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GIVING LIKE A CHILD.

Not long ago a poor widow came into my study. She is over sixty years of age. Her home is one little room, and she supports herself by her needle, which in these days of sewing machines means the most miserable support.

Imagine my surprise, then, when she put twelve shillings into my hands, and said: "There is my contribution to the church fund."

"But are you able to give so much?"

"Oh, yes," she exclaimed. "I have learned how to give now."

"How is that," I asked.

"Do you remember," she answered, "that sermon of three months ago, when you told us that you did not believe one of your people was so poor that if he loved Christ, he could not find some way of showing that love by his gifts?"

"I do."

"Well, I went home, and cried all night over that sermon. I said to myself, 'My minister doesn't know how poor I am, or he never would have said that.' But from crying I at last got to praying. And when I had told Jesus all about it, I seemed to get an answer in my heart that dried up all tears."

"What was the answer?"

"Only this, 'If you cannot give as other people do, give like a little child.' And I have been doing it ever since. When I have a halfpenny change over from my sugar or loaf of bread, I lay it aside for Jesus, and so I have gathered this money all in halfpennies."

"But has it not embarrassed you to lay aside so much?"

"Oh, no!" she responded, eagerly, with beaming face. "Since I began to give to the Lord, I have always had money in the house for myself, and it is wonderful how the work comes pouring in. So many are coming to see me, that I never knew before."

"But didn't you always have money in the house?" I asked.

"Oh, no! Often when my rent came due, I had to go and borrow it, not knowing how I ever should find means to pay it again. But I don't have to do that any more, the dear Lord is so kind."

Of course I could not refuse such money.

Three months later she came with fifteen shillings and fivepence saved in the same way. Then came the effort of our church in connection with the Memorial Fund, and in about five months she brought £3, all saved in the little mite-box I had given her. This makes a total of £4 7s. 5d., from one poor widow in a single twelvemonth. I need hardly add that she apparently grew more in Christian character in that one year than in all the previous years of her connection with the church.

—*Christian Weekly.*

THE STUDENTS AS CANYASSERS.

The students are selling 500 or more copies of *Present Truth* and 1,000 copies of *Good Health* weekly. Sunday is the best day for this work, and they make the most of it. One brother sold 111 copies of *Good Health*, another 102, and two others 100 each during four or five hours on a recent Sunday. Others with less experience come not far short of that figure.

Several are building up a list for *Present Truth*, so we hope to increase our order for that paper. One sister sold 100 copies last Sunday in a piercing wind. It was also snowing, but she remained at the work till she had disposed of every copy. I am glad that we have such sisters in the work. May the Lord greatly increase their number.

Now, dear readers, these young people have given themselves to the Master, and are attending the College in order to become more efficient labourers in the great harvest field. But while they go out in the over-crowded city, they need the special care of the holy angels to shield them from disease of every kind. Will you not remember them at the throne of grace, so that no blight may rest upon them until the Master comes and take us all home.

S. JOYCE.

LEEDS

THIS has indeed been a busy week for our Leeds company. We have had the pleasure of a two days' visit from Dr. A. B. Olsen, and two meetings, held at the home of Sister Kennington, were well attended, the interest manifested being a pleasure to behold. Truly the Lord has blessed us with His presence, and we have had a season of refreshing.

On the initiation of Dr. Olsen it has been decided to start a Good Health Club, to meet once per month; also to try to secure 100 regular subscribers to *Good Health*, so as to have a Health School held here, everyone feeling this must be done.

We are glad to welcome Brother W. S. Musgrave, from Bolton, who has come to labour with the writer. Our order for *Good Health* we have increased to a thousand per month, and feel that we can sell them. Sister Kennington has been in Southampton, where she attended some of Brother Ballenger's meetings, and she has returned full of courage and trust in God. Brethren pray for us.

WM. WILKINSON.

SOUTHAMPTON.

THE eight days' mission at the Philharmonic Hall will be long remembered by many of the friends here. The idea of holding a mission in the above hall was not new. For about a year some of the faithful had been asking the Lord to open the way that one might be held. The Lord did so, and Brother Ballenger was asked to conduct the mission, which lasted from Sunday, January 19th, to Sunday the 26th inclusive, the theme being "Power from on high for Christian living and working."

In all seventeen services were held, and although the attendances were not large, not exceeding 350, yet the Spirit of the Lord was manifested at every meeting in a marked degree. At the close of each service, with only one exception, from six to twenty-four persons signified their need of deliverance, and their desire to be overcomers. Many of these dear souls at subsequent meetings testified to the great blessing they had received, including complete victory over besetting sins.

It was gratifying, indeed, to observe the zeal and earnestness with which many of the brethren and sisters entered upon the work of distributing bills and folders announcing the mission to every house in Southampton and district.

At the close of the eight days' mission, the meetings were continued for eight evenings at the Academy, and a number of those interested met with us.

On Monday evening, February 3rd, twenty-two were buried with our Lord in baptism, fourteen of

these having recently accepted the truth. A considerable number of strangers were present, and were evidently much impressed.

The mission has been productive of much good, not only to our own people, but also to others. Much experience has been gained, and valuable lessons learned which may be related on some future occasion.

