New South Wales 24th Annual Conference, 1909.

PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS

Tuesday, April 6.

Sisters' Auxiliary Conference. Morning at 10.30
Afternoon at 2. Evening at 7.30.

Thursday, April 8.

8 p.m. C.E. Demonstration.

Friday, April 9.

9.30 a.m. General Conference.
(Luncheon and tea provided at 6d. each meal.)
7.30 p.m. Great Home Missionary Demonstration

Saturday, April 10.

2 p.m. General Conference (Continued).7.30 p.m. Bible School Demonstration.

Lord's Day, April 11.

3. p.m. Conference Sermon. Preacher:—H. J. Banks, of W.A. Theme, "Calls of To-day."

Tuesday, April 13.

7.45 p.m. Temperance Demonstration.

All the meetings in the Tabernacle, Metropolitanrd., Enmore, except the Bible School Demonstration, which will be held in the Protestant Hall, Castlereagh-st., City.

EXECUTIVE AND HOME MISSIONARY COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

With thankfulness to our heavenly Father for his leading and blessing, we are pleased to present the following report, covering the period from March 1, 1908, to Feb. 28, 1909.

I. SISTERS' AUXILIARY CONFERENCE.

We desire to again place on record our appreciation of the work of the Sisters' Conference. In addition to the usual channels of activity, early in the year the sisters determined to do some special collecting for the Home Mission Fund, with the result that they have paid in the sum of £11/7/4. We trust that in the incoming year they will be able to do even more in this direction, and that eventually they will provide sufficient for the support of at least one of the evangelists laboring with your Committee.

2. NEW CHURCHES.

This Conference has the pleasure of receiving applications from six new churches for admission into the co-operation; four of these are in the country, and two in the metropolitan area. There are also churches in Kellabakh, Hornsby, Merrylands with 23 members, and Rockdale with 16 members, which are not yet associated with the Conference.

3. STATISTICS.

This year 31 churches are on the statistical register, and these show 426 additions by faith and baptism 185 by letter from sister churches, 41 as baptised believers, and 19 by restoration. The losses have been:—By letter to sister churches 180, by death 29, by discipline and revision of roll 314. The present combined membership is 3817; the increase for the year 177; the increase would have been much larger but for the leakage from a few of the churches. The aim adopted by last Conference—600 souls for Christ—was not realised, but good work has been done. There are 23 Bible Schools reported with a total of 233 teachers, and 2551 scholars; an increase of three schools, 11 teachers and 209 scholars. The churches received 100 additions from the ranks of the Lord's day School scholars.

FINANCE.

Last Conference adopted as the financial aim for the year—£1200 for Home Missions. The total receipts have been £1161/8/7, the expenditure £1258/8/5. The debit balance was £133/4/8, as against £36/4/10 at the close of the previous Conference year. The debit would have been £98/4/8 if all the assisted churches had met their obligations. The receipts show an increase of £166/7/2 over those of last year; this is exceedingly gratifying, coming as it does after the substantial increases of recent years. Just here the Committee would like to place on record its great appreciation of the splendid services rendered by J. Stimson as Treasurer.

5. Federal Conference and Centennial Celebrations.

Sydney has been honored with the meetings of the Federal Conference of this year, and also with the Australian celebrations of the centenary of the declaration of the "The Declaration and Address" by Thos. Campbell. These meetings and celebrations will

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follow immediately after this Conference, and we hope that the Sydney brotherhood will rise to the responsibility and privilege of the

6. ISOLATED BRETHREN.

During the year the Organising Secretary has kept up, as far as possible, a correspondence with brethren scattered throughout the State. 284 letters have been sent out, and 62 replies have been received. The claims of the Home Mission work have been kept before these brethren, with the result that £42/16/- has been received. There are 291 names on the isolated members' roll, of which number 212 are members of N.S.W. churches, and the balance are not. If church secretaries would take an interest in this matter, and keep the correspondent posted up, much more effective work would be done. One or two brethren isolated at Albury are conducting a Lord's day school; this is an example worthy of imitation.

7. HOME MISSION RALLIES.

On Nov. 3 the second H.M. tea and rally was held in the City Temple, and was the means of helping the work. Splendid addresses were delivered on that occasion by I. Hindle and A. E. Illingworth. The Organising Secretary has also conducted local rallies in connection with most of the churches in the State.

