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Our Compass

BY ROBERT HARE



*I watched it pointing northward through the night,
Heedless of storms, of calm, of wind, or tide,
Careless of all the tempest and its rage,
Imperious in its conscious pride.*

*The liner changed her course with pompous will.
Fashion and splendour followed her behest.
It knew no change, but ever pointed on,
A guide in silent mystery dressed.*

*Another compass marks the way for man;
With deathless finger it is pointing on,
All heedless, too, of tempests wild or rude,
Guiding the wanderer to the dawn.*

*Hoary with age, yet still it points the way,
Majestic, silent, and divine in form,
Offering to man a trusted, fearless guide,
Through every tempest and the storm.*

*Indifferent to all changing things below,
And heedless of the cry, "To left" or "right"!
To science, creeds, or creedless ways of men,
It points across time's darkest night.*

*O Word of life! We would accept from thee
All dictates for the future, yet unknown.
Point on across life's billows till at last
We bow in peace before the throne.*

Our Annual Conferences

BY L. H. CHRISTIAN

WE have just closed the twenty-first, that is, the last but one of the annual conferences in this Division. These meetings have been unusually well attended. They have been seasons of real spiritual awakening and refreshing. Our people have come eager to hear the Word of God, and the Lord has greatly blessed His servants as they have ministered that Word. From the General Conference Brother W. A. Spicer attended two meetings in Poland, and Brother G. W. Schubert was present at four meetings in the Baltic Union. We are grateful, too, that Brother A. S. Maxwell, from The Stanborough Press, could be with us at all the meetings in the East Nordic Union. It was our privilege to be present at eleven of these meetings, two in Poland, four in the Baltic Union, two in the East Nordic, one in the West Nordic, and two in the British Union.

In these conferences various interests of our work were considered. The presidents' reports and other reports were most cheering. There were excellent young people's meetings. Much was said about the Sabbath-school. At nearly every gathering the colporteurs had special meetings, and our people showed a new interest

in that work. Our colporteur sales for the first six months of this year are larger than for the same period a year ago. We hope to build up a yet stronger work.

The Home Missionary endeavor and the Harvest Ingathering Campaign were given much attention. Never before have we seen our people so willing and eager to take part in this campaign. It is already on in many places, and though the work is hard, we have the assurance of an excellent campaign this year. Our people returned home from the conference with new courage, and the workers were filled with a new power.

There were few changes made in the conference officers, in fact, every conference president continues another term.

There is yet one conference to be held—Iceland-Faroes, the latter part of September. Brother Bartlett from the Division, and Brother Bjaanas from the West Nordic Union, will attend that meeting. We have been greatly encouraged by the annual meetings this year. We believe they mark the beginning of a deeper spiritual work in the hearts and churches of our people. The times call for new life and power. Open doors on every hand beckon us to enter with the Word of truth.

service on the Sabbath and may even attend Sabbath services. The children of our members are also exempt from attendance at school on Sabbath. Our colporteurs can perform their work without special permission from the Government. Correspondence from the conference to the workers and churches in the conference may be sent without cost, thus effecting a saving in postage for us. We are thankful to the Lord for all these privileges and for the liberty that we enjoy.

Much could be said concerning the people but we will only touch upon this question at this time. The Lettish people are God-fearing, thrifty, and industrious. Ninety-nine per cent can read and write, the one per cent being among those left from the old Russian régime. These are people who are now too old to learn. Although naturally religious yet they are not free from the various influences that everywhere abounded both before and after the war. Infidelity especially has found a place among the young as well as the older ones. Even in the country districts there is a distinct increase in godlessness. Many have turned back to the old heathen worship of the gods of their fathers. They have their own organization, churches, ceremonies, and literature. The State holiday for midsummer day is still celebrated by tar-barrel burning on the hills and slaughter with sweet calamus accompanied by singing.

