

The Advent Survey

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Connection with Christ and Secret Prayer

By J. H. SCHILLING

THE minister who keeps his connection with Christ strictly intact, and who is fervent in secret prayer, will always have good success in the work of God. Jesus indicated this very strongly when He spoke of the "true vine." He said, "I am the true Vine," and then, in speaking of the connection the branch has with the vine, He says, "I am the Vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in Me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without Me ye can do nothing." Again, "If ye abide in Me, and My words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you. Herein is My Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be My disciples." Much fruit is the result of a healthy connection and association with Christ; "not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think anything as of ourselves; but our sufficiency is of God."

"We are great only as we are God-possessed; and scrupulous appointment in the upper room with the Master will prepare us for the toil and hardships of the most strenuous campaign. We must therefore hold firmly and steadily to this primary principle, that of all things that need doing, this need is supreme, to live in intimate fellowship with God." (Jowett.) To live in intimate fellowship with God is our supreme and superlative

need as ministers. Shall we permit the Lord to help us in this?

Only through prayer can this fellowship with God be obtained. How do we stand in regard to secret prayer? We read, "Our brethren do not wrestle with God in prayer *all night long*, as godly men have done it who worked before us." Shall this be said any longer of us? Shall our lives not become more and more lives of deep prayer?

Of Jesus it is said, "In the morning, rising up a great while before day, He went out, and departed into a solitary place, and there

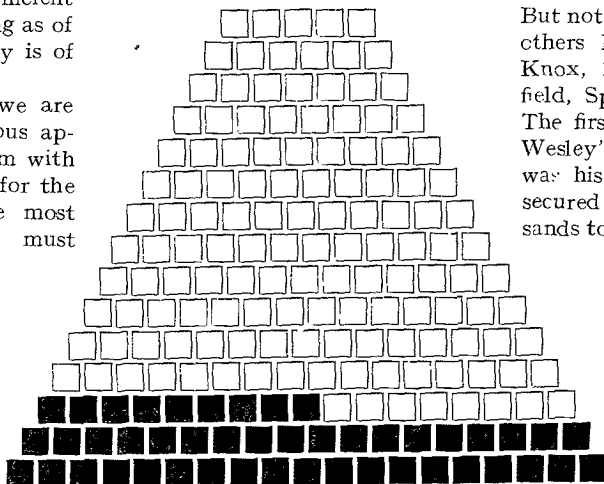
prayed." Then again, "It came to pass in those days that He went out into a mountain to pray, and continued all night in prayer to God." Is this not a wonderful example set for us by the Master? There is nothing surprising in His great victories when we consider Him in this marvellous attitude of constant and earnest prayer.

"Luther was a man of prayer. His decision to do something is shown in his prayers. He prayed for immediate results, and they came. His prayers had as results a daring undertaking which depended upon the promises of God. He was placed in the position where he could wreck the mighty power of Rome, so that the foundation of the Papacy began to quiver in all lands." What a mighty man Luther became through prayer. But not only he. There were many others likewise, Wycliffe, Calvin, Knox, Zinzendorf, Wesley, Whitfield, Spurgeon, and many others. The first thing I wanted to see in Wesley's house when I visited it, was his prayer chamber where he secured the power to draw thousands to his meetings and to Christ.

Shall we not imitate these examples, these mighty examples? God grant that we may.

"How, how then is it to be done? By studious and reverent regard to the supreme commonplace of the spiritual life. We must assiduously attend to the

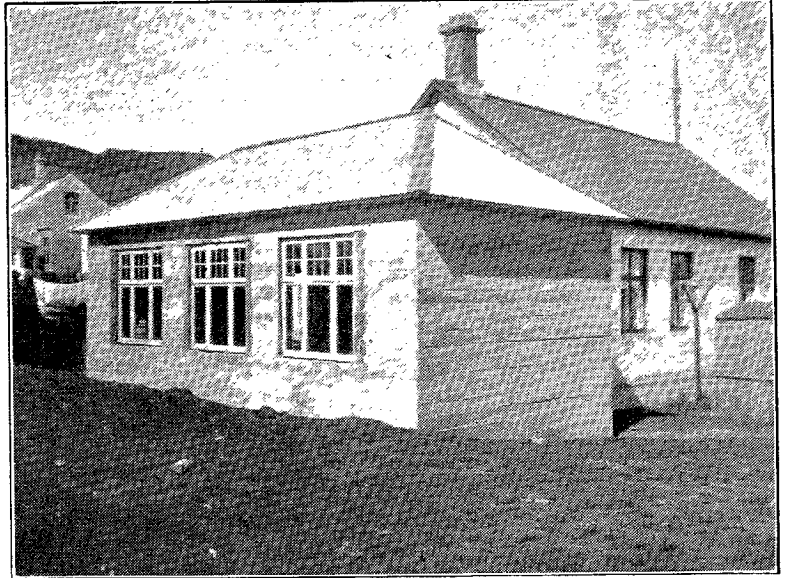
Harvest Ingathering Goal for the Northern European Division \$90,000



