

The Australian Christian

Circulating amongst Churches of Christ in the Australian Commonwealth and New Zealand.

REGISTERED AT THE GENERAL POST OFFICE, MELBOURNE, FOR TRANSMISSION BY POST AS A NEWSPAPER.

Vol. XVI. No. 24

THURSDAY, JUNE 19, 1913

Subscription, 6/- per annum; posted, 7/-



HYPOL

The Famous
Emulsion for

Coughs, Colds, Debility, and
all Chest Complaints, and
Wasting Disorders.



PLEASANT TO THE TASTE.

Children especially are very fond of Hypol and thrive rapidly upon it.

To be Obtained Everywhere.



The Food the Little Ones Thrive on!

Here's the food for your children—a deeply tasty, palatable preparation possessing the most nutritious qualities.

Robinson's Patent Groats



Allamby's Knitting Depot

128 QUEENSBERRY STREET, CARLTON.

All kinds of Knitted Goods made up. LADIES LONG KNITTED COATS a Speciality. Phone Central 3374.

FOR PEARLY TEETH

USE

"PEROX"

Tooth Powder.

It is so nice, really exquisite, and absolutely the best. Dentists use it and recommend it to their patients. The **M.B.M.T.** recommends it to you.

Price, 1/6; by post, 1/8.

Prepared only by . . .

EDWARD G. OWEN,

HOMOEOPATHIC CHEMIST.

189 COLLINS ST., MELBOURNE

JOSIAH HOLDSWORTH

Funerals—City, Suburbs and Country—receive prompt attention.

Places—Central 1192 Brunswick 416, day or night. Head Office—380 Lygon St., Carlton, and 2400th Arthur J. Holdsworth, Funeral Director.

UNDERTAKER AND EMBALMER



NATARA

(LOCKENBURN'S)
dries up a

Cold in the Head
IN A FEW HOURS.

The Best Remedy yet introduced.

PRICE: 1/6 & 2/6

ALL CHEMISTS.

Wholesale:

Rooke, Tompsett & Co.,
Melbourne, Victoria.

A reasonable advertisement which appears in our columns for the first time is that of NATARA. The "Reckless" does not advertise what are termed patent medicines, but NATARA is a standard remedy, and the Bulletin can testify to its efficacy in warding off a cold when taken in the early stages—The Reckless.



SUIT SATISFACTION

Satisfaction is sure to follow your order for a Cox Bros. Summer Suit. Unlimited choice of patterns. Pay as you please.

COX BROS. Pty. Ltd.

150-151 Brunswick Street, Flinders Lyric Theatre Building, Sydney Road, Brunswick.
305 High Street, Northcote.



Headache IS CURED BY Wearing Glasses.

Nearly all constantly recurring Headache, as well as inability to stand Light, is due to a hidden defect of eyesight (hyperastropia). The sufferer never imagines the eyes to be the cause, as the seeing power is perfect.

"Why should I use glasses," it is asked, "when I can see perfectly without?" The reply is, that although seeing perfectly, the eyes are making an UNCONSCIOUS EFFORT, and this effort causes headache.

The effort is not made when glasses are used, therefore there is no headache.

Children and persons of all ages are affected.

Thousands of young persons engaged in the most occupations of office or factory work all day long are often troubled with eyestrain and pains about the head.

Glasses will give instant relief.

Note—It is scarcely necessary to say that many cases of headache are in no way connected with defective vision. The wearing of the eyeglass alone can decide this point.

E. WOOD,

Optician and Refractionist.

Diploma (by examination) and Member of the British Optical Association.

Eyeight Testing Rooms, **EQUITABLE BUILDING**, Corner of Collins and Elizabeth Streets (opposite the Bank of Australasia), **MELBOURNE**.

Caution! Note the Address

MORTON'S LTD.,

PRINTERS, BOOKBINDERS, STATIONERS, &c.

75 Ultimo Road,

Haymarket, Sydney

AGENTS FOR AUSTRAL PUBLISHING CO.

Be **Y'S**
When you **RY'S**
Drink **FRY'S**

It was as he prayed that Peter broadened out. This was not the first time he had prayed, and every time he prayed he became a little broader.



One of the greatest values of prayer is that it makes us a vehicle of the divine purpose, and fits us to be servants and instruments of the divine love.

THE MISSIONARY VISION AND IMPULSE.

WERE it not for this vision, Simon Peter would have stopped growing. He would have become a case of arrested development. He would have remained at the caterpillar stage and continued to be a home evangelist, instead of bursting out into the butterfly stage and becoming a foreign missionary. Before this he was a great preacher of the gospel—he had led men to God by thousands. The church itself had felt the might of his leadership, and the chief priests and all their kindred had been glad to get rid of him when he had appeared in the dock. He had found his feet—he lost them at the time of the denial—but he had not as yet found his wings. He was intense but narrow, energetic but circumscribed, devout but parochial. He liked preaching, and addressed his congregations as men and brethren, but the emphasis was on the brethren and not on the men. He hungered to see lives changed, but he was very particular in his congregation. His taste in souls was fastidious. He wanted to see his Lord and Saviour crowned, but his court was to be in Jerusalem. He was a Little Hebrew and not a Christian Imperialist.

Process of transformation.

But we see him in the process of transformation, breaking out into a larger horizon and a wider sympathy. There are days in the spring when we can almost see the buds burst and the green things grow. That was a gracious spring day in Joppa, and we can see this late plant grow and expand. He climbed up the roof a narrow Jew, he came down a broad and hospitable soul; he went up a provincial and came down a missionary. The occasion of his transformation was prayer. "Peter went up upon the housetop to pray about the sixth hour." He "saw heaven opened, and a certain vessel

descending unto him, as it had been a great sheet knit at the four corners, and let down to the earth, wherein were all manner of four-footed beasts of the earth, and wild beasts, and creeping things, and fowls of the air. And there came a voice to him, Rise, Peter; kill, and eat." He prayed until he saw and he saw until he grew. The record says that Peter was in a trance, but Peter in an ecstasy behaved very much like Peter in the rough-and-tumble actualities of life. The old characteristic touches come out in almost every sentence of the story. God says, "Rise, Peter; kill, and eat"; and Peter, with the old delightful impetuosity, says, "Not so, Lord, for I have never eaten anything that is common or unclean." Now, when Simon Peter said "never," he was not far off from the penitent form. When he said, "Thou shalt never wash my feet," he was next door to saying, "Not my feet only, but also my hands and my head." When the congregation protests, work is being done; and when Simon Peter jerked out "never," it was generally equivalent to "almost." But the vision is repeated over and over again. No sooner was the message ended than there was a knock at the door, and three men from Cornelius were waiting to give Peter an opportunity of putting the sermon into practice, and in a few hours he is turning the vision into a sermon and saying, "Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons." So pleased was he with this sermon that he repeated it at Jerusalem, and he carried his congregation with him, for the Jewish Christians held their peace. It was a wonder that they did that; but they did more, they glorified God, saying, "Then hath God also to the Gentiles granted repentance unto life."

The secret of emancipation.

We may learn one of the secrets of emancipation. It was as he prayed that Peter broadened out. This was not the first time he had prayed, and every time he prayed he became a little broader. There was a time in his life when he would have lept out of doors rather than lodge in the

house of Simon the tanner; for a tanner to a Jew was almost as bad as a Gentile. So the man was growing, and then in this prayer on the housetop came the finishing touches of grace, and all the thick walls of partition were broken down and the man's heart became as catholic and comprehensive as the gracious summer tides of divine love. Prayer gives us the true missionary impulse. Peter did not stop short at the vision. That would have made him a visionary, and not a missionary. While he was pondering over the vision, and some men would have done nothing else, the Spirit said to Peter, "Three men are seeking thee. But arise, get thee down, and without any hesitation go with them, for I have sent thee"; and Peter went to the foreign field by the first boat without any valedictory meeting.

Prayer gives the true missionary impulse.

One of the greatest values of prayer is that it makes us a vehicle of the divine purpose, and fits us to be servants and instruments of the divine love. To pray is to take our shares in the enterprises of goodness, and goodness is essentially missionary. The headquarters of missions is not in Farnival-st, but in the heart of God. He is love, and love is universal redemption. We think of him as a God who exists to vindicate righteousness, and he will do that worthy of himself. But his delight is to communicate righteousness, to enfold the children of men in the cleansing atmosphere of his inextinguishable love. He loves—loves the worst, loves the farthest, loves the alien, to him there are no foreigners; loves at the greatest cost and at the keenest pain; loves with tears and with blood; loves even unto death. Geography does not limit him, and color does not tinge his sympathy. Crimson becomes to him as wool, earth as straw, and black and yellow grows white in the blood of the Lamb. Stigmata does not repel him, degradation does not disgust him, and the blackest sin does not turn him back. He loves down to the dregs of barbarism, he loves up to the very teeth of civilization.

He loves the prodigal in the far-off land. He loves the elder brother on the farm. His love is more universal than the sun, it illuminates both hemispheres at once and countless hemispheres more. It is more catholic than the sea, it overflows the shores, and its waters stand above the high mountains.—Thos. Phillips in "Christian World Pulpit."

Editorial Notes

£4,766/13/4.

22,000 members of Churches of Christ in the Commonwealth. 22,000 pence a week: £11/13/4. 52 weeks, £4766/13/4. The 22,000 are only asked for £4320, less than a penny a week! Who so poor that he or she cannot raise the price of a postage stamp weekly? God so loved the world that he gave his Son, and we are expected to so love the heathen as to give a penny a week! Christ gave the price of his life, and we are asked to give the price of a weekly stick of chocolate! If the early Christians cheerfully gave their lives, shall we stingily withhold our pennies? But has not the time come for us to leave off talking about a penny a week? Why should it be thought incredible that we could give threepence? We are asked for £4320, but if our sacrifice for Christ reached even the smallest silver coin of the country, the aggregate would amount to £14,300. And why not? Christ was in earnest: shall we ever be?

The Vastness of the Work.

When we consider the vastness of the work, we may well feel our feebleness. Ten hundred millions to be evangelized! And the heavy systems of Chinese, Hindu, Japanese and African heathenism are still virile. We must not make the mistake of supposing they are decrepit and dying. Only the fringe has so far been touched. There must yet be much sapping and mining before the mighty walls are broken down. The F.M. call is a call to great and heroic service. "It cannot be carried on in any petty or trifling way. To play at this work is to proclaim our insincerity." Let the whole brotherhood keep step and march forward in the July offering.

Salvation of the Heathen.

If we are depressed with the fact of the mighty mass of untouched paganism, we have cause for encouragement in the contemplation of what has been accomplished. Millions have already been won for Christ. Every field is now open to the missionary. China, India, and Japan, are largely under Christian influence. What is the actual number of avowed Christians is still small in comparison, their weight in the national life is out of all proportion to their numerical strength. In many of the Pacific Island groups heathenism has entirely vanished,

while in others, such as the New Hebrides, it is rapidly disappearing. In Africa, especially in the Sudan, Christianity has to compete with another missionary power, Mohammedanism, but even here there is no cause for discouragement. The great want today is men and means, and in proportion as this want is supplied the onward march of Christianity must be increasingly victorious.

Salvation of the Churches.

The home churches, no less than the foreign heathen, are in danger and require salvation. Wherever the gospel has been faithfully applied on the heathen fields it has wrought salvation from moral misery and spiritual and physical degradation. And wherever the churches have generously sent abroad the gospel, they too have been saved, and saved from selfishness and littleness; saved from worldliness and sectarianism; saved from formality and Pharisaism; saved from stagnation and death. "No church can have permanent growth and



Native Teachers, Oba, South Seas.

The above group represents the helpers who assisted Bro. A. T. Waters in translating Genesis 1, 2, 3, in the language of the people at Nohindui, Oba, New Hebrides, South Seas.

prosperity that neglects obedience to the great commission." The promise, "Lo, I am with you," is only to those who carry out the missionary command. "It is the whole business of the whole church to send the whole gospel to the whole world," and if we neglect our business we must expect to become spiritually insolvent. Paradoxical as it may seem, the church can only gain by giving. This has been proved a thousand times. If not one soul had been saved in the heathen fields as the result of the money and labor there expended, the reflex influence has been so rich that the money would have been a splendid investment. By endeavoring to save others we save ourselves.