But while many of the people depend for the salvation of their souls on the heathen customs and beliefs of their forefathers we know we can bring them a better invitation in the threefold angels' message through which they will be brought to a higher standard of knowledge and of eternal life.



The Advent Movement in Latvia

BY H. LINDE, PRESIDENT

THE coat of arms of the Lettish State has three stars. These represent its three provinces, namely Livonia, Courland, and Latgalia. As Seventh-Day Adventists we are given full liberty, having our own constitution through which we enjoy the same rights and privileges as other societies. We are allowed to hold religious meetings and we also have liberty of the press. From the first of June until the middle of September we

are holding a strong tent effort. We trust that this will yield even greater results than in previous years.

We are given many state privileges which would not be allowed in some other countries. Our ordained ministers are free from every military duty and in the case of war are free from the use of arms. The younger brethren who must perform military service are, by the law, freed from

“A CALM looking up into God's face with an unquestioning faith in Him under every sort of circumstance—this is trust. It is the native air of friendship. Doubt chills the air below normal. Anxiety overheats the air. Trust is risking something that is very precious. Trust is the life-blood of faith.”

With Our Young People in the Baltic Union

BY K. BRUTANS

THE Baltic Union consists of the Estonian, Livonian, and Courland Conferences and the Lithuanian mission field. At the time of the revolution and unrest the young people played a great rôle in the Baltics. Their powerful energy, led into false paths, did much destructive work in many places. The same energy directed into the right path, however, has, since the war, accomplished a great constructive work. Through every phase of history it is the young people who have played the largest part in every crisis. That has not only been in the regular and political life but also in the spiritual life.

The Advent Movement has called many young men and young women. The words of the apostle John, "I have written unto you, young men, because ye are strong, and the word of God abideth in you, and ye have overcome the wicked one" (1 John 2:14), are being fulfilled before our eyes. Young people who formerly smoked, drank, and were prey to other temptations, have now become earnest Christians and are the best and truest citizens of the state. One must say with the apostle Paul, "For the kingdom of God is not in word, but in power." 1 Cor. 4:20.

In the Baltic Union during the past four years we have averaged forty-three young people's societies with 824 members. These young people have during this time, held 74,386 missionary readings, given 45,340 Bible studies, in addition to looking after the sick and doing other Christian help work in 78,660 cases. This is a great and self-sacrificing work. It means that the young people have followed the counsel to serve mankind. 175,836 papers have been distributed. This is 158,718 more than in the former four years. That means that in the past four years the number of the distributed papers has multiplied ten times. The witnesses of the written Word of truth are scattered

as the golden leaves of the trees in the autumn. The efforts of the young people are not in vain. God has richly blessed their work. During the past four years 160 souls have been won through the young people's societies. These souls are living testimonies to the work of the young people.

There is a yet larger work for

Sabbath-School Work in the Baltic Union

BY K. BRUTANS

FIFTEEN years ago, at the time of the World War, some parts of this country were deserted. Many of the inhabitants had fled to Russia. As the result of the war and the revolution there came into being three republics, Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania. A new life began in these three small independent States and the memory of the war gradually fades. During this time the work of the Lord went forward with rapidity. One after another new churches were established. The number of workers in the Baltic Union was very small indeed, so that as soon as a church was organized the worker had to move to another place. But what about these unsheltered churches? With the development of the work the Sabbath-school had also grown. In fact it was the very heart of the church. It pulsed life to the very weakest member. By its regular, healthy beat, the churches were kept free from the destructive germs of worldly influence and unbelief. So they became strong and active. Through the Sabbath-school many souls have been won to the message. The work of the Sabbath-school is not confined to the homeland. Through it donations have come in by means of which those in the darkest, far-off lands have been able to learn of the Gospel.

