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Scraps from a Wayfarer's Log.

A Prayer and Home.

Cecil R. Hall.

"I am assured of immortality!"
and it all came about through an old razor.

I was sitting in the Barrack-room at Col-
dhar one day—sitting on the edge of my
bunk, when an old crippled fellow shuffled
towards me, half crawling and half slither-
ing. He had a twisted, repulsive face, a
horribly mis-shapen body, and laying talon
like hands on my boots, squeaked:—

"Sahib! Sahib! Nails, Sahib?"
He was what we would call a chiropodist,
and without waiting a reply, began to untie
my bootstrings. To protest was useless;
there was no escape from him. Willy-nilly
he would come a boot and sock, and your
chiropodist began operations. He worked
with an unexpected care and skill, however,
using a keen chisel-like tool, made, as he
explained, from an old razor. But when he
had finished, he showed what he was.
What could I give him! Had the Sahib an
old razor? The Sahib had, and not unreluctantly
handed it over. Then a piece of
dirty paper was produced, and a stubby
pencil:—

"Sahib, write name." The Sahib did.
Then, tapping the paper:—"Every time go
church, ask it God make it alright this
man." I left Bombay the next morning for
the Big Venture.

After two years had passed, I again met
"Nails" in that barrack-room. He looked
much the same, and with him, apparently,
as with me, the years had been years of
health. But his obvious pride in the effi-
cacy of his prayer was rather sadly over-
shadowed by the enthusiasm with which he
trabbed my boot: "Sahib! Nails, Sahib?"

For aught I know he may have prayed
recently and long. This much is certain,
however, that for the man who does put his
trust in him, God will make it right.

"Along the riverbank with B— at sun-
set."

We walked downstream towards a clus-
ter of mud hovels crowded together on the
fringe of a stagnant pool. "Single-front-
ed" and "single-roomed," these huts did not
even boast of a door. And what a smell!
Yet each little burrow was for someone, a
home.

And after all, fine houses of themselves
will never make a home.

But there is a state of mind and heart
and a purpose in life, that can enhance
whatever our possessions, and for those
who will, put a little bit of heaven here on
earth.

There comes to mind a thought of Stev-
enson. The epitaph that adorns his grave
on the summit of Samoa, he wrote himself.
In part it is this:—

"This be the verse you grave for me
Here he lies where he longed to be;
Home is the sailor, home from the sea,
And the hunter home from the hill."

A Love Token.

In every woodland tree,
Each wayside flower,
My eyes behold Thy goodness, Lord,
In each glad shower
And softly-singing breeze, I see
A love-token, dear God, from Thee.
The friend who came to me
From out the night
Was Thy hand reaching out, O Lord,
To point the Light.
Even the dark was meant to be
A love-token, dear God, from Thee.
For every gift so free,
Or large or small,
I ne'er can show my gratitude.
But here's my all,
A joyful heart—each day to be
A love-token, dear God, to Thee.

—Nina M. Langford.

Here for a truth, is the glory of home.
Was there ever a nicer appreciation, of its
inmost soul!—Rest after weariness, calm
after storm. A haven at last. Was the day
dull and grey? Nothing on earth can cheer
the heart as home at the end of it. Did the
day bring its burdens? Then home to re-
store the soul in the bosom of the family.
For the perfect end of any day, is a share
of the simple common joys of home.

Often I think that this land of ours
would be the better if its people had a
deeper experience of home life. There
seems overmuch seeking otherwheres for
the indispensable things that belong to the
home, alone, to give. It is certain, too, that
the ideals and standards set up by any home
are sooner or later reflected in the feelings
and actions of those who dwell therein.

I am thinking of a critical period in the
life of a young man, when a home turned
that life to some account. Do you wonder,
then, that I am not sad for my little bur-
rowing villagers, or that I say—"There's
no place like home, be it ever so humble?"

Is It Not So?

I have grown to believe that the one
thing worth aiming at is simplicity of heart
and life; that one's relations with others
should be direct and not diplomatic; that
power leaves a bad taste in the mouth; that
meanness and hardness and coldness are
unforgivable sins; that conventionality is
the mother of all dreariness; that pleasure
exists, not only in virtue of material condi-
tions, but in a joyful heart; that the world
is a very interesting and beautiful place;
that congenial labor is the secret of happi-
ness; and many other things which seem,
as I write them down, to be dull and trite
commonplaces, are for me the bright jewels
which I have found beside the way.—Ar-
thur Christopher Benson.



Miss Mary Thompson.

our pioneer missionary, who will be specially honored at Conference.

The following other missionaries, or ex-missionaries, are expected to be present at what promises to be our greatest Missionary Conference:

- Miss Rosa L. Tonkin, China
- Miss Elsie M. Caldicott, India
- Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Coventry, India.
- Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Black, New Hebrides
- Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Garnett, China
- Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Pittman, India
- Miss Rose Tilley, India
- Mr. and Mrs. F. Mackie and son, missionaries-elect for New Hebrides.

"The History of Missions is the realisation of Christ in time and in humanity. The career of every missionary, from Paul to Carey and Livingstone, from John to Duff and Wilson, is worthy of study in proportion as he lived the life of Christ, and loved sinful men as Christ loved the world. And thus the History of Missions is, in its widest sense, the history of civilisation as well as of redemption. All through the history we see the greatest, the most self-re-nouncing and successful, foreign missionaries reproducing Christ in their own life, their teaching, their converts. And we see missionary churches and societies ever turning to the Gospels, the Acts of the Apostles, and the Apostolic Letters, for their own guidance, and for charges to the men and women whom they send forth in Christ's name."

—Dr. George Smith.

Federal Conference.

The Federal Conference of Churches of Christ in Australia will be held in Melbourne from October 24 to 27. Large attendances are hoped for. With the exception of Wednesday and Thursday evenings, all the meetings will be held in the Lygon-st. chapel. Attractive programmes are being arranged, with special singing by the Conference Choir, under the leadership of Mr. E. Tjppett. The sisters will provide luncheon and tea on Wednesday and Thursday at a very moderate charge.

Tuesday, October 24.

The Board of Management of the College of the Bible is arranging an afternoon reception at the College at 3.30. Invitations will be issued later, but it is particularly desired that delegates and all inter-state visitors will plan to be present.

At 2.30 on Tuesday afternoon the foundation stone of the new building about to be erected by Gardiner church at the corner of Malvern-road and Scott Grove will be laid by Mr. Robert Lyall (Chairman of the College Board of Management and of our Victorian Church Extension Committee). A general invitation is extended for this function, which will conclude in time for an adjournment to be made to the reception at the College, which is distant about ten minutes' walk.

At 7.45 in Lygon-st. chapel the Inaugural Welcome Meeting of the Conference will be held. Everybody is invited. Short welcome speeches will be given by Mr. J. E. Thomas, President of the Victorian Conference, and Mr. G. Judkins, President of the Council of Churches. Responses will be given by representative visitors. The Presidential address will be delivered by A. R. Main; subject, "Proportion and Emphasis in Religious Truth."

Wednesday, October 25.

Day sessions in Lygon-st. chapel, beginning at 10 a.m. Devotional services, important business, an attractive hour with our missionaries in the afternoon, are the features of the day.

A College "Old Boys'" Reunion luncheon is arranged for Swanston-st. at 5.45 p.m.

The evening meeting will be held in the Collins-st. Baptist Church building. Consideration will be given to THE COMMISSION AT HOME: Teaching; Preaching; Social Service.

Addresses will be delivered as follows:—

"The Commission in Relation to Young People's Work," W. R. Hibbert.

"Evangelism," A. T. Eaton.

"The Supreme Purpose of Social Service," Hon. W. Morrow.

Thursday, October 26.

Business sessions in Lygon-st. chapel, from 10 to 5.30. Devotional services and the afternoon missionary hour should be well attended.

The evening meeting is planned for the Collins-st. Baptist Church building. It will deal with

THE COMMISSION ABROAD, and should be the most notable foreign missionary rally ever held by our people. Features of the meeting:

Introduction of new Conference President.

Greetings by our foreign missionaries.

Addresses will be delivered:

"Evangelism on our Indian Field," H. R. Coventry.

"Joint Ownership," Mrs. L. Black.

"China's Needs," A. C. Garnett, M.A.

A love gift from the Australian brotherhood to Miss Mary Thompson, our pioneer missionary, will be presented by J. Warren Cosh, President of our Federal F.M. Committee.

Friday, October 27.

Business, it is hoped, will be finished on Thursday; but it is possible that a session will be held on Friday morning.

The Victorian Women's Conference Executive has arranged for an outing and basket picnic in the afternoon at the Botanic Gardens.

In the evening, the Annual Demonstration of the College of the Bible will be held in Lygon-st. chapel at 8 o'clock.

The Chairman of the Board of Management (Mr. Robert Lyall) will preside. An attractive students' programme is being prepared. For the first time in College history it has been possible to arrange this function so that the presence of inter-state Conference visitors can be enjoyed. It is hoped that all such will be able to attend.

Plan to be present. Church secretaries and preachers are requested to make special announcements, and so help to make the Conference a success.

The Message of the Church.

The message of the Church is two-fold:
(1) *The Cross of Jesus Christ.*

The Cross of Christ stands at the centre of Christianity's circumference. As the magnetic needle invariably turns to the pole, so the heart of the believer instinctively turns to the Cross. The Cross occupied a large place in the teaching of our Lord, and towards it he steadfastly set his face as he went up to Jerusalem.

Because it could not be fully understood and explained until after the event, the Cross occupies a still larger place in the teaching and preaching of the early disciples. It occupies the foremost place in the teaching of the Apostle Paul. "God forbid," he cries, "that I should glory, save in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world is crucified unto me and I unto the world." To him the Cross was the supreme revelation of the Divine Love; it made manifest the hideousness and the awfulness of sin; it was the one uplifting power that could bring victory over sin, and to him the Patient Sufferer was not some "beautiful Apollo," but the Sacrificial Lamb by whose death there came to a guilty world redemption and reconciliation.

In his recent book, "A Reasonable Religion," Professor Geo. Jackson has an article entitled "Has the Preaching of the Cross Ceased?" and definitely indicates his own opinion that preachers are neglecting to bring the Cross vividly before the eyes of their hearers, and his view is, one fears, the experience of most observers. Dr. Jackson tells of a Presbyterian minister who finds it most difficult to conduct divine service in which not the faintest allusion was made to the death of Jesus.

Is it to be wondered that the Church loses power when the heart is cut out of her message? The greatest danger the Church has to-day is the insidious introduction, to those who eat her bread, of old philosophies masquerading under new names, which make the Cross of Christ of none effect, and effectually prevent men being soul-winners. It is for the Church to uplift in the Cross of Jesus Christ as the one regeneration of life, the one power that can regenerate and revolutionise the hearts of men and women, however deeply sunk in sin they may have become.

It would ill become one whose days are largely given to social service to say one single word in depreciation of it, but it must be remembered that all such efforts are strictly limited in their scope. Social reform may some day give us better houses for the people, but spiritual re-birth will give us better people for the houses, and a regenerated people will speedily settle the housing question and many another social question. Social reform can but make conditions of life easier for our less fortunate fellows; it can but lessen the temptations of life for those who are hardly beset; but the message of the Cross can accomplish

infinitely more, for it has power to transfigure and transform the life.

Mr. E. Aldom French, in his splendid "Plea for Evangelism," gives an apposite and up-to-date illustration. He writes:—"Coming to the twentieth century, the London County Council opened a home for the cure of inebriates by scientific methods. In a few years the home was closed with the confession that in not one case had they been successful. Yet that was in the age of 'Broken Earthenware' and 'Down in Water Street,' and a thousand other stories of redeemed lives such as the Christian Church can always tell."

