⚜Union Conference Record⚜

TENT EFFORT IN SOUTH BRISBANE.

At the close of the camp-meeting in Brisbane, it was decided that Brother and Sister Wilson, Brethren Pallant, Whittle, Bernoth, and Tadish, and Sisters Malcolm, Walker, Jennett, Prismall, and Sister Edwards as organist, stenographer, and assistant in general, with my wife and myself, should remain and follow up the interest. On account of Brother Wilson's ill-health, Brother Pallant was my chief helper in speaking in the evening meetings. But he was obliged to leave on account of his health in a short time. A still greater loss came in Brother Wilson's death. Sister Wilson, who thought to take up his work of visiting, was called to the Avondale School as preceptress. Sister Edwards returned to the School. Brother Chapman, whose assistance in planning was greatly appreciated, also left for a course of treatment at the Sanitarium.

Notwithstanding these drawbacks, the Lord has worked for us. The interest from the first has seemed to be on the increase, as it relates to individuals taking their stand upon the truth. We have had thirty-three baptisms. Seven the first time, sixteen the second, and ten the third. Twelve more are observing the Sabbath, besides others who are interested. We hope, with God's blessing, to have a church of fifty reliable members. Already thirty-one have come together in church capacity.

There has been a special manifestation of grace in the experience of many who have taken their stand. Genuine conversions have been very marked. The conviction of the Spirit of God has been manifest in several cases. Deliverance, both to soul, body and spirit has been experienced. It is evident that the Lord has gone before us and prepared the way. Many have come from the world without any previous Christian experience. While they have had no creed to hold them, it has required much instruction to get them settled in the truth. One marked feature has been their conscientiousness when embracing the Sabbath. No buyers or sellers are allowed to enter their gates during the hours of the Holy Sabbath.

We soon saw we would need a house of worship, as there were no halls or houses we could rent in the locality where needed. Having no means to purchase land, our first plan was to lease from the city for fourteen years. But for certain reasons we were refused. We afterwards found the lot we tried to lease was too narrow, and therefore useless to us. Then we made a proposition to a private individual, but as we were about to close the bargain this also failed. We were then obliged to return to a lot we looked at first because of its desirable location. But as we could not lease it, we told the agent it was of no use for him to give us a memorandum of his price. However, he gave it, £60. The day we failed in every other opening a Sister who had recently embraced the Sabbath offered us a loan sufficient to pay for this lot. A house of worship is now in process of erection, and will be completed in three or four weeks. It is thus we have seen in many things the Lord leading often in a way we were not looking for. The location is liked by all who have seen it. It is near the tramline on a high elevation, overlooking the surrounding country.

At the dedication, we intend to advertise and seek for a general interest once more. We expect Brother Tenney will be with us at that time. Brother Whittle

has rendered us valuable assistance in speaking. Brother Bernoth expects to go to another field soon, but God has gone before us in the work, and for this we praise and give thanks to His name.

<div align="right">S. N. HASKELL.</div>

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WEST AUSTRALIAN MISSION.

REPORT FOR QUARTER ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1898.

Membership

DURING the quarter our Church membership has been increased by four, making the present enrolment 48. Eight were added, four by letter, and four by baptism, and four were dismissed by letter. The increase in membership during the past six months is seventeen. Of the members uniting with the Church this quarter, two are living in Fremantle, one at Dardanup, and five in Perth.

Finances.

The cash receipts in the West Australian Mission Field during the quarter are as follows :—

	£	s.	d.
W.A. Mission	55	8	2
W.A. Tract Society ...	117	10	3½
Perth Church Collections	10	3	9
Helping Hand Mission...	21	18	11
Total £205	1	1½	

The tithe of the quarter amounted to £41 12s. 5½d. This is £14 3s. 3d. less than last quarter. The decrease is due to the fact that several of our largest tithe payers have removed from the colony and to a change of circumstances in the case of others. We have as large a number represented in the tithe this quarter as formerly.

The Perth Church set apart the month of December as a time of self-denial and special prayer, with the object of donating to the School during the holidays. Our contributions to the Avondale School for the quarter amounted to £12 1s. Our Sabbath School donations were £5 1s. 7d. These were largely used this quarter in getting increased facilities for our growing Sabbath School, the contribution to Missions being 17s. 7½d.

W.A. Tract Society.

The Tract Society has now completed its first half-year. It has been prospered beyond our expectations. Its organization has proved a source of strength and blessing to the Mission, and the volume of work done in missionary lines has been materially increased. Correspondence has been opened with all isolated Sabbath keepers in the colony, and excellent letters, as well as liberal donations, are being received from them to assist in the general work.

The sales of the Society may be divided as follows :

	£	s.	d.
Subscription Books ...	78	5	6
Trade Books	35	7	1
Periodicals .. .	14	11	11
£128	4	6	

The sales of books have been considerably smaller than last quarter, owing to the fact that no large deliveries have been made by agents. The value of orders taken amounts to £311.

Of the special number of the *Bible Echo* five gross, or 720 copies, were taken in this field. Nearly all of these have now been disposed of by the Society. Our regular club of *Echoes* has been 336 copies weekly.

Perth Helping Hand Mission.

