watches and waits in the divine presence the law sings forth in a stream of fascinating promises to empower with piety.

It is not necessary, then, to wait until we reach the heavenly realm to hear that voice. Even to-day we can enjoy this privilege, but we must be "with Him in the holy mount." Emphatically to us who bear the Advent Message—"Behold your God"—comes the command, "Get thee up into the high mountain." Isa. xl. 9. There, on the mount of a higher life, we should stand in order to be in the line of the world's vision—marked men and women with the honourable scars of holiness—the hiding of our power (Hab. iii. 4)—gained in the desperate fight against the world, the flesh, and the devil.

Also we need to take up our position there that, whilst clad in assailable flesh and standing on earth, our heads may, as it were, be beyond the clouds and our eyes be glory-lit by the radiance of heavenly scenes hidden from all but eyes of faith. Yet again, it is our privilege and duty to climb to the height of holy living, because there we shall hear the voice that comes from heaven. The atmosphere of a tainted experience is utterly unsuited to carry the delicate tremors of divine whisperings! And oh! what thrills of rapture the soul misses when deaf to those whisperings! It is the divine whisper that conveys the confidences of God to His beloved. It is the divine undertone employed by a loving Lord for the benefit of His intimates. Ah! the charm of those heart-talks by the Master to the mortal! Come, let us boldly go from height to loftier height of a holy career, and thence to the loftiest height, that there we may hear the faintest whisper of all, peacefully breathing to us God's tenderest and most secret confiding.

However, standing alienated from the world and its fashion, we must be "with Him," our constant Helper, in order to hear this voice. Thus only can we clamber to the peak of piety, and thus only can we maintain our footing there. As we journey up this "mountain of holiness" what a fresh aspect life's vicissitudes assume by virtue of the divine companionship so graciously accorded to us! How the road is beautified with new details of interest when Jesus is our Guide and Informant—the One Who has passed this way heretofore and knows where to look for the hidden beauties of the route! Even the thorns in life speak lessons of triumph as our Saviour reminds us that from the rude mock-coronation in Galilee the thorn has been the crest of Christ, the sign of His conquest by suffering, and in figure still adorns the one type, of coronet by which the world proclaims its acknowledgment of a soul's transference of allegiance to that realm in which no subject is lower in rank than monarch of life and temper. Every stage of the journey is enlivened by the melody of His voice and all the dreariness of the road is lost upon us because we are "with Him." Let us, then, permit the Lord to carry us "in the Spirit to a great and high mountain" (Rev. xxi. 10) even to "the mountain of His holiness." Psa. xlviii. 1.

"Come ye, and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord." Isa. ii. 3. J. D. GILLATT.

British Union Conference.

Union Conference Session.

Final Notice!

IN a little more than a week after this notice appears in the WORKER the tenth session (fourth biennial) of the British Union Conference will open in the Temperance Hall, Derby. Let all note the following points:—

The conference will open at 7.30 p.m., Thursday, August 3rd. The time will be well filled from the opening until the closing meeting at 7.30 p.m., Tuesday, August 8th.

Besides all the ministers and workers of our Union we expect Pastor W. A. Spicer, of the General Conference, and Pastor H. J. Edmed, of the South African Union Conference, to be in attendance.

Sufficient though somewhat restricted refreshment arrangements will be conducted by Brethren G. Wakeham and H. Camp, in rooms in connection with the meeting hall.

Lodgings and apartments at the lowest rates obtainable will be secured for all who will notify in good time the secretary of the Union, W. E. Read, 8 Lancaster Road, Stroud Green, London, N.

From the Midland Railway station a 1st d. fare on the *Ashbourne* Road tram cars will carry one to Curzon Street and within a few yards of the Temperance Hall which is in Curzon Street.

May all who can possibly do so avail themselves of the privileges and blessings of the coming conference session. Let us pray that the Derby meeting may be, and attend, expecting it to be, a season of true spiritual worship and refreshing.

W. J. FITZGERALD.

Received Into Church Fellowship During the Half Year.

SCOTLAND.

First Quarter			3
Second Quarter			
Glasgow	By baptism	9	
Edinburgh	“ “	5	
Kirkcaldy	“ “	1	
“	“ vote	1	
Dundee	“ “	1	
			17
	Total		20

MIDLAND.

First Quarter			14
Second Quarter			
Wolverhampton	By baptism	7	
Bearwood (B'ham)	“ “	1	
Derby	“ “	4	
			12
	Total		26

WALLES.

First Quarter			13
Second Quarter			
Newport	By baptism	2	
“	“ vote	2	
Cardiff	“ baptism	1	
Hereford	“ “	2	
Shrewsbury	“ “	3	
Wellington	“ “	3	
“	“ vote	1	
Llanelly Hill	“ “	1	
Conference	“ baptism	1	
			16
	Total		29

UNION DISTRICT.

First Quarter			9
Second Quarter			
Forest Gate	By baptism	4	
	By vote	3	
			7
	Total		16

Location of Conference Workers for the Summer Months.

Ireland.

Pastor R. Mussen	} Engaged in tent effort in Belfast
Brother J. McClements	
Miss Ballard	
Miss J. Mussen	} Developing the work in Dublin.
Brother Prescott	
Miss Marks	} Located at Rathfriland.

Scotland.

Pastor J. J. Gillatt	} Conducting an effort in Glasgow.
Brother L. W. Barras	
Sister R. Binns	
Pastor A. Rodd	} Conducting public meetings in Edinburgh.
Brother W. J. Young	
Sister Jackson	
Sister Archibald	

Midland.

Pastor A. Armstrong	} Conducting a tent effort in Derby
Brother George Hyde	
Miss Blair	} Engaged in tent effort in Lincoln.
Brother Ashton and wife	
Brother Cuthbert	
Brother McAvoy	} Continuing the work at Birmingham.
Miss A. Clarke	} Conducting meetings in Wolverhampton.
Brother S. F. Tonks	
Brother Maxwell and wife	} Developing the work in Leicester.
Miss M. Brown	
Mrs. Brooks	

Another Good Quarter.

THE full reports are in from all the local conferences for the second quarter of the present year and we again can report substantial advancement.

No less than 103 new members were added to our churches. On June 30th the membership of the Union had risen to 2,879. It had been hoped that we should reach the 3,000 mark by this time; but we have fallen short by 121. We should go well over 3,000 by the end of this year.

We have more than ordinary reason for encouragement on account of the financial showing of last quarter. The tithes amounted to £2,399. 18. 0. The gain over the second quarter of 1915 is £519. 17. 10. This is one of the largest quarterly gains, if not the largest in the history of the Union.

We could wish that the mission offerings had been more than £419. 4. 5; yet we are glad to note that our offerings made a gain of £76. 6. 1. as compared with the corresponding quarter of last year.

Surely such good gains in tithes and offerings, when we consider that war has been on for two years, are ground for real encouragement.

May we also be assured that in spirituality and the "grace of our Lord Jesus Christ" we are gaining ground from quarter to quarter.

W. J. FITZGERALD.

South England Conference.

Balham Sabbath-School and Young People's Convention.

