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The Gentle Art of Depreciation.

WE rightly praise the encouragers of life, the people who, without patronage, flattery or insincerity, express appreciation of the good which they see in the ordinary folk with whom they associate day by day. Such worthy Christians are a benediction to many, and exercise a powerful ministry for good in the church of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Frequently, however, we meet with men, and even Christian men, who exhibit the opposite spirit. They are depreciators. They do not set out directly to belittle the merits of their fellows, but they wish to show forth their own excellences, and, instead of doing it brazenly, they endeavor—sometimes successfully, but not so generally as they fondly imagine—to conceal the self-advertisement by a comparison which is altogether to their advantage.

In one of his happy speeches Dr. James Mack contrasted our sunny Australian weather with the dull and rainy conditions of his homeland. He said that in Scotland there would be newspaper reports of the number of hours of sunshine enjoyed by the different towns, whereas here we report the rain and say nothing of the sun. Dr. Mack pithily put it: "You take the sunshine for granted." The words have a wider application than the speaker probably intended. We leave many glories unnoted, and take the blessings of life for granted. But rarely do we leave unnoticed or unpublicized the things which displease. Even the trifles which are not altogether pleasing are remembered, and even exaggerated as we recall them again and again. It is possibly this disposition which leads us to judge our brethren and our neighbors with undue severity, to depreciate their virtues in contrast with our own estimable qualities, and to magnify their eccentricities or failings.

There have been Christians who believed that "every tub must stand on its own bottom" is a scripture text, and who after using a concordance though they remained convinced that the idea was scriptural were forced to acknowledge that the phraseology was not. As we have listened to those who, lacking the candor of some extollers of self, have sought to advertise the excellence of themselves, their wares or their work, by the indirect method of depreciating others, we have regretted that the familiar proverb lacked the authority of holy writ. Yet we need not repine. Other texts will suit our needs. "Look not every man on his own things, but also on the things of others" has in it the spirit we seek to inculcate. "Let each esteem other better than himself" is more direct and equally pertinent. The text does not mean that we are to be insincere and praise without discrimination everything we see around us. It does not mean that our bro-

ther's opinions or prejudices, his errors or failings, are all to be accepted or applauded. But it certainly does enjoin that humility which is at once the rarest and the most beautiful of Christian graces; and it forbids the detestable habit of seeking self-advertisement and approval by a spirit of criticism, harsh judgment, or depreciation of the good which is possessed by others.

In the business of every-day life we expect to meet folk who in buying and selling make it their rule to praise the qualities of the goods, houses or land which they are selling, and who let no reasonable (or unreasonable) opportunity pass for the depreciation of what they have resolved to purchase. It is much worse when this detestable spirit is allowed to come into the realm of morals and religion. The man who by innuendo or slander besmirches the reputation of a better person than himself is a despicable character. No Christian could allow himself to do this. But even in the church we have a kindred evil. Personal appraisal, harsh criticism of others, the praise of self which comes by contrast or comparison with others—these are not unknown in even Christian circles.

We need not attribute malice as the motive whenever the evil appears. Jealousy or envy may be the cause; but sometimes weak intellect or poor judgment is all that is needed to account for the objectionable practice.

Here is a teacher, or preacher, or officer, or leader in brotherhood work—how is he to justify his position? The only right and sensible way is to make good, so that his work will speak for itself. The objectionable way is to belittle all apparent competitors of fellow-workers engaged in a similar task. Run down the rival institution, do that in general terms, the more indefinite and vague the better; for detailed criticism might be answered!

FOR THE COMMONPLACE.

O Lord of Beauty, give me grace
To see the charm in commonplace—
The silver in the slant of rain,
The secret at the heart of pain.

And when in me a shy bird sings,
O lift my daily life on wings;
And show me in my dearest hour
The budding of an early flower.

O Lord of Truth, upon my eyes,
Give me the courage to be wise,
And grant to me in growing old
Vision, and not the lure of gold.

May every sunrise mean to me
Hope for the days that are to be,
And when the sun sets calm and clear
Take from me all I know of fear.

O Lord of Wonder, what you are
May be made plain in some far star,
See, when I leave this world, above,
Guide me throughout the vast Unknown.

—Florence Bone.

If contributors to the "Christian" will pardon a word, the objectionable practice is sometimes seen in our pages. A preacher goes to a new field, wherein predecessors have worked hard. Almost immediately, the new man's work is extolled—the sermons now are "splendid"; audiences now are "excellent" and "rapidly increasing"; the "highest attendances for a year past" have been recorded. Oh, yes; and so they were when the former man was new to the field. At Conference sometimes preachers themselves report in this style: "When I began my work, the membership was low, the average attendance was —; now there are — members"; and so on *ad nauseam*. How delightful an experience this is for the former equally faithful preacher who sits by and hears his successor practise the gentle art of depreciation. A variant of the theme is to make, not the previous preacher's or year's work of that church the dark background, but to use the condition of other local churches for the purpose. It is not a very lovely thing, even now.

But for the facts which confront us, we should hardly have thought it possible for the art of depreciation to be indulged in by one who had ever read either the Sermon on the Mount or the Saviour's parable of the Pharisee and publican. A detestable wretch, masquerading as a religious man, presumed, under guise of praying to God, to drag a poor sinner into his petition in order that there might be an appropriately dark background against which the brightness of his own good deeds might be shown. "I fast . . . I give tithes"—the enumeration was hateful enough, but not half so hateful as: "I thank thee that I am not as the rest of men . . . or even as this publican."

Let your work be its own justification. Remember, too, it has not to pass the standards of men. It will yet be measured by the perfect judgment of God. It will never

be asked of us whether we are better or worse than other men, whether our work is superior to that of the weak Christian whom we deliberately select for purposes of comparison and self-laudation.

There is a familiar text which we all would do well to remember: "With me it is a very small thing that I should be judged of you, or of man's judgment; yea, I judge not mine own self. For I know nothing against myself; yet am I not hereby justified: but he that judgeth me is the Lord. Wherefore judge nothing before the time, until the Lord come, who will both bring to light the hidden things of darkness, and make manifest the councils of the hearts; and then shall each man have his praise from God."

There is yet another: "Judge not, that ye be not judged. For with what judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged; and with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured unto you."

Boiling It Down.

It is recorded how Sir Walter Raleigh, the Oxford professor, advised a young friend who was writing on Shelley to imagine he was writing for Oxford cabmen. He would say more in less space.

There is the story of a painter and an old rustic. A man was painting a sunset, a very gorgeous affair, and an old rustic was watching at a respectful distance.

"Ah!" said the painter, looking up suddenly, "perhaps to you, too, Nature has opened her pictures, page by page? Have you seen the lambent flame of dawn leaping across the livid east; the red-stained, sulphurous islets floating in the lake of fire in the west; the ragged clouds at midnight, black as a raven's wing, blotting out the shuddering moon?"

"No," answered the rustic, shortly, "not since I signed the pledge."

Federal Conference Programme, October 20-26, 1928.

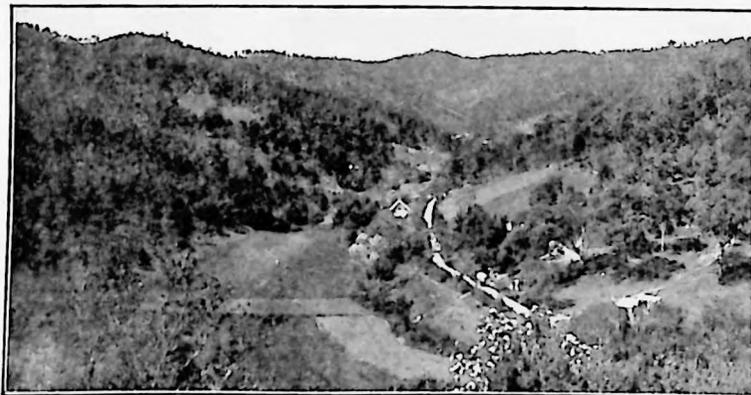
- October 20.—10.30 a.m. Preachers' Session, Grosvenor chapel. Speaker, Dr. F. W. Burnham.
2.30 p.m. S.A. SISTERS' welcome to all visiting sisters. Grote-st.
6.30 p.m. President's reception and dinner, Adelaide Railway Station.
7.15 p.m. Great welcome service, Grote-st.
- October 21.—11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Messages from interstate brethren in city and suburban pulpits.
3 p.m. Great inspirational gathering, Adelaide Town Hall. Speaker, Dr. F. W. Burnham. Broadcast 5CL (wave length 255 metres).
- October 22.—9.30 a.m. Motor outing—North Summit and Morialta.
Noon. Dinner, Grote-st.
1 p.m. Business Session, Grote-st.
6 p.m. Tea, Grote-st.
7.15 p.m. Christian Union meeting, Adelaide Town Hall. Speakers, Hon. W. Morca, M.L.C.; Dr. F. W. Burnham.
- October 23.—9.20 a.m. Motor outing, Torres Gorge.
Noon to 6 p.m. Same as 22nd.
7.15 p.m. Foreign Mission rally, Adelaide Town Hall. Speakers, Dr. E. B. Killmac, Dr. F. W. Burnham.
- October 24.—9.30 a.m. Motor outing—seaside resorts.
Noon to 6 p.m. Same as 22nd.
7.15 p.m. Education and youth service, Adelaide Town Hall. Speakers, A. R. Main, M.A., C. Schwab.
- October 25.—9.30 a.m. Motor outing—Mt. Loffy.
Noon to 6 p.m. Same as 22nd.
7.15 p.m. Great Pentecost rally. Speakers, T. Hagger, Dr. F. W. Burnham.
- October 26.—All day picnic, Long Gully.
6.30 p.m. Old boys' re-union, Cottonville chapel.

FOR INTENDING DELEGATES.

Will all intending delegates kindly make immediate application and furnish the secretary, W. G. Graham, 9 Milton-ave., Fullarton Estate, S.A., with the following particulars:—

1. Name (whether Mr., Mrs. or Miss).
2. Full address.
3. Church of which a member.
4. Do you desire hospitality?
5. Do you wish to travel first or second class?
6. The date you purpose arriving in Adelaide.
7. The date (if possible) you intend departing from Adelaide.

Delegates from Brisbane and Sydney are allowed nine and six days respectively to complete inward or return journey, being permitted to spend two days at the capitals and two at Goulburn, or the six and four days respectively at the one city.



In the
Adelaide Hills.

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Organization and Christian Unity.

Address delivered by Dr. Kellerns at Central Church of Christ, Capetown, on July 22.

