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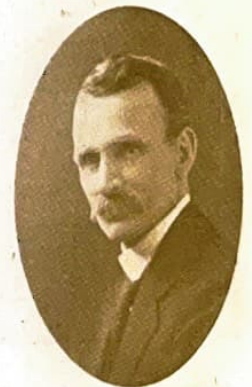
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## Giving God Our Best.

"We needs must love the highest when we see it." And for what we love we will give most, and to whom we love we will give our best. God is most worthy of our love, being Himself the Great Giver—the Giver of life, health, wealth, and every other temporal boon, but chiefly the Giver of His Son and of the great salvation to be found in Him. Love begets love. Gift evokes gift. God gave His best for us; we should give the very best within our power to His service.

This special number of the "Christian" calls upon its readers to think of education in relation to the work of God. Australian disciples seem to be about to have a new vision and realisation of the need of evangelism. For that let us thank God. Our College exists as an agency whereby this great work may be advanced. To help it and give it our best will be an excellent means of furthering the cause we love.

Here are some "best things" which we wish to see given for God's glory:

### The best men.

The best positions should be filled by the best men. This ideal is not always reached in any department of our life—commercial, political or religious—but at any rate the ideal is there for our attainment. What is the highest position? That which every Christian is supposed to be—a representative of Jesus Christ, a bearer of His message of life to dying men, a helper of those in need. While all Christians have this privilege and duty, yet from the days of our Lord's personal ministry until now there have been men who in a special sense devoted themselves to the service of Christ in preaching and teaching. For this task is needed the best of the best. The apostle urged one of such men to seek the highest, so that he could be in life and teaching an example to all his hearers, whether sinners or saints.

The College needs men, and the best men. Those of deepest spirituality, highest mental ability, most commonsense, greatest zeal, are in greater numbers required for our work. Those of lesser gifts may render excellent service, but let us seek also the best. There is more than a danger lest parents and friends will seek to restrain the brightest of our men from giving up the honors and emoluments of a professional or business career for the work of preaching the gospel of Christ. The reason is obvious enough; but is it a valid one? Neither the

poverty nor the irksomeness of a preacher's life lower it from its high position. To serve most is to be chief, says Jesus. It should be placed definitely before our best young men as a matter for serious reflection, whether they can serve best in the foreign field, as preacher or evangelist in the home land, or in business as Christian men. Saul of Tarsus went up and not down when he turned his back on worldly advancement and embraced poverty and toil for Christ's sake. As we survey the religious world, we are impressed by the thought of how few sons of rich or even comparatively rich parents give themselves to the work of preaching. As our brotherhood grows in wealth—as it is growing—let us not make the mistake so often made. See that the best—son of rich man or poor man matters not, but best in intellect and heart—are urged to take up the service of God and humanity.

### The best training.

The man of best natural gifts is made yet more efficient by training. The College seeks to help men to give to God better service than they would be able to do without a course of study. The magnificent work of many who never had the benefit of College or University training is freely allowed. Yet most of these would themselves acknowledge the great desirability of that which they missed. It is necessary that in education the preacher be abreast, or ahead, of the people to whom he preaches. The advance in modern education, the fact that the general standard is ever rising, is an argument not against but for the higher education of the would-be preacher. The apostles had three years' association with the Greatest Teacher who ever appeared on earth. The best that we can do will be but little compared with the glory of a three years' course with Jesus as Teacher; but in their preparation men may have the consolation that they are not acting contrary to the example set of old.

Some men are kept from giving adequate time to preparation by the thought of the urgency of the work. In the meantime, sinners are without the gospel: should they not now plunge into service instead of wasting time in study? But there will be sinners enough after a man has taken a College course: and for their sakes as well as his own he should carefully prepare. It is not waste to give time to gaining greater efficiency. Besides, our students preach as well

as study, doing most excellent evangelistic work. To any who may not realise how education is a great time saver the following may be of interest. Dr. H. E. Watters tells how it is so. He says: "I once saw a man cutting timber. I noticed his axe was of fine metal, but exceedingly dull. I asked why he didn't sharpen his axe. He replied: 'I haven't time. I must cut all this timber down this week, and I haven't time to sharpen my axe.' He couldn't understand how he would gain one or two days by spending an hour or two at the grindstone. I met a brilliant young man, who was beginning a very promising career, but was greatly hampered by the lack of education. I suggested the need of college training. He said: 'I know I need it, but I just haven't time. My work must go on.' Now while he did not know it, and undoubtedly would not have admitted it, he was too egotistical to think that anyone else could carry his work, and too short-sighted to see that he could do three times the good in a lifetime by spending the first four years in preparation."

### The best College.

The College at Glen Iris is a testimony to the interest, sympathy and practical support of the brotherhood. The Lord has greatly blessed our work, which from small beginnings has advanced rapidly. But much remains to be done. We must ever progress. The best is a long way ahead. Extension will be necessary if we are to do what we should do for the progress of the gospel. An increasing number of students may before long demand additional accommodation. A hostel for women was recommended by last Conference. Some subjects most desirable do not yet appear on our curriculum. In several ways the College might encourage and help in the education of those who cannot yet see their way clear to come to Glen Iris. To teach additional subjects would mean an increase in our staff. But some day, ere very long, we must seriously think of these and other improvements. The College must advance if it is to continue to be worthy of a great and growing brotherhood.

In confidence our annual appeal for help is sent forth. Thanks for past sympathy are joined with a feeling of hopefulness for the days ahead. To enable the College to carry on its work effectively, every member is asked to show his practical sympathy, and for it make on October 3 his best gift.

# The Necessity for Study and Training.

A. C. Rankine.

To get the best out of a man to-day he must be trained for his work. We know that "knowledge is power." That is seen from many standpoints. From a mechanical standpoint it is evident. The trained man knows how to accomplish his work to the satisfaction of all concerned. He knows how best to plan his work when skilled in mechanism. He has been taught how to use his brains as well as his tools. The knowledge he has gained gives him power to master his work and solve problems which meet him daily.

From a medical standpoint how true it is that "knowledge is power." Men and women adopting the medical profession must be taught many things before they can become legally qualified medical practitioners. The skilful surgeon is soon discovered. He commands attention, as does also the physician who proves himself expert as a medical adviser. He above all others inspires confidence in his patients. The public nowadays demand that men and women must study hard to fit themselves for work so important. Human life is too valuable to allow quacks to do as they please with the human body.

If study is necessary to make men proficient and efficient in the directions indicated, how much more necessary is study essential to make efficient the man who gives up his life to the greatest work of all, that of saving souls for time and eternity. The preacher of the Word of life needs to "study to show himself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the Word of truth." Unless he is taught to be skilful in the Word he will not do his best work. Our Divine Master taught the men he selected for the great work to which he called them. He taught them for three years. Christ puts no premium upon ignorance. It was necessary for his disciples to be in the College of Christ to be taught by him, even although the power of the Holy Spirit was afterwards given. Then Paul was selected to go and plant churches in the Gentile world. He had to meet bitter antagonists of different kinds, some of whom were cultured in many things. Mental equipment was necessary for one like Paul. He was a man of scholarly attainments. His education stood him in good stead. He could never have done the work he accomplished unless he had been of brilliant intellect. That, backed up by the power of the Holy Spirit, made him a power for good.

The men to-day who give up their lives to the preaching of the gospel and building up the Church of Christ need to be men of mental alertness. They must be taught the power of analysis; they have to meet subtle teachers and teachings. They must be taught how to wield the sword of the Spirit, and show up the glaring inaccuracies of false teachers. Our Bible College trains

men and women to do their best work for God and his kingdom. He is wise, as a young man, who seeks to get as much knowledge as possible, within reason, before he starts out in earnest to begin his life's work. A good foundation needs to be laid, and then constant study is required by the preacher if he would do his best work in the Master's service.

## THE TASMANIAN PRESIDENT'S APPEAL.

Dear Brethren and Sisters,—

As we approach the time for the annual offering for the College of the Bible, I feel constrained to appeal to you on behalf of this worthy institution.

Firstly. We need a larger interest in the College, both individually and collectively, because it is *our* College, and because it is

of our best financial support. May our offerings on October 3 constitute a mighty challenge from the Tasmanian churches to the hosts of sin, and reveal the fact that the whole church is moving forward to victory. As Conference President, I appeal to you to give your young men and women; for larger interest, and greater gifts for our College of the Bible at Glen Iris.

W. H. Nightingale.

## WHAT DO YOU KNOW?

A. J. Ingham.

That is the great question of the age in which we live—What do you *know*?—with the emphasis just there. Men are not content with theories and speculations and guesses—they want facts coming from a man who knows. The man who *knows* is the man to whom the world will listen, and the great, busy world has but little time to listen to the man who doesn't know. In other words, the world demands to-day that when a man speaks, expecting to be heeded, he must speak as an expert on the subject

## QUEENSLAND MEN PREPARING FOR SERVICE.



Back Row: A. H. Pratt, C. Hinrichsen.  
Front Row: C. King, E. C. Hinrichsen, C. Kajewski.

established for the express purpose of training our brethren and sisters for the work of the Lord. Parents, invest your best interests for God by sending your boys and girls to the College. Churches of Tasmania, thrust forth your red-blooded, whole-souled youth to train for the service of the King of kings. Such a direct, personal interest in our Federal training institute will thrill the souls of the Tasmanian brotherhood.

Secondly. We must bear in mind that the progress and welfare of the cause we love in Tasmania are bound up in the success of the College. As the years increase and the cause extends, it will become our chief source of supply for trained leadership.

Thirdly. An institution that holds our best personal interests in trust for the Lord, and assists largely to supply the means of progress in the Church of Christ, is worthy

of his discourse. In the sciences, in the arts, in the professions, in the trades, the recognised authority is the trained and experienced specialist. It is none the less so in the greatest of all work—evangelism. The world demands that the man who comes to it with a message shall be one who *knows*—one who knows his message, one who knows how to handle his message, and who knows men to whom he takes the message. The College is the one institution in Australasia that we have where a young man may become a man who knows the divine message of God, and how to handle it well. It may be possible to get to know the Scriptures, and how to handle them, apart from the training the College affords—but there is no means so efficient and complete as the College at Glen Iris. And this is the conclusion of one who knows the College, and who has tried other means also. The College is the best—so back it up.

# Builders of a Better World.

W. R. Hibburt.

The Western world to-day is protecting its interests by forming leagues, or getting together in unions, associations and lodges. It is the day of companies, corporations, syndicates, and federations. In many ways bold efforts are being made to build a better world. The world has always demanded capable leadership. The history of the world is the story of its leaders. The present world situation has created an imperative demand for unfaltering leaders who will not mistake the way by serving selfish party interests and narrow ends, but seek only the common good and the glory of God.

The Eastern world is awake. Dr. W. E. Orchard, in "The Outlook for Religion," points out that "if the East, with its swarming millions, should ever learn our civilisation, or its industrial and military side only, while it abandons its ancient religion and ethics—both of which are happening before our eyes—the supremacy and even safety of the West is more than threatened. We have seen what can happen to our semi-christianised civilisation; but what a purely atheistic civilisation—could be, we can perhaps now begin to imagine." Christian leadership must be given to the Eastern world.

The whole world is moving; humanity is on the tramp. It is breaking away from the past, from old-established customs, traditions and institutions. This must be regarded by the church as a providential preparation for the greatest leadership that has ever been given to the world. A motionless engine cannot be switched on to a different track. A stationary world cannot be directed, but a moving world will be readily influenced.

There are many reasons which justify our confidence in the College of the Bible, but perhaps none greater than the fact that it is a school of leadership, and that there, leaders are in the making. The young men and women who spend the prescribed number of years at the institution will one day play a prominent part in the leadership of the forces of God. The College endeavor is to give to men the power, the spirit, and genius of leadership.

If the church is to use the opportunity of the new day in which we live, the talented young men of our churches must turn their backs upon inviting commercial careers, enter the ministry of Christ, and lead the world into high spiritual enterprises. To be a preacher or a missionary is to be a spokesman of God, is to get to the heart of the world's troubles, is to build a better world, and to be in the succession of the Master in winning men back to God. Furthermore, if our young men are to respond to this insistent call and take up the leadership of the world as preachers, teachers, missionaries, and Christian doctors, we must make it possible for them to enter

College and thoroughly equip themselves and qualify for leadership. The annual College offering affords all an opportunity of making a contribution to the solution of the vital problem of world leadership.

## "WANTED, A MAN."

A. C. Garnett, B.A.

"Thy silver perish with thee, because thou hast thought that the gift of God may be purchased with money." How many young men in choosing their life's career have made the same mistake as Simon the sorcerer! And how many fathers have made the same mistake in advising their sons! We scorn the thought of Simon the sorcerer that he might purchase with money the power of conferring gifts of the Spirit. Likewise we scorn the doctrine of Rome that money can be made a substitute for righteousness, that pardon and indulgence can be purchased with gifts. But how many there are who are yet inconsistent enough to think that money may be made a substitute for service, that when God asks for a life, it is enough to offer him cash. True enough, our churches need money, our Home and Foreign Mission Committees need money, our College needs money, but what they all need first and foremost is men; yes, and women.

