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OUR COMING CONFERENCE AT LEEDS.

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I HAVE just returned from a meeting of the European General Conference Committee held at Friedensau, Germany, in connection with the German Union Conference. The brethren from America were also in attendance. During our councils many important questions relating to the work in the great European field, and plans for the more rapid advancement of the message, were carefully studied and decided upon.

We all felt that the time has fully come when more aggressive measures must be taken and when ministers and people should put forth a strong united effort to extend the knowledge of the message to those who know it not.

Our coming meeting will be a very important gathering at which these questions will all be taken up and carefully studied. Hence we urge the attendance of all who can possibly come.

Through the providence of God, Great Britain has taken the lead in missionary effort and Gospel work throughout the world. From here consecrated men and women have gone to the darkest places of the earth with the blessed message of the Gospel. They have been willing to endure every manner of hardship, and death, for the love of souls. This is a glorious heritage. Now we have reached the time of the end; the closing work is on hand, and we have been called to take part in it.

While feeling exceedingly grateful for what we have seen of the spread of this message throughout the world, it must be evident to every one that as yet only a very small beginning has been made. There is a brighter and richer experience for every individual to have, and a mighty and glorious work to be accomplished in the world preparatory to the coming of the Lord. It surely is the will of God that the people of Great Britain should act an important part in this closing work.

Our brethren in America stand ready to render us every assistance possible, and we believe the

time has fully come for a decided "Forward Movement" all along the line. During our recent council we talked over many important measures regarding the work in the British field which lack of space forbids my presenting here, but which will all be taken up and carefully studied at our coming meeting. Our earnest prayer is that this gathering may work the beginning of a new era in which greater power shall attend the proclamation of the message, and the work advance more rapidly.

In view of the importance of this meeting, Elder A. G. Daniels has postponed his return to America in order that he may attend it with us. Elder Conradi and Brother Palmer will also be present. I am sure the announcement of these dear brethren and faithful servants of God will greatly gladden the hearts of all our people. But, first, and most important of all, the Lord's presence will be with us. And, now, let me urge upon all to earnestly pray for the special blessing of God on this gathering. I hardly need to urge our brethren and sisters to attend. For, when you stop a moment to consider the importance of this occasion, and then pray for the special blessing of God to attend it, you will feel that you must be there to share in the blessing and so you will come if it is at all possible.

Expecting the privilege of meeting a large number of the MISSIONARY WORKER family at this annual gathering and of sharing with you the rich blessings of God, I am,

Yours in the blessed hope,

O. A. OLSEN.

RIVER PLATE.

WE always follow with interest all that is being done to advance the work in Great Britain, and very much miss our MISSIONARY WORKER only two or three having reached us since we passed through London in July.

One can scarcely imagine circumstances more widely diverse than those presented with you, and here in the River Plate vicinity. While the people here are usually more approachable from a social

standpoint than we find them in older countries, reaching them presents obstacles unknown to us before coming here. The country, outside some of the principle centres, is very thinly populated, and has poor accommodations for travelling, and high-priced, so that much time, money, and patience are required to have personal contact with a few people.

While the Sabbath School membership is between three and four hundred, the schools are for the greater part family schools, consisting of from three to ten members. These are conducted in four languages—Spanish, French, German, and English.

Although there are fewer of the latter nationality than of the other three, still there is a sprinkling of them all through these republics. We often receive addresses of English people in different parts who have some interest in our literature, and to whom we would gladly introduce our papers by sending sample copies. We also have many addresses of people in the Falkland Islands to which we would like to send reading matter. These have already shown some interest by buying books from Brother Nowlan years ago. It seems doubly advantageous to help the people in this way on account of the difficulties afore-mentioned in having frequent personal contact with them.

Here in Buenos Aires there is a British Hospital which one of the workers visits each week, supplying the inmates with back-numbers of our papers.

A new Sailor's Home has lately been erected for the benefit of British seamen, who on landing here are often made the dupes of designing men. Being frequenters of the public houses, a favourite way of robbing them is to give them drugged drinks, and improve the succeeding stupor by relieving them of their earnings. Upon recovery, justice is hard to secure by friendless strangers who are dumb as far as the official language is concerned.

The "Sailor's Home" provides these friendless seamen with comfortable and economical lodgings, reading-room, and religious service, so it is really a great blessing to the community. Here there is also opportunity for distributing our good *Present Truth* if we only had them to distribute.

The Office here receives a small club, but every number is used in supplying subscribers, and I have been thinking of late that perhaps some of our brethren and sisters in England would be glad to help us in this respect by sending us unsoiled numbers which they may have on hand.