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culture of our souls. We must sternly and systematically make time for prayer, and devote more time to the reading of the Word of God. We must appoint private seasons for the deliberate and personal appropriation of the divine Word, for self-examination in the presence of its warnings; for self-humbling in the presence of its judgments, for self-heartenings in the presence of its promises, and for self-invigoration in the presence of its glorious hopes."

My dear brethren, in the light of the serious times in which we live, and the pressing need of greater achievements among us as ministers of God, let us indeed, from day to day, be really in earnest, keep our connections with Christ intact, and let our secret prayers be a living reality.



New church school building in the Westman Islands, Iceland, where 60 children are in attendance.

Encouraging Harvest Ingathering Reports

By W. E. READ

THE first reports concerning the activities of our faithful believers in the Ingathering Campaign are just beginning to reach us. We have all been very much encouraged by the splendid spirit of co-operation and earnestness which is manifested on every hand. The Lord is richly blessing the efforts of His people as they make their approach to their friends and others at this time for gifts for His cause.

Several months ago the various Unions in the home fields decided to print a certain number of

papers for their special efforts this year. Already, however, it is being seen that the number printed, in many cases at least, was far too small. In Scandinavia the brethren are obliged to print several thousand copies more in both the Swedish and Danish languages. The same thing is true in Poland. In that field the brethren must have more literature, and so many more papers must be printed for our people to use in their Ingathering appeal.

The brethren in Poland are also reaching out towards a much

higher goal than they set for themselves some months ago. Their original aim this year was £1,31,500, but at one of their recent meetings they raised this to £1,57,500. This means that their goal now stands at \$6,388 and is an increase on their previous goal of \$2,888. We offer our congratulations to our brethren in Poland on their noble venture and we certainly wish them every success as they press forward to reach this higher goal.

For the first week in the campaign the British Union Conference reports something over £1,500 as having been gathered in. This is by far the largest week's effort that has been reported in the history of the Ingathering work in the British field. The brethren in Great Britain are determined to get their goal.

It has been a real pleasure to visit the people in their homes this year and to appeal to them for help to forward the work of God in the mission lands. Everywhere there has been a splendid response and even though in places some of the gifts have been very small yet they are just as acceptable to the Lord.

As we press forward with a courageous confidence in God and earnestly seek Him for wisdom in approaching the people the victory is ours. Let us think victory, let us talk victory, and let us never rest satisfied until the goal is won.

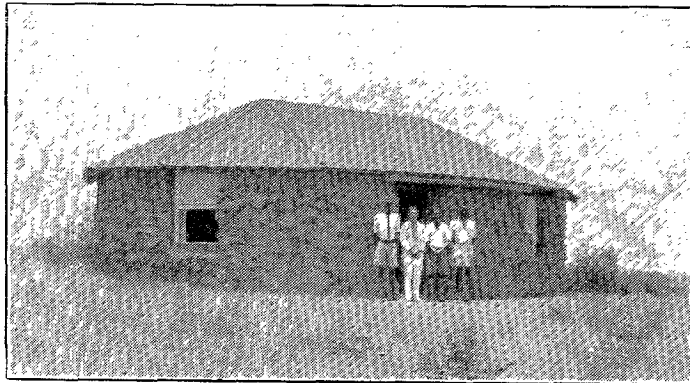


Workers' meeting in Poland.

WITH OUR MISSIONARIES

An Awakening in Northern Abyssinia

By W. E. READ



Our little publishing house at Gendia in the East African Union Mission.

