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The Coronation of the King and Queen.

THE great event approaches which will have focussed upon it the attention of the world. Already all eyes are turned towards London. Thousands upon thousands of people from every quarter of the globe are converging upon the Empire's metropolis. Next week, with gorgeous pageantry and stately ceremonial, the coronation of King George VI. and Queen Elizabeth will take place in Westminster Abbey. Millions of loyal subjects in all parts of the Empire, the inhabitants also of twelve European nations, as well as North and South America and other parts of the world, will hear the broadcasted account of the ceremonial, and eagerly listen to the Empire's homage and the voice of His Majesty the King.

All classes of society unite in expressing their feeling of loyalty and devotion to their sovereign. Christians join with others in this, and add the fervor of religious devotion and heartfelt prayer when they say, "God save the King." King George in his own person represents the Empire which we love and symbolises its unity. Love of country, loyalty, devotion to a worthy leader, are good things. We sometimes fear lest even earnest men, carried away by their zealous feelings, belittle the good elements in patriotism. Certainly, as Edith Cavell said, "Patriotism is not enough"; and we have had forced upon our notice such a spirit of nationalism as revolts us. But love of country is not incompatible with regard for other peoples or a desire for their welfare. We do not think that there is anything depreciatory to other folk in the truthful statement that we rejoice in British birth and Australian freedom. We had rather belong to the Empire than to any other country. Without either boasting or closing our eyes to failures and weaknesses, we can thank God for what the Empire has done and for the measure of blessing vouchsafed to it.

As Christians, we must heed the sacred injunction of Scripture: "Fear God, Honor the King." We are enjoined that "supplications, prayers, intercessions, thanks-

givings, be made for all men; for kings and all those in high place." We sometimes wish that all believers would give greater heed to such words, and also would harbor the appropriate thought that, if God's apostles could use such language of the kings of their time, we can do so all the more gladly and wholeheartedly of such a monarch as we now acclaim.

It is almost inevitable that we remember that while for over a year we have looked forward to the coronation, it was expected that another would wear the crown. The tragic days of five months ago are fresh in memory, and we cannot but be led to think of him who made the great refusal. We are deeply grateful to God for the grace given to our leaders to meet the crisis as they did, and thankful that with every passing week the throne and empire seem more securely established. When we think of what was contemplated but happily not realised, we may in the thankfulness of our hearts the more earnestly welcome the coronation of Queen Elizabeth, and pray that the home life of their majesties may

be greatly blessed and continue as an example to the nation.

The extending by the King of personal invitations to four persons to represent the thousands of men and women, the workers of the land, to attend the coronation service in Westminster Abbey has given great satisfaction. The kindly thought is very pleasurable. One of the happy people is a woman employed by the Glasgow firm which made the golden carpet of "the coronation theatre" of the Abbey; another is a young tin polisher of South Wales; the third is a girl stenographer of Birmingham; and the fourth a pit boy from a colliery near Chesterfield. It is well when King and humblest subjects are as close to one another as the giving and receiving of such an invitation implies.

When Christians sing John Masfield's verses, they will from the heart make "A prayer for the King's reign."

Mother's Day.

WHAT we call "Mother's Day" is upon us. In most of the churches tribute will be paid to the work of women in the home, and particularly to the incalculable influence of Christian mothers. Mrs. Lyons, the wife of our Prime Minister, has written:—

"There is no beauty in the world like the beauty of a woman's hands. They may be rough and work-worn, with knotted fingers and hardened palms, but if they have performed the work that they were put into the world to do, if they have guided little feet along rough paths to manhood, and led the tripping feet of girlhood into the serenity of gracious womanhood, then they are beautiful with a beauty not of this earth at all. And on 'Mother's Day' we think a little on these things, and the world."

We think it will be well if in the addresses of Mother's Day there be a double appeal—to the people to honor their mothers, and to the mothers to use the opportunities and fulfil the responsibilities which are theirs. The value of Christian

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Their Majesties King George VI. and Queen Elizabeth.

A Prayer for the King's Reign.

THE following poem, written by the poet laureate, John Masefield, is included in the official Coronation souvenir programme:—

Oh God, the Ruler over Earth and Sea,
Grant us thy guidance in the reign to be:
Grant, that our King may make this ancient land
A realm of brothers, working mind and hand
To make the life of man a fairer thing:
God, grant this living glory to the King.
Grant, to our Queen, the strength that lifts and
shares
The daily burden that a monarch bears:
Grant, to them both, thy holy help to give
The hopeless, hope, the workless, means to live:
The light to see, and skill to make us see,
Where ways are bad, what better ways may be:
And grace, to give to working minds the zest
To reach excelling things beyond their best:
Grant to them peace, and thy diviner peace,
The joy of making human wars to cease:
Make wise the councils of the men who sway
The Britain here, the Britains far away:
And grant us all, that every rightness willed
In this beginning reign may be fulfilled.

homes may well be stressed. The sanctity of the home is being sadly interfered with to-day. It is not wise to let the addresses of Mother's Day resolve themselves into nothing but glowing eulogies. Sentimentalism can become thin and wishy-washy.

Doubtless the chief enemy of Mother's Day is the spirit of commercialism now associated with it. To say that it is a great pity that business men with an eye to gain should seek to exploit a fine sentiment is an understatement.

For kings, and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty.

For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour;

Who will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth.—1 Tim. 2: 1-4.

Prayer Corner.

Conducted by G. J. Andrews.

"I WILL PRAY THE FATHER!"

O GOD, thou King eternal, immortal, invisible and only wise God our Saviour, we would render unto thee our heart's devotion and seek thy guidance that we may render unto our national Sovereign his due. Not forgetting thy counsel to

HONOR THE KING!

we take loving thought of his life and person, his home, his Queen companion, his ministers, his manifold responsibilities and innumerable trials. We recognise that in his majestic office he is an emblem and agent of thy will for the order and harmony of mankind. We give him

place in our prayers, that he may have available continually all the resources of wisdom and power which thy grace can bestow.

O Lord, may the coronation of their most gracious majesties, King George VI. and Queen Elizabeth, be attended by thy bounteous blessing. May their reign be instrumental in hastening the day when the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea. Amen.

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I exhort therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men;

A CORONATION SCENE.

At the coronation of Queen Victoria, those in charge arranged for the stately service to close with Handel's oratorio "The Messiah." They told the young queen that she was to remain seated, but that the clergy, the nobles and the commons would stand. When the "Hallelujah Chorus" started, the queen was visibly affected. When the great choir sang: "And He shall Reign for Ever and Ever," the tears were seen to trickle down her cheeks, and when the great line stormed through the Abbey: "King of Kings and Lord of Lords," she lifted the crown from her head and rising to her feet, stood weeping in the presence of him who was not only her King but her Redeemer.—J. I. Vance.

"Behold Thy Mother."

G. J. Andrews.

I.

WHILE travelling in a fast express train, some time ago, we became interested in a man who was evidently on the lookout for friends when the train should dash by some point. We reflected that he would have time for only one quick remark and became curious as to what his uppermost thought might be. The moment arrived, and as the express flashed by the man shouted, "How's mother?" A loving solicitude for mother's wellbeing is a vital mark of character. As a learned judge once remarked concerning a prisoner:

"For one on the ocean of crime long tossed,
Who loves his mother is not quite lost."

Mother's Day.

has come to have a regular place in the calendar of the soul. In the time of Queen Elizabeth of old, the lovely custom of "a-mothering" prevailed; families re-united on one Sunday in the year, the children bringing their bunches of violets and the mother making her Simnel cake. Our modern arrangement in all English-speaking countries of keeping the second Sunday in May in honor of mother grew out of the act and organisation of Miss Anna Jarvis, of Philadelphia, who, on the anniversary of her mother's death, placed a bunch of white flowers on the communion table.

The true emblem of the day is the white carnation, chosen because it seemed to represent some of the virtues of motherhood. Its whiteness symbolising purity, its fragrance and extensive growth suggesting love, endurance and fidelity. But the real spirit of mother's day was inaugurated by Jesus, when he honored his mother who stood by the cross, and addressed to his beloved disciple the memorable words, "Behold thy mother!" This special day is designed to foster reverence for the glory of motherhood, to renew gratitude to one's own mother and to remind us that motherhood is the earthly counterpart of the tenderness of God.

II.

"In the grammar of experience," says S. D. Gordon, "the

Superlative Degree of Woman

is mother!" Motherhood is among the real wonders of the world. It is some strange, sacramental co-operation with the Creator:

"I could not at the first be born,
But by another's bitter, wailing pain;
And love, only to gain what I might be
Must wet her couch forlorn
With tears of blood and sweat of agony."

Consequently every mother thinks of her child as "a bit of me."

To a marvellous extent a man is what his mother makes him, and the work of building up the lives of little children, surrounding them with the right influences and preparing them for life, is surely greater than that of erecting any material structure. The mother of Byron, we are informed, would throw the poker at him and taunt him with being a cripple, and in ignoble manhood he wrote:

"Untaught in youth my heart to tame,
My springs of life were poisoned."

Charles Kingsley's mother, on the other hand, believed that all the impressions made on her own mind before the birth of her child, by the romantic surroundings of her Devonshire home, would be transmitted to him, and in this faith surrendered herself to the enjoyment of every sight and sound which she hoped would be dear to her child in after years. Kingsley believed that her hopes were realised. "Give me a generation of Christian mothers," said Lord Shaftesbury, "and I will undertake to change the face of English society in twelve months."

It takes a mother to make the grandest of all human institutions; men build houses, but mothers make homes, and

"Nobody knows of the work it takes
To keep the home together,
Nobody knows of the steps it takes,
Nobody knows but mother."

Since the new-born Son of God nestled at the breast of his pure mother at Bethlehem, the sacred mysteries of womanhood and motherhood have been forever glorified; and surely there is rekindled in our hearts to-day such fires of glowing reverence as will burn up entirely every thought of profanity.

III.

One of the loveliest tributes ever paid to a mother is that by Sir James Barrie in his book, "Margaret Ogilvie." It has been truly said that one lays it down after reading with the thought, "My mother!" Yet, better known to us all are our

Bible Idylls of Motherhood.

with their power to provoke depth of feeling and intensity of thought regarding one's own mother. Hagar in the wilderness finds a spring for Ishmael; Moses' mother under the shadow of death plans and works for the life of her son. Hannah gives Samuel his bias for righteousness; King Lemuel's mother commends to him the very noblest ideals of womanhood. Rizpah watches to the terrible end, even

when her sons are suspended from gibbets, reminding us of the words:

"If I were hanged on the highest hill
Mother o' mine, Mother o' mine,
I know whose love would follow me still,
Mother o' mine, Mother o' mine."