In the United States this kind of charity has long been carried on, but we appeal to you primarily because it is the *Present Truth* of all our English papers which we desire for work, and secondarily because we feel sure that the wave of missionary enthusiasm started at the last General Conference must have reached you in Great Britain, and in-

creased in your hearts the desire to have a part in sending the Gospel to the "Regions Beyond."

The papers handed out to the sick in the Hospital are eagerly read and looked forward to week by week, and the contents carried away in the hearts of the readers to all parts of the country.

Now if those whose hearts stir them up to do so will send us clean copies of *Present Truth* of any date, postpaid, we shall be deeply grateful, and our power to do good increased thereby.

S. TOWN.

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GLASGOW, SCOTLAND.

I count it a great privilege to have part in the Lord's work in this city. During the short time Brother Armstrong has been labouring here, the work has made splendid progress. The saints are united, and have a mind to work. I have never seen greater willingness to go forth in the Lord's strength to give this message to the world than that evinced by our people here. The truth is making progress in our own hearts, and this of course means an earnest desire to carry the truth to others.

Quite a number of earnest souls are very much interested, whom we are seeking to help as we are able. We hope they will soon be taking their stand for the Lord.

It is a real joy to minister the word to souls who are thirsty and who drink in the truth as readily as these people do. There are quite a number of openings for Bible Study in the homes of the people. The work is in a most healthy condition, and bids fair for spreading with great rapidity.

We also have two open air meetings in different parts of the city. One on Saturday night, and the other on Sunday night after the service in the Hall. These meetings are intensely interesting, and have already yielded fruit. Crowds stand and listen to the Gospel message, as it is told forth by a band of earnest willing workers, who give testimony of the power of the Gospel to save from the present power of sin.

Many who do not come to the Hall look forward to these open air meetings with delight. Last Sunday three men came up and expressed their thanks for the word spoken, and one invited me to visit him at his home.

The Canvassers are doing well out in the country. As well as meeting with good success in the sale of the books they are meeting with some interesting cases of those who desire to know more of the truth. I was out three days last week with *Good Health* and sold fifty each day besides having some very interesting talks with the people. Several have

invited me to visit them again, and I am hoping the way will open to have Bible Studies with them. Four people I sold a July number of *Good Health* to wish me to get them the back numbers for 1902.

I believe Scotland is ripe for the message. We need the right kind of workers to carry the message to the people. There are many difficulties in connection with the work in this country, but we can overcome them all with the word of God. After the Camp-meeting we are planning for a more aggressive work in this city, which we sincerely hope will yield a rich harvest of precious fruit for the Lord.

J. STOKES.

INTERESTING EXPERIENCES.

I CAME to a little place near Wigan on the 30th day of May, and found so many interested ones that I set to work at once giving Bible readings, and I have also been holding cottage meetings in seven different places. The attendance varies from seven to eighteen, and the interest is excellent. Many who are convinced of the truth, have not yet decided to obey, but we keep on praying for them.

One young lady has definitely decided to keep all the commandments of God, and she will be at the camp-meeting, God willing. Another, a young man, aged twenty-six, a soldier on furlough from Malta, has been keeping the Sabbath for three weeks. He is a bright, earnest young Christian, and rejoices over every ray of light which is brought to his attention. He has not been spoiled by false doctrines, only having been converted about a year ago, and so it is like pouring new wine into a new bottle. He has found the Saviour himself, and so he is anxious about his relatives.

A fortnight ago he gave me an invitation to conduct a cottage meeting in the home of his mother, who is a widow. When I went to hold the meeting, they gave me a good hearing, the mother, especially, being moved almost to tears. She has sent me an invitation to hold another meeting at her house. I pray the Lord to give me words to utter that will reach their hearts, and cause them to turn from Satan to God.

I told this young brother of the camp meeting, and he expects to attend it. When I mentioned the canvassing work to him, and that it would be a much better work than serving King Edward VII, he was delighted at the prospect of serving King Jesus, and is going to try to get his mother to buy him out of the army. I think I can promise to bring at least three recruits to the canvassing work when I come to the camp-meeting.

J. GILLATT.

A FEW SUGGESTIONS TO GOOD HEALTH WORKERS.

DR. KELLOGG'S excellent article on appendicitis is a very taking feature of the August number, and one which may well receive special mention in introducing it at the door. No other magazine has thus far taken up this matter fully.

The only satisfactory work is systematic. Take a certain territory, and visit every house once a month. One of the members of the North London church has been working one short street for some time. He is making friends among the people, and his work is growing more pleasant all the time.

Don't be surprised to meet with a little opposition and with a great deal of indifference. The truth was never known to be popular. However, it is best to approach every one in the spirit of kindness. Take time for prayerful preparation. If you go forth with the burden of souls on your heart, your efforts will be fruitful. You will have the joy of knowing that you are doing something to relieve suffering humanity, and prepare the way for the glorious appearing of the Saviour.