8. LITERATURE SALES.

Throughout the year F. J. Burcher has continued the work of selling our literature, and the Conference is asked to express its hearty appreciation of the work he has done in this direction for some years past. The sales for the past year bave amounted to £30/6/10; and the profit made £5/11/5. It is hoped that these sales will eventually grow into a central book depôt in the city of Sydney.

9. BUILDING FUND.

Immediately after last Conference a subcommittee, consisting of G. T. Walden (Sec.), G. Arnott (Treas.), and S. G. Griffith, was appointed to enquire into the legal standing of such a fund, and to inaugurate the same. This Committee will report verbally to Conference.

10. HOME MISSION FIELDS AND WORK.

(a) NORTH SYDNEY .- J. Colbourne has been located in this district throughout the

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"Including 30 scholars and 4 teachers in the Woollahra School.

Home Mission contributions do not include sums contributed by saisted churches towards own Evangelists' support.

year, and a good consolidating work has been done. He has also been able to devote a little week-day work to the new church at Mosman. The Home Mission fund receives I per week from the church at North Sydney towards the support of the evangelist. The church has unanimously requested that Bro. Colbourne be retained in that field another year. Additions:-By faith and baptism 8, baptised believers 2. Total 10.

- (b) ERSKINEVILLE .- Till the end of July the church here had the assistance of G. H. Browne, since when H. G. Payne has labored with the brethren as evangelist. A good work is being done, and Bro. Payne is deservedly popular. The church has agreed to contribute £2 per week towards the support of the preacher, and in addition has an ever-increasing building fund. Additions :-By faith and baptism 21; baptised believer 1. Total 22.
- (c) Belmore.—On the removal of A. G. Day to South Australia, G. H. Browne removed to this district. The work has made steady progress. The need of a larger build-ing is much felt. The church has agreed to contribute 25/- per week towards the evangelist's support. Additions:-By faith and baptism 15, baptised believers 2. Total 17.
- (d) MANNING RIVER .- On April 1, 1908, the churches in this district began to contribute sufficient to support the evangelist laboring there, but at the equest of the brethren the Committee has continued to supervise the work until now. W. J. Williams has labored hard in extending his circuit and consolidating the work, and has been ably assisted by the local brethren. Work of this nature will have to be done in all the country districts. The churches have unatimously asked Bro. Williams to labor in this field another year. Additions:—By faith and baptism 3, baptised believers 2; restoration 1. Total 6.
- (e) Moree.—E. J. Waters commenced work in this difficult field at the end of March last year. He has shown that something can be done in hard places by persistent and continuous labor. The church was subsidised to the extent of 10 - per week for the first six months, and 5/- per week since. The church has unanimously re-engaged Bro. Waters for an indefinite period. Additions :- By faith and baptism II, baptised believers 2, restoration 2. Total 15.
 - (f) WAGGA-JUNEE-MARRAR. Just about last Conference time, but in the period covered by this report, a successful mission

was held in Wagga by Thos. Hagger, after which Fred T. Saunders continued as evangelist there, and also paid monthly visits to Junee and Marrar. At the latter place he organised a church. In December Bro. Saunders took up the work at Lismore, since when W. B. Hayes has been laboring in this district. Wagga has agreed to contribute £1 per week, Junee contributes 5/-, while Marrar sends all possible (one-third of total receipts towards the preacher's support). Additions :- By faith and baptism 39; baptised believers 2, restoration 2. Total 43.

- (g) HURSTVILLE.-At last Conference the church in this district was received into the co-operation. During the year a successful tent mission was held. G. H. Browne devoted eight Lord's day evenings to the work, and I. Ernest Allan was engaged by the Committee to labor there for three months. The results have demonstrated the fruitfulness of the field. During Bro. Allan's term the church contributed £1 per week towards his support. Additions :- By faith and baptism 26, baptised believers 1, restoration 2. Total 29.
- (h) AUBURN.—This is one of our baby metropolitan churches. A few earnest baptised believers who were conducting a

mission there decided to be organised into a Church of Christ. This was done, and preachers were supplied until it was found possible to conduct a tent mission. The mission has closed since the Conference year ended with 80 confessions, and 6 baptised believers added; 48 of these persons are included in this year's statistics. Bro. Hagger still labors there, and efforts are being made to locate a suitable evangelist.

(i) TUGGERAH LAKES .- A few disciples in this district set up the Lord's table, and organised themselves into a church. The Committee has sent up preachers once a month with the result that two have been added by faith and baptism.