And Mary, the mother of Jesus, who kept so many things and pondered them in her heart, still speaks to us of one whose heart is the golden treasury of our own forgotten childhood.

Jan Maclaren says that we sin against our dearest and best, "not because we do not love, but because we do not imagine." But it is just here that God's Word both challenges and guides us with mother-portraits and the repeated command: "Honor thy father and thy mother!" "Behold thy mother!"

IV.

The Jews have a saying that God could not be everywhere, so he gave us our mothers. Yet surely this may be amended, God has taught us that his

Love Surrounds Us

everywhere because he gave us mothers. Leslie D. Weatherhead, picturing part of a minister's work, has this story. "Can you see a darkened room in a hushed house wherein is scarce a voice that is quite steady? In one corner can you see an old, white-haired woman, sitting in a low chair, her face half hidden by her hand? Her other hand is on the shoulder of a younger woman, little more than a girl, who is sitting at her feet. There is a fire in the grate. It flickers up now and then, fitfully, as if half afraid of asserting itself too merrily in that house of sorrow. Yet, when it does, it lights up the white hair of the one and the pale gold of the other. The younger had only been married three months, and then death stalked her young, brave husband through pneumonia and brought him down at last. It was the day after the funeral. Suddenly the younger woman turns almost ferociously on me, standing behind them both. 'Where is God?' she demands. 'I've prayed to him. I've asked him to come and be near me in my sorrow. Where is he? Away somewhere above the sky, or something! Why doesn't he come near me and make me know he is near? You preached once on the "Everlasting Arms." Where are they now? When the tears and storm were over I felt the only thing I could do was this. I drew my finger-tips lightly down the older woman's arm. 'They are here,' I said. 'They are round you even now, these are the arms of God. . . . 'Where is he?' you say, 'why doesn't he come near me?' . . . Hush, I pray you! What if this friend happens to be God?"

"In all the burdens, day by day,
His loving hand does e'er uphold;
He goes before, marks out the way,
Sustains with grace and strength untold."

Nehushtan.

A. M. Ludbrook.

MOST readers will recollect the circumstances under which "the serpent in the wilderness" was fashioned and set up, so these need not now be recounted. It appears that Israel had preserved that reptilian image, doubtless esteeming it as a memento of God's mercy. There was probably no sin in that, no harm so far. Many a family has hoarded up some trifle—whether a garment, or a portrait, or a ring—something that awakens memories of a loved one passed away. No harm in that. But in course of time Israel came to regard this relic with superstitious awe, with idolatrous reverence. They even "burned incense to it," according to divine honors. In this they grievously transgressed. As long as they regarded the brazen serpent as merely a memorial of God's mercy no wrong was done. But when they began to render to it honor belonging to Jehovah alone, it became sin.

Then, at long last, up rose Hezekiah, king of Judah, in a flame of zeal for Jehovah. "He removed the high places, and broke the images, and cut down the groves, and brake in pieces the brazen serpent that Moses had made; for unto those days the children of Israel did burn incense unto it; and he called it Nehushtan" (2 Kings 18: 4). How history repeats itself! The golden calf that Aaron and Israel had made in defiance of God, Moses in righteous anger burnt and ground to powder, and to further shame the people strewed it upon the water and made them drink of it. The brazen serpent that Moses had made in obedience to God, but which the people had turned to an idolatrous use, Hezekiah in pious wrath broke in pieces, and to further shame Israel called it contemptuously Nehushtan—a piece of brass!

This incident at once suggests

The Danger of Going Beyond the Divine Commands in Religious Duty.

God had directed that the brazen serpent should be made, and be set up, and be looked upon, by the bitten Israelites, but not that it should be preserved—at least, we have no record that he had, and we must respect the silence of Scripture. Other memorials had been treasured up—the pot of manna, Aaron's rod that budded, and the tables of stone; but these were kept by divine appointment, and so served only good. Not so the brazen serpent. Being preserved, without divine direction, after it had served its purpose, it became to Israel a stone of stumbling and an occasion of sin. The Israelites were materialists. Like the heathen around, they wanted something to worship that they could see and handle, so "they feared the Lord and served other gods."

And in Christendom to-day the same spirit is manifest in the religious veneration, and more, of images and relics. Some readers will remember that many years ago there was a great stir made about "the Holy Coat of Treves," said to be that worn by Jesus. Thousands of silly people paid for a sight of it, for the sake of the blessing it was supposed to impart. There are at least 16 "Holy Coats," but that fact seems to make no difference to the dupes of popery. The church of St. Ambrose, at Milan, has boasted for centuries of possessing the brazen serpent that Moses set up. How the priests reconcile the claim with the Biblical account "deponent sayeth not."

The tendency of fallen human nature is ever towards the sensuous rather than towards the spiritual, towards pomp and show and splendid ceremonial rather than towards pure

heart service. We need to beware "lest our minds be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ." In all matters of religion it is safe and right to keep close to the Word of God, dangerous to go beyond. Let us hold fast by the motto of the pioneers of the Restoration Movement—"Where the Scriptures speak we speak; where the Scriptures are silent we are silent." Where we find no authority in the New Testament for a certain religious practice let us repudiate it, especially when it is made a substitute for what the Lord has appointed. The story of the brazen serpent plainly shows how

Even Divinely Ordained Forms may be Abused.

I suppose there is no appointment of God that cannot be abused. Anything the Almighty

A Mother's Prayer.

I TUCK them in their beds at night
And pray, dear Lord, 'till dawn's first light
Five souls you'll keep.

To Anne, an understanding heart, please give
So that with thee all time she'll live
In peace.

Let Sally keep her gift of love;
But oh! I pray, send from above
More patience.

And Barbara, teach to laugh and play,
To do her tasks set for each day,
To trust in thee.

For little Bill, take thou his hand
And lead him over sea and land
To spread the light.

Keep Henry ever in thy sight,
Protect him from this world's dark night,
Reveal thyself to him.

Dear Lord, hear thou this prayer of mine,
The smallest word in every line,
So when to earth you come again
You'll find no fear in them—Amen.

—Mary Little Rudisill.

has given, in nature as well as in grace, may be perverted—as, for instance, when wholesome fruit and grain are destroyed in making unwholesome and death-dealing drink. The serpent of brass was specially appointed of God to be a medium of divine healing to the bitten Israelites. But later on the people perverted it to idolatrous uses, to the dishonoring of God and to their own shame.

So now with church ordinances. Take baptism. The New Testament teaches that believers are its proper subjects and always joins it to personal faith in Christ. But the religious world very largely takes also the unconscious babe and ostensibly administers the ordinance to it. Possibly the frequent reference to this observance as "christening" betrays a sense of the doubtfulness and unfitness of the ceremony, and even christening has come to mean to many little more than naming (hence the use of the word in naming ships, etc.). What a degradation of a Christ-given ordinance!

Hence also the doctrine of "baptismal regeneration," implied in the well-known refer-

ence—"wherein I (an infant) was made a member of Christ's church, a child of God," etc. Then there is the other extreme. "Oh, there's nothing in baptism—but water!" Well in the same sense there was nothing in the uplifted serpent—but brass. But the look of faith there—was God's order to the healing of the people. So likewise the manifestation of faith in Christ in baptism is the divine appointment to the healing of the sin-sick soul, through God's mercy and the merits of Christ.

Take, too, the simple ordinance of "the breaking of the bread." It has been perverted by many into a sacrifice, termed "the sacrifice of the mass." The table has become an altar, the priest a sacrificing priest. The bread and wine, it is claimed, are changed into the very body and blood of Christ. The wafer becomes a god, incense is burned, and at what is called "the elevation of the host" the people bow and worship. At the other extreme, the Quakers and the Salvation Army practically say of the Lord's supper as they do of baptism, and as anti-scripturally, "Oh, there's nothing in it!" Dear readers, let us give the ordinances just the meaning and just the place God has given them in his Word. Then will they prove channels of blessing to our souls.

Then, too, this perversion of the wilderness appointment is suggestive of

The Dangerous Tendency of Contact with the World.

Israel when in Egypt used to witness the worship of the calf and the serpent, and such like, and they seemed to have caught the idolatrous infection. It lay dormant for a while, as many infections do, but broke out later with fatal results. Again, not satisfied with Jehovah as their King, they wanted to have one in person to lead them in battle, "like the nations around." God warned them of the trouble a worldly kingship would bring upon them, but let them have their way. And trouble enough came!

We find another striking instance of perilous friendship with the world in the fact of Solomon's heathen wives leading him and his people away from the true worship. Again we remark, "How history repeats itself!" It was when Christianity came under the official patronage of Constantine—emperor of heathen Rome, though professedly a Christian himself—and was made the state religion; it was then that worldliness and corruption came into the church like a flood. Hence it is that the religion of present-day Christendom contains an appreciable admixture of paganism as well as of Judaism in its ceremonies and customs. And the grand old Gospel is often so wrapped up in the rags of superstition, priestcraft and worldliness, as to be almost smothered therein.

Hezekiah did well to seek to exterminate idolatry in Judah. The spirit of will-worship had eaten like a cancer into the heart of the nation. He did his best to root it out. Oh, for Hezekiahs to-day, when there is so much of materialism and of human tradition in the professing church, and when the simple ordinances of the Lord are supplemented and supplanted by man-invented ceremonies! Let us be jealous for the honor of God and of his Word. Apostasy, like the twilight, is gradual. In the church and in our lives let us be ever on our guard against it!

"GREAT is the facile conqueror,
Yet haply he, who wounded sore,
Breathless, unhorsed, all covered o'er
With blood and sweat,
Sinks foiled, but fighting evermore,
Is greater yet."

Wonderful India.

Among the Workers at Baramati.

Jas. E. Thomas.

TRAVELLING by a little train that runs between Dhond and Baramati we had opportunity of seeing the manner of life in a third-class carriage. People bring their beds, water-bottles, food and quite an army of children, and they seem to talk all the time. We were the only people who spoke English, and we wished we could talk to our fellow-passengers. We passed through the village of Shursuphal, where we have a preacher and teacher, and a little school. This work is partly supported by the conference of our Indian churches, and is a very worthy effort to further the work of the Lord.