52 Offerings a Year.

Once a year a special effort is made to raise a large mission offering, and it will be well for us to see to it that on July 6 a big contribution is made for the work. The field is so large, the results are so encouraging, the money is so badly needed, that

we have no excuse for withholding our shillings and our sovereigns on the appointed day. But has not the time come for taking up fifty-two F.M. offerings a year instead of one? In some churches by the adoption of the duplex envelopes members can give every Lord's day to both Home and Foreign Missions. These small regular sums in the aggregate are likely to represent more than a special offering. The special offerings will still be needed if only to keep before the brethren the needs of the work and for the benefit of those who do not avail themselves of the weekly privilege, but if a regular weekly offering were taken up in the churches generally, we are persuaded there would be a material increase of the year's income for the evangelisation of the world.

Is it a Dream?

A. E. Illingworth.

In a pensive mood I sat one day contemplating the fulfilment of the prophecy of Malachi:

"From the rising of the sun unto the going down of the same, my name shall be great among the Gentiles; and in every place incense shall be offered unto my name and a pure offering; for my name shall be great among the heathen, saith the Lord of hosts."

How enchanting the prospect! Incense and pure offerings in every place unto the name of our dear Lord! No mosque! No temple! No shrine! No idol! No fetish! No sanctuary! No grove to any God, save our God! Oh! glorious day!

Christians, awake! Church of God, bestir yourself! Hasten that glad day. Present now the incense of grateful hearts! Dedicate now the pure offerings of consecrated wills! Bring into the treasury of the F.M. Committee your free-will gifts, and send abroad the glad evangel of the Redeemer's saving grace. That day must yet dawn! This is not the dream of any uninspired visionary. It is the holy fore-shadowing of the Spirit of God.

The world has already had "the earnest" of that blissful era, in the fulfilment of many great predictions, all pointing thitherwards. The day is surely approaching. Let us be active auxiliaries towards the grand consummation.

Who is responsible that Christ's last command has not been fully obeyed? Scarcely should we think the unconverted men or women who know not Christ as Lord, nor heed his commands. Unable to understand the love of Christ themselves, how could they proclaim the story of the cross? Angels are not responsible, for surely, had the privilege been entrusted to them, long years ago the gospel message would have been scattered forth in every part of the globe. Not we alone, as members of the Church of Christ, are responsible, and what are we each doing to fulfil the sacred obligation?



Baptising at Lombaka, Oba, South Seas.

Fifteen candidates were baptised by F. G. Goodwin on this occasion.

Pentecost Island News.

Extracts from Letters.

We have now been conducting the training class for native teachers in connection with our work here for six months, i.e., from September to February inclusive. I will endeavor to give you some idea of what has been done.

We have received 20 into our school. Every morning from Monday to Friday, inclusive, with but very few hindrances, these boys have been at study. From 8.30 to 10 a.m. has been devoted to reading, writing, arithmetic, geography, etc., and from 10.30 to 12 to Bible study and homiletics. The progress made by all is a very hard thing to gauge, but I am quite safe in saying that it has been very good and satisfactory to me.

Afternoon has been devoted to gardening and house-building, so that we now have over 6000 taro and about 2000 yams planted, as well as a good patch of sweet potatoes; thus I hope to commence curtailing expenses within a few months.

Among the taro on the land cleared by students we have planted 90 coconuts, which, with 230 planted on other land we cleared since our return from Australia, we now have 1120 coconut palms all told. According to all accounts, these nuts should yield us about £100 per annum profit when they all bear, six or seven years hence.

Letter Dated March 22, 1913.

Our boys are all away on vacation. We met the steamer at Ambrein, from whence we returned yesterday. Nothing startling has happened during the month. We have had school and our meetings each week-day. On the Sundays I have visited the out-stations, with the exception of the first Sunday, when I was down with fever. Mrs. Filmer has been teaching some of the "new chums" to sew. All our old residents have learnt the art, and some have even made dresses for sale.

Later Letter, April 2, 1913.

Owing to fever I was unable to get away to Oba till Thursday. We arrived there about 8.30 p.m., and found Bro. Chappell in fine health. I stayed with him for several days, and found that the natives like him.

Latest News of All, May 3, 1913.

At the close of Bro. Chappell's stay, Phillis took ill. On the Sunday I followed with identical symptoms. We doctored ourselves, until when things were getting serious, we set out for Vila, in the "Endeavourer." When we had travelled 50 out of the 100 miles we called at Paama, where Mr. and Mrs. Prater took us in. Under their care we made splendid headway, so that to-day I felt fit and returned. Mrs. Filmer and Phillis are to return later. We are all well now, and I hope that all things down here will work together for the glory of his name.—F. G. Filmer, Pentecost, South Seas.

So Much to Do, So Little Done.

Horace King-bury.

NOTWITHSTANDING the present enthusiasm in the work of world-wide evangelisation, the church is accused,—and perhaps justly,—of "playing with missions." There is so much yet to be done that it can truthfully be said the enterprise has scarce begun. But have not hundreds upon hundreds of godly men and women gone out to lands of darkness with the message of life and light? And have not thousands upon thousands of pounds been spent for the discipling of the nations? And have not millions of heathen been won for Jesus Christ? Oh, yes! Yes!!! Yes!!! But think of it! If there are 5,000,000 native converts, there are 700,000,000 heathen, and these heathen are fast falling into Christless graves. Read that last sentence again and agree with me that this is not the time for the church to rest and pride herself on the missionary successes of the past; no! this is rather the time for deeper consecration to God and more heroic endeavor to carry out his will by telling all men everywhere of Jesus the mighty to save. Cecil Rhodes' immortal words fit well here: "So much to do, so little done." Oh, may God forgive us for past apathy, and stir us to greater energy in the cause that lies nearest to his heart; and may our offerings on July 6 con-

clusively prove that we have seen afresh the vision of the world's great need, that we have heard anew the command of the world's great Saviour, and that we have made some little sacrifice for the heathen's sake and for Jesus' sake.

The Objective for New South Wales.

Fred. T. Saunders, Sec. N.S.W. Committee.

The New South Wales brethren this year are asked to make a large advance on the attainments of last year for Foreign Missions. There is plenty of room in the front, and lagging makes it harder for others to make progress. The work in the New Hebrides is one that comes closest to New South Wales interests, and comes very much under the control of the N.S.W. Committee. Therefore we feel that it would be a splendid advance if the brethren in this State were to raise sufficient to cover the entire cost of the work in those islands for the year. Last year the work there cost £1140, and this year we ask N.S.W. for £1150.

In setting and stating the objective in this manner, it is not proposed, nor desired, to "cut the painter" from the other mission fields. The work is Federal, and the gifts from N.S.W. have a part in the work in the other fields in which the Federal Committee is operating. The fact that the money raised in this State is sufficient to cover the entire cost of the one field at our door, will enable the Federal Committee to undertake much needed extensions in India, and to enter the open door that invites to Africa. The work in every field would be helped by such an action on the part of N.S.W. brethren.

It can be done. Shall we do it? How can we? By every one fulfilling the Scriptural plans for giving, and "laying by him in store as the Lord has prospered." Prepare for the offering every week till the day of the offering, and form the habit of living by each week for the salvation of the heathen. Let every member make a gift, and a gift worthy of the purpose of the offering. Remember July 6, and make it a red-letter day in your Christian experience.

Our Tokyo Station, Japan.

P. A. Davey, Missionary.

Our workers are few. They are Misses Lavenia Oldham, Kate V. Johnson and Mary Riech, Fred. E. Hagin and wife, and the Daveys. The writer has lived in Tokyo fourteen years. Some have completed three terms of service, others two, and all one. Each has a working knowledge of the Japanese language.

Our field is extensive. It includes five cities, two towns, fifteen villages. Our territory includes 7,000,000 people. Thus each missionary is a millionaire. Tokyo alone has 2,000,000 people, while our three wards have each about 100,000. We are in a big business. It is no romantic child's play.

Nature of the work. Direct preaching and teaching the 40-pel of the kingdom by the missionaries and indirectly through Japanese whom we encourage to do so. Misses Oldham and Riech have charity schools for children, and the latter has also a good kindergarten work.

Eight evangelists, four Bible women and six teachers are doing steady, faithful, effective work. We try to have these workers take first place. We must decrease that they may increase.

Mr. Hasegawa has for many years done telling work among men. Two of our evangelists are at present being supported by our Australian Federal Committee. One is Sawahata San, a man of ability and promise, and the other is Teranishi San, a man of fine evangelistic spirit. These men are graduates of the Mission Bible School, and I was one of their teachers.

Mr. Wada, a young man who was supported by the Mission Band in Sydney, is now a teacher in a Government school, and doing Christian work privately.

Our main centre is Koishikawa, Tokyo. Here is a chapel for 400 people, and a fine Sunday School taught by eight earnest teachers working together with Mrs. Davey and Mrs. Kawamura. There is also a flourishing work for women. Bible Classes are conducted both in Japanese and in English with interpretations.

Mrs. Davey has the oversight of two other schools in the neighborhood. One of these is led by Miss Sato, an exceptionally fine singer, and the other by Miss Okada, a school graduate and a sincere worker. It takes £18 a year to support such a worker. There are nearly 1000 children in the Sunday Schools of our station. Last year there were 69 baptisms, and 32 in our own work. There are about 500 members on our station church rolls. Many more have been baptized. Our members are scattered abroad. A Japanese church is a distributing agency, like a fish net.

Our church officers. Elder Takahashi and his wife have been members and faithful for twenty years. Treasurer Kawamura is a tactful worker. Deacon Kobayashi has been a pillar for fifteen years. Our youngest deacon is Mr. Murakami, a graduate of the Oriental College. He has proved a true friend indeed. Four years ago, on



A Japanese Girl,
Tokyo, Japan.



Japan consists of five principal islands and a number of smaller islands. Area, 361,168 square miles; population, 47,215,030. Religions, Shinto, 2,000,000; Buddhists, 19,858,000; Animists, 15,608; Protestant, 69,252; missionaries (men and women), 853; native workers, 1535; stations and out-stations, 4244; schools, 159; pupils under instruction, 12,295.

account of temporary financial difficulty, he would have had to leave college at a time I was wanting a clerk and language teacher. I was provisionally led to him and he to me, and he has proved a great blessing not only to us personally, but also to the church.

Now look at these workers in the picture with some of our church members. "This work is worth while. You are ready to say, "Let more of such work be done," are you not? Then, "treble your offerings in order to treble the work." Our station churches gave £70 last year. We have no reason to expect great things from God unless we attempt great things for God.

The Day of Opportunity.

T. A. Paternoster,
Secretary S.A. F.M. Committee.

July 6 is our day of opportunity. Doors have been opened in answer to prayer, and to-day the Christian missionary has freedom to preach. We know the influence of Christianity, unmixed with the religions of the world, alone can bring the desired change into the nations as a whole, or the most remote family or individual of that nation. We must also realize that freedom to preach does not mean friendship of all the people. There are growing in every land anti-Christian organisations, adopting Christian phraseology, as "Young Men's Buddha Associations," etc. There is in every land now an organised antagonism to Christianity. Brethren, instead of being proud of what the church has done, we ought to be alarmed at the work she has to do. There never was the need for more strenuous effort on the part of the home church to stem the tide of heathenism.

You say many have turned from their idols. Yes, but to what have they turned? If all who had turned from idols had done so "to serve the true and living God," we might well sing the Doxology. This is not so, and the challenge to-day is to a greater battle than ever before. It is to save those who have lost faith in their idols and have not found it in Jesus Christ.

In order to do this work we need money. We must increase our splendid offering of last year. This will mean hard giving. In last year's offering are several gifts we can hardly expect this year. Two gifts of £100, one an annuity, the other for a chapel in India, may not be repeated this year. We dare not go back. We would like to see more of our Bible Schools and young people's societies giving.

There is no better investment for your money. It may not return you hard cash now, but it will return you what is far better.

£750 on July 6. We cannot do with less. In 1902-03, S.A. gave £274. In 1912-13, S.A. gave over £1430. In 1913-14 27

Every word you speak now to excite yourself for your lack of interest in missions will be a load on your heart when Jesus comes.