The command as Christ gave it is not "Go or send." It is simply "Go." Sending can never be a substitute for going. To send is the duty of those who can't go. Young men, don't think that by giving four-fifths of your time to business and one-fifth to the Lord's work you can do as much for the Lord as by giving the whole of your life to him. And don't think you can make up for the difference by giving a portion of the larger gains of the secular employment to support the weakened ranks

of others in the work that you ought to be doing. If God has given you the ability and opened the way, then the work is yours, and no amount of money can be a substitute for a life. Fathers, if your boys show a desire to "go," don't if you love them, or if you love God, seek to persuade them to accept the falsehood that it is equally good to "send."

What God wants is the man. And our College exists to train the man; it is the gateway to service. We thank God for the gifts of money that have opened that gateway; and still more money is needed to keep it open and to widen it. But men whom God has given the strength to go through must not be satisfied with keeping the gate. It is theirs to serve on the battle line. The kingdom of God cannot be bought in with money; it must be brought in with sacrificial service. The call from every sphere of Christian service is "Wanted, a man!"

## "MEN AND MILLIONS."

W. B. Blakemore, B.A.

It was a master stroke on the part of our American brethren when they linked "men" with their movement to raise six million dollars for missions and Christian education. And they placed "men" first. That is as it should be. For men constitute the major factor in any Christian enterprise. But the "millions" have their place, too, only second in importance to men.

In Australia we are in the fortunate position of having an increasing number of promising young men offering themselves for the work of the ministry in home and foreign fields—eleven from West Australia who are ready to come to the College next year if the way is open for them to do so. Such volunteers are a challenge to the brotherhood to increase the support to the College of the Bible in order that the way may be opened up for these men to be equipped for their life work. The men are forthcoming; let us meet the challenge with a liberal offering on October 3.

## WEST AUSTRALIAN STUDENTS AT GLEN IRIS.



Back Row: W. S. Leece, L. Peacock, W. Thomson. Front Row: F. Youens, Miss Jenkinson, W. Taylor.

# Getting the Tools Ready.

Harold B. Robbins.

Someone has said, "Get the tools ready, and God will provide the job." There is a lot of philosophy back of these words. In the spiritual realm, too often we lack the common sense that makes for success in the commercial world, and we plod along in a haphazard manner. Then, after hopes have crashed to the ground, and failure is written large across the very thing we hoped would exalt our Lord, we wonder why. Well! Well!! Well!!! What muddles we get into at times. What opportunities pass by while we say "If only we were ready, but the job's too big." Get the tools ready.

A young man consecrated his life to God. He was busy all day long at his work. For some years he spent night after night studying. He studied on train and tram, and during lunch hour. He had an idea that if he got a good working knowledge of the Book of books he would be of more use to God. He had not the slightest idea of anything beyond perhaps Bible School work and preaching occasionally as opportunity offered. To-day he is out in the work of the gospel. When the tools were ready, God found a job bigger than he ever imagined.

But I have been asked to write something for the Education Number of the "Christian," and what has all this to do with the College of the Bible? Just in the near future there are bigger days ahead of us as a people than many of us imagine. There are days of revival coming; indeed, they have begun in some parts. In a very little

while we shall have, as a people, a bigger opportunity than we have ever had to present the great message that God has entrusted to us. The deadening effect of the war is passing. These are the days when we should be intensely busy "getting the tools ready." If God's time for the job should find us in a state of unpreparedness, what then? The College of the Bible does not exist to "make preachers," but to train both for home and foreign fields those who with consecrated life desire to better equip themselves to spread the message of the Cross.

The work of the College is extended or limited according to the support, or otherwise, of the whole of our brotherhood. It is here that we all have a share in getting the tools ready. More than one promising life has been lost to our churches because lack of means forbade the time a College training would entail. To meet the opportunities ahead of us we shall need men trained to "rightly divide the Word of truth." Brethren, stand to the work of the Bible College with your prayers and your purse. Let us unitedly "get the tools ready, and God will provide the job."

My life is just as important to me as Alexander Campbell's was to him. I can no more afford to miss going where God wants me than Mr. Campbell could afford to stay away from America or Bethany. His success, his joy, his eternal destiny were there.

## FOREIGN MISSIONARY STUDENTS.



Back Row: P. L. Davie, L. Peacock, C. Kajewski, L. E. Clay, A. C. Killmier.  
Second Row: E. H. Randall, Miss Jenkinson, Miss Bache, Miss Metzenthin, Miss Dixon, W. Graham.  
Front Row: W. Waterman, H. Toogood.

## BIBLE COLLEGE PROPHECIES FULFILLED.

Geo. T. Walden.

I well remember the claims we made for the Bible College when presenting our appeal to the brotherhood for money to establish it. We spoke of the needy fields in Australia that the Bible College graduates would supply. We told of the help small churches would receive from our student-preachers, and we emphasised how our Foreign Mission Committee would be able to look to our Bible College for trained men for the foreign field. The Bible College has been established long enough to bring these prophecies to the test. Has our College done what its pioneer advocates said that it would do? Have the churches and the individual brethren who gave it their money been justified by results? This is a hustling, practical age. We want a quick fulfilment of prophecy, and in the case of the Bible College the fulfilment has been quicker than even the most sanguine dared to hope. Having travelled recently over five of our six States, and having a first-hand knowledge of our Foreign Mission workers, I can speak with confidence when I say the Bible College cup of success has in it "good measure, pressed down, and running over."

We find scores of our small churches in Australia quickened into spiritual activity and evangelistic fervor by the assistance of these student-helpers, and in every State the Bible College graduates are proving themselves workmen who rightly divide the truth, and of whom our older preachers are justly proud.

Our missionaries in India and China are finding their forces enriched by the advent of our men and women trained by the godly and efficient staff at Glen Iris. As we often say, take from the New Testament the writings and record of the work done by the young Jew, Paul, who sat at the feet of Gamaliel, in Jerusalem's Bible College, and how small a book we have left! So if we were to take from our Australian churches' army and our Foreign Missionary forces the men and women trained in our Bible College, what a tragedy of loss we should experience! In saying these things we do not belittle the wonderful and inspired writings of Matthew, Mark, Luke, John, James and Peter, nor do we forget the army of workers making good in our Australian churches and on our foreign fields, who have never studied at Glen Iris Bible College; but these latter will all unite with us in thanking God for the magnificent service to the work at home and abroad that our Bible College has been able to do under His blessing, and join us all in wishing for the splendid faculty length of days and abundant joy in their service for the church of the Lord Jesus Christ.

£1250 from our Australasian brotherhood for our College on October 3 is a very moderate request.



# Evangelism and the Bible College.

Thos. Bagley.

Splendid missionary work has been done in various parts of Victoria in years gone by. Large and successful missions have been held, churches were established, and the work gave promise of a bright future. The newly-formed churches were taught to rely upon their own resources for the carrying on of their work, as it was not possible to provide either resident or week-end preachers. In those days all that could be done was to carry the glad tidings, and urge people to obey the gospel. We did what we thought, and probably what we still think, was the right thing; but as we look over many of these fields where once a bright, happy band of disciples met to worship God according to the plan of the New Testament, we find but little evidence that ever a cause was planted. This, perhaps, was the strongest argument for the establishing of the College of the Bible. We all felt the absolute need of training young men for the ministry of the Word: men who would be prepared to devote their lives to the great work of preaching and teaching—in season and out of season. Our Home Mission work in Victoria of recent years has been

organised on such plans that at one time could only be dreamed of. We have hardly a church in the whole State that is not receiving regular preaching supplies. Every Saturday over twenty of the young men from the College set out on their week-end work for God. Some of them travel a distance of 170 miles each way to fill their appointments. Nearly all the young men at the College are actively engaged every Lord's day in some of the churches.

This leads us to place a very high value on the Bible College. As Home Mission Organiser, it is my lot to be in close touch with all the work under the Committee, and it is a continual source of great pleasure and satisfaction to learn of the fine, solid work that is being accomplished in so many of our fields. The difference between the work of the past and the present is that we now never lose a field. Once we enter we are there to stay. It is surely just as important, if not more so, to hold the converts that are made as it is to win new ones. The divine plan is that the flock must be fed. Men must be educated and qualified

to break the bread of life. Jesus trained thoroughly the first band of preachers, and from that time on the following exhortation is applicable: "Study to show thyself approved, a workman that need not be ashamed, rightly dividing the Word of truth." We should never cease to thank God for the good brethren whose foresight, wisdom and money gave to us the College of the Bible for the training of our young men. Wherever they go they carry the brightness and sunshine of the gospel. Thousands of brethren in our own State sound the praises of our young preachers.

We have an institution in the Bible College that should win the support of every member; a building reasonably well equipped; and a staff of teachers who enjoy the confidence and esteem of the brotherhood. Thirty years ago we longed and prayed for it; now we have it in reality, and it is accomplishing the task for which it was brought into existence. God grant that means may ever be provided for the effective carrying on of this great educational work.

## WEEK-END PREACHERS.



These brethren preach regularly at Bet Bet, Brunswick, Bayswater, Croydon, Drummond, Dunolly, East Emerald, Echuca, Emerald, Gardiner, Kyneton, Montrose, Oakleigh, Red Hill, Ringwood, Rochester, St. Arnaud, Sth. Melbourne, Sth. Richmond, Taradale, Warragul, Wedderburn, and Wonga Park.

Remember! Without the College there can be little, if any, advance in either Home or Foreign Missionary work.

"The young man of good mind and physique who is not taking up definite Christian service as a life work, must answer to his own soul, as well as to the Lord of the harvest, with something more than an excuse."

# Preparing for the Ministry.

Thos. Hagger.

There was nothing professional about ministry in the New Testament church. A minister there was simply a servant—one that served in any capacity. One might be an apostle, an evangelist, an elder, a deacon, or serve the church in any other way, and if he did he was a minister. Genner in his "The Church in the New Testament," says, "The word 'ministry' in the New Testament is of the widest possible application; it refers to any work undertaken for Christ's sake, and at the Spirit's call, from that of the pioneer missionary (Rom. 11: 13) to that of giving, collecting, and distributing money for the needs of the poor (2 Cor. 9: 1—the Greek word is the same in the two passages)."

but they will be better deacons, better elders, better teachers and exhorters, better preachers, because of the training therein received. And those who go out to non-Christian lands as missionaries, and those who devote themselves wholly to the work in the home-lands, will be all the more successful for the course of study undertaken.

That College, then, should be thronged with young men and young women who seek preparation for the ministry (in the New Testament sense). And the churches all over Australasia should liberally contribute to the College funds, so that even more and better work than that which has been done may be accomplished in the future.

## SOUTH AUSTRALIANS IN TRAINING.



Back Row: W. Graham, R. Lampshire, N. Halliday, T. Durdin.  
Front Row: E. A. Arnold, H. L. Davie, C. P. Hughes, A. C. Killmier.

Apparently in those early days many were encouraged to participate in the meetings of the Christians (1 Cor. 14: 26). But it was necessary that all who did so should do it "unto edifying."

The New Testament conception of ministry should be encouraged to-day; but it should be urged upon all that efficiency should be sought so that edification may result. Whether one seeks to serve as an elder or pastor, as an evangelist or preacher, as a deacon, as a Sunday School teacher, by taking some part, however small, in the service when the church has gathered for worship, or by preaching the gospel in chapel or at the street corner when opportunity presents itself, he should seek preparation for that particular ministry.

Our College at Glen Iris exists to help workers to become more efficient ministers than they are—a very necessary work in these days of advanced education. It does not exist to turn out a professional class; it does not exist to manufacture clerics—if it did some of us would have no use for it at all. Some of the students will never give their whole time to the work of the Lord,

## THE COLLEGE "APPEAL."

N. G. Noble.

Praise God for that hunger cry of health and growth! Glen Iris College has justified the prayers, hopes, labors, and liberality of the past. Its board, faculty and students express a loyalty, service and vision worthy of the New Testament, and of the growing needs of Australasian nationhood. It has borne a vital and direct relationship to the success of recent years within the great Southern brotherhood of the Churches of Christ. To-day our brethren stand among leaders of true reform. Accredited scholarship has been gained by the devoted talents of many. Thousands of precious souls have been won because of our College. Results prove the College to be no professional parson factory, but an institution of cultured, virile Christian evangelism.

The appeal is not the groaning or appealing anguish of a dying cause, but the considered and approved appointment of a great and recognised community of disciples. We must honor our own bonds, and respect our own decisions. Lands near and

far are calling men and women from Glen Iris. The student's economic condition is now more acute. Our sister students need a hostel. Modern strain shortens our ministries.

Eternally speaking, response to such an appeal means more than a gift, an investment; more than duty, a privilege; more than alms, an opportunity; more than philanthropy, a sacrifice. It means "He that giveth... lendeth to the Lord."

## THE FUNCTION OF THE COLLEGE.

H. E. Knott, M.A.

One does not proceed very far in public work before becoming painfully conscious of his need of training. The wonderful sacrifices of our preachers in the past are an eloquent testimony to this fact.