(j) MARRICKVILLE.—At last Conference the H.M. Fund was supporting Bro. Clydesdale in the work there; this was continued till the beginning of September, since which time the church has supported her own evangelist without help. One addition by faith and baptism during the time of assist-

(k) MEREWETHER .- E. Neville having kindly offered to devote his month's holiday from Rookwood to evangelistic work under your Committee, we were able to help Merewether to that extent. Bro. Neville had splendid meetings there; 6 confessions, and to restored to fellowship.

(1) STATE EVANGELIST'S WORK .- [Paragraph had not arrived when this section of the paper went to press.—Ep.]

(m) SUMMARY OF ADDITIONS .- The year's work has resulted in 206 additions by faith and baptism, 17 as baptised believers, and 18 restored. Total 241.

II. FUTURE WORK.

The work of the past year has been highly successful, and the Committee is of the opinion that this success should be used as a stepping-stone to greater things. We, thereore, recommend :-

1. That the work be continued at North Sydney, Erskineville, Belmore, and in the Wagga-Junee-Marrar districts; but that the churches thus helped be expected to contribute more towards their evangelist's support in the incoming year.

2. That the claims of further work on the Richmond and Tweed Rivers receive immediate attention. The brethren there have promised 30/- per week towards the support of another evangelist.

3. That efforts be made to locate a suitable evangelist at Auburn.

4. That, if satisfactory arrangements can be made, an evangelist be stationed at

Hurstville during the year. 5. That the claims of Junee for additional work be considered by the incoming Com-

mittee. 6. That wherever possible future assistance from the Home Mission Fund be in the form of a gradually-reducing subsidy.

7. That as soon as convenient to himself Bro. Hagger be re-engaged as Organising Secretary and State Evangelist.

8. That our aim for the year 1909-10 be 600 souls for Christ and £1200 for Home

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14 meetings have been held during the year, and have been attended as follows :year and fished been attended as hollows.

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13. THANKS.

The thanks of the Conference is due to the Home Missionary collectors in the various churches for their valued assistance; to the Sydney and Enmore churches for the use of their buildings; to the auditors, Bren. Scouller and Roberts: to the sisters for their catering arrangements; and above all to our heavenly Father for his presence and blessing throughout the year.

S. G. GRIFFITH, President. T. C. WALKER, Secretary.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

New South Wales Churches of Christ Home Mission Fund, from 1st March, 1908, to 28th February, 1909.

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J. SCOULLER. EVAN ROBERTS

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ntributens towards evangelist's support.

BIBLE SCHOOL COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

This committee is yet in its infancy, having only been appointed at last Conference. As at the time of its appointment the Bible School Union was in existence, it was considered advisable to step warily until the annual meeting of the Union, for which notice he been given of a motion to hand over the unctions of that body to the Committee. At that meeting the Union decided to handover the reins of government to the Committee, and also transferred their small credit blance to help in the Committee's

The ecretary was instructed to write to Americand obtain the nucleus of a library suitable for reference for the teachers, and this armed in September last.

The prizes gained at the examination conducted by the Union were presented to the successful competitors in the Enmore Tabernacle on October 1, 1908.

Acting on the suggestion of the Foreign Mission Committee, your Committee agreed to support the teaching of a Foreign Mission lesson in the schools each half-year, and this matter has been taken up heartily by many of the schools, leaflets being provided by the joint Committees.

It has been decided that at least once each year a teachers' conference shall be held, and each half-year a social will be arranged, so that the teachers may become better acquainted with each other.

The Committee have taken a great interest in Teacher Training, and are pleased to report that many of the schools have classes in operation, and at others such are to be commenced.

The names of the isolated members have been obtained, and these have been communicated with with a view to the establishment of schools in their respective neighbor-

We have found our work greatly hampered by the lack of funds, and we would recommend that an annual collection be taken up in the churches for this work, and ask for your endorsement of this recommendation.

It is the desire of the Committee to employ an organising secretary, whose duties would be to assist the schools already in existence, and to establish new schools in suitable localities

The Committee desire to place on record their high appreciation of the work done by the Bible School Union, and again express their thanks for the courtesy received from that body.

We would suggest for the opening year the motto:-"All the church in the Bible

School and many more.

Six meetings of the Committee have been held, and the members have attended as follows:—G. Stimson (Pres.), 5; S. G. Griffith, 4; A. Browne, 4; T. Morton, 4; F. Burcher, 5; F. S. Steer, 5; R. E. Jeffery, 6.