One objection which has been urged with more than usual cogency against the plea of the Disciples for the unity of the church has grown out of the fact that they have crystallised into a separate organisation. While vociferously calling for unity, the practical effect of their boasted reformation has been the formation of one more denomination—a further dividing of the already sadly riven church of God. If a mighty protest against denominationalism eventuates only in the bringing into being of one more denomination; if the puissant thunders for a reformation of sectarianism leave the Christian world more sectarianised than before, differing only in adding to the ever-lengthening list another sect more militant than the rest; if the loud appeal for unity serves but to increase by one more division the diversity which so miserably plagues the illumined of Christ—where then justly queries the critic, is there consistency in this vaunted movement for the restoration of primitive Christianity? All these Disciples have said for Christian unity is nullified by what they have done to render the accomplishment of their chimerical dream impossible. There were indeed stern justice in this darkly-pictured indictment were it strictly true. It errs, however, in excess, and in the contemptuous censure which it lightly passes on the natal period of Disciple history.

No new church.

It should be remembered, first of all, that the last thing in the minds of the Campbells was the possibility that out of their impassioned plea for the pristine oneness of the church would be evolved a new communion. The very thought of such conflagration was deeply abhorrent to their honest souls, and against the growing certainty of its rise they valiantly battled for more than a decade. Overwhelming evidence from their writings might be documented in substantiation of this fact. Furthermore, aside from the historical certainty that their Christian brethren of the communions to which they had so confidently addressed their appeal had treated it all with bland indifference, and that they were successively ostracised from the Presbyterian and Baptist communions, there are numerous practical considerations which appear to justify their course as the only one open to them unless they were to see their cherished principles lapse into desuetude, while they meekly bowed the neck and returned contritely to sectarian folds. Chief among these is the observation that a radical plea lays its proclaimers under the central strain of consistency as regards its practice.

With unremitting ardor the Campbells hurled their bolts against the defences which

loyal but misguided hands had thrown up around the citadel of a denominationalism made proud by long years of ecclesiastical dominion. Hammering home the truth that the whole branch theory of the church is wrong, and that the path to unity lay only in the direction of that pure faith of which the New Testament Scriptures are the divine depository, they were forced by the very uniqueness and virility of their pleadings to give them practical demonstration. What hypocritical inconsistency had they then espoused some sectarian cause! Against creedalism in all its varied forms they had unleashed their thunders. How unforgivable the betrayal of those whom their strictures had induced to renounce such time-honored inheritances from a speculative past, had they, while thus they preached, continued their subscription to some outgrown body of divinity. With all the holy zeal of a great certainty they proclaimed the immersion of a penitent believer to be the only valid, apostolic, Christian baptism. How could they stand with some denomination in silent approbation of substituted practices which they knew to be spurious without bringing condemnation deserved and unforgivable to their souls? Human names for the body of Christ, in all their teachings stand condemned, not because they honored less the great and good men whose courage, often even to martyrdom, caused admiring followers wishing to perpetuate their memory to call themselves after them, but because they are firmly convinced that they accord honor where it is not due, and that in so doing they but keep alive the sad divisions of the household of the faith. Does not consistency demand that while protesting against such admittedly divisive appellations they should themselves wear only those names which are commended by their undisputed Scripturalness and acknowledged catholicity?

A union platform.

There is a second reason why a separate organisation of the Disciples, under all the historic conditions obtaining, was absolutely inevitable. They were finally faced with the alternative of a practical demonstration of the workability of their plea or defeat. Stated bluntly the question was: "Is this all merely the rosy dream of a group of good but deluded visionaries, or will it work: is it a practical programme for the great end which its protagonist desire to attain?" The Campbells honestly believed it was. There is the iron ring of sincerity in the "Declaration and Address," and in all the other writings to which the full and lusty period gave birth. At first sweetly ignored, and at last successfully isolated from the dominant religious communions, they were squarely confronted with the un-

welcome possibility of their ten years' labor becoming but a memory. They had boldly invited Christians to come out from the decaying denominational order, yet they had provided no haven for them when once they had renounced the old ties and embarked upon the new religious venture. If the religious bodies could not find themselves prepared to unite with each other as such, their members, as individuals, could do so, but their very coming out under such an urgent call and upon such a platform meant unity—unity of desire, unity of faith, unity of action. This in turn could mean nothing but organisation. The Campbells themselves always considered the restoration movement to be a great, practical demonstration of their plea. What thousands of individuals from all communions had done the denominational bodies as communions could do.

Union and world evangelisation.

There was a final motive, powerful—though the early leaders were not at first clearly conscious of it—in the gradual crystallisation of the movement into a church. They confidently believed that Christian reunion would result in world evangelisation. This fact was clearly apparent to Campbell's mind—it receives constant emphasis in all his writings. It became progressively evident—as the phenomenal evangelistic victories of Walter Scott in the Western Reserve, and those of John Smith in Kentucky, demonstrated the forcefulness of the new position in making converts—that what he had claimed for it was true. A return to the New Testament faith in doctrine, ordinances, life and zeal must assuredly result in a recurrence of the Pentecostal victories of the early church. The soundness of this position, it was felt, had been abundantly proved. Had there been no churches, not only to support evangelists and preachers that they might commit themselves undisturbed to the proclamation of the new message, but as a consistent body boldly standing upon the position espoused, the whole cause must have perished. The glory of Disciple evangelism—an evangelism based upon plain gospel preaching, and one which, unlike all else which is known by the name, preaches the distinctive position for which the Churches of Christ exist—has been an irrefutable demonstration that the fathers of the communion were correct. The thousands of additions to the churches every year is proof sufficient. It has just been noted that the unusual characteristic of this evangelism is its stress upon the peculiarities of the movement from which it sprang. This is true only because those peculiarities are universal—those things in which the Disciples are at one with all who everywhere call upon the name of the Lord. And these are the gospel—to preach that with earnestness and power is always to win the victory in committing men to him who is life indeed.

Scenes and Voices from the Upper Room.

OMNIPOTENCE ON ITS KNEES.

A. W. Connor.

The most sacred room in Christian thought is that upper room in Jerusalem, where on the last night, under the shadow of the cross, Jesus said the most wonderful things to his disciples. There he also did certain symbolic and prophetic acts, that gather up and present the meaning of what he had been doing, and what he would be doing for them and for the world. On some of these I would ask you to meditate. When rightly studied they will help us to see the true significance of what is perhaps the deepest word among those uttered by our Lord Jesus. There it stands in the midst of the words concerning the ageless life and the way to attain to it (John 14: 9). "He that hath seen me hath seen the Father."

Every word, every deed, and these wonderful symbolic gestures of salvation made by Jesus, are to us the revelation of the unseen God. "We behold the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ." Keeping this in mind, turn to John 14 and look at the words that give us the background of the scene of the feet-washing. This is too often overlooked.

"Jesus, knowing that the Father had put all things into his hands, and that he had come from God, and was going to God, riseth from supper." And what next? What will he make of that unlimited power? What action will proceed from that vast unbounded regal consciousness? "The succession almost disappoints us, for it would appear as if the same conclusion does not justify the majestic premises." "Jesus riseth from supper, and laid aside his garments; and took a towel and girded himself."

So this is it. He puts on the apron of the slave, and on his knees performs the menial service of washing the feet of his disciples. Have I done wrong in calling this Omnipotence on its knees, and citing it, not only as an instance of the grace of Christ but as a gesture revealing the mind of God the Father? "He that hath seen me hath seen the Father." The principle here illustrated is not new in Christ's life. In the wilderness he had met and overcome the tempter at this very point. "Use your power for self; make stones into bread"; or, "Use your power in a great display to coerce the people to submission." "Cast thyself down." But no, he will act otherwise. He will live as a Son of Man. Why? Why? There he is at the beginning, baptised between two sinners, and at the end crucified between two thieves, though he held unlimited power. Power? Yes, he had it. Then why allow himself to be thwarted, beaten, and seemingly defeated? The answer reveals to us the attitude of God to man. The God who suffers, and in suffering redeems.

It was a noble woman, but before she learned the power of the cross, who wrote that too long had the cross been faith's symbol, and with some impatience said,

"Release the suffering Saviour from the cross,
And give the world its radiant God."

But she, too, learned in due time in the school of suffering that the Saviour never was so radiant as when he hung upon a cross that he might save others, herself among them. This is the great truth illustrated in this stooping of Jesus to wash his disciples' feet.

E. Stanley Jones, in his "Christ at the Round Table," tells how the conception of God thus given is displacing the age-long conceptions that have held sway in India. "A God who would stoop and suffer is not perfect." But the Bible conception is of a God who, far from being apart, takes the world's burden on his heart. Calvary is but the crowning sequence of the towel and basin in that upper room. Christ crucified is

the "power and wisdom of God." This incident is not alone. We see the same thing in Gethsemane. Peter's paltry sword? Why not? "Put it up again." What use is such a weapon? If Jesus will work that way he has twelve legions of angels. But Jesus does not blast men's lives. That is not his way, neither then nor now. Possibly the most striking illustration of this is in Matt. 11: 27-30: "All things are delivered unto me"—a unique gift of unlimited power; a unique intimacy with God, and an unshared relationship? "All things in his hand"; yet he does not compel, he does not crush, he just invites. "Come unto me." He just promises, "I will give you rest." He just allures, "My burden is light." Come unto me.

But that is Jesus on earth; now exalted, is he not different? Well, in Revelation, chapter 1, is a picture of the risen Saviour, in majesty and might. The voice like the sound of many waters proclaims, "I am he that liveth . . . I have the keys of death and hell." What then? What is the sentence? Destroy the rejecters? Blast the backsliders? No, but this: "Behold, I stand at the door and knock; if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him and sup with him, and he with me." Omnipotence inviting, waiting, pleading. You can deny Christ the kingdom of your soul; you can

refuse Christ the loyalty he deserves; you can keep that door closed in his face, or you can swing the heart's door widely open. What a revelation of divine patience: "I will come in." The welcomed guest becomes the host, "I will sup with him."

We go back to that upper room. Through the open door we behold Omnipotence stooping to serve. In that beautiful gesture we find the heart of God, and in those words we see the method of the divine life. Let it mean more to us when we read again: "Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands . . . riseth from supper . . . took a towel and basin, and began to wash the disciples' feet." And do not forget or miss to "We behold the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ."

WHAT GOD HATH PROMISED.

God hath not promised
Skins always to furnish
Flower-strewn pathways
All our lives through;
God hath not promised
Sun without rain,
Joy without sorrow,
Peace without pain,
But God hath promised,
Strength for the day,
Rest for the labourer,
Light for the way,
Grace for the trials,
Help from above,
Unfailing sympathy,
Undying love.

Canberra Church.

Stuart Stevens.

The establishment of the seat of government in the Federal Territory is one of the obligations imposed by the constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, and is provided for in section 125 of the Commonwealth Constitution Act 1901, which reads as follows:—"The seat of government of the Commonwealth shall be determined by the Parliament, and shall be within the Territory which shall be granted to or acquired by the Government, and shall be vested in and belong to the Government, and shall lie in the State of New South Wales, and be distant not less than one hundred miles from Sydney . . . The Parliament shall sit at Melbourne until it meet at the seat of Government."