To-day men of the world are tired and discouraged because of

them to do in the future. There are many young people who are wandering in the shadow of death, who have not learned to know the leading hand of God. Nature has given much beauty to the Baltics. There are here beautiful lakes and rivers, also valleys and hills, but the inhabitants are in the chains of unbelief and the fetters of sin. My prayer is that the loving God may pour out His Holy Spirit richly on the young people in the Baltic Union that they may hold the light of the truth high and that they themselves may be living examples of the life of Jesus.

the difficulties of unemployment and other crises. In contrast with these it is a joy to see the children of God who love the eternal truth. In spite of every difficulty they do not experience a need that is not supplied. May the Lord still continue to bless the Sabbath-school in the Baltic Union. May it still be the means of making many hearts happy and rich in the belief of eternal things. "Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path." Psa. 119:105.



Bibles for Four-Fifths of the Human Race

THERE are many Bible Societies of various kinds in the world, but the three largest are the British and Foreign Bible Society, the American Bible Society, and the National Bible Society of Scotland. Their combined annual circulation of Bible and portions of the Bible amounts to 29,029,591. Four-fifths of the human race, if they could all read, could get some portion of Scripture in a language they could understand and the British and Foreign Bible Society is in more or less intimate touch with between fifty and sixty additional languages which, as funds and translators become available, will have translations of the Book which is still the world's best seller.—*World Dominion*.

A New Volume of the "Testimonies"

THE Stanborough Press Ltd., our publishing house in the British Union, has just published a book called *Selections from Testimonies for the Church*. This volume consists of 217 pages, divided into 35 chapters and an index. In the preface is given a brief, instructive sketch of the life of Sister White.

We have printed similar volumes in many countries in Europe, and they have always been a great help to our people. As we have perused this book from England, however, it seems to us that it is one of the most timely selections from the many books of Sister White that we have ever seen. Thus Chapter 32 deals with "Our Attitude Toward the Civil Authorities," and presents some very instructive information concerning present-day world conditions and our relation to both old and new forms of civil government. Chapter 33 is "God's Word to be Supreme," and states very clearly the importance of Bible study and the place of the Spirit of prophecy in its relation to the Word of God. In Chapter 34, "Preparation for the Final Crisis," we have an epitome of some of the warnings the Lord has given the Advent church concerning the perils of our day. A large share of the book is devoted to topics such as: "The Observance of the Sabbath," "Behaviour in the House of God," "Showing Hospitality," etc. Another section deals with various forms of missionary work, and the danger of independent effort, and the value of organization in the cause of the Lord.

The British Union has helped to bear the expense of getting out this book, and thus the Press is enabled to sell it at the low price of 3s. 6d. in the British Isles; other countries, 5s. Many of our brethren on the continent have desired a simple, inexpensive edition of the *Testimonies* in the English language. They will find in this book just what they are looking for. It may be ordered in each field through the local publishing house.

L. H. CHRISTIAN.

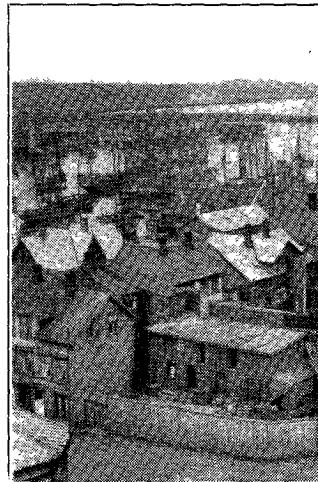
ON my way to attend the North Norwegian Conference session in Harstad I travelled north from Finland to the Arctic Ocean, and visited our churches along the northern border of Norway, namely Kirkenoes, Vardø, Hammerfest, Tromsø, and Harstad.

As we neared the Arctic Ocean the heat which we had experienced travelling overland in Finland was diminished by the cool breezes of the Arctic climate. The glaciers and snowfields on the mountains made quite an impression upon us. I was happily surprised to be met at the Finnish border by Brethren Stinesen and Abrahamsen. We crossed a lake by motor-boat and landed in Norway. That evening as we neared the city of Kirkenoes I was astonished to see clouds of smoke belch forth from high smoke stacks. I soon learned here was a large steel industry in the far north. In the immediate vicinity of Kirkenoes are Norway's most important iron mines.