FROM time to time we have called attention to a remarkable development in the northern part of old Ethiopia. During recent years there has been a wonderful movement, affecting thousands of people. It began several years ago when Shiek Zacharia turned to God from the darkness and superstition of Islam. He became a preacher to his people and under his ministry thousands of people were won from heathenism to the knowledge of the true God. They began to keep the Sabbath and earnestly believed in the coming of the Lord. Just before Shiek Zacharia died, he called some of his followers together and told them that some day the white missionaries would come and teach them more of the message. He said that his work was like a glimmering star, shedding just a little ray of light amidst the darkness, but when the missionaries came their message would be like the sun shining in its strength. He passed away and ever since that time these people have been looking for the white missionaries. Ere long they came in contact with the third angel's message and began imploring us to send workers. The best we have been able to do up to now is to send them one of our native evangelists. Brother Ogbashki, who is our only ordained minister in the Ethiopian Union Mission, was sent up to foster the interests and care for the spiritual needs of these people. A little while ago Brother Gudmundsen received a very interesting letter from Brother Ogbashki and the following paragraphs will tell

something further of the remarkable interest he found and also of the experiences which have meant much to our native worker:

"You remember that I went up to Begemder last year. I stayed there altogether for about eleven months. As I had to make this journey during the rainy season I encountered considerable difficulty, but the Lord guided me and was with me through all the perplexing experiences and brought me safely to my destination. I began my work soon after my arrival. Shiek Zacharia's people received me more as 'an angel of the Lord' than as a man. I gathered all the people who would listen to the message and it was surprising to me to find that there were so many. After I had been speaking a little while they began to cry out, 'What shall we do to be saved?' Never in my life have I seen such a thing. They were not concerned about where I came from or with what body of people I was connected. The real question of their hearts was, 'What is the will of God?' That they consecrate themselves and all they have to the Lord is shown by their faithfulness in paying tithe. In four months I received 400 Thallars (\$194) and it seems as though we shall get much more than one thousand Thallars this year. The

people not only bring money but they bring corn. One brought an ox, another an ass, and various articles of food have also been brought into the treasury. Three of the members are keeping account of all the tithes we receive.

"Up to the present time sixty-five of these people have been baptized and another fifty-five are waiting. This is in Begemder only. In Wag and Socota, towns not far away, there are also a large number waiting for instruction and anxious to be baptized.

"As soon as this later interest began to develop some of our opponents became annoyed and accused us to the local authorities. The result was that they arrested me. I was taken to the Ras and kept in prison for two months and a half. One of our brethren was also confined to prison. At the end of this period I was released and was ordered to return to my own country. While sitting in prison I was bound for most of the time. It was a wonder I survived, what with the smoke which continually filled our cells from the wood fires, the fleas, the contaminated food, and also pains in my stomach, but the Lord did not forsake me."

A number of our fellow-believers in this part of Abyssinia are suffering persecution and encountering many difficulties on account of their allegiance to the Advent faith. We certainly need to remember them in our prayers and pray that God will give them grace, courage, and wisdom and help them to bear a faithful witness for His truth. This opening

in Northern Abyssinia is a remarkable providence of God, and we should certainly send in a missionary couple as soon as possible, for there is no doubt that in a little while a rich harvest of souls will be gathered.

The Enemy Tries to Hinder but the Work Advances

By F. Thomas

It was early in 1925 when our power press arrived at Gendia, East Africa, and it seemed as though the enemy was doing his best to hinder us all he could.

Firstly, the consignment arrived on the Sabbath morning, and because the congestion at our nearest railway station was so great the lake steamer was calling our way at very infrequent intervals.

The cases were landed at the water's edge and it was left to us to get them about 100 yards along to a point where they could be placed on an ox-wagon for their final journey to the Mission, some two miles away. However, some of the cases were so heavy that they could not be man-handled, and we had to unpack them just where they had been landed. Imagine our disappointment when it was found that the two main portions of the framework had been smashed in seven places and into five pieces. The enemy had been at work again.

After much hard work and patching with poor tools and the drilling of about 150 holes in the iron framework we were in a position to erect the machine for work. But the enemy had not yet finished.