To the man who prides himself on what he is pleased to call his culture, the Cross is to-day, as of old, "sheer folly," but thanks be to God for the innumerable company of the redeemed who know it to be "the power of God." To the faithful preacher, as to the reverent hearer, this glad message can never become uninteresting or unprofitable. "The Cross of Christ never can grow old," writes Dr. Robertson Nicoll; "Time has no power over it. It speaks to the heart of man age after age with the old tenderness and power, with the message of the majesty, the love, and sorrow of Christ's passion and death."

(2) *The Lordship of Jesus.*

After the crucified Lord had broken through the bars of death he declared that all authority had been given to him in heaven and on earth. When Peter proclaimed the message of glad tidings on the day of Pentecost he declared that the same Jesus whom the people in their blindness had crucified God had made both Lord and Christ. But this exalted position of peerless rank was no new thing for him. The lowly Teacher of Galilee exercised regal powers from the first. From his disciples he claimed an unfaltering and unquestioning allegiance. He boldly claimed to be Lord of the life, Lord of the Church, and Lord of the universe.

He has never lowered his claims upon men, and it is the bounden duty of the Church to proclaim to everyone everywhere, and in no uncertain terms, the price of discipleship and the cost of Church membership. It means an unswerving allegiance to him; ours to be whatever he would have us be; ours to go wherever he would have us go; and ours to do just whatever he bids. Once the Church more fully recognises the Lordship of her Heavenly Bridegroom, many a lesser authority will be ruled out of court.

With his authority fully recognised, the problem of the union of believers will be discussed from a new standpoint. With every possibility of finding a solution for the present sinful division amongst those who adore Jesus Christ, a return will be made to the New Testament, and once more it will be thoroughly explored in an endeavor to find and to follow his holy will.

Once the Church more fully recognises the Lordship of Jesus, then she will speak to men with the old note of authority and challenge, and she will conduct her enterprises with an added dignity and grace. Too often the message of the Gospel has been associated with things that are unspeakably cheap. The huckstering methods of the cheap jack and the auction-room have too often invaded the evangelistic platform. Christianity is only degraded when the Lord of Glory is offered to men on the easy terms of the man who cries, "Stand up in your seat, and the transaction is finished." Small men may be attracted by cheap methods, but men of red blood and reckless daring will be won by the dominating authority of Jesus Christ and by his call to the heroic and self-sacrificial. He calls not to lotus-eating, or to dreamy elysiums of delight, but to a stern, crimson struggle against the rebel forces that are within, and against the hoary-aged wrong that is without. The unreserved recognition of Jesus as Lord would speedily work a revolution in the life of the Church. With this message upon her lips, and in practice in her life, she would touch life and conduct at every point. "Like the air, it would press equally on all the surfaces of society; and, like the sea, flow into every nook and cranny of the shore-line of humanity."

She would not only send her missionaries to the ends of the earth, but would flash her light into the social conditions of oppressed people at home. She would preach the Gospel to the perishing, and at the same time assist with her bounty those who had fallen upon evil days.

When the Church fully follows her Lord she will, in his own burning, blazing language, denounce the "particular sins" and shams of her own time. She will not be content with an emasculated Gospel which can do little good to anybody, and may do much harm to everybody, but will boldly insist upon the ethical standards of the Sermon on the Mount being the dominating influence in individual, industrial, national, and international life.

A preacher sat in an editorial sanctum and discussed the practicability of a series of sermons suggested by the versatile editor dealing with the question of Christianity as applied to Housing, Public Health, Poverty, Land, and Liquor. "But where am I to get my information about these things?" asked the preacher. The editor lifted his Bible from his desk, and, pointing to it, said, "It's all in there."

And so it is. The solution of the pressing problems of life is not to be found in blue-books and the like, but in the acceptance of the teaching of the ever-living Word of the living God, which deals with every one of the great questions that to-day clamour for solution. In proclaiming Jesus as Lord the Church must accept his teaching regarding our social problems, and must openly range herself upon the side of the forces that make for righteousness.—From Chairman's Address at Annual Meeting of British Churches of Christ.

Religious Notes and News.

Another Pledge!

Still another pledge! And the pledge will be the hardest of all to keep. Dr. Armstrong Smith, of "Maryland," Letchworth, has invented the "Padlock Society." Members pledge themselves over an open padlock, in the presence of three witnesses, to try their utmost never to say an unkind thing, true or false, about anyone. What, asks an English writer, will become of political and religious controversy if everybody takes the pledge, and what will men say at clubs and about leaders of Capital and Labor in industrial disputes? Dr. Smith has done splendid work as chief Continental organizer of the "Save the Children Fund," and is just home from Budapest. Already in Hungary, France, Switzerland, Holland, and other countries hundreds have taken the pledge, and Dr. Smith aims at a million. He says a detective officer about to give evidence can join just as well as a bishop. "It is thoughtless, harmful chatter that we want to stop."

An Appeal to Young People.

It is a time when boys and girls are thinking of going to an academy, college or university. Some hesitate, and are impatient to get into business or other form of active life. Some have no vision of the value of education. Some have not thought about it seriously. Many do not appreciate how important education is to any high achievement. I would beg the boys and girls who read this page to consider the following things.

One day a great opportunity for service and success will come to you. An education will fit you to meet that opportunity. Every boy and girl should pray this prayer: "O God, make me equal to my opportunity."

One day a great crisis will come in your affairs when wisdom and strength will be required. Education will give you the intelligence to meet the crisis. Many a man goes down in defeat because he cannot meet the crisis of life.

One day a great testing-time will come to your character. Temptation will assail you. False views of life will be presented to you. Alluring prospects will be held out to you. You will need the intelligence and strength which training will give to prepare you for such a testing time.

One day you will suddenly awaken to the fact that you are competing in the battle of life with other educated men and women, and that you are at a great disadvantage unless you have an education. You will see others well trained outstripping you.

One day you will be looking back upon your youth with the wisdom of age. To-day you are looking forward to age with the unwisdom of youth. When you look back you will regret that you did not fit yourself for everything which life might bring to you. If you neglect the opportunity to-day, it will be too late then. Your life is God's. Make the most of it for him.—President E. V. Mullins.

Mentors for Ministers.

A certain opulent maker of soap, and a lord of the drapery trade, have just rebuked the Christian ministry in general for the antiquated character of their preaching. They declare with precision the advanced nature of their own theology. It is fully abreast of the times. One of them declares that he has "quite outgrown the religion of his boyhood." The other, who has recently received honor from the King, says that "the average pulpiteer takes a much too narrow view of life present and life hereafter." He is thinking of opening a big cinema on Sundays, to give to the public the benefit of his ripe wisdom in matters religious. These rich men, with their store of "purple and fine linen," think that the arts of the market might successfully be applied to the preaching of the gospel. We recall that one of the early preachers—a tent maker—thought little of worldly wisdom in the ministry of Christ, and emphatically repudiated seeking "to please men."

If he had been in the soap or the drapery business, it is hardly likely that he would have acquired a fortune.

A Spring Cleaning.

Should the churches have an annual spring cleaning—in a spiritual sense? (asks the London "Christian World"). All who have thought about the purity and vitality of the church have had the problem before them of some kind of pruning operation. The president of the Yorkshire Baptist Association, Mr. H. Bomser, has boldly suggested that on a certain day every one whose name is on the church roll should be challenged as to his fidelity, and that "those who are not willing to tread the upward path should be requested to withdraw." If this is not effective, Mr. Bomser would have the unworthy dismissed.

Discipline is certainly much more slack to-day than it was fifty years ago in the Free Churches. In the Anglican Church there is a strong movement for severer discipline. But it is only possible to exercise discipline—apart from grave scandals—with regard to external things of the spirit that really matter. Jesus Christ himself compared it to cleansing the outside of the cup and platter, when it is cleansing within that is essential.

On the whole—except in flagrant cases—there is much to be said for leaving it to each man's conscience, and to the Divine Spirit within a man, to decide whether he should continue to be counted a member of the church. If he is unworthy, he is being continually challenged within. We are none of us in a position to judge one another.

Nurses' Christian Movement.

As the result of several meetings held in the Board-room of the British and Foreign Bible Society, a branch of the Australian Nurses' Christian Movement has been formed in Sydney. The movement was introduced to Sydney last December by a visit from Miss Collett, R.V.T.N.A., the organising secretary for Melbourne, and preparatory work was done by a provisional committee under the chairmanship of Mr. James Green, C.M.G. Miss Collett has been allowed by the Victorian Association to assist for a month in the organising work in Sydney. Dr. Scott Orr has consented to be the leader of the Central Bible Study Circle.

The Bible and Modern Discoveries.

Lieut.-Colonel Seton Churchill publishes a letter he has received from the Archbishop of Canterbury on the above subject:—

"Dear Colonel Seton Churchill,—I thank you for your letter, and for sending me your printed article. In what possible way I can be supposed to have thrown question upon the inspiration of the Bible, or to have lowered its incomparable dignity as the sacred possession of all of us, I do not know. To me the light thrown by modern research upon the structure and growth of our Sacred Book has had the result of a constantly increasing reverence and a deepened belief in the true meaning of inspiration.—I am, yours very truly, Randall Cantuar, Lambeth Palace, S.E. 1. 6/6/22"

Reassembling Religious Forces.

"There is at present a careful study being carried on, covering the different phases of life in Europe," says "The Western Christian Advocate." "Among them is now coming to the front, through frequent observation, efforts at spiritual reconstruction. The extent to which the spiritual forces of Europe were shattered and pulled down to ruin cannot be readily estimated. If there was wreckage in the political realm, there was more in the spiritual.

"If there was a shattering and a breaking up of the intellectual life, there was no less a degree of the same in the spiritual life. Men do not quickly recover from spiritual breakdown. They may do so from material failure, but the reinstatement of the control of faith and the optim-

ism that it produces is always brought about by a slow process.

"Not long ago a world traveller returned from Europe after spending several months there studying the processes that are restoring the supremacy of the spiritual forces. He said, 'Everywhere I went in Europe I found that religion was sought after, particularly in countries that were hardest hit by the war.'"

Outside the Church.

Is there salvation outside the church? This question has been dealt with by Prof. Phyllis in "The Church Times." His conclusion—with the vast numbers of Christian men and women who are not connected with Episcopalianism in his mind—is that if a man is unaware that the "Catholic Church" is the real and only Church of Christ, then in his ignorance, he may be saved. He quotes with approval from an Encyclical of Pope Pius IX: "Those who suffer from irreparable ignorance about our most holy religion, but are prepared to obey God, can obtain eternal life." In our reading of the Word of God, the terms "The Church" and "the saved" are synonymous and interchangeable. Hence, there can be no salvation outside the Church. The Church is "the ransomed of the Lord," "the redeemed from among men," the regenerated by the Holy Ghost, the heirs of eternal life. There are many human societies that bear the name of Churches. It is not for us to judge our brothers, but "the Lord knoweth them that are His."—"Christian"

For Others.

A sensible talk to boys and girls was given recently by the Bishop of Southampton, upon the necessity of showing the fruits of our inward faith in helpfulness to those around us. "The world judges our Christianity according to how much work it makes us do for others. Our lives are the only Bibles that thousands will ever read. We are all born with the natural love of self which can only be got rid of by 'the explosive power of a new affection,' which is the love of Christ enstraining us. School life could make boys and girls sacrifice themselves for their school; but only the Holy Spirit of Jesus Christ could make them self-sacrificing men and women in every detail of life." This essential feature of the teaching of our Master ought to be continually impressed upon the minds of our young people. The fruit borne proves the life of the tree. But the possession of the living root is the first essential. A personal knowledge of the Redeemer, bent surrender to him, living in daily touch with him—these are vital matters for us all!

The Sadhu and Spiritualism.