The College at Glen Iris exists for the purpose of presenting an open door to those who are seeking to increase their usefulness and power, and who desire to develop to the highest degree of efficiency the abilities they possess.

It is not, however, simply a place of intellectual training. In the atmosphere of the College characters are developed, ideals of service presented, and definiteness given to the nebulous ambition of youth. In setting forth the appeal of the College to young people, one writer has said: "To be at home in all lands and all ages; to count Nature a familiar acquaintance, and art an intimate friend; to gain a standard for the appreciation of other men's work and the criticism of your own; to carry the keys of the world's library in your pocket, and feel its resources behind you in whatever task you undertake; to make hosts of friends amongst those of your own age, who are to be leaders in all walks of life; to lose yourself in generous enthusiasm and co-operate with others for common ends; to learn manners from students who are gentlemen, and form character under professors who are Christians—this is the offer of the College for the best four years of your life." Young man or woman, does this appeal to you?

The College, likewise, is the opportunity for the church. Nothing does more for the permanence of principles than their commitment to those who are to become leaders of thought. The activities of all religious bodies are determined by the instruction given and the spirit fostered in their educational institutions. It will be so with us.

There are before us great opportunities. We possess the grandest message man was ever privileged to proclaim to his fellows. With the Bible alone for our authority, Christ alone for our example, and the salvation of the world for our objective, there are absolutely no limitations to our possibilities. It is in order to inspire young men and women with these convictions, to guide them into ways of effective service, and to make them feel that a great host of loyal men and women are back of them in their work that the College of the Bible exists. It is for an institution with these ideals and aims that the sympathetic consideration of the brotherhood is solicited.

AN EDUCATED MINISTRY.  
T. H. Scambler, B.A.

Among the various attempts that have been made to define the word education, one of the most significant and suggestive is, "Education is the rise of the individual into the experience of the race." If that is true—and its truth will be more and more realised upon reflection—education can not in any way be gauged by what is received, by books read and formulae memorised, but by what is evolved in the individual in the process.

The uneducated man is the sublime egotist. He knows nothing, appreciates nothing, of the experience of others. He is supremely individualistic. He thinks all the world should be cut to his pattern. If he is a religious man, he has no conception of a truth except what he himself thinks. He does not realise that others may think more truly than he. He is utterly oblivious of the experience of the race, except as a vague something that must be condemned.

Our common school system falls short in just this respect. It is excellent as far as it goes, but it does not go far enough. It leaves a man inadequately equipped to take his part in solving the problems of the race. It develops him sufficiently to read readily, but not to reason to correct conclusions. Note the strange fatuity of masses of men to-day, who so blindly follow the demagogue and the interested agitator, and so readily succumb to vicious economic principles. It is being felt more and more that our school education is not a sufficient training for citizenship, and there is a growing tendency to extend the term of school life.

The morning paper of even date contains two statements concerning the age limit for compulsory education. One was made at a conference of the Workers' Educational Association, held at the University recently, where a speaker contended that compulsory education should be continued between the years of 14 and 18 to cultivate clear, distinct, and adequate thinking. The other was made by a judge in New South Wales, who said he should try to get our legislators to raise the age for leaving school, on the ground that education extended through the critical years would greatly lessen crime. Without doubt, the tendency of the times is to raise the age of compulsory education, and children will shortly be obliged to continue their studies, in some way, much longer than at present.

John Stuart Mill was once requested by Carlyle to give a critical reading of the latter's "Sartor Resartus." Mill said, "I did not deem myself a competent judge of Carlyle. I felt that he was a poet, and that I was not; that he was a man of intuition, which I was not; and that, as such, he not only saw many things long before me, which I could, only when they were pointed out to me, hobble after and prove, but that it was highly probable he could see many things which were not visible to me even after they were pointed out." There is the mark of an educated man. He had been lifted out

of the egotism which appreciates only one's own limited experience, and had become conscious of values about him, even when he could not estimate their worth.

Needless to say, that is one of the essen-

tial qualities in one who is to be a leader of men. It is the basis of sympathy and tact and loving service, and no one will adequately "do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of his ministry" without it.

## Advance or Surrender.

S. G. Griffith.

Life is progress. To stop growing is to begin to die. Building up is essential to living. If a church or movement ceases to advance, it then begins to dwindle, decay, and die. To hold our own we must continually annex new territory. Growth is not merely gratifying, it is indispensable.

But growth is not an accident. It consists in the operations of law. Given certain conditions, the sapling will become the tree. There are no trees in the sandy desert or a frozen waste. We know something of the conditions which clothe one place with mighty trees, and leave another bare.

The propagation of truth demands leaders. Every advance among men is the draw-

swift to see the qualities of leadership, and no less swift to rally under the banner of the qualified. Even the grossest of error will find adherents if given suitable leaders. What shall we say of New Testament truth?

If we are to grow, and life continue with us, we dare not neglect to provide leaders. God has provided us with the perfect plea; ours to provide, as much as in us lies, for perfection in presenting it. We shall never have another Alexander Campbell, but we must have men who for their times will do their work as well. We shall not reach this proficiency but by effort. Campbell was a long time preparing for his great work.

## STUDENTS FROM NEW ZEALAND.



W. G. Carpenter, B. G. Corlett, Miss Metzenthin.

ing together of men about a leader or leaders. Church progress is the result of the Spirit of God operating through men. These men translated their visions and dreams into power by inspiring their fellows. Long centuries a world sin-cursed, waited for the Master leader. He gained the world's greatest following because he was the world's greatest leader. In a proportionate degree this is true of all who have magnified the office of discipleship.

All honor due to the rank and file. A great general is of use only through his great army; but a great general will gather a great army. Napoleon, escaped from Elba, was in France but a few days before he dared to face the world. Mankind is

Jesus did not transform his fishermen into fishers of men in a day or a month, but personally trained them for years. Two thousand years ago the work of Christ required College trained men, and so He trained them in His own college. To-day, with every normal child in school, and thousands passing through the Universities, we court death if we fail to provide proficiency in leadership. Help the College of the Bible! It means life to our churches, salvation to many souls, and glory to our God. To live we must grow; to grow we must have efficient leaders; to have efficient leaders we must have the College of the Bible, and to have the College of the Bible we must support it.

# Australia and Australians.

Robt. Harkness, B.A.

It is in keeping with the wonderful nature of the gospel of Christ that when understood, it meets the spiritual needs of the peoples of every nation. Often it has been the privilege of men like the Apostle Paul to hear the Macedonian cry, and carry the good news of salvation to other races. But experience has proved that preachers preach most effectively to their own people, and the gospel is most readily understood and accepted when presented by one to one's own nation.

It is a well known fact that each country has its own customs and ways of life; in fact that the very physical formation of country tends to produce a certain type of individual. The deep and gloomy fjords of Norway, backed by almost impassable mountains, bred the bold mariners who became the Vikings of history. Switzerland has produced her race of hardy mountaineers, and in more modern times the great land of America has produced a race of people with peculiarities all their own. Thus it is only natural to think that the dwellers in the great open spaces of Australia are rapidly developing certain national characteristics which are distinctly Australian.

Apollos mightily convinced the Jews be-

cause he was a Jew who understood Jewish history and character, and was well versed in those Scriptures which the Jews revered and loved. In the heathen lands today the hope of a general conversion of the people to Christianity lies not so much in the sending of a few white missionaries, as in the fact that they will train an army of native evangelists, who, versed in native customs, language and peculiarities, will present the gospel in a way readily understood by the heathen multitudes. If this applies to other lands, it must in some degree apply here, all other things being equal. Australians can best preach to Australians, and the winning of home-land can be most effectively done by the home-trained.

How necessary it is then that we should foster by every means in our power our own College of the Bible here in Australia. It is an institution of which our brotherhood may well be proud. There young men are being trained who understand Australians and Australia's needs, and who by a careful training in the great truths of God's Word are equipped for the great task of preaching that gospel which in the great purposes of God is designed to win Australia and the world.

## NEW SOUTH WALES REPRESENTATIVES AT GLEN IRIS.



Back Row: E. R. Butler.  
Front Row: C. Flood, D. Wakeley, E. Winter.

## Education Used by God.

P. J. Pond, B.A.

The day approaches on which the annual offering is taken for the College of the Bible. We perhaps wonder whether a pound sterling invested in training men will bring a bigger percentage than if spent in supporting an untrained man in the field.

First, let us reverently scan the pages of the Book, inspired by the infinite wisdom of Jehovah. The schools of the prophets un-

der Samuel evidently played an important part in the early national life of Israel. Both Saul and David visited these centres at important periods of their lives. There was an academy of the prophets at Naioth, in the suburbs of Ramah. David for a time dwelt with Samuel at this centre. We also find other schools at Bethel and in the plains of Jericho (2 Kings 2: 3-5). The

great Master himself gave his chosen apostles three strenuous years of training, both in theory and practical work. What other men ever sat at the feet of so competent an instructor? The Apostle Paul received a full course at the feet of Gamaliel, one of the most learned of Jewish Rabbis. Afterward he received special instruction from the Lord Jesus Christ.

Then let us look down the list of mighty men of God in Reformation and modern times. Wycliffe and Luther, Calvin and Knox, all college-trained men. The Wesleys and the Campbells—the products of the Universities. God used the college-trained mind to give a lead to the activities of thousands of lesser trained men, but the educated man was used by God to lead.

But the school which trains the heart right, as well as the head, is the only educational institution worthy to train men to follow in the footsteps of the humble Nazarene—Jesus, and we believe our College at Glen Iris does this. No money then can be put to greater dividend-producing results than that given to the annual offering for the College of the Bible. The dividends are the most valuable—the souls of men and women for whom Christ died.

## "JUSTIFYING OUR SUPPORT."

J. E. Shipway.

Among the undulating hills of one of the garden suburbs of Melbourne stands a cluster of buildings, which are revealed to the enquiring observer as the premises of the College of the Bible. This College stands to represent the people known by the name "Churches of Christ," and its upkeep is voluntarily borne by that brotherhood in Australasia.

For 14 years it has been bearing testimony for Jesus Christ. Has it justified the financial support we have given it? Will it justify the October offering this year?

Listen! In every State in our Commonwealth and in New Zealand its testimony for Christ is ringing like a harbor bell. In the very heart of India this great institution from across the seas is magnificently working. Soon in inland China it is to offer its testimony for Jesus Christ. Away, in a quiet little spot in giant Africa, is the secluded grave of one who went out from within its walls, and carried its testimony to that land. Space forbids more to be said.

Brothers and sisters of the Churches of Christ in Australasia, this institution has more than justified the support we are giving it. Put your money into it.

"Invest your money in men," said Ruskin, "especially young men." Make a sacrifice this year for the College. Jowett says, "It is sacrifice that makes all deeds effective." The Word of God says, "Cast thy bread upon the waters, for thou shalt find it after many days." Remember this when the October offering comes on, and let it be the best yet.

# Here and There.

College Annual Offering, October 3.

The address of G. E. Chandler now is Pretoria-parade, Hornsby, N.S.W.

The address of Bro. P. J. Pond, B.A., is now 94 Ballina-st., Lismore, N.S.W.

The secretary of St. Kilda church now is W. H. Perkin, 78 Pakington-st., St. Kilda, Vic.

Wanted! An offering for College work from every member of every church on Sunday, October 3.

Agents will receive extra copies of this special number. Will they please see that they are wisely distributed?

The Swanston-st. church recently made a special offering amounting to £97 towards the funds of the Anti-Liquor League.

We learn that Bro. H. G. Harward, of Enmore, N.S.W., is planned to conduct a special mission at North Fitzroy, Vic., early in 1921.

The following telegram reached us on Monday from Inverell, N.S.W.:—"Chandler mission opened well; seven adult confessions.—Payne."

Bro. and Sister P. J. Byard have removed from Larinna to Mole Creek, Tasmania. There are now at Larinna no members of churches known simply as Churches of Christ.

At Surrey Hills, on Sept. 12, a splendid address was given by J. I. Mudford on the Anti-Liquor Movement. There was a good attendance, and a collection was taken up for the great work.

Bro. Reg. Enniss, College Organiser, has kindly collected articles for this issue and assisted in its preparation. Bro. Enniss was in West Australia when photographs were taken; hence his absence from group of teachers. We have to thank once more Bro. W. C. Craigie for his kindness in coming to College and taking photographs for this special number.

Encouraging attendances at Lismore morning and night last Sunday. A man and a woman who decided during the Chandler mission were baptised by Bro. P. J. Pond. The fellowship of Bro. S. Cook, from Roma, Qld., was enjoyed. The church has decided to grant an allowance to Bro. Pond, to cover house rent, pending the erection of a preacher's residence.

The church at Swanston-st., Melbourne, is conducting a ninety-days' campaign. This began on Sept. 5. For the opening day the aims were: (1) Not less than 150 at morning service; (2) a great offering for the Anti-Liquor League; (3) every member to attend to the Supper, those unable to be present in the morning to remain for the evening breaking of bread; (4) record attendance for the year in the Bible School; new members enrolled. We trust the campaign will increase in interest and power till December 5.