Our receipts for the Helping Hand Mission have more than doubled those of the previous quarter. Our report of work, including the Fremantle division, is as follows :

<div align="center">RECEIPTS.</div>

Cash	£24	18	5
Groceries	201 lb.		
Garments	312		
Dolls for poor children	10		
Furnishings for Laundry	£4	10	0

<div align="center">DISBURSEMENTS.</div>

Cash in charity work ...	£9	19	9
,, starting Laundry	15	11	10
Groceries	354 lb.		
Meals	2		
Garments	207		

An aggressive step has been taken during the quarter in the opening of a Helping Hand Laundry. We have been blessed in getting convenient premises, well located, at a small rental, excellent help in the management and factory, and liberal donations from the people. We now have the laundry in full running order, and well equipped for good work. It has been well patronized from the first, and we trust that we shall soon have the work established entirely on self-supporting lines, and be able to furnish work to quite a number of the unemployed.

Gospel and Bible Work.

During the quarter the Union Conference has sent us substantial help in the way of a Bible worker. Sister Appeldorff has been with us nearly three months, and has found more openings than she can fill. Her help has been very much appreciated by the Mission, and we feel satisfied that could one or two others be furnished us, that they would find an abundance of work. Sister Appeldorff has started Sabbath meetings and a Sabbath School at Fremantle with the Sabbath-keepers there, and holds a company Bible Reading during the week for the benefit of others. A Mission Sunday School has been started in Woodville, one of Perth's poorest suburbs, and Gospel meetings are to be opened in that district by Bro. Craddock.

We are now in the midst of the fever season, and a number of our workers have been stricken down and are unable to prosecute their work. That the Lord may see fit to restore them speedily to health and their post of duty is the united prayer of His people here.

Spiritual Growth.

The meetings of the Church are all well attended, and there seems to be a good spiritual interest. The Sabbath School has been increased during the quarter by ten members, the membership now standing at fifty-one. There has been an excellent interest in the study of the lessons, and the school is making good progress.

There has also been a good attendance and interest in our weekly missionary meetings. During the quarter a week night prayer meeting has been started. These meetings are proving a means of grace to the Church, and the wonder expressed is that we ever felt that we could do without them. The prayer meeting is the most interesting, and we believe the most profitable of all our meetings.

A. L. HINDSON, Secretary.

CHRISTIAN HELP WORK.

IN doing Christian help work we are to go and seek out the poor, and not wait for them to come and beg piteously and stir our hearts with sympathy ; our hearts should be already overflowing with sympathy. We will then find them by the wayside, in poor cottages, tenement-houses, or wherever they may be. We are to look them up and delicately minister to their wants, not doing it as an act of charity, not as missionary work, not in a condescending manner, but as brothers, as sisters, dividing with them what the Lord has given us.

Now I believe this is the principle of true Christian help work, and the principle which God recognizes. Job reached all classes—those who were in sorrow, the friendless, the fatherless, the outcast, those who were ready to perish, the sick, the blind, the lame, the poor and the oppressed. He did not wait until they came to him and told him their troubles, but the cause that he knew not that he searched out. Now anyone who will follow this instruction and the example of Job will need almost no other instruction in reference to Christian help work, because the Lord will lead him ; and he will have enough to do, for he will see enough to occupy all his time and sympathies.

In organizing friendly visiting, it is necessary, of course, to carry on the work in an orderly manner, so that there shall be no interference between the work of different persons. First, it is well to divide the territory into districts, and assign to each district a suitable number of workers ; and, second, the workers assigned to a district should manage in some way to become acquainted with every person in the community, or at least with every family in the

district, rich as well as poor, those who profess to be Christians as well as those who do not.

The object of friendly visiting is not to distribute charity, it is not to remove burdens from shoulders that ought to carry them, it is not, as a rule, to give money ; but it is to give personal service, to give good cheer, to scatter sunshine, to give wise counsel and assistance when required, to render sympathy, and to find ways and means of helping those who need help, and, above all, to hold up Christ as the great burden bearer. That is what people need. If you bring them in contact with Christ, most of their difficulties will disappear.

There is usually to be found in every community all that is required to supply the needs of that community—money enough for those who are in need, food enough for those who are hungry, clothes enough for those who need clothing, homes enough for those who need homes. The only thing that is necessary is a different distribution of the Lord's substance, and the friendly visitor simply makes himself a medium in accomplishing this redistribution He finds a poor person who needs help, and then he finds a rich man who is able to help him. If he has become acquainted with both the poor man and the rich man, he will be able to present the case of the poor man to the rich man ; and in doing this he is also making the best use of an opportunity to bring the Gospel to the rich man's heart as well as that of the poor man To the poor man he holds up Christ as the great burden bearer, and to the rich man he can properly appeal to open his purse-strings and storehouse to the poor and needy, presenting to him the example of the good Samaritan.

The purpose of Christian help work is to lift up not only individuals but the whole community. When you have once obtained a foothold in a house, you should follow it up, and not let a man or a family go till they have been uplifted and raised to a higher level, until there has been a spiritual advancement made. You should not leave an individual until he has met with the Lord Jesus Christ and is a saved man and living a different life than before. When you get into a family you ought to feel that there is a special opportunity for work before you, and you should make them so friendly that you will be a welcome visitor. And you can brighten up that home by introducing some new thoughts and methods and principles introducing them one by one, not by fault-finding and criticism, but by helpful suggestions and helpful doing and helpful sympathy. —Extract from address by Dr. J. H. Kellogg

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BETHANY RESCUE HOME, NAPIER, NEW ZEALAND.