Those who were privileged to attend the Sabbath-School and Young People's Convention which was held at the Balham Assembly Rooms, Balham High Road, London, S.W., on Sabbath, June 17th, will agree that the meetings were in the truest sense a success. About one hundred members of the various churches located principally in the south of London were present, and we feel sure that all would testify, if opportunity offered, to the blessings received. Indeed the services proved to be a spiritual uplift; a veritable feast of good things. The seven papers which were read were good; they contained excellent instruction and sound advice. The remarks made by the chairman and others were appropriate and to the point; and the written questions asked and answered (there were thirteen in all) showed the interest taken in the proceedings. Brethren S. G. Haughey, W. E. Read, G. Baird, H. D. Clarke, F. A. Spearing, and Sisters Dobson and Woolly, contributed items which assisted in making the meetings both enjoyable and profitable.

If all the lessons learned are remembered and put into practice the efforts put forth to make the services of the day successful will not have been made in vain.

At ten o'clock sharp Pastor Read proceeded to conduct a "Model Sabbath-School." If all superintendents decided for the future to conduct their

respective Sabbath-schools on similar lines to those followed on this occasion, a great improvement would at once be seen.

At 11.15 the convention proper began. Brother Baird occupied the chair. After singing a hymn, the scripture lesson was read from Isa. xli. 10-18 and xl. 26-31, and prayer was offered by Pastor Haughey. An admirable paper written in narrative form entitled, "A Visit to a Model Sabbath-School," was read by Brother Haughey. We were not informed just where this "model" school is situated, nor who the officers and teachers are. If the desired information had been given, no doubt there would be a good many visitors all anxious to learn the secret by means of which "model" Sabbath-schools can be conducted. The words punctuality, regularity, preparation, and interest will perhaps serve to sum up the main points in the paper.

The reading of the second paper, "The Model Review," by the writer, was followed by a lively discussion, and many valuable suggestions were made.

After singing a third hymn two exceedingly interesting papers were read, entitled, "The Model Teacher" (Senior) and "The Model Teacher" (Junior), by Sisters Dobson and Woolly respectively. From the first we learned that the teacher's first pupil is himself, that he must realize the importance of his work, must know what he teaches, and must have the Holy Spirit's power. In the second some of the thoughts brought out were that Christ's example must be followed, that the teacher must consider his work a privilege, that he must always remember that children are imitators and therefore must take heed to himself.

The singing of hymn no. 84 and benediction by Brother Read closed the morning session. At three o'clock the second part of the programme commenced. Pastor Haughey was in the chair. The opening hymn was no. 344, and the scripture reading Prov. viii. Prayer was offered by Pastor Read, and after the second hymn was sung an excellent paper was read by Brother Baird on "The Aim of Our Young People's Societies." The points presented were drawn from the parable of the merchantman seeking goodly pearls. We all would do well to emulate this merchantman who insisted on having the best, and willingly sacrificed his all to obtain it. "The Standard of Attainment Plan: Its Benefits," was the title of a paper read by Pastor Read. The paper was thoughtfully prepared and well written, the main thought expressed being the need of a personal knowledge of the truth of God in these days of "spiritual veneer." Pastor Haughey spoke of the possibilities of our young people. Some who were members of the Young People's Societies a few years ago now occupy prominent positions in the work and cause of God. Following these remarks,

five young people gave their names as being desirous of taking up the Standard of Attainment Course. Brother Read said that 395 of our young people were now taking the course, 71 of them being in the South England Conference.

The last paper was read by Brother H. D. Clarke on "The Importance of Reporting." According to one brother this paper "fairly sparkled with gems of truth." The reasons given why we should report were certainly sound and should appeal to all.

The questions and answers which followed were very helpful, and the personal testimonies which were given by quite a number of our people as to the benefits received at the convention proved that the interest was great.

Hymn no. 140 was sung to close the session, and the benediction followed.

Altogether the services were decidedly encouraging, and promise well for future meetings of a similar character. May the results prove to be beneficial and lasting in every case. F. A. SPEARING.

North England Conference.

The fourteenth Annual Session of the North England Conference was held in the S.D.A. Mission Hall, Monton Street, South Manchester, from June 30th to July 2nd, delegates from all the churches being present. The convention was opened with praise and prayer, after which President Armstrong gave a short address, thanking God for His continued blessing on us as a Conference "in such a time as this."

Pastor W. J. Fitzgerald also spoke for a few moments with reference to our work, pointing out that it was not a question of whether the Lord was on our side, but whether *we were* on the Lord's side.

The annual balance sheet was submitted and accepted after a brief discussion. This financial statement was a good testimony to the faithfulness of God's people in such trying and calamitous times. We all then rose and sang "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow."

Financial Statement for the Year Ending December 31, 1915.

Loss and Gain Account.

EXPENDITURE.

	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Salaries.....	749	17	7			
Expenses.....	263	2	2½			
General Expense.....	61	11	1			
1st. and 2nd. Tithe to B.U.C....	270	11	7			
Sustentation.....	73	2	6			
Depreciation.....	5	8	9			
Gain.....	112	9	6			

RECEIPTS.

Tithe.....				1462	12	0
Donations.....				73	11	2½

1536 3 2½ 1536 3 2½

Balance Sheet.

LIABILITIES.

Capital.....	195	6	4
Loans Account.....	39	0	0
Literature Account.....	4	1	11½
Equipment Fund.....	55	1	0
Accounts Payable.....	18	4	7½

ASSETS.

Furniture Account.....	21	12	0
B.U.C.....	237	1	9
Accounts Receivable.....	32	13	11
Cash Balance.....	20	6	2½
	311	18	10½
	311	18	10½

Audited, found correct, H. D. CLARKE,
30/1/1916. Harry Ashford, Auditor. Treasurer.

The following brethren were chosen by the chair to act on the different committees:—

On Nominations: Brethren Fitzgerald, Crowther, Slater, Casson and Oxley.

On Plans: Brethren Maudsley, Craven, Harker, Davies, Schuil, Bell, and Vallance.

These names were accepted as a whole.

The Committee on Plans then submitted seven resolutions, which were heartily voted upon and accepted.

1. *Whereas*, During the time intervening between the Hull Conference and the present convention, the Lord has graciously blessed our people by adding souls to the church and granting to us a substantial increase in the tithe, thus enabling us to plan for more extensive and aggressive work in the future, Therefore,

Resolved, That we express our heartfelt thanks to our heavenly Father, and invite our members to unite with us in renewed consecration for service.

2. *Whereas*, Many of our young men are now serving in His Majesty's Forces, Therefore,

Resolved, That we pledge ourselves to remember them daily before the throne of grace, and that we show our brotherly love and interest by corresponding regularly with them and supplying them with suitable literature.

3. *Appreciating*, The sad and irreparable loss sustained by our beloved and esteemed ex-president in the death of Sister Meredith, whose sweet and cheerful disposition was an inspiration to all who were privileged to know her,

We, the delegates of the North England Conference assembled, desire to extend to Brother Meredith and his two boys our united and heartfelt sympathy in this hour of trial and bereavement.

4. *Whereas*, The endowed bed plan at our Watford Sanitarium has proved a great blessing to many of our poor, suffering churchmembers, therefore,

Resolved, That this Conference endeavour to induce its various churches to increase the offerings for this purpose to at least 1s. 6d. per member, per annum, so that, if possible, the number of beds may be

increased, and under God's blessing many may be benefited thereby.