As far as can be ascertained the first move among our churches to establish work in the Territory was made in Western Australia during the second annual Conference of the churches in that State. The session was held in the chapel, Egan-st., Balgownie, on Feb. 12, 1902, when Conference carried the following resolution:—"The undersigned, so co-operating with the New South Wales brethren to assist them to establish the Church of Christ in the Federal Capital." At 5 o'clock that day it was resolved to forward the resolution to general Conference to be held in Perth that same year.

From time to time our various Conference gatherings have repeated their affirmation to establish our cause in the Federal Territory. The first meetings of members at Canberra were held in the home of Mr. James Kennedy, Civic Centre, on December 6, 1925, at 7.30 p.m. Meetings were held for some time, but later were discontinued owing to certain local difficulties. They were re-commenced in January of this year, when Bro. Ethelbert Davis, on behalf of Federal Committee, gathered some members together in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Reg. Eldridge. Since then meetings have been held regularly. On July 1 Bro. Stuart Stevens, of Geelong, Vic., was appointed to take charge of the work. At present morning service and a Bible School are held at the Anslie public school, and an evening

service is held in the South Anslie Presbyterian church hall.

It is felt, however, that to do effective work a suitable church building is needed. In fact, the acceptance of the church block involves the erection of a church edifice within a very limited period. The Executive Committee of the Federal Conference has planned to erect a fitting church structure at the earliest possible moment. The accompanying perspective sketch plan was prepared by the architect, Mr. Geo. Mitchell, M.E.A., A.M.I.E., to show how the use of building which the Federal Commission requires and which, it is believed, will fitly set forth the nature of our cause. The site is 60 ft. by 116 ft., and two class rooms 30 ft. x 16 ft. Seating accommodation, about 200. Built in brick, with dressing in special cement and colored bricks. Leaded glass, and ceiling in dark stained wood. The roof covering will be in slates, fibre shingles or red tiles. It is estimated that the cost will be about £4,500.

It is interesting to read that plans are being made to build a new "church" for the Vermont Avenue Christian congregation (U.S.A.) at an approximate cost of £350,000. This will be regarded as the national "church" of the Disciples of Christ. The site chosen is on Massachusetts Avenue, at Thomas Circle, where the Margaret Webster School now stands.

The building to represent our Australian brotherhood in the Federal Territory will be at the corner of Connamore-st. and Connamore. It is near the business part of the city, and close to an immense area for residences, and is near Mt. Anslie.

In a few years, it is believed, the church at Canberra will be able to care for itself. In the meantime it calls for help from the whole of the Australian brotherhood. It is quite unnecessary to urge the reasons which might be given to support this work early and liberally.

Religious Notes and News.

DR. MOTT'S RESIGNATION.

News has come to hand announcing the resignation of Dr. John H. Mott from the general secretaryship of the National Council of the Y.M.C.A. of America, and the chairmanship of the World Student Christian Federation.

On his way home from the Jerusalem Conference he had time and detachment for consideration of the united request of the International Missionary Council to devote his life to furthering the advance programme adopted at that significant gathering. This appeal came from the leaders of the missionary forces of the churches of fifty-one countries at the close of their creative deliberations on the Mount of Olives, and he believes that the path of duty is to respond favorably. To do justice to the new requirements, he will lay down his present responsibilities in October.

After forty years of service with the Y.M.C.A. his resignation will appear as if some conspicuous planet has slipped from its orbit and joined some other system. Dr. Mott is a Christian statesman, and in his new position he will be the executive head of the missionary forces of the world. It will be remembered that he paid his second visit to Australia four years ago.

SCRIPTURE TEACHING IN SCHOOLS.

The Joint Council for Religious Instruction in State schools (Victoria) is gradually extending its activities to the remote parts of the State, where, in many instances, no Scripture instruction had previously been given in the schools.

To do this considerable expenditure is necessary to provide petrol expenses for the earnest workers who are thus engaged.

Last month twenty country instructors travelled 240 miles to give lessons in 118 schools. Since the first of April of this year 85 schools have been added to the religious instruction register.

Additional funds are needed to carry on this work, and to provide for further extension into schools not previously touched. Over 2200 instructors are at work in different parts of the

State—800 of whom are engaged in Melbourne and suburbs.

Donations are earnestly invited, and may be sent to Mr. G. E. Pearl, secretary, 156 Collins-st., Melbourne.

PROTESTANT CONVENTION.

At the annual meeting of the Victorian Protestant Federation held in Melbourne, various important questions were discussed. The following motion against the totalisator was carried unanimously:—"We view with serious alarm the intention of the State Cabinet to make another attempt to legalise the totalisator, knowing that the totalisator is inimical to the moral and spiritual interests of the community. We urge upon all citizens the necessity for earnestly resisting this further effort of the Government to foster this easy and enticing facility for gambling upon the community." Several delegates said it was repugnant to seek to introduce the totalisator with a view to benefiting charities. One remarked that it was an insult to ask a non-gambler to support a measure which made other people pay for charity. It was a disgrace, that charitable responsibilities should be supported by other people's vices.

A resolution was passed by the conference in which regret was expressed at the decision of the New South Wales Ministry to permit the carrying of the Host through the streets of Sydney in connection with the Eucharistic Congress. The resolution added, "We desire to abide by such a decision, and express the wish that no act of a hostile nature should be made to interfere with the procession now sanctioned."

A BRIGHTER DAY IN CHINA.

Dr. J. J. Kitchin, Home Director of the C.I.M., Melbourne, recently spoke as follows:—"Certain pessimistic critics predicted that foreign missionary work in China would of necessity cease; but many of us have been confident that God had set an open door before the church that no man could close. It has been a great joy during

these past weeks to hear of our workers being permitted to return to their stations in so many provinces. We are satisfied that the real reason for the temporary enforced retirement of the foreign leaders was permitted by God to bring blessing to the Chinese church, whose members have been slow in undertaking responsibility. Letters and reports from scores of mission stations supply the information that the attempted overthrow of Christianity in China by the evil one, which led to the withdrawal of missionaries, instead of hindering the work, will have precisely the opposite effect. The withdrawal of the foreign helper has afforded an opportunity for the development of Chinese leadership, and the growing independence of the Chinese Church, which is a matter to be devoutly thankful for.

"The total number of C.I.M. missionaries on December 31, 1927, was 1185 as against 1290 the previous year. During the year twelve died, twenty retired, and six were placed on the retired workers' list. Owing to prevailing conditions in China only twenty-three new workers were accepted. This indicates a decrease of fifteen in numbers, which, when the door reopens, will doubtless soon be made up again. During 1927 no new workers were permitted to go from Australia.

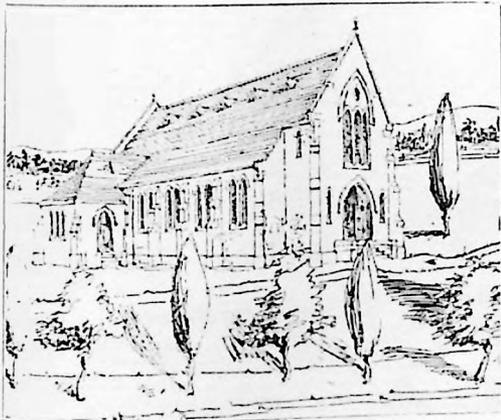
"At the present time in Australia and New Zealand there are about fifty missionaries on furlough, a number altogether beyond the ordinary. Large numbers have also been detailed at the coastal towns of Shanghai, Hankow, and Chefoo. As indicative of what has transpired, it may be of interest to mention that of the 8000 missionaries of China, approximately 5000 went home on furlough, 1500 retired to Shanghai, and 1000 to other coastal ports, while about 500 remained at their stations for the winter. Our missionaries have been far from idle; those at the coast have been engaged in all manner of service, and many on furlough have been active in telling of the needs and claims of the mission field."

The Peace Pact.

The signing of the pact to outlaw war is the great event of the week. It is the greatest advance towards world peace which we have yet witnessed. Christians should rejoice and fervently pray for the success of the new movement.

The remarks of the United States Secretary of State (Mr. Kellogg) and the Canadian Prime Minister (Mr. McKenzie King), who travelled together to Paris, are worthy of note. Replying to a welcome in Plymouth Mr. Kellogg said: "It is a great pleasure to me and to the Prime Minister of Canada to come and sign the Peace Treaty—the end-of-war treaty. It is not the work of any one man or any one nation. It is the work of many men and many nations. It springs from the heart of the people who are all longing for any step which may prevent another great calamity. I believe that this will be a great moral step forward for civilisation. As far as Canada and ourselves are concerned we really need no treaty. We have a treaty written on the hearts of our people."

Mr. McKenzie King said that he shared Mr. Kellogg's sentiments. "I think," he declared, "that the great prosperity of our respective countries is due in a great measure to the fact that we are not concerned with war. We have never been thinking in terms of war, but have accepted normal relations with our neighbors, and have done all we could to make them as happy and friendly as possible." To live as neighbors, and never to be concerned about war, to try to make relationships as friendly and happy as possible—this is the ideal for all the peoples of the world. It is the Christian ideal for international relationships.



Proposed Chapel at Canberra, Federal Territory.

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The Home Circle.

Conducted by J. C. F. PITTMAN O.S.A.

THE CHURCH OF GOD.

The Church of God is glorious;
His own ideal sublime;
His own ideal sublime:
Forecast in type and shadow
Adown the course of time.
And when prophetic ages
Their mission had fulfilled
The church in heavenly splendor
To mortals stood revealed.

As stood the gorgeous temple
On Zion's sacred hill,
So stands the Church of Jesus
Her mission to fulfil;
Her gates of pearl are open
For all to enter in,
Who seek her peaceful shelter,
And flee the paths of sin.

The blood of Christ redeemed her,
And washed her white as snow;
By his own name he called her,
That all the world might know
That she is his forever—
His chosen, precious bride—
To live with him in glory
Forever by his side.

—J.P.

HE TOUCHED HER HAND.

One morning, on waking, a woman charged with the care of a home, began thinking of the day's simple duties. And as she thought, they seemed to magnify and pile up. There was her little daughter to get off to school with her luncheon. Some of the church ladies were coming that morning for a society meeting, and she had been planning a dainty luncheon for them. The maid in the kitchen was not exactly ideal—yet. And as she thought into the day, her head began aching.