We came toward evening to Baramati, which is really the centre of our work. It is a village of about 15,000. It has its own electric power house, a fine Hindu high school, a Government hospital, and a spinning mill. We were met by all our workers and a happy band of folk from our church here. An inspiring sight greeted us as we marched through a guard of honor consisting of 300 scholars and 20 teachers of our school. The Boy Scouts had their sticks crossed, and we marched under them. The Girl Guides sang in English, "A welcome to you," while the Scouts and Cubs gave their lusty yell. In the evening there were fully 250 people in the fine chapel to give us a royal welcome. We were garlanded in splendid fashion, and the preachers led the people in the words of welcome. A very beautiful word was given in English by Mrs. Kolhatker, who represented the women of the church. We did not understand all that was said, but we knew it was a welcome to us and greetings to our Australian brotherhood. Mr. Gaikwad translated our replies.

The great purpose of our visit was the marriage of our dear son, Colin, to Miss Jean Dare, who accompanied us. This happy event was celebrated at 8.30 next morning, Feb. 17. The building was full. It was my privilege to conduct the service, Dr. Oldfield assisting in the legal portion of the ceremony. Mr. Escott gave the bride away. Mr. Bolduan was best man, Miss Lambert bridesmaid, and little Rona Bolduan was flower girl. It was a memorable event, and we were glad to have been present. The couple have not only dedicated their lives to each other, but to the service of God in India. We pray that they may have long years of happy service together in the Master's vineyard. Messrs. Davidson and Billing, of the Poona and India Village Mission, and all our missionaries on the field, were guests. All the village joined in greetings.

How can we describe the work as we saw it? When we remember that twenty years ago there were no open doors and none to greet our missionaries with a welcome, and now we have a school of 300, a Sunday school with graded departments of over 300 scholars, the Blake Memorial Boys' Home with 68 boys in residence, a fine work in the Industrial Settlement with classes conducted by our missionaries regularly, as well as seven classes meeting regularly in the village, we see what is being done. Then we have a dispensary in which there is a baby health centre, treating about 30 cases daily; a school of 30 scholars meeting in the old dispensary room, consisting of poor children, gathered by Miss Foreman; Bible classes for adults that are a blessing to the women who gather. It gave us joy to see all this. Sometimes people ask as to the value of other work beside the preaching of the

gospel. After a careful analysis we feel more than ever that all that is being done is definitely evangelistic work, and all is helping to this end. The various departments each contribute to the one purpose of winning people for Christ.

The Industrial Settlement consists of those who belong to what was looked on as a criminal tribe. Mr. H. H. Strutton, at the request of the Government, commenced this work, and it has been magnificently continued by Mr. Roy Coventry. We saw everywhere the signs of the foresight and statesmanlike work of this beloved worker. He has planned for the future. There is a fine school that serves the settlement and the village as well as the boys in the home. In this school, built under the supervision of Mr. Coventry, more than 300 boys and girls are taught each day. The master, Mr. P. B. Dethle, is a fine Christian who has been in this work for 15 years. He is treasurer of the Baramati church. There are 20 teachers, 19 of whom were brought up in our boys' home. They are a fine lot of trained Christian men, and all do voluntary preaching in the bazaar and villages around. Most of the scholars come from Hindu homes, and it is impossible to estimate the value of the Christian teaching given in this school.

We were at the opening half-hour one morning. It was a revelation to hear the singing and to see one of the teachers leading the devotions. This happens each morning at 8 o'clock, and the teachers lead in turns. They take the lessons of the Children's Special Service Mission. The lesson was on "The Sower and the Seed," and the teacher showed that wheat grows from wheat and nothing grows different to its seed. If we steal or tell untruths at school, we will grow up that kind of man. Miss Vawser, who is doing a fine work in our schools and is taking Mr. Coventry's place here in his absence, was my guide and interpreter in this department.

The kindergarten department, led by a fine woman, Mumtazal Lokande, assisted by Sundarabai Dethle, wife of the master, gave us a splendid programme. Twenty of them said scripture passages, while their exercises showed careful training. They gave items manifesting their powers of imitation as they demonstrated the work of the farmer, the life of various tradesmen, or the actions of the birds.

All the classes have scripture instruction, and all seemed to be conducted in a most orderly and capable manner. The higher classes learn agricultural chemistry, and those things that will enable them to become intelligent farmers should they desire. We asked a senior class of five boys, averaging about 14 years, what they wished to be. Their answers were: a teacher, a bailiff, an artist, a farmer, a dispenser. There are technical classes teaching weaving, ropemaking, carpentry, blacksmithing and drawing. It was interesting to learn that most boys are taught to sew. They should make useful husbands!

There is a beautiful little prayer-room in the midst of the compound, erected to the memory of Mr. Mackenzie, of Castlemaine. It is a place of quiet and rest, surrounded by a lovely little garden, to which all may go for private prayer.

The bungalow in the settlement as well as the trees planted elsewhere show the love of flowers manifested by Mr. Coventry, and reflected in the school children, as they have

celebrated Arbor Day each year. The gardens about the Ann Symmonds and Magarey Bungalows are as well a credit to the missionaries who care for them.

There is an excellent water supply at Baramati. They have good wells, and an irrigation channel passes through the compound.

The Sunday school is another encouraging part of the work. Most of the day scholars attend this school. From the kindergarten to the Bible class it is admirably conducted. We were interested to find the senior boys' classes studying "First Principles," by A. R. Main, M.A. They were having a lesson on the worship and work of the church. In one class 9 out of 13 were Christians. Incidentally, we were glad to learn that this book is a text book in other training schools beside our own in India.

The Blake Memorial Boys' Home is not only for orphans, but for those who come from other villages to attend school or those who may have lost father or mother. It has been a wonderful asset to our work. It is splendidly cared for by Mr. and Mrs. Reg. Bolduan, who live opposite the gate. Little Ray finds his companions among the small boys of the home. We were entertained at dinner one evening by the boys. Salabai Satralkar, who has been over 15 years the house-mother, prepared a special meal. The curry was so hot that it almost brought tears to our eyes, but we enjoyed our repast and made up with a special dispensation of rice. There is a fine housemaster, and it is a most creditable institution. We attended the Christian Endeavor meeting, to which leads from the village also come. It was admirably conducted. Sixty were present. One presided; another gave a talk on "Divine Strength"—the topic for the night. Three led in prayer. The singing was hearty. My talk was interpreted by Mr. Bolduan. Though we heard a strange language, we felt the presence of Christ.

There is a fine work in the dispensary, though the larger medical work is at Dhond. There is a Government hospital here, and Dr. Kolhatker, formerly with us, also has a dispensary near-by in which he does a fine work. He and his wife are members of the church here.

The work done by Miss Caldwell is of great value in the care of children as well as caring for the sick that come each morning. It was in the little room of this dispensary that the pail of Bori was nursed back to life and then learned the way of Christ. He has been a valiant witness for the Lord Jesus, and only about two months since passed away. Peruram, one of our older preachers, was a Hindu who was first led to Christ through medical help and then faithful teaching. The medical work, boys' work and school work are each invaluable in the leading of people to Christ.

It was a great experience to wander through the bazaar or market and to be at the preaching service conducted by our preachers. Mr. Bolduan superintends this fine work. We saw the value of teaching people to read here in this service. As we could not preach we purchased 12 Gospels to give to any who would accept them. We found response, but there were so few who could read that it was difficult to find response. Dr. Laubach, a missionary from the Philippines, is visiting many countries on behalf of the National Missionary Council, introducing a simple system of teaching people to read. He rightly says until you teach the people to read you cannot get them to read the Gospels.

A very interesting institution is the bhajan, pronounced badgen, which is really a sing song conducted in the homes of the people. The young men go with their musical instruments of strange variety and sing the hymns of praise and gospel songs. They came two or three

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The Home Circle.

Conducted by J. C. F. PITTMAN.

NOBODY KNOWS BUT MOTHER.

HOW many buttons are missing to-day?
 Nobody knows but mother.
 How many playthings are strewn in her way?
 Nobody knows but mother.
 How many thimbles and spoons has she missed?
 How many burns on each fat little fist?
 How many bumps to be cuddled and kissed?
 Nobody knows but mother.
 How many muddy shoes all in a row?
 Nobody knows but mother.
 How many stockings to darn, do you know?
 Nobody knows but mother.
 How many little torn aprons to mend?
 How many hours of toil must she spend?
 What is the time when her day's work shall end?
 Nobody knows but mother.
 How many cares does a mother-heart know?
 Nobody knows but mother.
 How many joys from her mother-love flow?
 Nobody knows but mother.
 How many prayers by each little white bed?
 How many tears for her babes has she shed?
 How many kisses for each curly head?
 Nobody knows but mother.

—Selected.

MOTHER, HOME, COUNTRY!

THE second Sunday in May is set aside as Mother's Day. The wearing of a white flower, as an emblem of respect for womanhood on this one day in the year, originated in America. It is understood that Miss Anna Jarvis, of Philadelphia, launched the first Mother's Day campaign. An instantaneous success in America, the idea grew, snowball fashion, until Mother's Day observance is world-wide.

The spirit of Miss Jarvis' idea could not but appeal to Australians, and since 1911, the second Sunday in May has been a day when, by the wearing of a white flower, the sentiment of home, mother, and country have been honored.

The original symbol used in America was a white carnation; seasonal differences in other countries made the acceptance of white flowers of any kind a necessity. In America nowadays buttons are used instead of flowers. This was forced upon those responsible for the observance of the day by the cornering of the carnation market by ambitious citizens of some of the big United States cities.—Selected.

MOTHER LOVE.

MY baby boy was crying to be nursed. As I picked him up my thoughts went to the mother two flats above whose little two-year-old boy, a few hours before, had been taken away suffering from diphtheria. The thought of diphtheria recalled to my mind the late Princess Alice. Do you remember the story of her tragic fate?

The little daughter of the Princess lay dying from diphtheria. She cried to her mother to kiss her. Here was a tragic situation for a mother. To kiss the child she knew meant almost certain infection. On the other hand, there was a long vista of the years and the saddening thought maybe that her child had died without the granting of a last wish.

Princess Alice took the risk, kissed her child, and in so doing caught the complaint which killed her. I have heard someone say before now that she was foolish. Regarded from one standpoint perhaps she was, knowing the dread-

ful risk. On the other hand, I think it probable that had she denied the child's request, those who now account her foolish would have been among the first to have said, "Well; if she had been my child, I think I should have risked it."