5. *Acknowledging*, With grateful hearts the blessings which the Sabbath-school institution has brought to our churches, and rejoicing in the increasing usefulness of the Sabbath-school offerings for foreign missions,

We recommend, That a special endeavour be made to raise the amount collected to at least ten shillings per member per year.

6. *Whereas*, It is most desirable and necessary not only to keep up the circulation of the "Present Truth," but to enlarge it,

Resolved, That we urge that no pains be spared by the editors and publishers to make this paper in the highest degree worthy of the great Message it bears.

7. *Inasmuch as*, We are living in days filled with striking signs and wonders, for all to understand, and it is important that each member avails himself or herself of a unique opportunity of doing something practical on missionary lines,

Resolved, That each churchmember be encouraged to take ten copies of the "World's Crisis" and thus accomplish a twofold object; that of spreading the truth and supplying means by which our people can contribute to the support of our world-wide missionary work, which calls so loudly for help at this time.

The Nominating Committee suggested the following names:—

President: H. E. Armstrong.

Secretary: E. E. Craven.

Treasurer: H. D. Clarke.

Auditor: Same as B.U.C.

Executive Committee: H. E. Armstrong, J. Harker, W. Ralston, C. Davies, W. Maudsley.

Auditing Committee: A. Crowther, B. Craven, Wright (of Hull), H. Casson.

Ministerial Credentials: H. E. Armstrong, W. Maudsley.

Ministerial Licence: M. Vallance, S. Jackson, J. Bell.

Missionary Credentials: J. Andrews, E. Craven, E. R. Elias, Miss Sanders, Miss Wray, Miss G. Davies.

Canvassers' Licences referred to Conference Committee.

The Convention might well be called the "Instructive Convention." Many said it was the only convention where they had really received full and definite instruction relating to church life and work.

The following topics were considered:—

1. Church of God and Its Work.
2. Laymembers and Officers and Their Relation.
3. Elder.
4. Deacon.
5. Deaconess.

6. Clerk.

7. Treasurer.

8. Auditor.

9. Church Services.

10. Young People.

The writers of these papers were invited to send them to the WORKER, and they will no doubt appear in that paper in due course, subject to the discretion of the editor.

Sabbath-school was conducted by Brother F. S. Jackson, sixty-nine members being present.

The final meeting was taken by Pastor W. J. Fitzgerald in a public hall where Elder H. E. Armstrong has been conducting his public effort. Nearly 200 were present to hear a very interesting and able discourse on "The Present War and Armageddon."

We feel sure that our church officers will put into practice the valuable instruction given at this gathering.

E. E. CRAVEN.

Hull.

On Thursday, July 13th, Pastor H. E. Armstrong conducted a baptismal service at the East Park Baptist Church, which was kindly lent for the occasion. At the close of an impressive address eleven sisters followed their Lord and Master through the watery grave, thus publicly confessing Him as their Redeemer and Saviour. There are several others who have accepted the Message for these last days whom circumstances prevented going forward at this time. We are grateful to our heavenly Father for His blessing. Sometimes the outlook has been the reverse of encouraging. Many times our meetings have been brought to an abrupt conclusion by the "alarm of war" (air raid warnings). People have been afraid to attend meetings at night. Some of the churches discontinued their evening services until the longer days came, but in spite of all these things the Lord gave us large and attentive audiences. For three successive Sundays our collections averaged £2. 10s. 8d., or a total for the three Sundays of £7. 12s. 2d. I desire to record my appreciation of the faithful labours of Sister Lena Chadwick and the loyal co-operation of the members of the Hull church. Our prayers and good wishes follow Sister Chadwick as she leaves Hull to enter upon a course of training for more efficient service. We are now conducting meetings in the Holderness Road district. Please pray for us.

JAS. E. BELL.

MAKE the consecration of your money definite. Do not say, "All my money belongs to God," and then go comfortably on giving little or nothing to Him. If all belongs to Him give Him a tenth to begin with, and do it now.

Report of Home Missionary Department for June, 1916.

NAME OF CHURCH OR COMPANY.	Membership.	No. Workers.	No. Reporting.	MISSIONARY		Bible Readings.	Mrs. Christian Help Work.	Treatments.	Signatures to Temp. Pledge.	TRACTS.			BOOKS.			PERIODICALS.			Magazines.
				Letters.	Visits.					Loaned.	Given.	Sold.	Loaned.	Given.	Sold.	Loaned and Given.	Sold.		
North England Conf.																			
Blackburn	18																		
Hull	104	15	15	5	50	32	4			1	78		2		16	61	816	10	
Leeds	40																		
Liverpool (Seaforth)	87																		
(Selwyn)	24																		
Manchester (North)	14																		
(South)	20	9	7								6								
Newcastle-on-Tyne	48	18	17	60	72	12	106	62		54	1061		15	3	19	179	687	477	
Sheffield	38			22	89	14				32	248		20	1		206	185	10	
Wigan	25																		
Rotherham	20																		
Conference:																			
Bradford	12																		
Burnley	10																		
Darlington	6																		
Middlesbrough	14																		
Scarborough	9																		
Southport	20																		
Isolated	30																		
Totals.	532	43	39	87	170	58	110	62		87	1393	1	37	4	35	446	2145	20	
Midland Conference.																			
Birmingham (Handsworth)	77	17	17	28	30	18	407				126					502	241		
(South)	26																		
(Bearwood)	33	9	9	4	4						4		3	1	5	23	412		
Derby	25	8	4	4	34	7	11			32	120		7	1	5	156	200		
Grimsby	18	3	3	12	14	6	20				28		3	975	9	80	80		
Kettering	46	13	13	5	9		7				34		2	8		29	620		
Leicester	16	12	12	20	3	5	17			5	124		11			12	294		
Nottingham	51	6	6	18	1		42			15	261				7	11	177	4	
Rushden	22																		
Wellingborough	27	9	9	5	16	2				3	12		1		1	108	151		
Worcester	42																		
Market Harborough	6	4	4	10	36						6					9	71		
Melton Mowbray	6	7	6	5	6	3	41				29		1		1	53	41	2	
Lincoln	11																		
Coventry	6	5	5		11	2		2								98	35		
Ulceby	4																		
Wolverhampton	8																		
Conference	31																		
Miscellaneous																			
Totals.	455	93	88	111	164	43	496	2		55	744		28	380	19	1005	2272	6	
South England Conf.																			
Balham	32																		
Bath	44	6	4	3	10						11		1	1		11	81		
Bournemouth	56																		
Brighton	28	27	11	5	47	18	15	9	1		299	25	10	4	2	94	19	16	
Bristol	60	19	10	6	237	9					482		6	2		22	1886	4	
Caterham	23																		
Castford	34																		
Conf. (Isolated)	106	3	3			6				56	112					18	160		
Croscombe	16																		
St. Germain's	4																		
Groydon	12																		
East Dulwich	21																		
Plymouth	87	5	5	6	29	7	14	4		307	24		21	6	10	70	300	7	
Portsmouth	61																		
Southampton	67			6	15		31				80		5			34	204		
Gillingham	7																		
Reading	11																		
Salisbury	2	3	3	5	2						30		9			9	52		
Miscellaneous																			
Totals.	675	63	36	31	340	40	60	13	1	363	1088	25	44	13	12	258	2152	27	
Welsh Conference.																			
Abergavenny	18																		
Cardiff	42	20	12	17	97	24	50	2			120		3	2	5	210	162		
Mountain Asb.	26																		
Newport	63	18	14	20	52	32	110				3102		6	4	28	126	1866		
Pembroke Dock	10																		
Pontypridd	8	5	5	11	9	5	17				770		1			3			
Swansea	13																		
Conference:																			
Aberdare	10	9	9		8						24				3	11	187		
Bargoed	23	11	7	1	7		3			6	3				3	33	83		
Brynmynny	9																		
Hereford	10																		
Llanely Hill	6	11	6	20	25	1				1	38		1		6	63	496	28	
Porth	21				8			1		1	10				8	11	602	9	
Rhos	10	4	4	3			3	10		1	298						3	2	
Shrewsbury	14																		
Oswestry	3																		
Isolated	34																		
Totals.	310	78	57	72	201	82	184	13		8	4365	11	6	50	457	3349	39		
Union District.																			
Action	24	9	9	4		2					20		2	14		20	4		
Edmonton	33	7	7		110		142									8	4		
Forest Gate	24	12	12	16	11	6	17				184		1			147	39		
North-West London	55	14	9	1	33		21	6			15		20	12	3	193	2		
North London	69																		
Southend	40																		
Watford	136	23	23	35	78	16	31		1	154	679		19	5	4	184	193	18	
Wood Green	38	24	18	5	34	8					200		2	3	6	172	125		
Isolated	79	1	1							4	7					13	52		
Totals.	478	90	79	61	296	32	211	6	1	193	2365	44	34	13	757	420	18		