Wake up, West Australia.

W. B. Blakenore,
Secretary W.A. F.M. Committee.

Wake up, W.A.! You have been bringing up the rear long enough. Queensland is ahead of you in giving to world-wide missions. Let the fidelity of the Queen State to the Lord's imperative provoke you to larger giving. Last year we raised in Western Australia for world-wide evangelisation the sum of £109, only 1/2 per week for our 1500 members. That surely does not represent our interest in this great work. We claim to be a New Testament people. Let us measure up to the New Testament standard of giving. £250 is the aim for this year. We ought to surpass it. The urgency of the field requires it. Our marching orders demand it. Let every member do his part in this the greatest work of all time, and let W.A. take the place she ought to occupy in this enterprise of evangelising the kingdoms of the earth. Make it £250!

The Queensland F.M. Secretary Speaks Optimistically.

We are entering into the F.M. campaign this year with about ten times as much thought and energy than ever before, that is our Committee and the churches generally, and hope for good results. Yours fraternally,—L. Gole.

Christianity has two great apologetic arguments. One is the Life of Christ; the other is the Missionary Enterprise. And these two are one. The Missionary Enterprise is the Life of Christ extended across the centuries.—F. F. Pratt.

World Tragedies.

1. Two hundred and seven million bound by caste—from Hinduism.
2. One hundred and forty-seven millions perished with atheism—from Buddhism.
3. Two hundred and fifty-six million chained to a dead past—from Confucianism.
4. One hundred and twenty-five millions under the spell of fatalism—from Mohammedanism.
5. Two hundred million more sitting in darkness—from Paganism.

Can you face God if you have never tried to save a soul?

July the Sixth.

H. J. Banks.

July 6 will afford an excellent opportunity to express in a practical way our sympathy with the millions who do not know Jesus and the joy of his salvation. Much has been done in these last days. The messenger of the cross is in every capital, and is making his way to the outposts of the earth. All nations are hearing the Word of Life. But millions among those nations will not be reached, and therefore will never know if we do not send or take the gospel to them. It is a great honor, a glorious privilege, a blessed responsibility, to be called of God to work with him in the evangelisation of the world. Let no one fail to come up to the help of the Lord on Sunday, July 6.

New Hebrides Martyrs.

The Island of Erromanga, one of the New Hebrides, which was discovered by Captain Cook in 1774, has been consecrated by the blood of martyrs. On its beach John Williams, the famous missionary, was clubbed to death in 1839, when he was attempting to land there with the gospel. Ten years afterwards, four boys from this cannibal island were persuaded to go to Samoa, where they became Christians; and a few years later G. N. Gordon, of Nova Scotia, joined them and began to translate the New Testament into their language. The version of Luke's Gospel which he made was copied out by his wife in large text-hand, so that a whole class might sit round her and read it. Mr. Gordon did not live to see his work printed, for both he and his wife were murdered in 1861. Three years later, his brother, J. D. Gordon, reached Erromanga and went on translating the New Testament; but in 1872, just as he had finished the story of Stephen's death, in Acts 7, he himself joined the ranks of the noble army of martyrs, for he was killed by a native, who dragged him from the desk where he had been at work. The natives themselves, by the sale of weapons, sandalwood, and arrowroot, have since contributed money towards the expense of editions of the Gospels and Acts which the British and Foreign Bible Society has printed in their language.



Mr. Murakaine.
A deacon of the Koishikawa Church, Tokyo, Japan. Read P. A. Davey's article.

Way in the heart of Africa, where the faintest whisper of the gospel had not yet penetrated, the writer found an lingers-all watch dangling about the neck of a half-naked native. Trade knows no distance in its satisfying of human demand. How laggard is the church, as it follows far behind commerce. How infinitely greater is the need of the African for Christ than for a timepiece.



Koishikawa Church Group, Tokyo, Japan.
(See Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Davey and children.)

I cannot, I dare not, give up to judgment till I have done the utmost God enables me to do to bring his glory through the world.

以
便
以
設
耳

SOME
LANGUAGE
CURIOSITIES.

耶
和
華
以
拉

Ehezer,
in Chinese.

Jehovah-Jireh,
in Chinese.

The Lord's Prayer in the Pidgin English of the people at Baumatmat, Pentecost, South Seas:—

"Father ours that stop at heaven. Your name top good. We want that you will go Master of every place. And men will do everything you say on ground that's here as all that are at heaven. Give food to-day to us for. You no think again of my sins. As I no think about all that do bad to me. You no let come near me temptation. But you take evil from me. For you Master. You strong. All men think of you. For ever and for ever. Amen."

The same translated by Bro. Filmer into the language of the Pentecostians:—

"*Tennik kit an du lan tungtung. Sem do betu. Ndoringi an u mit te woringhul na era bongu. I antunum lodavani sokok um fe ran lan on goromni eri an lan tungtung. Suni anin ngaromni bani kit anin ngaromni. U tarpadni rongu for nuk lalpiri. Peri ni tapudni ban eri an madavani sakabonga bani ni. U ngapord nup ngabilik susu. Afe u teli ardamt tungin ni. Boniani um woringhul. Um morprihitin. Eribonga madani ek. Timarin i timarin. Amen.*"

Exodus 20: 11 (in the idiom of the Ndunindui, Oba, South Seas, language):—

"For in days six the Lord he made the heaven and the earth, the sea, and that them all in is, and he rested the day seventh: wherefore the Lord he made blessed the day seventh, and he hallowed it."

The same passage as translated by A. T. Waters into the Ndunindui language:—

"*Huri to rani kaiono a Hangece u fai mba a detate ngo u raramana, a lahi, ngo hinea a detate huna hini, ngo u mamburiki mba a rani kaimitaki raka u Hangece u fai nambetambeki a rani sabbath, ngo u ngedaku heta mba.*"

John 3: 16 in the Hindi idiom as spoken in India at Harla, Daltonganj. Damoh.

"God, world to, such love did, that he his only begotten Son gave, that whosoever him upon belief may do, he destroyed not may be, but everlasting life receive may."

The same passage translated into Hindi by Bro. G. P. Pittman:—

"*Reshcar may jagut ko aisa piyar keval hoo cos may upna akhwaat poora deaya kee to haos may for vishwas keray so nash ni honey per unant jeevan parayay.*"

The hymn, "Jesus loves me," in the dialect of Canton, China:—

Verse 1.

*Ye-So oi yan ngoh hin-tak.
Shing shue ko-so ngoh ming-paak.
Naam nut, lo shiu sue-in t'ing.
Fai fai fui-koi-to seung sun.*

Verse 4.

*Ye-So oi yan, oi mo pin,
Uen i naam nut to shing t'in,
I yenk shang-tis in seung Chue oi,
Sze han-ne Chue wing tung tsoi.*

The above translated to show the Chinese idiom:—

Verse 1.

*Jesus loves people I understand,
Holy book assures me clearly.
Men, women, old, young, must hear,
Quick, quick repent, all together believe.*

Verse 4.

*Jesus loves people, loves no limit,
Anxiously wishes men, women all ascend heaven.
You if present life will Lord love,
Death after, Lord eternally together within.*

A JAPANESE GEM.

Bro. Davey writes:—Mr. M. Nishioka, one of our oldest evangelists, died recently. He served the Master twenty-five years. He always had a conviction that he was born with a heaven-appointed duty to fulfil, and the words of John 4: 34 given below show how Christlike was his view of life.

John 4: 34 in Japanese.

"*Jesu karera ni ukeruca saree too tsukawashishi unono no mune ni shitagai sono azawa too ushiotowaru kore zoaga kate nari.*"

The same in English in Japanese idiom:

"*Jesus them to saith, me sent person of will to follow his work do to the finish this my bread is."*

Cast Out to Die.

When telling that now was the time to trust Jesus for salvation and not to put it off from time to time, for when old perhaps it would be too late, an old Mohammedan hai answered, "No one should wait till they get old. The aged are called all sorts of names, and we are counted as nought." Last month the Shemga festival was held. At this feast the folk beat their hands with their mouth and call out. A few days previous to the feast I was out visiting homes, and while walking along the street a little fellow began to make the noise behind me; another rather older boy said, "Stop, she is ours; do not make the noise at her." This little boy's testimony, though really of no value, was sweet to me. A gaudi driver listened to the gospel, and on hearing Jesus was coming again, he enquired, "When, for I must see him."

At one home often visited the hai said, "Hearing the story over and over again, light is coming into me. It is good to take hold of the way of merit."

At the Dharma-halla there was a poor woman both deaf and dumb, cast out by her friends and left to die.

We felt sorry we could in no way make known to her God's great love, but we tried to alleviate her sufferings a little, and gave her something to eat. How sad it is that when one is helpless their relations count them a burden and usually they are carried somewhere and left to die. India's people need to know that Christ came to bring life and light, and that through him we are taught to love one another.

Three new high-caste homes have been visited this month. In one of the homes seven women and some children listened so well.—Yours sincerely, Rosa F. Tilley.

Constraining Love.

"I've brought you this, sir. It's for the missionary work we heard about last week."

Rachel Brown, a young seamstress, stood by the study table and thrust a small packet rather hastily into the preacher's hand. She turned to go, her errand over, but Mr. Clayton called her back.

"Wait a minute, Rachel, till I open it," he said gently.

He did so, and counted out a sovereign in silver coins.

A whole pound—from Rachel! Like a flash there came before his mind a vision of the room from which the girl had just come—the bare, poverty-stricken little room she called "home." He remembered the long, weary hours of ceaseless work, year in and year out, by means of which she kept herself alive, for her scanty earnings were all she had to live on. And now she had brought all this!

"Rachel," and Mr. Clayton's voice was lushy, "I can't take it, dear girl—it's too much. It wouldn't be right," and he held out the money.

"No, no," she cried; "take it, take it! Oh, sir, the love of Jesus has got into my heart. It's for him, sir, and for those poor dark souls in China." And she was gone.



Zai-hai and Duthoo, her Son.

The above woman is being treated by Bro. Watson at Tok-o for blindness. She has ceased worshipping idols, and prays daily to Jesus for help and blessing. Prayers are asked for her, that she might become one of Christ's followers.

An Eventful Trip to a Washer-man's Village.

Just a few lines about a trip to an outlying village. One Sunday evening after the day's usual preaching, etc., on looking up I saw three tall Indians standing before me. They seemed to be in trouble. I asked them what it was. Then one in sorrowful tones told me their sister was lying at death's door, and that they had sat day and night for a fortnight with her trying with their sympathies and help to allay the intense suffering. I asked if anything had been done to relieve pain by giving medicines. They told me they had called the village medicine man when she first took ill. He came along after demanding a fat fee for his advice. After asking the sick woman many questions and waving some charms over her, he diagnosed the case as one of demon possession, and advised the friends what to do.

Well, these poor ignorant people followed the instructions as well as they could until the patient began to get worse and showed serious symptoms setting in, and so they came and asked if I would accompany them in their bullock cart to their village, 12 miles from Diksal. We arranged to start at 4 o'clock next morning. It was quite dark when we started, and we had to take a cross country road over fields and creeks. Once or twice I thought the cart would turn over completely. At daybreak we reached a large river. The water was well up to the bodies of the bullocks.

While we were in mid-stream one of the brothers carefully unfolded a cloth containing pieces of native bread and dough; this was held over the side of the cart and dropped into the water as an offering to the spirit of the god residing in the fish below. This was done to ensure our safe passage over this stream. We reached the other bank in safety, and while journeying on I made the remark that the Lord Jesus Christ had brought us over safely.

The men in surprise said that they had never heard his name before this; so as we journeyed along over loose boulders of stone and into deep ruts, we chatted about the great and only way of salvation.

Our jolly bullock cart slowly wended its way over stony patches through small valleys and creeks until we at last sighted the Washer-man's settlement at 12 noon. We were not long in reaching the village, which nestled among some fine shady nimble trees. We left one of the brothers to look after the bullocks and wended our way along narrow lanes, some of them full of green water and rubbish. We at last reached the substantially built house in which the sick woman lay. Presently she was carried from a dark room and laid on the floor for examination.