One Sabbath morning just a few minutes before the hour for Sabbath-school the roof of our church and school collapsed completely—providentially without loss of life. It could not be repaired quickly because we had no timber near at hand. So it was decided to conduct the school and church services in the building which was to have housed the press. Six months passed before the school was finished and we were able to erect the press—just twelve months after the machine had been shipped from England. The enemy often hinders, but he cannot stop the work of God.

Since that time the same press has turned out many thousands of pages of Gospel-filled literature in at least five languages. In spite of its "accident" we are confidently expecting it to shed light into many a dark home in East Africa.

East Tanganyika Mission

By A. F. Bull

THE East Tanganyika Mission, formerly known as the Pare Mission, was established in 1903 by workers from Germany. The work made good progress until about 1916, when the Great War began to rob the field of its workers and to hinder the work generally.

It was during these days that certain weaknesses crept into the church, which made further progress very difficult until about eighteen months ago, when a wonderful outpouring of the Spirit during the 1927 week of prayer led to extensive confession of sin and the rooting out of the evil which had been choking the Word.

We have to-day a united and enthusiastic church of over 300 members who have set themselves the task of evangelizing East Tanganyika. The Spirit of God is now able to take up its abode in their cleansed hearts and we are seeing new indications of the presence of the Lord day by day. Over 300 are preparing for baptism in different classes throughout the field, and many of the churchmembers have written down the name of a friend or acquaintance for whom they have dedicated themselves to God. The plan we are following is to write out the names of all the churchmembers on one long list, leaving four spaces by the side of each name; at any time when the church is not occupied a member may enter and bow in prayer, either alone or with a companion, calling on God to witness his agreement to carry on his heart the burden of such and such a man or woman. He then goes up to the rostrum and writes the name of his friend in one of the spaces by his own name. It is then considered that that man is being definitely worked for and no one else may write him down again. Another list is provided for the reception of the names of those

who have entered the baptismal class, whereupon they are moved from the first list. In this way we are able to keep track of the work being done and the progress made. At Suji Mission there are about forty names down on the adult list, and a similar number on the Young People's list, indicating that eighty souls are being prayed for, visited, and helped in this one area by the churchmembers and young people.

Now that the church has arisen to shine we expect to make rapid progress. About one hundred will be ready for baptism at the close of this year and probably a larger number the following year.

Our school work has met with the approval of the Government and is receiving about £800 per annum from the Education Department to assist in paying expenses.

Our educational scheme provides for elementary education in the native villages, followed by specialized training at our headquarters at Suji. Girls are trained in sewing, mothercraft, and native industries by Miss Clifford; a class of thirty-one young people are preparing for Grade 11 Government teachers' certificate; and now we are laying plans for an industrial school for the training of self-supporting tailor and boot-maker evangelists who will leave school with a passion for souls and who will be able to set up a prosperous little business for their support in different parts of the field where the message has not yet penetrated. At present there are 2,300 children enrolled in the village schools, and 190 in the church school, girls' school, and training school at Suji. Two other church schools are now being established in other parts of the field.

Our greatest hope is the canvassing work. A start has been made with a book for Moslems and the results are very encouraging. The first and second editions of 2,000 and 5,000 respectively sold out rapidly and we are now waiting for the third edition of 5,000 which is being printed at the Stanborough Press. Our little *Present Truth* (*Maongezi Matamu*, i.e. *Pleasant Chats*) sells well in the coast regions, and it is proposed to increase the edition from 3,000 to 10,000 for the Big Week. We hope soon to

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OUR DEPARTMENTS

Missionary Volunteers

THE Advent Young People in the Northern European Division have certainly been about "the King's business" during the second quarter of 1929. A moment's consideration of the Missionary Volunteer report in the September issue will prove this.

Indeed the truthfulness of the message that came to this denomination before the young people's work was started is being verified to-day. It read in part, "We have an army of youth to-day who can do much if they are properly directed and encouraged." "God has chosen the youth to aid in the advancement of His cause."

The gigantic task before the Advent people requires the enlisting of the full strength of their young people. We are made glad as we see them throw their vigour, zeal, and courage into the conflict on the side of truth. Surely when a sanctified, spirit-filled army of youth gets behind it, the Advent message will soon triumph in all the earth.