Report of Home Missionary Department for June, 1916 (continued).

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				Letters	Visits.					Loaned	Given.	Sold.	Loaned	Given.	Sold.	Loaned and Given.	Sold.		
Scottish Conference.																			
Edinburgh.....	16																		
Glasgow.....	71																		
Kirkcaldy.....	15																		
Conference.																			
Crieff.....	7																		
Cupar.....	2																		
Dundee.....	12	8	6	14	17		12	9		2	281		5	3			98		7
East Wemyss.....	6																		
Falkirk.....	7																		
Greenock.....	6																		
Inverness.....	3																		
Mauchline.....	3																		
Paisley.....	5																		
Isolated.....	38	1	1	2									1				2		
Miscellaneous.....																			
Totals.	191	9	7	16	17		12	9		2	281		6	3			100		7
Irish Mission Field.																			
Banbridge.....	12																		
Belfast.....	38																		
Dublin.....	35																		
Kilmoyle.....	12				3														
Magherafelt.....	11										7						19	8	
Isolated.....	49																		
Miscellaneous.....																			
Totals.	157				3						7						19	8	
Grand Totals.	2798	875	306	878	1191	285	1073	105	2	708	10193	26	170	440	129		3022	10846	117

A Banner Day at Newcastle-on-Tyne.

"The Jews had light, and gladness, and joy, and honour . . . a feast and a good day." Esther viii. 16, 17.

The church at Newcastle-on-Tyne, recognizing God's goodness in a special manner manifested on the Ordinance Sabbath, June 24th, endeavours to place something on record that shall glorify God. The Holy Spirit seemed on this occasion to have in a special way taken over in detail the various exercises of the day. Sabbath-school opened at ten o'clock with quite a good attendance and a good representation of eager, happy children who took their part both in singing and recital of the memory texts for the closing quarter. Some capital papers were read which took the place of a formal review from the desk. These covered such subjects as "Ideal Service," by Sister Fagg; "Victory Over Temptation," by Sister Nisbet; "The Great Question," or "What Shall I Do with Jesus?" by Brother W. Smith; "The Victory of the Cross," by Sister Brandt, and a short talk by Sister Wilson on "The Great Commission." These papers, all brought within the compass of five minutes each, were compact, full of good things, largely fortified by quotations from the "Spirit of Prophecy," and contained counsel and encouragement suitable for the occasion. They also indicated much care and thought in their preparation. Our superintendent, Brother Schuil, announced the Sabbath-school collections for the quarter, which exceeded all previous records, viz., £9. 15s. 5d., an average of over 15s. per week. This is exclusive of about £1. 10s. which will be forthcoming from the Home Department for the second quarter.

Immediately at the close of the Sabbath-school we entered upon the ordinance service and in the afternoon held a "fellowship meeting," in which our pent-up feelings of joy, love, and gratitude found expression. The ordinances were sweetly enjoyed and a real sense of brotherly and sisterly relationship was manifested.

At the afternoon meeting our elder struck the keynote by a short preliminary talk upon the songs of victory occurring in the Bible at different periods. Then the flood-gates of testimony were opened. A visitor, Brother Hennig, a Russian, told how God had delivered and protected him—a sea-going man amidst the dangers of mine and submarine. His childlike faith in his heavenly Father's protection was a wonder to many with whom he came in contact. He spoke of our ministers and their difficulties and banishment in some cases to Siberia, but still the work went on through persecution and difficulties. Nearly all took part. The spirit of confession and earnest conviction and resolve to have a better, brighter, and more victorious experience was evidenced in all who spoke. God may have better days for us in the future than last Sabbath, but none has equalled it so far. To Him be the praise! That this record may revive the courage and faith of others in the churches is the sole motive prompting this report.

W. A. SLATER.

The tithe is a debt. We owe it to God. He has a first lien upon it. But the curious thing is that when a person begins to tithe he rarely stops there. He gives more. He makes offerings beyond his tithe. He is inspired with the joy of giving, and he is not afraid of the future, for he realizes that God is taking care of him.

Statement of Tithes and Offerings for the British Union Conference for Quarter Ending June 30, 1916.

