

The

MISSIONARY WORKER

ORGAN OF THE
BRITISH UNION CONFERENCE
OF
SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

WEST AFRICA TO-DAY

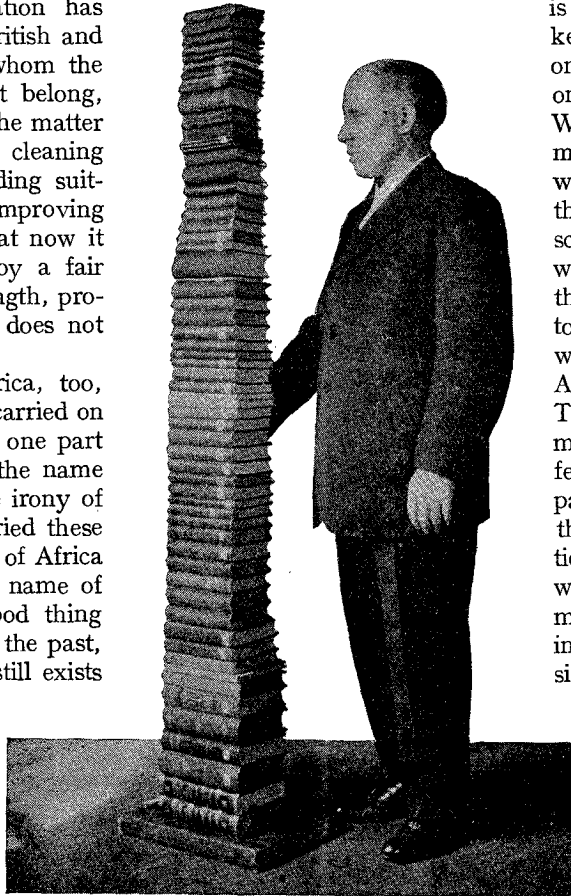
By W. E. READ

THE West African coast is anything but a health resort. In fact, for many years it was known as "the white man's grave." This is due to the fact that so many Europeans—missionaries, Government officials, and traders—have succumbed to the diseases and peculiar conditions that obtained in that part of the Great Continent. During recent years, however, the situation has changed somewhat. The British and French Governments, to whom the colonies of the West Coast belong, have done a good deal in the matter of health and hygiene in cleaning up infested areas, in building suitable bungalows, and in improving conditions generally, so that now it is possible for one to enjoy a fair measure of health and strength, provided of course, that one does not stay too long at one time.

This is the part of Africa, too, where the slave trade was carried on many years ago. In fact, one part of West Africa still bears the name of "Slave Coast." By the irony of fate the first ship that carried these unfortunates from this part of Africa to the new world bore the name of "The Jesus." It is a good thing that those days are now in the past, for although slave trading still exists in some parts of Africa, it is gradually being stamped out. The work that is being directed by the European Division is established in four of the colonies of the west coast of Africa, and it was the privilege of Elder Ising and the writer to visit

these fields during the early part of this year. Our first call was at Sierra Leone. This is a small colony containing about a million and a half of people where our work began many years ago. This colony possesses the finest harbour on this part of the West Coast. Freetown is a splendid city and one can purchase almost anything that

is needed in the shops and markets in this place. We have one mission station in the colony and this is located at Waterloo, about twenty-one miles from the coast. Here we have our mission bungalow, the girls' school, the boys' school, and our industrial work. The Lord has blessed the work here, and in addition to our four European workers we have a force of twenty-two African workers and teachers. They are a splendid group of men and are scattered in different locations over various parts of this field. Owing to the new Government regulations concerning educational work we are giving more and more time to direct evangelism in our missionary appeal. Missions generally started the educational work in nearly every part of Africa, but now the Governments are taking the matter more fully in hand. Their regulations are such that it makes it difficult for missions to meet the various requirements, but after all this may be a blessing



Brother E. R. Palmer, General Manager of the Review and Herald Publishing Association, standing beside the published works of Mrs. E. G. White.



Pitcairn islanders outside their church building.

in disguise. So many missions have lost their way, and instead of carrying out the Gospel commission are concentrating on educational, industrial, medical, or civilizing work.

We must ever guard against this in our work, and really these new regulations are leading us to place more and more of our African workers into direct evangelistic work. These efforts are bearing splendid results, men and women in the various tribes are yielding to the Gospel message, and wonderful changes are being seen in their lives. Our believers in the interior are facing many problems. They are subjected to much persecution on the part of their heathen neighbours and particularly the medicine men. Sierra Leone seems to abound in secret societies of various kinds. It was only recently that the famous Leopard Society and the Crocodile Society were suppressed. These wrought terrible havoc amongst the people. The plan of the Leopard Society was that its members should dress in a leopard skin and then, when killing an enemy, mutilate him in such a way as to leave the impression that the man had been killed by a leopard. There are other societies, not all so dangerous, but which have a very immoral effect upon the young people.

Our believers, when they become Christians, renounce all connection with these societies. They will not join in the dances and feasts which are arranged by the witch-doctors, and this very often means much persecution. Some of them are driven from the villages, their farms are destroyed, their huts pillaged, and in many cases they are completely ostracized. It means much to become a Christian and to stand loyal to the principles of the Gospel message amidst circumstances such as these.

This mission field is under the superintendence of Elder J. H. Gronert, and associated with him are Brother E. Berglund, Brother T. Tranborg, and Miss S. Henriksen. While we have four workers in this field it really means that there will

hardly be three who can work together in the field at the same time. This is because our workers in this part of Africa cannot remain too long at one time, due to climatic conditions. After spending a year and a half under the tropical sun in this particular part of the Great Continent, our workers must leave for the homeland and spend some months in recuperating their health and strength. We feel very glad indeed for what the Lord has enabled these workers to do. They have surely been blessed in their labours. Brother Gronert has the confidence of his associates, and also of the African workers and believers. There is a splendid future

before this field.

At the workers' meeting we talked with our native evangelists and teachers about setting a goal in soul-winning for this year. They gave very careful study to the question and decided to set their goal at 100. In the present circumstances this will mean uphill work, but we must pray that God may richly bless them and pour out upon them His Holy Spirit, and enable them to reach the goal they have set before themselves.

It was a real season of blessing to us all at the last meeting we had together. All our workers, both European and native, joined in the ordinance service. The Lord made our hearts tender as we united in this season of devotion. Somehow or other it brought to us all greater joys than we had ever known before, and we certainly thank God for the blessings received.

Let us remember our faithful missionaries in this part of Africa. Pray for them that God may continue to give them health and strength, and more than all, that He may enable them to win many precious souls for His kingdom.



Our First Colporteur in Persia

BROTHER OSTER, the superintendent of our work in the old land of Cyrus, has just sent us the following word:

"To-day we had quite a scene in our office. On the floor lay a bundle of books, around which we all knelt and fervently asked God's richest blessing to rest upon Baron Haik, one of our new members and our first canvasser. I believe he will make a success of it for he is a very earnest young man."

When reading this one is reminded of the first experience in connection with our denominational publishing work when the small copies of *Present Truth* were produced and sent out at such sacrifice. In *Life Sketches*, page 126, we read:

"The precious printed sheets were brought into

the house and laid upon the floor, and then a little group of interested ones were gathered in and we knelt around the packets and with humble hearts and many tears besought the Lord to let His blessing rest upon these printed messengers of truth."

May God richly bless the printed page in Persia.
W. E. READ.