The Sydney "Daily Telegraph" last week contained the following notice of the death of Mrs. Macgowan, well known to many of our readers: "Mrs. Anne Macgowan, widow of Mr. J. T. Macgowan, formerly a well-known Victorian chemist, died on Saturday, at the age of 75 years. She came to Australia 68 years ago. The earlier part of her colonial life was spent in Victoria, and during the latter part she resided in New South Wales. The funeral took place at Waverley Cemetery. Deceased was the mother of nine children (six sons and three daughters), all of whom are alive. One son is Dr. E. T. Macgowan, honorary surgeon to the Hobart General Hospital; a second, Mr. C. W. Macgowan, is engaged in business in Auckland, N.Z.; while of the remaining four, Mr. Geo. M. Macgowan is a pastoralist in Victoria. One of the daughters, Mrs. Fox, is matron of a hospital at Sydney; Mrs. A. E. Illingworth is wife of one of the ministers of the Church of Christ; and Mrs. H. Bates is wife of an official at Vavau, Tonga. Mr. H. G. Harward, of the Enmore Tabernacle, conducted the service at the grave." Mrs. Macgowan was a member of Ballarat, Swanston-st., and Malvern churches. She had a wide circle of friends in Victoria, who will deeply regret to hear of her passing, and sympathise with the relatives who mourn their loss.

The brethren at Saint Morris, S.A., are in need of an organ, suitable for the Lord's day services. The instrument at present in use can scarcely be called a "musical" instrument. The sounds produced are inharmonious, disconcerting, and detrimental to worship. The brethren at present have all they can do to meet their ordinary financial obligations, and are consequently unable to raise the requisite sum for the purchase of a new, or good second-hand organ. They would be grateful, therefore, to any brethren or churches who, by gifts, could assist them in their difficulty. If any reader or church can help, please communicate with E. J. Allen, Newcastle, or H. S. Pearson, Kensington Gardens, S.A.

The supper room of the Moonee Ponds Town Hall, Vic., presented a very animated appearance on Thursday, 2nd Sept., when a musical evening was tendered to Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Kemp, of Essendon, in recognition of the esteem entertained for them by their many friends, and in appreciation of their labors, not only in the community in which they live, but in many other activities, especially in connection with the boy problem. Cr. A. Fenton presided, and his remarks were supplemented by Messrs. J. E. Thomas, H. Clark, H. Campbell, Cedric Park, B.A., and Thomas Ryan, M.L.A., all of whom testified to the active and energetic work which was being performed by Mr. Kemp in municipal, religious, social, and national interests; and speaking of the enthusiastic support rendered in the higher and truer work by Mr. and Mrs. Kemp. An illuminated address was presented to the guests of the evening. Mr. Kemp suitably responded. An excellent vocal and instrumental programme was provided.

Bro. P. J. Pond, B.A., thus writes of the Chandler mission at Lismore:—"The mission at Lismore was different from others. Warnings had been sent the various religious organisations to beware of the sheep-stealer coming. The opposition was organised. Bro. Chandler's manly messages and faithful adherence to the Bible won over the public. At the end of the mission the people of all shades of thought spoke of the opposition as the narrow bigotry of a few ministers. 112 persons made a public confession of faith in Christ. About 50 of these will be baptised and take membership with us. Others will come in later. New opportunities for winning more have been created. Bro. Chandler is a big man. He handles things in a big way. Another week (now the opposition has been broken) would have meant much. The sweet singing of Sister Mrs. Thompson was a fine asset. It will long be remembered and spoken of. Bro. Cosh rendered most helpful and devoted service in looking after the tent. Lismore is indebted to these grand souls for loving, whole-hearted service. The prayers of the Lismore church will follow the missionary."

The Victorian Anti-Liquor League's Victory Fete was held from Monday to Friday last in the Melbourne Town Hall, and the profits ran into four figures. The whole results were not expressed in financial receipts, for a great amount of temperance literature was distributed, and the fete was used as a rallying centre for the various societies.

On Monday night of last week a No-License Campaign Demonstration was held in the Melbourne Town Hall, when, in spite of the down-pouring rain, a large audience turned out to hear speeches by selected speakers. The chair was taken by Mr. J. H. Lister, M.H.R., who as a returned soldier declared that nothing had so degraded the manhood—by which he meant the fighting manhood—of Australia as alcoholic liquor. He was convinced that the time had arrived when every public man worth his salt should announce in definite terms where he stood on the No-License question. Those soldiers who had been fortunate enough to return had come back with the determination to make Australia the best country in the world to live in, but that could never be while the drink traffic existed.

Ex-Senator Watson roused the Town Hall audience to a high pitch of enthusiasm. He emphasised

the priceless benefits that Prohibition would confer on the working classes. And he knows! He has had 25 years' experience as a working miner, and 10 years as the leader of an industrial army 10,000 strong. When will the Labor Party wake up to the great economic and industrial benefits Prohibition would confer on them?

Most people are a trifle hazy about the three-fifths majority. But Mr. Watson put it in a nutshell when he said, "Mr. Macpherson says that two drunken votes are equal to three decent ones."

## IN MEMORIAM.

COSH.—In loving memory of our dear husband and father, George Wilson Cosh, who entered into rest September 15, 1919, aged 77 years. "Until the day break, and the shadows flee away." —Semaphore, S.A.

DUNN.—In loving memory of Francis Gregory, dearly loved husband of Eleanor Rea Dunn. Died at Parkville, Vic., September 13, 1914.

PETERS.—A loving tribute to the memory of our beloved Bro. T. E. Peters, late secretary Stawell church, who passed to his reward on 10th September, 1919.

We shall sleep, but not for ever;  
There will be a glorious dawn.  
We shall meet to part, no never,  
On that resurrection morn.

—Inserted by his old faithful pals and fellow officers, A. D. Perry, A. Sheppard, A. L. Perry and H. Carey.

PETERS.—In affectionate remembrance of Bro. T. E. Peters, who was called home 10th Sept., 1919.

We miss him because we loved him,  
And love his memory still.

—Inserted by the members of the Church of Christ, Stawell, Vic.

TAYLOR, GRAY.—In fond memory of our dear mother, loved wife of J. Taylor, of Castlemaine, who entered into her rest, Sept. 4, 1913; also our beloved sister, Rosa (Mrs. C. E. Gray), who passed away at Port Fairy, Sept. 28, 1907. "Asleep in Jesus, peaceful rest!"  
Whose waking is supremely blest."

## COMING EVENTS

SEPTEMBER 12 to 19.—Carnegie. Special services and great offering for extinction of debt. Leading speakers, stirring addresses. Former members of church cordially welcomed at roll-call service, Sept. 19, 11 a.m.

## APARTMENTS TO LET.

Brighton, S.A. Apartments, with use of dining room, kitchen, balcony, laundry, motor garage, tennis court and bathing house, from December 1 to 20, and after January 20. Miss Craigie, Wattle Avenue, Brighton. Telephone, Brighton, 36.

## WANTED

Board and Lodging in Christian home for respectable working woman, Moreland or Coburg. Must be near tram or train. Address "Worker," Post Office, Coburg, Vic.

The brethren at Blackheath, N.S.W., would feel thankful if speaking brethren (all States), when visiting Blue Mountains, N.S.W., Blackheath in particular, would communicate with secretary, W. H. Morton, "Woodford," Shipley-road, Blackheath.

## FOR SALE.

DONCASTER.—A beautiful rest-home, centre of Doncaster; lovely surroundings; doing a good business. Also several orchards in this district. Healesville: A lovely new house. Box Hill: A new house; splendid position. John Tully, Doncaster.

## DO YOU KNOW

WHAT IS HAPPENING AT

Ringwood on Sept. 28

Ask your Secretary and have a Part in it,

# The New Class.

J. S. Taylor, B.A.

There's a spirit loudly calling where the saplings dip and quiver,  
Where the city crowds are thronging, and the range uplifts its crest!

—Edward Dyson.

It is very interesting to meet a group of new students at the beginning of the year. It is almost certain to be representative of Australia, and possibly of Tasmania and New Zealand. The interest in it transcends the limits of any State and becomes national. The College of the Bible is not a Victorian institution; it stands for Australasia.

In the illustrations in this Education Number of the "Christian," students are grouped according to the States from which they come; but the scope of this article is concerned with one class only, that now preparing for entrance to the Biblical course. It embraces those who come from the rosy splendours of the dawn, those bronzed by the fierce northern heat, and those who have seen the pale, purple even melting over the sands of the West. In it a visitor would meet four from West Australia, Bren. Peacock, Taylor, Thomson, and Youens; four from South Australia, Bren. Durbin, Graham, and Lampshire, also, Bro. N. C. Halliday, D.C.M., who won his award in Palestine, and who has since published "Fallen Comrades," a memorial sheaf of verse telling how

"With the few hours' ride to the Jordan's side  
In the depths of mystic gloom,  
Comes many a thought of the wonders wrought  
By men of the ancient tomb."

Then four are from Queensland, Bren. C. Hinrichsen, Kajewski, King, and Pratt; three from Victoria, including Miss Dixon, a missionary student, and Bren. Baker and Gordon, whilst another missionary student, Miss Metzenthin, comes from the rugged grandeur of New Zealand, and still another, unhappily uncertain of continuance at present, Bro. E. Winter, represents a family well known to the brotherhood of New South Wales.

Lastly, the new class is gathered from various callings. It is easy to find in it men of considerable practical experience from the primary industries. The bushman accustomed to snapping off

a snake's head with a jerk of his wrist, sits down with the clerk. The agriculturalist with an opinion worth uttering on soil-forming agencies, meets the skilled accountant. Married men are there smiling at the effervescence of youth. Thus it is with the new class this year, and there will be a similar diversity in the class that looks out on the pleasant villas on these braes next year. So from various quarters do they gather together to study for the furtherance of the kingdom of God, and these young lives, touched by the divine splendour of religion, are the first-fruits of the call made on the brotherhood to-day.

## Stephen Stowe's Experiences.

In last year's Education Number there appeared an interesting account by a student of the experiences of a room-mate, one Stephen Stowe. The following lines, written after reading the article referred to, have been sent for the present issue.

### THE FIRST TERM OR TWO.

To S.S.

Unknown the way,  
Stars overhead,  
Mists on the brae,  
Feet like lead!  
Heart beating high,  
Hope oft cold,  
Friends cheering nigh,  
Spir't grows bold!  
Brighter faith gleams,  
Storm-wash'd sky!  
The new day beams,  
So do I.

—J.S.T.

### Stewards.

We give Thee but Thine own,  
Whate'er the gift may be:  
All that we have is Thine alone,  
A trust, O Lord, from Thee.

## VICTORIA'S QUOTA AT THE COLLEGE.



Back Row: A. Baker, C. Dawson, R. Baker, A. C. Mudford, B. J. Combridge, W.A. Russell, H. Jackel.  
Second Row: H. A. Saunders, H. Toogood, Miss Bache, Miss Dixon, L. E. Clay, R. Sparks.  
Front Row: A. Gordon, G. J. Andrews, W. Waterman, J. E. Searle, E. H. Randall.

## JUDGED BY ITS FRUITS.

Geo. P. Cuttriss

An institution is justified in its existence by what it produces. Judged according to this canon the College of the Bible has infallibly demonstrated its right to be. It has produced evangelists and missionaries who need not be ashamed, thoroughly trained, and charged with spiritual enthusiasm.

The existence of the College is a practical expression of a consuming zeal for efficiency, and is sufficient evidence of a commendable determination on the part of the brotherhood to provide the necessary facilities for the young men and women of our churches to obtain the right kind of education. A purely intellectual training may be obtained elsewhere, but so far as the Churches of Christ in the Commonwealth and New Zealand be concerned, there is but one institution in Australia which exists to give that kind of training which is so essential to the preservation of the distinctive nature of our movement. This training can only be effected by the highest forms of truth being instilled into the minds and impressed on the consciences of our young men and maidens who are desirous of devoting their lives to the ministry of the Word either at home or abroad. The highest forms of truth are to be found in Holy Writ.

There are several cogent reasons why every needful support should be accorded the College of the Bible by the churches throughout Australasia. We profess to be a Bible people. *The Bible is THE text book of the College.* All other studies are subsidiary and designed to lead to a deeper appreciation of God's Word, and to enable the student to more efficiently expound its truths. Further, it is *our College.* Frequently we are appealed to to assist institutions which in no sense are ours. In being asked to subscribe to the maintenance of the College of the Bible, we are merely being invited to help ourselves, for the College of the Bible is the educational institution of the Churches of Christ. It belongs to the brotherhood. A concluding consideration is that in subscribing to the College fund we are assisting our own young men and women, and who more entitled to our assistance than they? During their residence in College it means constant outlay, and little, if any, income. It costs them not only what they expend, but also what they otherwise would be earning.

In order that their financial obligations be reduced to the minimum, the churches must respond liberally to the offering for College maintenance. By virtue of its essential nature, and the fact that it meets an acknowledged growing need, in addition to it being our own College, for our own young men and women, the College of the Bible should command the regular and liberal support of our churches throughout Australasia.