You cannot place any bounds to a mother's love.—Sydney T. Checkland.

THE BEGINNING OF WORDS.

WOMEN often talk these days of the fashionable "silhouette" figure. How many of them, I wonder, know that the word is derived from the name of a former French Minister, Etienne de Silhouette? This worthy's excessive economy was such that his name became a synonym for everything cheap, and consequently so spare and scanty that it was merely a shadow without any substance.

But this is only one of the surprising tricks that we have played with names. Mr. Thomas Bowdler, when his expurgated edition of Shakespeare appeared in 1818, never imagined that the word "bowdlerised" would be applied to every book or play that has been pruned for the young and innocent.

"Boycotting" comes from poor Capt. Boycott, who was so hated during the Penian riots that he could neither buy nor sell anything he needed or had. To "burke," meaning to shelve or frustrate somebody or something, dates back to the execution of the multi-murderer, William Burke, and his accomplice Hare, who smothered so many victims. And "lynch law" is derived from Charles Lynch, a Virginian patriot in the Revolutionary War who died in 1786, and was noted for summary justice.

In these horseless days the "brougham" is occasionally seen, but young folk may not know it is to Lord Henry Brougham, at one time Lord Chancellor, who died in 1868, that we owe the introduction of that once very fashionable carriage. The hansom was the invention of a Mr. S. T. Hansom.

"Peeler," from Sir Robert Peel, who organised the police, is quite familiar, but few women who call a hat "chic" are aware that it is to M. Chic, a celebrated French designer, that the adjective is due.—Selected.

"WISHING."

DO you wish the world were wiser?
 Then suppose you make a start
 By accumulating wisdom
 In the scrapbook of your heart.
 Do not waste one page of folly;
 Live to learn, and learn to live.
 If you want to give men wisdom
 You must get it ere you give."

AN EXTRA STROKE.

Two gentlemen, a Jew and a Scotchman, were having a friendly game of golf. The game proceeded. They were off the 19th hole and up 100 strokes apiece.

The Jewish gentleman got so excited that it made him have a paralytic stroke.
 And the Scotchman made him count it.

THE DISEASE.

Two girls were quarrelling. "Oh," said one, "you've got a chauffeur's tongue!"
 "What?" cried the other girl, scared. "Is it catching? How does one get it?"
 "Oh," said the other, pointedly, "through constantly running people down!"

The Family Altar.

J.C.F.P.

TOPIC.—THE NAME ABOVE EVERY OTHER NAME.

Monday, May 10.

HOLY and reverend is his name.—*Psalm 111: 9.*
 And only his. No wonder even the angels cover their faces in his presence, for he is infinitely holy, and therefore reverend. None of his creatures are like unto him in holiness, hence none can honestly claim to be reverend. It would be a great stepping-stone to Christian union if all ministers of the gospel would refuse to allow themselves to be called by a title which belongs to God alone.

Reading—*Psalm 111.*

Tuesday, May 11.

Hallowed be thy name.—*Matt. 6: 9.*
 Three stages of spiritual development are indicated by this ascription and the following petitions. First we acknowledge and revere God's name, then we advance to the recognition of his divine authority; and lastly we know him as our heavenly Father, and, as obedient children, seek to do his will.

Reading—*Matthew 6: 5-18.*

Wednesday, May 12.

Repent, and be baptised every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ unto the remission of sins.—*Acts 2: 38.*

The expression "in the name of Jesus Christ" is equivalent to saying "in or into Jesus Christ himself," for the name in this instance, as frequently elsewhere, is used to indicate the person who possesses it. When, therefore, in the baptismal formula, the immerger says, "I baptise you into the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit," the meaning is that the candidate surrenders himself wholly to the Lord and his service.

Reading—*Acts 2: 37-47.*

Thursday, May 13.

He is a chosen vessel unto me, to bear my name before the Gentiles and kings, and the children of Israel.—*Acts 9: 15.*

Here, again, the name means the one possessing it, viz., the Lord Jesus Christ; hence "the name" is a unifying name, recognising no distinctions of race or language. Christ alone is the one great leveller, who deals alike with kings and peasants; Jews and Gentiles; and yet provides for all their every spiritual requirement.

Reading—*Acts 9: 10-19.*

Friday, May 14.

Wherefore also God highly exalted him, and gave unto him the Name which is above every name.—*Phil. 2: 9.*

Greater humiliation and exaltation is inconceivable. Nowhere else is the tremendous contrast so tersely and vividly pictured. Jesus stooped to the lowest and was raised to the highest. Now he stands absolutely alone, far above the highest of earth's creatures in position, titles and dignity.

Reading—*Philippians 2: 1-11.*

Saturday, May 15.

Thou holdest fast my name.—*Rev. 2: 13.*
 This is all the more commendable when it is remembered where they dwell. "Where Satan's throne is," says the spirit, as if Satan made his headquarters in their town, and there did most of his hellish work.

Reading—*Revelation 2: 12-17.*

Sunday, May 16.

The disciples were called Christians first in Antioch.—*Acts 11: 26.*

Because they were followers of Christ the disciples were called Christians. Surely the most honorable of all names!

Readings—*Psalms 112, 113: 1-3; Acts 11.*

Joel, the Prophet of Pentecost.

Joel 2: 28-32.

Prayer Meeting Topic for May 12.

H. J. Patterson, M.A.

NEXT Sunday is the anniversary of Pentecost. It was full of significance to the first Christian church, and perhaps ought to be viewed by us as an earnest of what was to follow. I mean not so much the accompaniments as the reality itself—the outpouring of God's Spirit and his abiding place in hearts of men.

Joel the Prophet.

We have referred to him as the prophet of Pentecost. He was prophet of more than that. When he lived we cannot be sure—many think after the exile. That matters little for our purpose. The apostle Peter declared at Pentecost that those happenings were in fulfilment of Joel's prophecy. "This is that which was spoken." But I would have you notice that he did not say, "This is all of that." It may have been the beginning. Pentecost was celebrated at the completion of the corn harvest. Pentecost was the beginning of the harvest of souls, and perhaps a prophecy. Joel's message was for the people of the nation, and needs to be supplemented by the story in Acts, even as his words concerning judgment need to be supplemented by Matthew 25: 31-46.

The Outpouring of the Spirit.

The order of events for Joel seems to be first physical blessing and then God's Spirit. George Adam Smith asks, "Does Joel mean to imply that physical prosperity must precede spiritual fullness?" The answer is that physical blessing is the sign of and seal to man's penitence. First repentance, a recognition of God; then physical blessing and consequent outpouring of the Spirit. If that is so, then the best days for the Christian church will be not days of poverty but days of prosperity following a true repentance. Professor G. A. Smith says that "for Joel's anticipation of the baptism of the Spirit by a return to prosperity, there is an ethical reason and one permanently valid in history." Those who live in "hunger bitten" colonies have not the freedom or leisure or resources enabling them to respond to the full to the Spirit's influence. Jesus found his disciples in the prosperity of Galilee. Paul worked with his own hands, but he was the child of a rich civilisation and citizen of a great empire. The Reformation was preceded by the Renaissance and "drew its forces not from the impoverished populations of Italy and Southern Austria, but from the civic and commercial centres of Germany." One historian observes that "every religious revival in England has happened on a basis of comparative prosperity." "The Puritan movement was essentially and originally one of the middle classes, of the traders in towns and of the farmers in the country." Wesley's revival took place when prices were lower and wages higher.

Is Joel Right?

If the interpretation quoted above is correct then let us, while urging people to repentance, see that the basis of life is not sordid or insecure. Freedom and health are necessary to a revival. The church may be to blame in part for not taking more interest in the physical welfare of men. If Pentecost is yet to be fully realised let us do our best to make the foundations of life secure morally, spiritually and physically. "The promise is to you and your children and to them that are afar." This promise included the Spirit of God.

TOPIC FOR MAY 19.—THE LORD'S PRAYER.—Matthew 6: 9-15.

Our Young People.

Christian Endeavor Interests and Activities.

Conducted by W. W. Saunders.

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN ANNUAL C.E. CONVENTION, MAY 7-12.

THE special centenary gatherings in February were responsible for creating fresh enthusiasm and keen interest in C.E. work, and reports from various centres reveal a definite progressive move, quite a number of fresh societies already affiliating with the union.

The change of dates, owing to the altered holiday arrangements, should not prevent country districts from being worthily represented at the convention. The better weather of May, in fact, should be reflected in increased attendances. An opportunity is presented to all Endeavorers to show their loyalty to the movement and present a very definite witness to the world as to the value of C.E. in their lives, by attending the various sessions and creating interest by giving publicity to the convention.

A meeting of alumni members will be held on May 7, and on May 8 the juniors and intermediates will hold meetings. Mr. E. H. Watson being speaker—at the evening meeting. On Monday, May 10, a citizenship rally will be led by Mr. A. V. Thompson, M.P., and will be addressed by the president of the Council of Churches (Mr. A. C. Stevens). The missionary gathering on May 11 will have as speaker Mr. A. Anderson, late of China. The coronation holiday will be devoted to business, conference and quiet hour sessions during the day. The young people's consecration meeting is being addressed by the incoming president, Mr. J. E. Shipway.—T. B. Bowes, publicity officer.

VICTORIAN CONFERENCE C.E. RALLY.

HELD on Easter Monday night, this rally maintained the high standards of devotion, inspiration and helpfulness set in the past, and was eminently successful. Greetings were brought from the State union by the president, Mr. J. McIlroy. The services rendered to C.E. by the late J. H. McKean were remembered. Testimonies on the topics, "What Christ Means in My Life" and "What C.E. Means in My Life" were given by Miss Scott, of Collingwood, and Mr. Gayther respectively. A Bible dramatisation, "The Magler's Cup," which portrayed Peter's denial of Christ, his repentance, Christ's forgiveness and Peter's great testimony to Christ, was presented by the South Yarra society. Moreland juniors won the shield awarded every four years for attendances and service rendered. Ascot Vale juniors won the new shield, to be competed for over the next four years, and will hold it for twelve months.