Truly the poor woman had suffered agony from the tortuous treatment given her

at the advice of that village quack. She was a sickening sight; her burns were one mass of festering sores. She was hardly able to speak, and complained of severe internal burning pain, the result of the cruel chilies and water given her to drive the demon out. She was very weak from want of proper food, and also the complaint, viz., dengue fever. After treating her wounds and giving some good medicines, I saw to it that she had some good broth and also milk, etc. She was carried back into the same dark windowless room, which looked very much like a dungeon. I resumed my seat on the mat, and took stock of this Indian home.

In a corner opposite were three fires sending the smoke all over the place, for there are no chimneys in Indian homes, not even a hole in the roof for the smoke to escape; but it gets through the thatch as well as it can. On two fires were large pots of rice



Day School at Diksal, India, with Schoolmaster Keroba.

and curry. On the third fire the women were baking bread for the midday meal. The old matron knew that I could not eat such hot curry as they do, so she made a special dish for me. The only things I recognised in it were some particles of egg. What the balance was composed of I know not to this day.

When the meal was ready the men sat first and partook of their share, which were great heaped up dishes of curry and rice and a bowl of water. There were no knives, spoons, forks, serviettes, etc., but each man dived his long black fingers into the curry and rice and made a small ball of it, then taking it upon his first two fingers of the right hand and with his thumb behind it to act as a trigger, he shot ball after ball of this mixture into his wide opened mouth, enjoying it immediately. When this was finished he used his mouth as a finger bowl, and then drank a great draught of cold water to finish his meal. After this the women squatted in rows on the floor and partook of their meal in the same manner as the men, then the little children came and finished up with the scramble for scraps.

After the meal I took a stroll through the village, which was just ordinary. I had not gone far when I was called in to see a blind girl of 13 years, and an old woman with rheumatism. While I was chatting with

these about Christ, a nice crowd gathered and listened well to the gospel. We returned home at dusk to find that the patient was much easier, but still feverish. Afterwards the men with a few visitors gathered round me for a chat in the dim light of a rush lamp.

We talked freely on many topics, when we turned on to the great subject of salvation and the futility of idol worship. One old man said he had believed thoroughly in his idols. He said it was a great shock to him after 50 years of idol worship to learn that evening that all he had sacrificed for his idol and all the time he had spent in worshiping would avail him nothing for his salvation. The poor old fellow seemed quite upset about it; but the others said that they had never gained anything through their idols, but were rather losers; why not worship the Great God and nothing else. The idols were not able to help them. "They cannot even swear at us," said one big fellow. I impressed upon them the great necessity of taking Christ as their Saviour. The time soon passed for our chat, and soon men, women and children were lying on the earthen floor in their full daily attire, and it was not long before many were occupied with their happy dreams amidst the furious outbreak of insect and germ.

I had a good opportunity to count the inmates of this two-roomed house. There were three old people, four married couples and their children, all under the one roof, and they seemed very happy together. There were also two dogs, three goats and some

fowls occupying another part of this room, so when the door was shut for the night the atmosphere in the room had no chance to become chilly. The mother and husband of the sick woman kept watch with me by the bedside in the dark room. I remained here until two o'clock in the morning, when she seemed much better, and was dozing off into sleep. I left instructions with them and some medicine, and called the bullock driver to yoke up and start for home. After an uneventful journey we reached Diksal at 7 a.m., in time to have a wash and a cup of tea, and begin treating the number of patients who had been waiting from the day before.

The friends of that sick woman were very grateful for the kindness shown, and promised to remember Jesus as their Saviour. Three weeks have passed since this trip. I heard to-day that the woman is now quite well, and getting strong enough to do her daily task.

Little by little, line upon line, the truth is getting into these people's minds. God will give victory. Brethren, pray for us.—H. Watson, Diksal, India.

Neither you nor the heathen know how great their need is. Only God knows, and he said, "Go ye."

Ignorance and Superstition.

I was rather surprised one evening to see, in one of the Mohammedan houses I visit, a boy with a heavy chain around his neck, fastened by a padlock, sitting reading Luke's Gospel. His mother told me he had played truant so often that his father had taken him to school and chained him to the table in his class room. Miss Franklin found him there, looking rather sheepish when she arrived. He has been attending regularly since.

One morning lately in a village I was talking to some women outside a potter's house, and I noticed a little distance off that the potter had a piece of paper and seemed to be muttering invocations over it. Some time after he took a tack and fastened the paper on a post, and after he had hit the tack once or twice, he asked a woman sitting in front of him some questions.

I found out afterwards she had given him some money, and came to be healed of toothache. Needless to say she went away suffering. I asked the potter if he really believed what he had done would help the woman, and he assured me he did, and said the woman would have been healed if she had brought a longer tack. I tried to show him how impossible it was that she could be cured in that way, and a listener to the conversation said that my wisdom was different to the potter's wisdom.

As we were going to one of our Bible Schools in the villages we saw one of our scholars following a herd of cattle. His father is employed to look after them, but to-day the boy had to take them out to graze, and now he has begun this work we do not expect to have him as a scholar again. On our way home we stopped in another village, and the people there looked disgusting to us. The day before they had been wearing a red coloring on each other and using vile language. Several women listened attentively while we told them how God wished us to be pure and clean.

Some of the boys there attended our school in Harda, and one had received a certificate from the International Sunday School Union for passing an examination. He looked ashamed of his clothes, but someone said everyone in India throws dirt and color at this festival. I told them of some Hindus who did not approve of such doings. We are praying that many more may see how wrong it is. Will you join us in our prayers for them? Your sister in Christ.—Mary Thompson, Harda, India.

I trust you will faithfully study the description of the condition of the heathen, but let not your interest stop there.

Debtors to the Command.

H. C. Stitt,
Treasurer, Queensland F.M. Committee.

"Go ye therefore and teach all nations." Can any disciple of Jesus Christ read these words—with the knowledge that millions of souls are still living in the bondage of heathenism and in the darkness of pagan superstition—without feeling in that divine command the imperative ring which brings conviction that he is a debtor?

Brethren of Queensland, the responsibility is individual: the order was given to those who were living under the influence, and in the sunshine of the Great Teacher. We are debtors to the command. Shall the aggregate offering reveal the extent to which this State obeys the Master's instruction?

Three Reasons Why

Every Member of the Church of Christ Should be Interested in Foreign Mission Work.

A. E. Gourlay,
Secretary, Tasmanian F.M. Committee.

Our Lord has bidden us go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. The Master is depending on us to do this work; to be indifferent is to come short of that whole-hearted loyalty which such a leader and such a cause demand; to be indifferent is to fail to fully sense the heat of that great heart of love which yearns over all men without distinction of race or color.

2. For our own sakes. To be co-workers together with God means spiritual life and health. But if we give liberally to Foreign Missions will we not cripple the church at home? Oh, no; churches don't get sick that way; on the contrary they live and grow and prosper, for all his commandments are life eternal.

3. The heathen need the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ, for the dark places of the earth are full of the habitations of cruelty and superstition.

Shall we whose souls are lighted
With wisdom from on high—
Shall we to men benighted
The Lamp of Life deny?

How many resolutions to do something to help the heathen have you drowned in your cup of pleasure?



Baramati Bazaar.

where preaching takes place every Thursday. Thousands come together every week to buy and sell, and as many as 45,000 have been known to attend on a single day.

Fields where the Federal Committee are engaged in work either wholly or in conjunction with the F.C.M.S.

- Baramati, Bombay Presidency, India
- Diksal, Bombay Presidency, India
- Harda, Central Province, India
- Shanghai, China.
- Tokyo, Japan.
- Ola Island, New Hebrides
- Pentecost Island, New Hebrides
- Chinese Missions, Australia.

NATIVE WORKERS OR ORPHANS

In addition,
are also at
Dahongjai, West Bengal, India
Danchi, Central Province, India
Ingome, South Africa.

Let us Pray for Our Missionaries.

- F. G. Filmer Pentecost, South Seas.
- Mrs. F. G. Filmer Pentecost, South Seas.
- A. T. Waters Oba, South Seas
- Mrs. A. T. Waters Oba, South Seas
- A. B. Cuppell Oba, South Seas
- H. H. Strutton Baramati, India
- Mrs. H. H. Strutton Baramati, India
- H. Watson Diksal, India
- Mrs. H. Watson Diksal, India
- Miss Rosa Tilly Baramati, India
- Miss Mary Thompson Harda, India
- Miss Rosa L. Tonkin Shanghai, China
- P. A. Davey Tokyo, Japan
- Mrs. P. A. Davey Tokyo, Japan
- W. James Chinese Mission, Australia
- 45 Native Teachers Oba, South Seas
- 18 Native Teachers Pentecost, South Seas
- Bible Women at Harda, Baramati, Diksal, Shanghai and Dahongjai.
- Native Evangelists, Teachers, or Colporteurs at Baramati, Diksal, Harda, and Dahongjai, India, and Ingome, South Africa, Shanghai, China, and Tokyo, Japan.

In Labors Abundant.

Some weeks ago I took a stiff climb up the mountain side to see a native who had been troubled with vomiting for about two months. He was a member of the Church of England. The Church of England missionary is never on the island at this time of the year. The poor fellow in question could keep nothing but tea down. Arriving at the house in which he was, I found a crowd assembled, according to the native custom, waiting for the sick man to die. However, I thought the case was not hopeless, so left some medicine and knelt down to pray, then departed. On reaching the foot of the mountain I was told that the sick man had been a habitual kava drinker. After that I had but little hope of his recovery. He died a few days afterwards. When one seeks to enquire into a case the natives have the habit of forgetting very important matters.

I am often called upon to settle disputes for the natives, and have been surprised to find they are usually settled easily.

On my last visit to Nasalakora the teacher told me that his attendance had been small because of trouble between two heathens who attended the school. One of these was threatening to kill the other, and this poor fellow said he did not know why. I brought the two together with Tarilama, the teacher, to interpret, and heard their case. Pigs belonging to the man whose life was in danger had eaten some coconuts belonging to the other. For this the owner of the pigs had promised to pay 10/-, but had only paid 5/-. It seemed to me that the other's method of proceeding was really and truly heathenish. The man paid the remaining 5/-, and the trouble ended. These are a fair sample of the cases brought to me for settlement. Though the Christians are not all that one could wish, the gospel, when accepted, makes a great difference in these people.

This month I made journeys to the Waluriki and Lolo-karambuki districts, holding six meetings in the former and eight in the latter. The roads are steep and quite long enough, but some native Christians from Waluriki rowed me back from there, so on that trip the walk was only one way. At Alow, in Lolo-karambuki district, I baptised three women in a pool amongst the rocks.

I have paid the usual monthly visits to the schools close to Ndindind. Some of the teachers occasionally go back into the bush to talk to heathen in their homes. Yesterday afternoon two came across a company of men kava drinking, and these listened to the message. I consider that good.—A. B. Chappell, Oba, South Seas.

July 6, the offering day.

Our aim for the F.M. year, £4320.

En Route to Oba.

We are getting along nicely on the voyage, having fair weather. This morning I landed at Lord Howe Island.

I must not forget to tell you that the Royal Zoological Society gave me four nice opossums to take to the Islands. This resulted from my going to consult with the Superintendent, Mr. Le Souef, as to the best (small) animal for the Island which would at once give the people sport and meat, and that would not prove a nuisance, as the rabbit in Australia. They will be kept in captivity a year or so for breeding, and then liberated. But should they show signs of



Map of Part of New Hebrides Group, South Seas.

Note Oba and Pentecost. Ban matmat, where our training school and mission house are situated, lies at the extreme south of Pentecost, near Fan Mara Point. Ndindind, our headquarters at Oba will readily be found. There are 43 locations on Oba and 18 on Pentecost, where regular work is carried on by the Committee.

becoming injurious to the Island food supply, I will kill them off.

FURTHER EN ROUTE.

During our run through the Southern Group we enjoyed a very pleasant visit to our aged Canadian friends, Dr. and Mrs. Robertson, of the Presbyterian Mission at Eronanga. We were in the midst of the murders of Williams and Harris (opposite the front door), Mr. and Mrs. George Gordon, on the hill side opposite, the cries of all site; and also the axe slaughter of James Gordon. To one the ground seems truly

We are both well. This is now the 26th of April, and we are to land at home tomorrow, Sunday, p.m. This will be in time for the night service with the church, for the breaking of bread.