After breakfast, as her husband was leaving for the day's business, he took her hand and kissed her good-bye. "Why," he said, "my dear, your hand is feverish. You afraid you've been doing too much. Better just take a day off." And he was gone. And she said to herself, "A day off! The ideal! Just like a man to think that I could take a day off!" But she had been making a habit of getting a little time for reading and prayer after breakfast. Now she slipped to her room and, sitting down quietly, turned to the chapter in her regular place of reading. It was the eighth of Matthew. As she read she came to the words, "And he touched her hand, and the fever left her; and she arose and ministered unto him." And she knelt and breathed out the soft prayer for a touch of the Master's hand upon her own. And it came as she remained there for a few moments. And then with much quieter spirit she went on into the day. The luncheon for the church ladies was not quite so elaborate as she had planned. There came to her an impulse to tell her morning's experience. She shrank from doing it. It seemed a sacred thing. They might not understand. But the impulse remained and she obeyed it, and quietly told them. And as they listened there seemed to come a touch of the Spirit's presence upon them all. And so the day was a blessed one. Her close friend her husband came again. And as he greeted her he said quietly, "My dear, you did as I said, didn't you? The fever's gone." S. D. Gordon.

RAT IN AN AEROPLANE.

A very striking illustration was given by a preacher in London. The incident was related to him by Mr. Handley-Page, the aviator. When the aviator was making an eastern flight on one of his great machines, he and his companion

descended at Kolar, a place in Arabia. There a large rat got on board, attracted, no doubt, by the supplies of food. On the journey the men could hear it gnawing. They alighted again, and still the rat kept on board. Near Kamech the pilot had a flash of intuition. Those steadily-working teeth might not be nibbling the food, but eating away at some vital part of the machine. There was but one thing to do, and he did it. He soared up to a height of 10,000 feet, and the rat, a denizen of hot Arabia, was frozen to death, and fell out. The speaker remarked that if we lived at high levels, and in a pure atmosphere, the vermin of vice and sin would be frozen out.

A LESSON OF FAITH.

A naval officer being at sea in a dreadful storm, his wife, who was sitting in the cabin near him, and filled with alarm for the safety of the vessel, was so surprised with his composure and serenity that she cried out, "My dear, are you not afraid? How is it possible you can be so calm in such a dreadful storm?" He rose from his chair, lashed to the deck, drew his sword, and, pointing it to the breast of his wife, exclaimed: "Are you not afraid of that sword?" She instantly answered, "No." "Why?" said the officer. "Because," rejoined the lady, "I know it is in the hands of my husband, and he loves me too well to hurt me." "Then," said he, "remember, I know whom I have believed, and that he holds the winds in his fists and the waters in the hollow of his hands."

KEEP CLOSE TO THE PERFECT PATTERN.

When I studied penmanship at school, and attempted to follow the copy which the teacher set, I found that the first line was apt to resemble the copy most closely. The next line was less like the copy, because I looked less at the teacher's copy, and more at my own imitation of it. Following this down the page, each line grew more imperfect, until there was often no resemblance between the copy and my own last line. So in history, the first disciples imitated Christ; the early fathers imitated, not the Perfect Pattern, but the disciples; and the next generation imitated the fathers, and so on, until abuses and imperfections had become prevalent in the church. When we imitate historical characters, or one another, we are not following the Perfect Copy; we are not learning Christ. Many real doctrinal books, and never the Bible; they are familiar with the church saints, and unused to the company of the Master. It is a grievous condition.

THE SALUTE.

The following incident is said to have occurred a little time ago. A preacher was officiating at the marriage, the bridegroom being a returned soldier. Believing that a kiss properly seals the union, he suggested to the bridegroom that he should "salute" the bride after the ceremony. At the completion of the ceremony he waited for the kiss to take place, but the bridegroom stood gazing at him. Bending over he asked the bridegroom, "Aren't you going to salute the bride?" To his amazement the bridegroom took two steps back, almost tripping over his father-in-law, stood to attention, and gravely gave the military salute to the bride.

"You'll have to take less strenuous exercise and sleep more," said the doctor to the dejected-looking man before him.

"That's my idea exactly," exclaimed the other, brightening a little. "Would you mind coming up to the house and telling that to the baby?"

The Family Altar.

J. C. F. P.

Monday.

He that gloryeth, let him glory in the Lord.—2 Cor. 10: 17.

Why? Because the Lord alone is worthy of praise. If there is any good in us, he is the author of it; therefore he must have all the praise. We rob him if we glory in ourselves. Reading—2 Cor. 10.

Tuesday.

I fear, lest by any means, as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtlety, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ.—2 Cor. 11: 3.

Like bread to the hungry and water to the thirsty, so is the simple gospel to peevish sinners. They need not wait till they can analyze it before they can enjoy it. It is called "the common salvation" because it is alike saving to all, wise and simple, old and young, rich and poor. Common to all, like the pure air of heaven. Reading—2 Cor. 11: 1-15.

Wednesday.

If I must needs glory, I will glory of the things which concern mine infirmities.—2 Cor. 11: 30.

These words are best understood in the light of Rom. 5: 3-5: "And not only so, but we glory in tribulations also; knowing that tribulations worketh patience; and patience experience; and experience hope; and hope maketh not ashamed, because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Spirit which is given unto us." Reading—2 Cor. 11: 16-33.

Thursday.

Truly the signs of an apostle were wrought among you in all patience, in signs, and wonders, and mighty deeds.—2 Cor. 12: 12.

An apostle was one who has seen Christ (1 Cor. 9: 1); and had been sent by him (Rom. 1: 1). He wrought miracles in proof of his mission; as we find in this scripture. Elsewhere we learn that only apostles could impart the power to work miracles to others (Acts 8: 14-17). The first apostles had therefore no successors. Reading—2 Cor. 12.

Friday.

Finally, brethren, farewell. Be perfect. Be of good comfort, be of one mind, live in peace; and the God of love and peace shall be with you.—2 Cor. 13: 11.

God, who is love and peace, can only dwell with a church of his own mind.

How sweet, how heavenly is the sight When those who love the Lord In one another's peace delight.

And so fulfill his word, Love is the golden chain that binds The happy souls above; And 'tis an heir of heaven that binds His bosom glow with love.

Reading—2 Cor. 13.

Saturday.

Who gave himself for our sins, that he might deliver us from this present evil world, according to the will of God our Father.—Gal. 1: 4.

To save us from our sins, according to the will of God, Now the prison doors are open, the chains are severed, and we may be free. But our freedom can only be service to God. Reading—Gal. 1.

Sunday.

Only they would that we should remember the poor; the same which I also was forward to do.—Gal. 2: 10.

"He that hath mercy on the poor, happy is he."

"Blessed is he that considereth the poor." Helping the poor was an outstanding and beautiful feature of the early church. Reading—Gal. 2.

Foreign Missions.

Conducted by G. T. Walden, M.A.

AN INTERESTING REPORT.

The following report just received from Shanghai indicates such splendid work by our Chinese church in Shanghai that I think it would be read with interest by all our workers, and might contain suggestions for the work of our churches in Australia. As the work in Shanghai is almost exclusively under the control of the local Chinese brethren, under Bro. Cameron's direction, it gives indication of what our indigenous Shanghai church is doing.

NING SAE PAO'S REPORT FOR JUNE, 1928.

Written at the end of the month.

Ling-ping-rd.

(1) Sunday Service—4 times. The 1st time (June 3) 40 persons came to attend our service. The 2nd time (10th inst.) 56 came. The 3rd time (17th) 60 came. The 4th time (24th) 52 came.

(2) Prayer meeting.—This work was carried on during the month under the direction of Elsie Hu on every Wednesday and Saturday nights.

(3) Evening preaching.—We held the meeting seventeen times during the month, and had 226 listeners. The Sunday and prayer meetings were excluded here.

(4) Mass-education.—We have now 6 persons to recognise characters in our place.

(5) Christian Endeavor Society.—This Federation held its monthly regular meeting at my private house on the 21th inst. at 8:30 p.m. It was fortunate that we had 14 members present, by which our meeting held. We sang hymns, read the Bible, offered prayer, and executed other rites as we did before. I give you here-with a summary report of the decisions of the meeting as follows:

(a) Question regarding the rotary preaching by members.—Church member Ho Ho Hsing practised preaching work on every Saturday night of the current month. This was the decision of the first meeting of the Federation. But at its practice time I was away from Kwening-rd. to attend the Bible Class there. He had no man to direct him in preaching, and fell inconvalescence. Church member Yang Chia Kwei wished to practice preaching. We then agreed to let Mr. Mo Ho Hsing exchange his practice time with that of Mr. Sun Kai Blau. Mr. Yang Kai Kwei was asked to preach on Wednesday night, and at the same time Mr. Lee Ho Liu also practice the preaching.

(b) Question as to encouraging inquirers to listen the Word. In view of nobody coming to request for examination and baptism on the Easter of this year, I called the attention of the meeting to this matter. They all agreed to ask church members to encourage inquirers with whom they are most intimate to attend preaching meetings and offer prayers for the purpose of enabling them to apply for examination and baptism at Christmas of this year.

(c) Question about execution of family worship. This act was submitted by Mr. Lin Ru Yu. He is always thinking of our place. His enthusiasm is overwhelmed. I agreed with his act and tried to support his act. However, it was not passed, as the whole meeting thought they were afraid that this work will not be able to go thoroughly to the very end. They said it was better to postpone this work temporarily than to execute it just now without stamina. It was not passed also because of the fact that we have meetings six nights a week and also Sunday morning and afternoon, and that if we execute the family worship, we are afraid that our

members will become insufficient both physically and spiritually, so surely they will get tired. Finally I suggested to ask the members to kneel down and make prayer for prosperity of our place in their respective homes at 8 o'clock of every Sunday evening.

(d) Question on calling women's meeting. This act was submitted by Mrs. Yih and seconded by Mrs. Sung. Both of them realised that we have very few women members. We must devise means and ways to remedy this defect. Then we decided that Mesdames Yih, Sung, Lee and Mo go to the homes of our church members in turn to call a women's meeting there. The purpose of the meeting is to study the true Word, and to make friends with them, and also to preach the gospel for the family.

(e) We had discussions about other matters, such as re-arrangement of our preaching place, etc. I do not report them here.

Kwening-rd.

(1) Sunday service—4 times. The 1st time 18 persons came to attend the service of the Kwening-rd. church. The 2nd time 47 came. The 3rd time 61 came. The 4th time listeners' number increased to 63.

(2) Prayer meeting—4 times. The 1st time (6th inst.) 27 persons came. The 2nd time (13th) 28 came. The 3rd time 22 came. The 4th time (20th) 22 came.

(3) Bible Study Class—5 times. The 1st time (2d inst.) 29 persons came. The 2nd time (9th) 22 came. The 3rd time (16th) Mr. Wang Ken Hua acted for me to lead the work, so I did not know how many persons were present. The 4th time 19 came. The 5th time (30th) 21 came.

(4) Open-air Evangelism.—As rain fell recently for several days this kind of work was suspended for the same period.