GEO. STIMSON, President. R. E. JEFFERY, Secretary.

TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

We have the honor to report another year of faithful work on the part of your Committee along the lines of moral and social reform. We have taken an active part in all matters relating to the social well-being of the people. Your Committee took part in the crusade against the gambling evil which was spreading so fast in our midst, and have pleasure in reporting that legislation for the suppression of racing sweeps has been placed on the statute book. We have united in a protest against the letting of the Town Hall for Sunday concerts, and are glad to report that they have ceased. We aided the protest against the brutal and degrading exhibition of prize-fighting lately held in our city. We are glad to report the application by the Department of Justice of the "Pollard plan"

of dealing with drunkards in our police courts, believing that it will help to check drunkenness, as it has done wherever tried. Your Committee has taken an interest in the question of the resumption of slum areas, and has forwarded a resolution to the Royal Commission now sitting in relation to the same. We have helped to keep alive, to the best of our ability and opportunity, the campaign against the liquor traffic and in favor of No License, by holding public meetings in connection with practically all our city and suburban churches, and arranging for addresses to be given to the children of the Bible Schools right through the State. We have financed, as far as our funds would permit, the No License meet-ings held by Bro. Hagger in the mission tent, and where possible have co-operated with and assisted the N.S.W. Alliance in the work. We have representation on the Public Morals Association.

Your Committee has arranged a stall in connection with the Alliance Exhibition and Fair (Church of Christ Temperance Stall), which we expect will mean a large and welcome addition to the No License fighting fund; and our thanks are due to Sister Edwards for the splendid work done by her in connection with this, and also to the sisters who so readily responded to the appeal for help.

Your Committee, at the suggestion of the Centennial Celebrations Committee, have arranged for a scholars' pledge-signing crusade in connection with our Bible Schools issuing special souvenir pledge cards. We have pleasure in recording the opening of Sands of Hope at Rookwood and North Sydney; it would be good if all our churches would do likewise. "Prevention is better than cure."

We have been much encouraged in the work by the splendid success of the No License party in New Zealand, and we trust the brotherhood in this State will keep this question ever to the front and educate and agitate in season and out of season in view of the coming No License poll, when we trust that with God's blessing we shall have many No License victories to report.

We would thank those churches which have helped us financially by taking up an evening collection for No License work, and earnestly urge all our churches to help in this way in the coming year. Our work has been much hampered by the lack of funds.

Individually the members of the Committee have been right in the forefront of the work in their several districts.

Ten committee meetings have been held, at which the attendance was as follows :- G. T. Walden (Pres.), 10; G. W. Logan (Vice-Pres.), 7; J. Colbourne (Vice-Pres.), 5; J. Clydesdale, 8; S. G. Griffith (resigned), 1; H. G. Payne (elected in place of Bro. Griffith), 9; Sister Edwards, 9; Sister Campbell, 7; Sister Madsen, 6; Sister Maston, 5; Bro. Morton (Sec.); 10.

BALANCE SHEET.

RECEIPTS.

By Balance March 1, 1908 Collected at Conference Meeting

EXPENDITURE.

Paddington 0 10
Petersham 0 9
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Marrickville 0 6
To Share Expenses Meeting in Mission Tent 0 12
Donation to N.S.W. Alliance 4
, Alliance Exhibition (Inverell Don.) 1
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G. T. WALDEN, President. THOMAS MORTON, Secretary.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR UNION REPORT.

In presenting the first annual report of the N.S.W. Churches of Christ C.E. Union we do so feeling that an advance movement has been made in bringing the Endeavor Societies connected with the Churches of Christ together for the purpose of deepening the spiritual life of the youth of the church, promoting co-operative effort, rendering more efficient the service of the young people, and of increasing the number of societies among the Churches of Christ in N.S.W.

At the invitation of the Enmore society, delegates met on June 23, 1908, to discuss the advisability of forming this Union. That meeting, unanimously deciding that it would be in the best interests of C.E. work that the Union should be formed, framed a constitution which was accepted by all the societies.

Seven societies affiliated, with 258 active, 15 associate, and 27 honorary members. This has since been increased to 9 Y.P. societies having a membership of 338 active, 20 associate, and 26 honorary members; and 6 junior societies with a total membership of about 160.

The special efforts of the Council have been in the direction of building up the weaker societies, and in this they have been very successful.

The Union has held one united rally, which proved a great success, on Nov. 16, 1908, and another has been arranged to be held on Thursday, April 8, 1900.