Mr. Walter B. Sloan, of the Keswick Conversion Council, recently called the attention of Sadhu Sundar Singh to a statement which showed the danger of his teaching being identified with Spiritualism. In reply, the Sadhu sent the following note:—

"I see that some people misunderstand (or make too much of) my visions and ecstasies. I wish to say that my visions are visions only, but not the Gospel, and many things heard and seen in visions have no place in my message.

"My message, or Gospel, which I preach is Christ crucified, now the living Saviour, and there is no salvation and eternal life without those who do not repent and believe in him, but perish in their sin.—Sundar Singh."

In a covering letter, the Sadhu said: "It is easy to misunderstand a person whom people do not know personally. I must say I hate Spiritualism."

The Churches and Recreation.

"A body of Yorkshire Baptist ministers is now discussing the value of the recreational life of their various churches, and the trend of opinion among them is evidently in favor of doing something such work," says the "Yorkshire Post." They find that their cricket, football, and tennis clubs have not proved successful as recreational agencies for their congregations. The elders are in their Sunday Schools still fall away."

South Australian Conference.

The Conference of the South Australian Church commenced on Friday, September 15, with the Sisters' Session. Throughout the day the women reviewed the work of the past year, and laid their plans on the new year which lay before them. There was considerable success in the days gone, and the contemplation inspired to high hope for the future. The evening meeting was devoted to Temperance. Mr. H. Escourt Hughes was the speaker. On Saturday morning the Preachers' session was held when a representative body of men gathered in Magarey Hall, Grote-st., for devotional meeting, and to listen to the message of our visiting preacher, Mr. F.G. Benskin, Baptist preacher, from Flinders-st., Adelaide. The subject, "A Word to Fishermen," was well chosen. We should launch out on the deep of faith and love and of service. It was the feeling of all present that definite gain had been received from the word spoken. Saturday afternoon, the President's reception was held at the grounds of the Church of Christ Collegiate School. In the evening the Christian Endeavorers held their annual rally. On this occasion the Grote-st. building was taxed to its utmost. The Endeavorers are enthusiastic in their work, and the evening session was characteristic of their spirit. The Conference Sermon was preached by Bro. Shipway, of Port Pirie, and was entitled, "The Optimism of the Cross." It was greatly appreciated.

The President, Bro. W. Beiler, took the chair on Monday morning at 10 o'clock, and presided over a well attended meeting. Words of welcome were spoken to the following visitors:—Bro. and Sister R. Coventry, Bro. and Sister Black, Bro. L. Leall, Bro. Schwab, Dr. Porter, N.S.W.; Sister E. Caddicott, Bren. I. A. Paternoster, A. C. Garnett, Mudford.

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- Council of Churches—Wm. Charlick, W. C. Beiler, A. C. Garnett, Wm. Morrow, I. A. Paternoster.

EXECUTIVE AND HOME MISSION.

Gratitude recorded to our heavenly Father for His blessing upon every work and enterprise undertaken for the churches. Appreciation expressed for splendid work done by the Sisters' Auxiliary Conference, C.E. Committee, and Sunday School Department. Thanks to all speaking brethren for their valuable assistance in week-end services. Churches of Christ Collegiate School.—Report of progress made. The work had greatly developed, and new premises had been secured at Flinders-st. on the Magill-road, in which an up-to-date boarding and day school is to be conducted under Mr. R. Harkness as Principal, and Mrs. Harkness as Lady Superintendent. Finance Fund.—The appeal made by Committee on behalf of the starving people, particularly children, of Europe, was taken up whole-heartedly

by the churches, £208/17/4 raised, and sent through the Society of Friends.

Statistics.—During the year the churches have added 330 by faith and baptism, 311 by letter, 49 by restoration, and 17 formerly immersed. Total 716. Losses recorded are 269 by letter, 56 by death, 257 by discipline and revision of roll; total, 582. Nett increase for the year, 134. The church membership now stands at 7,200. The Sunday Schools have 814 teachers and 5565 scholars on their rolls, as against 813 teachers and 5589 scholars twelve months ago. This gives an increase of one teacher and a decrease of 24 scholars. 215 Sunday School scholars have been added to the church since last year. The total number of scholars who are members of the church amount to 1177. We are pleased to note the commencement of two new schools, viz. Cowandilla and Colodogla. The C.E. figures show that there are 24 Y.P.S.C.E. Societies, with an enrolment of 579; there are 3 Intermediate Societies, with 109 members and 25 Junior Societies, with 793 on roll. This shows an increase of 101.



Wm. Charlick,
Newly-elected South Australian Conference
President.

HOME MISSION FIELDS.

Barmera and Colodogla.—A. C. Mudford has completed first year of service in these River Murray districts. Church membership small. Sunday School keeping up well. Chapel property improved. At Colodogla school increased from very few to 51 on roll. Work very promising. Eleven scholars have confessed Christ. Looking forward to erection of chapel. Addition, 1; losses, 3; decrease, 2. Membership, 8.

Berri and Winkie.—C. H. Hunt has served these churches for three years; reports this year most encouraging. Sunday Schools a net increase 16 and 12 scholars respectively at Berri and Winkie. Three scholars from each school baptised. Looking expectantly to visit of Bro. Beiler and mission. Additions, 14; losses, 5; increase, 9. Membership, 78.

Bordertown.—Edwin Edwards, after nearly 15 years of devoted service fell asleep in Christ on July 4. When our brother came to this district the cause was weak. He had the joy and satisfaction in assisting to make the circuit self-supporting. The three chapels at Bordertown, Murrumbidgee and Wamboony are free of debt; the manse well on way toward freehold. The success of

our late brother's ministry may be attributed to his deep spirituality, loyalty to the Word of God, and faithfulness in service. Christian love and sympathy have been extended to Sister Edwards and family. Additions, 5; losses, 4; increase, 1. Membership, 128.

Broken Hill and Railway Town.—Work maintained by local brethren for 17 months in absence of preacher. R. Blackburn appointed to field in May. Good interest in Wolfram-st. Gospel service growing. Two confessions. Bible School, 20 additions. At Railway Town, work moves steadily. There are only 16 members on roll, but these are consistent in service. Hopeful outlook. Wolfram-st.—Additions 10, losses 9, increase 1. Membership 50. Railway Town.—Additions nil, losses 10, decrease 10. Membership 16.

Eyre Peninsula.—R. Blackburn concluded two years' service with churches on May 13. Butler, the oldest station, greatly depleted. Ungarra is 16 miles from Tumbly Bay, and is a promising field. 13 baptisms during the year. School well attended. Tumbly Bay, our headquarters, not making much progress. Meetings are fairly well attended, and Bible School fairly good. Additions, 17; losses, 3; increase, 14. Membership for the district, 129.

Gawler.—After two years' oversight by Organising Secretary, cause sufficiently strong to warrant further steps necessary. Bro. R. Raymond invited as full time preacher; since the settlement substantial progress made. A chapel wanted. Land secured, on which deposit of £50 has been placed. Bro. Beiler's work in mission greatly valued. Additions 17, losses 4, increase 13. Membership 78.

Kersbrook and Williamstown.—R. Raymond labored in these fields for three months after last Conference, prior to removing to Gawler. Williamstown brethren arranged with A. E. Talbot, of Kersbrook, for part time service with them. Kersbrook church arranged with G. T. Walden for fortnightly services with them. Addition at Kersbrook, 1, losses 7. Membership 55. Williamstown additions 7, losses 2. Membership 32.

Moonta.—W. G. Oram. Industrial trouble retarded the work. 40 members on isolated roll. Preacher and officers had happy time of service together. Chapel renovated. Several confessions taken at sick beds. Additions 9, losses 2, increase 7. Membership, 189.

Murray Bridge District.—P.A. Warhurst Work well maintained. Attendances a little better. Mission conducted by Bro. Beiler wonderfully helpful. J.C.E. working well. Meetings held regularly at the Point and at Hillside. Additions 23, losses 23. Membership for the district, 100.

Naracoorte.—Our only South-East cause. Not numerically strong. Bordertown brethren have helped fully while without a settled preacher. Bro. A. Pascoe has been engaged to do evangelistic work and build up the church and Bible School. C.E. Society having encouraging meetings. The Bible School is very small. Attendances on Lord's day improving. Additions 2, losses 4, decrease 2. Membership, 27.

Port Pirie.—J. E. Shipway has labored another year in this important town. Meetings have been well attended, and there has been a general and steady increase at the Lord's day services. All organisations of church healthy and active. A week of prayer for Home Missions meant the best offering yet for this great cause. Bro. Beiler conducted a successful and helpful mission. £406 raised for all purposes. Additions 13, losses 7, increase 6. Membership, 135.

Wallaroo.—The work at Wallaroo has been difficult throughout the year. The mines and smelters were closed for seven months of the period, causing general unemployment. There were two baptisms during the year. Bro. Ingham concluded his labors on July 23. Additions 3, losses 14, decrease 11. Membership, 143.

Subsidised Fields.

Croydon.—The subsidy paid to this church has been gradually reduced each quarter, and the church will become self-supporting as from September 25. During the year the finances have greatly improved, and are now in an excellent

state. Bible School flourishing. Boys' club formed. An efficient choir still renders useful service. Dorcas Society works quietly but well. The auxiliaries are doing well. Additions 10, losses 7, increase 3. Membership, 174.

Semaphore.—Subsidy to this church being reduced every quarter. Graham McKie, preacher, reports good steady work; various departments active. Bible School, 170 scholars, 23 teachers. C.E., 20 members. J.C.E., 44 members. Additions 16, losses 4, increase 12. Membership, 237.

Organising Secretary.—H. J. Horsell has served the brotherhood another twelve months as organising and financial secretary. His hand has been in all the work in the Home Mission fields, and has been able to help preachers and churches.

Forward Movement.—Last Conference it was decided that a forward movement should be launched, and for this £160 was promised at a men's meeting. Of this amount £101/16/4 was received to July last. Bro. Will Beiler was engaged to undertake the work of holding a series of gospel missions. A start was made at Murray Bridge. There were to be confessions of the Lord Jesus. Gawler was next visited; result, 6 confessions of our Lord, but much benefit received can not be tabulated. Three weeks were devoted to Port Pirie; fine meetings; much quickening; 10 decisions for Christ. Berri and Winkie, Barmera and Cobdogla, and afterwards St. Morris, are to enjoy a visit from Bro. Beiler, and partake in the benefits of a mission.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The Foreign Mission Committee presented their report, which was adopted. Our work abroad is gradually growing, and many heathen people have been helped by the Christians of Australia. China, India, the islands of the sea, and the Chinese in our midst, claim an interest in our sympathy and our prayers.

The financial position is shown by the balance sheet to have been a record. On the whole year's receipts we are £135/17/3 ahead. The valuable deputations of Bro. G. McKie acknowledged. Bro. A. C. Garnett, M.A., G. T. Walden, M.A., H. J. Horsell, Wm. Morrow, A. B. Chappell, and all the preachers who helped in the work are tendered thanks. Foreign Mission students at Glen Iris and those at the various State Universities have been very successful with their studies. The secretary, F. Collins, has resigned his position, dating from Conference, owing to pressure of church duties. His successor is Bro. S. J. Southgate, the preacher of the Cottonville church.

We were fortunate in having so large a delegation of missionaries present at our Conference. It was good to see and hear Bro. and Sister Black, Sister R. Tonkin, Sister E. Caldicott, and Bro. and Sister Roy Coventry.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Through the help of the Church and Sunday School Extension Committee, land has been secured at Plympton South. Glenelg has offered assistance and oversight, and you may look for a report from Plympton Sunday School at next Conference. Mile End church has advanced to Cowandilla, where they have built a school building, and commenced operations.

Examinations have been held among the schools. The entries for the recent scriptural examinations show a slight decrease in competitors, but an increase in schools interested. There were 403 entries; 26 schools participated.

Mr. W. C. Pearce.—Great inspiration was received during the year from the visit of W. C. Pearce, M.A. A great hope dwells in the hearts of the committee that the time will soon arrive when some one will be appointed as organiser of young people's work.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR UNION.