## A HOME FOR LADY STUDENTS.

Mrs. B. J. Kemp.

President Victorian Women's Conference

To be properly equipped, the Bible College at Glen Iris should have a hostel, where our young sisters could reside whilst training for the work for which many are volunteering. The day has passed when "any one" can teach. To be successful, one must have special training. Brains and enthusiasm will not compensate for study. Some of our women are trying to do the impossible—earn their living by domestic work, and study as well. A tired body means a tired brain, and the best work cannot be done under such conditions. We have only commenced Bible College work for women. The future will need many well educated, specially trained women for our foreign fields, if we are to obtain the best results. The women of India and China are awaking from long apathy, and are asking for education; with that must come the gospel, or we labor in vain. The future must see some means to provide for our women whilst studying.

# Notes by the Principal.

It will be seen that for this year the College of the Bible has an increased number of students. After the loss of a few students there is at present an enrolment of 44, including 4 women. All the States, except Tasmania, have representatives at Glen Iris, while the Dominion of New Zealand has sent three, one lady and two men. It is a special pleasure to note the great increase in the number of students from West Australia, six being now in attendance.

The teaching staff remains the same as formerly, except that Mr. Lindsay is instructor in physical drill in place of Mr. D. Johns (deceased). Messrs. Main, Knott, Pittman and Taylor take classes as formerly, while Mr. Enniss, in addition to his work as Organiser, gives appreciated lectures in Bible School and Church Work. Mr. Ross is visiting elocution master.

Work goes on quietly, and on the whole very satisfactorily. All teachers report diligent work on the part of students. Faculty and student body work harmoniously together.

Outside of class study, the students are rendering good service. A group photo of the men in regular church appointments appears on another page. The work of these has in many cases been greatly blessed and their services are appreciated. It is hard work to combine study with regular preaching work, but these men will doubtless be better for the struggle they have to make. The cause and the College alike benefit by the provision of facilities for such week-end work as is done. Men who else could not finance a College course are thus enabled to devote years to study.

Former students continue to do well in University study. Increasingly, too, is the work of past students being appreciated in the different States and on the Foreign field. The Organising Secretary says that 47 per cent. of our Australasian preachers have been in the College of the Bible.

A considerable number of men have indicated their intention to enter College next year. Applications should reach me by the end of November. Forms will gladly be supplied to any who intend to enrol. Correspondence from men, or young women desirous of training for missionary service, is welcomed, and information and advice will most willingly be given.

A. R. Main.

## SECOND TERM RESULTS, 1920.

Students named in the following list have passed with honor, having secured at least 80 per cent. of the maximum number of marks. For a pass a grade of 60 per cent. is necessary.

Old Testament.—C. C. Dawson and A. C. Killmier (equal), 93; D. Wakeley, 89; E. A. Arnold, 85; H. L. Davie, 84; G. J. Andrews and E. H. Randall (equal), 81; S. R. Baker, 80. 10 others passed.

New Testament.—C. C. Dawson, 91; H. L. Davie and A. C. Killmier (equal), 85; B. J. Combridge, 82; E. R. Butler, 81; G. J. Andrews, 80. 16 others passed.

Church History and Christian Doctrine.—11 passed.

Comparative Religion.—C. C. Dawson, 93; D. Wakeley, 88; E. A. Arnold, 85; G. J. Andrews and A. C. Killmier (equal), 84; W. Waterman, 83; H. Davie and C. P. Hughes (equal), 81; B. J. Combridge and E. H. Randall (equal), 80. 10 others passed.

Apologetics.—L. E. Clay, 92; E. C. Hinrichsen, 89; R. Sparks, 87. 1 other passed.

Hermeneutics and Exegesis.—L. E. Clay, 87; E. C. Hinrichsen, 85; R. Sparks, 81. 1 other passed.

Logic.—L. E. Clay, 91. 2 others passed.

Psychology.—L. E. Clay, 83. 2 others passed.

Homiletics I.—D. Wakeley, 86; C. C. Dawson, 85; G. J. Andrews, 81. 6 others passed.

Homiletics II.—B. J. Combridge and B. G. Corlett (equal), 82; A. C. Killmier, 80. 8 others passed.

New Testament Greek.—C. C. Dawson, 94; L. C. Peacock, 91; A. C. Killmier, 82. 4 others passed.

Ancient History.—C. C. Dawson, 94; D. Wakeley, 89. 6 others passed.

Bible School Work.—D. Wakeley, 92. 7 others passed.

Practical Church Work.—D. Wakeley, 93. 7 others passed.

Elocution I.—4 passed.

Elocution II.—C. P. Hughes, 91; B. J. Combridge and E. H. Randall (equal), 89; H. L. Davie, 88; E. A. Arnold and E. Butler (equal), 87; W. A. Russell, 84; S. R. Baker, 83. 4 others passed.

Preparatory Algebra.—Miss G. Metzenthin, 92; Miss E. Dixon, 89. 2 others passed.

Preparatory Geometry.—Miss G. Metzenthin, 93; C. G. King, 89; Miss E. Dixon, 81. 2 others passed.

Intermediate Geography.—N. C. Halleday, 87; L. C. Peacock, 86; F. A. Youens, 82; A. Baker and C. Hinrichsen (equal), 80. 9 others passed.

Intermediate History.—L. C. Peacock, 91; A. C. D. Gordon, 85; A. Baker, 84; W. G. Graham, 81; C. Hinrichsen, 80. 10 others passed.

Preparatory Latin.—1 passed.

Intermediate English.—A. Baker, 87; L. C. Peacock, 85; C. Hinrichsen, 80. 12 others passed.

Leaving English.—8 passed.

Leaving History.—L. C. Peacock, 82. 1 other passed.

Intermediate Greek.—2 passed.

Intermediate Arithmetic.—L. C. Peacock, 100; C. Hinrichsen, 94; F. A. Youens, 93; A. Baker, 85; E. Winter, 82. 3 others passed.

Preparatory Arithmetic.—Miss G. Metzenthin, 90. 1 other passed.

Intermediate Algebra.—L. C. Peacock, 100; C. Hinrichsen, 90; E. Winter, 89. 4 others passed.

Intermediate Geometry and Trigonometry.—L. C. Peacock, 95; W. G. Graham, 84. 4 others passed.

A. R. Main.

## OF INTEREST TO INTENDING STUDENTS.

### Subjects and Text Books.

For general information, and particularly for the benefit of intending students, we publish the following details regarding College studies:—

### Secular Subjects, 1921.

Students are required to pass in three subjects, including English, at the Intermediate Examination of the University of Melbourne, or at a similar examination in any other University before commencing the work of the Biblical Course at the College of the Bible. The following partial details are given to enable new students to commence reading before entering the College. The books included in the list will be used in class in 1921.

### 1. English.

- (a) Mason's Junior English Grammar.
- (b) Palgrave's Golden Treasury of Lyrical Poems.
- (c) Historical Novel—"Westward Ho!"—C. Kingsley.
- (d) Austral Garden of Verse—Hansen and McLachlan.
- (e) Shakespeare.—Merchant of Venice.
- (f) Essays.—Peacock's Selected Essays.

### 2. Geography.

- (a) Physical Geography.—Farr.
- (b) Junior Geography.—A. J. Herbertson.
- (c) Australia, Physiographical and Economic.—Griffith Taylor.

### 3. History and Civics.

- British History.—From 1714-1901.
  - (a) Ransome's Short History of England.
  - (b) Australasian Text Book of Civics.—Marshall and Hoy.

### 4. Mathematics.

The text books used in Mathematics are:—

- (a) Algebra (Preparatory)—Blackie's "Elementary Algebra."
- (b) Algebra (Intermediate)—"Elementary Algebra" (Hall and Knight).
- (c) Arithmetic—"New School Arithmetic" (Pendlebury).
- (d) Geometry—"A School Geometry" (Hall and Stevens).
- (e) Trigonometry—"Easy Numerical Trigonometry" (Carslaw).

### 5. Greek (Intermediate).

- (a) First Greek Grammar (Rutherford).
- (b) Greek Prose Composition (North and Hillard).
- (c) Xenophon's "Anabasis," Book IV. (Nall: Blackie).

### 6. Latin.

- (i) Preparatory: Principia Latina, Part I. (Smith).
- (ii) Intermediate:
  - (a) Latin Primer (Postgate).
  - (b) Latin Prose Composition (North and Hillard).
  - (c) Iulium Sidus—omitting extracts 1, 2, 4.

Those who can devote some time to reading before entering, should read the historical novel, "Westward Ho!" and the play, "The Merchant of Venice." In Geography they should read in "Australia, Physiographical and Economic," chapters III, IV., and V. in Part I., and the whole of Part II. In Farr's "Physical Geography" they should read chapters I, IV., V., VI., IX., X. (Currents only) XIII., XIX., pp. 375-392.

In British History they will note that the period begins with the reign of George I. Any suitable text book will serve as an introduction, but Ransome's work will be used in class. Unless they can obtain local assistance in Mathematics, Greek and Latin, it is inadvisable for them to attempt to study these subjects.

## WHAT THE COLLEGE HAS DONE FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS.

A. Anderson.

That the College has done much for home service no one doubts, but it stands for more than home service.

As a graduate, and one who has enlisted for foreign service, let me speak of its worth to Foreign Missions.

What has the College done for this work? The missionary spirit is fostered to such an extent that all students come under its influence. Its training is so broad in plan and thorough in scope that graduates are well suited for either service.

Before the advent of the College, there was no set standard for Foreign Mission candidates. Today the call is for educated men and women. Love and enthusiasm for the work are not sufficient. Education must go hand in hand with zeal and earnestness. The College has set a standard of efficiency, and also made it possible to acquire a sound education.

Not only has it fostered, trained, and set a standard of efficiency, but its representatives are to-day on the field. Without question it is the greatest recruiting centre the Federal Committee has, and it will be even greater in the future. Although still in its infancy, it is not too early to see the results of its mission. Five of its representatives work on our Indian field, one heard the call of lonely Pentecost, and yet another yielded up his life in darkest Africa. China has made her appeal, and four have answered the call. Three out of these four are graduates of Glen Iris. Each year the number will grow, but how many of them would have answered the call were it not for the College?

Brethren, it should thrill our hearts to know that the College is allied so closely with this movement. In consequence it calls for a more liberal response. Remember this, that in helping the College you spread the gospel, not only at home, but you help to send the light to those who are still in heathen darkness.

"For the heart grows rich in giving;  
All its wealth is living grain;  
Seeds—which mildew in the garner—  
Scattered, fill with gold the plain."

# News of the Churches.

## New Zealand.

The work continues steadily at Christchurch. Morning attendance is better of late. Bro. Woolnough's short talk to the children is appreciated by old and young. Bible Class and Christian Endeavor are maintained. The Sisters' Sewing Guild is preparing for a sale of work in October. F. J. Phillips, on behalf of the F.M. Board, recently gave a very interesting address on the work of our missionaries in South Africa.

The month of August began and ended well at Roslyn. On the first Sunday 90 per cent. of the members were at the Lord's table, and the offering, for which the church had long prepared, reached almost £50. Bro. Adams gave a helpful and encouraging address. On the last Sunday there were three confessions at a memorial to Sister Mrs. Paton. On August 21 God called her to her eternal rest. The Sunday School attendance of 100 or more continues to be very steady, and teachers and scholars are preparing for the anniversary.

Invercargill reports good meetings for breaking of bread. Bro. and Sister Bewley are removing to Napier. They have been with the church eight years, during which time Bro. Bewley has rendered valuable service as deacon, treasurer, choir leader, and Sunday School superintendent, while Sister Bewley has been a prominent worker in connection with the Sisters' Sewing Guild. The church tendered them a farewell social, and presented Bro. Bewley with a travelling suit-case, and his wife with a Royal Doulton tea-set. The church has lost by death Sister Mrs. Reed, late of Balclutha, and formerly of Dunedin, wife of Bro. Geo. Reid, and mother of Bro. A. H. Reid, secretary of the church in Christchurch. It has practically been arranged for Bro. G. T. Fitzgerald, of Mornington, and late of Subiaco, W.A., to take up the work when Bro. Watts' engagement terminates at the end of September.

## West Australia

An improvement has been made to the chapel at West Guildford by the addition of our name in black letters, the work being done by the church secretary. On Sept. 5, two ladies, formerly immersed, were received into fellowship. The Bible School started the new year well with all teachers and officers present. The gospel meeting was smaller than usual, owing to the bad weather. Bro. Stirling spoke both morning and evening.

Meetings at Fremantle continue good. On Sept. 5, Bro. Hibbert exhorted, and at the gospel meeting, to a fine audience, proclaimed the gospel message. A married woman and a young lad confessed Christ, and a young lady who recently confessed was baptised. The mid-week meeting was a "fellowship meeting," assisted by the ministers and brethren and sisters of the denominations of this town. A splendid meeting and a fine spirit prevailed.