Evangelism Near the Arctic Circle

It has only been during the last two or three years that the turn in the evangelistic tide has come to our work in Iceland. For many years our brethren have been labouring hard and long to win souls amongst the hardy inhabitants of this northern isle, but somehow or other the results have been small. They prayed and worked faithfully and diligently, consecrating their lives to the finishing of the task, but notwithstanding all, the fruitage was but little. Just a few would come from each effort. Now, however, a change has come. The pent-up springs of power are gushing forth, and a real wave of evangelistic fervour and blessing is surging over many hearts in this land.

Not long ago Elder Olsen, who has charge of our work, began an effort in a small town of about 3,500 people. As on previous occasions, the meetings were advertised and the people invited to come. Contrary to all expectations, however, the hall proved to be too small and a larger hall had to be secured. The people came crowding in and even then hundreds of people were left outside. Night after night this happened and the wonderful interest spread throughout the town. As a result 62 people have been baptized and united with the people of God. They have erected their own church building and next year expect to start a church school.

One of the new members purchased a copy of Elder Matteson's book on *The Prophecies of Jesus* many years ago, and, like a number of people, put it into her bookcase unread. Two years ago she became seriously ill and in her search for comfort and help, began to read this book. While confined to her bed she read and re-read this volume until the truth found an abiding place in her heart. As soon as she got better she heard of our meetings and soon became a regular attender. It was not long before she discovered that the truths preached from the platform were the same as those she had read from the book. Ere long she accepted the light of present truth in its fullness and was baptized. She is now an energetic worker in the church.

This coming winter the brethren plan to conduct two more efforts. Let us

pray that God may give them similar or even greater success.
W. E. READ.



Belfast's Farewell to Pastor W. J. Young

On Thursday, November 1st, we spent a very enjoyable evening in the Seventh-Day Adventist Church, Florenceville Avenue, Belfast, entertaining Pastor and Mrs. Young before their departure for Portsmouth, where Brother Young has been called to work.

The chair was taken by Brother T. Finlay, and the meeting was opened by singing a hymn of praise to God. The chairman gave a short address, speaking chiefly of the high esteem in which Pastor and Mrs. Young were held by the members of the church in Belfast and the outlying districts. Pastor Young, he said, had few equals in explaining the true meaning of the Word of God. We are sorry to lose him.

Mrs. Young also shared in the high appreciation accorded to her husband on account of her lovable way amongst us. Sister Mary Whiteside spoke in glowing terms of the excellent work Pastor and Mrs. Young had done in Ireland.

Many others also joined in praise and good wishes to Pastor and Mrs. Young for their future success, and a very fine musical programme was supplied by members and kind friends.

At the end of the programme the chairman, in behalf of the church, made a presentation to both Pastor and Mrs. Young, as a token of the church's appreciation of their efforts, and Pastor Young gave a very suitable reply.

Sister Young also replied, thanking all for their love and good wishes to her.

A cordial vote of thanks was accorded the chairman and all who took part in making the evening such a success, and the meeting was brought to a close by singing that beautiful hymn, "God be with you till we meet again."

BELFAST CHURCH.



Sabbath-school officers of the Pitcairn Island Church.

ONWARD IN SOUTH AMERICA

Final Darmstadt Report—By THE EDITOR

“To many Seventh-Day Adventists,” said Pastor Haynes, “South America means Lake Titicaca.”

In the course of the next hour and a half he made very plain that we must all enlarge our vision of the work of God in that great continent. Our chief problem there is a city problem, as all round the coast there are great modern cities.

We now have 20,000 baptized believers in the South American Division, and last year no fewer than 200 were baptized every month. God is doing a wonderful work, not only through the ministers, but also through the lay brethren. Pastor Haynes told of a colporteur who could neither read nor write and yet, having learned off the proof texts for every point of our message, he gave a prominent dentist no fewer than sixteen Bible studies. The method adopted was to ask the dentist to read the text himself, with the result that he was baptized shortly afterwards, and only then did he discover that the colporteur was quite illiterate.

In Brazil there are no fewer than forty-six companies of believers who have never seen a preacher. They have been raised up entirely by our colporteurs.

Our publishing house has been wonderfully blessed and last year made a profit of £3,000, a large part of which was used for the assistance of our College.

The River Plate Junior College, situated 300 miles from Rio de Janeiro and fifteen miles from any city, is as near to being perfectly in harmony with the teaching of the *Testimonies* as any College belonging to the denomination. Away out on the prairie it has a model farm which has so captured the interest of the Government that the Governor recently asked the Cabinet why the State Agricultural Colleges did not accomplish what the Adventists are doing; and at a recent exhibition in Buenos Aires the Government asked our school to give the agricultural exhibit and paid all expenses. This was a demonstration to the whole State of the efficiency of the principles on which our College is built.

There are 250 students in this College and the time is very near, said Pastor Haynes, when South America will no longer need to send to Europe for directors for its mission stations. All places will be supplied from our own school.

Last year it was decided to have a great evan-

gelistic campaign all through the South American Division, and accordingly, all the workers, from the Division president down, including all departmental men and bookmen, started efforts in different parts of the country. Even the secretary of the Educational Department, who also has the Missionary Volunteer and Sabbath-school work on his shoulders, got away for two months and conducted an effort. One aged, white-haired brother went out, conducted his effort, and came back with renewed youth.

Brother Haynes told of the wonderful response to his own efforts amongst the English-speaking people of Buenos Aires. He conducted thirty-five meetings in all over a period of nine weeks, and many important personages attended the series of lectures. The Buenos Aires *Herald* published every sermon, covering no fewer than ninety columns of space. Enemies started writing to the paper telling the editor to stop printing. In reply he wrote a long editorial regarding the protest, saying that it would not hurt the people at all to discuss religion for a little while, and as long as Pastor Haynes preached as he was preaching now he purposed to publish every word that he said. The letters sent in filled no fewer than seventy-six columns of the paper, and the editor stated that nothing had stirred the people of that great city so much for fifteen years.

Passing then to the work by Lake Titicaca, Pastor Haynes told how that we have now no fewer than 8,000 baptized Indians amongst the four millions living in that region. So successful has been this effort that other societies have sent representatives to inquire concerning our methods. The Pope himself sent a special agent to make inquiries to find out how he could stop it! So far he has not yet found a way.

Pastor Haynes' description made very real to his audience what it means to labour in such high altitudes. “It is,” he said, “a physical adventure to ascend two miles into the air. The air is very thin and though one breathes rapidly one has a feeling of suffocation. The skin gets rough and fever blisters break out. Every function of the body seems out of normal.” On one occasion he tried to tie his shoe-lace and after the exertion had to sit down for twenty minutes before he could regain his composure. Our workers suffer from heart strain and are compelled to go down to sea-

level every six months. Owners of motor-cycles find that one-third of the power of their machines is gone. Our mission motor-boat, which is able to do twelve miles per hour at sea-level, is only able to do seven miles per hour on the lake.

But despite all the difficulties of labour in this region the Lord is certainly causing a wonderful work to be done. In one meeting place Pastor Haynes had an audience of 1,600 believers. "It was most inspiring," he said, "to watch them coming to church." From an early hour he looked over the vast plain with binoculars. He could see for miles and miles, and from every direction, the men and women were streaming to church in two's and three's, and sometimes in larger companies.

The customs of these people are somewhat amusing to those who are not acquainted with them. They pay their tithe, not with money—for very few of them have money—but with grain and vegetables, potatoes, onions, chickens, salt, every article being carefully weighed and measured and a receipt given in exchange.

"The sisters come to church," said Pastor Haynes, "with bundles on their heads." In these bundles are their clothes. They would not think of going to church if they did not have all their clothes on. He saw some of the sisters put on ten different dresses and others no fewer than fifteen dresses, all of different colours, making a rainbow hue at the bottom as they walked. "This custom," he added, "seemed the opposite of that now prevailing in more civilized lands."