Brother Ballenger's visit to Southampton has been much appreciated, many having received definite and, we believe, permanent blessings. Personally our association together has been an occasion of much joy to myself, especially our seasons of prayer and study.

A. RITCHIE LEASK.

GLASGOW.

WE have now opened a hall where we can present the glorious truths committed to us. We have engaged the hall for Sabbath morning and also Sunday evening. The hall is central and also moderate in price. It is heated, and lighted by electric light, and can be made comfortable in every way. We are sure the Lord, who has so bountifully provided for our needs, will continue to lead us in the path of His own choosing.

There are many precious souls here who are waiting for the truth. The need is great on every side; barren fields with soil untilled are waiting for faithful labourers of God to enter. Seed-sowers, those who have precious seeds of truth and love, are invited to enter, and they shall receive in the time of the harvest a glorious ingathering of golden grain.

We had a very profitable visit from Dr. A. B. Olsen, February 7-9. Friday evening, February 7, the doctor addressed a gathering of the Vegetarian Society, and set forth before them a royal feast of living truths. His talk was much appreciated by all. On Sabbath morning, and again on Sunday evening, Dr. Olsen met with us in our hall, and presented many helpful lessons from the sacred mine of truth, especially emphasising the thought that we are saved to minister to the needs of others. We are taking a club of *Good Healths*, and believe the good work will go steadily forward.

HARRY ARMSTRONG.

SWANSEA.

I AM so glad to tell of the rich blessing we have received through our dear Brother Ballenger's visit. He was with us eight days, and while here his message was with power. The first night the spirit of the Lord was in the meeting to convict of sin, and this was confessed and put away. O!

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BROTHER ANDROSS writes of several new Sabbath-keepers at Oldbury, a suburb of Birmingham.

BROTHER MEREDITH writes from Pontypridd: "I am now holding meetings in the hall here, and being all alone, have plenty to do. We have not had big crowds yet, but a few come every night, and we are having good meetings."

OWING to a fall causing injury to the knee, Brother Andross has been obliged to take to his bed. We hope that with careful nursing and treatment he will make a rapid recovery. Brother Ballenger filled his appointments in Birmingham last Sabbath and Sunday.

LIVE not for yourself, but for others. See and seek in all things the service of the Master, the glory of God, and the blessing of others. What you receive, distribute; as you learn, teach; as you get, give; and as He comes, scatter and diffuse His blessing.—*Word and Work.*

GOOD HEALTH for March will be ready for delivery to agents by the time this copy of the WORKER reaches you. It will contain five illustrations, besides a beautiful frontispiece showing natural scenery in Alaska. "Good Digestion, and How to Have It," "Chronic Constipation," "The Rational Treatment of Consumption," "The Cooking of Vegetables," "Correct Positions as an Aid to Health"—these are some of the leading topics discussed.

We believe it will sell very readily, and in view of the encouraging reports that have come in of late from all quarters, are printing an edition of 35,000 copies, 5,000 more than last time. You see we are steadily advancing toward the 50,000 mark. Cannot each of our companies make a corresponding increase in their orders? We are already hearing from some who are doing more than this. Let us hear from the others. Orders should be sent in at once, where the matter has not already been attended to. Let us plan for large things. The Lord will not disappoint our faith.

AN interesting report from Birmingham came a little too late for this issue.

SIN would never be able to hurt us if it couldn't look little and harmless at first.—*Ram's Horn.*

WE are glad to report the safe arrival of Brother Miller and wife, of Battle Creek, Mich. Brother Miller has filled for some time the position of head nurse at our large sanitarium in Battle Creek. His broad experience especially fits him for leading out in the same work in this country, and we are very thankful that our brethren in America have sent us such excellent help.

20,100.

THAT is the number of *Present Truth* ordered last week. We believed that it would be done soon, and we are happy to see the figures realised. Are not you also? Does it not make you glad to think of the thousands who are having the opportunity of reading soul-saving truths?

As the list moves up week by week we feel thrilled with new life and energy. There is something inspiring and strengthening in the thought of being permitted to assist in sending the present truth, with which the *Present Truth* is loaded each week,—the message for this time,—to the people, and the more people it reaches, the more our zeal and strength increase.

We hear the question, Are you satisfied now? Yes; satisfied that good, faithful work has been done; satisfied that earnest workers have appreciated the efforts made to set truth before the people, and have determined to have a share in the work; and for this reason we are satisfied that a much greater work than this will yet be accomplished. The problem is simple: We have the truth, and there are millions of people who have not yet heard it. You can give the answer.

There are millions who must yet receive the *Present Truth*, but we must proceed step by step. The figure now before us is 25,000. It doesn't look nearly so far off as 20,000 did a few months ago. Shall we not soon reach it? We certainly shall if agents and church members at home who have a few hours at their disposal resolve that it shall be done.

Can we ever be satisfied to go backward, and not forward? Shall we not purpose in our hearts that the figures at the head of this article shall never be lowered? Let us so press forward that we shall soon forget the things that are behind. *Present Truth* workers have done well; let us now do better, and push ahead to the best. God will surely bless all faithful effort, and for this we ever pray.

E. J. WAGGONER.