At Kirkenoes Brother Stinesen is holding an effort and has a large number of people interested in the truth. It was my privilege to hold meetings at this place and become acquainted with our believers. I was pleased to see a number of the converts actively engaged in doing missionary work in behalf of their friends and neighbours.

From Kirkenoes I sailed for Vardø, where we have quite a large number of believers. This company was raised up about two years ago by Brother Stinesen. A very nice church is located in this place, which is a memorial to the cause of God. A very friendly spirit was shown by the people in Vardø, and I believe there are opportunities to win many more to the truth. We held meetings with our own people and also for the public. We met with a very good response, for we had an overflow meeting. Before leaving, the brethren expressed to me their appreciation of the help which the General Conference gave them in building the church in that place. Even though Vardø is not as far north as some of the other cities I visited, yet it is one of the coldest, for it is located on an island near the coast. It seems as though the

Visiting Our the A



Vardø, a fishing port

wind from the North Pole sweeps across this island more strongly than any other place. At first one wonders how people can live in such a barren place, for there was still much snow about in the latter part of June. When I visited the wharves I soon saw that the people in this town lived by the fishing industry. Wooden racks on which fish were hung to dry practically covered the whole island. Vardø is located almost in the centre of the great fishing area. I was told that these fishing grounds are visited every spring by nearly 25,000 fishermen.

From Vardø we sailed for Hammerfest, which is the northernmost city of the world. On our way to Hammerfest the boat usually stops at a village called Honningsvaag, but on this particular trip the captain decided to go via North Cape. We later learned that the small company of believers at Honningsvaag waited nearly the whole night to see us and had hoped to have a meeting during the hour that the boat was to be in port. We were very sorry we did not have the privilege of meeting

Arches Beyond Circle

FILE



North of Norway.

our brethren at this place. On reaching Hammerfest, we met with our brethren numbering about fifty. They appreciated our visit very much. It was a pleasure to see the staunch believers of the third angel's message in this northernmost city of the world. Brother Holm, the local church elder, has been a good help in building up the cause of God in this place. He told us that during the winter months he has been out as a layman preaching and distributing the printed page, and has been able to interest a number of people in the places which he has visited. One evening the brethren pointed out to us a few trees on the border of the city of Hammerfest saying that this was their park, and it truly was something out of the ordinary to see trees growing so far north, for the whole country in that northern section was completely bare. The city of Hammerfest also thrives on the fishing industry.

Leaving Hammerfest for the Conference which was held in Harstad our boat stopped at Tromsø quite late in the evening,

and on our arrival Brother Bakland, the elder of the church, met us and invited us to come to his home for a meeting. We asked if it wasn't too late. He answered by saying that the people had gathered for a meeting. We accompanied our brother and held the meeting. It was about midnight when we finished. One of the brethren reminded me of a similar meeting held by the apostle Paul. On our way from Brother Bakland's home to the boat the sun was shining very brightly, for we were still in the land of the midnight sun. People were about working in their gardens. In a way it looked strange, but in talking with the people they said that they have to take advantage of the short summer season when the sun shines twenty-four hours of the day. Things grow very rapidly and the people must take advantage of the short time that is allotted to them in order to get the most out of the soil.

This visit beyond the Arctic circle is one which I shall never forget. The warm-hearted reception we received from our brethren, and the earnestness and sincerity they manifested in the Advent message watered our own souls. Our believers living along the Ice Sea beyond the Arctic circle send their greetings to our people everywhere, and they assure us that they will do all they can to help finish the work of God in the earth.



The Faith of a Blind Woman

"Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven." Matt. 18:3.