But while these people continued some of their old-time customs, the Gospel had changed all their evil habits. There was a different look in their eyes from the heathen around them. They had given up their heathenish practices, their alcohol, and their chewing of ca-coa. In place of the despair that had once filled their hearts the message had brought hope and good cheer.

The message, however, has not been proclaimed without opposition. The priests are very bitter as they see their old domination being challenged. They do not hesitate to give alcohol to the heathen to excite them against the Christians. In one place there was a native preacher with his wife and child of twelve years. He was teaching a large number of Indians when the priest sent a mob against him. They were inflamed with alcohol. He tried to reason with them, but without avail. They bound him to a tree with his wife and child, knocked the mission building to pieces, and then stoned all three of them and left them to die. The little girl died, but the preacher and his wife regained consciousness and made their way to La Paz. Tears rolled down their cheeks as they told of what had happened. It was suggested that they be sent to another school, but he refused to go, and said he must return and start again in the same place. To-

day he is there and is in as great danger as before.

To-day we have 125 schools around Lake Titicaca with eighty to 150 students in each school. Every teacher is a native, and accordingly we have been compelled to start a native training school. In this school we have an enrolment of no fewer than 400 students. They live their own life; grow and cook their own food; we provide nothing but a room, and a faculty to teach them. We are not attempting to make them into Americans or Europeans, but train them to take the Gospel back to their own people in their own way.

The light from Lake Titicaca is now beginning to blaze all along the Amazon basin. On April 10th of this year Elders Pugh and Stahl started from Lima to travel to Iquitos—a six weeks' journey through the jungle. So dense was this jungle that it was necessary for Indians to go before with knives and cut a way through. Presently they came to a river and after some time descended terrible rapids in their canoes. While passing over these rapids every canoe was smashed and it was necessary to make rafts and bind the luggage thereon. On they went down the river. One day one of the Indians blew his horn. Brother Stahl asked him why he had done so. He replied that they were nearing a place where Brother Stahl had promised to return. Three years ago Brother Stahl passed through this district and was asked by a chief to come back and teach him the Gospel. Brother Stahl said he would do so and told the chief to fix white flags along the river so that he would know where to stop. Instead of this, the chief had moved his whole village down to the river bank, and when Brother Stahl came round the bend of the river on his raft, there was the village on the river-side. In five minutes no fewer than 400 natives were holding out their hands in greeting. Brother Stahl discovered that in the meantime the chief had been to one of our mission schools and learned more of the truth and his whole village had now given up alcohol and were keeping the Sabbath to the best of their knowledge. Since then a teacher has been sent in and great things are expected.

Leaving the village Pastor Stahl and his party sailed on their rafts day by day down the river to Iquitos.

Brother Westphal had arrived at this city in December of last year and had found forty people who had been brought into the truth by a colporteur. As Brother Westphal could speak Spanish he decided to conduct some meetings and hired a hall seating 300 persons. The first night 500 people tried to get in. The daily paper commenced to print his sermons. In reply the priests sent billboard men around the streets telling the people that they would never get out of purgatory if they took this paper. As the meetings continued the

whole city of 14,000 people was stirred. Brother Westphal heard two boys sitting discussing the matter on the street. One said slightly, "You belong to the priests," and the other replied, "Well, I belong to the Adventists." As the interest increased Brother Westphal decided to rent the Alhambra Theatre, seating 2,500 people. As an act of faith, he took it for four nights. On the first night 5,000 people tried to get in—and even the sub-prefect was unable to get near the door. On the second night there were 4,000 clamouring to get in, and on one night no fewer than 7,000 endeavoured to do so.

About that time the Catholic archbishop visited the city. The year before the whole 14,000 people went down to the river to meet him; "this year," said Pastor Haynes, "he had to carry his own suit case."

Such was the situation when Brother Pugh and Brother Stahl arrived on their rafts. They found a baptismal class of 160 and in a few days had baptized sixty members. Brother Westphal is aiming for a membership of 1,000 people.

CONSECRATION SERVICE

On the last morning of the Council Pastor I. H. Evans led out in a consecration service which lasted for nearly three hours. Taking as his text 1 Chron. 28:9 he read David's charge to Solomon, coupling this with the appeal in chapter 29:5, "Who then is willing to consecrate his service this day unto the Lord?"

To consecrate, Brother Evans pointed out, is to fill one's hands so full that they cannot get hold of anything else. He appealed to all to give themselves to God at this wonderful time, to be used for His glory and the finishing of His work in the earth. At the very moment that men empty themselves of all selfishness and sin, God will fill them with His Spirit. He is waiting to do this for His people to-day.

Following this address words of thankfulness and consecration came from scores of those who were present. They gave assurance of the beginning of yet greater things amongst the millions of this vast continent, and the speedy triumph of God's cause of truth in all the earth.



A Victory for Truth

WE relate the following incident in the hope, and with the prayer, that it may be an encouragement to our young people at home to take their stand firmly for truth, and see that God gives victory to them.

We have, in the city of Urumia, a good band of young people who are growing up in the fear of the Lord and bearing a faithful witness for this message. Owing to the unfavourable attitude of

the Persian Government towards foreign schools, it has not been possible so far for us to provide a school staffed by Adventist teachers which would, at the same time, conform to the Persian regulations. For this reason, our young people have been forced to attend either the schools of another missionary body, or the Moslem government schools. In the former case they have encountered no little opposition on account of being unable to attend their classes on the Sabbath day, and I regret to say they received little encouragement from the teachers to help them in their fight for religious liberty and toleration. One of our boys, a Syrian, attended the "Dolat Madrasa," or Government School, in the city, and this year planned to finish his course, take his final examination, and, if successful, receive his diploma, hoping to enter our work next year.

When our hopes are brightest something always seems to happen to spoil everything, a "fly in the ointment," a "cat in the cream," and sure enough in this case the examination fell on the Sabbath. It seemed impossible that the Moslem Chief of Schools would grant what the Protestant missionaries would not, but in faith the young lad made the request, and was agreeably surprised when his faith was honoured, his prayer answered, and his desire granted. Our brother has now a strong faith in prayer, and in the ability of our God to answer his requests. He is very proud of his diploma.

We thank God that in all countries, and among all nations, He has those who have purposed in their hearts to serve Him, and have set their faces like a flint against compromising when His truth is brought into question. H. E. HARGREAVES.
Tabriz, Persia. June 4, 1928.



1928 Harvest Ingathering in Mauritius

THIS year we started a fortnight earlier than last year. It was certainly the Lord Who caused us to do so, as the sequel will show. Some of our courageous helpers of 1927 had sailed for Madagascar; other helpers were unable this year to do anything. Our young people came to the rescue and threw their whole energy into the work. After apportioning the two largest towns and two country districts to their local churches, it was seen that contributions were very small and that the populace had been ordered by their priests never to give to Adventists. We therefore planned a new method. We took the mission motor-car and made up a party of earnest young women. We drove along a highroad collecting at every dwelling we met as well as among the workmen and labourers on the sugar estates. Each Sunday we took a new route. These tactics having been unforeseen by our opponents, we were enabled to double our Ingathering.

When news got to the Jesuit headquarters, a counter-campaign was quickly organized; the daily newspapers, being all Jesuit, were ordered to announce a "Lily Day" collection for the patron saint of Port Louis—St. Louis, whose badge is the French "Lys" (lily). We had, however, had four weeks' start. The Lord used even this to our advantage, and we were given small offerings more generally than we had expected, though all our folk carefully informed the givers they were collecting for S.D.A. missions, and not for the reparation of the cathedral. Satan had a last say. A calumnious "cable" announcement was printed with the object of suggesting trickery by S.D.A. church officials. It was very carefully worded so as to be too ambiguous for a lawsuit. I wrote the editor a letter for publication refuting with proof the sugges-

tion. It was not printed. But our Harvest Ingathering was successful, and those who worked were much blessed.