The monthly Council meetings have been well attended, and keen interest is shown by the delegates.

We are thankiul that we have been able to do something to advance the Master's kingdom, and are looking forward to better service in the coming year.

> J. CLYDESDALE, President, ALFRED A. BARRATT, Sec.

DIGEST OF LETTERS FROM CHURCHES

AUBURN.—The tent mission just closed has been a great success, and there is every indication of a splendid church being built up in this place. The building has been renovated, and presents quite a nice appearance. It is hoped that in the near future an evangelist will be located in the district.

Bascatow.—The church here consists of 6 members, who meet for breaking of bread once a month, sometimes oftener. With the location of an evangelist, which it is hoped will take place in the new Conference year, to work Bungawalbyn, Tyalgum, and this place, we expect that progress of a substantial nature will be made.

Belmore.—Our membership now stands at 103 after revision of the roll; but 14 of these are isolated. We desire to thank the H.M. Committee for its interest in the work here, especially for the services of an evangelist, and for the tent mission held last Nov. The debt on the chapel has been reduced by £6 during the year; the balance £274 falls due in Nov. next. The prospects are bright, and we believe the cause in Belmore is bound to succeed.

BUNGAWALBYN.—We have not made any progress worthy of printing. The school has increased slightly, and the church has purchased an organ. We have had visits from Bren. Hagger, Davis and Morrison during the year.

CANLEY VALE.—We have to chronicle a decrease of 4 in our membership, 3 through the organisation of the church at Tuggerah Lakes. The Bible School is in a flourishing condition, and in 1908, for the fourth time in succession, gained the Honor Certificate of the Union. With our small population we are somewhat hampered in our work, but the Lord is with us, and we cannot fail.

Corowa.—Bro. Waters will represent us at Conference, and we hope that something will result from it on our behalf. Meetings are going on in the usual quiet way.

Enwore.—The past year has been one of quiet progress. Large audiences are the rule on Lord's day evenings, and the worship and prayer meetings are well attended. The various auxiliaries are doing efficient service. Bro. Colbourne left us during the year to take up the work at North Sydney; his visitations among us were very inspiring, and we watch with pleasure the success of the work in his new field. The mission conducted by C. M. Gordon stands out as one of the prominent features of the period under review; his able addresses not only carried conviction to the hearts of the unsaved, but were a source of much spiritual profit to the church.

Easkineville, — During July last Bro. Hagger conducted a mission in our meetingplace which was well attended, considering the bad weather we had to contend with. Our building fund is slowly growing; we now have £34 in the bank. H. G. Payne's influence is beginning to tell, and we believe, in the near future, splendid progress will be made.

HURSTVILLE. — The work continues to progress. During Sept. Oct. a tent mission was conducted by Bro. Hagger; the meetings were well attended, and a great amount of good was done. This effort was followed by the location of J. Et. est Allan for three months; our brother abored zealously and well. The Sunday Schrol continues to grow. Our great need is a building of our own, and by a division of our finances a fund for this purpose has been started which at the end of Feb. had £5/6/9 to edit. We desire to thank the H.M. Commi the and the better who bave filled our plan form, for all the help rendered. In such a promising field we look forward confidently to greater results in the

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mittee; the results are very gratifying. We believe it would be a splendid move to start the cause in Hamilton, and to work that place and Merewether with one strong man.

MOREE.—E. J. Waters commenced work stocks in this somewhat hard field. He has organised a Bible School, which now has 43 scholars, a Band of Hope in which 105 pledges have been taken, and a C.E. class. During 11 months' service 11 souls have been baptised into Christ.

MUNGINDI.—The church has been reduced to three faithful sisters, who meet on the Lord's day to break bread.

MOSMAN.—This church has recently been organised, and has good prospects ahead. A Bible School has been started; but so far the church has not ventured on gospel proclamation meetings. Bro. Colbourne renders some valued week-day aid.

NORTH SYDNEY.—The church has enjoyed a spiritual time under Bro. Colbourne's ministry, and the work is in good condition. During the year £25 has been paid off the building debt. We desire to thank the H.M. Committee and the other brethren who have helped us for their assistance.

PADDINGTON.—Thos. Hagger ceased work at Paddington during the year, and the church extended an unanimous invitation to A. E. Illingworth to succeed him. We are entering another year full of hope, believing that the good spirit existing, and the amount of solid work being done by the evangelist, must tell.