The Union is now composed of 27 Y.P. Societies, 3 Intermediate Societies, and 20 Junior Societies. These figures give us an increase of one Y.P. and two Junior Societies over last year's figures. Work tabulated shows something of the activity of the Endeavorers: 107 letters written to missionaries, 53 Endeavorers have joined the church, 182 Endeavorers are Sunday School

teachers, 102 committees are at work, 263 new members have been gained, and 214 members have been lost. Societies have again done well for the missionaries, raising £43/16/9 for Home Missions, and £91/10/5 for Foreign Missions.

TEMPERANCE AND SOCIAL PROBLEMS COMMITTEE.

Much work has been done of an educational kind. The committee has heartily supported the South Australian Alliance in its efforts to speed prohibition's new day.

The past year's work shows that 21 Churches of Christ promised at field days £87. 12 churches have bands of Hope connected with the S.A. Band of Hope Union. We held a great rally in the Adelaide Town Hall, co-operating with the S.A. Alliance, during the visit of John T. Brown last May. This meeting was a great success, and much valuable first-hand information obtained. Addresses have been given in many parts of the State by members of this Committee, dealing with Temperance and Social Questions.

The evenings of Conference were devoted to different departments of our work. On Monday evening a large and enthusiastic crowd gathered to hear and witness the Sunday School demonstration. Bro. Ira A. Paternoster delivered an address. Tuesday evening, the Foreign Mission meeting was held, when Miss E. Caldicott and Mr. Roy Coventry were the speakers. Wednesday evening was devoted to Home Missions, and Bro. Southgate and Bro. A. C. Garnett spoke.

RESOLUTIONS.

That this Conference respectfully ask the Board of Management of the Church of Christ Collegiate School to consider whether it will be prepared to submit itself to appointment by next Conference, and allow its constitution to be altered so as to provide for the annual election of the Board of Management by Conference.

That we place on record our appreciation of the Seamen's Mission, and that we commend the work to the practical support of the Churches of Christ.

That Conference express its sympathy with the movement and the fitting observance of Anzac Day, April 25th, as expressed in the letter received from the S.A. Branch of the R.S. and S.I.L.A., through Rev. T. Percy Wood.

That Anzac Day be known as Australia's National Day, and be observed only on April 25th, and that it be gazetted by Commonwealth and State Governments as a statutory public holiday.

Our Conference endorse the idea of a Protestant orphanage, and steps be taken by this Conference to appoint representatives from Churches of Christ.

Resolved that Bro. I. A. Paternoster, H. J. Horsell and T. H. Spotswood be representatives.

That we support the aims of the Bible in State Schools League, and that Bro. W. Beiler, W. Charlifk, G. McKie, O. V. Mann and F. Collins represent us on Committee.

That this Conference recommends that a special offering be taken up in all churches next December, in connection with the Church and Sunday School Building Extension Fund for the purpose of helping to realise the aim of establishing a £5000 capital account.

That this Conference heartily support the work of the Church Extension and Sunday School Building Fund, and in order that early and effective assistance be rendered to congregations desiring to erect new church buildings approved by the committee of the fund, where considered advisable, arranging loans from Bank or other institutions for the purpose of erecting such buildings, the loan to be guaranteed by officers or members of such congregations, and if necessary supported by the committee.

In view of the resolutions of Conference regarding the Church and Sunday School Extension Capital Fund, and other means for assisting in the development of new causes, we move that the Home Mission Secretary be appointed as organiser.

That this Conference approves of the employment of a young people's organiser, and that the

Home Mission Committee be empowered to undertake this addition to their staff and expense with the co-operation and assistance of the Sunday School Department.

That this Conference place on record its highest appreciation for the splendid services the "Australian Christian" has rendered to the brotherhood of this State. We especially recommend our churches to do their utmost towards increasing the circulation of the paper.

That Bro. Beiler be asked to submit his president's address to the "Australian Christian" for publication.

That word be sent to Bro. W. C. Brooker, expressing regret at his absence, and the hope that he would soon regain his normal state of health.

Bro. F. Collins was most heartily thanked for self-denying work on behalf of the Foreign Mission Committee.

Thanks were accorded to all who assisted in arrangements of Conference, and in the execution of their work.

Hinderers and Helpers.

Walter Fiedler.

"Then Jesus said to his disciples, Truly the harvest is great, but the laborers are few"—Matt. 9: 37.

In the previous verse Jesus has likened the people to poor lost sheep having no shepherd; people not unwilling to receive the gospel, but having none to instruct them. Jesus now adds another similitude. "The harvest is great, but the laborers are few."

We naturally wonder why laborers were few in a land which teemed with the seemingly religious. There were hundreds of Pharisees, Sadducees and scribes well able to reap the harvest and instruct the people. Contrariwise, although there were plenty so-called shepherds and harvest men, these were hinderers rather than helpers in Christ's service.

It was with this thought in mind that Jesus, fully conscious of the great harvest, said, "The laborers are few." "My people," saith God, "have been as lost sheep; their shepherds have caused them to go astray." Christ told the Pharisees that they had made his Father's house a den of thieves. Notwithstanding their learning and show of holiness, they robbed men's souls; they stole the sheep out of the fold; they spoiled God of his glory.

These learned ones said, "He casteth out devils by Beelzebub"; "He hath a devil," and "He is the friend of publicans and sinners." It was through their hatred and cruel machinations the people crucified the Son of God.

Instead of chief harvest men and helpers, they were hinderers. So Jesus truly says, "But the laborers are few"—laborers, helpers, and not sinners—hinderers.

For Christ compares the teaching of his people with things of great labor—the ploughing and the fallowing of land; the planting of a vine; the building of a house; the tending of sheep—all of which demand diligence and labor. Cain, in his books on husbandry, says, "He that plougheth the ground must not sit still, for he hath always somewhat to do."

To-day the harvest of God is great, and Jesus might truly say, "But the true Christian laborers are few." St. Bernard long ago said, "All are friends or all are enemies; all are helpers or all are hinderers." These two divisions are indicated in Jesus' words.

Christians, unfortunately, hinder in these days the work of God. Irregular and non-attendance at the witness service; the petty squabble; the unloving spirit; the baneful indifference; the inconsistent life. How few apparently realize that all are priests unto God and ambassadors for Christ. All—preacher and people—must be busy about the King's business. Truly to-day "the harvest is great, but the laborers are few." Let us everyone earnestly pray the Lord of the harvest and *act* our prayers, "that he will send laborers into his harvest."

Victorian Bible School Examinations, 1922.

Explanation.—In order to secure a pass one must obtain not less than 60 per cent. of the maximum marks obtainable; a certificate not less than 70 per cent.; a Certificate of Merit not less than 80 per cent.; a prize (other than first) not less than 85 per cent.; and a first prize not less than 90 per cent. Only the highest four in scholars' divisions A, B, C, and the highest three in teachers' divisions I, II, III, shall be entitled to prizes. A fourth prize will not be given in any division unless there are at least 12 competitors, a third prize will not be given unless there are at least 8 competitors, and a second prize will not be given unless there are at least 4 competitors. There are 801 scholars and teachers included in the list this year. These represent 63 schools. Any correction in the spelling of names should be sent to the Organising Secretary, W. B. Blakemore, 70 Power-st., Hawthorn.

DIVISION I. 8 Years.

First prize, Aileen Baker, Cheltenham, 98.
Second prize, Edna Anderson, Fairfield, 80.
Third prize, Gilbert H. Tully, Doncaster, 88.
Merit Certificates.—Albert Luke, Surrey Hills; Gertrude Kelly, Port Fairy.

Certificates.—Lorna Connor, Ballarat; Reggie Green, Lygon-st.; Alan Cleaves, Moreland; Ruby Gray, North Richmond; Mavis Sutherland, Oakleigh.

Passes.—Beryl Neeson, Bambra-road; Hilda Sewell, Bet Bet; Campbell LePage, Carnegie; Harry Arnold, Hawthorn; Donald Verco Thomas, Lygon-st.; Alan Kemp, Gwen Mitchell, Malvern-Caulfield; Ethel Chipperfield, Harry Shaw, North Richmond.

DIVISION II. 9 and 10 Years.

First prize, Hilda Clements, Bayswater, 96.
Second prize, Mavis Scarebrook, Hawthorn, 91.
Third prize, Eunice Streader, Bendigo, 91.
Fourth prize, Grace Waters, Ringwood, 90.

Merit Certificates.—Muriel Neeson, Mavis Lushwood, Bambra-road; Edward Meyer, Berwick; Arthur Brammer, Castlemaine; Samuel Lane, Walter Burnham, Ruth Thomas, Ronald Hughes, Winifred Bishop, Lygon-st.; Estelle Mitchell, Malvern-Caulfield; Keith Bell, Montrose; Eva Hamford, Northcote; Russell Boak, Oakleigh; William Morgan, Florrie Bowring, Red Hill; Amy Klix, Ringwood; Lily Walkerdon, Shepparton; Eric Trewartha, Masie Young, Sth. Melbourne; Thelma Green, Maryborough; Hilda Barnham, Lilliard Cox, South Yarra; Esid Gray, Port Fairy.

Certificates.—Dorothy Everett, Bambra-road; Vera Speedie, Annie Baker, Ballarat; Arthur Howell, Bet Bet; Alice Edwards, Blackburn; Frank Buller, Box Hill; Elsie Colville, Box Hill; George Butler, Cheltenham; Linnaeus Anderson, Essendon; Phyllis Kingsford, Fairfield; Bessie Thompson, Gardiner; Edna Booth, William Bagley, Lygon-st.; Audrey Thomas, Malvern-Caulfield; Jean Badger, Montrose; Jean Knypvet, Millers; Edna Nichols, Northcote; Bessie Chipperfield, William Earle, Doris Cary, Edna Pfeifer, North Richmond; Jean Cowley, Oakleigh; Nancy Lane, Preston; Robert Fullarton, South Melbourne; Peggy Cathie, Netta Burns, Robert Burns, Burnet Mudford, Surrey Hills.

Passes.—Rosie Thomas, Leonard Begbie, Henry Smith, Bambra-road; Gordon Mason, Brighton; Lois Ryall, Carnegie; Edna Ross, Ronald Andrews, Eric Baker, Roy Johnstone, Castlemaine; Jean Edwards, Jean Park, East Camberwell; Jean Hambling, Edna Willmore, Geelong; Dorothy Cousins, Fitzroy; Daphne McArthur,

Keith Manning, Hawthorn; Lindsay Raphael, Olive McCance, Lygon-st.; James Murray, Malvern-Caulfield; Janet McDonald, Mildura; Alex. Beidome, Raymond Alderson, Nancy Ley, North Richmond; Jean Love, Preston; Robert Holland, Red Hill; Sydney Cathie, Leslie Collings, Surrey Hills; Gwenneth Ashton, Maryborough; Edna Sumner, Port Fairy.

DIVISION III. 11 and 12 Years.

First prize, Max Scambler, Hawthorn, 99.
Second prize, Doris May Reekie, North Melbourne, 91.
Third prize, Thelma Isabel McCance, Lygon-st., 90.
Fourth prize, Colin G. V. Thomas, Lygon-st., 89.

Merit Certificates.—Ronald J. Wilkie, Eva Baker, Ballarat; Doris Bowman, Ballarat East; Daphne Meyer, Berwick; Geo. Petherbridge, Burnley; Edward Crouch, Donald Anderson, Box Hill; Eric Brough, Len Roberts, Mary Roberts, Cheltenham; Olive Kingsford, Fairfield; Geo. Leslie Chipperfield, Gardiner; Lillian G. Williams, Kaniva; Harry Booth, Elva Prittie, Lygon-st.; Marjorie Mitchell, Malvern-Caulfield; Hazel Sando, Northcote; Alma Chipperfield, Mabel Schultz, Stanley H. Chipperfield, North Richmond; Thomas Cowley, Norman Wheat, Oakleigh; Thomas McCullough, Warrnambool; Raymond Hattwell, Windsor.