A lady who has begun studying the truth was impressed by a sermon of encouragement to the collectors. Only a few days previously, in talking of the Harvest Ingathering, she had stated she could never do such a thing. However, the Lord spoke to her heart. She asked for a card and papers and I think I may say she led the whole Island in faithful, self-sacrificing work. We have indeed to thank the Lord for His timely help, protection, and encouragement this year, and especially that He put it into the hearts of the Mauritius young people to take hold of the Lord's hand and throw their whole strength into the service asked of them.

R. T. S. COLTHURST.

South England Conference

Office Address: Eagle House, 395 Holloway Road, London, N.7.

President: Pastor O. M. Dorland.
H.M., S.S., & M.V. Sec.: F. W. Goodall.



Secretary-Treasurer: H. D. Clarke.
F.M. Sec.: B. Belton.

Notes from the President

SOME of the officers of the Northern European Division were in London early in December seeking a suitable location for their headquarters. As these brethren were here it was the privilege of some of our churches to enjoy their presence during the Week of Prayer.

It has been decided that their offices shall be located in this great city. We rejoice that at last something more representative of our world-wide work is to be located in this mighty centre of which the spirit of prophecy has spoken as follows: "The light radiating from London, should beam forth in clear, distinct rays to the regions beyond. God has wrought in England, but this English-speaking world has been terribly neglected. England has need of many more labourers and much more means. London has been scarcely touched. In this city alone no fewer than one hundred men should be engaged."

PLANS are being made for a forward movement in evangelism in the New Year, as far as our resources of men and means will permit. We invite the prayers of the WORKER family for the efforts that will commence in January.

We would be much obliged if all our members will see to it that their tithes and offerings are in the hands of the local treasurers by the last Sunday in the year, so that these officers can forward their

monies to Brother Clarke, the South England conference treasurer, on Monday, December 31st. This will greatly assist him in closing up his books for the year.

We wish all our people a happy time over the festive season, and the blessings of health and spiritual prosperity for the year 1929.

O. M. DORLAND.



Wimbledon Missionary Volunteers

ON December 1st the young people of the Wimbledon Church presented a most interesting and enjoyable programme. With Pastor Armstrong in the chair the various items were carried through and commented upon with much vigour. The first item was "A Hearty Welcome" by three of the senior young people, in the form of recitation. This was followed by a song by the young people. Then we listened to an impressive dialogue entitled, "Heart Trouble." Seven young people took part in this, and the various stages from a weak heart to a strong heart were illustrated by means of charts. Everyone was impressed with the recipe for this trouble which is so prevalent, and that was: "Don't hurry, don't worry." The little children then sang, "Little Hands may Serve Thee," and one of their number gave a recitation, "I am Just a Little Tot." This was followed by a solo by one of the senior members. An organ recital was rendered entitled, "Send Out Thy Light." Then a

most impressive recitation was given on the experiences of the Covenanters entitled, "An English Soldier." The singing of the 23rd Psalm by the young people in the distance gave the right atmosphere to this recitation. Another recitation by four of the children entitled, "God's Love," was illustrated by means of cards, each card bearing one of the letters. "My Task" was very nicely sung by one of the senior members. This was followed by a dialogue by all the seniors entitled, "A Bouquet of Flowers." Each one had a small bunch of flowers and a card representing the meaning of the flowers he or she carried. It was very impressive to hear what they had to say about these beautiful flowers which went to make up the bouquet. There were forget-me-nots for remembrance, roses, pansies, lilies for purity, snowdrops, violets, and daisies.

Another interesting item was rendered by one of the little tots entitled, "A Looking Glass." With a mirror in one hand and the Bible in the other she illustrated a beautiful lesson. The last song in which all took part was entitled, "Who's Your Pilot?" The thought of this song was, "Are You Where You Ought to be?"

Quite a good number were present to enjoy this programme, and best of all the collection, which amounted to £2 11s. od., was taken up for work among the children of the east end of London.

We believe that such programmes are an inspiration to both the young people who take part and all who come to listen.

We were sorry when the time had come to pronounce the benediction, but we all felt that the young people had done exceedingly well and had carried out their motto, "Be strong and courageous."

F. W. GOODALL.



Stanborough College Mission Band

ON Saturday evening, December 1st, the College chapel presented an unusual appearance. Chinese lanterns took the place of the ordinary electric lamp-shades, while the rostrum was fitted to represent a Chinese village.

It was the evening of the long-looked-for Mission Band meeting, always a red-letter evening of the school year. The subject of the meeting was "China." It was presented in the form of various scenes depicting the trials and hardships which all missionaries in that country have undergone and are still undergoing. The scenes illustrated the terrible revolution which gripped the country a few years ago, and showed how God protected His people during that time, and rewarded their faith and courage by finally opening up the way for them to return to their fields of labour.

A stirring appeal was given in conclusion, calling for full consecration to the service of the King of

kings, Who is anxiously waiting to enlist all in His service for the finishing of the work in this generation. Every one present caught the enthusiasm of the meeting, and rendered their thanks to God for all that He has done in the words of the closing hymn:

"O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come;
Our shelter from the stormy blast,
And our eternal home."

E. BURROWS.

Scotland

"Stirling Faith"

OUR readers will be glad to know that since the coming of the autumn, the attendances at our meetings have considerably increased. Though we have not started a big campaign, as we desire to conserve our finances, yet we have been blessed by a splendid following.

ABOUT four weeks ago, we held our first meeting in the large hall called McLellan Galleries. The hall was packed to its utmost capacity, and the audience appeared just as enthusiastic and attentive as at previous lectures.

LAST night was the fifth night of our winter season, and we were gratified to see another large gathering. It is estimated that between 600 and 700 people were present at that meeting. A good collection was realized, which will considerably help us to meet such expenses as hall rent and newspaper announcements.

IN Stirling our people are doing valiantly. The little company there decided to finance Brother Murdoch in a campaign this autumn. They gave him £12 from their church funds, and then raised £8 as a gift from the various members to start an effort in their town. This sum of money represented real sacrifice on the part of our people, and I am glad to say that the Lord abundantly blessed the opening meetings of this venture of faith. Over 300 people attended the first meeting, and the second meeting was likewise well attended. Good collections were received, and about eighty names handed in. The work soon developed so that it was too much for Brother Murdoch to handle alone, and for the time being we have obtained the assistance of Nurse Handysides from Edinburgh. We have every confidence that the Lord will bless Brother Murdoch and his assistant in the campaign in Stirling.

WE are looking forward to a great spiritual time in Scotland during this Week of Prayer. Plans are being laid for meetings almost every night in the

week, and both our larger churches and smaller companies will, I am sure, be aroused to greater earnestness during this time. We trust and pray that as a result of these special meetings, a great spiritual uplift may be realized. May I ask Scots everywhere to pray for the work in their homeland.

I AM happy to say that the Glasgow Church was able to raise £245 in Harvest Ingathering this year. This represented a great amount of hard work, especially when we think of the bad times that are being experienced by the workpeople on the Clyde, and the general debility of business throughout the whole of Scotland.

THE Young People's Society proved to be a

splendid factor in this campaign, raising the handsome total of £64 12s. 4d.