NAME OF CHURCH OR COMPANY.	MEM- BERSHIP.	TITHES.	TITHES PER CAPITA.	SABBATH- SCHOOL OFFERINGS.	FIRST-DAY OFFERINGS.	MIDS'NIGHT OFFERINGS.	MISCELLANEOUS OFFERINGS.	TOTAL OFFERINGS.	OFFERINGS PER CAPITA.
		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
North England Conference.									
Blackburn.....	18	4 12 7	5 1						
Hull.....	104	51 8 5	9 10	4 12 8	2 9 7			7 2 3	1 4
Leeds.....	38	36 8 9	19 2	8 6 4				3 6 8	1 9
Liverpool (Selwyn).....	87	43 10 5	10 0	3 18 3	1 7 0		1 10 0	6 15 3	1 6
" (Seaforth).....	24	28 12 10	19 3	2 5 9				2 5 9	1 10
Manchester (North).....	14	19 2 7	1 7 4	2 2 6				2 2 6	3 0
" (South).....	21	31 2 0	1 9 7	2 10 0	7 6			2 17 6	2 8
Newcastle-on-Tyne.....	47	60 8 0	1 5 8	12 0 2	1 7 2			13 7 4	5 8
Rotherham.....	18	17 1 4	18 6	1 3 2				1 3 2	1 3
Sheffield.....	38	28 11 6	15 0	6 0 0	1 8 3			7 8 3	3 10
Southport.....	37	18 7 0	9 11	3 9 6				3 3 6	1 8
Wigan.....	16	7 18 10	9 7	2 9 10				2 9 10	3 1
" Bradford.....	12	3 18 8	6 6	10 5	2 5			12 10	1 0
" Burnley.....	14	8 9 4	12 1	1 2 1	7 10			1 9 11	2 1
" Darlington.....	6	10 0 0	1 8						
" Middlesborough.....	13	1 2 6	1 8	10 9				10 9	9
" Scarborough.....	14	31 7 6	2 4 9	11 0	6 6			17 6	1 3
" Isolated.....	30	22 11 11	15 0	17 0	1 4 3		16 1	2 17 4	1 10
Totals for 2nd Quarter, 1916.	551	409 19 2	14 10	47 3 5	9 0 10		2 6 1	58 10 4	2 1
Totals for 2nd Quarter, 1915.	525	343 9 11	13 1	37 0 7	13 7 1		21 3 3	72 10 11	2 9
Increase.	26	66 9 3	1 9	10 2 10	4 6 3*		18 17 2*	14 0 7*	8*
Midland Conference.									
Birmingham (Handsworth).....	80	34 11 11	8 8	3 7 7	1 8 10			4 16 5	1 2
" (South).....	26	25 0 1	19 3	1 11 0				1 11 0	1 2
" (Bearwood).....	38	28 19 9	15 3	4 1 7	9 4		5 7	4 16 6	2 6
Derby.....	29	17 18 5	12 4	1 9 0				1 9 0	1 0
Grimsby.....	17	19 9 9	1 2 11	8 6 8	6 9 3			9 15 11	11 6
Kettering.....	47	39 6 2	16 8	6 3 0	10 5			6 13 5	2 10
Leicester.....	16	28 12 2	1 15 9	3 8 10	16 0		6 3	4 11 1	5 8
Nottingham.....	52	33 10 5	12 11	4 3 2			9 10	4 7 0	1 8
Rushden.....	22	16 10 8	14 1	3 12 8	2 0			3 14 8	3 5
Wellington.....	22	16 6 2	14 10	3 16 10	8 0		2 0	4 6 10	3 11
Worcester.....	41	21 1 2	10 3	2 7 2				2 7 2	1 2
Market Harborough.....	4	11 11	3 0	5 8				5 8	1 5
Melton Mowbray.....	6	7 13 1	1 5 6	1 13 6	1 8 0			3 1 6	10 3
Lincoln.....	11	7 13 10	14 0	1 7 6				1 7 6	2 6
Coventry.....	7	8 9 6	1 4 3	1 5 3	11 1			1 16 4	5 2
Wolverhampton.....	16	13 18 11	17 3	4 13 0	5 6			4 18 6	5 2
Ulceby.....	4	3 9 0	17 3		11 6			11 6	2 11
Sutton.....	9	5 9 10	12 2	1 0 0	7 1			1 7 1	3 0
Conference.....	23	14 15 1	12 10	12 0	9 0		13 6	1 14 6	1 6
Totals for 2nd Quarter, 1916.	470	342 7 10	14 7	48 4 0	13 16 0		1 11 2	68 11 2	2 8
Totals for 2nd Quarter, 1915.	453	291 4 5	12 10	35 15 7	4 17 3		3 2 0	49 14 10	1 2
Increase.	17	51 3 5	1 9	12 8 5	9 0 9		1 10 10*	19 16 4	1 6
South England Conference.									
Balham.....	32	36 14 10	1 2 11	2 11 0	18 10			3 9 10	2 2
Bath.....	44	28 8 10	12 7	1 15 3	2 11 11			4 7 2	2 0
Bournemouth.....	59	50 8 1	17 1	8 19 10	2 0 11		3 9	11 4 6	3 10
Brighton.....	26	46 12 10	1 18 2	4 11 6	1 14 0		5	6 5 11	4 10
Bristol.....	61	38 15 1	12 8	4 15 10	16 2		1 7 0	6 19 0	2 3
Caterham.....	23	22 18 4	19 11	3 8 0	7 9		1 0 0	4 15 9	4 1
Catford.....	31	14 15 8	9 7	1 11 10	1 6			1 18 4	1 1
Crocombe.....	16	16 0 3	1 0 0	2 4 1	16 0			3 0 1	8 9
" (Isolated).....	117	161 11 4	1 8 6	10 12 0	4 14 9			15 9 9	2 8
Conf. Hastings.....	5	8 9 0	1 13 10	13 11			3 19 8	4 13 7	18 9
" Salisbury.....	3	4 6 3	1 8 9	14 2			2 6	16 8	5 7
Croydon.....	16	13 5 2	16 7	2 18 6	1 0 0		1 0 0	4 13 6	5 10
East Dulwich.....	22	28 17 3	1 5 9	1 15 10				1 15 10	1 8
Gillingham.....	7	5 2 6	14 8	1 5 0				1 5 0	3 7
Plymouth.....	83	83 14 0	1 0 2	5 19 6	2 9 4		2 11 9	11 0 7	2 8
Portsmouth.....	57	23 19 2	10 2	6 0 2	17 1			6 17 3	2 5
Reading.....	11	5 1 2	9 2	1 16 7	10 0			2 5 7	2 3
Southampton.....	64	48 15 11	15 3	3 4 0	3 6 0		2 7 0	8 17 0	2 9
Miscellaneous.....		1 0 0		17 0			3 4 10	5 8 2	
Totals for 2nd Quarter, 1916.	677	641 16 2	19 0	65 9 0	22 4 3	1 6 4	15 18 11	104 19 6	3 1
Totals for 2nd Quarter, 1915.	650	410 1 1	12 7	47 11 8	18 1 5		28 19 11	94 13 0	2 11
Increase.	27	231 15 1	6 5	17 17 4	4 2 10	1 6 4	13 1 0*	10 6 6	2
Welsh Conference.									
Abergavenny.....	18	7 7 0	8 2	12 6	11 9			1 4 3	1 4
Cardiff.....	42	40 19 4	19 6	4 9 8	1 9 0			5 18 8	2 9 4
Mountain Ash.....	24	26 12 5	1 2 2 1/2	1 12 5	1 6 3			2 18 8	2 5 1/2
Newport.....	67	63 11 4	18 11 1/2	3 9 1	6 8 9			9 17 10	2 11 1/2
Pembroke Dock.....	11	8 0 6	14 7	1 13 4	18 0			2 6 4	4 2 1/2
Pontypridd.....	10	6 7 3	12 8 1/2	1 2 9				1 2 9	2 3 1/2
Swansea.....	15	6 16 9	9 1 1/2	2 12 3	5 10			2 18 1	3 10 1/2
" Aberdare.....	9	15 2 6	1 13 7 1/2	1 2 5	2 6			1 4 11	2 9 1/2
" Bargoed.....	23	24 3 7	1 1 0 1/2	1 2 2	8 10			1 11 0	1 4 1/2
" Brynmawr.....	7	10 2 3	1 8 10 1/2	17 11	7 6			1 5 5	3 7 1/2
" Hereford.....	12	8 4 6	13 8 1/2	1 14 0	10 0			2 4 0	3 8
" Llanelli Hill.....	7	9 4 11	1 6 5	1 4 6	9 11			1 14 5	4 11
" Porth.....	20	10 0 7	10 0 1/2	17 5	2 3		2 0	1 1 8	1 1
" Rhos.....	10	16 13 7	1 13 4 1/2	1 12 9	1 6 6			2 19 3	5 11
" Shrewsbury.....	17	5 13 8	6 8 1/2	16 2				16 2	11 1/2
" Isolated.....	42	36 10 6	17 4 1/2	3 15 6	2 7 4		2 6	6 5 4	2 11 1/2
Miscellaneous.....				6 11 0					
Totals for 2nd Quarter, 1916.	334	295 10 8	17 8 1/2	35 5 10	16 9 5 1/2		4 6	51 19 9	3 1 1/2
Totals for 2nd Quarter, 1915.	318	234 7 4	14 8 1/2	22 5 2	11 10 1		2 2	33 17 5	2 1 1/2
Increase.	16	61 3 4	2 11 1/2	13 0 8	4 19 4		2 4	18 2 4	1 1 1/2

*Decrease.