The gain over the report of the second quarter of 1928, reveals increased activity. However we know that much more has been done than is represented by the figures. Had it not been for the dividing of conferences and rearrangements in the Scandinavian Union, the report would have been much larger. The report from that field was very incomplete, and is hardly a fair showing. We all know, of course, that far more than ten per cent of the young people in Scandinavia are active Missionary



Some of the workers and departmental secretaries in attendance at the Home Missionary convention in the Baltic Union.

Volunteers. We hope that by the close of the third quarter, all the reorganization will be complete, and that we shall get a full report from Scandinavia.

*Healer of Men!
Thy touch hath still its power
To soothe our pain,
And turn our heartache into quiet rest:
Bring joy again.
Healer Divine! O, bending from above,
Breathe on our hearts the healing of Thy love!*

—Kate Hopkins.

In addition to what the young people raised for the Big Week Fund, they have contributed the good sum of \$844.31 towards their \$2,000 fund for the support of native workers in Africa. We expect them now to give loyal support to the Harvest Ingathering Campaign so that the high goal of \$90,000 may be realized.

G. W. LINDSAY.

"The Adventists Are Working"

By C. E. Weeks

FREQUENTLY in our experience have those not of our faith borne testimony to our earnest activities as a people, and not infrequently

has the work of our colporteurs been referred to in complimentary terms, or otherwise. Recently a pastor of one of the evangelical bodies in one of our Northern European Division fields, gave the following word picture of the enterprise of two of our house-to-house literature evangelists:

"There, where that village begins stand two men in earnest conversation," and pointing to the village. "Their task is divided, and the one with the large book sack says to the other, 'You take the right side and I will take the left, and we will not miss a house.' Their work begins. At the first house, the colporteur says, 'I have come from the mission and have good books to sell.' The farmer's wife refuses saying, 'We have no money, and if we had we can secure Christian books from our pastor.' Still the colporteur proceeds to present his book with the attractive title, *The Life of Christ*. He explains how the Bible tells about the falling of the stars. Then he shows another picture of a great earthquake. The woman has become interested, and then the friendly colporteur takes his Bible in his hand and turns from one text to another to show the woman how the signs are being fulfilled which tell of the end of the world. Usually the colporteur has success with this method of working. He also carries such books as *Seer of Patmos*, *Great Controversy*, *Prophecies of Jesus*, and many others. Through this kind of work the Adventist sect is strengthened. Not only are the people willing to purchase the

books, but they are also very willing to give money to the Adventists for their mission work in heathen lands."

We thank this good pastor for his excellent recommendation. Yes, the work of Adventists is greatly "strengthened" by our army of colporteurs who go from door to door doing the very kind of work outlined above. And the success attending our present Harvest Ingathering Campaign is a testimony to the fact that the people visited are "very willing to give money to the Adventists for their work in heathen lands."

A Good Record

WE have become somewhat accustomed to hearing of record sales being made with our literature

in various parts of the world field, and I am happy to know that some of these "records" are being made in our own Northern European Division. At various times we have referred in our reports, to the excellent work being done with our literature in our far northern mission field, Iceland. Their reports represent hard work on the part of the colporteurs labouring in that scattered territory. The accompanying picture shows one of their young men standing beside a stack of books showing the results of one day's canvassing. Fifty-eight orders were taken for this book in a single day. The field secretary of Iceland has taken as many as seventy-five orders in a day. No wonder Brother Olsen, the Mission superintendent, could write us recently, "The book work

is growing so rapidly that it is almost impossible to get the books out quickly enough." May this extensive sowing of Gospel seed result in a large ingathering of souls.

C. E. W.

Opportunities and Preparation

By L. F. Oswald

CLEAR signs of supernatural providences are seen in the opportunities of our time. The hand of God has touched the affairs of men in the world to-day. Science, inventions, commerce, freedom, and missionary work have prepared the whole world for the Gospel message. Never in the history of the world has man had such great opportunities as to-day for study and the development of talent. Never