IN 1929 we hope to open up the work of the advent message in Aberdeen. It has been decided to invite Brother Madgwick to move to that city, and commence work in January. I feel sure that our people will pray that God will bless this brother, also Sister Handysides as she assists him in labour for the Aberdonians. On a recent visit to that city, Brother Madgwick and myself found many providential openings. Halls seemed to be available, and prices quite reasonable. We therefore hope and pray that God will abundantly bless our brother as he breaks new ground in the "granite" city.

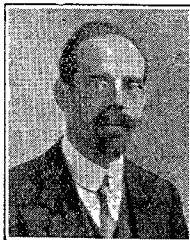
WM. MAUDSLEY.

North England Conference

Office Address: 22 Zulla Road, Magdala Road, Nottingham.

President: Pastor F. A. Spearing.
H.M., S.S., and M.V. Sec.: J. Howard.

Sec.-Treasurer: J. H. Parkin.
F.M. Sec.: G. Bell.



Bradford Calling

FOR some time now Bradford has been calling for something definite to be done in its midst. At the present time we have a church comprised of five members. We are planning to commence work in Bradford City with the New Year. Recently, in conjunction with the leader, I visited one or two cinemas and secured one of them after asking God to guide us. We would have preferred a hall, but could not secure one. After I had secured the cinema, Brother Ben Davies placed in my hands the following newspaper cutting entitled, "Parsons in Shirt Sleeves," from the Bradford *Argus*:

"PARSONS IN SHIRT SLEEVES

"HARD SOIL FOR RELIGION

"Are Bradford people irreligious?

"In the course of an interview published to-day, the Rev. C. H. Hulbert, who is relinquishing the post of superintendent of the Bradford Wesleyan Mission, says:

"My first and last impression of Bradford is that religiously it is hard soil to work in."

"Inquiries made by a *Telegraph* and *Argus* reporter to-day reveal the fact that many clergymen of all creeds and ranks in the city agree whole-heartedly with Mr. Hulbert's views.

"The Rev J. Carlyle Litt (secretary of the Bradford Free Church Council) expressed the opinion that Mr. Hulbert was right. 'My opinion,' he said, 'is that industrial progress may have something to do with it. I think it is the impression of practically every minister who comes to Bradford that it is hard soil in a religious sense.

"It is a fact that a number of ministers who have gone farther south from Bradford have drawn much larger congregations there by their teachings—a fact which shows a big difference in response."

"The Rev. Arthur Boyce, of the People's Church, Kirkgate, admitted: 'I have talked with parsons who have told me that Bradford's is the hardest soil they have ever struck.'"

Can we succeed with our message in such a city? I believe we can, even if we have to roll up our shirt sleeves. I believe that God has a remnant in every city. It is for us to find them. We ask the WORKER family to pray for us as we make another venture for *Him*.

A. F. CLARKE.
E. E. CRAVEN.

Harvest Festival at Leeds

WE held our annual Harvest Festival service in the Lees Hall over the week-end October 20th and 21st. On Friday the young people decorated the hall, and all day long the members trooped in with gifts of every kind. It certainly was a beautiful sight that greeted the eye on Sabbath morning. Pastor J. West officiated, and reminded us of God's continued goodness to us. This meeting was followed by a Young People's service. Nearly all the young people of our church took part. On Sunday evening the attendance was beyond our expectations. Over 450 people were present. Pastor Craven took the service.

He emphasized the thought that the true harvest was the end of the world, and that the wheat and

the tares were to grow together to the end of time. After the service was over each of the children present received an apple and a pear. All the fruit was given away to our own sick, and sick friends. The week-end meetings were a real success. We not only returned thanks for the blessings received, but our people tried to make it very practical. Even the children brought an egg each and placed

them in a certain basket, and last but not least many canisters were handed in. We thought of the real harvest in a practical way. With the canisters and the collections over the week-end £25 was handed over to the treasurer for the Harvest Ingathering campaign. We feel indebted to our young people and to all who helped.

E. SMITH, *Church Clerk.*

CIRCULATION DEPARTMENT

Conducted by A. WARREN

Apply for Your 1929 Permits Now

PERMITS to sell literature during 1929 should be applied for this week. A member who holds one of these certificates is authorized to solicit orders for our literature, and to sell this outright. No pedlar's licence is then required, except in the Isle of Man.

26,000 People Using the "Morning Watch" in Great Britain

HAVE you ever thought of this: If every one of our members were to send out six copies of *The Morning Watch* as greeting cards this season 26,000 people—yes, twenty-six thousand people would get it.

Just think what would happen in England if 26,000 used this little calendar regularly!

Make Your Dreams of Progress Come True! Circulate Literature!

"WE have been asleep, as it were, regarding the work that may be accomplished by the circulation of well-prepared literature. Let us now, by the wise use of periodicals and books, preach the word with determined energy, that the world may understand the message that Christ gave to John on the Isle of Patmos. Let every human intelligence who professes the name of Christ testify, 'The end of all things is at hand; prepare to meet thy God.'"

Don't Despise Tracts and Papers

"SOME would receive more benefit from papers and tracts than from books. Papers, tracts, and pamphlets that dwell upon Bible lessons, all need attention in the canvassing work, for they are as little wedges that open the way for larger works."

His Wonderful Medical Book

"HERE'S the brightest 'health book' you ever saw," said one of our members, holding up the twelve monthly numbers of *Good Health*.

"It has a whole series of fine articles on caring for babies, and another set on vegetarian cooking. Just what you want."

"It tells you what to do for burns, and boils, and scalds, and headaches, and a score of other things. And it teaches you how to keep fit."

"It only costs threepence a month. What's it matter if it isn't bound in a fine binding?"

Brother Gregory's Huge Congregation

SUPPOSE you were suddenly called on to address a huge audience of 2,000 people on "How to Improve your Health Twenty-five Per Cent."

And suppose you were given such power to speak on this subject, that your words stayed in the peoples' minds for a week, or a month, or a year.

Wouldn't you be a happy man?

Well, that is exactly what some of our people are doing by selling *Good Health*. Brother Gregory, for instance, sells regularly about 1,500 copies a month. Almost every copy is looked at by two, three, or four people—a total of 2,000 to 5,000 readers.

What an audience! In addition to this, our "Health Literature" workers sell quantities of *Health and Happiness* and *Mother's Guide to Simple Remedies*. What a fine work they are doing to improve the health of the people! Wouldn't you like to do this too?

Why not send up your name to the Press as a volunteer Health Literature worker! Begin by selling the January number of *Good Health*.

Catholic Church Now Encouraging Literature Work

THE following notice was posted outside a Catholic church that all passers-by might read it:

"A MESSAGE FOR YOU FROM THE HOLY FATHER POPE PIUS X"

"Build churches, preach, do missionary work, found schools, do all manner of good works—quite right; but all your endeavours will be in vain if you neglect the most important weapon of our day—the literature work—the distribution of Christian literature."

The Bishop of Limburg, in sending an admoni-

tion for the benefit of the Clerical Press, wrote:

"The power of the press is the greatest power in the world. It should be brought to the notice of all Catholic believers that gifts and offerings for our literature work are far more acceptable to God than the purchasing of costly vessels for the church, and the celebration of church festivals. The needs of the Press are great."

From a speech made by the Pope in 1926 in honour of Clareps of Rome we quote the following:

"If holy Paul were living to-day, he would surely have been a journalist. He, who wrote so many letters to the people, would surely have made good use of the Press in publishing abroad his ideas."