(5) Christian Endeavor Society.—The tenure of office of the staff of the society is finished. The whole staff of the society will be re-elected at the consecration meeting of the next month.

WELCOME MEETING.

Bro. and Sister F. MacKie, their son Melville, and Willie Boy, from the New Hebrides, were welcomed at a public meeting at Lygon-st. chapel on Tuesday, Aug. 28, after they had met the P.M. Committee at tea. Speakers were L. Gale (Conference President), Mrs. R. P. Clark (Pres. of the Native Society's Conference), H. Watson of Inalla and Dr. A. R. Kilbuler from China. A. G. Saunders, H. E. F. Resid, in the absence of the Vic. P.M. President, Jas. E. Thomas, who was conducting a mission at Gardiner. The Boy Hill male quartette rendered two pleasing selections, and missionaries past and present sang "Blest be the Tie." Bro. MacKie gave a most interesting address, in which he paid a tribute to the native Christians and stressed the need of a doctor for the Islands. There was an excellent attendance at the meeting.

F.M.D. OFFERING.

We regret that some slight errors were in the Queensland report, through no fault of the printer, who faithfully followed the copy, but everything will be made clear by these additions: Amount reported, £175 5 11; Additional—Albion, 12 6; Additional Individual and Isolated Members, £3 8 6; Annerley Church, £28 12 6; Gynsule Church, £16 12 6; Ma Ma Creek, £5 7 6; Total, £191 18 5.

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DEATHS.

COLBOURNE—On Aug. 20, 1928, at the residence of her daughter (Mrs. A. E. Logan) "Rutley," Trafalgar-ave., Lindfield, NSW, Priscilla, widow of the late J. Colbourne, aged 76 years.

GOUDON—On Aug. 26, at his residence, 1 Amsterdam-st., Richmond, Charles Lyle, dearly beloved husband of Elizabeth Sarah, and loving father of John (deceased), Ethel and 13, aged 61 years.

IN MEMORIAM.

HAWKES—In loving memory of my dear husband, Harry Hawkes, who passed away at Ea home, Naracoorte, Sept. 1, 1926.

On the resurrection morning,
Soul and body meet again;
No more sorrow, no more weeping,
No more pain.

—inserted by his loving wife and daughter.

FINN—In loving memory of my dear husband Samuel, father and grandfather, who passed away on September 4, 1923, at Esplanade Grand, S.A.

We are thinking of you in silence,

No eyes can see us weep;

But ever in our aching hearts

Your beautiful memories keep.

The flowers placed on your grave

Will wither and decay,

But the wonderful love that is in our hearts

Will never fade away.

—inserted by his loving wife Sarah, family and grandchildren.

"Other Memorial Notices on page 559."

COMING EVENTS.

SEPTEMBER 2—On Sunday, Sept. 2, Colong church will celebrate the anniversary of the opening of the church building. Special services will be held. All old Colong members are invited to be present. Come and have fellowship with us.—W. J. Kenley, secretary.

SEPTEMBER 2 and 5—Moreland Home-coming Services. 11 a.m. President, Jas. E. Webb, speaker. A. E. Hingworth, 7 p.m. Preacher, Jas. E. Webb. Wednesday, Sept. 5, 8 p.m. Banquet social gathering. Brief brief speeches. Musical and ecclesiastical items. Refreshments. Come.

SEPTEMBER 2, 3, 4, 5, 6—Chif-Chif, South Yarra Mission for the deepening of spiritual life. Speakers, Bro. J. E. Webb, H. Geldie, H. J. Patterson, A. G. Saunders, and A. Ludbrook. Song-leader, Bro. A. Searle. Week-night meetings begin at 8 p.m. All welcome.

SEPTEMBER 5 (Wednesday)—8 p.m. Church of Christ Hall, Oxley-rd., Glenferrie. Dramatic and Humorous Recital by Violet S. Howgate, A.L.C.M., assisted by Coray Tennant and other artists. Admission, 1/6; children, 6d. Proceeds go to the work of the Ladies' Church Aid Society.

SEPTEMBER 9, 16, 18—Glenferrie Bible School Anniversary Services. Sunday, 9th, 3 p.m. Kindergarten and Primry Display. Sunday, 16th, 3 p.m. Miss Hazel Maude (Little Miss Book-club) of 31.0. Special singing by soloists 7.45 p.m. concert and evening. Tuesday, 18th, 7.45 p.m. Annual Concert and Prize distribution. Come and spend the day on the 16th. Meats provided.

NOVEMBER 2 and 3—Friday evening and Saturday. Will sisters everywhere who kindly wish that Surrey Hills Ladies' Guild Sale of Work be lived for dates mentioned?

Here and There.

Bro. W. Manning, of Balaklava, S.A., has planned to remain in Melbourne, with his wife and family, on Sept. 9, and will speak morning and afternoon at Balwyn S.S. anniversary. The Victorian Women's Executive will meet on Friday, Sept. 7, at 230, Mrs. D. Pittman will lead devotions. Miss Stevenson, of Y.W.C.A., will speak on "The Community's Obligation to its Young Women." All sisters are cordially invited.

F. T. Saunders reports the receipt of a further donation of £5 to help his "working man's" conditional gift to the College. There has been a happy response to this appeal, and he would like to hear from other brethren in order to complete this matter.

On Aug. 22 the ladies' and society of Gt. St. George church, W.A., made Mrs. Wilkie J. Thomson, president and wife of the departing evangelist, a special presentation. Sisters spoke words of love and appreciation for the years of valuable services willingly rendered by her.

The following telegram came on Tuesday:—"Wonderful meetings Hinrichsen-Stewart mission Broken Hill Sunday; fifty-six decisions to date; twenty welcomed Sunday morning.—Warren." A later message says: "Another wonderful meeting Monday night; more confessions."

We have received a letter from Dr. Jesse Kellens written on s.v. "Dunluch Castle" as he was nearing Cape Town on July 17. He promises reports of his work. In his issue we are glad to print his first sermon after his return giving in Cape Town on July 22. Bro. Kellens says: "We are already beginning to look forward to another campaign in Aussieland."

While on a visit to his son at East Malvern, Bro. J. McLeod, of the Harlawton church, Toowoomba, Qld., passed away suddenly on Aug. 21. A large number of friends who knew him in church and business life in Melbourne in days gone by assembled at the graveside in St. Kilda cemetery, where Bro. A. E. Forbes and J. E. Shrivay conducted the burial service.

On Sunday the Norwood church, S.A., entered the third week of the tent mission conducted by Bro. P. W. Baker, with Bro. Will Watson as song-leader. Over 700 were seated inside and outside, and scores stood. After a stirring appeal by Bro. Baker five adults made the good confession. The service was broadcast by 5KA. Bro. Baker answered some 29 questions. Decisions to date total 57.

The same spirit of optimism and enthusiasm prevailed at the Victorian Women's Mission Band Ford group meeting, held at Swauston-st. on Wednesday, Aug. 22, as at previous meetings of his nature. All the hands in the group were well represented. Mrs. S. J. Wilson presided over the meeting, and Mrs. Scammler gave her message. Several sisters preached on behalf of their respective bands a greater effort in the work. Mrs. Moore was soloist.

Good interest is maintained in all meetings at Bendigo, Vic. Two have been received by faith and baptism and one by letter. On Aug. 19 Bro. Keith McNaughton took the gospel service in the absence of Bro. Hurren (who conducted the anniversary service at Golden Square), and one from the Bible School made the good confession. On Aug. 26 Bro. Jim Methven spoke in the morning on "The Glory of the Church." Bro. Stuart Stevens delivered his lecture on Canberra to a large congregation on Aug. 27. Mutual Improvement Society meetings are well attended, and good ground is being done. The society, after the usual year in decline at the beginning of confessions, has received several challenges to debate; and has taken place with the A.N.A. society, resulting in a win for the Improvement Society.

Bro. A. E. Conbridge requests us to say that only members passing through Ararat to the Grampian Mountains this season will be welcome at the church, situated in High-st., in the vicinity of Ararat station.

The tent mission at York, S.A., during the third week has well attracted. A meeting for men was held on Sunday afternoon, and a young man from the Bible School decided for Christ. At night the tent was over-crowded, and a girl from the school made the confession. The total number of decisions is 15. Bro. R. Barnes, of Mile End church, is doing excellent work as song-leader, ably supported by the choir. The addresses by Bro. Lamphire are intensely interesting.

A Victorian preacher has advised F. T. Saunders that his church has set an aim for the College annual offering at £25, which is more than double the best previous offering made. This is a magnificent example for other churches. It is offering averaging 2-6 per member enrolled were made, the total would exceed £3,750. The urgent need of the College makes that amount far from being too large. Churches and preachers are asked to pray and prepare for the offering throughout September.

The Victorian Junior Christian Endeavor Union has asked that a box be prepared by the Churches of Christ (I.C.E.) for China, to be ready in time for the rally on Sept. 15. This will be possible if every society will send to Miss J. M. Parker, 16 Wilmshurst, Northcote, N.16, some of the articles suggested by Dr. Kilmhirn, to be packed and put in his charge after the rally. Articles for hospital use, such as handkerchiefs, small pots and bottles, sheets for beds, dark blankets and quilts, as well as toys, pictures and picture-books, are desired.

The Treaty of Peace proposed by the United States contains the following two articles:—Article 1. "The high contracting parties solemnly declare in the names of their respective peoples that they condemn recourse to war for the solution of international controversies, and renounce it as an instrument of national policy in their relations with one another." Article 2. "The high contracting parties agree that the settlement or solution of all disputes or conflicts of whatever nature or of whatever origin they may be, which may arise among them, shall never be sought except by pacific means."

At Brighton, Vic., on Sunday morning, Aug. 19, Bro. J. E. Allan was the speaker. At the gospel service four young people from the Bible School made the good confession. The women's mission held a meeting, when over fifty ladies were present. Sister Watson, of India, gave the address. The Y.P.C.E. Society is growing. The Junior C.E. Society is doing splendid work. Recently a gift was paid to the Children's Convalescent Home, Hampton, and 55 bags of sweets and 86 oranges were distributed. The church held its annual tea on Aug. 18. Over £500 was promised towards the building fund for the coming year.

Balwyn, Vic., had splendid meetings on Aug. 19, Jas. E. Thomas speaking morning and evening. Harold Head and Miss Gerlie Smart sang a beautiful duet at night. At the annual business meeting on Wednesday, Aug. 22, reports told of good progress. Membership is now 370, and finances show £21 weekly contributed for all sources. 60 baptisms during year. It was decided to appoint four elders—Bro. J. Perry, W. Wright, W. Pone and Jas. E. Thomas being appointed. Bro. J. E. Austin, A. Griffiths, F. Parsons, T. P. Payne, E. Rosendale, W. F. Diamond and A. E. Waterfield were appointed deacons. J. G. Harwood was re-elected secretary, and C. H. Fry treat-

sure. There were fine gatherings on Sunday, 26th, Bro. Ralph Gebble delivering great messages morning and evening. Bro. Thomas commenced a mission at Gardiner.