Mr. R. W. Williams, preacher at East Camberwell, gave a splendid address on the theme, "As Seeing the Invisible," based on Hebrews 11: 27. He pointed out that Moses could have remained a harmless, spoiled, inconsequential satellite in Pharaoh's court. But, conscious of a call to a high and hard path of duty, he turned his back on the preferments of the court and espoused the cause of his beloved people. The lofty unrest of Moses' spirit and his accomplishments are explained in terms of the fact that he saw the invisible. By fidelity to a vision he laid the foundations of a nation. Similarly,

the progress of the human race has been brought about not by fortuitous events, but through the medium of architects and builders who have been idealists. Their souls have been disturbed with dissatisfaction and unrest at accepted and mediocre standards. They have been animated by a lofty purpose to transform the invisible into reality and build a better-than-what-is.

This present age is one of pessimism, exploited by a fear psychosis, in which spiritual values have given place to materialism, atheism, cynicism and despair. Christians need a vision of a new world. They need to recapture a philosophy, profound convictions, about the ultimate meaning of reality. They must have a deep assurance about God; that is, that our human life has spiritual destiny. It must be their faith that "through this turbulent generation God is marching still, as he has marched through many another like it in history, to ends beyond our picturing." Fidelity to the vision of the new world will give life an eternal interest, provide the spirit of adventure, add lustre and joy, smash drudgery and link us with the tide of divine progress. God associates himself with those who aspire to a better-than-what-is. He is ever the companion of the soul eternally dissatisfied with things as they are. He is in desperate need of pioneers in spiritual values and kingdom ideals. The young communist worships a dead leader, and yet that worship is productive of a dynamic faith and a vision of a new world. Christians worship a living Leader. How much more should their worship produce not only a dynamic faith and a vision of a new world, but also power to transform the vision into reality.

CONSECRATION MEETING MISTAKES.

TO say, "Oh, anyone can lead the consecration meeting; it's only the secretary calling the roll," and put in your least experienced leader. This meeting requires the best you have in all lines.

To permit two successive consecration meetings to be conducted in the same way. The meeting is susceptible of infinite variation. Use your opportunities.

To let the secretary always call the roll in the same way.

To respond perfunctorily, "Wish to reconsecrate myself to-night," and the like stock phrases; to read a verse every time; to do anything for that matter, that is not your very best.

To pray little at this meeting. To permit harangues, or long songs, or anything else that would make it impossible for all present to keep their pledge. Introduce some concert feature that will permit all to take part together—the repetition of a prayer-psalm, e.g. or soft singing of a prayer-hymn.

To lose sight of the old name for the meeting—"experience meeting"—and make it a meeting of theory. Talk from your lives, pray from your lives, if you want to reach other lives.

To lose sight of the evangelistic character of the meeting. Seek souls. Make it an invitation meeting.—Amos R. Wells in "Our Crowned Meeting."

Here and There.

A NOTE from Bro. J. E. Thomas states: "We hope to be on the 'Mooltan,' May 10, when she reaches Melbourne. Our health is splendid."

Bro. Wigsey and family were welcomed at Ararat, Vic., by a large gathering on April 29. Stawell was represented by Bro. Hollard. Bro. Gale and the Methodist minister were also present. Bro. Wigsey spoke to large gatherings on May 2.

The Victorian men's quarterly dinner and discussion will take place at the Victoria Palace next Monday, May 10, at 6.15 p.m. Mr. Alfred Carter will lead a discussion on "Christianity versus Totalitarianism." All men of the churches are urged to be present. A delegation from the Baptist Men's Society will attend.

At Goolwa, S.A., after nearly three years' faithful witness in this town, Bro. Manning had his first real Goolwa convert on May 2. At morning service a young man stepped forward to accept Christ and to signify his willingness to be immersed. Goolwa has witnessed many baptisms from Victor Harbour, but this conversion is a great joy to the church.

On May 23 the Hinrichsen-Morris mission party expects to commence work in Mackay, North Queensland. This town is in a sugar-growing district, and has great need of the gospel of Christ. We are informed that there are less than a dozen members in the district. On page 286 Bro. E. C. Hinrichsen writes of this projected new work and asks, "May we have your prayers?"

Meetings in connection with the Hinrichsen-Morris mission at Caulfield, Vic., have been largely attended during the past week. There were decisions every night. Splendid meeting on Sunday morning, May 2; nine welcomed into fellowship. Great crowd attended the Town Hall at night. Five more decisions were made, making the total to that date 68. The final meeting will be held on Monday, May 10.

Special services at Balaklava, S.A., during past week accounted for improved attendances, in spite of much sickness. During April one was added by faith and baptism. On April 26 Sister Mrs. Curtis, sen., passed away at the age of 83. The church shares with her loved ones this loss of a wonderful saint. During past twelve months the Bible school has had a special "orphan" box in use, and by this means raised £7/4/5 for an Indian orphan.

The two-weeks' mission at Box Hill, Vic., conducted by Bro. Wiltshire, of Ballarat, terminated on May 3. Splendid attendances were maintained throughout the week, and on Sunday night extra seating accommodation was necessary, and one young lady confessed Christ. Appreciation of Bro. Wiltshire's effort was expressed by the church at a social gathering after conclusion of the mission, and for Mrs. Wiltshire the ladies made a present as a token of love and esteem.

In connection with the eightieth anniversary of the church at Cheltenham, Vic., a very attractive souvenir history of the church has been compiled by Bro. J. E. Allan, the present preacher. In an attractive illustrated booklet of 20 pages, a great deal of interesting information appears. It is well that such historical material is collected and preserved. Each church might be recommended to make provision for the collection now of data which will become increasingly valuable and also more difficult to obtain. We hope to receive and print a report of this anniversary of a church which has had a very splendid record.

Former members of Paddington church, N.S.W., are invited to be present at the 45th anniversary services to be held on May 9 or 11, or, if unable to attend, to send greetings. Especially would the church be pleased to have greetings from members in other States.

At worship service at Bendigo, Vic., on May 2, Bro. Ken Twiddy, baptised previous Sunday, was welcomed into fellowship. Sister Mrs. Jackel has returned to reside in Bendigo, and was also welcomed. During the week Sister Mrs. Quick passed away in her 102nd year. The burial was conducted by Bro. A. N. Hinrichsen, and an in memoriam service was held on Sunday night. Bendigo District C.E. convention held meetings in the chapel over the week-end, presided over by Bro. Hinrichsen, president of the Union. Large gatherings were present at all sessions on Saturday and Sunday, and addresses were delivered by Miss F. Hogan (State J.C.E. superintendent), Mr. R. L. McDonald and Mr. L. S. Saunders. There was one decision for Christ at the close of Bro. Hinrichsen's gospel address.

At half-yearly business meeting at Grote-st., Adelaide, on April 21, treasurer's statement showed finances healthy, and all auxiliaries working well. Bro. Thorpe and W. Watson were elected deacons, and Bro. Watson treasurer. Opportunity was taken to give Bro. Caldwell a small token of esteem for his seven years of faithful service as treasurer. He resigned owing to removal from the city. It being Bible school week, Bro. W. W. Saunders was speaker at the morning service on April 25, his subject being "The Bible School of the Future and the Future of the Bible School." Bro. Schwab at evening service spoke on "A Warless World" to a fair congregation. On May 2 Bro. Schwab spoke morning and evening. Subject at night, "The Great Venture." Some from the Bible school helped, and three gave a trio.

At Peel-st., Ballarat, Vic., on May 1 a gathering which filled the building and was representative of Dawson-st., York-st., Peel-st. and Mount Clear churches, welcomed evangelist and Mrs. E. H. Randall to Ballarat. Mr. H. G. Feary presided. State conference and south-western district conference were represented by Mr. J. A. Wilkie, president of the latter body. A musical programme was appreciated. Speeches of welcome were made by Mr. Wilkie, Mr. W. Feary (York-st.), Mr. Ferguson (Dawson-st.), and Mr. Arnold Sheppard (secretary Peel-st. church). After a response by Bro. Randall, the ladies of York and Peel-st. churches provided supper. On May 2 Bro. Combridge, presiding, welcomed Bro. and Sister Randall, after which Bro. Randall exhorted the church. "What think ye of Christ?" his evening topic, was appreciated by a crowded audience. Good attendance all day. Bro. Feary have commenced building the new chapel.

Anniversary services were continued at Moreland, Vic., on May 2. Bro. R. T. Pittman spoke in the morning on "Religious Education," and Bro. J. Webb in the afternoon on "Sin." Both messages were enjoyed. At night it was impossible to seat the huge crowd which gathered to hear Bro. R. L. Arnold's final gospel address. Many stood throughout. The address on "The Blood of Jesus Christ" was given in inspiring fashion. A young man made the good confession. On May 3 a baptismal service was held, and four young men with two sisters (mother and daughter) were immersed by Bro. Arnold, whose final message was on "The Church." Bro. Mathieson, incoming preacher, was present and spoke briefly. On April 28 Bro. Arnold and family were farewelled. Many visitors were

present. All speakers paid high tribute to the successful ministry of our brother. It is felt on every hand that the church suffers a great loss in the departure of Bro. Arnold and family. As previously announced, Bro. Arnold is about to begin an engagement with the church at Burwood, N.S.W.

May 2 was a day of big meetings at Lygon-st. church. In the morning Bro. S. R. Baker spoke on "Christian Endeavor." In the afternoon the reunion of the old "Century Bible Class" and the inauguration of the "New Century Bible Class" was held. About 160 adults were present, of whom 110 signed enrolment forms as members of the new class. It was a most enthusiastic meeting, presided over by Bro. Reg. Enniss, who welcomed visitors and displayed many souvenirs of interest connected with the old class. Three members of the old Bible class (Mr. W. Dimond, Miss A. Allamby and Mr. T. W. Smith) gave short addresses which aroused happy recollections and encouraged the new class to go on to even greater service than the old. Bro. S. R. Baker gave a short address, outlining the purpose of the class, and the plan to be followed in managing it. The meeting unanimously decided to send fraternal greetings to Mr. Horace Kingsbury, now in America, leader of the original "Century Bible Class." About 120 remained to tea as guests of the Bible school, and helped to make a large attendance at gospel service, which was addressed by Bro. Reg. Enniss on "Religion in a Hurricane."