During the great Catholic Day in Stuttgart, the following article appeared in the paper under the heading

"MORE CARE FOR THE CATHOLIC PRESS":

"It is a well-known saying of the Bishop of K., that the apostle Paul, if it had been possible in his generation, would have published a newspaper. There is not a more powerful megaphone for this generation, nor a more detailed chronicle for the future world, than the Press. We Catholics have learned rather late to forge a powerful weapon for the fight for our Catholic faith, out of the once supposed devil's work of Gutenberg."

The above quotations show us what the world, and also the Roman church, deem necessary and important for this generation. We, as the people of the last days, have the greatest work to accomplish that has ever been wrought in the world; hence, the admonition is necessary for us, that we realize the great importance of the colporteur work. The arch-enemy, however, is contending mightily against this work. But we can see to-day, in the different countries of the world, what a blessing our truth-filled literature is to the people amongst whom it is scattered.

Young, energetic men, of good education, truly consecrated to the work of the Gospel, are invited to join the colporteur work at once. Write for particulars and application form to Mr. S. Joyce, Stanborough Press Ltd., Watford, Herts.

A University Lecturer Buys "Bible Readings"

"I WAS impressed this morning to call on one of the lecturers of the Leeds University," writes Brother Gallaher. "He received me nicely and ordered *Bible Readings* in leather. He is posting me a cheque this afternoon. I then called on the manager of the Yorkshire Penny Bank. He paid me outright for a gilt binding."

"Great Issues" in Australia

RIGHT on the front page of a recent issue of the Australian *Signs* appears the first instalment of Pastor Maxwell's *Great Issues of the Age*. The editor states that this series of articles alone is "worth far more than the entire cost of a year's

subscription to the paper (7/6)." He is quite right. We wish the *Signs* a good circulation from Sidney to Perth and from Melbourne to Port Darwin.

How Can We Make Them Remember the Truth?

SEVERAL speakers had addressed large and attentive congregations at Rome, N.Y., on first-day, September 12, 1875. The following night I dreamed that a young man of noble appearance came into the room where I was, immediately after I had been speaking. This same person has appeared before me in important dreams to instruct me from time to time during the past twenty-six years. Said he: You have called the attention of the people to important subjects, which, to a large number of people are strange and new. To some they are intensely interesting. The labourers in word and doctrine have done what they could in presenting the truth, which has raised inquiry in minds and awakened an interest. But unless there is a more thorough effort made to fasten these impressions upon minds, your efforts now made will prove nearly fruitless. Satan has many attractions ready to divert the mind, and the cares of this life and the deceitfulness of riches all combine to choke the seed of truth sown in the heart, and in most cases it bears no fruit.

In every effort such as you are now making, much more good would result from your labours if you had appropriate reading matter ready for circulation. Tracts upon the important points of truth for the present time, should be handed out freely to all who will accept them, without money and without price, which might eventually result in a hundredfold returns to the treasury. You are to sow beside all waters.

The press is a powerful means to move the minds and hearts of the people. And the men of the world seize the press and make the most of every opportunity to get poisonous literature before the people. If men under the influence of the spirit of the world, and of Satan, are earnest to circulate books, tracts, and papers of a corrupting nature, you should be more earnest to get reading matter of an elevating and saving character before the people.—Mrs. E. G. White, in "*Counsels on Health*."



RECENTLY a colporteur was delayed about a week in a little town in the Lake Mission in Mexico, because of heavy rains. During that week he held Bible studies, and now reports about fifteen keeping the Sabbath. Would you not be happy to have a part in giving the message where hearts are so hungry for the words of life? God has given you this privilege, through the Thirteenth Sabbath offering this quarter.

Out of a Waste-Paper Basket

ABOUT thirty years ago a young Mexican, studying for the Catholic priesthood, bought a copy of *Steps to Christ*, which he liked very much. When the priest in charge of the seminary found what he was reading, he tore the book to pieces and threw it in the waste-basket, but the student had received a taste of something more wonderful than his thirsting soul had ever found before. He said: "I do not care if it is a Protestant book; it is far better than anything the Catholics have." So when he had an opportunity he appealed to the janitor to give him the torn pieces.

Recently this man, now a doctor of medicine, was baptized, together with several members of his family, and others to whom he had taught the message. Still others of his family and friends are awaiting further preparation and a worker to return to that part of the state, so that they too may be baptized.

Some time ago this same doctor wrote that he had a list of fifty-nine people awaiting more instruction and baptism, but upon visiting them it was found that that whole section of the country seemed literally on fire with the message. In ten or twelve villages nearby, besides the town where he is located, there are companies of people waiting. He also told us of Sabbath-keepers away in the interior that we had not before heard of.

In other parts of this mission the interest is just as great. Hearts are turning to the Lord and souls are appealing for more light where nothing but the printed page has borne the message. The Spirit of the Lord is working on the hearts of the people in a marvellous way. But we do not have sufficient funds for travelling or for hiring native workers to answer these calls. Imagine, three and a half million people and one native worker, besides ourselves, and only £20 for all our expenses during the year, and £10 for the native worker.

How shall we answer these calls for help? We long to go, but there is no money to pay our expenses. We also have faithful natives, who could live on a salary of from £10 to £12 a month, ready to go out and spread the message, but there are no funds with which to pay them. We are earnestly praying that the Thirteenth Sabbath offering this quarter may be so liberal that it will be possible to make forward moves in our work in this Division, and that these lost souls may hear the joyous Gospel. Dear friends, you can share in this task and in the reward. Will you not give this Thirteenth Sabbath as never before?

MRS. E. POHLE.

THE Exeter company now meets in the Baptist Church School Room, Bartholomew Street, Exeter. All correspondence should be addressed to J. Chapman, 119 Sidwell Street, Exeter.

An All-Weather Colporteur

"It's a grand work,"
says
Brother J. Hardy.

BROTHER J. HARDY was born in the year 1900. He, along with his parents and other relatives, were won to the truth of God through the earnest efforts of Brother A. C. Johnson, the well-known colporteur of earlier days, and he himself started canvassing with our small literature when only fifteen years of age.

Since then, except for about two years, most of which time was spent in the army as a non-combatant, Brother Hardy has worked untiringly as a Gospel colporteur, the value of his sales for the large bound books running into thousands of pounds.

Nature has been very generous to our brother in the matter of physical strength, his early years spent in the stone quarries of Somerset no doubt being largely responsible for his splendid physique. This he uses to full advantage, working hard and long, and so keeping up a steady average of success in all weathers.

So far thousands of copies of *Our Paradise Home*, *Our Day in the Light of Prophecy*, *Daniel and Revelation*, *Bible Readings*, and *Desire of Ages*, have passed through his hands to the people of Somerset, his native county, and into many homes in Suffolk, Norfolk, Devonshire, the Channel Islands, North Wales, and Cornwall. Brother Hardy firmly believes that only those who are called of God to the colporteur work should be in it.

"To my mind the canvassing work is a wonderful work for those who are called to it," he says, "and I am thankful to God I felt called to the work of spreading the truth by means of our books, and now I should be very unhappy out of it. I have given my life to this work, believing it to be the Lord's special means for accomplishing his gracious purposes for this world. **IT IS A GRAND WORK!**"

As for the future I believe that, by the help of the Lord, 1929 will be the best year thus far in our history if we all work hard, and if we have health the Lord expects us to do so."

We pray for our colporteur brother as he dedicates his life anew to the cause he holds so dear.

B. BELTON.

Acknowledgments

THE Editor acknowledges with thanks the receipt of £10, the Lord's tithe, from A. P., and £5, Annual Offering, from "A Member."



A Visit to a Village Mission Station in Burma

(Brother T. J. Michael, who sent us this report, is a native of Wales. He was drafted, during the war, to India, where he heard and accepted the message. He is now a worker there, and is hoping to come home to visit his people in Wales shortly.—ED.)