Helping together by prayer.—A. T. Waters, Oba, South Seas.

The Christian population is growing more rapidly than any other in India. During the last decade the Hindus lost a fraction of 1 per cent., the Parsees gained 4.7 per cent., the Jews 6 per cent., the Mohammedans 8.9 per cent., while the Protestant Christian population gained 49.5 per cent. The whole population increased 2.5 per cent.

Interesting Information, giving Results of the past year's work, including the figures of the F.C.M.S., where our missionaries labor.

Additions for the year	580
Present Membership	2247
Missionaries, Male	14
Missionaries, Married Ladies	12
Missionaries, Single Ladies	7
Missionaries wholly supported from	
Australia	14
Native Evangelists	30
Native Teachers	20
Bible Women and Others	24
Meetings each Sunday	65
Meetings each Week	48
Number of Locations	111
Sunday Schools	42
Scholars	2158
Educational Schools	238
Scholars	1336
Medical Treatments	21650
Number of Locations	111
Gross Income by Federal Committee last year	£3971.
Total asked for this year	£4320.

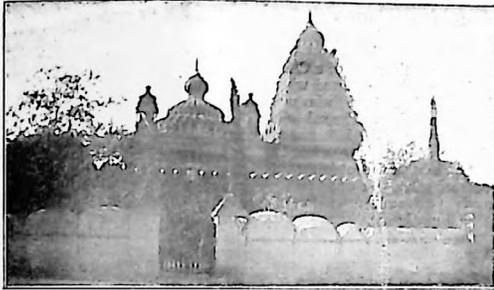
God wants consecrated prayers. The place of prayer in missions is only gradually being understood by the Christian Church. We earnestly ask you to take part in this great work for the Master.

Love to Our Enemies.

When Dr. Duff first read to some young Brahmins in the Government School the precept, "Love your enemies; bless them that curse you; do good to them that hate you," etc., one of the youths cried out: "Beautiful. This must have come from the true God. I have been told to love those that love me, but I have not always done that; but to love my enemies is a divine thought."

The most pathetic feature of the condition of the heathen is their ignorance of their need.

Remember the first Lord's day in July.



A Heathen Temple, Baramati, India.

Do Our Utmost.

W. H. Hall,

Treasurer, N.S.W. F.M. Committee.

The responsibility of each individual member of the church on the matter of Foreign Missions is great. If we are to be true to our stewardship we must give it our serious consideration.

It is our duty and privilege to do our utmost to make the kingdom of our God a universal kingdom. The greatest business in this world is the business of our King. It demands of us the very best attention we can give it. Let us make it a personal matter and ask have we done in the past what we might have, considering what has been done for us. We are told on good authority that on the average there are 150,000 people to each missionary located in heathen mission fields. This shows the need for workers is great. It should be our aim not only to hold present stations, but to send more workers. If every Christian did his or her part, that is, gave according to his or her ability, and God asks no more, there would be ample provision for the extension of our Master's kingdom. Can you say you have done your duty? Brethren and sisters, we ask you to give liberally on the first Sunday in July.

The Southern Cross.

S. Price Weir,

Treasurer, S.A. F.M. Committee.

Constantine, the first Christian emperor of Rome, is said to have seen a cross in the heavens, and in a vision heard the words, "In this sign thou shalt conquer."

Truly the heavens declare the glory of God, and we Australians, as we look up into the southern heavens and behold the Southern Cross, should realise that it speaks to us of the five wounds which Christ bore for us. Thus the top star speaks of the sacred head wounded with the crown of thorns. The bottom one of the wound in the two feet, pierced by one large nail. The stars on the right and left of the wounded hands stretched out as if pleading with us to "Go into all the world and preach the

gospel to every creature," and the middle star just out of line speaks of the wound in Christ's side. May the Southern Cross constantly remind us that it is our duty to conquer the world for Christ; that victory cannot be gained without some sacrifice. Are we prepared to make it?

We Look for Fruit.

Since I last wrote to you we have had the joy of baptising the wife of Mathura Prasad, our recent convert, and Madra, a brother of Prabhu. The former was a Purdah woman and very strict on caste observance. Mrs. Pittman gives her a Bible lesson daily, and she seems happy in the new truth that is dawning upon her. Madra was a member of the Church of England at Ranchi, and gladly obeyed in baptism when the truth was laid before him.

Our two out-stations are now in working order. We have two evangelists located at Latehar, 40 miles from Daltonganj, two evangelists at Garhwa, 20 miles away, and two evangelists with us at headquarters. We are building a couple of small cottages at Latehar for our preachers who are working among the Uraons. At Garhwa, which is an important market town, we are renting

two houses for our workers. By the great kindness of the brethren in South Australia we have been able to proceed with the erection of building which will serve as a school and chapel, and be useful in many ways. We are deeply grateful for the generous gift. We have already secured land in a very good position, and are now building as rapidly as it is possible in our part of the world. Our work goes on steadily, with preaching, teaching and medical work. The school is growing, and we anticipate an increase when we get into our building. The Uraons at Latehar are especially friendly, and we look for fruit from among them in due time.

With kindest regards and Christian love to all the Committee and brethren. Yours sincerely,—G. P. Pittman, Daltonganj, India, April 4, 1913.

Lost and Found.

During the great Columbian Exhibition Mr. Moody was preaching to a great throng from the text, "The Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost." After he had finished, a little boy with a bright face was brought to the platform, an officer having found him in the crowd. Mr. Moody took the little fellow in his arms, and asked the people to look. "This boy has a father who is no doubt looking for him with anxious heart. The father is more anxious to find the boy than the boy is to be found." Just then a man elbowed his way to the platform. As he drew near, the little boy caught sight of his father, and ran across the platform, overjoyed. The incident, simple in itself, was witnessed with breathless attention, and they broke out into a mighty cheer. "Thus," said Mr. Moody, "will God receive you if you will only come to him."

Do not try to hide behind the plea that God will be merciful to the heathen, when you cannot take time to even pray for them.



A Hindoo Marriage. Note the young bride on horseback.



Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Shah, Harda, India.

Bro. Shah is a most earnest and successful native evangelist. The Federal Committee have supported him for some years past.

A Native Evangelist's Busy Life.

The months of January and February were our busiest months. The work was done north, south and east of Harda. We preached to 160 villages and 13 bazaars. 6854 people heard the gospel message, 413 times we preached to these people. I myself preached 168 times. 320 Gospel portions and tracts were sold, and two New Testaments. The nature of our work was fourfold—1. Village preaching; 2. preaching in the bazaars; 3. magic lantern addresses; 4. selling of Gospel portions and distribution of tracts.

Early each morning, after a hurried meal, we divided into bands under leaders who knew the places and went out to the villages within a radius of six to ten miles. As we enter a village we select a convenient place or a Mahalla (a certain section of each caste live together) and begin singing and playing on my accordion, which usually brings very soon a good gathering of men, women and children, saying as they come, "Ist Masihwala," (followers of Jesus-Christ). Some utter these words in contempt, while others receive us gladly. We always had enough of hearers who are anxious to hear what we have to tell them. In some cases even when we had closed our address, we found the people lingering on and looking at us, desiring to hear more—even sometimes they say "Sing us another song." A fine opportunity is presented to us in our bazaar preaching. There are about 20 bazaars, big or small, in connection with the Harda Tahsil. We had the privilege of visiting 13 of these bazaars and addressing the crowds who gathered in such places. This kind of work is important and successful since we were able to meet people from even distant villages whom we could not otherwise meet.—M. J. Shah, Harda, India.

A Burning Heart.

J. E. Thomas.

Robert E. Speer tells the story of a Chinese scholar with whom he conversed when he was visiting a northern town, who was interested in the description of the splendid conditions prevailing under the influence of Christianity in the great Western world. After listening with approval to this great missionary enthusiast, and hearing of the work the church was seeking to do, the scholar said, "Tell me, have all your Christians got burning hearts?" This was his idea of what it meant to be in earnest in this great work. It was a striking question stated in the fashion of an Oriental. It is the question that millions would ask if they only heard of our privileges and opportunities in the favored home land. We know their need and the conditions in which two-thirds of the world of darkness now live. If they only knew us, how constant would be their yearning, heartrending, personal cry. But our Christ, who knows their needs, and has called on us to supply them in his name, knows how much we could do if we all had hearts that were moved with the compassion that led Jesus our Lord to give himself for us. May our hearts so burn with love for Christ and for the world that needs him so much, that we will be moved to prayerfully prepare for and joyfully give to a worthy offering on July 6.

The preacher of to-day with the missionary passion, other things being equal, is the preacher that will win. Without it he is sure to fail. Likewise, the church with the missionary passion, other things being equal, will grow and prosper, and without it it will be weak and limp and maimed and halt in its life-work.

Our Aim for the F.M. year, £4320.

A Law of Dynamics.

J. I. Mudford,

Assistant Secretary, Victorian Committee.

There is a law of dynamics that a gun must be one hundred times as heavy as the shot it fires, or it will not be able to withstand the resultant "kick." So we were told by a speaker in the recent Smith-Robins campaign. It is worth while to keep this in mind, in view of the July 6 offering. One need not say that we can never be one hundred times larger than the message we project into heathen lands. It should be true, however, of the relation of our spiritual life to the material gifts we offer for the propagation of this message. Nothing will ensure a bountiful offering like a deepening of the spiritual life of the brotherhood. To secure a large offering in any other way would be to do violence to the nature of the giver. Ultimately the "recoil" from large gifts which are prompted by unholo rivalry, or a desire for self-glorification, hurts the giver more than his offerings ever benefited the cause subscribed to. Our leaders may well ponder some words of Dr. A. J. Gordon, of U.S.A.: "I am tempted never to beg a cent for God again, but rather to spend my energy in getting Christians spiritualised, assured that they will be liberalised." If we find it hard to give liberally, let us remember the above "law of dynamics," let us get right with God, and with souls enlarged let us give for the sake of him who gave life itself for us.

Missionary interest will not "happen" any more than commercial interest. The Standard Oil Company recently wished to introduce kerosene into a backward city in Mexico. They put a lamp, filled and trimmed, in every dwelling. It cost something, but it put the tallow dip out of commission for ever. Deep missionary interest and giving does not come by chance, but by plan, prayer, and effort.



The Native Evangelists at Harda,

Ready to depart to neighboring villages to carry the gospel to the teeming multitudes who know not God. Bro. M. J. Shah will be seen in the centre of the seven.



Mr. Dzien, Shanghai, China.

A native preacher supported through the Committee by Bro. and Sister Pang, Melbourne.

Pray for Us at Shanghai.

Since my last to you we have had the usual Chinese meetings, with unusual crowds, and Bre. Ware and Barcus gave several lantern lectures, which were much appreciated. Then school term began again with increased attendance and increased demands on time. Our present boys' school building is far from adequate for our requirements, and we are busily planning new buildings. This also takes much time. All the services are well attended, and quite a number of earnest enquirers. But the greatest sorrow we have had is on account of Bro. Ware's health. He has to leave China for the coming summer. This we are hoping, by the blessing of God, will restore him to his usual health again, and spare him for many years. By the time this reaches you he will be well on his way. I know it is not necessary to ask you to remember him and us in your prayers. We are very thankful that we have with us at present Chinese brethren as helpers, undertaking responsibilities which previously we could never have with them. Yours in his service,—Rosa L. Tonkin, Shanghai, China.

New Zealand Greet the Commonwealth

We rejoice in the prosperity of the Foreign Mission work undertaken by your Committee, and follow with interest every development thereof.

J. Inglis-Wright,
Sec., N.Z. F.M. Union.

One person is said to die every second; but why should I tell you, unless you care where they are going?

Remember the first Lord's day in July.