A LITTLE over a year ago the Napier church started a Rescue Home for released prisoners and others needing such a refuge. It was furnished largely by donations, and a lady, Miss Radford, kindly gave her services as matron free of expense to the institution.

The home has now completed its first year's work, and we give a short report of what has been done.

There have been during the year at sundry times twenty-five women residing at the cottage. Eleven of these were prisoners recently discharged, the remainder came in or were sent from the city or surrounding districts.

The revenue for defraying the necessary expenses to maintain the inmates was derived partly from moneys contributed by four of its inmates paying a small weekly sum for their keep, partly from proceeds for work done by some of the abler women, but chiefly from subscriptions collected from the public.

The conduct of the inmates was on the whole satisfactory. One of them, after having previously spent for some years a vicious life and being shunned by respectable society, has, by the influence of Christian love and sympathy received at the Home, become a useful and trusted domestic in a highly respected family in the country, and she is indeed a credit to the institution. A young girl, whose unfortunate circumstances rendered it obligatory for her to resort to the Home, has since been returned to her parents in every way improved, desirous of living a better life. A third woman, who for years had taxed the resources of the country by repeated

detention in gaol. was received into the Home, fitted out with clothing for a voyage to her parents in Ireland, who had sent her passage money, and seen that she would be cared for on the long voyage.

Some of the others have also turned into the right path and are now supporting themselves in a proper manner. Of course, some of the most inveterate drunkards could not see the error of their ways, and relapsed into their old unfortunate habits.

The plans for the future are to make the Home in part self-supporting, by taking in laundry-work, plain sewing, knitting, and by any other suitable employment that may be available. The Home is, and will be, open day and night to all women who need a temporary home, without any distinction of creed or nationality.

Miss Radford has resigned the matronship of the institution, and Miss A. Parr has been appointed in her place. The number of inmates at present is four.

The receipts for the year amount to £104 6s. 11d. the expenditure :—Rent, £43 : provisions, etc., £51 14s. 2d. : balance in hand, £9 18s. 9d. : total, £104 6s. 11d.

We hope to give an account of the Home in Adelaide shortly. May this good work go on and prosper until these institutions shall spring up wherever there is a church of Seventh Day Adventists.

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QUEENSLAND TRACT SOCIETY.

THE Summary for February is not high, but you will see that those who have worked anything like full time have done well. This is specially true of Brother Costello. He is a beginner yet, but is meeting with good success right along. By his last letter we know that he is of good courage in the Lord. He writes : " Regarding your letter, I was delighted to again hear from you. It did my soul good to read of the wonderful experiences of so many who have so lately come out for God and His truth. Truly, God is good to Israel, even as many as are of a clean heart. May the dear Lord keep us all faithful till the end shall come."

This brother is just preparing to make his first delivery. We feel led to pray that the blessing that has followed him while taking the orders will continue as he makes his first effort to place the books in the homes of the people.

Brother Horwood is now settled in his own home in Bundaberg. He has only worked twelve days, and yet his sales amount to £22 7s. 6d. His last letter encouraged us very much. He says : " Anything in connection with the School I am deeply interested in, and regret very much that I am not able to be there myself at the end of this month. Yet it may be for the best, and my desire is to push on in the work, and make a success of it. . . . It is encouraging indeed to hear of how the work is progressing in general, and with such an amount of spiritual success. Your letter, and the account of the Newcastle camp-meeting, has proved a great blessing to me. Though here all alone, so to speak, I can rejoice in the fact that I am working for the same cause as you all, and I feel it a great privilege. Oh, may I realise more fully the position I hold, and my profession. I ask an interest in your prayers. . . Am delighted to hear of the success of the work in Brisbane, and wish we could visit some of your good meetings, but I praise the Lord for the blessings I do enjoy, and for courage to press on. . . . When you speak of the testimony meetings I long to be there, but as that cannot be now, and perhaps never will be, may we all meet around God's throne. . ."

Sister Prebble had quite a nice experience the other day while out canvassing. She says : " Yesterday I met an old lady who loves Mrs. White's writings. She went to Brisbane to see her, but was too late I had a nice little talk with her on the Sabbath question."

You will notice that a new worker has joined our ranks—Sister Ann Cozens, of Towoomba. She has only worked seven days. We pray that God will abundantly bless her and give her success. She writes that she enjoys the work very much.

While we have gained a worker, we have lost one. About three weeks ago, Sister Amelia Mills left to attend the Avondale School. We trust that she will

gain an experience there that will fit her to do active service for God.

We rejoice that so many are desirous of taking the printed page to those who have not yet heard the message for these last days. May they have sheaves to bring to Christ at His coming.

ANNIE S. HIGGINS, Secretary.