Statement of Tithes and Offerings (Continued).

NAME OF CHURCH OR COMPANY.	MEMBERSHIP.	TITHES.	TITHES PER CAPITA.	SABBATH-SCHOOL OFFERINGS.	FIRST-DAY OFFERINGS.	MIDS'M'R OFFERINGS.	MISCELLANEOUS OFFERINGS.	TOTAL OFFERINGS.	OFFERINGS PER CAPITA.
		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Union District.									
Acton.....	26	20 1 8	15 5	4 1 4	2 6			4 3 10	3 2
Edmonton.....	34	10 9 3	6 1	2 10 0	3 1			2 13 1	1 6
Forest Gate.....	80	18 6 2	12 2						
North Kensington.....	27	28 13 3	1 1 2	3 0 8	2 3 8		12 6	5 17 10	4 4
North London.....	69	117 2 4	1 14 3	8 5 3	2 5 7		2 0	10 12 10	3 1
Southend.....	39	37 0 5	18 11	5 18 10	7 9			6 6 7	3 9
Watford.....	139	151 17 4	1 1 10	19 12 11	2 18 1		1 18 5	24 9 5	3 6
Wood Green.....	37	48 17 7	1 6 5	10 8 4			2 0 0	12 8 4	6 8
Cont. { Harlesden.....	42	23 10 4	11 2	9 16 11	3 7	10 0		4 10 6	2 2
{ Romford.....	12	15 10 11	1 5 11	2 8 0				2 8 0	4 0
{ Grays.....	16	5 1 3	6 4	1 19 2				1 19 2	2 5
{ Isolated.....	18	34 10 7	1 18 4	2 8 8	1 8 4			6 5 6	6 11
Miscellaneous.....				7 14 3				7 14 3	
Totals for 2nd Quarter, 1916.	489	511 1 1	1 0 10	73 4 4	9 12 7	10 0	7 2 5	89 9 4	5 8
Totals for 2nd Quarter, 1915.	467	409 16 7	17 7	42 14 2	14 19 11		4 15 9	62 9 10	2 8
Increase.	22	101 4 6	3 3	30 10 2	5 7 4*	10 0	2 6 8	26 19 6	1 0
Scottish Conference.									
Glasgow.....	74	23 8 5	6 4	3 12 11	6 9			2 19 8	9 1/2
Edinburgh.....	22	12 18 0	11 9	3 4 2	6 6			3 4 8	2 1 1/2
Kirkcaldy.....	17	15 11 11	18 4	1 7 9	1 6 6			2 14 3	3 2
Cont. { Crieff.....	7	2 10 3	7 2	1 5 10	1 15 6			3 1 4	8 9
{ Cupar.....	2								
{ Dundee.....	11	5 5 9	9 7	1 0 0				1 0 0	1 10
{ East Wemyss.....	6	5 10 2	13 4	1 4 2				1 4 2	4 0
{ Falkirk.....	7	1 0 0	2 10	2 6	2 0			4 6	8 8
{ Greenock.....	4	13 0	3 8						
{ Inverness.....	3	14 0	4 8						
{ Mauchline.....	3								
{ Paisley.....	7	5 9 0	15 7	1 8 8				1 8 8	4 1
{ Isolated.....	39	85 5 10	18 1	7 9 3	7 18 4	9 0		15 16 7	8 1
Miscellaneous.....									
Totals for 2nd Quarter, 1916.	202	108 6 4	10 8 1/2	19 15 3	11 9 7	9 0		81 13 10	3 1 1/2
Totals for 2nd Quarter, 1915.	193	104 2 6	10 1 1/2	16 3 3	5 11 7			21 14 10	2 8
Increase.	9	4 3 10	2 3*	3 12 0	6 18 0	9 0		9 19 0	10 1/2
Irish Mission Field.									
Banbridge.....	12	2 14 0	4 6	1 3 0				1 3 0	1 1 1/2
Belfast.....	58	29 1 11	15 3	2 3 1	13 6			2 16 7	1 6
Dublin.....	94	8 13 2	5 1	1 7 0	3 10			1 10 10	1 10
Kilmoyle.....	12	13 16 10	1 3 0	12 4	13 10	2 10 0	2 10 0	6 6 2	10 6
Magherafelt.....	11	5 0 0	9 1	5 0				5 0	5
Isolated.....	49	31 10 10	12 10	3 19 10	1 0 1	2 0 0		6 19 11	2 10
Miscellaneous.....									
Totals for 2nd Quarter, 1916.	156	90 16 9	11 7	9 10 3	2 11 3	4 10 0	2 10 0	19 1 6	2 4
Totals for 2nd Quarter, 1915.	147	86 18 4	11 10	10 1 10	3 8 5		12 3	13 17 6	1 1 1/2
Increase.	9	3 18 5	3*	11 7*	12 2*	4 10 0	1 17 9	5 4 0	5
B.U.C.									
Grand Totals for 2nd Quarter, 1916.	2879	2399 18 0	16 8	297 12 1	85 3 11	6 17 10	29 10 7	419 4 5	2 10
Grand Totals for 2nd Quarter, 1915.	2753	1880 0 2	19 8	211 12 3	71 10 9	1 0 0	58 15 4	342 18 4	2 5
Increase.	126	519 17 10	9 0	86 19 10	13 13 2	5 17 10	29 4 9*	76 6 1	5

*Decrease.

Scottish Conference.

We are glad to be able to report progress in the Scottish Conference during the second quarter. Pastor A. F. Rodd, who has been labouring in this field for nine months, reports having baptized six new members in June. Five of these united with the Edinburgh church and one with the church at Kirkcaldy. One other new member was also added to the latter church by vote. Most of Brother Rodd's time has been spent in Edinburgh, where vigorous efforts have been carried on since he joined our forces. He has had a full corps of workers assisting him, Brother W. J. Young and Sister Jackson having been with him from the commencement of his efforts. Brother West was associated with him for a short time before going to the South

England Conference, and Sister Archibald rendered good service at Kirkcaldy. She has been very busy at Edinburgh. Brother Scanlon has joined the corps of workers at Edinburgh for the summer months and he also finds plenty to do. Brother Rodd reports a goodly number of others, at least a dozen, who have begun to observe the Sabbath. These will, we trust, unite with us in the near future. Two others commenced to keep the Sabbath, but left for America before they were ready for baptism. Let us pray that they may find a spiritual home with one of our churches "over there."