Certificates.—Maise Everett, Charles Brentwood, Marjorie Morgan, Bambra-road; Murray W. Morris, Jean Bailey, John Price, Allan Smartt, Ballarat; Margaret Mitchell, Rose Richardson, Berwick; Joyce Herrington, Brighton; Agnes Eyre, Burnley; Eunice Henley, Box Hill; Emma McDowell, Carnegie; Edna Wheaton, Colac; Russell Tully, Doncaster; John Banks, Dunolly; Ronald McPherson, East Camberwell; Vera Hogan, Annie Markey, Britta Anderson, Esid Wensor, Essendon; John Knowles, Fairfield; Elsie Hambling, Geelong; Gordon Cook, Golden Square; Gwenneth Adams, Eileen McArthur, Hawthorn; Doris Seater, Joyce Miller, Horsham; Thelma Jean Stanford, Malvern-Caulfield; Beryl Sampson, Gordon Ratcliffe, Geo. Edward Gayther, Moreland; Hazel Temple, North Williamstown; Albert Quife, Preston; Leslie J. Skurrie, Ringwood; Len Murray, South Melbourne; Clarence Brack, Surrey Hills; Gordon Crisp, Wedderburn; Annie Kelly, Port Fairy.

Passes.—Beryl Dillon, Bambra-road; Lilian Bousak, Ballarat; William Russell, Thomas G. Bryant, Bet Bet; Mabel Warmbrun, Edna Goodin, Ethel Hourie, Dorothy M. Morris, Brighton; William Newham, May Dowell, Gordon Dowell, Burnley; Thelma Myrtle Peters, Fred Linden, Box Hill; William Crabtree, Albert Forsythe, Ella Martin, Nellie Morgan, Alma Colloster, John Taylor, Carnegie; Florence Hall, Dorothy Hall, Ethel Howie, Ivy Baker, Coburg; James Selwood, Castlemaine; Phyllis Corrigan, Clifford Bartlett, Dandenong; Harold Rudd, Ella Keswish, Doncaster; Lila Brown, East Camberwell; Donald Ferguson, Lila Francis Assender, Hilda Cemm, Essendon; Walter Cantwell, Laura Benton, Gardiner; May Elter, Constance Leng, Horsham; Sylvia O'Malley, Jas. Alan Jones, Isabel Millis, Lygon-st.; Edith Jordan, Marjorie Bennett, Mercia Thomas, Malvern-Caulfield; Edward Bell, Montrose; Edna Matthews, Joyce M. Aghan, Muriel Morris, Frank Henting, Phyllis Carrick, Middle Park; Jack Smith, Nancy Skelton, Mildura; Elva Wat-son, Samuel Pollock, Ethel Carson, Gladys Meason, Jessie Snell, Lewis Elliott, Moreland; Louis Williams, Newmarket; Thelma Knowles, North Melbourne; Mary Kendray, Alma Wentworth, Melbourne; William Ley, North Richmond; Alan Pfeifer, William Ley, North Richmond; Doris Nellie Kendall, North Williamstown; Doris Cooper, Prahran; Francis Greenway, Preston;

Leonard Butler, Red Hill; Ivy Pinner, Rita Pinner, Shepparton; Thomas Adams, South Melbourne; Ella Stuart, South Richmond; Jean Gray, Jean Harrison, Port Fairy; Violet Daws, John W. Dennis, South Yarra.

DIVISION IV. 13 and 14 Years.

First prize, Robert Douglas Main, Gardiner, 100.
Second prize, May Russell, Bet Bet, 97.
Third prize, Winnie McCracken, Hawthorn, 96.
Fourth prize, Phyllis Kingsford, Moreland, 93.

Merit Certificates.—Ruth Dare, Ararat; Ethel Smartt, Ballarat; Herbert Howman, Ballarat East; Doris Kestle, Geo. McDowell, Carnegie; Harold Andersen, Bernice Player, Castlemaine; Myrtle McKay, Ida Evenden, Coburg; Merlyn Clay, Doncaster; Jean Brown, East Camberwell; Florence Dillon, Gardiner; Essie Andrews, Fitzroy; William Leng, Horsham; Dorothy Hitches, Alan Thomas, George Hodges, Lygon-st.; Marjorie Cowderoy, Malvern-Caulfield; Coral Wicks, Maryborough; Jessie Bell, Montrose; Gwendoline Jerome, Middle Park; Ethel Sampson, Haldane Banks, Arthur Daws, Moreland; Irene Gray, Ruby Chipperfield, Avis Fisher, North Richmond; Fred Steer, Thornbury; Thelma Horsnell, Rochester; Elsa Irbalender, St. Arnaud.

Certificates.—Eileen Kennedy, Sylvia Erwin, Beryl May, Ararat; Nell Petterd, Bambra-road; Eric Dick, Bertram Lanaway, Reginald Clark, Marion McArthur, Eileen Neil, Grace Holmes, Brighton; Ivy May Garrett, Box Hill; Ernest Eaton, Burnley; David McDowell, Agnes Ryall, Ha Forsythe, Carnegie; Ernest Andrews, Castlemaine; Marjorie Thomas, Doncaster; Myrtle Wensor, Essendon; Alison Thompson, Gardiner; Jean McGregor, Geelong; Dorothy De Gille, Dorothy Gaylard, Nellie Staggard, Alex. Peters, Hawthorn; Kathleen Booth, Gwen Dickens, Lygon-st.; Alice Bishop, Malvern-Caulfield; Ethel Legg, Montrose; Dulcie Knypvet, Mildura; Martha Stranger, Leonard Reardon, Alma Edhouse, Moreland; Queenie Marr, Stella Wentworth, Eva Brodie, North Richmond; Jean Dudley, Shepparton; Mary Luke, Surrey Hills.

Passes.—Eva Abernethy, Ararat; George Funston, John Edgar Funsten, Berwick; Wm. Angus McDonald, Bet Bet; Florence Howie, Brighton; Grace Kestle, Carnegie; Stanley Howarth, Castlemaine; Hilton Williams, Doncaster; Marjorie Warrell, Gardiner; Alice May Ellis, Hawthorn; Alice Moore, Nancy Gerrard, Malvern-Caulfield; Florence Cary, Leslie Rowe, Gladys Gregory, North Richmond; Minnie McLure, Prahran; Doris Goodwill, Preston; Ruth Holland, Red Hill; Dorothy Skurrie, Ringwood; Bella Sumner, Port Fairy; Lily Barrett, South Yarra.

DIVISION V. 15 and 16 Years.

First prize, Beryl Cook, Golden Square, 100.
Second prize, Nellie Lanaway, Brighton, 99 1/2.
Third prize, Violet Mabel Lanaway, Brighton, 99.
Fourth prize, Jean Gillespie, Cheltenham, 98 1/2.
Fourth prize, Olga Gray, St. Arnaud, 98 1/2.

Merit Certificates.—Louisa Lang, Linda Clark, Ella Clark, Ararat; Elsie Leitch, Constance Petterd, Edwin Staley, Bambra-road; James Lambly, Ballarat East; Jean Morton, Ida Finger, Agnes Morton, Bayswater; Masie Spears, Mavis Turner, Bendigo; Alice Dowell, Hilda Dowell, Berwick; Sophie Richards, John Russell, Bet Bet; Frank Neil, Marjorie Morris, Beryl Youens, Dorothy Purton, Freda Hammond, Brighton; Gordon Chandler, Mabel Dinsdale, Bronia; Edna Harris, Castlemaine; Annie Williams, Cheltenham; Euphemia Denmead, Colac; Nellie Corrigan, Dandenong; Campbell Edwards, Llewellyn Edwards, East Camberwell; Alma Vogt, Mary Anderson, Essendon; Stanley Gaylard, Edna Scambler, Zella McPherson, Hawthorn; Eleanor Parker, Alec Mitchell, Malvern-Caulfield; Vera

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Here and There.

Particulars of Federal Conference arrangements will be found on page 638. Please read.

Bro. A. P. A. Burdeu has been appointed secretary of the new church at Ballarat East. His address is 416 Ripon-st. South, Ballarat.

Correspondence for the church at Croydon, Vic., should for the present be addressed to the acting-secretary, A. G. Ammon, Smith-st., Croydon.

The following telegram reached us on Tuesday:—"Fine meetings at Enmore all day Sunday; at confessions, P. Sivyer preaching.—Morton."

Melbourne weather conditions last Sunday were unfavorable to the annual Bible College offering. All churches will please keep the offering open as long as possible to secure the co-operation of every member.

Bro. and Sister Warren are leaving Footscray and tendered a farewell tea by the officers and members of the Footscray school. A presentation was made. An affectionate send-off was given them at the Spencer-st. Station on the following Monday.

We would beg our news reporters to write as briefly as possible, giving news of general interest. The tendency is to lengthen unduly. We frequently get summaries of addresses, names of men, mere lists of meetings, and often is added a request to delete nothing. We are glad to have news, but it is quite impossible to avoid abbreviation.

Bro. Warren began his ministry with the church at Wallaroo, S.A., on Sunday, Oct. 1. Two helpful addresses were given to large congregations, and at a young people's service in the afternoon a talk by Bro. Warren was very interesting. The church conveys best thanks to Bro. Dyer, Bartle, Gough, Trenwith, Beard, Rodda, Rootes and Sid for services rendered while the church was without a preacher.

Bro. Clive Taylor, late preacher of Carnegie Church, Vic., has settled with a church in the town of Geyserville, California, U.S.A., a small town in the Russian River Valley, 75 miles north of San Francisco. It is the only church in the district. There is a nice new church building and parsonage adjoining, both recently built, so he feels that he is comfortably located for the present. The congregation is not as large as in some places, but the members are very warm-hearted and hospitable people, and have been exceedingly kind.

"Examination papers are not usually looked upon as being fertile fields for fun," says the "Tabernacle Tidings" (Enmore), "but, none the less, the examiner's task is often relieved by a sprinkling of the humorous. The recent Bible School Examination (N.S.W.) provided a few lively samples of the kind that makes the examiner's task not altogether dull. The scholars were asked to name some of our missionaries, and most succeeded in naming several, although many had mixed the sexes. Among the surprises were the following:—Ernest Shackleton, Mr. Wings, Mr. and Mrs. Watermelon, while our friends, Messrs. Crossman, Gale and Harward were included among the honored ones."

The church at Kadina, S.A., has made good progress during the past year, considering the closing of the mines. With the re-opening of these prospects are bright. At the recent church annual business meeting all officers were re-elected, with the addition of Bro. H. Rodda and F. Luffe as deacons. The married sisters recently maintained 70 young members of the church at a happy social evening. A tennis club has been formed, and a court is being prepared. On Sept. 24, Bro. Rootes gave good addresses, in the morning reporting Conference doings. He also exhorted and preached on Oct. 1. A visit by Bro. and Sister Coventry, from India, on Sept. 27, was greatly enjoyed. Their duet, Bro. Coventry's address, musical items by the choir and Bro. Bartle, together with a social time at the supper table, made the evening a happy and profitable one.

"Where two or three, with sweet accord,
Obedient to their sovereign Lord,
Meet to recount their acts of grace,
And offer solemn prayer and praise:
There, saith the Saviour, will I be
Amid that little company;
To them unveil My smiling face,
And shed My glories round the place."

Almost three years have passed since Bro. C. Young commenced work in Maryborough, Vic. The work accomplished by the church during this period is very creditable. Records reveal that over 100 souls have been won for Christ. The Bible School has grown from almost the smallest school to the largest in the town, with an income of £1 per week. The church has cleared off a very long-standing debt to the Home Mission Committee, bought a manse, paying £230 off purchase value; contributed largely to missions (Home and Foreign), and raised £150 for special evangelistic effort. From £2 a week toward the preacher's support, the church now raises full salary, while £100 has been raised by debentures to pay off debt on church building. During the past twelve months almost £10 per week has been raised by direct giving. Prospects are bright.