PETERSHAM.—J. Clydesdale succeeded Bro.
Illingworth as evangelist here during the year. The Bible School has had a good increase. Prospects for the new year are bright.

ROOKWOOD.—The past year has been one of difficulty, but prospects for the future are not dreary. The work in all departments is improving. In May last year E. Neville commenced work with us as evangelist, and terminates the same on March 14. The C.E. holds interesting and enjoyable meetings, and the Bible School is in good condition.

SYDNEY.— The increase of suburban churches affects the Sydney church considerably. In spite of this the attendances at the various meetings during the year have been very fair. The gospel services have been especially good, and although there have not been many decisions, the clear and powerful preaching of Bro. Griffith has done an immense amount of good to those who have heard it. The work of the various auxiliaries is well sustained. A Teacher Training Class with Bro. Griffith as leader has had an auspicious start. We are hoping to accomplish much in the incoming year in service for the Master.

SEVEN HILLS.—The church here consists of one family, but the table is spread every Lord's day, and generally we are favored with visits from some of the Rookwood, and occasionally other, brethren. We hope for good developments in the future.

SYDNEY (Chinese).—The church meets in the school-ball at Campbell-st., and the services are conducted in Chinese. The need of a Chinese evangelist to work among the large number of Chinese in the city is greatly

TAREE.—The past year has been a time of soming. The preaching of the gospel is being carried on at various places by Bren.W.J. Williams, Edwards, Lee, and P. G. Saxby. We expect that with the coming of the railway our sphere of usefulness will be greatly extended. The church sustained a great loss during the year by the death of Geo. Newby.

Tyalcoun.—The meetings were started here by members of the Stewart and Robinson families from Bungawalbyn. During the year visits have been paid by Bren. Hagger and Davis, and 5 have been baptised. We have the field practically to ourselves, and a splendid work can be done here by means of regular help from an evangelist.

TUGGERAH LAKES.—Brethren from Petersham and Canley Vale set up the table, and having obtained the use of the Union Chapel one Lord's day in each month, asked the H.M. Committee to send up preachers for that day. Brethren from Sydney and Merewether have helped, and a little progress has been made. The brethren are full of hope for the future.

Waga.—Steady progress has been made since the tent mission of about a year ago; the greatest difficulty is the lack of men in the church, there are so few to take part. However, this will be overcome in time. The work of W. B. Hayes is much appreciated.

Wingham.—This is one of the churches in the Manning River circuit, and has, along with Taree, been enjoying the labors of Bro. Williams. A number of the members live at Kellabakh, and regular meetings for worship, and also for gospel preaching, are held there, as well as at Wingham.

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MARCH 1, 1908, to FEB. 28, 1909.

In presenting our annual report we are thankful to be able to record increased interest in the commission of Jesus to his people to go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. Though this year we had two months less in which Inough this year we mad two months less in which to receive offerings, yet we are glad to say that we received £99/14/8 more than during the fourteen months of 1907-8. This increase, we are glad to say, is not owing to the large gifts of a few, but to the increased gifts of the many. With few exceptions individuals, churches, Sunday Schools and Endeavor Societies have all sent in larger offerings, and best of all this increase has been accompanied by expressions of joy on the part of the giver, indicating that we are growing in the grace of giving.

LIVING LINK

We have now several living link organisations. Paddington Christian Endeavor supports a native teacher on the Island of Pentecost. Marrickville church and Sydney and Enmore Bible Schools support orphans in India. Our Sisters' Conference supports a Bible woman in China. The Helping Hand Class of Enmore and the Sunday School of Petersham and the Paddington Bible Class unite in supporting a Bible student in Japan.

CHINESE CHURCH AND CLASSES.

The work among the Chinese in New South Wales has been continued with great success and much self-denial on the part of the workers. Bro. F. Newby, the superintendent, and Mrs. E. J. Priddeth, the secretary, and their noble band of workers, have been in labors abundant if not in "fastings The Chinese church has been reorganised, and now meets at 10.30 on each Lord's day, and conducts a gospel service at 7 p.m. Several have at these meetings decided for Christ.

PENTECOST ISLAND.