PLEDGES AND PAYMENTS

To the Avondale School and the Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association to December 31, 1898 :—

	SCHOOL		MEDICAL ASSOCIATION	
	Pledge.	Payment.	Pledge	Payment.
CENTRAL AUSTRALIA (Membership 798)				
North Fitzroy	150 19 10	101 0 10		
Ballarat	41 1 0	29 6 0		
Brighton	34 1 0	28 1 0		
Windsor	51 7 9	32 10 0		
Hawthorn	50 10 5	47 10 5		
Williamstown	64 1 0	58 1 0		
Hobart	46 4 2	32 1 2		
Bismarck	4 19 6	0 12 0		
Launceston	10 5 2	10 5 2		
Latrobe	7 0 0	4 0 0		
Adelaide	96 4 4	64 19 10		
Geelong	1 13 3	1 13 3		
Broken Hill	4 5 0	4 5 0		
Total	£571 12 5	£423 0 2		

NEW SOUTH WALES (Membership 415)—

Stanmore	180 11 5½	118 5 11½	41 15 10½	15 12 10½
Cooranbong	461 2 10	357 11 10	80 1 3	23 0 1
Ashfield	71 16 11	34 5 4½	31 14 6	15 5 0
Kellyville	28 0 11	23 3 5	0 18 9	4 0 3
Prospect	7 19 6	4 19 6	1 0 0	1 0 0
Parramatta	30 3 9	15 18 9	0 15 0	5 7 6
Total	£779 14 7	£554 9 10	£108 0 4½	£65 10 7½

NEW ZEALAND (Membership 429)—

Wellington	64 10 0	58 5 0	14 0 0	8 15 0
Kaeo	164 10 3	54 0 0		
Kaikoura	20 0 0	10 0 0	5 0 0	
Helensville	9 0 0	9 0 0		
Auckland	22 15 0	13 15 0	7 10 0	0 10 0
Napier	105 12 0	23 7 3	21 0 0	5 10 0

NEW ZEALAND—(Continued)

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Waikouaiti		0 15 0		
Hastings	1 0 0	1 10 0		
Gisborne	1 0 0			
Palmerston N	3 5 5	6 0 0		
Ormondville	1 10 0	4 0 0		
Whangaratta	0 0 0	5 0 0		
Pahratua	5 0 0	1 0 0	2 0 0	
Christchurch	30 10 0	17 0 0	45 10 0	17 2 6
Total	£470 0 0	£207 14 0	£95 0 0	£9 17 6

QUEENSLAND (Membership 138)—

Total	£137 11 0	£76 0 0	£58 11 0	£15 0 0

WEST AUSTRALIA (Membership 48)

Total	£12 5 0	£12 5 0		

Grand Total £1,977 0 0 £1,273 16 9 £321 17 4½ £108 14 7½

"When thou shalt vow a vow unto the Lord thy God, thou shalt not slack to pay it : for the Lord thy God will surely require it of thee ; and it would be sin in thee . . . That which is gone out of thy lips thou shalt keep and perform ; even a free-will offering, according as thou hast vowed unto the Lord thy God, which thou hast promised with thy mouth."
—DEUT. XXIII : 21, 23.

Report of N.S.W. Conference, S.S. Department.

FOR THE QUARTER ENDING DECEMBER 30, 1898.

No	Name of School.	Present Membership.	Average Attendance.	No. of Classes.	Contributions Received.	Tithes sent your Association.	Amount Donated to Missions.
					£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1	Ashfield	50	36	8	1 11 4½	0 3 3	
2	Auburn	30	19	2	1 6 5½	0 3 0	0 5 6
3	Carlingford	9	9	2			
4	Dora Creek	47	41	7	2 9 4	0 3 11	
*5	Cooranbong						
6	Kellyville	43	26	5	0 14 9½	0 3 7	0 13 7½
*7	Newcastle						
8	New Angledool	5	5		1 15 0	0 3 6	1 11 9
9	Petersham	114	80	15	5 15 7½	0 11 0	
10	Prospect	21	12	3	0 13 2½	0 1 5	
11	Parramatta	30	26	4	2 7 0	0 1 1	0 10 0
12	Woollahra	9	7	1	0 11 0		
		367	261	48	17 3 9½	1 14 3	3 0 10½

*No report received.

L. GREGG, Secretary.

Statistical Report of Conferences in District No. 7 for Quarter ending December 31, 1898.

Name of Conference or Mission.	Number of Churches.	Membership of Churches.	Number of Sabbath Schools.	Membership of Sabbath Schools.	Average Sabbath School Attendance.	Number of Ministers.	Licensed Preachers.	Bible Workers.	Colporters. Canvassers.	Tithes Paid	First Day Offerings to Foreign Missions.	Sabbath School Donations to Missions.	Annual Contribution to Missions.	Miscellaneous Individual Gifts to Missions.	Donations to Missions.	No. of Subscriptions Books.	Retail Value.	Sales of Trade Books and Tracts. Retail Value.	Average No. Sentinels Sold Weekly.	Sentinels sold during the Quarter	Value of Conference Property.	Indebtedness of Conference.
										£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.			£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Central Australia	14	798	21	1057	471	3	0	3		847 14 0	5 0 17 11 5			0 0 13	790 19 5	163	4 10½	1551	1516 380	0 0 447	1 8½
N. South Wales	6	415	12	367	261	4	4	3	420 192 0 1		5 0 10½				634 10 0	95 15 0	1049	324 73	3 0 399 13 3	
New Zealand	12	429	40	610	443	4	1	1	2 14 172 0 1 16	17 11 0 0	15 16 0 27 1	1698	6 0 6014 0	1633 2400 157	0 0 39 12 1	
Queensland	3	138	3	146	102	6	2	6	11 00 12 3 6	0 10		208 6 6	91 11 9	462	384 45	0 0
West Australia	1	48	1	51	38	1	1	3 41 12 3½	0 17 7½		284 6 6	35 7 1	33	180 50 13 9	

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MONTHLY SUMMARY OF THE AUSTRALASIAN CANVASSING WORK.