BROTHER LOUIS PASSEBOIS, who is conducting the health home in Cairo, Egypt, writes encouragingly of the work there. He orders a club of twenty-five *Good Healths* monthly, and hopes to be able to increase it shortly. He says:

"We began nine months ago to conduct a vegetarian Health Home, where we gave meals and some treatments. Having no doctor with us, and but very limited facilities, we have not been able to do as much as we would like, but the enterprise has been very successful financially from the beginning, and we are grateful to the Lord for the way in which He has blessed us. My time being nearly all taken up by the Bible work, I am not able to attend to the Home as I would like, and we are hoping for another brother to come and take charge of this part of the work.

"At present we are holding meetings every night, which are well attended. Our native minister will be here in a few days, and we are hoping to see some fruit as a result of the effort.

Our last quarterly report is as follows:

Meals served: Paid for, 3,004; free 203.

Treatments: - 95; - 75.

Public meetings held, 104.

The receipts have amounted to something over £100, besides about £30 worth of health foods sold.

"We feel sure that the health work will make progress in this country, when we can give it proper attention."

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IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT.

WE are very glad to say that Elder A. G. Daniels, President of the S. D. A. General Conference, has postponed his return to America till after our General Meeting at Leeds August 1-10, in order that he may be present with us. Also Elder L. E. Conradi, President of the European General Conference, and Brother E. R. Palmer, the General Canvassing Agent will be with us. The attendance of these brethren will add much to the interest of the meeting.

THE address of the camp ground is as follows:—The "Gospel Tent," Corner of Harehills Road and Roundhay Road, Leeds. The best way to reach the camp on arrival at Leeds is to enquire for a car running to Harehills and Roundhay Roads. The camp is located at the end of the penny tram terminus. To get the benefit of the penny station, the tram must be taken at the corner of Briggate and Harehills Lanes. All the railway stations are near together, and are within a few minutes walk of Harehills and Boar Lanes. There is a car running past all the stations marked, "Roundhay Road," which runs direct to the camp ground for twopence.

THE number of *Present Truth* bearing date of August 7, which is the one for circulation during camp-meeting, will be found not only attractive and interesting, but laden with precious and important present truth for the people. A timely question gave opportunity for an extensive consideration of the subject of the second coming of Christ, and what it means to Christians. Other phases of truth are also dealt with. Many workers will be away from their regular field of labour that week; but we believe that Leeds will prove to be a field sufficiently large for all to dispose of their usual number of papers. If all our people grasped the fact that in circulating the *Present Truth* they are carrying Gospel sermons to more people than the average preacher ordinarily reaches, we know that still greater zeal would be manifested than ever before. Let us not allow the circulation of *Present Truth* to diminish, but rather let us make it increase.

SPECIAL attention is called to the letter from Sister Town on another page, and to the request which she makes for copies of *Present Truth* for distribution among English-speaking people in South America. Notice what she says, that "it is the *Present Truth*, of all our English papers, which we desire for work." Shall not this desire be ganted? Could not a large club be subscribed for and sent each week as missionary work by our people in England? Come to the camp-meeting prepared to do something in this matter; and let those who do not attend send in their liberal donations for this purpose. This is a work that will "pay."

BROTHER G. B. REPLOGLE writes "Yesterday we took orders for twenty-one dozen *Good Health* from newsdealers in Belfast; we will go out again to-day. We hand these orders to the wholesale men who have promised to handle *Good Health*. It is our intention to visit every dealer in Belfast."

THIS same work should be done in all our large cities. It will be a great help to *Good Health* if those of our friends who are able to do so will call on the newsdealers and get them to give their order, say for thirteen copies. Also secure the name of their wholesale dealer in London, and send this with the order to *Good Health*, 451 Holloway Road. The papers and posters will then be promptly sent through our large wholesale dealers, Messrs. Simkin, Marshall, Hamilton, Kent & Co. The copies thus handled through the newsdealers will not in the least hinder the house to house work, but rather help it along, and it will give character to the paper.

EAST DULWICH.

THE work here is going forward. The interest in our papers *Present Truth* and *Good Health* has been growing steadily. Our young folks are doing well with *Good Health*. Two of them, Leslie Spicer and John Dean both aged nine, sold twenty seven and twenty four respectively, giving up their holiday the week before last to do so. Both of them are of good courage and want to try to do more for the advancement of the kingdom of God and the principles advocated by *Good Health*. I should like to give testimony also to the great benefit that my daughter and I have both derived from giving up tea. We can now go out and canvass a whole day without getting a headache which we could not do before we gave it up. The Lord has blessed us wonderfully in the canvassing work and we are glad we have the privilege of taking part in giving this glorious message to the people.

MRS. ROSA SPICER.