WE are inclined to regard the "heathen in his blindness" as a child, but may it not be because of his childish simplicity and ignorance that he is teachable? God does most for us when we feel our helplessness, when as children we fling ourselves on to His strength admitting that we know nothing and can do nothing, but that if He will help us everything will be all right. Because it is all so simple

we sometimes miss it, and are helped by the splendid example of those who still have the heart of a child. Here is an instance. We will quote the words of the writer, Brother L. Edmonds, missionary in Nigeria, West Africa:

"We have recently visited the blind woman who was baptized at the camp meeting. We went to her compound and to our surprise we met her coming home from the farm. We asked her how she managed to work at all if she could not see the ground. We thought perhaps that she was able to see just a little, but no, it is complete blindness and it seems that she simply relies on the little children to tell her where to clean the ground and sow her yams, etc. I said, 'Are you not afraid of snakes?' 'No,' said she, 'I have no fear, I trust God to keep me from all harm.' It was during the women's riots in 1928 that she, with other women who did not wish to take part, took refuge in the mission. The next Sabbath she attended church and it was on this occasion that she gained a new experience in the things of God. Prior to this she had always been afraid to go to the farm. 'But now,' she said, 'I have no fear.'

"What a wonderful thing that the Gospel of Christ had shined into this woman's heart! On inquiries I learned that she had lost her sight through a sickness. She has had two children since, whom she has never seen. Her age is about twenty-five years. The husband is an old heathen man well beyond sixty and I understand from the other members in the compound that he persecutes her terribly, making her work twice as hard because she dares to come to church on Sabbath. Yet never a word of complaint passes her lips."

Such concrete examples of the fruitage of "foreign mission work" are compensations for all it has cost in money, labour, and self-sacrifice. This is the bright side of mission life. Our missionaries usually keep the disappointments, discouragements, and difficulties to themselves. They nevertheless rely on us at home to hold up their hands in prayer.

E.M.E.

The Annual Meeting in Finland

BY J. J. STRAILE

THE conference session in Finland was held in the beautiful city of Viborg which is a very historic spot. Brother Kohtanen, the president of the conference, with his workers had rented the largest hall in the city for our meetings. A hearty welcome was given to all who attended these gatherings. One was impressed that truly this was a place where God dwelt. It was an inspiration to see the large number of brethren who came from all parts of Finland. Even though times are hard, yet our brethren were anxious to attend the annual convocation. The brethren in Finland were hungry for the Word of God and were very responsive to the messages that were given by the Lord's servants.

Those attending the meeting from abroad were Brethren A. S. Maxwell, G. A. Lindsay, R. W. Engström, and the writer. The work in Finland has made good progress, and it was interesting to listen to the splendid reports given

by the various workers. One worker related that he had rented the largest hall in the city where he was labouring and there was such a large attendance that he had to hold a second meeting each evening to accommodate those who desired to hear the Word of God. In this particular place seventy have already signed the covenant to keep God's commandments and the worker stated that many more will sign the covenant as soon as they can arrange their work.

Finland does present to us a wonderful opportunity in preaching the Gospel. Plans were laid for a real progressive programme for the coming year. The church-members are faithful in witnessing for the truth among their friends and neighbours, and as a result many have taken their stand for the truth. We look for a great work to be accomplished in Finland in the gathering in of many souls for the kingdom of God.

places is very encouraging. In one place another good, substantial church building is being erected, while an entirely new building has been put up in a large town where we have been labouring for a number of years with little success. Now a good company of believers, about twenty or more, have been gathered out and they have erected the building. We should see rapid growth there in the future."

"Here in the South-west Nigerian Mission we have more fresh openings to-day than I ever remember us having at any one time in the past. Just now four new villages are opening up to us. Fortunately three of them can be cared for from Ibadan, for a little time at least, but the fourth town is far away and should have a worker, but what can we do?"