At Belconn, Vic., on Sunday morning, Aug. 26, Bro. Hillford reviewed the work of the past twelve months (the period since the Hinrichsen-Brooker mission was in the town and of Bro. Hillford's ministry with the church). There were 71 additions at the mission, which brought the membership to 113. During the year there have been 12 additions—7 by letter, 5 by faith and baptism; and 6 losses—5 by letter, 1 by death, making membership now 119. Of this number 22 members are isolated, and 10 who linked up during the mission are no longer meeting, which makes an active membership of 87. Average attendances for the year were: Morning, 45; night, 75; mid-week, 29. Financial part of the work has been a struggle, but splendid giving on the part of many members has greatly helped. The young people's work has been a most pleasing feature. The work now is in a fine condition, and all look forward to a short mission with Bro. Cockroft, from Swan Hill, as preacher.

At Gt. St. George, W.A., on Saturday, Aug. 18, the new building in Irwin-st. was opened by Bro. Stirling, Conference President. At the dedication service Bro. Ingham, H.M. Committee; Dr. Gordon, President, Baptist Union; Sister Wakefield, Sisters' Auxiliary; Lieutenant of Salvation Army, and Hon. Mr. North, local Member of Parliament, gave congratulatory messages. Mr. Thomson, the evangelist, spoke of the progress of the work and the enthusiasm of the workers. A solo by Sister Hanson, and a duet by Messrs. Berry and Carter, were appreciated. Afternoon tea was served. The ladies' Aid, the building and furniture, which cost a little over £500, reflect credit on all concerned. Bro. Hinson was the designer. There was an attendance of 82 at the breaking of bread on Aug. 19. Bro. Stirling's address was on "The Church Dedicated." In the afternoon Bro. Lang addressed the Bible School. The gospel service was crowded. Bro. Thomson spoke. The newly formed choir sang two anthems. Bro. H. Wright conducted the song-service and sang two solos. A baptismal service concluded a day rich in blessings.

At a social and business meeting at North Sydney, N.S.W., on Aug. 15, a plan was outlined to provide for the clearing of the building debt. Presentations of Inverhill Instandts were made to Campbell Morris, of City Temple, and E. A. Jones, of North Sydney, designer and builder respectively of the new chapel. As Bro. Sutton has accepted a call to Auburn, an invitation to labor as evangelist was sent Bro. H. G. Harward. This has been accepted, and he will commence early in October. The treasurer showed that members of the local church have contributed to the building fund £296, and other churches, £119. Promises to be redeemed are 465 locally, and £111 by other churches. The debt on the property is £1,740. Working bees have painted and repaired the schoolroom at the rear, and provided a lawn in front of the chapel. At a united prayer meeting on Aug. 8, Dr. E. L. Watson gave an inspiring address in the interests of the Prohibition campaign. The church has accepted the offer of a mission by the Vastar mission party in 1929. Bro. Larnach was appointed collector on behalf of the Temperance and Social Questions Committee in the interests of the children's home. At the morning service on Aug. 19, Bro. L. Harbutt pleased all with his address. The good service was very acceptably taken by Bro. C. G. Lawrence, of the training class.

ADDRESSES.

H. McK. Gilmore secretary Surrey Hills church, Vic.—8 M. James-ave., Mont Albert, E.10.

W. H. Nightingale preacher Bayswater church, W.A.—Government rd., Bayswater.

W.A. WOMEN'S AUXILIARY.

The monthly meeting was held in Lake-st. hall on Tuesday, Aug. 6. The devotional was led by Mrs. Wakefield in the absence of Mrs. Fieldens through illness. Mrs. Stirling rendered an appropriate solo. A number of sisters engaged in prayer. Mr. C. Schwall gave a very helpful address, basing his remarks on Heb. 10: 22.

The president Mrs. Wakefield led the business session. Roll-call and minutes of previous meeting were read by the secretary. Collection, P.S. Final arrangements were made for the annual Foreign Mission sewing rally. The annual Home Mission tea and rally was discussed and arranged for Sept. 25 on the recommendation of the Executive, programme to be left in the hands of the Executive.

Sympathetic reference was made to the passing away of Mrs. Reg. Prince, and the secretary was asked to convey the sympathy of the auxiliary to the bereaved.—M. Wilson, Secy.

OBITUARY.

LANG.—Just on the point of attaining her 80th year, Sister Mrs. Lang, of North Fitzroy church, Vic., answered the great call, and "fell on sleep" on Aug. 5. For several months physical infirmity prevented her fulfilling her earthly duties. The wailing hours were passed in quiet patience and strong faith, and the end was gladly welcomed, as it meant the realisation of a lifetime of hope. Brought under the influence of the gospel by the Salvation Army, supplemented by the teaching of the late Bro. Bryant, she was baptised by him in the old Langridge-st. chapel 42 years ago. Beside having had more than an ordinary share of hardship and sorrow, our sister was always loyal to her early faith. She translated her beliefs into works, with the result that nearly all her family have actively followed her example, by linking up with the kingdom of God. The bulk of her life was spent with the church at North Fitzroy, with an interval of eight years at Fitzroy, and shorter periods at Doncaster and North Carlton. Of her it could be truthfully said that she was "a good woman, and one that feared the Lord." She leaves a family of one daughter (Miss Lang, of Lygon-st.) and six sons to cherish her memory and call her blessed. Among her sons is Bro. Clarence Lang, evangelist of Ararat church. A large company, representing several suburban churches, was present at her funeral at Heidelberg.—J.W.H.

MAGAREY.—The churches in South Australia have sustained a severe loss in the death of William Thomas Magarey, which occurred at his home, Westbourne Park, on Thursday morning, Aug. 16. For several years his health had been failing, but by sheer determination he maintained a full round of activities up to within a few months of his death. His departure is felt the more keenly because he had only reached the prime of his manhood. Deep sympathy is extended to Mrs. Magarey, Golden and David. The funeral took place on Friday afternoon. An overwhelming number of beautiful floral tributes were sent by relatives, friends, and the many organisations with which Bro. Magarey was identified. A brief service was conducted at the house by Bro. J. Wiltshire and H. H. Taylor. At the West Terrace cemetery a throng of people representing religious and business interests paid their respect to the memory of our brother. Bro. F. Collins, the president of the Conference, read the first part of the service, Bro. H. H. Taylor, the pastor of the Unley church, continued with appropriate passages of Scripture, and made a few remarks, and Bro. G. T. Walden, secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, offered prayer. From husband Bro. Magarey was identified with the Churches of Christ, first at Glenelg, then for many years at Grote-st., again for another period at Glenelg, and finally at Park-st. He loved the church, and devoted his talents and material

means to the advance of the kingdom of God. His gift of voice brought many lives nearer to God and Jesus Christ. For many years he was connected with the Home Mission Committee and proved himself a wise counsellor. As a business man he was dominated by Christian principles, and won and held the respect of all who had commercial relationships with him. He possessed an unlimited capacity for friendship. What his hands found to do he did it with all of his might. We feel the deepest sympathy for his wife and children. We console them with the hope of a blessed reunion with him who died in faith in the Son of God, who loved us and gave himself for us. We need men who will take up the task which our brother laid down, and pledge themselves to undertake as he did, with unflinching devotion and intense loyalty, the work and values which give the fullest present satisfaction and the simplest eternal rewards.

MORTON.—On Monday, July 30, the remains of Sister Miss Susie Morton were laid to rest in Lilydale cemetery, Vic. After a long period of patient suffering, she passed away peacefully on Saturday evening, July 28, in her 25th year. She was baptised by Bro. Crisp in Bayswater chapel in 1918, and proved a faithful worker for her Master. She was actively engaged in Sunday School and Endeavor up to the time of her removal to Tunstall two years ago. In the former she ably filled the positions of secretary and teacher. A large number of friends, especially those of the Bayswater district, assembled at the graveside. A beautiful memory of a devoted life remains to comfort the hearts of her loved ones.—J.G.

PRINCE.—After six weeks of great suffering Sister Mrs. Reg. Prince (nee Alva Thomson) passed away peacefully on Aug. 6. She leaves a sorrowing husband in mourn her loss, and a dear baby boy six weeks old. Mrs. Prince was the daughter of Bro. and Sister S. Thomson, honored members of the church at Fremantle, W.A., sister of Bro. Wilkie Thomson, preacher of Galesholme church, and of Harold (England) and Ivy (Fremantle). We laid our sister's earthly remains to rest in Fremantle cemetery amid a large and sympathetic concourse of friends and of the relatives. Several preachers of the metropolitan area assisted the writer in the service at the graveside. The loving sympathy of church members and a host of others goes out to the sorrowing ones in their bereavement.—B. B. Stirling.

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An Open Letter from the Victorian Prohibition League.

To Readers of "The Australian Christian."

Dear Fellow-workers,—

The work of the Victorian Prohibition League has recently been reorganised. All our plans are being laid with a view to the 1930 No-licence Poll, to which we look forward eagerly and in a spirit of hopefulness.

We are embarking upon very definite educational work, particularly among young men and women, and anticipate big results therefrom. Our publicity proposals include distribution of some hundred thousand folders monthly. We plan to canvass the whole of Melbourne and suburbs, also country towns, and to follow such canvass by regular visitation from house to house with information and literature. A field of opportunity presents itself in business circles, and we plan to organise among the commercial interests of the State. Factory and group meetings will be arranged wherever possible. As time for the 1930 poll approaches, public meetings will be planned in every part. Meantime, such steps as are possible will be taken to secure a stricter observance of present laws, with action at the right time to obtain more favorable legislation. For a programme so extensive it is necessary to secure large financial support, and one other part of our work is the securing of a Fifty Thousand Fighting Fund.

From the foregoing you will know that the Victorian Prohibition League has the field definitely set for action. No effort will be spared to achieve a triumph in 1930. The League confidently asks for the heartiest co-operation of all those who, for love of God, humankind, and this fair land would seek the removal of the obstacle of strong drink from the pathway of life.

Yours for a clean State,

Reg. Etniss, Director.

IN MEMORIAM.

MAHONY—In sacred and everlasting remembrance of Ena, a devoted daughter, an unselfish sister and a true friend, passed on to a higher life, Aug. 26, 1927. A virtuous woman, whose price was far above rubles.

My Father, thou hast given me a task to learn, in it I cannot thy usual love discern. Help me to trust thee simply, when I may not see thy face.

And lose thee for the trials, where thy hand I cannot trace. —Mother,

—Inserted by parents, sister and brothers, J. T. and C. E. Mahony and family, Mont Albert, Vic.