It is with great regret that we report the tragic death, as a result of a motor accident, of Mrs. Wilson, one of our faithful N.S. Wales sisters and a valued worker in connection with the women's conference. The newspaper report states that our sister died on April 26 from injuries received on the previous Saturday, when a motor car in which she was travelling from her home at Sans Souci to Newcastle overturned near Belmont. Bro. R. M. Wilson, preacher of Hamilton church, was being inducted as president of the Newcastle district Christian Endeavor Union and went from the induction to his mother's death bed. To Bro. S. Wilson and his sorrowing family we tender our sincere sympathy. In the course of a brief tribute in "The Christian Messenger" Bro. H. G. Harward writes regarding Mrs. Wilson: "As superintendent of home missions in our sisters' conference work she has rendered sacrificial service. For several years she has presented over £100 to our home mission work, gathered from the sisters throughout the State. Sister Wilson was modest, unassuming, yet out and out for Christ and the extension of his kingdom."

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- .. 30—Abraham—the Man God Called.
- June 6—Lot—the Man God Challenged.
- .. 13—Isaac—the Man God Sacrificed.
- .. 20—Jacob—the Man God Multiplied.
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News of the Churches.

TASMANIA.

Launceston.—Evening service from Margaret-st. was broadcast on April 25, Bro. Paternoster's subject being "Life's Spiritual Warfare." At the close three were baptised. Sunday marked the completion of three years of the present ministry with the church. During that time 49 have been added to membership, 31 being by faith and baptism.

Devonport.—Bro. Crowden has been giving special morning addresses and meetings have been very good. On April 25, his subjects were "The Living Water" and "Sacrifice in Love." Sisters Taylor, Harvey, Cope and Nothrop have been soloists. At Y.P. meeting on April 28, Miss Calder lectured on behalf of B. & F. Bible Society. Bro. and Sister Shea have been welcomed into fellowship from Invermay. Church has been saddened by the death of Sister Harvey (sen.) on April 19. Bro. Crowden conducted funeral services. Sympathy is extended to the bereaved family.

QUEENSLAND.

Gympie.—There were two confessions on April 18, Bro. Vanham preaching on "A Willing Prisoner." A men's fellowship has been formed. A start has been made in renovation of church buildings. The chapel was filled for Anzac service on April 25, the Boy Scouts parading for the occasion. Bro. Vanham's subject was "War from the Christian Standpoint."

Maryborough.—Meetings continue to be well attended. During Bro. Mason's absence on holidays, the preaching was done by Bro. Alan Price. On morning of April 25 a special Anzac address was given by Bro. Mason; subject, "Lest We Forget." A farewell social was tendered to Zillah Payne on April 14. She was the recipient of a chromium bedroom clock. On April 25 Sister Warwick, of Boonah, was received into fellowship.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

Owen.—Bro. Jones continues faithfully to preach the Word. His subjects for gospel services during April were Faith, Confession, Repentance and Baptism.

Mile End.—H. P. Manning addressed both services on May 2. At combined school session Mr. E. A. Smith, of Adelaide Children's Hospital Board, gave a most interesting message on the work of the hospital, after which an offering was taken for the "cot" fund. Bro. Manning spoke at night on "The Call to Youth." Young men assisted in the service. There was a fine attendance.

Unley.—On evening of April 18 Mr. E. H. Swan, secretary of B. & F. Bible Society, gave a helpful discourse. An offering for the society of £3/13/6 was received. On morning of April 25, Bro. W. Beller presented the claims of the Bible Schools Department, and in the evening Bro. H. R. Taylor spoke on "The Spirit of Anzac." Mrs. Poole, a foundation member, has returned to Unley, and rejoined the church after many years' absence. She and Mrs. Liddicoat, a visitor from Moorook, were welcomed.

Berril.—Services have been well attended for past month. Good attendances characterised all auxiliary meetings. Mrs. M. Campbell, of Kersbrook, was present at ladies' guild during the month. Christian Endeavorers gave Bro. Alan Clark a surprise 21st birthday party on April 21, and presented him with a travelling rug. Anzac services were held on April 25. Church 26th anniversary services were conducted on May 2. The choir rendered an anthem. Bro. Bartlett spoke at all services.

Nailsworth.—On April 11 Bro. R. Graham, of Henley Beach, exhorted. On April 25 Bro. Hollams gave a powerful address on "The Care of the Youth of To-day." In the evening, at an Anzac memorial service, Bro. Shipway spoke on the "Spirit of Anzac." Mrs. Fox rendered a solo. Fellowship with Miss L. Shipway has been enjoyed. Bro. A. Morphet is in hospital under treatment, and other members are laid aside. Girls' gymnasium classes have again started for the reason. On April 24 Endeavorers visited Barton Vale Home and gave a much appreciated concert to the inmates.

Cowandilla.—During the past month attendances at Lord's day morning meetings have been good, and there has been a slight increase in the evening. Mrs. W. L. Ewers and her son Keith have been received into fellowship from N.S. Wales, and after a brief absence from the district Mr. and Mrs. S. Kemp, Mr. Ross and Miss Joan Kemp have been welcomed back. Dorcas society held its annual meeting on Apr. 28, a happy time being spent. Bible school held "May day" service on May 2. Items were given by scholars, and a helpful address by Mr. Cliff Manning, of Mile End. Offering for Children's Hospital cot amounted to £18/4/4.

Prospect.—There have been good attendances at all services. Last week the prayer meeting was conducted by Misses M. Tucker and D. Wood, the latter giving a fine address. On May 2 Bro. Baker spoke morning and evening. Annual offering for Children's Hospital was taken. Bro. A. W. Wilson passed away on April 24, and was laid to rest in Cheltenham cemetery. Sympathy of the church is extended to widow and family. The Pages Club has been merged in the K.S.P. society, first combined meeting being held on April 27. Cricket club are again premiers in Churches of Christ Cricket Association. An enjoyable social was held on May 1, under auspices of the football club.

Moonta.—The work is in good heart, though Sunday morning attendances have been affected unavoidably. Ladies' guild is doing special work to raise money for the church; Mrs. Dyster has been elected president. On Apr. 24 annual teachers' meeting had a good attendance. Mrs. Dyster succeeds Mrs. Stivell as superintendent of kindergarten, the latter now acting as assistant superintendent. J.C.E. is 26 strong. Bro. and Sister M. Hollams, isolated members, have been transferred to Cottonville. On May 2 there were increased attendances. Bro. Dyster's morning message was "The Second Coming of Christ"; evening, "Divine Marching Orders." Sister Mrs. Oliver Carter and Bro. Dyster rendered a duet.

Glenelg.—A successful "Back to Sunday School" meeting was celebrated on April 25. Bro. J. Train, Forestville, spoke at morning service, while Bro. H. R. Taylor addressed the old scholars and Bible class in the afternoon. Sister Doreen Pearson, a scholar from the school, was received into fellowship following good confession. Sister J. Wright was received into membership on April 15 by letter from Unley. A successful roll-call thanksgiving service was held on May 2, 119 answering to their names; 22 sent greetings; 123 broke bread. Decision Sunday was held by the Bible school, when three young men and one young lady made the good confession. Bro. Jack Meyer addressed the men's meeting in the afternoon. Splendid interest is maintained in the work, attendance on Sunday being particularly good. Dr. Johnston's subject was "The Lodestone."

Bro. A. McGlasson showed travel pictures last Saturday night before a large number of people, proceeds to aid cricket club funds.

Semaphore.—Bi-monthly service at "Escourt House" was held on afternoon of April 25. On May 2 Youth Week was recognised by special services. At 11 a.m. teachers took part; afternoon, teachers' conference and basket tea; 7 p.m., youth service, led by superintendent Bro. Rolfe Peacock. Bro. Oram addressed all meetings. Many homes are affected by sickness. Three are in Adelaide public hospital—Sisters Mrs. Terrell, Mrs. Orr and Mrs. Oram. On a recent Lord's day three elderly brethren were all ill in bed. Bren. Taylor, sen., and Roberts are much better, but Bro. Hutchinson is in a serious condition. Sister Gillet also has been suffering for some weeks. Ladies' guild continues to meet fortnightly; members regret the loss of their president, Mrs. Oram, through sickness.

Kadina.—On April 20 the church gave Bro. and Sister E. A. Arnold and family a welcome social. On April 24, friends of Bro. H. W. Russack tendered him a surprise birthday party. Bro. Arnold took part in the dawn service at Kadina Soldiers' Memorial on April 25, and was chairman at the civic service in Kadina town hall in the afternoon. On morning of April 25 Bro. E. A. Arnold spoke on "Remission." At night Bro. Arnold spoke on "Names that shall Live for Ever." Northern district conference sisters' executive met at Kadina on 28th. At night teachers met at a teachers' tea. Mr. Tregilgas gave a talk on "The Teacher and the Pupil." On April 21 a ladies' prayer meeting was held in the home of Sister Mrs. Wilton. Bro. Arnold was indisposed on morning of May 2, and Bro. S. Trenwith gave the address. Good attendance of 83 was at Bible school—109 were present at gospel service; Bro. Arnold preached on "Life's Greatest Question." The choir rendered an anthem.

Hindmarsh.—For Youth Week there were wonderful meetings. On April 28 a youth prayer meeting was well attended, when Bro. Bert Russell and Bro. Keith Neighbour gave short talks. On 29th a social evening, arranged by Bible school for parents and friends, proved very enjoyable. Youth Day services on May 2 commenced at 9 a.m. with a prayer meeting—16 in attendance. 10 a.m., combined C.E. rally; about 30 present. 11 a.m., communion service; Bro. W. W. Saunders gave a stirring message on "The Bible School and the Future." In the afternoon, at an open school rally for parents and friends, Bro. W. T. Mathews, vice-chairman of B.S. department, gave an object talk. 4 p.m., teachers and youth workers' conference, Bro. Mathews giving another helpful address. A basket tea followed, and a prayer meeting at 6.30 preceded the youth service at 7 p.m. The school sang choruses; young worshippers' league members received awards for attendance. Two young men gave short addresses, Bro. Arthur Segnit on "The Child in the Midst," and Bro. Edwin Frost on "Youth's Ambition." Bro. Edward Ratcliffe conducted the meeting. Three girls from the school confessed Christ. Sisters Mrs. E. Harding and Mrs. T. Flint are ill.

VICTORIA.

Collingwood.—On May 2 Bro. Burns spoke in the morning. Bro. Fitzgerald preached at night, several mothers assisting in the service. Meetings have been well attended.

Doncaster.—In connection with Youth Day, Bro. Connor exchanged with Bro. Neighbour, of Hawthorn. On May 2 Bro. Smith, of Balwyn, addressed morning meeting. A youth service was held in the evening, Bro. Connor speaking. Musical items were rendered by senior scholars of Bible school. Women's mission band resumed meetings for this session on April 29.