And while we at home are shouldering the burden of helping the African, he himself is also carrying his load as will be seen by a quotation from a letter from the Gold Coast:

"Our African believers are doing well in this [the Harvest Ingathering] campaign. We furnish them with little books with an appeal and our local address printed on the front, and they use these or the canisters. I know several of the members who collected more than £1 each last year, though some had to go forty or fifty miles to get it. One church with no resident teacher and just occasional visits from the European missionary to encourage them collected nearly £15 last year, and the members live in a dense forest district."

We pray for the doors to be opened, we pray for the means to come in. And while we are straining every nerve to gather in funds we have the consolation of knowing that we are doing the human part to answer our prayers. The rest of the responsibility belongs to One Who never fails in all His precious promises. E.M.E.

You can be God's messenger without being a preacher, and you can be a preacher without being God's messenger.—Dr. Graham Scroggie.

What about the "Open Doors" in the Mission Field?

WHEN we are going from door to door soliciting funds for the Harvest Ingathering Campaign and we are tired and tempted to get that "How I wish it were over!" feeling, it may help us if we keep in mind a vision of our brethren at various head-quarters in the mission field struggling with a budget cut almost to mutilation and driven to desperation to know how to meet those pleading, earnest eyes of messengers who walk many miles to beg the missionary to "send a teacher to teach our people." Here are some extracts from Nigeria, West Africa, which tell their own tale:

"You asked me to let you know the number of places now calling for teachers. I have twenty-eight on my list. In twenty of these places small churches have been built."

"We had a very good week up country with some of the churches which we did not visit on the occasion of your trip. We had some fine meetings and the work in those



My Choice

*Had I my choice of all things great
That have been found in man's
estate;*

*Of all earth's honours, power,
wealth,*

*Pleasures and feasts, achievements,
health,*

*Wisdom and learning, music, art,
Such as would thrill both mind
and heart;*

*When I had searched all paths
e'er trod,*

*I'd choose implicit faith in God.
—William H. Davenport.*



East African Union

SELLING ENGLISH BOOKS IN THE HEART OF AFRICA

I ARRIVED at Kampala on Tuesday night, April 4th, and commenced canvassing the Europeans the following morning. I must admit I had a little fear in my heart, wondering what kind of a reception I should receive. You remember I canvassed Kampala with *Bible Readings* only last July and this time I doubted whether I should meet sufficient people to canvass, as I did not think it wise to canvass those people again who had purchased *Bible Readings* so recently. Well, I made it a matter of prayer and the Lord certainly went before me in a wonderful way. Here is how the orders came in:

		Hrs.	
Wednesday, 5th, morning	5	3	
	afternoon	4	4
Thursday, 6th, morning	7	4	
	afternoon	3	4
Friday, 7th, morning	1	2	
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		20	17

Each book was delivered where the order was taken and the money paid. In most cases I received cash with the order.

I visited most of the people I previously visited and who did not purchase *Bible Readings*, and in most cases they purchased *This Mighty Hour*. It will possibly interest you to know that my prospects were of all nationalities. The buyers were as follows:

Englishmen	10
Indians	8
Goan	1
Japanese	1

I was very much surprised that the Indians took such a great interest in the book. In fact many of them seemed to have a greater insight into world-wide conditions than many of the white people. Many expressed themselves as being convinced that the Christian religion was the only solution for these many problems. Naturally, when canvassing these people from the East, I stressed the portions of the book dealing with these parts.

One man in Kampala was so impressed with my salesmanship (?)

that he offered me a post with the firm to sell farming implements! I told him I would be of no use for that job as my heart was not in that line of goods, and that it was only because I loved my work and because I honestly believed I had something good to offer the people that I was able to dispose of my books. He was very interested and inquired more about our mission work out here. The colporteur work certainly is a wonderful way of getting in touch with people and spreading the news even if people do not buy a book.

A. W. ALLEN,
F.M.S., East African Union.



Scintillating Sentences

EACH A SERMONETTE ON SELFISHNESS

I IS the first letter of an idol. SELF-MADE men usually worship the maker.