Ballarat (Dawson-st.) reports a splendid day last Sunday. Almost a record number at the breaking of bread. Ten received into the church fellowship. Deep sympathy was expressed for Bro. Williamson (late of Colac), and Bro. Wilton-Chapman, who had undergone severe operations; also to Bro. J. Reid and wife, in the death of their daughter. Sister Capp, one of the older and respected members, had also been called home. At night a splendidly attended meeting heard the gospel message by Bro. Connor, and one made the good confession. The church was happy to be back in its usual service in full force, and full of thankfulness at the success attending their efforts to firmly establish work in Ballarat East once more. Some 40 odd will be transferred to Ballarat East, many of whom have been meeting and working there for some time past. Over 30 have been received in at Dawson-st. during the mission.

At a Conference of Sunday School workers held in Melbourne recently the following resolution was carried:—"That this Conference of Australian Sunday School Councils, composed of representatives of the various States, expresses its emphatic protest against the proposal to permit organised sport on Sundays in public parks and open spaces. We believe that such a step would destroy the sanctity of Sunday as a day of rest and worship. It would also seriously affect the attendance at our Sunday Schools and deprive many children of their chief opportunity of acquiring religious knowledge and learning the principles of Christian citizenship. We therefore earnestly appeal to all parents in the interests of their children to do their utmost to prevent such a movement for Sunday sport, and we respectfully urge upon all municipal and shire councils to preserve the day from such encroachments as would threaten the spiritual welfare of our young people."

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The church at Bordertown, S.A., invites the services of some preaching brother to fill the vacancy caused by the death of our late Bro. Edwards.

The Church at Swanston-st. require a caretaker. As the accommodation is limited, the position would suit a married couple. Apply to the Secretary, R. Lyall, 39 Leveson-st., North Melbourne.

COMING EVENTS.

COMMENCING SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8.—Great tent mission, corner Union-road and Roseberry-st., Ascot Vale. Evangelist, E. C. Hinrichsen. Song-leader, L. Brooker. Sunday morning, 11 o'clock, every-member-present service. Evening at 8 o'clock, gospel service. Gospel services every night (except Saturday) at 8 o'clock. Will you come and visit us? We will be glad to see you. Brethren, pray for us.

OCTOBER 7 & 8.—Saturday, Oct. 7, 3 p.m., Grand official opening of new church building at Balwyn by Hon. E.W. Greenwood, M.L.A. Chairman, A. R. Main, M.A. Speakers, the Mayor and Councillors of Camberwell, and representatives from various church committees, 8 p.m., Grand Concert by leading artists. Chairman, Jas. E. Thomas, Conference President. Oct. 8, Sunday, Opening Services. G. E. Chandler will deliver his farewell addresses, morning and evening, prior to departure for U.S.A. 11 a.m., G. E. Chandler, "In Remembrance"; 3 p.m., Opening of Bible School by Reg. Enniss; 7 p.m., G. E. Chandler, "The Needs of the Vision." Seats free. All welcome. Take Mont Albert electric car to Power-st.—John T. Mahony, Secretary.

OCTOBER 12.—Swanston-st. Church of Christ, Thursday, Oct. 12, 8 p.m. Grand musical treat by the Melbourne Choral Union, before going to South-st. Competitions, Ballarat; assisted by Melbourne's leading artists. Admission, free. Collection to defray expenses of choir. E. Tippett, Conductor; J. E. Austin, Hon. Sec.

OCTOBER 15 & 16.—Ringwood Church Building Anniversary. Oct. 15, three services, special speakers; visitors gladly welcomed; meals provided Monday, 10th, tea and public meeting. Tea on tables 6.15; public meeting, 7.45. Speakers, Bro. Bagley and Lyall. All welcome.—W. Waters, Secretary.

OCTOBER 20 & 21.—Carnegie Ladies' Aid Sale of Work and Gifts. To be opened Friday, 20th, at 7.30, by Mr. Francis, M.H.R., continuing Saturday, 21st, from 3 p.m. Good supplies, and prices reasonable.

OCTOBER 24 to 27.—Federal Conference of Churches of Christ in Australia will be held in Melbourne, Tuesday evening, October 24, Lygon-st. chapel, inaugural and welcome meeting; President's address and welcome to interstate visitors. Wednesday and Thursday, business sessions, Lygon-st. chapel. Wednesday evening, public meeting, Collins-st. Baptist Church; "The Commission At Home," Teaching, Preaching and Social Service. Thursday evening, Collins-st. Baptist Church, "The Commission Abroad." Returned missionaries will tell of their work in the fields. You cannot afford to miss these great gatherings.

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West Australia Foreign Mission Day reports show an increase of 47/11/11 over last year. Well done, W.A.!

A sister of South Hobart about a year ago found herself where there was no Sunday School, and gathered seven children together. It now amounts to 22. She says their interest in spiritual things is growing, and "I trust that soon some of them will become members of the Church of Christ. In fact, one dear lad has already done so." She is urging them to take an interest in Foreign Missions, and already they have sent the Federal Treasurer 10/-, and have decided to share with some other small school the support of an orphan, and will give £3 a year to this work. When the school grows into a church its foundations will have been well laid in an interest in Foreign Missionary work. They will be faithful to the last part of Christ's commission, because they will have learned the first part so well.

Are you coming to the Federal Conference? I hope so. We know of some who are coming from every State in the Commonwealth. South Australia is sending a contingent, some of them motoring from Adelaide to Melbourne. New South Wales will be largely represented. A Tasmanian contingent will be there. The Far West will send at least one representative, who must travel 2810 miles, and even Queensland's representative must journey 1318 miles. But the Conference will be worth every mile travelled. Seventeen or eighteen missionaries will be there, from India's coral strand, from far-off China, from the Islands of the South Seas, and all will tell us in our language of the good that is wrought through them in the Christless lands.

It would pay our churches to give the preacher or some member of the church a railway ticket to come to Melbourne, October 22 to 26, on the condition that on his return to the home church he will give them the echoes of the Federal Conference, 1922. If this could be done, we should have the news "broadcast" by a better medium than even Marconi's wireless telephony.

Bro. and Sister Henry Strutton send their greetings to the Federal Conference, and to their friends in Australia. They now rejoice in the possession of a Ford car. Bro. Strutton writes: "Some of your members would be glad to know that the little girl Nera, who as a baby was brought up by Mrs. Strutton, is doing very well in a mission boarding school in Sholapur. She is now in the fourth standard, and growing up a fine sturdy girl. We have also adopted a younger girl called Wa-Yeera, a bright little thing of about eight years, who delights to sit on my knee on the occasions we get them out here for a holiday. They sing in English or Uran many of the songs that Australian children know.... A new law has been passed in India regarding child labor. A child is not allowed to go to the mills as a half-timer until it is 12 years of age, whereas under the old law they were admitted at 9 years of age.... There are great improvements noticeable in every respect among our people of late. Better wages, better dress, better attendance at schools, and to-day I was talking with our pastor here, Bro. Sathe, who used to be at Baramati, and he told me quite a lot of people in this settlement were ready to come into church, and we are about to form a church here with Sathe as its pastor."

We believe that many of our members are considering how they can help the cause of missions after the Lord has called them to himself. The following is a form that might be used in the preparation of their wills:—

"I..... of in the State of Commonwealth of Australia, do hereby Bequeath to the *Federal Foreign Missionary Committee of Churches of Christ in Australia* the sum of free from all Probate, Estate, Succession and other duties whatsoever, to be used in the general Missionary work controlled by the said Committee, and I hereby direct my Executor (or Executors) to pay, within..... months of my decease, the said sum to the Treasurer for the time being of the said Committee, whose receipt will be a sufficient discharge for same."

Note—The money left to be written in words, not figures.

Other members, who cannot now give their money, as they need the interest for themselves, have handed over various sums to be used by the Committee during the life time of the givers, on condition that 5 per cent. interest is paid. At the death of the donor the money becomes the absolute property of the Federal Committee. In this way we can erect a bungalow on the Foreign field for £600, that will mean our paying a rent of £30 a year during the life time of the one who has loaned the £600, and at the death the rent ceases.

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Langley, Elsie Downs, Montrose; Jessie Mill, Mavis Wines, Annie Wright, Emily Jerome, Middle Park; Phyllis Setford, Midara; Percival Jordan, Daphne Sampson, Marjorie Banks, Moreland; Ivy Parker, Amelia Letch, Northcote; Nellie Hall, North Melbourne; James Gray, Florence Wentworth, Herbert Cook, Elsie Boocock, Gordon Gray, Lynda Campbell, North Richmond; Victoria Sweetman, Oakleigh; John Henry Morgan, Myrtle Lindsay, Ringwood; Edna Brandley, Thornbury; Lily Abramovitch, Warragul; Lillian Wolfe, Rochester; Ivy Sear, Constance Storges, Lila Greenhill, Wilfred Dennis, South Yarra; Elsie Benson, St. Arnaud.

Certificates.—Doris Brentwood, Bambra-road; Ivy Renant, Bendigo; Milton Johns, Brighton; Dorothy Rudd, Jean Lacey, Doncaster; Elizabeth Benton, Gardiner; Irene Tippet, Hazel Tippet, Golden Square; Harold E. Sutton, North Richmond; Daisy Rooke, Oakleigh; William Walters, Ringwood; Verna Halligan, South Richmond; Henry L. Jones, Surrey Hills.

Passes.—Herbert Morris, Beatrice McKenna, Brighton; Archibald Manning, Ernest Woodward, Carnegie; Margaret Larsen, Essendon; Evelyn Beardsley, Oakleigh.

DIVISION VI.

17 and 18 Years.

First prize, Dorothy Newing, Brighton, 98.

Second prize, Rowland P. Morris, Brighton, 97.
Third prize, Elizabeth Annie Sanders, Blackburn, 90.

Fourth prize, Elsie Finger, Bayswater, 89.
Merit Certificates.—Winifred Ross, Castlemaine; Eileen Strike, Bendigo; Rita Dowell, Berwick; Eva Rutledge, Burnley; Ivy Letts, Hershams; Adelaide Huntsman, Gwendolyn Baskin, Malvern-Caulfield; Stanley Woodbridge, North Melbourne; Gladys Quelch, Prahran; Florence Cruickshank, Rochester.

Certificates.—Kenneth Andrews, Castlemaine; Florrie McDonald, Ararat; Elsie Hammond, Brighton; Lillian Hatch, Ballarat; Alison Murray, Malvern-Caulfield; Leslie Klux, Ringwood.
Passes.—Ivy Wheaton, Colac; Hazel Laws, Hawthorn; Helen Miller, Malvern-Caulfield.

DIVISION VII.

19 Years and Over.

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Third prize, Nellie Morris, Brighton, 86.

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 Fourth prize, Daisy O'Neill, Middle Park, 85.
 Merit Certificates.—Bert S. L. Pateman, Berwick; Lydia Lacey, East Camberwell; Dulcie Brownhill, Geelong; Thomas Stevenson, Malvern-Caulfield.
 Certificates.—Verona Cook, Irene Eddy, Golden Square; Evelyn Wolfe, Rochester.
 Pass.—Mabel Allen, East Camberwell.

TEACHERS' DIVISION "A."

First prize, James Henry Sunderland, South Melbourne, 94.
 Second prize, Bessie Woodbridge, North Melbourne, 89.
 Third prize, Clare Annie Graham, South Yarra, 87.

Merit Certificates.—Hector Thorburn, Bendigo; Ethel Crouch, Horsham; Elsie Stephen, Gladys Dudley, Shepparton.