PASTOR E. B. HARE and the writer recently spent three days out at Awbawa, our Karen village station on the banks of the Sittaing River. We left the railway at Nyaunglebin, and then went by motor-bus for about four miles to Poozonmyaung village. From this point we walked about five miles along the river bund, until we had to strike off across the paddy fields towards Awbawa.

Awbawa is situated on an island, surrounded by a bog two or three hundred feet wide at its narrowest part. This makes access quite difficult, but this fact is appreciated by those who live in Awbawa, for it serves as a protection to them against thieves or dacoits. Shoes and stockings had to come off in crossing the paddy fields, for in many parts the water and mud were well over the ankles. We had to make a most dexterous crossing over a bamboo pathway across the bog. Progress was extremely slow, for in parts there was only one bamboo to walk on, and that a wet, slippery one; in other parts the bamboos would sink down into the mud and slush under our weight, and we would hold our breath not knowing how far down we would go. However, all went well until we were within a few feet of the end, and then a bamboo broke, and down went Brother Hare into the bog. Fortunately, this was a spot where clear water prevailed, and Brother Hare was able to extricate himself without much difficulty.

When we landed in Awbawa village, we were not on dry land by any means. The heavy rains and the passage of people and buffaloes had made the road through the village a veritable quagmire. For about fifteen minutes we waded through mud (and worse than mud), until we reached the home of our worker, Pastor Tha Myaing. After we had washed the mud off, we were almost immediately made happy by the information that from the very back door of Thra Tha Myaing's house we could go in a canoe back to the bund road.

This was good news, for that walk across the bog and down through the village mud-bath had been an uncomfortable experience. But we were very glad we had come, and we had a most enjoyable time at Awbawa. Thra Tha Myaing and his good wife and family lavished hospitality upon us that is not easily equalled. Our workers are held in great esteem in this village, their ministry, and the influence of their consistent Christian living being apparently much appreciated. The ministration of Thra Tha Myaing's wife to the sick in the village and in the country around is doing much

towards breaking down indifference and prejudice. Some of her cures have been wonderfully providential, and the Lord will no doubt use these miracles of healing to tender and prepare hearts to receive, accept, and obey the message of truth, which our workers dispense with the medicines. Our hearts thrilled as we listened to accounts of the work that is being done by these simple but consecrated folk in this part of the field.

Thra Chit Maung is the teacher in charge of our school at Awbawa, assisted by Naw See, the daughter of Thra Tha Myaing. There are well over thirty students in the school, including some young men and women who come in for part-time instruction. It was a real inspiration to hear these children sing Christian hymns of praise to the God about Whom they are only just beginning to learn. It was inspiring, too, to watch the interest they demonstrated while listening to the very practical talks which Pastor Hare gave while there. We pray, and we trust, that at least some of these bright little children and young people of Awbawa will learn to know Jesus as their Saviour, and develop into witnesses for Him and His truth in Awbawa and the surrounding country.

The workers at Awbawa are active and enthusiastic, and there is a real interest being built up in every phase of our work. There is a Sabbath-school of about thirty-six members, and a very interesting Missionary Volunteer Society in the making. God's children have witnessed so successfully and have used the sword of the Spirit so powerfully, that, in more than one respect, the devil has fled from Awbawa village. Many have given up the evil habits which have held these people bound for generations.

And what is really significant is the fact that since our workers have been there, the interest of the people in their own religion has so diminished that the Buddhist priest has had to go away because they were not interested enough to support him! The villagers are now offering us the use of the building once occupied by the Buddhist priest and his school, to conduct our school and services. It is not felt that the time is quite opportune yet for us to avail ourselves of this offer, but events at Awbawa do illustrate the fact that the consistent presentation, by precept and practice, of the light of God's truth will drive out darkness, and cause the adversary to flee.

The outlook for our work at Awbawa and the country around is most encouraging, and we look with confidence to the work of God greatly prospering there in the near future. The visit of Pastor Hare, who is their mission superintendent, means much to our workers and to the people of the village. They will talk about it, and refer to it, for weeks to come. It gives confidence to the people

in our work, and it strengthens and encourages our own workers.

In turn, the visit was of real encouragement and inspiration to us. To be out on the firing line, actually witnessing the triumph of the message in the lives of these poor people for whom we are labouring, is an experience the value of which cannot be expressed in words. May it cause us to respond to a greater and more complete consecration of ourselves to whatever phase or place of service we have been called.

T. J. MICHAEL.

Ahloné, Rangoon, Burma.



Do you know that £10 will support a native worker and his family in Mexico for a month? During that month he may be instrumental in converting five or more souls to Christ. By your liberal Thirteenth Sabbath offering you can share in the conversion of these souls.

At Rest

MYERS.—On Wednesday, November 28th, Sister Myers of Woodhouse passed away after many weeks of pain and sickness. We laid her to rest in the Harehills Cemetery on Sabbath, December 1st. She was a devout Christian, and would have been an asset to our church. She leaves a husband and child to mourn their loss. She was highly esteemed by all her neighbours. Our sister in Christ is dead, but her actions still speak.

E. E. CRAVEN.

WAKEMAN.—As the Sabbath of September 29th was drawing to a close death came to Mrs. Annie Wakeman as a welcome and peaceful sleep. Sister Wakeman had been suffering for some few years and her last weeks were very trying. However, we are glad to state that our sister passed away contented and happy in her knowledge of the truth that she has loved and obeyed for many years. She was laid to rest in the beautiful burial ground of Licky Parish Church, there to await the glad sound of the resurrection call.

G. D. KING.

HORSPOOL.—It is with deep regret we record the loss of one of our faithful members, Sister M. E. Horspool, who passed away after a prolonged illness on Wednesday, October 24th. Sister Horspool accepted the truth under the labours of Pastor De'ath about eight years ago. On October 29th our sister was laid to rest in the East Dereham cemetery, the vicar of the parish officiating. We feel assured that she will be among those who will be raised to life again when the great trump shall sound. We extend our heart-felt sympathy to her sorrowing relatives.

R. A. FREETH.

VOWLES.—Sister Emily Vowles fell asleep in Jesus in her home in Bath on November 22nd, after intense suffering patiently borne. She accepted the truth in 1926 through attending the Sunday evening meetings held at Bath at that time, and was a regular attender at the Sabbath services until prevented by illness. Our sister passed away with the full assurance of being raised at the first resurrection. She was laid to rest in St. James' Cemetery on November 27th, in the presence of many friends. In accordance with her wish, and the

wishes of her friends, the writer conducted the funeral service. She leaves a married daughter and a brother to mourn their loss.

E. CLIFFORD.

FORD.—Miss Annie Elizabeth Ford, daughter of Brother and Sister John Ford of Pontypridd, passed away in the Ware Park Sanatorium on Sunday, November 18th, at the age of twenty-three years, after an illness of some eight months' duration. She was known to, and loved by, a large circle of friends both in Watford—where she was baptized in 1923—and in London, where she had been in nursing service. Her sweet disposition and peaceful resignation, manifested during considerable suffering towards the end, will be sadly missed. She was laid to rest by the Rev. Dr. Hughes, of the Baptist communion, and the writer, in the Pontypridd cemetery on Friday, November 23rd, and we await her reappearance with the band of blessed ones who shall receive their reward at the Redeemer's resurrection call.