Populations in the Northern European Division

<i>Baltic Union</i>		<i>Iceland-Faroes Missions</i>		
Estonia	1,115,000	Iceland	99,863	
Latvia	1,844,805	Faroes	22,835	
Lithuania	2,286,368			122,698
		5,246,173 <i>British West Africa</i>		
<i>British Union</i>		Gambia	210,000	
England	35,831,533	Gold Coast	2,078,043	
Irish Free State	2,972,802	Nigeria	18,070,608	
Northern Ireland	1,256,322	Sierra Leone	1,541,311	
Scotland	4,882,497	Cameroons	660,000	
Wales	2,205,680	Togoland	188,265	
				22,748,227
		47,148,834 <i>French West Africa</i>		
<i>Polish Union</i>		Guinea	2,059,924	
	28,000,000	Ivory Coast	1,665,912	
<i>Scandinavian Union</i>		Dahomey	979,609	
Denmark	3,434,555	Niger	1,222,049	
Finland	3,526,359	Sudan	2,663,164	
Norway	2,649,775	Togoland	762,453	
Sweden	6,053,562	Upper Volta	3,240,572	
		Equatorial Africa (part)		
		approximate popul'n	2,140,000	14,733,683
<i>East African Union</i>		<i>Portuguese West African Islands</i>		
Kenya	2,602,969	St. Thomas	58,907	
Tanganyika	4,322,500	Principe	4,938	
Uganda	3,148,481			63,845
Zanzibar and neighbouring islands	216,790	<i>Spanish West African Islands</i>		
		Fernando Po.	20,873	
		Annobon	1,204	
		Corisco	1,438	
		The Elobays	345	
				23,860
<i>Ethiopian Union</i>		<i>Unattached Fields</i>		
Abyssinia	10,000,000	Anglo-Egyptian Sudan		6,469,041
Eritrea	407,044			
British Somaliland	344,700			
French Somaliland	208,000			
Italian Somaliland	1,000,000			
		11,959,744 Total Population N.E.D.		162,471,096

has man had a greater opportunity to use his talents in helping a wise, but degenerate, world.

In the past, practically half of the world was shut to the Gospel. To-day we have a new era of freedom. Doors have been thrown open wide. The entire population of the globe has suddenly been brought within the reach of the Gospel missionary. Our age is called "The Missionary Age," but Who has led the affairs of the world that it might be so called? Surely we can see the hand of God working on the hearts of men the world over, preparing them for the acceptance of the joyful message which He has commanded His servants to carry to the uttermost parts of the world.

On the walls of the twentieth century are written words which should always be before our eyes as we work for the Lord in our various capacities:

"Behold I have set before thee an open door."

"The fullness of time is now come."

"The King's business requireth haste."

"The field is the world."

"Occupy till I come."

This is an age when parents are called to dedicate their children to the service of God. It is a time when every young Seventh-Day Adventist should consecrate himself fully to the Lord, seeking a thorough preparation in our schools for entering some line of work which will help to prepare the world for the soon-coming kingdom. This is a time when every child of God is called upon to consecrate his time, his talents, and his means, for the promulgation of the third angel's message. He must read the mission reports without thought who cannot see the miracles of providential preparation for the message. God has opened the doors. We are called to do His work. Christ, the Captain of the Lord's host, assured Joshua, as the children of Israel advanced, that He was there to lead them to victory. The same assurance is ours to-day. "Go ye therefore and teach all nations . . . I am with you always, even unto the end of the world."

Matters of Interest

BISHOP FRED. B. FISHER, of the Methodist Episcopal Church in India, says that the kind of missionaries needed to-day are those with an absorbing love for God and for their fellow-men; with absolute freedom from racial or national prejudice; freedom from religious conceit; those who have a true social vision; a confidence in the greatness

and that fuel is supplied by a knowledge of facts.—A. T. Pier-son, D.D.



IF we would remind ourselves every morning, if we could seriously accept what in our hearts we know, that every noble impulse, every aspiration for righteousness, every call to service, is indeed the personal touch of the living God, the living Spirit of truth, pressing in upon us and seeking to lead us higher, it would make us very different people indeed.—Herbert H. Farmer.



How to Reach Your Goal

Say "I will" and then stick to it—
That's the only way to do it.

Don't build up awhile and then
Tear the whole thing down again.
Fix the goal you wish to gain,
Then go at it heart and brain,
And, though clouds shut out the
blue,

Do not dim your purpose true
With your sighing,
Stand erect, and like a man,
Know "They can, who think they
can."

Keep on trying.

—Mrs. W. G. K.



"LIFE is given to no man as a lasting possession, but merely for use."—Lucretius.