Certificates.—Susie Morton, Bayswater; Ella Woch, Burnley; Hazel Wines, Middle Park; Marge Bodie, Mildura; Vera Brown, North Melbourne.

TEACHERS' DIVISION VIII.

First prize, Florence E. Haines, Lygon-st., 95.
 Second prize, Elsie Turner, Lygon-st., 92.
 Third prize, Edith May Brodie, North Richmond, 91.

Merit Certificates.—Mabel I. Benson, St. Arnaud; Millie Seedsman, Geelong; Jessie G. Morrison, Dorothy Campbell, North Richmond.

Certificate.—Frank James Finston, Colac.
 Passes.—Daphne Wood, Ararat; Emily Ellen Gray, St. Arnaud.

TEACHERS' DIVISION IX.

First prize, Isabel Mitchell, Malvern Caulfield.
 Second prize, Eva Waters, Ringwood, 90.

Merit Certificate.—Eleanor Andrews, Castlemeane.
 Certificate.—Elizabeth Dixon, Prahran.

Passes.—Lucy Bosworth, Brighton; Margaret Waters, Castlemaine.

TEACHERS' DIVISION X.

First prize, Marion Watson, Hawthorn, 95.
 Merit Certificates.—Jessie Gibson, Lygon-st.; E. Marion Daif, Prahran.

South Australian Sunday School Union.

The results of the annual Scriptural Examination are as follows:—Schools participating, 26; correct, 375; competitors, 273; certificates of merit, 110; certificates, 69. Prize-winners:—

First Section (Division I):—Doreen Howell, Walkerville, 92 per cent.; George Duke, Cottonville, 80; next competitor failed to reach minimum marks for prize. (II.)—Doreen Wissell, Algate Valley, 88; Hazel Pilkington, Cottonville, 84; John Ludbrook, Dulwich, 83. (III.)—Helena Bushell, Norwood, 98; Lawrie Arthur, Mile End, 97; William Hemen, Mile End, 96. (IV.)—Hazel Read, Maylands, 96; Philip Wood, Valley, 94; Elma Cosh, Unley, 89.

Second Section.—Expression Work (I.)—Hazel Stephens, Mile End, 85; next competitor failed to reach minimum marks for prize. (II.)—Cliff Jarvis, York, 93; Jessie Watkinson, York, 91. (III.)—Dulcie Notes, Milang, 87½; Madge Young, Milang, 87.

Third Section.—Bible Classes—Mrs. Phebe Halliday, Stirling East, 98; Mr. Gordon Halliday, Stirling East, 97; Miss Freda Jacobs, Mt. Compass, 95; Mr. James Roberts, Mt. Compass, and Mr. Harold Kelly, Stirling East, each with 93 and for fourth place.

Fourth Section.—Teachers (I.)—Miss Rita Watson; next competitor failed to reach minimum marks for prize. (II.)—Miss Hilda Johnson, Norwood, 89; Mrs. A. L. Read, Maylands,

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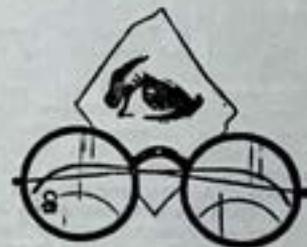
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News of the Churches.

Tasmania.

After a month's illness Bro. Bowes occupied the platform at West Ulverstone on Sept. 17, and addressed good congregations, the evening subject being "The Arresting Question." He officiated again on Sept. 24. Several members are laid aside with influenza. Mrs. Bowes has contracted bronchitis.

West Hobart held its business meeting at the close of its second year. Reports showed no great increase. The officers of the previous year were again elected. It was decided to borrow £800 for erection of building from Hobart Savings Bank, and to accept the tender of Messrs. Woolley Bros. for erection of same. The foundation has been completed by voluntary labor, taking seven Saturdays. Sister Miss Eaton has recovered from her severe operation.

New Zealand.

At Nelson on Sept. 3 meetings were conducted by Bro. J. G. Price. His morning subject was "Suffering," and at night he spoke on "Removing Obstacles." On Sept. 10 Bro. Crawford, from Kilmorie, was present. At night Dr. G. E. Weeks gave a fine address.

The work at Invercargill is flourishing. Record attendances at all services are reported. On Sept. 10 Bro. Fitzgerald spoke on "The Crucial Test of a Man's Faith." Two young women made the good confession. This makes 12 confessions during the last 12 weeks. The choir under Bro. L. Holmes is doing excellent work. Bro. E. L. Jackson has been appointed superintendent of the Sunday School, which is prospering. Many scholars sat in the recent examination, including 18 from Bro. Fitzgerald's young people's class. Bro. Pryde has in hand a debenture scheme to wipe off church debt. Sept. 17, one more confession.

West Australia.

At Maylands on Sept. 17 Bro. Stirling gave a fine address, and two girls confessed Christ. On Monday, 18th, a cottage prayer meeting was held at Bro. and Sister Malcolm's house; 18 were present. Bro. Stirling is helping Bunbury for a few days. A Church Aid Society has been formed. The church is getting ready for the anniversary.

Bassendean reports good meetings. On Sept. 17 Bro. Les. Clay gave a helpful address in the morning. At night the young folk had charge. Bro. Cameron preached. On Sept. 24 and 26 the Bible School anniversary was celebrated. Good meetings and one young girl confessed Christ, and was baptised. On Sept. 26 the tea was good, and the children took their parts splendidly in the evening's programme.

On Sept. 10 Bro. F. E. Buckingham, from North Perth, spoke morning and evening at Brookton. Two made the good confession—a young married woman and a young man. Both have been baptised and received into fellowship. The church is in a very healthy condition. On Sept. 24 Bro. Angus Millar, from Subiaco, gave a helpful address. From Oct. 8 to 15 a week's mission will be conducted by Bro. Cameron, of Guildford.

The mission at Fremantle closed on Sept. 21 with baptismal and thanksgiving services. Bro. Mudge's messages were most interesting and helpful throughout, and there were excellent attendances every night. The church has benefited by additions and by increased spirituality and influence. A leading citizen, Mrs. Fox-Angelo, paid a splendid tribute to Bro. Mudge at the thanksgiving service. All departments are active. The Blue and Gold Rally is increasing in enthusiasm. Bro. E. Gracia, church treasurer for many years, is leaving for Melbourne, and hopes to be at the Federal Conference. On Sept. 24 Bro. Mudge preached, and one young man responded to the invitation. A young lady was baptised. The Penelope (Girls') Club are very busy preparing for a sale of work. Bro. P. D. Pollard lectured most interestingly on England on Saturday night.

At Subiaco to Sept. 23 the total number of new scholars gained in the Bible School rally had reached 63; girls' side still well ahead of boys. Sept. 23, uplifting address by Bro. Clay. The evening service was preceded by a fine prayer service. A very convicting address on "Professional Hypocrites" was given by Bro. Clay, also a solo, "The Bells of Your Conscience Are Ringing." A married lady confessed Christ. On Sept. 27 at the half-yearly business meeting reports revealed the church to be in a very satisfactory condition. Renovation, extension and building debt scheme was launched.

Queensland.

At Toowoomba on Sept. 24 meetings were well attended; amongst visitors were Sister MacIntyre, Mt. Tyson, Sister L. Peters, of Goombungee, and Sister A. Skerman, returned from holiday. The exhortation by Bro. Burns was uplifting. Gospel service was conducted at Harlaxton by Bro. Wagborn; splendid gathering. The evangelist has been laid aside with influenza, but is now convalescent.

Splendid meetings at Allbin on Sept. 24. Annual roll call at morning meeting; a large number of members responded, and greetings were received from a number unable to be present. Bro. Hall presided, and Bro. Davis spoke on "The Communion." Afternoon, special young people's service. A good audience listened to the address in the evening on "Our Heavenly Home." A week of special meetings is being held in the chapel, in common with all other churches of the Allbin district. The church is now in the closing days of the evangelist's ministry. Bro. Davis has completed five years' work at Allbin; during that time the church has made good progress.

At Brisbane on Sept. 20 four new converts were baptised by Bro. Rankine. The Sisters' Guild held their annual sale of work in the church basement, renovated for the occasion, on Sept. 23. The sale was opened by Mrs. W. V. Mills, and was the most successful ever held by the church. The young men had charge of the produce stall. During the afternoon Mrs. Rankine was presented with a pair of silver vases as a souvenir of the sale. At night a concert was held under the direction of the choir. About £80 was realized from the effort. On morning of Sept. 24 three new members were received into fellowship. Amongst visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Goulter (missionaries), Mr. James Griffiths, and Mr. J. Taylor, of Melbourne. At night another young man confessed Christ.

South Australia.

At Forestville on Sept. 17 Bro. Blackburn, of Broken Hill, exhorted on "Progress." Sept. 24 Bro. Pope, of Port Pirie, spoke on "Confession." Oct. 1, Bro. Clive Caldicott spoke, and Bro. Hollams welcomed three into fellowship by letter. Bro. Hollams is very faithful in his gospel appeal. Bible College offering, £1/11/6.

Prospect held their church anniversary on Sept. 17. The usual meeting for the breaking of bread in the morning. Bro. Schwab, of Geelong, Vic., gave a helpful exhortation; a number of visiting brethren and sisters present. In the evening there were several anthems by the choir. Bro. Ross Graham delivered a stirring address. Splendid attendance, the building being nearly filled.

At Moonta on Sept. 24 the church had delightful fellowship with Bro. and Sister Roy Coventry. Bro. Coventry spoke morning and night, and Sister Coventry addressed the Bible School. Bro. F. McClean, of Melbourne, was also a visitor. On Monday quite a number listened to Bro. Coventry as he pointed out on the map the fields of India. Bro. McClean, in moving a vote of thanks on the Sunday afternoon, suggested an offering for Sister Coventry's work, and over £4 was contributed from the Bible School.

At St. Morris rough weather blew half the tent in on Sept. 26, but it was speedily re-erected, and services were continued with fairly good attend-

ances. Oct. 1, services were well attended all day. In the morning W. Beiler spoke on "The Question of Questions." Afternoon, community singing in the tent. Evening service saw the tent about three parts full, and deep interest was manifested as the missionary spoke for 63 minutes with the assistance of a chart on "Which is the Right Church?"

Two Sunday School scholars, a sister and brother, confessed Christ at the gospel service at Cottonville on 24th ult., were immersed at mid-week service, and received into membership on 1st inst. A young lady, a member of the Bible Class, confessed Christ at prayer meeting on Sept. 28. Bro. Garrett spoke morning and evening on Oct. 1; both good addresses. A young man made the good confession. An organ has been purchased for use in church services, at a cost of £40, all but a few pounds of which amount is in hand.

At Glenelg the Bible School anniversary services were held on Oct. 1; all meetings well attended. Morning service was slightly altered from the regular meeting, being "Teachers' Recognition Service." After the breaking of bread, a roll of teachers and officers was called, and teachers' pledge read. Mr. Miller, visiting Baptist preacher, delivered a heart-searching address. At 2.45 the scholars, assisted by church choir, rendered the cantata, "The Building of the Temple," under the conductorship of Bro. C. M. Letchford. In the evening Bro. Taylor delivered a very interesting and instructive address on "A Temple Built Without Tools." A number of items from cantata were repeated. A well-attended kinder picnic was held on the beach last Saturday, each of the little folk receiving a present.

Victoria.

At Swanston-st. last Lord's day the meetings were good and helpful. Excellent addresses by Bro. Kingsbury. Several visitors, whose fellowship was enjoyed.

Northcote had good meetings on Oct. 1. Visitors included Bro. Gracie, from W.A. Bro. Hirschman's gospel message was "Blockades on the road to doom." One young lady made the good confession.

At Windsor on Sunday Bro. Robbins was the preacher both morning and evening, his addresses being very inspiring. There was a nice spirit in the evening service, and Mr. Murray rendered two solos very effectively.