At Glasgow the little corps of workers (the writer, L. W. Barra, and Sister R. Binns) have had the joy of seeing nine dear souls follow their Lord and Master into the watery grave, and afterwards unite

with the Glasgow church. A number of others are awaiting baptism and will go forward most probably during the present quarter.

One member united with the Dundee company by vote. Thus we have added to our membership throughout the field a total of seventeen—fifteen by baptism and two by vote.

We are glad to report that our finances keep up fairly well notwithstanding the stormy times through which we are passing. For the quarter our tithe shows an increase of a little over £4 over the second quarter of 1915, and nearly £30 increase for the half year over the corresponding period of last year. Our offerings for missions are not what we would desire, still we are thankful to see some improvement on our best, and thus show a steady growth financially, numerically, and spiritually.

J. J. GILLATT.

Welsh Conference.

We are glad to report that the Lord is blessing our work in Wales, and that in members and finances we are able to report progress. Last month the writer had the joy of baptizing two in the river at Hereford, seven in a Baptist church in Shrewsbury (three coming from Shrewsbury, three from Wellington, and one from near Whitchurch), and four in Cardiff (two coming from Newport, one from Cardiff, and one from Blaenavon).

Elder L. F. Langford, who came to us from the South England Conference on the 1st of June, is now settled with his family in Swansea. He is to be assisted by Sister Moseley as Bible worker. They have received a hearty welcome as they have taken hold of the work in that corner of our field, and already we see evidences that their presence and labours with us will prove a great help and strength to the work in the principality.

Brother R. Whiteside, who is leaving us for Ireland after the British Union Conference at Derby next month, is finishing off his work in the north and doing his best to get Brother W. H. Musgrave thoroughly acquainted with the work in that part of our field. As Brother Whiteside and his family return to their native land, we wish them every success in their work, and we also pray that the Lord will abundantly bless Brother Musgrave as he takes hold of the work in the north. Sister Lenanton will remain in that part to assist as Bible worker.

Brother F. E. Powell, who was labouring in Swansea, is now located in the Aberdare Valley where, besides looking after the church in Mountain Ash and the company in Aberdare, he will prepare the way for an autumn effort in Merthyr Tydfil. If all our arrangements carry, the writer hopes to open up work in the latter place this September.

About the 1st of August Sister M. Living, who finished the Bible Worker's Course at our college in Watford this last May, will (D.V.) connect with the work in this conference. ALFRED E. BACON.

Our Young Men Abroad.

A Moving Letter.

Tuesday.

To the Members of the Watford Church.

Dear Brethren and Sisters,

Feeling sure that all of you have been anxiously following our movements in France, and knowing that you will not have heard directly from either of us, I thought it best to write and let you know how, through God's grace, we have stood for His truth under trying conditions, and have received a grand victory.

No doubt you realized that it would not all be clear sailing for us. We too realized this fact. Being fully persuaded, however, that we were standing for the right, we "kept smiling," confident of the future. Since being here we have been brought before the captain four times with reference to the Sabbath. He, being subordinate to superior officers, could not grant us the privilege of being exempt from duty on the Sabbath. We feel sure, however, that he did his best for us. After he had spoken to us, we could not help but admire him for his courteous consideration. Although we could not agree with him that our weekly work was a "necessity" on Sabbath, we could understand how he viewed the matter from a military standpoint.

On Friday evening, the 16th of June, we spent a happy time together in our hut. We considered the matter as the captain requested, but our duty to God seemed clear and plain. The greatest difficulty that appeared to us was not the almost certain punishment for refusing to obey orders, but to disappoint our captain, for he had the esteem of us all.

The next morning was Sabbath, and at 6.30 a.m. we were ordered as usual to work at the docks. This we refused. Then followed a scuffle with one of the sergeants, who tried to force us away. Mr. McGeachy was handled rather roughly. We were advised, however, to go down to the docks, and there refuse to work. This we did and the difficulty which might have been avoided passed over. When we reached the dock our names were taken, and we were placed in full view of the labourers for an hour and a half. We were the gazing stock of men and officers alike, and the reason why we were there went round like wildfire. Now you would imagine that we were the objects of ridicule. Strange as it may seem we were not. On the other hand, many came up to us and we had the privilege of showing them that the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord and that He requires each one to observe it.

After an hour and a half had elapsed a sergeant marched us "home" again (that is, you know, to the camp). Here we were brought before the captain and the sentence of fourteen days No 1 field punishment was passed upon us. This punishment, I believe, consists of hard labour during the day, followed by two hours' crucifixion. This means being strapped two together, back to back, the arms tied up to a gun carriage or tree. From this time we were prisoners under military escort awaiting transfer to the detention

barracks. At 2 p.m. we were marched off with full kit into Boulogne. But it was too late for us to be accepted at the detention barracks. We then went to be examined to see if we were medically fit for the punishment. We were taken to two different places, but at each place the doctors were away on duty. There was therefore only one thing to do with us for that day, and that was to put us in the guard room in the camp. When we arrived there it was full up, so we were taken to our hut and made prisoners in one end. After tea we sat together on our blankets in one corner and read our papers and reviewed our day's experiences, closing the day as the sun set with some good old hymns and prayer. We were all happy and joyous without a single look or note of discouragement. Thus ended an eventful Sabbath.

Now as you have listened to our experiences, have any of these questions arisen in your minds: Why were we too late to be accepted at the barracks? Why were the doctors out? Why was the guard room full up? Why were we back again in our hut? These questions kept coming to our minds, and all we could see was that God had a purpose in it for us. The corporals could not understand it. Such a series of coincidents is very exceptional in the army. We all went to bed that night and rejoiced in the hope of standing still and seeing the salvation of the Lord.

The next morning we were up and ready to be medically examined, preparatory to going to prison. We were all pronounced "fit," and to our surprise marched back again to the hut for another hour. It all seemed so strange. At the command "Attention!" three officers entered and the camp commandant spoke. At first he seemed firm, as he said, "I understand you have refused to obey orders by not working yesterday. Let me tell you," he continued, "there is no bargaining in the army. When an order is given it must be obeyed, or else certain severe punishment follows. Let me repeat, there is no bargaining," and he emphasized the word "bargaining." Changing his tone somewhat he continued, "Now you boys are an intelligent set and the reports of your work are excellent. You are the best set we have down at the docks. It seems too bad that there should be such an unfortunate hitch in your work. I with the other officers have considered your cases, and have decided to offer you the Sabbath off on condition that you make up the time during the week. I command all N.C.O.'s and C.O.'s to leave the hut and I give you five minutes to decide what you will do. Also your sentence of fourteen days will be expunged."

Our hearts thumped with joy, and tears of gratitude came into our eyes. I felt like shouting "We don't need the five minutes, sir." When the officers re-entered Mr. McGeachy stepped forward and saluting the officer said, "Sir, we are only too glad to accept of your kindness. We cannot express our feelings of gratitude. But we thank you, and trust that we shall be able to express our appreciation by faithful work in the future." In reply the commandant said, evidently moved, "Now boys, let this be the last trouble, and let us work together as one family." Then we were dismissed, feeling like birds let free from a cage.