Julius Gudmundsson standing beside 58 books, for which he obtained the orders in one day.

of Christ and in His ability to supply every human need; those with humility and a willingness to give up personal control of the enterprise.



IF the disciples are *indifferent* to missions, it is because they are *ignorant* of missions. A fire needs first of all to be kindled, then to be fed, then to have vent. The only power that can kindle the flame of missionary zeal is the Holy Spirit. The coal must be a live coal from God's altar. But, having the coal and a breath from above, all that is needed is *fuel to feed* the flame,

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have a corps of canvassers working regularly among the readers in our territory.

The prospects in this field are bright—as bright as the promises of God—and we shall take pleasure in reporting progress from time to time to the readers of the SURVEY.

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THE recent workers' meeting in the Polish Union was the largest and best session ever held in that field. Sixty-five workers from all parts of Poland were present. One result of this meeting was the raising of the Harvest Ingathering goal eighty per cent.

BROTHER E. A. BEAVON has recently had a baptism of 116 at Kisii, East Africa. Brother Beavon has had charge of this station for a number of years and has done excellent work. Through his efforts a large number of out-schools have been opened which are under the care of earnest native workers.

THE Stanborough Park College in the British Union was the first of the schools to open this year. It has an enrolment of eighty-six. For the purpose of enlargement and further development along industrial lines it will be necessary to find a more favourable location for this school. Investigations are already being made for a suitable site.

THE Home Missionary and Young People's Departments have held a very successful convention in the Baltic Union. The presidents and departmental secretaries of the five conferences were present. Definite plans were laid for scul-winning work. Later the workers of this union were in assembly to work out further the details of these plans.

ONE by one the names are coming in for the Ministerial Reading Course. The last issue of the ADVENT SURVEY gave 171 as having been enrolled for this course. To date there are 249. Surely no one can afford to be without the help this course affords.

PASTOR O. J. OLSEN sends us a picture of a church-school building in the Westman Islands, Iceland. For several months the members



41 Manor Gardens, Edgware, Middlesex, England.

collected money for this and when the time came to erect the building the money was already in the bank. For the first year the school was conducted in the church building, all expenses being paid by the members. When examined by an inspector from the state public school our Icelandic church school was found to be not at all behind the standard. This school has an enrolment of sixty.

OUR brethren in Abyssinia are getting their publishing plant (which was made available by the Missions Extension Fund) in working order. Their first publication is the Ten Commandments in Amharic. They are now having the Sabbath-school lessons translated into this language and will print these each quarter.

Do we realize to what an extent the Harvest Ingathering work has grown? The Southern Publishing Association have printed some figures which should be an encouragement to every hard worker in this campaign. Speaking of the magazine for 1928, they report that it took their two-colour press four and a half months to print the covers, and two one-colour presses four and a half months to complete the inside of the magazine. Five hundred and fifty-six reams (74,000 lb) of cover paper were used, and 2,225 reams (164,560 lb) of inside paper. To transport this quantity by rail we should need twenty-four trucks. In addition to this

must be added the many thousands of papers printed in other countries. The Harvest Ingathering idea was first conceived by a brother in Iowa. Surely this was of the Lord.

A COLPORTEUR writes of an experience he had with *Bible Readings*. He sold a copy to a mother who wished to use the book as a gift book. It was so highly appreciated that altogether ten copies of the gilt binding at \$6 per copy were ordered. The same colporteur states that he has placed as many as three, four, five, and eight books in one home. On fifteen occasions he has sold books to the value of \$50 in one home. The Gospel seed is being sown, and God will care for the harvest.

ELDER CHRISTIAN has just returned from the Autumn Council of the General Conference which was held in Iowa, U.S.A. He brings a good report, but more of this in the next issue.

THE Winter Council of the Northern European Division will be held at Warsaw, October 31st to November 6th.

THE school at Collonges, France, is not in this Division but it is still in our interests and we are glad to know that 120 students were enrolled on the opening day. Thirty more were expected later. Thirteen countries and about nine languages are represented this year. Splendid for the international spirit!

A VERY welcome visitor made its cently. It was the new young first appearance at our office re-people's paper, *L'Ami des Jeunes*, published by Les Signes des Temps, Dammarie-les-Lys, France. It is a monthly, illustrated paper of eight pages. Any who read French will be interested in this paper.