Christ's Programme and Ours

A. C. Rankine.

Every thoughtful, prayerful reader of the Word of God cannot fail to see that the evangelisation of the world is Christ's programme for the church to carry out. The Book teems with passages on the subject. The Lord of the harvest has issued the commission, "Go make disciples of all the nations." It is imperative. We dare not shirk the responsibility. For the church this is the Lord's will. He has equipped his people with the great evangel. "Preach the gospel to the whole creation." Only the gospel will do the work. But men and women are needed to proclaim it. The church must see to it that men and women are qualified to act as preachers and teachers; then pray that the Lord of the harvest will send forth laborers into his harvest. "How shall they preach except they be sent?" The church must supply the means. No one is exempt. The whole church must share the responsibility. We must realise as individuals like Paul, that we are debtors. Let every member of the body of Christ give a worthy offering towards the evangelisation of the world. A cashier of the U. National Bank of America prayed that the Lord would thrust forth laborers into his harvest. He had a wife and one only daughter. It never dawned upon him that the Lord would thrust forth his own child into the mission field; but she volunteered for foreign service. Both father and mother attempted to dissuade her, but in vain. They began to think it wrong for them to act thus, and at last freely consented to give up their beautiful girl. They said, God gave his best for us, and we must give our best for him. And their own loved one went to Africa. May we each give a loving offering to help send the message of salvation to those who know it not.

The man who has known the Lord Jesus Christ, and has felt the power of the cross in his own heart, is bound, by that wonderful blessing, never to rest so long as there remains any one else who has to be brought to the cross of Christ.

A Double Call and Our Response.

J. Clydesdale,
President, N.S.W. F.M. Committee.

Just a few words quietly spoken by the Master, "Go ye into all the world and make disciples of all the nations," and yet they carry the force of an imperative command to his church—imperative because divine. It rings still down the ages. It is the call of him whom we profess to serve. And the call has behind it the authority of the Son of man, and bestows the needed power to obey the call: "Lo, I am with you always." The only question to-day is, "What shall be our response?"

The second call comes from the dark places of the earth, "Come over and help us." It is a call from those who are sitting in darkness and in the shadow of death, the millions of heathen who have never heard of Christ and his salvation, and are dying in their sins.

Brethren, these two calls are ringing in our ears to-day—the royal call, "Go," the imploring call, "Come." What shall our response be? Do not let us mock their need with an empty pity. Let it be a loud call upon us to give our active help, our sympathy, and our prayers to our missionaries on the field. As God has blessed us with so much temporal good, let our response be such as Christ would approve of. Less than this cannot prove, even to ourselves, that we are earnest in our good-will to the heathen. Let the church of Jesus Christ in Australia never abate one jot of her earnestness; but forgetting past achievements, stretch forth unto greater things, and never rest until she has carried Christ's message of salvation to the uttermost parts of the earth. May our response be, "Lord, I will go or send."

"By the value of souls, by the shortness of time, by the greatness of the field, do something definite for the heathen. If we fail, will not these millions rise and ask in the great day why we left them as sheep un-shepherded?"



The Chinese Mission Chapel, Melbourne, Vic.



[Correspondents are requested to condense their reports as much as possible.]

West Australia.

WEST AUSTRALIA F.M. COMMITTEE:
Sec. W. B. Blakemore, Bulwer-st., Perth.
Treas. C. A. G. Payne, Postmaster, Guildford.
Aim for Year, £250.

PERTH.—We commenced the anniversary celebrations of the Bible School on Lord's day, June 8, the chapel being festively decorated. Bro. Blakemore at the morning service delivered a stirring address upon the value of the child, emphasising the point that the Bible School offered the best field of investment the church could ever hope to have. The afternoon's programme was an excellent one, and consisted of addresses by W. B. Blakemore and A. Stephenson, the superintendent's welcome by A. Bell, a demonstration by the primary department, and special singing by the scholars under the leadership of Bro. Bell. At night our evangelist spoke to a large gathering upon the subject, "Our Vocation," and the children again sang hymns suitable to the occasion. We have formed two mission study bands, one for men, and one for women. We are putting special emphasis upon Foreign Mission work just now in order to prepare the way for a large offering on July 6—W.A., June 10.

CLAREMONT.—On Tuesday evening, June 3, we had a splendid gathering of brethren and friends to bid farewell to Bro. and Sister H. G. Henderson. Bro. Henderson has been laboring with the church for the past five months, and his brethren have much appreciated his services. He leaves us to take up studies at the College of the Bible, Glen Iris, Victoria. We pray the Lord's richest blessing may attend him.—E.H.E., June 8.

New Zealand.

DUNEDIN.—We have lost through death one of the oldest members of the Tabernacle, Sister Mrs. J. S. Thompson, wife of our treasurer, Alex. Thompson, who passed to her rest on Friday, the 6th inst.—L.C.S., June 9.

OAMARU.—At gospel meetings Bro. Matheson is delivering a series of addresses on "The Voyage of Life." Last Lord's day, after a discourse on "Building the Ship," a young lady from the Bible School confessed Christ.—K., June 4.

CHRISTCHURCH.—The chapel was packed last Sunday morning and evening. Large number of visitors, mostly delegates to the CWB.M. Conference. In the morning, five women received in Bro. Gebbie's office on "Crucifying Christ Afresh." So at the Bible Class. Bro. Dorris preached at night on "Sin Finding Out" (one young man showing his desire to regenerate his life to Christ. Monday evening and all day Tuesday, the Conference of the CWB.M. was held. A great time for the church here on Tuesday at 3 p.m., when Bro. Moffatt of Dunedin, who was presented with a silver trowel for the purpose, laid the foundation stone of the new chapel. Speeches were made by Bro. Gebbie, Langford and Bissell, and a stack offering amounted to 41s. This was made up later to £10 in the chapel, when Bro. Noble and Thomson spoke. Bro. Noble also spoke at the prayer meeting on Wednesday. On Thursday evening the Bible School at St. Albans held its anniversary social, at which there was a good attendance and a successful evening.—P.S.N., June 7.

Queensland.

QUEENSLAND F.M. COMMITTEE:
Treas. H. L. Gole, MacRobertson's, Brisbane.
Sec. H. C. Stitt, Whytecliffe-st., Albion, Brisbane.
Aim for Year, £250.

ZILLMERE.—Bro. Bulgin is preaching the word faithfully. We are looking forward with great interest to the Griffith mission to be held in Brisbane at the end of the month. We believe this mission will do a wonderful lot of good to the cause of Christ in Queensland. Our Sunday School rally was wound up on Saturday afternoon, June 7, when some of the parents, friends and about 50 scholars and teachers met at the chapel and engaged in games, and afterwards partook of the good things provided by the Reds, the losing side. Seventeen additions to the school were the result of the rally. Bro. Bulgin is holding a midweek night service at Cribbs Island; meetings good, all turning out well.—J. Bruce, June 9.

HOOLE.—W. B. Hayes preached here on the 7th inst., taking as his subject "The Master is come, and calleth for thee." There was a good attendance. This was Bro. Hayes' first address here as our own evangelist. We believe this is the beginning of great things in this district, where the disciples are so few. We also had the pleasure of seeing J. Adernman among us again.—W. Pond, June 10.

South Australia.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA F.M. COMMITTEE:
Sec. I. A. Paternoster, Buller-st., Prospect.
Treas. S. Price Weir, 64 Second Avenue, St. Peter's.
Aim for Year, £1350.

UNLEY.—Last week a literary cricket match on the life of Joseph was conducted by the Literary and Debating Society, and proved very interesting. We are delighted that Bro. Walter J. Harris, who recently underwent an operation, is so much restored to health, that he has consented to resume the superintendency of the Sunday School, which he was reluctantly compelled to relinquish at the end of last year. A collection in aid of the Cot in the Children's Hospital was taken up in the School this afternoon and realised £3/10/—P.S.M., June 15.

GROTE-ST.—Last Sunday morning W. J. Manning presided and Dr. J. C. Verco gave a written exhortation on 2 Tim. 4: 6; Sister Mrs. evening meeting. Bro. Thomas preached the gospel. One young lady confessed her faith in Christ. The K.S.P. Society held an open night and gave a farewell social to Bro. W. Palmer, on Tuesday evening, the 10th. He is leaving for Sydney, and expects to stay some time. Bro. Thomas presented him, on behalf of the young people, with a brother hat, and spoke of the good work our church work. T. J. Gore, I. A. Paternoster, A. Cott also spoke on behalf of the different branches of the church. Vocal and recitative items were given by Misses I. Thomas, M. Leatham, J. Shepherd, Messrs. R. Carmichael, and R. McGowan. On Wednesday evening a very pretty

OFFICIALS

OF THE FEDERAL FOREIGN MISSIONARY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

President—F. M. Ludbrook,
223 Collins-st., Melbourne.
Treasurer—R. G. Wall,
Leveson-st., North Melbourne.
Secretary—T. B. Fischer,
Chesterville-road, Cheltenham, Victoria.

Aim for Year, £4320.

wedding took place at Grote-st. Mr. A. D. Smith was married to Miss L. Brown. Bro. Thomas officiated. He had been members of the church for many years. A. D. Smith was secretary of the Sunday School for several years. This morning Bro. Caldwell presided, and Bro. Thomas gave a good exhortation. Sister J. Dicker, from Sydney, and Bro. R. McGowan, of Angas College, received the right hand of fellowship. Visitors: Sister Jones, from Port Elliot, and Sister Radlett, from Wallaroo. This evening a good sermon by Bro. Thomas, at the close of which a man confessed Christ.—T.M.G., June 15.

NORWOOD.—Good meetings at both services to-day. G. H. Jenner exhorted this morning, and to-night Bro. Dickson spoke, his subject being "The Unchangeable Christ," Heb. 13: 18, "Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, to-day, and for ever." It has been decided to have a five minutes' talk to the children before the usual address on Sunday mornings, commencing from next Sunday. Last Friday night Bro. and Sister Dickson entertained the officers of the church and their wives at their home, when a most enjoyable evening was spent.—S.P.W., June 15.

BALAKLAVA.—On Tuesday evening, June 10, Bro. D. Finlayson passed away, after several weeks of suffering. Although Bro. Finlayson had not resided in our midst very long yet he has been known to most of us for many years. His Christian influence has been felt, and many to-day are richer in their Christian life for having known him. June 15, a good meeting round the Lord's table. Pleased to have G. Roberts, from Hindmarsh, meeting with us. H. Curtis presided, Bro. Ewers exhorted, basing his address on the 23rd Psalm. To-night we had a large gathering at the gospel service in memory of our late esteemed Bro. Finlayson. Several of Bro. Finlayson's most favorite hymns were sung. Bro. Dobby sang as a solo, "He Knows." The choir rendered very feelingly the anthem, "Sun of My Soul," and "Lead, Kindly Light." Bro. Ewers took as his subject, "What is your Life?" referring to his brother, and drawing many illustrations from his life.—P.H.R., June 15.

NORTH ADELAIDE.—On June 9 the Band of Hope and Temperance Society held their 27th anniversary. About 60 sat down to tea, and a public meeting was presided over by Bro. Dobby, president of the society. The secretary's report showed that during the year 27 had signed the pledge, showing that the right work had been done. The programme consisted of exercises given by the successful ones who had gained the prizes. The prizes gained were distributed, and an address was given by G. T. Walden—A.D.

YORK.—The C.E. meeting on Wednesday was a great success. H. Bennett had charge, and some splendid papers were given. At the close of this meeting the various officers and committees of our mission, which will commence on July 27, were elected. The Mutual Help Society held their meeting also on Saturday. This also was a great success, though the numbers were small. This morning E. W. Parham presided at the Lord's table, and J. Paternoster exhorted. There was a splendid attendance to-night, when Bro. J. C. Verco spoke on "The Prodigal Son."—W.G.J., June 15.

PROSPECT.—Members gathered out in great numbers to hear the gospel message delivered by Bro. Miller, of Norwood, this morning. The Bro. Miller was well attended, when practice for cantata, "Cloud and Sunshine," was introduced. A

large gathering attended the evening service, Bro. Baker exhorting with eloquence. The K.S.P. are making rapid strides, this organisation being out and out for the betterment of mankind.—H. R. Reynolds, June 15.