H. W. LOWE.

MASON.—It is with sadness that we report the tragedy that befell the only daughter of Brother and Sister Mason of Holmer Green, High Wycombe, aged 11 years. On the night of November 5th her brother was drawing water from the well outside the back door, and seeing some fireworks in the distance, called his sister to come and look at them. He told her the lid was off the well and to be careful, but just as the child was saying, "O how lov—," a splash was heard. Help was procured as soon as possible, but Margaret was dead when taken from the water. Pastor Dorland conducted the funeral service in the home, and she was laid to rest in the village churchyard. We miss Margaret's smiling little face very much in Sabbath-school, but look forward to seeing her again soon. We deeply sympathize with the sorrowing parents and her brother, who will miss her companionship.

M. E. LENANTON.

The "Daily News" Articles on Spiritualism

The articles on "Spiritualism" now running in the "Daily News" are awakening widespread interest. Rarely has such a good opportunity presented itself to our people. Our literature on this subject should be scattered far and wide.

"Spiritism and the Bible"

is the ideal tract to enlighten people on the dangers of tampering with these supernatural manifestations. Here are some of the headings in this little booklet.

"Power to impersonate dead friends."

"Lead away from the Truth."

"Latter-day Spiritualism foretold in the Scriptures."

"Skilfully adapted to Deceive."

"At War with the Scriptures."

"Danger of coming under its Influence."

And a complete Bible Reading on the subject—a real revelation of God's mind on ancient and modern Spiritualism.

16 pages, illustrated. 12 for 1/-

The Stanborough Press Ltd., Watford, Herts.

(Use also "Where are the Dead?" 24 for 1/-)

President of American Radio Artists is Enthusiastic

Special letter
to our worker



THE NATIONAL RADIO ARTISTS' ASSOCIATION

Executive Offices
469 N. Waller Avenue
CHICAGO

November 21, 1928.

My Dear Mr. Coleman,

After reading the set of four books under the title of "Uncle Arthur's Bedtime Stories," I wish to say that they are the best children's stories that I have ever seen or heard. In my six and one-half years in broadcasting work I have heard many so-called bedtime stories, and I am sorry to say that with few exceptions, the type of stories that are broadcast are not the stories that I would want my children to hear, so it is with great pleasure that I recommend this set of books.

I am making plans to broadcast this set of bedtime stories over some Chicago radio station in the near future, and I am sure that the parents of the children that as a rule tune in at 6 p.m., when most of the bedtime stories are told, will see the great distinction between them and the common stories that are so often broadcast over the radio.

In closing let me wish you the best of luck in this good work of selling "Bedtime Stories" to the people, for the buyers will find them a good investment in the lives of their children as they grow older, and let me say that if at any time I can be of help to you in this work, you have but to call on me.

Very truly yours,

Jack Parker, President.

"The best children's books I have ever seen"
says the president.

Parents and teachers also are realizing how good "Uncle Arthur's Bedtime Stories" really are. They are purchasing at least 10,000 a month.



"There is no question but what the four 'Bedtime Stories' are the greatest seller we have had for a long time," says an American book department manager. "Thousands of sets are going out, and workers report universal success as they go from house to house.

"One young lady reports 16/- worth sold in an hour, another 12/- worth. Everywhere reported a success."

**YOU, TOO, CAN SELL THESE
ATTRACTIVE LITTLE BOOKS**

Ask your Home Missionary Secretary to supply you with ten copies to begin with, and see how fast they go.

**THE STANBOROUGH PRESS LTD.,
WATFORD, HERTS.**

EDITORIAL NOTES

THE MISSIONARY WORKER is printed and published fortnightly by
The Stanborough Press Ltd., Watford

Editor: A. S. MAXWELL

Vol. 33. Nos. 25 & 26.

Copy for the next issue must reach us
not later than Wednesday, Jan. 2nd.

December 21, 1928

WE wish all our readers a very happy holiday season, and all that is best for them, under the blessing of God, during the coming year.

WE have combined numbers 25 and 26 of THE MISSIONARY WORKER in order to avoid printing during the Christmas holidays.

THE Stanborough Press will be closed from Monday night, December 24th, until Sunday morning, December 30th. Order supplies in good time. If you desire books or papers for use during Christmas, post your order not later than Wednesday, December 19th. Give the postman a chance.

NOR for a long time has the Publishing House been so desperately busy as during the past few weeks. There has been literally a tidal wave of orders for *Bible Readings*, *Christ Our Saviour*, and shilling books, which has swept our shelves clean. But for the magnificent, self-sacrificing efforts of the workers in all departments—some of whom have worked from fourteen to seventeen hours a day for weeks on end—we should certainly have been in danger of disappointing some of our colporteurs. Many a time it has been "touch and go," and books bound one night have been rushed out the following morning just in time. Work has become thrilling. The enthusiasm on all sides to keep up with the demand has been an inspiration.

STANBOROUGH COLLEGE will close for the Christmas vacation on Friday, December 21st, and re-open Thursday, January 3, 1929.

THE pictures of Pitcairn on pages 2 and 3 of this issue were sent to us recently by Brother McCoy, who was in England some weeks ago. He has now returned to Pitcairn, taking with him the wireless transmitting set so generously given to the Pitcairn Islanders by the Marconi International Marine Communication Company.

ON our cover page is shown the picture referred to by Pastor W. A. Spicer during his address on the Spirit of Prophecy at Darmstadt. It illustrates the immense literary labours of Mrs. E. G. White, and is the best monument this people could erect to her memory.

AT the Annual Meeting of the Nile Mission Press, held at Sion College, Victoria Embankment, London, April 19, 1928, the Rev. Francis C. Brading,

B.D., secretary of the Scripture Gift Mission, said:

"Advertising is a way to reach the Moslem world. Our friends, the Seventh-Day Adventists, have set us an example in that respect, for they do all their work through the printed page. During my recent world travels there was hardly a corner of the globe which I visited where I did not come across the advertising methods of the Seventh-Day Adventists. I thought to myself that we must emulate them if we are going to reach the Moslems."

ALL our people will notice with pleasure the announcement in this issue that work is now being opened up in Aberdeen and Bradford. Let us remember in prayer those who lead out in these pioneer campaigns.

IT may interest some of the little readers of *Bed-time Stories* that the Australian battleship "Melbourne"—which carried out the famous rescue mentioned in the first story of Series One—has just been sold to a Scottish ship-breaking firm for only £25! There now, Daddy might have bought it for you for Christmas!

WANTED.—Situation for young man, Seventh-Day Adventist, age 18. Used to farm work. Good milker. Used to horses. Write: A. R. Hamblin, 11 Avon Street, Warwick.

FOR SALE.—Lantern, nearly new, with large roll screen and accessories for use with gas. Will throw clear pictures from 80 feet and upwards. Price £10 or offer. Reply: G. Radcliffe, 224 Sangley Road, Catford, London. S.E.6.

WANTED.—Situation as house-parlourmaid where Sabbath can be kept. Write: Miss H. Chicken, Medomsley Hall, Co. Durham.

MINISTERS, workers, and others, try us for all kinds of printing. Large posters, handbills, etc. Commercial printing. Electric Press, Bentham, Lancaster.

WHY not send your prescriptions, broken frames, lenses, etc., to a qualified Seventh-Day Adventist optician? Write: A. Benn, L.S.O., 29 Sandhurst Place, Harehills, Leeds.

BROTHER PEGG of 2a Baggholme Road, Lincoln, is at your service for all kinds of commercial and general printing. Handbills, billheads, tags, letter-headings, etc. a speciality.

SUNSET CALENDAR

	LOND.	EDIN'H	NOTTING'M	CARDIFF	BELFAST
Dec. 21st	3.53	3.50	3.40	4.6
" 28th	3.58	3.55	3.44	4.11
Jan. 4th	4.4	3.52	4.1	4.17	4.13