New South Wales.

JANUARY, 1899.

Bible Readings—	Orders.	Value.
Mr. C. J. Anderson, Clarence Town	16	£14 5 0
„ J. L. Dean, Inverell	37	25 13 6
„ A. R. Sherwin, Fig Tree	4	3 18 0

Coming King—		
Mr. E. Appleton, Carrington	18	4 12 0
„ W. McCann, Junction	15	4 2 6
„ M. A. Connell, Hamilton	1	0 8 0

Patriarchs—		
Mr. F. Redward, Wyndham	33	30 8 0
„ W. Codling, Bermagui	23	22 5 0

Ladies' Guide—		
Mr. J. F. Hay, Argyle	23	26 10 6

Other Books—		
Mr. W. R. Carswell, Newcastle	—	0 9 6
Mrs. Anderson, Clarence Town	7	5 2 6
	177	£137 14 6

"Helps," as included in "total value," £15 10s. 6d.

FEBRUARY, 1899.

Bible Readings—	Orders.	Value.
Mrs. C. Chapman, Drummoyne	9	£7 2 0
Miss E. Adcock, Gulgong	15	13 11 6
Mr. C. J. Anderson, Forster	29	23 9 0
„ J. L. Dean, Emmaville	16	9 14 6
„ A. R. Sherwin, Albion Park	16	12 10 0

New South Wales—Continued.

Coming King—	Orders.	Value.
Mr. W. McCann, Adamstown	27	£6 15 0
„ W. Jenkins, Carlton	45	12 3 0
„ J. Nichol, Adamstown	63	17 18 0

Ladies' Guide—		
Mr. R. S. Bell, Hamilton	10	6 15 0

Patriarchs and Prophets—		
Mr. F. Redward, Eden	30	25 18 0
„ W. Codling, Moruya	26	23 16 6

Home Hand Book—		
Mr. J. Rodd, Charlestown	27	41 5 6

Other Books—		
Mr. W. R. Carswell, Newcastle		3 1 6
Mrs. C. J. Anderson, Forster		17 7 6
	311	£221 6 0

Queensland.

JANUARY, 1899.

Home Hand Book—	Orders.	Value.
Mr. A. G. Mackenzie, Bundaberg	8	£13 9 6
„ A. Costello, Charters Towers	26	42 15 0
„ A. W. Horwood, Bundaberg	10	17 18 0
„ P. Reekie, Caboolture	26	47 13 6

Ladies' Guide—		
Miss A. Ackary, S. Brisbane	12	12 2 0
Mrs. Hewitt, Oakey	21	26 5 6

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Queensland—*Continued.*

Coming King—			Orders.	Value.
Miss C. Prebble, Ipswich	...	...	57	£16 11 0
., H. E. Streeter, Laidley	...	..	3	3 15 0
Mrs. Hodgkinson, New Farm	...	...	29	7 5 0
Miss A. Mills, Brisbane	...	..	38	12 15 0
., C. A. Bonney, Toowong	...	...	75	25 19 0
			305	£220 8 6

FEBRUARY, 1899.

Home Hand Book—			Orders.	Value.
Mr. A. Costello, C. Towers...	...	...	33	£53 4 6
., (Other Books)	...	..	2	1 18 6
Mr. A. W. Horwood, Bundaberg ..		.	12	24 7 6
., P. Reekie, N. Coast Line		..	11	19 18 6
., (Other Books)	...	.	2	0 10 0
Ladies' Guide—				
Miss A. Ackary, Gympie	...	..	... 13	15 2 6
Mrs. Hewitt, Pittsworth	...	...	... 34	36 16 6
., (Other Books)	...	...	... 3	4 17 6
Coming King—				
Miss A. Cozens, Toowoomba	...	...	... 9	3 13 6
., C. Prebble, Ipswich	...	...	.. 60	19 4 0
., H. Streeter, Laidley	..	...	.. 2	2 18 0
., A. Mills, Brisbane	...		.. 3	1 1 0
			184	£183 12 0

New Zealand.

JANUARY, 1899.

Ladies' Guide—		Orders.	Value.
Mrs. A. D. Anderson, P.O. Onehunga, N.Z.		55	£48 2 0
., M. Masters, Wellington, N.Z.	...	14	14 2 0
Home Hand Book—			
Mr. W. J. McGowan, Christchurch. N.Z.		5	6 17 6
., R. L. Irving, Havelock, N.Z....	...	26	38 7 6
., P. L. Hill, Marton, N.Z.	...	... 48	66 0 0
., W. J. Smith, Irwell, N.Z.	...	... 9	16 5 0
Man Masterpiece			
Mr. G. Masters, Wellington, N.Z....	...	3	3 3 0
., W. N Covell, Gisborne. N Z.	...	56	49 0 0
Patriarchs and Prophets—			
Mr. W. W. Ward, New Plymouth	...	18	12 2 6
., A. E. Rubard, Ackaroa Pen. ...	...	5	3 2 6

New Zealand—*Continued.*

Great Controversy—			Orders.	Value.
Mr. N. E. Minchin, Christchurch	...	...	25	£15 2 0
Coming King—				
., C. E. Reynolds, Christchurch...		...	19	4 15 0
			283	£277 0 6

FEBRUARY, 1899.