Our hearts have been thrilled with the magnificent results of the work on the Island of Pentecost. The story of Tabymancon's and Bro. Filmer's work has been like a new Acts of Apostles. Scores and hundreds have turned to the Lord, and are "continuing steadfast in the apostles' doctrine.' Filmer will be with us at the Federal Conference to tell us face to face this wonderful story-this almost romance of missions in the islands of the sea. Bro. Filmer proposes to take back with him a boat, a house, and last, but not least, a wife. Before this is read Bro. Filmer will have married Miss Fountain, of Adelaide, who has been gaining experience as a nurse and in other ways fitting her-self for the work of a missionary. From the united labors of Bro. and Sister Filmer we may expect even greater success and blessings in the work at Pentecost Island.

Bro. and Sister Davey have continued their work at Tokyo with much success. This sunrise kingdom has responded to the Sun of Righteousness. The school work has grown apace, and souls have been won. The arrival of another missionary in the person of Percival Douglas Davey has caused great joy to our devoted brother and sister. Sister Benson, while doing her part as grandma, has done something to belo on the work in Japan.

INDIA.

The work in India has made steady progress. Bro. and Sister Strutton are increasing the number of weavers in the industrial section. Miss Mary Thompson has continued her village and school

During the year Miss Rosa L. Tonkin has returned to her mission among the women of China, and is now hard at work in her field. Bro. James Ware paid us a short visit recently, and spoke in glowing terms of the good work Sister Tonkin is doing. Bro. Ware's visit was greatly appreciated.

CHILDREN'S DAY,

Children's Day has enlisted the help of nearly every scholar in N.S.W., and the amount contrib-uted is a record for our State. The missionaries write enthusiastically about the joy of the children of our mission stations on receipt of their Christmas boxes. Next year we purpose using the American Children's Day Exercise, and they are already in hand, and will be sent out about June 1. We hope to receive at least £50 this year from our Bible Schools.

THANKS.

We tender to our collectors our best thanks for their splendid services. They are the hardest workers of all. The work is oftentimes made very difficult, but through storm and sunshine, through rebuff and cheers, they steadily pursue their way to the hearts and pockets of the members-not for themselves, but for Christ's sake. We glory in the work of our collectors. They are self-denying, patient, hardworking, and their praise ought to be in all the churches.

To Bro, and Sister Gole, thanks are due for the kind hospitality of their home for Committee meet-

RESIGNATIONS.

During the year several changes took place on our Committee. Bro. E. Gole resigned his work as Secretary and Treasurer. Bro. Walden was ap-pointed in his place. Bro. Illingworth was elected chairman, but had to resign on account of the heavy work on the Centennial Committee, Bro. E. Gole was then appointed chairman, and Bro. Shearston was appointed on the Committee. Miss Fox resigned ber place on the Committee, and Mrs. A. B. Maston was appointed to the vacancy. During the year Bro. Day moved to South Australia,

BRO. E. GOLE.

Mention has been made of the resignation of Bro. E. Gole as Secretary and Treasurer of the Committee. The Committee did all possible to cause Bro. Gole to reconsider his position, but to no purpose. Bro. Gole felt that other matters had greater claims. Bro. Gole has been Secretary of this committee from its inception, and is greatest human influence in F.M. work in N.S.W. Nothing was a trouble to him if it advanced the cause he had so much at heart. He brought to bear all the powers of mind and heart and pocket to make Foreign Mission sentiment prosper in N.S.W. Whatever progress we have made or success we have attained is owing largely to the magnificent leadership of Bro. Edmund Gole. As Bro. Archibald McLean in America began his F.M. work in the Secretary's chair, and is now our President of the F.M. Committee of U.S.A., so Bro. E. Gole has graduated from the Secretaryship of our Committee to the Presidency, a position we hope he will continue to fill till he goes home or until

"Jesus shall reign where'er the sun Doth his successive journeys run."

MEETINGS

During the year the Committee has held 10 meetings with the following attendances :- Bren. Clydes-

. S. W. Conference Reports dale, 9; Day, 3 (resigned); E. Gole, 9; S. O. Gole, 9; Griffith, 5; Illingworth, 3 (resigned); Shearston, 4 (appointed late in year); Waiden, 10; Sisters Ashwood, 4 (removed to country); Hindle, 3 (removed to country); Hindle, 3 (removed to country); Maston, 4 (appointed late in the year) the year). BELMORE-FINANCIAL STATEMENT. MARCH 1, 1908-FEBRUARY 28, 1909. Bible School : Children's Day RECEIPTS. " ENMORE orch Collectors Lo7 13 C F.M. Sunday 37 10 S W. Plowman family 6 14 0 Miss Fanny Beeby 0 10 0 Miss Bust 0 2 6 TAREE-/AREE Church:

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and those who do not, we find the average per member as follows:-	

206 Thinules of proceedings of the Tweely Towth (24th) Annual Conference to the Schurches of Christ in S. S. H. Sheld at Enmoire Vabernacle Spiril Conference was opened with a devotional. sorblee led by Bro J. W. Smith at 9.30. A.M. the address being given by The President Brown of G. Griffith opened the business oession at 10. 30 Bro Thes Hagger engaged in prayer New Lakes Bangalow, Gluburn, Marray, Churches. Thorman, and the Sydney Cohinese Church ! were all admitted into the Conference Holl of the roll of delegates was then called Allegates and responded to Menutes. The Minutes of last Conference were read and adopted. Correspondence: - Letters received from Bon It Horsell S. a. " Sesters Conference 1. S.W. , 16. J. Banks . W. S. ", Nictorian Conference Committee . , D. A. Ewer. J. X. Decided to receive correspondence. Welcome President extended a welcome to are Visitors. Vivetors, responded to by Bro & & Manning Br Spaulding President Lasmania Conference Bu Smith, accordance N.J., Bu Colville, Queenday Tresidento The President then delivered his address address which was carnest and entheasiastic Bm dlengworth moved, Bro Wovoter seconded.

207 Minutes of General Conference 1909; best thanks of Conference be given to the President for his earnest address (Carried Obituary Bm Hengworth read the Obsterary Report which showed that during the year 24 Bro ofis had passed to their record Bur Hengworth moded that the Brethen in bonference assembled desire to express to Bro & Sis Clan Rice, as a member of the H.M Committee, then sympathy in the sudden death of their daughter "Vora" on the sine of Conference, seconded and Carried The executive and STM. Report was read and dealt with. read and dealt with. Sorutineers. The following brethran were appointed occilineers, Bur Willis, F. Leer Friglone, Burcher, Clapham Sommations. all the Committees were now taken Readed to combey to Brow F. Bricher the thanks of Conference for the good work done with the Leterature during the year adjournment for Lunch __ Bir J. Fox conducted a bicef devotend business was resumed by the Bresidents Reports from the Fields It.M. Fields TWork! - These reports were spoken to by Evangelists localed and by local representatives On Halden prevented a report- from Buldeng) the Committee of the Church Chapel Bulding Fund

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209Minutes of General Conference 1909. Bu Hen growth moved Bm Williams occorded that this conference place on record that appreciation of the oflended services given to the 18th Com by Bin for Stumson for the past of years as Frederick Clause I Futione Work Payne ofoke greatly in favorie & a occord man being located in the Richmond Rever sixtuct, Bu Waters ofoke for borowa Hen Report was adopted as a where Reports. F.M. Report opolan to Bon Walden E. Sole Bible School Report oforen to Bios of timoon, Webber, Jeffryo, Heer Laundero, W. Smith, Walden Clydodale Men growth, Williams was adopted. Temperance Report ofoken to by Bir Thorton, Legan, Payne, Rossell Vallettes, a motion was carried condemning the lequor traffic in cevery form and wiging the chirches to take a greater interest in the No Lecense Campaign a motion was carried condomning Sambling, and the permetting of Trunge Dighto Notices of motion Not. moved by Bio Rosvell in the abaence of Bw Price Sec by Bw f Stemson oforken to A. Brown, Frighte Williams & Whateley & Barried No 2. moved by Bro R. Steer seconded by An Jeffryo (Livmore).

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Notices of Motion :-

- (1) By Bro. Alan Price, Hurstville.
 - "That active steps be taken to encourage local speakers to engage in Gospel Work, by a systematic arrangement for conducting Gospel Meetings where opportunity offers."
- (2) By Bro. R. Steer, Enmore.

"That this Conference recommends the incoming Committee to earnestly consider the advisability and practicability of selecting and securing a position in the City of Sydney as central headquarters for Organising Secretary, sale of literature, general intelligence department and other purposes as progress is made.

(3) By Bro. G. Arnott, Paddington.

"That the words, 'be asked to' be inserted between 'shall' and 'contribute' in paragraph headed 'Basis of Membership' in constitution and bracketed clause in next paragraph be struck out."

Votes. Thanks to the Sisters for the work they had done in preparing the bonference Dinner, Teate to the Lingers, to Bor Allen grootte for his great services as Fiederal Secretary, to the Officers of Conference for past year, and to the retiring amountles man Bros V. R. Price, and S. Brown

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