## Tasmania.

The church at Hobart is organising its forces for bigger things. Bren. A. Heard, W. Cooper, and E. Levett were added to the list of deacons, with twelve helps, and thirteen deaconesses. The church attendance campaign movement commenced on August 29, with splendid services. The Bible School is reaching high-water mark—five more pupils and one new teacher added. Bro. C. Hale took four more confessions at the Central Mission. Sisters Elsie Groombridge, Beryl Dalwood and Myrtle Hornsby are ill in hospital. A large crowd gathered in Collins-st. on Wednesday night to tender Bro. and Sister F. J. Barnes a welcome to the State. Bro. Nightingale, president of the Conference, presided. Words of welcome were spoken by Bren. Geo. Smith, N. Warmbrun, G. Spaulding, W. Jarvis, and Miss Bradley, interspersed with singing and reciting, and concluding with a social. On Sunday morning Bro. Nightingale appealed for young men and women as well as the annual offering for the College of the Bible. At night Mrs. Humphreys sang sweetly at the gospel service.

There have been three additions at Dover since last report—two by faith and obedience from the Lune River, and one baptised believer. Bro. D. Stewart preached on Sept. 5 to a good audience on "Fatherhood and Brotherhood."

## Queensland.

Services at Roma last Lord's day were well up to the average in attendance and blessing. The church has lately suffered by the removal of several members, the majority of whom were converts of the Burns' mission. The church recently held a successful reunion social at which the envelope system of church finance was inaugurated.

## Victoria.

South Yarra report meetings as usual. Fair meetings on Sunday. Three confessions at the close of Bro. Hinrichsen's address. Collection for Anti-Liquor League, £1/10/-.

Good attendances at Ringwood on Sunday. Six received into fellowship, and two confessed Christ. Bro. E. C. Hinrichsen gave a splendid address on Prohibition, which was greatly appreciated.

Malvern-Caulfield church had a most excellent address from Bro. Holloway on Sunday morning. Splendid service at night. Four confessions—one young man and three young women. Bro. Nankivell was in good form.

Ballarat mission with Bren. Blakemore and Connor opened on Sunday. Bro. Blakemore spoke morning, afternoon (to the Bible Class) and evening. Attendances were good, and addresses fine. At the evening service a young woman was baptised from Buninyong church, and one married woman confessed Christ. A good time is expected. The mission is to continue fifteen days.

A special campaign covering three months has just commenced at Prahran, and will culminate in a fifteen days' mission during November. Last Sunday week, the first of the campaign, was a special day for the Sunday School; afternoon, a record attendance in the main school. The kindergarten continues well with an average attendance of about 100 also. In the evening two scholars from the senior girls' class made the good decision.

Coburg church meets at the rear of the Masonic Hall, Bell-st., Coburg. A thanksgiving service was held on the 7th inst., for having been enabled to complete the purchase of a fine site, 90ft. frontage to Bell-st., and to complete purchase of church organ; also to thank Bro. Andrews for valuable help in preaching, etc., and the parent church (Moreland) for their help. The money to complete the purchase of land was loaned by the brethren. Bro. Siver gave an appropriate address. Bro. Andrews was the recipient of a large volume of Webster's Dictionary. Supt. Kilborn reported Bible School and kindergarten increasing. Supt. Miss I. McCormack reported J.C.E. making good progress. The secretary (pro tem.), to whom all correspondence should be addressed, is J. J. Anderson, 79 Moreland-road East, Coburg.

At Geelong on Sept. 2, Bren. Dunn and Ball were elected secretary and treasurer respectively of the building fund scheme, which previously was under the direction of Bro. J. Park, now of Tasmania. Plans were made for the holding of an open mission tea and devotional service on Oct. 28, prior to the opening of the campaign on Oct. 31. A homely discourse, "The Triangular Life," was delivered by Bro. Chas. Schwab on 5th inst., to a large congregation. God-speed and good wishes were extended on the church's behalf by the president, Bro. Putland, to Bro. and Sister Schwab, as they leave for holidays in South Australia. Response from all sources to the Protestant Orphanage annual appeal was £6/12/- . A moderate attendance at 7 p.m. gave splendid attention to the preacher's able address on "Self Discovery." Good addresses were delivered to average attendances on September 12, by Bren. McKay and Moore, to whom the church is indebted for their able assistance.

At Kyneton a social held by the Young People's Improvement Society on August 26 was well attended, and enjoyed by all. On Sept. 5, after a fine address by Bro. Saunders on "The One Big Union," a young lady took her stand for Christ.

On Sunday Brighton church enjoyed a helpful morning talk from Bro. Sharp. Last Sunday week two young ladies confessed Christ. The church were pleased to receive into fellowship Sister Seedsman, from Surrey Hills. Bro. Howie has recovered after his long illness.

At North Melbourne the attendances at gospel meetings are growing, and all departments are in good working order. Preparations are going ahead for a good time at the coming jubilee. Bro. Hurren will be holding a mission at Danlong, and prayer meetings are to be held here for its success.

The church at Brim had a visit from Bro. G. H. Browne, of N.S.W., who was the first preacher of this circuit. He took the two services on Sunday afternoon and evening, and delivered two splendid addresses. Good attendance at both meetings. The church appreciated the visit of Bro. Browne after twenty years' absence.

Fair meetings continue at Burnley. Sept. 12, morning service, Bro. Whithers exhorted; evening, Bro. Leece's address was much appreciated. Miss Holden, the No-License champion, gave a very interesting and enthusiastic talk to the women folk. All departments of work are healthy, especially the Junior Y.P.S.C.E.

At Lygon-st., Carlton, there were fine meetings on Sunday last. Bro. Reg. Ennis gave a very helpful address. Bro. and Sister H. J. Stevens, from Shawlands church, Glasgow, Scotland, were received by letter. Bro. Stevens has consented to take the Young Men's Bible Class. At night H. A. Procter, M.A.L.L.B., preached a farewell sermon. He gave a splendid message. Bro. Thomas, who conducted the service, expressed the good wishes of the congregation, and the hope that when his studies are completed Bro. Procter will return to Australia. Next Sunday is Men's Day.

A glorious commencement was made with the big tent mission at Stawell on Sunday last. Almost every member was present in the morning, and went away the happier on hearing the excellent exhortation on "The Vision We Need." In the afternoon a temperance meeting was held, Bro. Mudge speaking on "Why Vote Prohibition?" The attendance exceeded all expectations, and it was here that the missionary won the hearts of the people, for at 7.45 the tent was again well packed with anxious listeners, and at 8.15 crowds of people were standing outside. In a wonderful manner Bro. Mudge handled the topic, "The Usefulness and Truthfulness of Christianity." During the day splendid items were rendered by the Stawell Brass Band, and Miss Nesbitt and Sister Peters.

At Bendigo the annual business meeting was held on August 25. Secretary reported 24 additions; losses, 10; net increase, 14. Total membership at present: Bendigo, 138; Derby, 24; total, 162. Average attendances since the arrival of Bro. Southgate: Morning, 61; evening, 115. Balance sheet showed receipts, £274/15/9; expenses, £273/9/10; cr. balance, £1/5/11. Election of officers: Deacons, Bren. Wilson, Dempster, Helsham, Ellis, A. E. Streader, Perkins and Collins; secretary, A. E. Streader; treasurer, Bro. Helsham; auditor, Bro. H. Sims; church organist, Sister Jean Turner; asst. organist, Sister Doris Turner; choir leader, A. E. Streader. Bro. Alex. Pollock was re-elected deacon for Derby. Bro. Southgate is doing a fine work. Attendances at all meetings are growing. Since the close of the church year, July 31, several more have been added to the church roll. The Bible School are holding a blue and white rally for the purpose of obtaining new scholars. Sept. 12, good meetings, and deepening interest. Five additions to the church; two by faith and baptism, and three by letter. A Bible School rally has been commenced. Nine new scholars to date. Bro. Southgate has been appointed director of a united demonstration in connection with the No-License Victory Campaign.



At the morning meeting at Hawthorn on Sunday, the exhortation was given by Bro. Kenley. The evening service took the form of a No. License address. Several members of I.O.G.T., I.O.R., S. and D.T., and L.O.L. lodges were present in regalia. Bro. Scambler was at Dandenong all day. Sympathy is extended to Sister Mrs. Schmidt in the recent loss of her sister.

On August 29, at Collingwood Sunday School anniversary, Bro. A. R. Main spoke in the morning, Bro. R. Morris spoke to the children in the afternoon, and Bro. Webb in the evening. On Sept. 5, when anniversary services were continued, Bro. J. E. Allan spoke to the children in the afternoon, and at night, when Bro. Webb spoke, one young man made the good confession. On the young man made the good confession. On the two succeeding Tuesdays very pleasant entertainments were provided by members of the school and friends.

At Northcote last week marked the farewell services of Bro. and Sister Garnett. On Sept. 7 the K.S.P. held a social evening in their honor. On the 9th, the church held a special farewell, at which the F.M. President, Bro. L. C. McCallum was chairman. Vocal and instrumental items were rendered. The speakers included Mr. Robertson (Northcote Baptist), Mr. Webb, of Collingwood; Bro. Timmins, the new Mayor of Northcote. The secretary, Bro. Johnson, made the presentation of a first aid cabinet on behalf of the church and various auxiliaries, and Bro. Long made a presentation of a travelling-rug on behalf of the K.S.P. and Bible Class. Bro. Garnett suitably responded. Sunday, 12th, the church celebrated the opening of the new building as a special Sunday, and aimed for £25 offering. At morning roll-call 120 were present; 130 responses were received. At the Bible School Bro. Garnett gave a very interesting farewell talk. At the gospel service the building was filled, 300 being present. The singing was under the leadership of Bro. Pearl, of Collingwood, and the message on "Around the Cross," was listened to very intently. At the close of the day the offering had reached £24. Some time ago a competition was given at which all boys and girls under the age of 16 were to draw the "Renown," and two of our Bible School scholars, Grenville and Rupert Hing, won the first and second prizes.

### South Australia.

Anniversary services of Kersbrook church were held in the Institute Hall on Sept. 5 and 6. All meetings were well attended. On Monday the tea, followed by the public meeting, were both well attended. At night the large hall was comfortably filled. Miss Hazel Fullston had charge of the singing arrangements.

Meetings at Murray Bridge on Sept. 5 were only fair on account of the wet weather. Bro. Warhurst preached at Woods' Point in the morning. In his absence Bro. C. A. Grundy took the service at Murray Bridge. On August 31, Woods' Point held their Sunday School picnic, and public meeting in the evening. A trap load of five went from Murray Bridge. Mr. Parker, supt., gave the secretary's and treasurer's reports for the year, showing good work.

August 29, good meetings at Queenstown. Bro. A. G. Brown, of Grote-st., spoke to the young people at 10 a.m., and delivered an excellent paper on "Spiritualism" in the Men's Bible Class. Bro. Brooker spoke well both morning and evening. Sept. 5, splendid attendances. The evening service was a memorial service to Bro. Len Carson, who was called home on Friday last. A large representation of the Drivers' Union and the lodge to which our brother belonged was present.

Meetings at Strathalbyn continue to maintain interest. August 29, Sunday School anniversary. Bro. B. W. Manning conducted the meetings, and his services were much appreciated. The afternoon meeting took the form of a flower service, when prizes were distributed. Sept. 5, Bro. G. J. Black, who formerly had charge of the work here, exhorted at the Lord's table. Grand evening meeting. One man confessed Christ, and was baptised. Bro. Marshman has been re-engaged for a further term of two years' service with the Strathalbyn, Milang, and Pt. Sturt circuit.

Forrestville church are very sorry to lose the services of Bro. Hart, who has gone to the Murray Bridge district for some months. He was one of the foundation members, and always took a great interest in the work.

At Kadina last Lord's day evening one young lady made the good confession. Mabel Woodward won a New Testament in the Bible School, presented by J. H. Thomas, for finding the word "wisdom" in Proverbs the most number of times. Sister Mrs. Paternoster, senr., is still a great sufferer.

On Sept. 1 a welcome home social was tendered at Hindmarsh to Bro. and Sister Strutton, of India. An interesting and pleasant time was spent. Sunday, Sept. 12, good attendances during the day, Bro. G. P. Cuttriss speaking in the morning on "The Gentleness of God," and in the evening on "The Fugitive's Refuge."

At Semaphore, since last report, profitable meetings have been held. About three months ago the sisters decided to purchase a piano, and they have been successful in raising enough to purchase a very fine instrument. They held a successful social on Wednesday week, at which they presented the piano to the church, and also presented Mr. J. Roberts, for services rendered, with a pocket wallet.

Good meetings at Norwood on Sunday. Bro. F. Collins, of Maylands, gave a fine address in the morning. In the afternoon Sister Mrs. Naffin, a teacher in the Sunday School for 34 years, distributed the certificates and seals to scholars. Bro. Beiler gave an address to the young people. In the evening Bro. Beiler spoke to a fine audience on "Losing the Crown." This was a young people's service. Bro. and Sister Everett, from Fitzroy, Vic., were visitors.