AN egotist's eyes look in instead of out.

MAN is a self-lover and a self-destroyer.

It is better to be a booster than a boaster.

A MAN'S worst enemy is buttoned up in his coat.

NUMBER one is the very smallest number there is.

WHEN a man lives to himself, he has poor company.

THE whale gets into trouble when he starts to blow.

To be buried in self-love is the worst of all tombs.

WHEN a man is a god to himself, he is a devil to others.

SELFISH people have many acquaintances, but not many friends.

WHEN we reach the end of self, we get to the beginning of God.

WHEN a man sings his own praises, his song is pretty sure to be a solo.

SOME men want others to see eye through *I*, rather than *eye to eye*.

"SELF" spelled backward, with the letter "h" added, spells "f-l-e-s-h."

WHEN a man gets himself out of the way, he can look after other people.

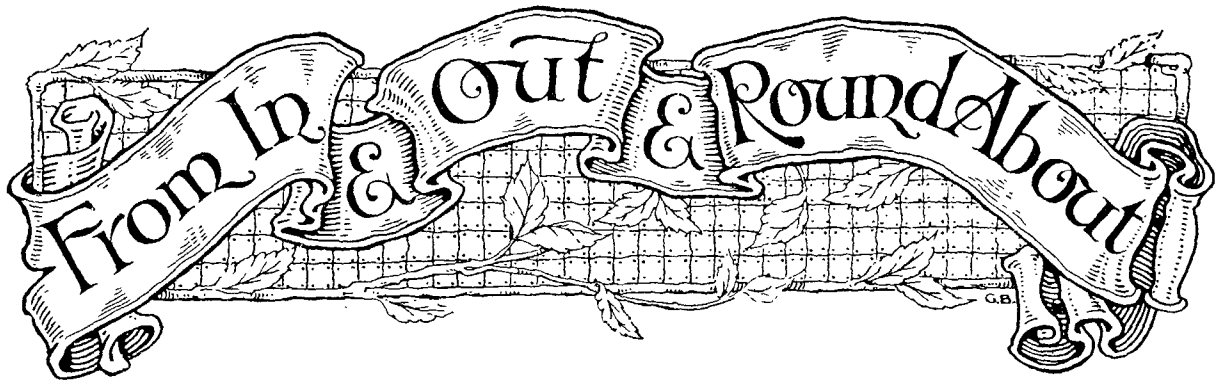
ONE cannot have a little self and a little Christ. All or none.

DON'T look at yourself through a microscope. You can see enough with the naked eye.

MANY a man's life is simply the coast line of the Dead Sea, where all streams run in.—*Selected.*

Report of Church Schools for the Year 1932

PLACE	No. Teachers	Enrolment	Building	Estimated Value of Equipment	Expense of Annual Maintenance
British Union					
London, E. Grove Road, Walthamstow	2	32	.....	\$ 146.10	\$ 479.26
Plymouth "Fleetwood," North Rd.	2	34	.....	146.10	1,405.58
Stanboro' Park Watford, Herts	2	57	.....	146.10	1,576.26
East Nordic Union					
Stockholm, Tunnelgaten 25, Sweden	3	17	.....	376.34	1,354.83
West Nordic Union					
Copenhagen, Suomisvej 5, Denmark	2	23	.....	134.40	860.21
Aarhus Menighedsskole, Nr. Alle 30, Denmark	2	28	.....	268.81	1,115.59
Esbjerg, Finlandsgade 28, Denmark	1	12	.....	134.40	435.48
Frederikshavn, "Salem," Haabets Alle, Denmark	1	16	\$ 750.00	150.00	475.00
Gredstedbro, Denmark	1	7	.....	300.00	300.00
Iceland, Westman Islands	2	70	650.00	44.00	33.00
Jerslev pr Brønderslev, Denmark	1	8	.....	75.00	350.00
Oslo, Kingosgate 1, Norway	2	38	.....	.....	1,881.72
Nesland, Sund i Logoten	1	10	.....	.....	.....
Vejlefjord, Daugaard St. Denmark	1	12	.....	80.64	268.81
Skodsborg, Badesanatoriet, Denmark	2	30	.....	403.28	1,378.50
Totals 1932	25	394	\$ 1,400.00	2,405.17	12,914.25
" 1931	26	443	\$ 1,400.00	2,900.84	14,896.90
" 1930	25	417	\$ 667.00	2,882.19	17,105.03
" 1929	26	434	\$ 2,680.96	2,683.50	17,802.44