MAHONY—In loving remembrance of Miss Ena Mahony, loved Sunday School teacher and faithful worker, who was called home, Aug. 26, 1927.

Jesus said, "He that believeth on me, though he were dead, yet shall he live; and whosoever liveth and believeth on me shall never die."

—Inserted by preacher, officers and members, Church of Christ, Balwyn.

MAHONY—In loving memory of Miss Ena Mahony, co-superintendent of the Balwyn Junior C.E. Society, who was called home, August 26, 1927. To live in hearts of those we love is not to die. Fondly remembered.

—Inserted by superintendent, workers and members of Junior Endeavor Society.

MAHONY—In loving memory of my darling friend, Ena, who went to her heavenly home, Aug. 27, 1927. Her absence, my greatest sorrow, her memory, my greatest joy.

There is no death to a love that lives,
Nor the faith that stands serene;
She is waiting for me, the pal I love,
With only a veil between.

—Her loving friend, Lille Chandler.

MAHONY—In loving memory of our dear friend, Ena, who passed away August 26, 1927, at Marlborough-st., Mont Albert. Her presence, the sweet memory, her absence, one great sorrow.

—Inserted by E. and N. Austin, Canterbury.

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News of the Churches.

Queensland.

Boondall.—Good meeting at night on Aug. 5, when a man and his wife, immersed the previous day, were welcomed. The work in the circuit is improving.

Wynnum.—Good meetings on Aug. 12. Two were received into fellowship, and a young man was baptised at night, Bro. Martin preaching. The rally between Wynnum and Hawthorne Bible Schools continues.

Zillmere.—Meetings were well attended on Aug. 12. Bro. Willis speaking. The preacher's son and a young lad made the good confession. On Aug. 19. Bro. T. Martin and Willis were the speakers.

Gympie.—On Aug. 19. Bro. Trudgian spoke in the morning on "Identification Marks," and at night Bro. C. Barrett preached on "Outstanding Words of Christ." The Bible School reports four new scholars. The rally has taken the form of "Keep the Black Cat Clean" (sides, blue and red).

Maryborough.—On Aug. 19. Bro. E. Snow spoke in the morning on "The Final Exhortation." In the evening Bro. A. Price preached on "The End." Bro. C. Young (Conference President) spoke on Aug. 23, and on the morning of Aug. 25 he was among those to meet Bro. and Sister A. S. Hinrichsen. Bro. Hinrichsen is taking charge of the work as from Aug. 26.

Bundaberg.—On July 22. Bro. A. Hinrichsen commenced his ministry with the church. During the week he was given an enthusiastic reception, when representative speakers spoke words of welcome. One was added to the church on Aug. 15. Mr. Cannon has taken charge of the glebe club, which is greatly adding to the attractiveness of all meetings. By working bee a home is being built for Mrs. Williamson, a widow, whose house was recently destroyed by fire.

Ma Ma Creek.—Bro. C. Young, Conference President, paid a visit on Aug. 7. After an address on Home Mission matters he preached, and one confessed Christ. Bro. C. W. Hamann commenced his labors with the church on Aug. 12. There were large meetings. At a welcome social on the Tuesday Bro. Young presided. The programme included speeches by the chairman, secretary, assistant secretary and treasurer. There were crowded meetings on Aug. 19, when Bro. Hamann was the speaker.

Annerley.—On Aug. 19. Bro. Priestley, of Ipswich, gave a splendid address on "The Challenge of the Cross." At night Bro. Young spoke powerfully on "God's Final Word." The building was crowded. Open-air meetings on Sunday nights are well attended. Prayer meetings are well supported. Auxiliaries are healthy. Sister Ryan passed away on Saturday, Aug. 18, after a brief illness, and was buried by Bro. Young on Aug. 20. On that day Bro. Young led for Bundaberg, on his visit to the northern churches.

Western Australia.

Norham.—Meetings are still attracting large crowds to hear Bro. Buckingham's messages. Sister Oly Bartlett and Mr. Brownlow were united in marriage on Aug. 18.

Maylands.—On the morning of Aug. 5, five were received by faith and baptism. The women's guild has held a successful gift evening. Arrangements are in hand for commencing a K.S.P. club.

Basenandean.—On Aug. 20. Bro. Nightingale spoke morning and evening. Bro. J. Robinson spoke at Midland Junction in the morning. Bro. Les. Pencock at night. Auxiliaries are all active. The Bible School is preparing for anniversary. Kappa club is arranging all-round ath-

letic championships. Endeavor work is particularly bright.

Subiaco.—On Aug. 13 the men's council held a social evening to celebrate its anniversary. A happy evening was spent by a large number of the men and their friends. On Aug. 19. Bro. F. T. Carter addressed both meetings. The aged Bro. McKie was called to his reward early on Lord's day morning, Aug. 19. Sympathily and prayers are for the bereaved.

South Australia.

Forestville.—H. G. Rasmussen's work is greatly appreciated. On Aug. 26 five lads from Bible School confessed Christ. Attendances are good, especially on Sunday evenings. The Y.P.S.C.E. is growing.

Queenstown.—On Aug. 26. Bro. Brooker exhorted. At night his subject was, "Can I be a Christian without being a Member of a Church?" At Band of Hope on Aug. 20. Mr. Hobbs gave a pleasant evening with his lantern.

Croydon.—There were well attended meetings on Aug. 19. Bro. Nicholls, missionary from China, delivered the morning address. He also gave a talk to the Bible School on his work in China. Bro. Graham preached at night, and there was one confession. Three candidates were baptised.

Hindmarsh.—On Sunday morning Bro. Allen Brooke continued his messages on "Christian Living," the subject being "Living Worthily." In the evening his theme was "Wonderful Jesus." A young man from the men's Bible Class made the good confession. Attendances were good. On Aug. 21 an enjoyable young people's social was held.

Dulwich.—A scholar from the Bible School has been baptised and welcomed to fellowship. Bro. Brown, who has been a patient sufferer for the past 18 months or more, has passed away. Sincere sympathy goes out to the wife and daughter. The mother of Bro. McNeil has the Good Glass made the good confession. Attendances were good. On Aug. 21 an enjoyable young people's social was held.

Gawler.—Sickness and other circumstances have reduced attendance at morning meetings. Evening congregations are encouraging. Bro. and Sister Palenoster, senr., were present on the 26th, their letter of transfer having been received. They still reside at Salisbury. Sister Gladys Window, after a long illness, is again attending the Bible School. The preacher, a president of the Barossa C.E. Union, has visited various societies.

Mill End.—On Aug. 19 a young man reconsecrated his life to the Lord and a young girl confessed Christ. Last Wednesday a young woman who came out at the Norwood mission was baptised. She was welcomed to fellowship on Aug. 26. In the evening an aged man, whose wife had joined the church some weeks previously, came forward. The Y.P.S.C.E. held a gift evening on the first meeting night in each month to alleviate distress among members.

Fullarton.—Three scholars from the Bible School have confessed Christ and been baptised. The meetings continue good. Bro. and Sister Nichols, of C.E.M., gave a lantern lecture on their field of labor. Bro. W. Morrow gave an interesting talk on travels in U.S.A., under the auspices of the M.I.C. Bro. and Sister Coles were present after a long absence through accident and sickness. The men's class is meeting with good success; many leading men address the meetings. Fine work is being done by the Junior and C.E. Societies. The tennis club is preparing for the season, and the Bible School is preparing a demonstration for Rhoad Hospital.

Adelaide (Grate-st.).—Three brethren were welcomed to fellowship on the 26th inst., two by faith and obedience, one by restoration. The evening meeting was very large. Bro. Withshire conducted the service, and the address, which bore especial reference to the life and work of Bro. W. T. Mackay, was delivered by Bro. H. R. Taylor, of Unley. The choir, augmented by several one-time members, sang, "Across the Bar" and "Sun of My Soul." Bro. Roy Carmichael, who had retired from Clare, and Miss Minnie Leedham rendered solos. A young woman confessed Christ.

Nailsworth.—Splendid meetings and much enthusiasm characterise the work. Morning attendances last present accommodation. Several new scholars added to school. Night meetings good. At close of a powerful address by Mr. Raymond on "Descriptions of Christ given in the Letters to the Seven Churches," a husband and wife confessed Christ, making £1200 since last report. Toward the new building £1200 has been raised by members in gifts and loans free of interest for ten years. It is hoped to lay the foundation-stone about the time of the Federal Conference.

Murray Bridge.—On "violet day" Bro. Killmer gave an appropriate address, and Sister L. Grubel and W. Winter sang a duet. All scholars who sat for the Scripture exhortation passed, and Doreen Grady won a 10th prize. At the annual business meeting of the church on Aug. 14 all officers were re-elected. Sister Bro. Bottle has been welcomed by transfer from Subiaco. The C.E. held its quarterly social recently. Record attendance of 31 at C.E. meeting last week. The church sympathies with Bro. Overall, who through illness has had to give up work and is ordered a long rest. Bro. Killmer is delivering splendid addresses to good audiences.

Cottonville.—On Aug. 5 two were welcomed to fellowship. The pulpit has been removed from the back of the platform and placed nearer the congregation. J.C.E. reports an average of 41 for the quarter. An offering taken at a gospel service for the unemployed amounted to over £2. On Sunday, Aug. 12, a "violet day" remembrance service was held in the evening. Bro. Hughes spoke on "Loser's Sacrifice." On the 19th Bro. Hughes' morning address was on "Expressing the Love of Christ." The Bible Class and young men's class have commenced a series of lessons on "Evolution and the True Birth of Man." The C.E. Society has completed another year of service; the reports were splendid. On Aug. 26 inspirational services were held. A party of youth clubs were present at the gospel service. The message was a strong appeal on "The Looks of Christ." Several of the members have been sick. The sisters' guild maintains a good work. The tennis club has commenced activities.

Victoria.

Glenferrie.—Bro. T. H. Scambler continued the series on "The Apostles' Creed," linking in the morning "The Redeemed Community," and at night "Sins Blotted Out." The soloist was Miss E. Buckley.

Warragul.—Meetings were better attended on Sunday than for some weeks. Thirty-six took bread. Bro. Ted Waters delivered an excellent address in the morning on "The Cost of Progress." A number of the members are sick.

Donecaster.—On Aug. 12 the Bible Class held a banquet, about 100 guests being present. The after-meeting programme was provided by friends from Balwyn. Bro. J. E. Thomas gave a splendid talk on "How to Hear the Bible."

South Melbourne.—Bro. Waterman's Lord's day morning talks are helpful and instructive. At morning talk he spoke on "The Evidence of God's Will." Bible School and Junior Christian Endeavor are successful in their attendance rallies. Last Lord's day a brother was welcomed to fellowship.

Wangaratta.—After Bro. Arnold's gospel message last Lord's day, a young lady confessed Christ and was baptised. A young man, who had previously taken his stand, was also baptised. The "Faith, Hope and Love" Society of young people held an enjoyable picnic on Aug. 26.