So dear brethren and sisters, our prayers were wonderfully answered. We simply took our stand for what we believed to be God's will, and hoped while we waited for His deliverance. Surely the day of miracles has not yet passed. Should we not be encouraged, knowing that this is but the commencement of the working of the divine power through us. To-day the call for deeper consecration is louder than ever before. Daily we must ask ourselves, "Have we lived for Jesus?" If so, we shall be happy and joyous amid the sorrows of this sin-cursed earth.

We thank you all for your constant prayers on our behalf, and to our God for the strength and comfort we have received from our united supplications. May our recent experiences serve to inspire you to greater activity in the Lord's service, in hope of His soon glorious appearing. With Christian greetings to you all from all the boys here,

I am
Your brother in Christ,
W. WORSLEY ARMSTRONG.

Obituaries.

HULETT.—Sister Emily Sophia Hulett fell asleep in Jesus, after a long illness, on July 11th. She accepted the Message as the result of Brother Fitzgerald's labours in Watford in 1909, and was highly esteemed in the church for her genuine Christian character. Her sufferings were borne with patience and her dying testimony was one of triumph. She rests in Watford Cemetery. W. T. BARTLETT.

DINHAM.—Sister Florence Dinham fell asleep in Jesus on June 20th, at her home at Brislington. She accepted the Message about three years ago and was baptized Nov. 5, 1914, by Elder Fitzgerald. Our Sister was a great sufferer for several months. She was most cheerful and patient throughout her illness and was respected and loved by all who knew her. She leaves a husband and three children who deeply mourn their loss. One of her last wishes was to have her title sent to the church. She died in the full assurance of the resurrection when the Lord shall come. She was laid to rest in the Brislington Cemetery, Monday, June 26th. A large company of friends and churchmembers were present.

R. BORROWDALE.

HOUSTON.—On Monday, June 26, Brother Sandie Houston fell asleep. He was a member of the Magherafelt church. He had been in poor health for nearly nine years and suffered much during the last few days of his life. In the midst of his sufferings he expressed to his mother his firm hope in having a part in the resurrection of the just. He was very earnest and a good student of the Bible. He will be greatly missed not only at his home but by the church in which he took an active part. The funeral service was conducted by the writer.

R. MUSSEN.

BAIRD.—Sister Maggie Baird, of South Blairkip, near Mauchline, fell asleep in Jesus on Monday, June 19th. She had been in failing health for a long time but the end came suddenly after only a few days confinement to her bed. Sister Baird came into the truth with her brother John, at whose home she died. They both owe their knowledge of the Message to the faithful labours of Brother Ernest Taylor and his sister, who spent some time in Scotland canvassing for our literature about ten or twelve years ago. Since then, Sister Baird has manifested by her daily walk and conversation that she had transferred her citizenship to a better country. Her brother writes: "I am truly glad to-day for that decision made so many years ago and for the ever-glorious hope of meeting in a little while those who have been laid to rest." The funeral service was conducted by the writer assisted by Rev. Jones, a Presbyterian minister.

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Sunset Calendar.

DATE.	ENGLAND	WALES	SCOTLAND
July 28th	8.49 p.m.	9 4 p.m.	9.31 p.m.
August 4th	8.38 "	8.53 "	9.18 "
" 11th	8.25 "	8.40 "	9.3 "
" 18th	8.11 "	8.26 "	8.46 "
" 25th	7.57 "	8 12 "	8 29 "

ALL copy for the next issue should reach the editor not later than Friday, August 11th.

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OWING to lack of space a number of interesting items have been held over.

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ON July 9th a little daughter was born to Mrs. Mabel R. MacCreath (née Barras). Her husband, who is in Africa, reports that eleven persons there have accepted the Sabbath through his efforts.

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ON June 13th at Watford in the local Baptist Chapel kindly lent for the occasion by the minister, Brother Spencer Maxwell and Sister Constance Thicke were united in marriage. A number of friends from the Watford church were present at the ceremony, which was conducted by Pastor S. G. Haughey. On the afternoon of the same day the happy pair left for Leicester to continue their labours for the Master. We wish them much joy and happiness as they work unitedly for the upbuilding of the cause of truth.

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YOU will be glad to hear that we had a good attendance at the opening meeting of our tent campaign in Belfast. On Sunday, June 18th, and also on the following Sunday about two hundred people were present. The attendance at our week-night meetings is also most encouraging. Our tent is pitched by the side of a large park in the Ormean Road district of Belfast. Remember the work in Ireland.

R. MUSSEN.

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OUR men in the army can use literature freely, and find considerable demand for it. We have received contributions from "Present Truth" readers for this purpose. One sister who has a food store has asked for a printed card, calling attention to a collecting box which she has placed on her counter. If others could use a similar card we can supply one with the wording: "Contributions for Supplying Gospel Literature to the Troops."

AT a meeting of the North Kensington church held on Wednesday, July 5th, it was decided to change the name of the church from "North Kensington" to "The North West London Church." There were quite a number of the members of the Harlesden company present at this meeting. These, in the main, are new believers who received the truth through the labours of Pastor J. D. Gillatt and Miss Crowder. Twenty eight of them were received into fellowship with this newly named church. Henceforth we shall no longer speak of the "North Kensington Church" nor the "Harlesden Company" but of the "North West London Church." The meeting place is Wendover Hall, Wendover Road, Harlesden, N.W.

WANTED.—Situation as general servant where Sabbath can be kept. Age 19 years. Write to Miss F. Kent, Glencoe, Oriental St., Shirley, Southampton.

WANTED.—Good general for family of three where Sabbath strictly observed. No washing or cooking. Good wages and comfortable home. Write to R. Denhot, 106 Albion Road, Stoke Newington, London, N.

WANTED.—Persons of either sex and any age from 16 and upwards for piece work. All Sabbath-keepers employed. Works close Friday noon. Apply: Mr. Williams, Mineral Water Works, Clarendon Park, Leicester.

MAID wanted by end of August; no Sabbath work. Good home and wages; two in family. Non-basement house. Mrs. R. Plato, 190 Green Lanes, Finsbury Park, London, N.

WANTED.—Situation near London as undernurse where Sabbath can be kept. Good needlewoman; fond of children. No previous experience. Age 17. Wages £16. Apply: Miss Green, 157 Brentwood Road, Romford, Essex.

SITUATION as companion help wanted by young lady. Could take entire charge of house if required. Age 20. Address: E. B., c/o MISSIONARY WORKER, Stanborough Park, Watford.

YOUNG man, age 23, seeks a situation out-of-doors. Gardening preferred, but would take anything reasonable where Sabbath can be kept. B. Goldsmith, 3 Heath Cottage, Alderton, Woodbridge, Suffolk.

WANTED.—For end of August, cook-general in Sabbath keeping Jewish family. Must have good references. Four in family. Non-basement house. Another maid kept. Apply: Mrs. Gilbert, 27 Lordship Park, London, N.

WANTED.—Competent clerk. Book-keeping essential. Good wages and prospects. Saturdays closed. Apply: F. Leiserowitz, 83 Aberdeen Road, Highbury, London, N.

WANTED.—Good plain cook. Housemaid kept. Sabbath observed. Comfortable home. Good wages. Apply: Mrs. L., 104 Highbury New Park, London, N.

HOUSEMAID wanted. Good comfortable home. Sabbath strictly observed. Good outings. For full particulars apply: Mrs. Rubens, 120 Highbury New Park, London, N.