Ladies' Guide—				Orders.	Value.
Mrs. A. D. Anderson		.	...	79	£69 2 6
., M. Masters	...		..	13	12 4 6
Coming King—					
Mrs. Connop.	.		.	39	9 15 0
Mr. C. E. Reynolds		.	...	50	12 10 0
Home Hand Book—					
Mr. W. J. McGowan	...	.	...	14	19 5 0
., C. J. Cullum	...		.	5	6 17 6
., R. L. Irving		..	...	7	9 17 6
., P. L. Hill	..	.	.	21	31 7 6
., W. T. Dawson ...		.	...	17	23 15 0
Man the Masterpiece—					
Mr. G. Masters	...	...	..	2	1 18 6
., W. H Covell	...	.	...	26	22 15 0
Patriarchs and Prophets—					
Mr. W. W. Ward	...	...	...	45	29 10 0
., A. E. Rickard	...	...	...	9	5 12 6
				327	£254 10 6

West Australia.

JANUARY.

Home Hand Book—				Orders.	Value.
Mr. F. W. Reekie	.	...	...	40	£59 3 6
Sunshine at Home—					
Mr. F. Masters	...	.	...	... 8	3 10 0
.. J. A. McIntosh...	..	.	...	11	4 9 6
.. H. Cooper	...	...	...	3	1 4 6
Sunbeams					
Mr. F. Masters	.	..	...	... 12	6 10 0
Totals	..	.	.	... 74	£74 17 6

MONTHLY SUMMARY OF THE AUSTRALASIAN CANVASSING WORK.

Central Australia.

JANUARY, 1899.

Ladies' Guide—		Orders.	Value.
Mrs. C. Gooding, Port Augusta. S.A. ...		20	£22 13 0
Mr. R. J. Stoate, Bendigo, Vic...	..	23	21 15 0
„ A. T. Jessop, Bendigo, Vic.	...	10	10 10 6
Miss Young, North Fitzroy, Vic.	...	4	3 15 0
Coming King—			
Mr. A. Appledorff, Hobart, Tas.	...	11	2 15 0
Home Hand Book—			
Mr. J. Innis, Calder. Tas.	... ...	14	0 14 0
		82	£68 2 6

Our Summary this month is exceedingly small. There are two causes for this. First, the holidays ; secondly, the Camp-meeting. Nearly everyone that had money to spare spent it during the holidays, and have not felt since in a condition to buy books. Many of the Agents took advantage of the Camp-meeting coming so soon after the holidays, and kindly came to the ground and assisted in the preparations for the meeting, staying right through, and returning to their territory at the close of the meeting. In this way they lost fully six weeks' work.

We trust our next report will be an improvement on this.

FEBRUARY 1899.

Ladies' Guide—		Orders.	Value.
Mr. R. J. Stoate, Bendigo. Vic. .	...	39	£27 18 0
„ A. T. Jessop. Bendigo. Vic.	...	19	19 10 6
Mrs. Mosedale, Ororoo, S.A.	..	24	11 18 0
„ C. Gooding. Quorn, S.A.	.	30	34 3 1
Miss Young, Croxton, Vic. .	... ..	9	8 11 6
Coming King and Eden to Eden -			
Mrs. Barwell. Brighton	... .	11	3 4 0
Mr. A. J. Maucum, Seymour. Vic. ..	...	36	11 2 0
„ A. L. Apollyon, Ballarat, Vic.	...	41	10 13 0
„ Geo. Burgess, Seymour, Vic. ...	...	31	8 13 0

Central Australia *Continued*

Patriarchs and Prophets—		Orders.	Value.
Mr. I. B. Downs. Learmonth. Vic.	...	23	£17 3 6
Home Hand Book—			
Mr. J. Innes. Wynyard, Tas	... ...	8	16 15 6
		271	£169 12 10

BIBLE ECHO SALES.

JANUARY, 1899 (five weeks).

Church.		Echoes.	Unorganised Companies.		
					Echoes.
Adelaide	.. ...	2,027	Brought forward		23,621
Ashfield	... ...	1,992	Bendigo	... .	106
Avondale	... ...	306	Charters Towers	...	60
Ballarat	..	1,176	Ipswich	.. ...	30
Bismarck		60	Kangarilla ...	..	207
Brisbane	...	1,880	Launceston ...	...	240
Brighton	..	384	Newcastle ...	..	3,108
Broken Hill	..	510	Orange	...	312
Geelong		822	Queenstown	...	12
Hawthorn ...		340	Townsville ...	...	66
Hobart	..	1,620	Warwick ...	...	74
Kadina	.	480	New Zealand	..	9,151
Kellyville	...	240	Miscellaneous	.	1,813
Latrobe	.. ...	30			
Melbourne	..	3,709			
Parramatta	.	519			
Perth	... ...	1,922			
Prospect	...	264			
Rockhampton	..	578			
Sydney	...	1,142			
Toowoomba	...	668			
Windsor	..	1,440			
Williamstown	...	1,512			
Forward	..	23,621	Total	...	38,800

NOTE.—The summary is exceptionally large this month, owing to the issue of the Special New Year Number, the circulation of which reached almost 20,000.