At North Croydon on Sept. 5 Bro. Wilson spoke morning and evening. The Bible School under Bro. Bateup and Bro. Duncan (conducting the singing) is preparing for anniversary on Oct. 3 and 10. Sunday morning, Sept. 12, service conducted by Bro. Wilson, when the right hand of fellowship was given to Sister Harding. Evening service, Bro. J. C. F. Pittman preached to a good attendance. Sister Bateup is still improving. Bro. Bateup's mother is very ill, and our aged Sister Harris, mother of Sister Philips and our Sister Gately, is still very weak.

On Sept. 12 the brethren at Dulwich met for the last time at the home of Bro. and Sister Grant, to whom hearty thanks were tendered for so long accommodating the church. "Out of the old house into the new" was A. M. Ludbrook's subject in the morning, and at a special meeting in the evening E. W. Pittman spoke from the text, "The Statutes of the Lord are Right." Final arrangements were made for the chapel-opening services, which necessarily extend over the next two Lord's days to the following Tuesday owing to Conference meetings intervening. Successful and memorable gatherings are anticipated.

At Prospect on August 26, the sisters of the Dorcas Society held their annual meeting. Musical and elocutionary items were rendered, and a nice homely talk given by Mrs. Beiler, of Norwood. The report showed that good work had been done in visiting the sick, helping those in need of clothing, and in sewing for Minda Home. The annual meeting of the Y.P.S.C.E. was held on Tuesday last, when Bro. McKie delivered a very interesting and helpful address. Meetings lately have been well attended. On Sunday morning Sister McNicol and her two sons were received into fellowship from Cottonville.

Balaklava church held good meetings on Sunday last. In the morning Sister Miss Earl, of Mallala, and Bro. and Sister E. J. Mowsar, of Wagga, had fellowship with the church. Bro. F. T. Saunders addressed the church on "The Master's Parting Charge." After the meeting the officers met on the platform and made a presentation to Miss E. M. Curtis, who is retiring from the position of organist. At night, Bro. Saunders preached on "Does it pay to be a Christian?" During the week one of the isolated members, Sister Mrs. Anderson, was called from this life suddenly. The church sympathises with her children in their sorrow.

Bro. Colliver addressed the Unley church on Sunday morning, Sept. 5, and at the evening service Bro. and Sister Strutton gave an interesting account of their work in India. At the close one young man came forward. Large attendance on morning of Sept. 12, including Sister Mrs. Madder, Kaniva; Bren. A. Thomas, W.A.; E. S. Mann, Queensland; S. Bartlett, Strathalbyn; R. Burns, Kadina. Right hand of fellowship extended to four young men—George Venus, Stewart Way, Edmund Horder, John Macdonald, who were baptised during the week.

Mr. H. A. Wheeler (National Secretary in Australia for the Y.M.C.A.) gave an inspiring address on Sunday morning at Glenelg. Mr. Atkins was received by letter from the Baptist church at Jamestown. The loss of Bro. W. L. Johnston and family by removal to Unley district is regretted. They will be greatly missed by this church, for all were most valued workers. Bro. Johnston, senr., will, however, address the church as planned, to the end of the year. His position as church auditor has been filled by Bro. Reg. Rogers (ex-treasurer), and Bro. Pritchard has been elected treasurer. The Sunday School anniversary will be held on October 3.

Excellent attendances at Port Pirie on Aug. 29. Bro. Shipway exhorted on "The Atonement." The school is preparing for anniversary. At night Bro. Shipway delivered an address on "Shorn with the Shears of Delilah." A school lad and a young man made the good confession. The church is very pleased that Bro. and Sister Percy Harrison have come to reside in the town. On Sept. 5, Bro. Shipway had not recovered, and Bro. C. MacDonald gave a helpful address in the morning. Bro. R. O. Bottrall spoke in the evening, and was enjoyed. Bro. Shipway is recovering, and hopes to take services for 12th. Sister Shipway was ill at the same time, and is also mending.

### New South Wales.

Six were welcomed into the Enmore church on Lord's day morning, Sept. 5. A good congregation at night to hear Bro. Harward's opening address on "The Second Coming." A substantial amount will be paid off the building debt this month.

At Merewether, Evangelist Martin addressed the church in the morning of Sept. 5, and delivered the gospel message at night, the subject being "The Importance of Baptism." Two sisters and one brother went through the waters of baptism.

At Petersham, on the evening of August 29, Bro. Watson gave an account of his work in India. £8/10/- in cash and promises collected at the meeting for Foreign Missions. Sept. 5, good meetings all day. Big meeting at night. Bro. Arnott preached; one married lady made the good confession. At this service gifts were received for the Children's Hospital, Camperdown. About 24 dozen oranges and apples, together with flowers, and children's garments, made by the Dorcas Society, were taken to the hospital after the service.

At South Kensington on Sept. 5, the morning meeting was excellent, Bro. Robbins speaking. Special meetings were commenced in the Dacey Garden Theatre. The attendance was over 250. Sister-Hilda Bains sang two beautiful messages; she is helping all the month. Last Sunday there were over 300 present. Bro. Robbins' subject was "A Great Man's Great Message," and it was powerfully dealt with. Prayer is asked for this special effort.

Bro. E. Linn exhorted at the Chinese church on morning of 12th inst. Bro. Shee Ping gave a fine gospel message on Matt. 15: 4. Two young men made the good confession.

Splendid meetings all day on Sunday at Belmore. Mr. Gale, of Paddington, gave an uplifting address. At the conclusion of evangelistic address by A. Hutson, four from Bible School confessed Christ and were thereafter baptised. The evangelist has been granted leave of absence for a month. He hopes to spend his holiday in Queensland. All auxiliaries in good working order. Prospects are good. Expecting Chandler mission early in new year.

# A Letter from an Evangelist in Love with His Work

To a Young Brother Thinking of Entering the Field.

My dear Brother,—I am more than pleased to be able to attempt an answer to your letter. By all means seek to carry out your good resolution. The brotherhood of Churches of Christ is in desperate need of men. On every hand it is being admitted that the future of our churches depends upon the number of men who will answer the challenge of these wonderful days with the consecration of their lives exclusively to the service of Christ.

For this is the supreme hour for the Churches of Christ in our land. We have a plea of which we need not be ashamed. Given enough men, capable of presenting New Testament truth in its beauty and strength, the coming days should mark a notable growth for our churches. There is something in the very simplicity of our position which makes its own appeal to this complex day, when men long for a clear road for their feet. I have been greatly cheered during recent months by the way I have found men and women respond to the claims of the Church of Christ. And when they have not identified themselves with us, I have heard, not once, but a dozen times, the sentiment expressed: "Well, if ever I join any church, it will be the Church of Christ."

May I, then, in view of the unique opportunities, which may never return, and knowing from personal experience the unbounded joy of the work of the Lord, urge that without hesitation you seek to equip yourself for this high and honorable calling? But apart altogether from the vast opportunity presented by what we call the "Dawn of the New Era," there is no work in all the world which offers such rich opportunities for the achievement of good. There is no work more permanent and far-reaching in its influences. The ruthless hand of time is laid heavily upon the work of most men's fingers. The artist and builder may make their contributions to the realm of art or of architecture, but the strongest colors will fade and the stoutest canvas rot, and even monumental works in brick and stone crumble before our very eyes. How different it is with work wrought in the realm of the human spirit! If we seek through the preaching of the Word of God to fashion the soul of man into the image of the peerless Son of God, we work on material which will outlast the ages. And I believe there is no

more practical work under the sun. More than most people realise, the heartfelt preaching of the gospel is establishing the moral standard and fixing the ideals of people whose influence counts in public and private life in rousing that conscience through which the mightiest reforms are brought about.

The evangelist works on the unseen and eternal in man, on that inner life which is the wellspring of action; and it is because of this that he may expect such tremendous practical results to accrue from his labors. I know that the fruit of our efforts may not be so rapidly discernible as those of the farmer or gardener. For we may sow the seed of truth, the harvest of which may not even appear in our lifetime. And yet, when the sinful soul has sought and found the Saviour of mankind, transformations of character have been wrought in a single night.

Is there any other sphere where you could invest your life to greater purpose? What opportunities would be yours for striking at oppression, tyranny, wrong, and at every enemy to the highest interests of men! For you would carry in your hand the weapon which is the only sufficient means of bringing deliverance to mankind. Then I rejoice beforehand in the joy that would be yours in the homes and hearts always thrown open to those who bear the message of salvation. But, perhaps, of all the service you may render, none will be greater than your actual ministry in the house of the Lord. This is the evangelist's richest opportunity, and every one of his gifts should be consecrated to his supreme work. Did you ever think how often the services of the Lord's house are the arena where God and self battle for the mastery? The atmosphere is there where anything may take place. And week by week you may have the message which is the challenging call to the hearts of men—the words which may decide destiny itself. Think of the responsibility and tremble! But when you have done that, think of the opportunity and rejoice. For into God's sanctuary men come to be braced for the stressful experiences of everyday living. Here comes the work-worn soul to seek repose. Here come men and women with burdened hearts and strained nerves seeking the word which shall enable them bravely to meet their temptations, labors, and sac-

## THE HOUSE COMMITTEE.



The club system is in vogue at the College. Each week the household expenses are divided between those in residence. The students shown in the picture form the House Committee, which is responsible for these household arrangements.

ificial enterprises of another week; and such a word is the gift which God's preachers dispense to the needy sons and daughters of earth.

You may wonder if I am going to turn aside to show you some of the forbidding aspects of the life, I know of none worthy of mention. You will need a stout heart and a thick skin; wisdom of the serpent combined with the harmlessness of the dove. Perhaps some would seek to deter you on the ground that your financial position might be better in some other sphere. But think of the glorious compensations! I sometimes wonder whether God has granted to any of his children the joys which he distributes so bountifully to those who proclaim his message of deathless love? To some is given the ability to travel. Their eyes feast on sight and scene magnificent. To others there is the pleasure of listening to the great creations of musical genius. I, too, have seen sights and listened to choice music. But, believe me, there is no sight or sound of earth comparable to that when human lips confess faith in the saving name of Jesus Christ. And this supreme joy may be yours.

I know you might reply to my letter, reminding me that what I have said thus far might have its application to every man in our brotherhood who occupies the honorable position of a preacher of the gospel. I most gladly acknowledge this. I owe my own identification with the Churches of Christ to men whose lives were largely occupied by their business obligations. But the exacting nature of business life to-day is making it more and more imperative that there should be men who will have more time to devote to the things of the Lord—to visitation and study—and whose opportunities for effective service will be proportionately increased.

Praying that God's guidance and blessing may direct you in your momentous decision.—W. Mander, in "The Bible Advocate."

## THANK GOD FOR THE COLLEGE.

By a Student.

These words, uttered by a student, are not called forth because the place is one in which the occupants have nought else to do but to sing

"Must I be carried to the skies  
On flowery beds of ease,  
While others fought to win the prize,  
And sailed through stormy seas?"

For such it is not. The words are prompted because of intellectual and spiritual development of the right kind which is possible within its walls. The church ought to thank God for the College because the instructors are untinged by the curse of Higher Criticism. For truly the asphyxiating gases which emanated from the theological seminaries in Germany are more deadly to the spiritual life of the churches than were the poisonous gases produced during the war period for fighting purposes. The teachers are free from that form of godliness which denies the power thereof.

The world, too, ought to thank God for this institution, because it sends forth men to preach the Word with no uncertain sound; their convictions having been strengthened by what they have heard from the theological chair. True, other institutions emphasise the all-important fact that the gospel of Jesus Christ is the remedy for all of the world's ills; the College of the Bible goes further, in that it teaches the necessity of regeneration and the insufficiency of mere moral reform.

Perhaps it is not going too far to say that the nation ought to thank God, because of the preservation of the whole Bible; for when the Bible goes, the church goes; when the church goes, the home goes; when the home goes, so does the nation. The only institution of its kind in Australasia, which teaches the whole Bible, is the College of the Bible, Glen Iris.

Let us thank God for the College of the Bible, as well as the Bible of the College. But may we not forget that the thanksgiving which is most acceptable to God is that which is backed up by a worthy thankoffering. May God help us to show our appreciation on the day appointed.

## DEDICATED TO THE SERVICE OF GOD.

D. M. Wilson.

When in West Australia, Bro. Reg. Enniss gave some excellent reasons why we should support the College of the Bible, but the greatest reason of all was given at a special meeting in an upper room in the Lake-st. chapel. After a deeply impressive address by Bro. Enniss to the students of the Perth and Fremantle training classes, nine young men stood up to indicate in all seriousness their decision to dedicate their lives to the service of the Master, and to go to the uttermost parts of the earth if such was the Master's will. They also stated their willingness and desire to enter the College of the Bible as soon as the way is made clear. It was a great occasion, and all present were deeply moved. It now remains for us to heartily support the institution, which exists to train these young men. The visit of Bro. Enniss to West Australia has not only advanced the interests of the College, but has given an impetus to our local work that will, we believe, result in a distinct advance in the coming days. Since, then, the visit of Bro. Enniss was because of the College of the Bible, and because of his visit we have been so greatly helped, let us by all means support the College of the Bible.