Bononia.—Three have made the good confession and been baptised. Bro. E. L. Williams continues his helpful addresses to well-attended morning meetings. Last Sunday evening the C.E. Society held a parade, and Bro. Williams' subject was "Complete in Christ." All departments are doing well.

York-st.—The morning meeting maintains a steady average, and gospel services are well attended. Bro. W. Feary spoke on Aug. 12, when three adults made the good confession. Bro. B. Feary preached on Aug. 19, when a lad took his stand for Christ. The school is striving to have 100 present.

Kyneton.—Bro. Brown, of the College, exhorted the church on Aug. 12, and gave a short address to the Bible School. An enjoyable social, arranged by the mutual improvement society, was held on Aug. 19. A large number of friends journeyed to the Laneleigh mission in the past week, and a profitable time was spent.

Maryborough.—Good meetings were enjoyed on Sunday, the gospel service being one of the best yet. One young man confessed Christ after Bro. Withers' fine address on "The One Law of the Two Heavens." Sickness is prevalent among members, and some have been bereaved of loved ones. The sympathy of the church is extended to all.

Carlton (Lygon-st.).—Bro. J. W. Baker spoke last Lord's day morning to a good meeting; Bro. Red. of Grote-st., Adelaide, was a visitor. Bro. A. G. Saunders spoke on "Christian Union" in the evening. The Christian Endeavorers visited the South Yarra C.E. Society, also Mrs. Turner, an ex-member of Lygon-st. A successful mock trial was held by the boys' club.

Prahran.—On Aug. 19 the church was delighted to have Bro. Geo. E. Moore present. Bro. Moore was secretary of Prahran school over a score of years ago. His address was greatly appreciated. One was baptised on Aug. 26, when Bro. Connor preached on "This is life eternal, to know Thee." Bro. Brough's help in the gospel song service is much appreciated.

South Richmond.—During Bro. C. Jacke's absence on holidays, various brethren have taken his place. Last Sunday evening Dr. E. H. Killmer's message was greatly enjoyed. The church has suffered a severe loss in the death of Bro. C. L. Gordon, who passed away suddenly. Until lately he had been secretary for a number of years. The wife and family have the sympathy of the church.

Castlemaine.—Fine meetings during August. The addresses by Bro. Earle on "Studies of the Psalms" have been uplifting, also his gospel messages dealing with Old Testament characters. Splendid meetings on Aug. 26; 110 brethren present. At the close of Bro. Earle's address on the 20th Psalm, a young lady made the good confession. Sympathy is extended to Sister Miss Dickenson, whose mother recently passed away.

Melbourne (Swanston-st.).—Meetings continue to improve. Since last report the largest evening meeting since Bro. Moore came has assembled. A visit from Bro. Emms, who placed before members the aims of the Prohibition League, was enjoyed. Bro. Moore spoke on Sunday morning on "Righteousness," and in the evening gave a splendid message on "Life, Death, and the Beyond." The choir ably assisted at the services.

Cheltenham.—Sunday's meetings were large and encouraging. The school, Bible Class and kindergarten department had good attendances of children and teachers. The evening service was excellent's paragon. Bro. D. W. Waley preached the last of a series on "Christian Unity," "The Mission and Message." The monthly offering for benevolent work was taken. During the week the two clubs held a banquet by invitation.

Swan Hill.—During August Bro. Cockroft has delivered a series of addresses, under the heading of "The Family Circle," dealing with father, mother, son and daughter respectively. The concluding service of the series on Aug. 26 was the largest, and at its close two aged aborigines made the good confession. Bro. B. Hillford, of Melbourne, opens a fortnight's mission at Swan Hill on Sept. 2. Bro. and Sister E. Bedford have returned to reside in the district.

Oakleigh.—On Aug. 19, owing to Bro. Mudge being sick, Bro. Hall spoke morning and evening. One young lady was received into fellowship. The church regrets the death of Bro. Tripplet, to which the church extends its sympathy. On Aug. 26 Bro. Mudge spoke morning and evening. Four young ladies made the good confession, and there was one restoration. The church is preparing for a mission, Bro. Wakeley, of Cheltenham, conducting.

Malvern-Caulfield.—On Wednesday, Aug. 15, the five churches in the district held a combined hour meeting in the Malvern chapel, well over 200 being present. Bro. Baker, from Grounds, gave a heartfelt address on "The Invaluable Estimate of Jesus." Bro. V. Wolf helped greatly with two solos. On Sunday, 19th inst., all meetings were well attended. At the close of Bro. Anderson's evening message one lady made the good confession. Mrs. Anstey's singing has been greatly appreciated.

Brim.—Meetings are keeping up well. Evening services are of high order. The young people's guild held a successful social on Aug. 15. Warracknabeal and Wilkore churches were represented. The churches at Brim and Horsbain will conduct simultaneous missions, Bro. Payne commencing at Brim on Sept. 2. Sister Mrs. E. C. Hovey has recovered from illness. Bro. Searle, who was an inmate of the hospital for a few days, is able to continue his work. Bro. White supplied in Bro. Searle's absence at the communion services, and Bro. J. Earl gave the gospel address.

St. Kilda.—Three scholars have been added to the Bible School. Pi Sigma Pi and K.S.P. have added three members to each club. One has been added to the P.P.P. All meetings of the church are well attended. Bro. Grinnell had the assistance of all clubs at the service on Sunday evening, Aug. 19. Bro. P. Burgess, a former church officer and secretary, passed away at his home at Spring Vale on Aug. 21. Bro. Andrew, on behalf of the church, assisted Bro. Webb with the service. Bro. Lloyd, of Pil. Fairy, spoke at both meetings last Sunday. Bible School anniversary practice has commenced.

Preston.—Excellent attendances and increased interest are reported. Bro. Fisher's addresses are of a high order. Three have made the good confession. On Sunday morning, Aug. 12, Bro. J. E. Webb delivered an excellent exhortation. On Aug. 15 the choir, assisted by friends, gave an excellent concert. The choir is doing a splendid work under direction of Bro. A. V. Morfrew. On Saturday, Aug. 18, a working hour was held. The church and auxiliaries forwarded 13 quincies to the Dhood Hospital appeal. On Sunday afternoon, Aug. 12, Bro. McCallum visited the school, and addressed the teachers and the adult study class.

East Keew.—The services continue to hold the interest of the district. Bro. Youens' address last Lord's day resulted in one man confessing Christ. The meeting was followed by a baptism. On Aug. 12 the social to be given to Sister Kelly was cancelled owing to the death of her father. Bro. Youens presented a very nice gift of crystal ware to Sister Kelly. Bro. Hinrichsen responded on her behalf. On Tuesday, Aug. 14, Sister Irene Kelly and Bro. S. Hinrichsen, late of the Wangaratta church, were married. On Aug. 26, Bro. Watson spoke of his work in the morning. Bro. Youens gave a powerful message in India. Bible School continues to grow.

Surrey Hills.—Bro. Hargreaves, of Doncaster, gave the exhortation on Aug. 19. At the gospel service Bro. Conbridge gave the second of his addresses on "Church Union." Last Sunday Bro. H. B. Hobbins and Bro. Conbridge were the speakers. Bro. Shipway, assisted by song-leader Bro. F. Elliott, will conduct a two weeks' mission beginning Sept. 1. Bro. Conbridge, exchanging to Larnegate for a similar purpose. At a meeting of the church on Aug. 22 consideration was given to founding fuel and financial proposals, and suggestions approved. Gratifying reports were received from the auxiliaries, that from the ladies' guild, submitted by the secretary (Mrs. S. J. Wilson) being especially encouraging. Appreciation was recorded of the fine service rendered by the retiring secretary, Bro. A. Frice, who wished to devote himself to special work on behalf of the church. By resolution of the preceding annual meeting, half the members of the diocese retire each year. Officers for the incoming year are: Deacons, Bro. C. G. Frice, Dickson, W. Lawson, G. Ward; treasurer, Bro. H. Murray; secretary, Bro. H. Baker; church clerk, Bro. G. Murray; choir-master, Bro. G. Murray; organist, Mrs. Vera Clewitt; deaconesses, Sisters D. Allen, W. Lawson and Ward.

New South Wales.

Berkdale.—Good meetings on Aug. 19. Bro. Alcorn preaching. It was the first anniversary of Bro. Alcorn's ministry with the church. Aug. 26, splendid meetings. Bro. Davis, from City Temple, gave an uplifting address from Jude 3. Bro. Alcorn gave a powerful gospel message from 2 Peter 1, 4.

Hornsby.—Already twelve new scholars have been secured by the "aeroplan" competition. Door-to-door canvass for scholars is proving of great value. Meetings have improved. On Lord's day morning, Aug. 19, Bro. Sitt spoke on "A Cheerful Optimist," and in the evening on "The Complaining Pharisee," whom Jesus made a Man Here. A new and his wife came to see. Bro. Sitt is visiting the northern coalfields in the interests of the prohibition referendum.

Lismore.—Several members are assisting in the prohibition campaign. On Aug. 19 Bro. and Sister C. H. Furlonger were received from Itangah. A new Y.P.S.C.E. syllabus has been prepared. Misses Annie Walker and Gertrude Alkin are leaders of "gold" and "silver" sides respectively. Two young women confessed Christ on Aug. 19, when Bro. Noble preached on "What is Salvation?" The choir greatly aids the gospel service. Sister Mrs. Newton and Bro. C. L. Savill have rendered splendid solos.

Chatswood.—On Aug. 19 Bro. Welber exhorted the church. Mr. Hayward was a visitor from Melbourne. Sister Archibald was received into fellowship. At the gospel service Bro. Whelan's theme was "Men Set Free." Soloist, Mr. Reg. Hayward. Good attendance at each service—good attendance on morning of August 26. A young lady was baptised and welcomed to fellowship. Bro. Whelan spoke on "Let this world be in what God has Made It Believe About Baptism." About 50 broke bread. At the gospel service a young woman made the good confession; she was baptised on the following Tuesday. The social club is doing good work under the leadership of its president, Bro. F. Chase. Bro. E. J. Savill addressed the church on Aug. 19. Bro. H. G. Hayward speaking at Wingham morning and afternoon. In evening the audience listened with great attention to Bro. Hayward's message on "What can Man Believe about Heaven?" A married woman decided for Christ; she was baptised on Tuesday, Aug. 21.

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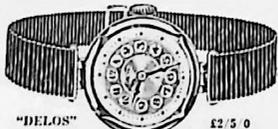
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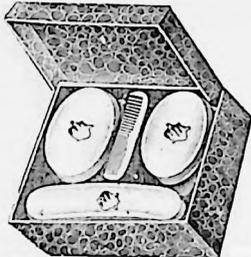
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