FEBRUARY, 1899 (four weeks).

Churches		Echoes	Unorganised Companies.		
					Echoes.
Adelaide	...	1,074	Brought forward		10,468
Ashfield	...	1,206	Bendigo	... ..	32
Avondale	...	216	Charters Towers	...	48
Ballarat	.. ..	584	Ipswich	... ..	24
Bismarck	. ...	48	Kangarilla ...	..	64
Brisbane	...	904	Launceston...	...	96
Brighton	... ..	96	Newcastle ...		2,271
Broken Hill	..	408	Orange	...	108
Geelong		576	Townsville ...	...	24
Hawthorn ...	..	76	Warwick ...	..	56
Hobart	..	840	New Zealand	..	5,777
Kadina	...	144	Miscellaneous	..	1,532
Kellyville	.	96			
Latrobe	...	24			
Melbourne ...	..	1,094			
Parramatta	.	192			
Perth	.	1,032			
Prospect	...	48			
Rockhampton		326			
Sydney		498			
Toowoomba	..	272			
Windsor		480			
Williamstown	..	228			
Forward	...	10,468	Total ...		20,500

BIBLE ECHO SALES.

For the Year 1898.

Churches.		Echoes.
Adelaide	...	21,796
Ashfield	...	10,448
Avondale ...	...	12,514
Ballarat	...	2,923
Bismarck ...	...	612
Brisbane ...	...	8,878
Brighton ...	...	1,114
Broken Hill	...	8,046
Geelong	...	9,934
Hawthorn...	...	963
Hobart	...	7,887
Kadina	...	756
Kellyville ...	...	1,488
Latrobe ...	...	306
Melbourne	...	13,411
Parramatta	...	20,828
Perth	...	14,107
Prospect ...		612
Rockhampton	...	5,178
Sydney ...	...	18,386
Toowoomba	...	1,840
Windsor ...	...	14,835
Williamstown	...	3,289
Carried forward	180,151

Unorganised Companies.		Echoes.
Brought forward	180,151
Bendigo	...	408
Charters Towers ...		1,450
Croydon ...	...	1,680
Ipswich	...	318
Kalgoorlie	...	360
Kangarilla ..	...	582
Launceston	...	1,212
Melrose	...	2,184
New Zealand	...	100,085
Orange ...	...	1,200
Townsville	...	780
Warwick ..	...	156
Zeehan	...	408
Miscellaneous	...	24,702
Total . .	...	315,674

THE FRIENDS OF THE CAUSE IN QUEENSLAND.

We desire to speak to you personally of our work, of its apparent prospects and our individual relation to it. Concerning the first point, it may be said that no country presents a more encouraging outlook for the work of the third angel's message than this. A new country, where conventionalism has not yet bound the people about in customs and classes, a free intelligent people, many of whom fear God and desire to know the truth—with such a prospect we enter upon our work.

In regard to our relation to God's work, we cannot do better than to quote the words of Christ to his disciples and to us, "As My Father hath sent Me, so send I you." We are to be as faithful to our Heavenly Father as was Jesus. We are expected to be burden bearers, not to be carried by others. What can we do?—In the first place, so relate ourselves to God's cause that it becomes our cause. Pray for it and assist it by our influence, our counsel and our means. The time

has come when the work in this colony should no longer look abroad for financial support, but bear its own burdens in this respect. God will help us to do this. Let everyone pay into His treasury the Lord's tithe. Even though the amount be small, God has promised to bless the little we can do. As many have not had the opportunity to become intelligently informed in reference to paying tithes, it has been arranged that the Queensland Tract Society will send out gratis the pamphlet on that subject to all who are interested to read. Send now to the Society, and we will gladly forward the book.

A new tent is a necessity, and this will cost about £45. Any help on this enterprise will be gratefully received. We shall be very happy to hear from any of you at any time. Remember the work at the Throne of Grace, and may the God of all grace help and bless us all.

G. C. TENNEY,

April 4, 1899.   Petrie Terrace, Brisbane.

Take up the work anywhere and everywhere. Do that which is the nearest to you, right at your own doors, however humble and uncommended it may seem. Work only for the glory of God and the good of men. Let self sink out of sight, while with earnest purpose and solemn prayers of faith you work for Him who has died that you may live. Go to your neighbours one by one, and come close to them till their hearts are warmed by your unselfish interest and love. Sympathize with them, pray for them, watch for opportunities to do them good, and as you can, gather a few together and open the word of God to their darkened minds.   —*Gospel Workers.*

If there is one work more important than another, it is that of getting our publications before the public, thus leading them to search the Scriptures. Missionary work—introducing our publications into families, conversing and praying with and for them—is a good work, and one which will educate men and women to do pastoral work.—*Gospel Workers.*

Those who have not habits of economy should learn the lesson now. All should learn how to keep accounts. Some neglect this work as non-essential : but this is wrong. We should not become loose and dilatory in our habits while we are engaged in God's work. Everything that bears any relation to the work of God should be as near perfect as human brains and hands can make it.