BROTHER S. G. MAXWELL of the East African Union reports that they have been most fortunate in buying an unusually favourable property near Nairobi for their mission work among the Kikiyu and Wakamba tribes. The property has sixteen acres of land and good buildings. Our brethren take possession about September 1st.

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WE understand that the brethren in Norway in counsel with the West Nordic Union have called Brother O. J. Olsen of Iceland to be principal of our training school in Norway. Brother Herbert Hanson, who has done such faithful work, continues with the school as teacher and farm manager. Brother Olsen has laboured twenty-three years in Iceland, and has really built up the work in that field. We extend to him a hearty welcome to his new task in Norway.

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BROTHER J. J. STRAHLE left the office early in August to attend colporteur meetings in the Polish Union and two workers' meetings, one at Reval and one at Riga, in the Baltic field.

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PASTOR C. V. ANDERSON, Missionary Volunteer and Home Missionary Secretary of the N.E. Division, after attending all the meetings in the British Union, including the M.V. camp, has gone to the East Nordic and West Nordic Unions in the interests of the Harvest Ingathering and other lines of Home Missionary work.

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WE are very grateful to our brethren who last winter sent us a liberal donation to help our poor

people in Russia. We are able to send in money and food month by month to needy ones in that land. They are coming now to one of the darkest winters of all history and the need is very urgent.

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At almost every conference this year, there was a good baptism of new converts. In the South England Conference, Brother R. A. Anderson, in the presence of an audience of over 2,000, at the Wood Green Empire Theatre, baptized thirty-one precious souls. In recent months he and his fellow-workers had baptized eighty-five in connection with the London Advent Mission.

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BROTHER and SISTER FLAMMER, one of our mission families in Liberia, have spent a week at the office, planning for the work in their mission field. One evening during their stay we enjoyed a precious meeting together, in which Brother Flammer was ordained to the Gospel ministry. Brother Gronert from Sierra Leone and Brother Bergström from the North Cameroons have also met with the committee for counsel concerning work in their respective missions. These brethren are soon returning to Africa. Brother Bergström plans on a trip into the centre of Equatorial Africa to locate, if possible, a new station in the very heart of the Dark Continent.

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"THIS week we have had good news from Dessie," writes Pastor M. Sorenson from Ethiopia. "The Crown Prince recently visited the hospital up there. He, with some of the chiefs who were with him,

promised to make a donation to the hospital. We are very glad to get this help, especially this year when our appropriation is so small. They are having a good patronage at the institution. Their beds are full most of the time and they have a large clinic. The work in Dessie really seems to be going ahead. Worship is held morning and evening and there is now a baptismal class of five."

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PASTOR W. T. BARTLETT left head-quarters a week or so ago to attend meetings in the East and West Nordic Unions. From Scandinavia he plans to go to Iceland to assist in the annual meeting there. This meeting is held later in the year than in most places. This is because the majority of our members earn their living by fishing, which takes them away from home during the summer months.

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MISS A. S. NUKA, secretary-treasurer of the Sierra Leone Mission, West Africa, left England yesterday on her return from furlough to the mission field. Her home is in Estonia but she spent the last few weeks in England in order to make further progress in the English language. She is an energetic worker and her services in Sierra Leone are much appreciated.

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