## A CONSECRATED, EDUCATED MINISTRY.

W. A. Kemp.

When the idea of a College for the training of young men for the ministry was suggested, a meeting was held in the Swanston-st. chapel in 1900, in regard to the need of its formation. The opening sentence of the first speaker, Bro. W. Morro, B.A., was, "The preacher of the twentieth century must be an educated man." The rest of the speech, and the other items of the meeting have since been forgotten, but the truth of the statement has grown as the years have passed by.

It is a delight to know that so many who have studied at the College have passed and are passing on to further equip themselves by a University training, and it is doubly delightful to know that these men are making good, and hold their own with any others at that institution of learning.

May the College have the blessing of God, and may its product be a consecrated, educated ministry—men who because of their increased knowledge understand the problems that face the church and the individual, and who because of their training are the better enabled under the guidance of God to help in the uplift of their own fellow citizens, and peoples of other lands. God bless the College.

## INVESTING A LIFE.

Miss Grace Metzenthin.

Youth is the time when life's choice must be made, and there was never an age when youth was so much catered for in every way as now. There are many vain attractions leading to disillusion and consequent dissatisfaction. "Plenty of room at the top" in every secular calling is a possibility too vague and remote to inspire, therefore congestion at the bottom is a solid, indisputable fact.

Why should our churches help the young people in this important decision? There is one best choice—that of giving the life unreservedly to the Lord's service. Is there any congestion in this avenue of service? No, indeed; on the contrary, there is always room. The joy and satisfaction this service affords far surpass the momentary glitter and glare of worldly aspirations. The soul of a life of consecration in the Lord's service is enraptured with the everlasting peace it provides.

For this great service we appeal to all to help in sending others, or to come themselves. In 1921 we desire to see many more young people who intend giving their life's service to the Lord enter Glen Iris in preparation for it. The joy of preparation is great, but still greater is the joy of efficiently serving our Master.

## SHOWING OUR APPRECIATION.

A. R. Benn.

Many years ago an Australian Bible College was one of the things most greatly desired; many of our young men were going to America, some never to return. We longed for the time when we would have an educational institution which would render this exodus to America unnecessary. That which was once little more than a dream, has come to be. Our thanks for what we once needed, and our appreciation of what once we so much coveted, is best shown by our hearty support of the College of the Bible.

The College has supplied an incentive by putting an opportunity within the reach of the eligible student for the ministry of the Word. Altering some well known lines, we might say, "How oft the sight of means to do good deeds, makes good deeds done." The College is both an inducement and a means to preparing men for the greatest work on earth. Other Colleges, however excellent they may be, cannot supply what our own can. I do not see why young men and women, even if they do not intend to wholly devote themselves to the work of the ministry, should not avail themselves of what help the College can give them.

Our College is a help to every kind of Christian work; in helping it we are helping both Home and Foreign Missions and the various activities connected with these two departments of Christian work. Even if we cannot go to College, we may be able to send by monetary contribution. Be a "sender" or a "goer," or both.

## THE VALUE OF TRAINING.

D. Stewart.

Evangelist, Geeveston and Dover, Tasmania.

For a servant of Christ to achieve anything like the possibilities of his life, training is a necessity, whether it be what is called self-training or help derived from others in specially prepared courses of study. You do not fall into positions of useful service for God, but by diligent training you equip yourself to fill positions. Training is a necessity in all phases of God's work, and where it is lacking, the result is reflected in the manner in which the work is done. Some may say, "As long as the heart is right you need not worry"; yet, notwithstanding that fact, how many blunders, serious to the cause, have been made by sincere servants of Christ, because of lack of training for the work attempted. It is reported that a preacher of another body once thanked God in the presence of his bishop that he did not have an education. The bishop assured him, if he were thankful for ignorance, he had much to be thankful for.

Viewing the work of preaching from the standpoint of one doing the work, a man who has the special training such as the College of the Bible affords has decided advantages. He has more confidence, knowing just how to go about his work. His work is not so laborious to him, because he has learned best methods. He is well fitted to meet learned opponents. Let us prize this institution that is giving us trained men. Let us use it to fit ourselves for the most efficient service for Christ. Let us support it that its good work may not only go on, but increase in its service to the brotherhood.

## DON'T DIE! LIVE ON!

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*It is known that some brethren have it in their hearts to do big things for the College some day. At death the College will receive from their estate a substantial sum, but meanwhile the money must provide an income. That these friends may have the joy of personally handing over the money and of seeing it do the Lord's work while they live, the Board of Management is prepared to receive sums of money that can be handed over now, and will undertake to pay on such sums*

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## "COME AND SEE."

Miss M. F. Bache.

We felt our need for more knowledge, especially Bible knowledge, and entered College that we might be better able to minister to the hungry and thirsty souls in the dark lands to which God has called us. We leave with awe and wonder as we contemplate the richness and fulness of God's Word. We realise we have just entered the deep mine, and we wish to linger and search the depths for those wondrous treasures we have not yet reached.

We knew something of these treasures previously from without, and enjoyed them; now we view them differently. Their value to us is intensified, their wonder and beauty increased a thousandfold, for, are they not our own? Ours through our own seeking, under the God-given guidance of consecrated teachers.

To those who are thinking of giving their lives in a definite way to the Lord, and to whom the treasures of the Bible have presented only surface value, we would say, "Make the sacrifice now, and prepare to enter Glen Iris in 1921."

"Seek and ye shall find," is a well-proved promise, and you, like those of us who bid farewell to Glen Iris this year, will leave, echoing the glad cry, "Eureka!" I have found!

"Thy Word is like a deep, deep mine,  
And jewels rich and rare  
Are hidden in its mighty depths  
For every searcher there."

## EQUIPPING THE WORKERS.

H. L. Pang.

With the ever increasing activities of our church, the importance of the College of the Bible becomes more and more evident. The home churches want more evangelists, and the Foreign Mission Committee need more workers in the mission fields. Many of our young people are willing to make sacrifices, and devote their lives to the Master's service. It is for the brethren to see that they start out properly equipped, and in order to this they must see that the good work of the College of the Bible is not hampered by want of funds.

# The Family Altar.

J. Wiltshire.

## UP-SIDE-DOWN.

On one occasion the Apostle Paul and his co-laborers in the gospel were called: "These that have turned the world upside down." Many of us feel that the world, if not actually upside down, has a fearful lean on it; and that the message of the gospel of the grace of God alone can set it right-side up.

Sadhu Sundar Singh told of a fellow-worker of his own land whom the enemies of Christ hanged upside down. He hung thus for some considerable time, but to his enemies' astonishment, with no great grief to himself. He was then taken down and questioned as to his peace and joy under such circumstances. To which he answered, using the slides of a lantern to illustrate his meaning. "When you place a slide in the lantern you place it upside down, but the picture comes out on the sheet right-side up. You hanged me upside down, and it did not hurt me, nor take away my peace, because I knew that in heaven before God I was right side up. You hanged me upside down, but I am right side up, and you and the world are upside down in God's sight."

## MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20.

Gem Verse.—From henceforth let no man trouble me: for I bear in my body the marks of the Lord Jesus.—Gal. 6: 17.

Gems of Thought.—The Sadhu above referred to, when speaking of the reality of the peace and joy of the Lord, illustrated his point by a story of heroic endurance. A witness of Christ had been declaring to the Tibetans His saving grace. The hearers opposed him, and inflicted severe bodily torture upon him by removing large pieces of skin and then aggravating the parts thus wounded by cruel instruments. Through all the witness remained happy in the Lord. The opposers further proceeded to torture, and they cut out their prisoner's tongue. With his hands this faithful martyr signified, "You have closed my mouth, but in these wounds you have opened a great number of other mouths. My wounds shall declare my Saviour's worth."

Scripture Portion.—1 Peter 2: 18-25.

## TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21.

Gem Verse.—If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.—John 15: 7.

Gems of Thought.—

The message which Sadhu Sundar Singh delivered to Australia is summed up in this verse. How strange that one who has put this truth into practice can stir our cities so! Pirie-st. Methodist chapel was crowded to overflowing to hear the Sadhu repeat and illustrate nothing more than this. That Indian Christian stood in the midst of the great throng, and spoke of the living, present Jesus, until it seemed to many of us as though he enjoyed the radiant glory of a holy of holies into which we could not but look. Our lack of consecration and perhaps our unbelief curtailed us off from that blessed Presence of which the Sadhu spoke with such assurance. Why cannot we thus abide in Him?

Scripture Portion.—John 15: 1-17.

## WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22.

Gem Verse.—Give to him that asketh thee, and from him that would borrow of thee turn not thou away.—Matt. 5: 42.

Gems of Thought.—

If you were to toil up a weary hill,  
Bearing a load beyond your strength to bear,  
Straining each nerve untiringly, and still  
Stumbling and losing foothold here and there,  
And each one passing by would do so much  
As give one upward lift and go their way,  
Would not the slight reiterated touch  
Of help and kindness lighten all the day?

## THE AUSTRALIAN CHRISTIAN.

There is no "little," and there is no "much";  
We weigh and measure and define in vain;  
A look, a word, a light responsive touch,  
Can be the ministers of joy to pain.  
A man can die of hunger walled in gold,  
A crumb may quicken hope to stronger breath,  
And every day we give—or we withhold—  
Some little thing which tells for life or death.  
—S. Coolidge.

Scripture Portion.—Matt. 12: 15-21.

## THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23.

Gem Verse.—Open thou mine eyes that I may behold wondrous things out of thy law.—Psalm 119: 18.

Gems of Thought.—Since I commenced to write this column, an old disciple called on me, and in conversation told of a visit he had paid to sorrowing relatives. When he was about to leave them, he enquired whether they had a "Book." They asked, "What book?" Our brother replied that one had said there was only one Book, and that, the Bible. He then drew one out of his own pocket, and pointing to its cover, said, "You see it is black on the outside, but on the inside it is white. There is darkness to all who leave the Bible closed, but light to all who faithfully open it and read."

Scripture Portion.—Psalm 1.

## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24.

Gem Verse.—Except the Lord build the house they labor in vain that build it.—Psalm 127: 1.

Gems of Thought.—

### A HAPPY HOME.

The corner-stone in Truth is laid,  
The guardian walls of Honor made,  
The roof of Faith is built above,  
The fire upon the hearth is Love;  
Though rains descend and loud winds call,  
This happy home shall never fall.  
—H. V. Dyke.

Scripture Portion.—Psalm 128.

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25.

Gem Verse.—Abstain from all appearance of evil.—1 Thess. 5: 22.

Gems of Thought.—More people are ready to shrink from sinners than they are from sin.

If one has a propensity for falling into the fire, it is well to stay off the hearthrug.—"The King's Business."

Scripture Portion.—Amos 4. The smell of sin's devouring fire is found on many professing Christians.

## LORD'S DAY, SEPTEMBER 26.

Gem Verse.—For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin.—Heb. 4: 15.

Gems of Thought.—

Jesus! What a strength in weakness!  
Let me hide myself in Him;  
Tempted, tried, and sometimes failing,  
He, my strength, my vict'ry wins.

Scripture Portion.—Luke 4: 1-18.

## OUR RESPONSIBILITY.

Geo. Stimson.

Thousands are longing for the gospel as we understand it. How shall they hear it without a preacher? How can they preach except they are sent? We dare not send them unless they are properly prepared to go, and the responsibility is ours. We have the true gospel, and must, as servants of our Master, give it to others.

We know the great work the College is doing, the splendid young men it is giving us for the work, and the fine work they are doing. But we want hundreds more; the fields are ripe for harvest. Let us not only pray for reapers, but honestly do our part; give freely of our money to help the College.

## COMBATING THE DEVIL'S METHODS.

W. A. C. Wendorf.

Two thousand years ago Christ commanded his disciples to "teach all nations." Right from that time on it has been the supreme business of the church to teach Christianity. It was surely with some very definite purpose that Jesus devoted three years to the training of those whom he left to establish his church and propagate his great salvation. Two things that are essential to those entrusted with the business of preaching and teaching the gospel are—integrity and ability to employ the best methods. Christ trained his disciples until they possessed those qualifications. As time goes on methods become out of date. The devil continually introduces new methods in his work of demoralisation and destruction of all that is good in men. We need well trained men, well equipped with knowledge to parry those methods. With unwavering faith in our esteemed Principal of our College, and in the faculty, we have confidence that our College trains men to "put on the whole armour of God" that they may be able to teach others to "stand against the wiles of the devil." Let us all as stewards who cannot go ourselves, give liberally to our College funds and thus assist in the great work of training men in our Master's service.

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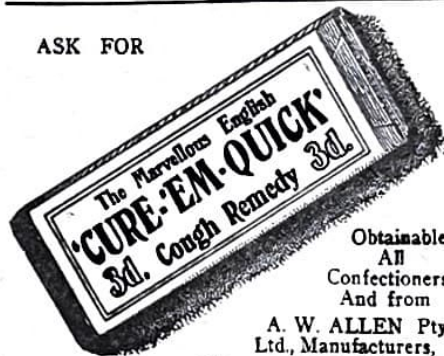
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