—*Gospel Workers.*

Be sure to maintain the dignity of the work by a well-ordered life and godly conversation. Never be afraid of raising your standard too high. The spirit of Jesus should pervade the soul of the worker ; it is the pleasant, sympathetic words, the manifestation of disinterested love for their souls, that will break down the barriers of pride and selfishness, and show to unbelievers that we have the love of Christ, and then the truth will find its way to the heart. This is our work and the fulfilling of God's plan. Courtesy, refinement, Christian politeness, must be cherished. Endeavour not to offend any unnecessarily.

—*Gospel Workers.*

Very much more efficient work can be done in the canvassing field than has yet been done. The canvasser should not rest satisfied unless he is constantly improving. He should make thorough preparation, but should not be content with a set form of words ; he should give the Lord a chance to work with his efforts and impress his mind. The love of Jesus abiding in his heart will enable him to devise means to gain access to individuals and families.

—*Gospel Workers.*

NOTES AND PERSONALS.

G. C. TENNEY has arrived in Brisbane, and is now in charge of the Queensland Mission. He reports that he is pleased with the outlook.

THE Queensland Tract Society has removed into more commodious offices. Their address is still Petrie Terrace, but " Warriston " should be omitted.

MRS. TUXFORD, for many years secretary of the New Zealand Tract Society, has arrived in Sydney. She will connect with the Sanitarium as matron.

E. C. HALSEY and wife left Melbourne for Sydney March 1. They are now located in Cooranbong, in connection with the Health Food Factory.

W. KNIGHT is labouring in South Australia with J. H. Woods. They have been holding tent meetings in Moonta.

THE Australian Tract Society has removed its offices from 251 St. George's Road to 214 Chapel Street, Prahran, Vic.

J. JOHANSON, the General Agent for N.S. Wales, is now making deliveries for Brethren Redward and Codling, who are planning to return to the Avondale School.

THE Australasian Union Conference, the New South Wales Conference, and the New South Wales Tract Society, now have their offices at 25 Sloane Street, Summer Hill. All letters, etc., for the officers of these organizations should be addressed there.

SEVERAL new canvassers have recently started work in New Zealand, and already success is attending their labours. The canvassing work is a missionary work, and those who are faithful in it will have many precious sheaves to present to the Master.

THE Manager of the City Mission, Melbourne, writes : " I am glad to say that the meetings are well attended, and that 13 men have professed conversion during the last fortnight. The beds are filling up well, so that altogether we have much to be thankful for."

A. G. MACKENZIE, who has been for some time canvassing in Queensland, has removed to New Zealand, where he will continue in the same line of work. He was recently united in marriage to Miss Minnie Teasdale, treasurer of the New Zealand Tract Society. We wish them happiness in their united life.

A. W. SEMMENS and wife will leave Sydney shortly on a six months' leave of absence, to open the medical work in Adelaide. Dr. Hamilton, of that city, has recently visited the Sanitarium, and he has promised to use his influence on behalf of our work. This makes an opening that we believe should be taken advantage of at once. We hope, before long, to have a doctor established there.

THE table of pledges and payments published in this number is worthy of careful study. We ask all to consider it, and those who have pledges yet unpaid to make every possible effort to meet them at an early date. The cause is in sore need of funds to carry on the various lines of work. If money does not come in, some of the work must be stopped. Shall this be? We ask all to give what they can, and to pray to the Lord to help us.

WE believe our readers will be interested in the following personal letter which has been received from Brother S. N. Haskell :

"The funeral is over. Brother Wilson is laid away till he hears the voice of God saying : 'Awake, awake, ye that dwell in the dust of the earth.' The impressions made, and the solemn, quiet influence both at the house and the grave, cannot be told in words. I think as many as a hundred were present at the house, and even more at the grave. Sister Wilson was most wonderfully sustained by the grace of Christ.

"It is evident that he did not expect to die until struck with death, although in the morning we had conversed freely on the subject, and we talked upon the apostle's words in Phil. i., 20-24. Our brethren met at the house for the funeral at three o'clock Sabbath afternoon. Sister Wilson spoke at the close of the services, bearing testimony to the power of Christ to sustain her in her affliction. A solemn feeling rested upon the large circle of mourning friends, and, had we not been restricted as to time,

I think we should have had a testimony meeting. No one thought of forms and ceremonies, for God was present leading in the paying of the last token of respect to one of His servants who was resting on the Sabbath as did his Lord. The remarks were based on John xi., 4-6, 32-46 ; Rev. xiv., 13. There was a long procession of carriages to the grave. As we passed carts of various kinds a solemn impression seemed to take possession of the people. Even fruit-carts would stop, and hats were raised till the procession had passed. Men dismounted from their bicycles and stood with profound reverence. It was good to attend such a funeral as this. There were those present for whom Brother and Sister Wilson had laboured, and who had given themselves to the Lord under the influence of their united prayers. We believe that in his death there is a great victory for the cause in this country. 'God works in a mysterious way His wonders to perform.' He giveth victory in what, from a human standpoint, men would call a failure.

" Brother Wilson's prayers for the restoration of health were always offered with submission to God's will. The last time I heard him pray, which was the morning he died, he said with such childlike submission : 'Lord, you know I have said, Thy will, not mine, over and over again.' "

Sister Wilson will have the sympathy of all our brethren and sisters in this sad bereavement, and we know that many prayers will be offered that God will continue to sustain and strengthen her.