STIRLING EAST & ALDGADE VALLEY.—Since last report we have had some very interesting meetings. Attendance very good at Lord's day services. Full building at second hand of Home meeting. Last Tuesday half-yearly meeting of C.E. Society. Attendance good. D. A. Evers delivered an instructive and interesting address. A social followed. Last Thursday Bro. and Sister Gordon Goodwin had charge of the service. Sister Goodwin spoke the work at Oba and Pentecost, and exhibited a number of curios. The effort of our sister was greatly appreciated, and very close felt that they had been brought into these close touch with the Master's work on foreign fields. We hope to hear from Bro. Goodwin in the near future. J. Fischer delivered the gospel address last night.—T.E.

New South Wales

NEW SOUTH WALES F.M. COMMITTEE:
Sec., F. T. Saunders, Botany-st., Randwick.
Treas., W. H. Hall, McArthur-parade, Dulwich Hill.

Aim for Year, £1150.

WAGGA—Good meetings yesterday, the number meeting around the Lord's table being a record for Wagga. We were pleased to have a visitor Miss Menz, from Sydney.—A.B., June 9.

TAREE—Sunday morning Bro. Burns addressed the church, the subject being, "Ask, and ye shall receive." Visitors present: Bro. and Sister Clinch, from Wingham. In the evening Bro. Burns delivered a gospel address, which was attended to with interest. The meeting was preceded by an open-air meeting.—R.G.L., June 15.

SYDNEY—At the conclusion of the gospel address by T. Bagley a young man came forward to-night. Good meetings during the day. Visitors present: Sister Stewart, W.A.; Sister Mrs. Bagley, and son, Manning River; Bro. E. Smith, Belmonte. Bro. and Sister gave the F.M. address at the morning service.—J.C., June 15.

ENMORE—G. H. Browne, of Belmonte, gave us a good Foreign Mission address in the morning. The right hand of fellowship was extended to two new members. We have pleasure in reporting that two adults, a man and his wife, made the good confession at night, at the conclusion of a stirring address by Bro. Hinesworth. We are preparing to celebrate the completion of Bro. Hinesworth's first year of service with us by a tea and public meeting on June 24.—E. J. Hilder, June 15.

NORTH AUBURN—Bro. Harward concluded six days' mission here last Friday night. During the week an inch of rain fell every day, and as a result the meetings were small, but they were exceeding good. One young lady made the good confession on Friday night. The meetings yesterday were not as big as usual—although it was not raining the streets are very muddy. Two new scholars enrolled in the Bible School yesterday.—G. Gray, June 16.

ST. PETER'S—Good meeting of members at worship. We were pleased to have a brother from the Newcastle Baptist Church in fellowship with us. We have made all arrangements to build our chapel, and intend to have it all completed in the near future. We are preparing to start off to have a six days' gospel mission by Bro. Harward about the end of July. This great effort has been maintained by the members of St. Peter's solely, to build their chapel after six months' earnest labor in this district. After the evening service we were pleased to witness a brother make the good confession.—A. J. Fraser, June 15.

PETERSHAM—June 1, good morning meeting for breaking of bread, after which Bro. Franklin addressed the church. We had a number of visitors from other parts: D. R. Hall, Sister Hocking, Sister Banner, from Brisbane. We are holding our anniversary service on Sunday,

June 23, and tea and public meeting on Monday, June 24. Bro. Harward is to commence a six days' revival service on Monday, June 24, at Newington Asylum. June 8, we had a good attendance at the morning meeting. Bro. Bagley gave an excellent address. We had quite a number of visitors: Bro. and Sister Lang, Dorrigo; Sister Hall, City Temple; Sister Winkler, Hurstville; Sister Mrs. and Miss Gray, Auburn. At the gospel meeting Bro. Coleman's subject was "The Word." He made reference to the work of the British and Foreign Bible Society. After the address a collection was taken up to aid the Society in their work.—T.E.

LILLYVILLE—The church building has been painted and renovated both inside and out. Bro. Holyoake, of our own fellowship, has spent a lot of time and much thought in presenting such an ornate and pleasing decorated building. The church found the material required, and our brother gave his talent and labor. Tapes and window have been changed into pleasing cathedral patterns at once attractive and beautiful. Sister Holyoake, senr., also took a hand at this work, and with an artistic eye made it beautiful. Bro. Holyoake, senr., expressed the sympathy of his father in this good work, and Mr. Holyoake, as a member of the congregation, gratefully helped. Meetings for fellowship are good, and the gospel meetings are enlarging. F. T. Saunders, our evangelist, is doing work, and attracting outsiders by his forceful and vigorous work. Our Bible School is forming a school orchestra, which will help and further attract to our school.—J. Fox.

MOSMAN—Last Lord's day, C. Rush, of Marricksville church, gave a splendid exhortation on "Personal Responsibility." Visitors present: Sister Austin, from Northcote, Vic.; Sister Myrtle Brown, of Belmonte; and Bro. and Sister, and new scholars in primary department. This morning Doris Lacey, one of our Bible School scholars, was received into fellowship, having recently confessed her faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. T. R. Coleman preached a powerful sermon at the service, the subject being, "Arrested by Christ, and the Result," at the conclusion of which we rejoiced to hear two fine lads from the senior boys' class of the Bible School make the good confession.—S.G., June 15.

HURSTVILLE—Lord's day, June 15, we were glad to see a good number present to break bread, though we regret that a good many of our members are absent through sickness. In the absence of our planned speaker, Bro. Green kindly exhorted the church, and was much appreciated. The Lord's day School is still increasing, several new scholars being enrolled during the last few Sundays. The children are entering in the examination with enthusiasm. The gospel service took a departure from the usual service. It being the anniversary of the L.O.L., Lord Milner, they held their religious service in conjunction with us, the members being in regalia. Bro. Garden addressed the meeting, the subject being, "The Church." There was quite a large number present. During the service a collection for the British and Foreign Bible Society was taken up, which amounted to £17/10.—E. J. Winks, June 15.

CHINESE MISSION, SYDNEY—Bro. James, Chinese evangelist, reports four confessions at last night's meeting. Gospel meeting, continue to be well attended. The school is progressing. Teachers and scholars regular in attendance. Regret the removal of Bro. James to Victoria. Glad to have secured the services of Bro. John Sing as evangelist. Praying, believing, working, with an object of sending these converts home to China as missionaries.—W. C. Bland, June 16.

ROOKWOOD—We begin to-day a six days' revival with Bro. Harward as missionary. This evening with Bro. Harward a few of us gathered together for a special prayer meeting. A goodly number met around the Lord's table. Bro. Harward exhorting, using as his text, "Thou 1: 5, very suitable to the occasion and time, and listened with rapt attention. Our brother also gave to the church a nice practical talk. At 6.30 ev-

eral assembled at the corner of the three streets for a short open-air service. At 7 o'clock we opened the gospel service, Bro. H. at work once again. Splendid attendance; good attendance.—M.A., June 15.

ERKSINEVILLE—The weather being clear of somewhat, our meeting for the breaking of bread benefited thereby in a large attendance of members. Bro. Hall was with us as a visitor. Bro. Garden, from Hurstville, gave a fine exhortation. In the afternoon we had a large attendance of scholars at our Bible School, also one more new scholar enrolled. The school is progressing wonderfully. We had a visitor to our school, Bro. Bland, also Sister E. Saunders. The working bee are turning out good work in the seats for new chapel, which will soon be finished. We expect to open the new chapel with a big tea meeting, followed by a mission conducted by Bro. Harward.—W. Hudson, June 15.

MEREWETHER—Bible School anniversary services to-day, afternoon and evening, when there was a good number of friends present to hear the children in their recitation and singing. Bro. Fretwell addressed us, subject, "A Bush of Sweet Peas." At night the building was crowded, and the children did very well, also the choir, under the leadership of R. Gordon.—Jan. Fraser, June 15.

Victoria.

VICTORIAN F.M. COMMITTEE:

Treasurer, R. Lyall,
Levee-st., North Melbourne.
Secretary, T. H. Fischer,
Chesherville-road, Chesherville, Victoria.

Aim for Year, £1250.

CHELTENHAM—The meetings on Sunday were large and profitable. Bro. and Sister Peter Wedd and Bro. and Sister Henderson, of Maylands, W.A., were present all day, and assisted at the services. W. Judd made feeling references to the death of Mrs. T. B. Fischer's father, the late D. Finlayson, of S.A., whom he had known for forty years. One baptism at night.

CARLTON (Lygon-st.)—In the morning there was a large meeting to remember Jesus in the breaking of bread. A number of visitors met with us, amongst whom were: Sister Miss Watson, from N.Z.; Bro. Little, Lakeland, Perth; Sister Zelius, senr.; Bro. and Sister E. Morrison, and Bro. and Sister S. Smalley, all of Doncaster. Two received into fellowship. Rev. Jones was the speaker for the morning, and gave a fine uplifting address. The Bible School showed an increased attendance, made up as follows: Teachers and scholars, 242; Century Bible Class, 102; total, 344. We were pleased to have a visit from Mrs. Watson, the wife of the Superintendent of school Chapel filled at night, when Horace King-barry's topic was "Abundant Pardon." A splendid discourse and an interested audience.—J.M.C.

NORTHCOTE—On June 8 and 9 we celebrated our tenth anniversary in conjunction with the Bible School and church. Splendid meetings at 11 am. Many members were received in by day. Bro. and Sister J. Collins, and Sister, and Bro. and Sister G. Goring, from Swanston-st. Bro. Procter delivered a special address to the Bible School scholars and friends at 1 pm. Bro. Anderson preached to a crowded audience in the Northcote Town Hall. On Monday the scholars gave a demonstration before a large audience. Bro. Goring, our retiring sept., was presented with a marble clock by teachers and Bible Class.—R.C., June 15.

ST. KILDA—Meetings are very well attended, considering several are away helping the Elders, which causes a thinning out. We are increasing. Our Bible School rally will be held on Monday. Both sides are trying hard to gain new scholars. C.E. Society in a flourishing condition.—E.A.P., June 15.

Continued on page 422.

Gems from the Home Workers.

We will be with you in this great work.—A. W. Connor, Bendigo, Vic.

For the sake of suffering humanity may our offering be as our Lord would have it be.—P. J. Pond, Prahran, Vic.

I trust the call will bring a hearty response.—H. Henderson, W.A.

For the sake of suffering humanity may our offering be as our Lord would have it be.—P. J. Pond, Prahran, Vic.

Am with you heart and soul in this matter, and pray that you may have the joy of seeing your hopes more than realised.—P. Warhurst, Naracoorte, S.A.

I will have much pleasure in doing all I can for Christ along this direction.—A. Hutson, Nth. Melbourne, Vic.

I earnestly pray God will bless all the literature that is distributed.—A. J. Ingham, North Perth, W.A.

We will do our best this year.—Thomas Murphy, Secretary, South Yarra, Vic.

I am doing my best to create a great interest in Foreign Missions.—Ray Raymond, Butler, S.A.

I rejoice in the success of the work in our beloved Commonwealth over there. Especially for the increased missionary activity am I glad.—A. D. Strongman, Cherryleyn, Colo., U.S.A.

I pray that the offering this year will eclipse all others.—George Green, Bundamba Church, Qld.

I am working for a record offering for July 6.—J. E. Allan, Doncaster, Vic.

We will do our best in the West Moreton Circuit offering to do our share to help the good work.—F. Adermann, Vernor, Qld.

I believe Queensland will do better than ever she has done before in the F.M.O.—Arthur Barnard, Boomah, Qld.

I will do all in my power to assist in the July offering.—T. Hagger, State Evangelist, Vic.

I'm with you every time for a mighty offering.—Thos. W. Smith, H.M. Sec., Vic.

Yours for a big offering on July 6.—D. A. Ewers, Mile End, S.A.

We promise we will work up a good interest in connection with the annual offering.—J. C. F. Pittman, Moreland, Vic.

I feel that the need of the world is Christ, and the need of Christ is the world, and you and I just stand to link the two together. May July 6 show the love we have for our

I hope we will be able to get a good collection. I will do my best to make it so.—J. E. Shipway, Stawell, Vic.

The church at Bordertown is alive on the F.M. question. We hope to pass all previous records with our offering on July 6. May the brotherhood catch the vision of the heathen world and in the spirit of the Master respond to its urgent call.—E. Edwards, Bordertown, S.A.