Since last report Collingwood has enjoyed very fine meetings. At the anniversary meetings seating accommodation could with difficulty be obtained. All auxiliaries are in good condition, and working hard for forthcoming sale.

At Horsham on Sept. 24 there was one confession, and two rededicated themselves. Enjoyable meetings were held at the conference of delegates representing North-Western district churches on Sept. 21. Bro. Eagle, of Brim, conducted the services last Lord's day.

"Back to Castlemaine" Sunday was a great success, and the church had a large number of visitors and former members. Bro. Clouston spoke in the evening to a crowded meeting on "A Glorious Home-coming." A home-coming social was held on Wednesday.

At Cheltenham the home-coming gatherings on Sunday were an inspiration to all. All had much pleasure in meeting again brethren from far and near. P. R. Baker delivered three splendid addresses, which were much enjoyed. The church is thankful to God for all his goodness.

Bible School anniversary at Gartiner was held on October 1. Children sang splendidly under the leadership of Bro. Chipperfield. Morning, Bro. Main presided; Bro. Scambler spoke. Afternoon, L. C. McCallum's subject was, "Slaying Giants." Prizes distributed. Bible College offering, £12/1/6 (incomplete).

The S.S. anniversary was celebrated at Shepparton on Sept. 17. Bro. H. Clark, of Essendon, was the speaker at three of the services held that day, and his fine addresses were much appreciated. 170 people were crowded into the little chapel in the evening. The scholars sang nicely under the leadership of Bro. C. L. Lang.

A fifty per cent. increase in the Bible College ... was received at Malvern-Caulfield on ...

Local meetings at South Richmond during September. Fine inspiring addresses by Bro. Hatfield and visiting brethren. Two boys and one ...

At Lygon-st. on Sunday last attendances were somewhat smaller. Bro. Wooster, from N.S.W., who was in membership with the church about 53 years ago, during the late G. L. Surbur's ministry, was a visitor. As Bro. Thomas was away in Sydney, R. T. Pittman spoke in the morning, and ...

Meetings were good at Box Hill on Sept. 24. Sickness prevails amongst members. Fine message from Bro. Wedd. At the conclusion of the ...

At Hawthorn, two men confessed the Saviour at close of T. H. Scambler's address on Sunday night. In the morning W. F. Nankivell addressed the church. On Sunday afternoon the Bible School teachers and officers made a presentation to Bro. C. Peters, who has been a Bible School teacher for thirty years, ten of which he spent at Hawthorn, without missing a Sunday, and for some time past has walked eleven miles a Sunday to carry on his church work.

At Hampton on Sept. 27 Bro. L. Roth, an esteemed Bible School teacher and church worker, had very suddenly. Bro. R. T. Pittman and D. Wakeley conducted services at the home and preside. On Sunday sympathetic references were made. The presence of Bro. E. C. Hinrichson at the morning service was appreciated. A large Sunday School; classes re-arranged for the commencement of school year. Bro. Wakeley spoke most helpfully morning and evening.

At St. Kilda a happy time was spent on Sept. 25 when the new chapel was opened. At the dedicating service R. T. Morris presided. Bro. J. E. Thomas, W. B. Blackmore, and R. C. Edwards delivered splendid addresses. Bro. T. Dru spoke words of appreciation of all who assisted in the effort. Bro. Kenner made presentations to Bro. G. J. Collings (builder), and Bro. Quille (electrician), for leadership in their departments. Oct. 1, excellent meetings all day.

Bro. Baker has taken the work at Stawell, and at the opening services on Sept. 24 he addressed a most attentive audience. Last Lord's day he spoke on "The Three Crosses." Prospects are very bright. A welcome social was tendered Bro. and Sister Wakeley. Words of welcome were spoken by the members of the church, and a very enjoyable evening was spent. A large crowd of members and friends assembled on the railway station to bid farewell to Bro. and Sister Wakeley, as they were passing through on the express en route for West Australia.

At Oakleigh, Bro. Alex. Wilson, of Swanston-st. church, took the gospel meetings during September with much satisfaction to the church. The 10th anniversary of the church was celebrated on Sept. 24 and 26. Bro. Wilson spoke on Sunday morning and evening to fine attendances. Bro. Wilmerson conducted a young people's service in the afternoon, which was appreciated, and closed with the baptism of two scholars. The public meeting under the chairmanship of A. E. Illingworth went off well, good speeches being given by F. T. Saunders (Carnegie), J. Mortimer and Alex. Wilson. The choir provided a musical treat. The Cricket Club concert on Sept. 19 passed off well. Bro. J. Mortimer commenced his labors on Oct. 1, speaking both morning and evening, and ... the Bible Class in the afternoon. All enjoyed the addresses.

Preston reports attendances at the meetings up to the average, and excellent discourses given by Bro. Toogood and others. Bro. Toogood has endeared himself to members and the district. Bro. and Sister Garth were received in by letters of transfer. The church held a successful social, at which a good programme was submitted. The Bible School is in a healthy condition. The K.S.P. is going along nicely; the boys lately having an enjoyable and instructive treat by a visit to the Central Telephone Exchange.

Work in all branches of Ringwood church is going forward. At quarterly meeting the Bible School presented church with a splendid notice-board, also an organ seat and music locker for the choir. The J.C.E. presented a reading desk and cushion, while Sister Fletcher gave a beautiful Bible. Other members are helping to complete the furnishings. The church has started a weekly bulletin. Bro. Oldfield is untiring in his efforts, and his recent addresses on church union and baptism have been much appreciated.

Essendon had good attendances on Sept. 24 at both services. Bro. Clark presided and exhorted. At night he gave a stirring address. One confession. Two efforts by the young sisters, Sister Drew and Phi Beta Pi, have swollen the building fund by upwards of £20. All auxiliaries are doing good work. Recently the kindergarten lost the services of Sister Cheal, their superintendent, owing to ill-health. As a token of appreciation the church, through the superintendent of Bible School, made her a present of two arm-chairs.

At Burnley on Sept. 24 a Bible School scholar was received into fellowship. Meetings on Oct. 1 were good. Bro. Stephenson exhorted. Bible College offering, £1/15/1. Bible School commenced anniversary practices. Evening service, at close of Bro. Stephenson's address, another scholar accepted her Master. Quarterly business meeting, Sept. 27. The church unanimously decided to retain Bro. Stephenson's services for the next year. Sympathy and prayers go out on behalf of loved ones left through the death of Sister Mrs. Patterson, on Sept. 30.

Maryborough church meeting was held on Sept. 21. Reports showed a prosperous year in every department. For all purposes about £450 has been raised, including amount raised for tent mission. Bro. Young was commended for his work. The elections resulted as follows: Elders, Bro. Waugh, Sutton, Robertson, Young, Cambridge; deacons, I. Living, Renton, Taylor, Newburn, secretary, W. G. Cambridge; organist, Sister Frost; assistant organist, Sister Lunn; song leader, W. G. Cambridge. At the conclusion the members were entertained at supper by Bro. and Sister Young.

A very happy day was spent at North Richmond on Oct. 1, it being the Young Men's Mutual Improvement Society's anniversary. Both morning and evening services were conducted by past and present members of the class. Bro. A. Free exhorted in the morning, and Bro. Geo. Hughes (of the College) preached at night. A male choir of 24 voices under Bro. C. Hall added greatly to the success of the service. Bro. Jim Gray presided at the organ. C.E. held a very happy anniversary rally during last week. Bro. Hurren gave a helpful address. During the month there have been two additions by faith and baptism.

At Thornbury on Sept. 28 a meeting of church members was convened for the completion of arrangements for the prospective new building at the corner of Smith-st. and St. George's-road. An immediate start in the erection is to be made. It is anticipated that the building will be ready for use early in the new year. Bro. Swain was back on Oct. 1, after a fortnight's holiday. Bro. G. T. Black speaking during his absence. The pianiste, Sister Miss Ivy Swain, is on the eve of marriage. She has served the cause for about fifteen months, and the members showed their appreciation by the presentation of a clock, suitably inscribed. All auxiliaries are making headway. Gospel services are well attended.

Good attendances at Brunswick of late, and special services. Members of the K.S.P. took charge of both services on Sept. 3. Bro. Johnstone

speaking in the morning, and Bro. Killmier in the evening. At the close of evening service on the 10th, the officers of the Ladies' Club were installed. Last Sunday Bro. Turner gave a very good address on "The Unrecognized Christ." The church was glad to have the presence of Sister Way, who has been unwell. One decision after address by Bro. Killmier. The Y.P.S.C.E. is busy making up a Christmas consignment of groceries for despatch to the missionaries in India, per the R.M.S. "Narkundah," next month. The consignment promises to be a large one, as already goods to the value of £1 are in hand, and cash to the amount of £13 (proceeds of special concert, and donations) has been received. The Society is inaugurating a Junior and an Intermediate Society, to commence next Lord's day, at 10 a.m. About 30 Juniors have signified their intention of coming, and a large attendance of Intermediates is expected.

The Sunday School anniversary at Brighton was held on Oct. 1. At the afternoon and evening services the building was crowded. The superintendent, Bro. Duck, and teachers, had worked very hard, and were gratified with the result. The school, under the leadership of Bro. McCance, rendered a splendid programme, and were assisted by an orchestra, with Sister Miss Brough as organist, and Bro. D. Ralton on the piano. At the afternoon meeting, Bro. T. R. Morris gave his illustrated talk on "The Little Foxes." In the evening Bro. Huntsman spoke from Daniel's window opened towards Jerusalem. The children of the kindergarten department, of which Sister Mrs. Youens is the capable superintendent, rendered special items. During the day there were visiting brethren and sisters in attendance from Ballarat, Geelong, Prahran, Glenferrie, Phillip Island, Malvern, and Middle Park. The anniversary tea and concert was held the following Tuesday evening, and a special offering taken for the suffering children of Armenia.

New South Wales.

Petersham reports good meeting on Sept. 24. Bro. Arnott's subject was, "Who are these people that call themselves Church of Christ—are they Presbyterians, Adventists, Methodists, or what?" Three reports good meetings. On Sept. 17 Mr. Hansen delivered the gospel sermon on John 3: 16, by special invitation. On 21st, Bro. H. Edwards again preached from John 13: 7 to a good audience. Bro. Edwards's efforts are greatly appreciated. Bible School is progressing under the care of P. G. Sakby. The C.E. Society has purchased a banner, suitably inscribed.

On Sept. 24 Bro. Payne's final services were held at Inverell and Spencer's Gully with good attendance. On the 25th, a farewell social was held, at which he received a wallet of notes from the church, and a Rotherham Emphasised Bible from the temperance workers of the town, the latter being presented by the Anglican minister, who, with ministers of other churches, took part in the programme.

At Lismore on Sept. 24, Bro. W. Atkin, senr., was in charge of the morning meeting. Sister Mrs. Duff, of Wardell, had fellowship with the church. At night Bro. P. J. Pond preached on "Eclipsed, or an Open Bible—Which?" Bro. and Sister F. R. Furlonger, who have resided in the country for years, are coming to Lismore to live. Sister Miss E. Pond is being sent by the C.E. to the Australasian Convention in Brisbane. The Bible School has decided to engage a special train to Byroch Bay for annual picnic.

Merewether meetings of late have been well attended. The auxiliaries are doing well, especially Band of Hope, which has greatly assisted the relief funds for the unemployed of Merewether, for which they are arranging another concert. On Sept. 24 Bro. Newburn gave a splendid morning address. The brother who was baptised the previous Sunday was welcomed into fellowship. On Oct. 1 Bro. Stewart exhorted. Bro. Martin's evening theme was "Behold the Lamb of God." Splendid meeting; six ladies confessed Christ, and there was one restoration. Bro. Martin is about to conduct a tent mission.

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