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Foreign Missions.

Conducted by A. Anderson,
241 Magill Rd., Traralgon, S.A.

ANNUAL OFFERING.

MUCH prayer and thought are being brought to bear on the plans for the July offering. Our missionaries on furlough are very busy telling the story of Christ in India. During May and June Bro. Coventry will be visiting the churches in Victoria, and by means of lantern slides and the spoken message it should prove of great value. His twenty years' experience in India and the work achieved should commend him to the churches. Miss Blake has been splendidly working in Queensland during the past six weeks, and has laid the foundations for the visit of the Federal secretary, who will devote the month of June visiting the churches in Queensland.

Bro. J. E. Thomas has written saying he wants to be used as soon as he returns to Australia. He will have an opportunity of addressing meetings in Perth and Adelaide as he passes through, and by May 23 will be in N.S.W. with a new set of Indian slides, prepared to tell the story of "Our India." South Australia will have the services of Bro. H. A. G. Clark, from Victoria, to visit the churches during the month of June. Some of the country churches in this State will be covered by the Federal secretary before leaving for Queensland. All the churches in Western Australia have been visited by the Federal secretary during April and May, and follow-up work will be done by Bro. S. E. Riches, now preacher of Victoria Park, W.A., but one time a missionary in Africa. Arrangements for Tasmania are not yet finalised, but it is also hoped that the whole of that State will be covered prior to July. All State secretaries are busy co-operating in these movements, and it is confidently hoped that the annual offering this year will reach the total of pre-depression years. Optimism is shown in the various States, and the Federal Board have faith that this optimism is justified. First-fruits have already come to hand in the fact that income during the past few months has steadily increased over last year. We appeal to the whole brotherhood to begin to pray and plan that this year our hopes will be realised, and that the £5000 which was set as a desirable aim for 1935 and 1936 will be an actual reality for our annual offering in 1937.

Teach us thy will to-day,
Strong Captain and Friend;
Give us hearts and gladness to follow that will,
Hearts ever radiant with youth and vigor,
That, weak though we be,
We may count for thee in thy fight for the life of mankind."

BRO. DOW ON PENTECOST.

FROM many centres in Australia word comes that churches through their auxiliaries are interested in Bro. Dow and his work. Going alone to the fight has greatly appealed to our brethren, and reports stating that many prayers are being offered for him are both commendable and encouraging. Bro. Dow is enjoying the work, and writes in a very hopeful vein. We present part of a recent letter.

"The work here is going along well. There has been one more baptism since last letter. There is a lot of sickness amongst the boys, mostly sores, and I am right out of medicine. We lost one girl from our school; she had a sore leg, and the mother cut the calf with

pieces of bottle. I tried to save her, but it was too late. They did not send for me until the Sunday morning, and she died early on Monday morning.

"The school has gone down through sickness, and also because some fellows from the R.C. mission threatened to poison them. As you know, they are very superstitious. One night I walked into the single boys' hut and found one of them crying; he was in a terrible state. He had a stiff neck and a slight pain, and was sure that someone had caught him. I tried to console him, but he was cut up about it; however, in a day or two it was gone, and now Joram has a little chuckle—but still they don't throw any chances away; especially the young Christians, the older ones are quite strong. However, I will put the matter to Mr. Adams when he comes, as there is five years' penalty for this offence amongst the natives. They want roadmakers at Vila.

"We had two big hurricanes this year. The second one was very severe. It smashed some of the houses and trees. The boys have lost most of their bananas and yams. They say it is the biggest they have ever seen. It started Monday afternoon and did not stop or ease off until Thursday night. Just as well this house is strapped down. You could feel the house straining at the stumps. It tore some of the wire of the house—cut it away like a knife.

"Things have been pretty tough the last six weeks—no rations, living on rice and marrow and black coffee. Had the fever pretty bad, but am well again. I will be glad when the boat comes. It will not happen again, as I will get a good stock in. The boat people said they were going to call last trip, but didn't. However, I am not dead yet. My mail is O.K., as the French boats bring it out from Sydney to New Caledonia every week and every fortnight to the New Hebrides, and then the different inter-island boats bring it out to the French R.C. mission up north, and they deliver it.

"I am on good terms with the priest. He sold me some rations when I was short. Now about rice for the boys. You did not say anything about their food. I would like to know, as I don't want to spend too much money." Since last letter I have bought another bag of rice, £1/5/-. They have no food—the hurricane

*By next mail word will be sent to Bro. Dow authorising him to purchase rice to help our school-boys until the yam crops arrive.

has destroyed all their nuts and fruit, and the yams will not be ready until June.

"They have no yams left from last year. The other week I found the boys roasting and eating lady-birds. I am going to get some rice from the boat to carry us on till you reply.

"Work on the plantation is going well. Some of the mission block is burnt off, and they are still falling more scrub. About fifteen big men come every Tuesday and fall scrub whilst the school boys work around the place. We hope to have over six acres under corn and cotton by the end of March.

"I go out every afternoon and work with the boys, but I'll be glad when the cool weather comes, as the heat knocks me up. I hope to be able to send you some snaps and reports on the work at Narrawah at the end of next month. Quite a number of the boys have started on their plantations, falling several acres each. You won't know the mission property when you come down again; all the timber north of the mission house has been cleared ready for planting. These people are kind-hearted and generous. When they knew that I could not get food, and had difficulty in changing my cheques at the French mission, several turned up with money, about £5, and I had to stop them as they wanted to give more when I didn't need it."

CHINA WORK.

IN a brief note from Pastor Tong, secretary of the Chinese Home Mission Society, he expresses thanks for the first quarterly remittance for 1937. Our Chinese brethren appreciate the prompt sending of this money, for they are entirely dependent on this source to carry on the work at Hueili, West China.

He also mentions the encouraging word that Pastor Chen, the evangelist at Hueili, has been holding revival meetings and has had good results. He expects that Pastor Chen will communicate direct with us regarding these meetings.

To send the last remittance to China cost the Board close on £50 from general funds, the balance in the "reinforcement fund" being only sufficient to cover exchange. The second quarter is now due, and will amount to £22/15/-, and must all be met out of general funds unless some "specials" come to hand to help meet the cost. China still finds a warm place in our hearts, and these financial needs must be met. Who will help regarding these special amounts?

"HOW shall it ever be possible to convince a Hindu or Brahman of anything," he exclaimed. "Truly if ever I see a Hindu a real believer in Jesus, I shall see something more nearly approaching the resurrection of a dead body than anything I have yet seen."—Henry Martyn.

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Social Service Notes and Comments.

Conducted by W. H. Clay.

Anti-Cancer Appeal.

THE medical profession has at last given the public the facts about the dread disease cancer. We are informed that one death in every nine in Australia is caused by cancer. Twenty-two out of every 200 persons in Australia are suffering from cancer. An average of two of every fifteen women contract the disease, and two of every nineteen men. It has been proved that cancer can be cured. An appeal has been launched to raise £100,000 in Victoria for an Anti-Cancer Fund. C.F.A. members of the churches were advised that the board would consider at its next meeting the granting of £50 to the fund. Several objections were raised, which had to be respected, and no action was taken. It was decided, however, that an appeal to the churches be made. The churches should be among the first to respond.

Christian Fellowship Association.

The membership of the Victorian Christian Fellowship Association is now 1650, and new members are being added every day. We are praying that every member of the church will be a member of the association. Churches in all parts of the State are interested and are asking for information. The N.S.W. Social Service Committee is now enrolling members in that State. Information concerning the work of the C.F.A. will be forwarded on application to the secretary, Bible House, 241 Flinders-lane, Melbourne, C.I.

An All-Australian Temperance Convention

will take place in Brisbane in September next, 4-13. Two overseas speakers of world-wide reputation will be present. Special fares and hospitality for registered delegates. Particulars from Social Service Office in each State.

Harsh Interest Charges.

One of our brethren was charged £3 for the loan of £7 for one year. Another found himself so involved that he at last was in the hands of six money-lenders. Every loan was obtained to meet the previous one. The C.F.A. can save this trouble for many of our less fortunate ones. A police magistrate rebuked a money-lender in a Melbourne Court two weeks ago, in a case where the borrower was charged £3/10/- interest on a loan of £9/10/- for three weeks. An order had to be made for repayment for £14/10/-, with £1/6/- costs, but it was to be paid in sums of 5/- fortnightly. It is always the poor who suffer.

Victorian Local Option Alliance.

The annual conference of the V.L.O.A. has just concluded. The usual resolutions were discussed and carried. The permit system which is in operation in S.A. and Victoria came in for some trenchant criticism. To say that it is pernicious is to put it mildly. It is nothing short of an evasion of the early closing act, and goes to show how corrupt at times are the forces against us. The bona-fide traveller clause in the Act, and the loose interpretation of 6 o'clock closing, were also given prominence. The Alliance is asking for £30,000 as a fighting fund for the 1938 Poll.

Coming Events in Melbourne.

May 10.—Dinner and discussion in the Victoria Palace; Alfred Carter will speak on "Christianity v. Totalitarianism." 2/6 covers all costs. Book seats now.

June 8.—Grand Concert in Lygon-st. church

by the women's conference choir, supported by noted artists. Tickets, 1/-, from women's conference representatives and social service committee.

September 27.—Great Fellowship Rally, Melbourne Town Hall. The event of the year. Churches and members are asked to book these dates.

Victorian News-letter.

A. W. Connor.

Ancient News.

YET it is so ancient that it may interest. Before this appears I am to visit Cheltenham and share in the 80th anniversary of the church on May 2. Seeking a point of contact to open my address, I looked up a copy I possess of an old chronicle of the Prahran church, which goes back to 1857 and beyond that. I copied the following:—

"December 31, 1858.

"With grateful and rejoicing spirit we record the pleasing fact that during the past nine months evangelical labors on the Lord's days have been carried on in South Brighton (now Moorabbin). For the first three months of this period Bros. Picton, Service and Coles were engaged alternately, and after then to the present time Bros. Kidner, Picton and Coles.

"Contemporary with the commencement of this effort a small church was formed of the few brethren residing in the locality. The brethren there have now the happiness to number 14, with good prospects of more being added."

That is ancient news, of course, but it will give a thrill to many hearts and has a lesson for all. The Cheltenham church, with its 80 years of splendid witness, is the sequel to those "meetings at South Brighton," and the "few brethren residing in the locality" who met to break bread previous to 1858 were the fore-runners of a host of witnesses for Christ. All honor to the Prahran church. All honor to the noble fourteen souls of 1858.

And, if the editor will allow some other "stale" news, the same record tells that "on the 26th instant a similar effort was made at the fishing village of Mordialloc, four or five miles from South Brighton. Beneath a shady tree the sweet invitation of Jesus, 'Come unto me,' was the preacher's theme." The "fishing village" is now a popular seaside resort with the status of a city, and even yet there is no church of our faith there, though Parkdale church is on the outskirts of the city proper. All of which has its lesson for those who read, in all States as well as our own.

Modern News.

There has been much happening in our State, but all of it of such importance that it has received full notice. Conference, missions, Hinrichsen-Morris at Geelong, and now in a big effort at Caulfield. In all there is great cause for thankfulness. But missions with preachers loaned by churches are also going on. Bren. J. Wiltshire, W. Jackel and K. Macnaughtan have been or are in efforts. This year these missions have been quite successful by God's blessing. Some want to wait for "famous evangelists"; others who would like the famous ones carry on and have reaped a harvest of blessing.

As I write our "Youth Week" is in swing, and is rich in promise of a harvest of souls and service. The Y.P. department is commending itself to the churches, and its organiser has won a big place in our hearts.

"Charges."

At this season the Anglican Bishops give their charges to the synods over which they

preside. Dr. Cranswick generally has an arresting word, and a brave one. This year he covered a lot of ground—the wreckage of the home, and the peril of divorce, with a pointed lesson from recent national changes. Referring to the Coronation soon to be, he said it was the dedication of the King and Queen to "God and his way of life." So might it be. He championed the cause of the underpaid dairy farmer, and swinging from the local to the world-wide he described recent doings as the "negation of Christian ideals." His solution was a "return to religion," and development of a real "Christian State" in opposition to both Fascists and Nazis. Yes, his charge generally has some powder in it.

Bishop Johnson, of Ballarat, got big headlines in the papers for his words on the "sin of division." We would all agree with him that the attack on the Christian faith by materialism should shake us out of the "appalling unchristian" state, but we would doubt whether he is pointing out the true way to attain it.

Unfortunately the papers of the same day carry the news that all the synods are asking for a change in the regulation under which religious instruction is given in the State schools. Many fear that the change being sought—the segregation of children—will drive a wedge into the unity that has been shown in that work. Many will hope that by conference together anything that would militate against the work being done will be avoided. The council, on which the Anglican church is represented and to which it has been the biggest contributor, is giving lessons to 175,000 children in 2172 schools. Correspondence lessons are given to 2000 children in 200 schools in our far-back country. Twenty-five years ago we felt we were "tolerated" in the schools. To-day we are welcomed.

The Presbyterian Assembly is in session. It is their centenary year. The new moderator had a word that would be in place in all assemblies, I fear. "The battle against paganism" is on, and his plea was for the "camp followers" in the church to get into line instead of being "absent without leave." When our name is called I wonder if any "camp followers" will read this? But my "ancient news" has crowded out this latest, and it must wait.

"ALL this international rivalry, this madness; this bitterness, this blasphemy of God which threatens to engulf the world to-day in another war is typical of the differences which existed in the apostolic circles 1900 years ago. . . . The hope of the world's peace lies in fidelity to Christ, in a common allegiance to the Master, in which the disciples sank their differences and found unity."—Mr. Layton Richards.

THE every-day cares and duties which men call drudgery are the weights and counterpoises of the clock of time, giving its pendulum a true vibration and its hands a regular motion; and when they cease to hang from the wheels, the pendulum no longer swings, the hands no longer move, the clock stands still.—Longfellow.

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News of the Churches.

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VICTORIA.

Newmarket.—On May 2 Bro. Goodwin addressed both meetings. Members of Bible class took part in gospel service, reading scriptures and giving a message in song.

Boronia.—Bro. Amos, of the College, spoke on morning of May 2. Youth offering reached £3/16/6. A large attendance at evening service conducted by K.S.P. and P.B.P. clubs heard a challenging message from Bro. T. W. Bate.

Hampton.—On morning of May 2 the church was addressed by Bro. W. Lang. After school the young people's fellowship tea was held. Prior to this an interesting lantern lecture was given by Bro. K. Jones, who was also the preacher at night.

Echuca.—On April 29 Bro. R. H. Coventry delivered a lantern lecture on mission work in India. Bro. J. Miller gave a stirring "youth" address at worship on May 2, and Bro. G. Woolnough preached a fine gospel message entitled "The Church as the Bride."

Dunolly.—Good meetings were held on Apr. 25. After an inspiring address by Bro. E. A. Gibson on "Watchfulness," two young ladies from Bible school decided for Christ. On May 2 Youth Day was observed. Bro. Gibson's subject was "Youth's Problems." Sister Mrs. Humphreys was soloist.

Caulfield (Bambra-rd.).—Excellent messages are being given by Bro. E. C. Hinrichsen at morning services, which are well attended. The mission is proving a wonderful success; over 60 decisions to date. Under leadership of Bro. C. Smith, scholars are doing well with practices for anniversary.

Wangaratta.—On April 25 the chapel was filled, when four were baptised. On May 1 Mr. Coventry gave an interesting illustrated lecture on our missions in India. He also preached the gospel on May 2. The church sympathises with Sister J. Campbell and her husband in the death of their baby daughter.

Northcote.—On May 2 Bro. W. T. Atkin spoke on "Iron Gates." Increased attendances are maintained; 172 at night meeting, many children present. Youth Department offering, £9/9/6; school, £1/10/-. School has formed an absentee visitation committee. P.B.P. club and Y.P.S.C.E. had fellowship together on May 3.

Merbein.—At harvest thanksgiving services on April 18, Bro. Martin addressed both meetings. On April 25 Bro. Coventry spoke at morning meeting on foreign missions. The women's mission band's first meeting was held on April 22 after recess. On May 2 Bro. Martin was present all day. Youth offering, £1/16/3.

Hartwell.—On May 2 Bro. Buckingham conducted well-attended meetings, speaking on the youth movement. Sister Mrs. Petersen, from Yarrowonga, and Bro. Hughes, from Camberwell, were received in at morning service. On April 28 a party of church members went by van to the Box Hill mission and enjoyed an inspiring meeting.

Prahran.—At both services on May 2 Bro. Webb spoke in a most impressive way on youth work. Bible school teachers entertained senior scholars at tea. Sisters Mrs. and Miss Smith (Camberwell) were received by letter of transfer. At conclusion of gospel message one adult and five senior scholars made the good confession, including Bro. Webb's youngest daughter Molly.

Footscray.—Last week members were pleased to hear Bro. Illingworth, who exchanged with Bro. Wakefield. Last Saturday evening the Christian Fellowship held a social, when visitors were present from several other churches, and a pleasant evening was spent; Bro. Clay was speaker. At the close of Bro. Wakefield's ad-

dress last Sunday two young ladies came forward.

Drummond.—Bro. Gale addressed morning meeting on April 18. He was also present at a business meeting held to discuss the future work of the church. On April 25 Bro. Walmsley spoke on "Our Heritage" at the morning meeting, and in the evening on "The Cross-roads." A young man took his stand for Christ. Bro. Steffensen is still laid aside.

Horsham.—An enjoyable social which was largely attended was held in the country at the home of Bro. J. C. Smith, Kalkee, on April 27. Visitors were present from Stawell last Lord's day. Bro. W. Kerr passed away suddenly. An in memoriam service to late Bro. A. Lampard and W. Kerr, held last Sunday night, was well attended. Bro. J. Methven preached on "The Book of Life."

Ormond.—On April 29 the prayer meeting folk went to the Hinrichsen-Morris mission. On May 2 Bro. Hunt, of Williamstown, gave a good message on "Boys and Girls." At gospel service Bro. K. A. Macnaughtan gave a fine message on "The Spirit and the Word." Visitors were at both meetings. Largest number at Bible school for some weeks. Teachers have tea and Bible circle once a month. Offering for youth work for first day, £2/5/7.

North Richmond.—On April 25 and May 2 services morning and evening were conducted by young people of the church. Decision day was held in the Bible school on May 2, when a young man from the Bible class made the good confession. After school the men's fellowship members had tea. Hon. Mr. H. H. Olney, M.L.C., president of the Anti-Sweating League, was present, and later addressed the meeting, and discussion followed.

South Melbourne.—On May 2 special youth services were held. In the morning five were received into fellowship. The young people responded to a special call for reconsecration, Sunday school held decision day. Misses P. Eaton and B. Duncan and Bro. Turriff gave short talks on "What Christ Means to Me." In the evening young people had charge of service. There were two baptisms and two further confessions after Bro. Brooke's address on "The Safety of Youth."

South Richmond.—On May 2 the church enjoyed anniversary services; many former members attended. In the morning Bro. C. C. Dawson gave the address. At afternoon service Bro. F. T. Saunders was speaker. At night Bro. C. Cole spoke powerfully to a crowded meeting on "Why I am a Member of the Church of Christ." At the close the officers of the church all stepped forward to reconsecrate their lives to Christ. Young worshippers' league continues to grow in numbers.

Black Rock.—On morning of April 18, Bro. Morris gave a fine message. On 25th, Bro. Cole spoke on "Talents." Bro. Schurman at night gave an appropriate message on "Youth's Choice." The chapel was full. On April 21 a visit from Sister Waterman was enjoyed, attendance being good. On morning of May 2 Bro. Schurman spoke on "Stewardship," and in the evening on "The Greatest Commandment of All." Three young ladies responded to the invitation. All auxiliaries are doing well.

Brunswick.—Open-air work has moved to corner Nicholas and Lygon-sts. Each kinder (55 in all) received a prize at Bible school anniversary. On April 25 Anzac Day was observed. Bro. R. Burns, from West Preston, exhorted on "God's Ambassadors." After Bible school the Y.P.S.C.E. held a conference tea and discussed how to improve the Endeavor society. Bro. Fisher's evening theme was "Memorials." An offering for Anzac appeal gave £1/0/3. Sister Miss E. Willbourn is now a patient in Austin Hospital. On April 27 Bro. A. J. Fisher resumed study of Revelation. Opening of new additions to chapel is planned for May 22.

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