You can depend on me doing my very best for the glorious work of Foreign Missions.—J. R. Combridge, Kyneton, Vic.

I will be glad to speak on behalf of Foreign Missions in June.—A. P. Wilson, Carnegie, Vic.

I shall be pleased to push the matter from now to time of offering.—W. L. Jones, S. Richmond, Vic.

I am praying and working that the Lord may be glorified.—W. H. Nightingale, Brisbane, Qld.

Our fervent prayer and aim is a record offering.—J. H. Adermann, Wooroolin, Qld.

We will endeavor to help the cause in every way.—G. T. Booker, Sec., Kalgoorlie, W.A.

I hope the brethren at Brookton will give liberally toward this great work.—H. P. Manning, Brookton, W.A.

We believe it is our duty as God's people to help on this glorious work, and trust we all may do our part.—Wm. F. Brooks, Torwoodha, Qld.

I trust we may obtain good results.—J. H. Thomas, Sec., Walkerville, S.A.

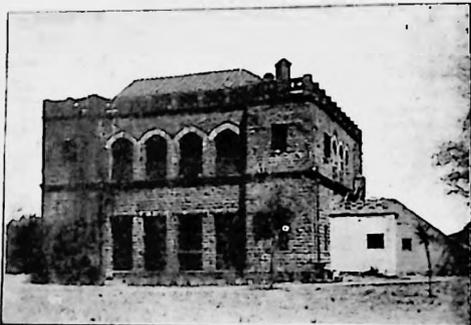
I pray God will richly bless the labors on behalf of the dark parts of the world.—G. T. Fitzgerald, Bunbury, W.A.

We have kept the matter before the minds of the members incessantly.—J. Wiltshire, Wallaroo, S.A.

The brethren here will do their best, and we trust a record collection will be received.—W. T. Smith, Kellevie, Tas.

Everything will be done to try and make the day in Hobart a success.—J. Adams, Sec., Hobart, Tas.

We are trying for a record offering at North Perth. God bless the brethren and in their contributions on July 6.—Albert J. Ingham, North Perth, W.A.



The Mission Bungalow, Orphanage, Damoh, India.

Father and for the world.—E. J. Paternoster, York, S.A.

I shall do my best to assure a good offering.—G. H. Oldfield, Boort, Vic.

I trust a great interest may be manifest and a record offering made.—J. Binney, Preston, Vic.

I should as soon think of preaching a Christless gospel as of engaging in a ministry which did not embrace Foreign Missions. The Christian or church that is not missionary is dead to its own interests here and hereafter.—Geo. Cuttriss, Mallala and Moonta, S.A.



"Worth Saving."

A group of orphans in the Orphanage, Damoh, India. Some of our schools and societies support some of these boys. There are nearly 200 in residence altogether.

"Go ye, therefore, and Teach All Nations."

Go to the Lands afar,
Where the changeless winter reigns—
Night hath her empires there,
The night of deep despair;
Go, bid the morning star
Rise o'er those snowy plains.

Go, love's soft dew to shower
On the far-off southern isles;
Though darkness hath her hour,
Truth is a mightier power;
Go, bid the lily flower
And the rose of Sharon smile.

Go, where its glittering wave
The spreading Ganges pours;
No hidden power to save
Those earth-born waters have;
O, purer streamlets lave
Zion's thrice-hallowed shores.

Go where o'er golden sands
The streams of Afric glide;
Bear to those distant lands
The Saviour's sweet commands;
Firm, firm his purpose stands;
"Lo! I am by thy side!"

Wise is the glorious field,
Throughout the world go forth.
The Spirit's sword to wield,
To bear the Spirit's shield,
Till every nation yield,
And blessings crown the earth

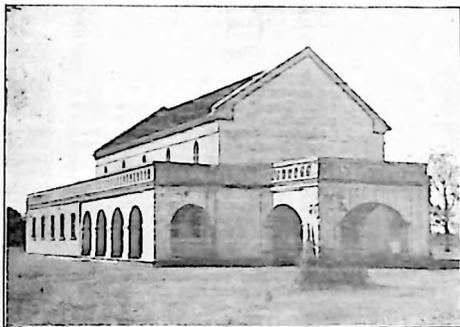
Opportunity.

The old religions of China appear to have received their deathblow. Confucianism seems to have lost its hold on the progressive party, and its teachings are being excluded from the Government schools as in the way of progress. Idolatry is passing with the old regime. The old temples are being used as schools or public halls. These changes do not mean that China is turning to Christ. They do mean, however, that the church now has one of the greatest opportunities of its history. There is tremendous work in this opportunity. Will the empty, swept house of China be reoccupied by the sevenfold evil spirits of atheistic night? That depends upon the attitude of the church toward the mission opportunity now facing it in that great field.

If you want to serve your race, go where no one else will go and do what no one else will do.

Has the Missionary Call come to You?

Candidates lately offering to one of our leading missionary societies, wrote the following answers to the above question. They may well be pondered as representing the prayer and experience of those who are actually giving up themselves to God's service



The Chapel, Damoh, India.

and showing forth his praise in their lives. The writer of the last was living a full, useful life at home, and paying £100 a year for a missionary in the field as her substitute.

1. "There is no need for a call, there is a command."
2. "A need, a need known, and ability to supply that need, constitute a call."
3. "I must not ask, Where am I needed? but, Where am I needed most?"
4. "The question for me to answer is, Why should I not go?"
5. "So many who would go, cannot, that

those who can go, ought."

6. "I seem to see Christ standing dumb among the heathen."

7. "I am not convinced that I am doing my very best for the cause by staying at home."

When they have gone, they say, "We pity you for having to stay at home. For what a glorious privilege it is to be able to offer a heart and will consecrated to God in days when these may count for more in the service of God and man than they ever did before."

The Principal Business

Forget not that your first and principal business as a disciple of Christ is to give the gospel to those who have it not. He who is not a missionary Christian will be a missing Christian when the great day comes of bestowing the rewards of service. Therefore ask yourselves daily what the Lord would have you do in connection with the work of carrying the news of salvation to the perishing millions. If you cannot go in person, inquire diligently what blood mortgage there is upon your property in the interest of Foreign Missions, how much you owe to the heathen because of what you owe to Christ for redeeming you with his precious blood. I warn you that it will go hard with you, when your Lord comes to reckon with you, if he finds your wealth hoarded up in needless accumulations instead of being sacrificially devoted to giving the gospel to the lost.—I. J. Gordon.



Miss M. Thompson and Native Workers at Harda, India.

Mrs. M. J. Shah, wife of our native evangelist, is on Miss Thompson's right, and in front of Mrs. M. J. Shah is Esther, the head mistress of the girls' school, and daughter of Saroba, our Bible woman.

The missionaries have discovered intellectual and spiritual giants among races upon whom we have been accustomed to look with contempt and have made it clear to the world that an Indian, a Chinese, and an African are not by virtue of their birth necessarily inferior in capabilities for intellectual, social, moral, and religious advance.

How can you recognize these two admissions? "I am a Christian," and "I am not interested in missions?"

Have you ever helped to make the life of even one missionary happy?

From the Field—Continued.

MELBOURNE (Swanton-st.).—Since last report we have been cheered by having several additions to our church membership. On Sunday, June 9, we had splendid meetings all day, four being received at our morning service. In the evening, after an address by Bro. Allen of "Christ's Last Invitation," one young man made the good confession. We had good meetings last Sunday, when Bro. Loudon and two sons, who have recently arrived from Glasgow, received the right hand of fellowship. Bro. Loudon gave a very impressive address to the church in the morning, and in the evening gave a very fine gospel address to a large meeting on "The Unavoidable Christ." We had a good Bible School, 57 being in the Heeran Bible Class. Next Sunday we hope to have special services for young men. At the evening meeting several of our young men will visit Bro. Allen in the service.

MILDURA—The Haeger and Clay mission terminated with a great thanksgiving service in the chapel on Monday, June 9. A crowded and hearty service. Six persons confessed Christ during the service. A thankoffering realised £20 10s. On Tuesday evening at a social gathering another made the good confession. The request for a name never can be tabbed, but some figures up to date can be given. 65 confessed Christ, 42 have been received up to June 8 (two take membership at Monday). 7 baptised believers united with us, and 4 were restored, making total accession, 52. 9 others have been baptised into the Christian baptism quite a number of the 14 others who have confessed Christ. In some cases there are difficulties that cannot be overcome. The mission began at Merbin in the tent on Wednesday, June 11, with a fine gathering. We are able to report great things for the Bible School as a result of this mission. 15 scholars confessed Christ, and 21 new scholars were enrolled, bringing the total enrolment to 132. At a special children's service on Sunday afternoon, June 8, 113 scholars were present. We expect large additions to the school on resuming regular services.

CASTLEMEANE—Splendid meetings have been held in the school on Sunday, June 9, and were testified into fellowship. We also had a visitor, Sister H. Dales, Ballarat; and Sisters R. Dyke and Helen, Prahran. Splendid meetings again on Sunday, June 16. This is the best attendance we have had for some time. Bible School morning on. Attendance for last two Sundays, 92. We are hoping soon to reach the centenary. This evening we had the pleasure of listening to W. G. Ward, of the local Baptist Church. His splendid address from Isaiah 44 was very much appreciated. Bro. Marrow had charge of the church anniversary service at the Baptist Church—M. Kirlman, June 15.

COLAC—A fairly attended worship meeting this morning, when Bro. Chandler gave a fine exhortation on "The Positive and Negative Characters," and at the gospel meeting delivered an interesting address on "The Claims of the Church" to a good audience. We are pleased to have Sister Neidson from Kyneton, with us, who has come to reside here for a time. Sister Austin, of Birregurra, has been with us for the last two weeks. Two additions to the Bible School—E. Shekfin, June 15.

WARRAGUL—A young man, George Irwin, aged 16 years, confessed Jesus as his Saviour and was baptised by Bro. Sneyer in the presence of a good audience. Bro. Rankin, of the Bible College, accompanied Bro. Sneyer, and sang "The Good Fight" in the morning, and sang two solos in the evening, when Bro. Sneyer gave another splendid discourse. We held a Sunday School and church social on this evening—R.W.J., June 15.

DANBENBOGG—The Young Men's Club held a successful evening in the Temperance Hall last Wednesday evening. Arrangements are being made for holding a sale of girls in December, to help pay off the debt due on the church building. The sisters are taking the matter up with enthusiasm. A number of the members have contributed

from a penny to sixpence per week for some time past, and by the amount £115 has been paid off already. We want another £185 to clear off the debt. Meetings fairly well attended.—J. Proctor, June 15.

HAWTHORN.—Our services were well attended. Sister Battersley, of Hindmarsh; Sister Marshall, from Adelaide Valley, were with us. Two boys baptised during the service. We had five new scholars at the Bible School. The evening meeting was a large one, and splendid interest manifested. Mrs. Milhouse sang two beautiful hymns. Next Sunday night we will have a men's choir. Bro. Brice has undergone a serious operation—A. C. Rankine.

SHEPPARTON—Good meetings yesterday. At the gospel service Bro. Chipstone took "The Simplicity of the Gospel" as his subject. At the close of the address two (husband and wife) made the good confession. Sister Mrs. Rannick was received into fellowship at the morning meeting, having been immersed during the week.—F. A. Knight, June 16.

HAMPTON.—E. T. Penny, of Cheltenham, has kindly consented to preach the gospel here for a time, and has occupied the platform for the last two Sundays. His addresses are much enjoyed, and the church greatly appreciate his help.—D.E.P., June 16.

BRIGHTON.—Two young girls baptised last week were to-day received into fellowship. Visitors at the morning meeting included Bro. Wilson, from Doncaster; Bro. Perkin, St. Kilda, and Bro. and Sister Genn, from England. A large audience assembled in the evening to welcome P. A. Davey. The latter spoke on "Christ's Activity in Japan," and his address was inspirational in nature, and calculated to intensify the missionary spirit. At the sisters' prayer meeting advantage was taken to bid farewell to Mrs. Ludbrook, who is shortly leaving for England. Mrs. Manifold presided, and there was a large number of visitors. After several felicitous and interesting her a joyous reunion with the folk in the home land, and a safe return, Mrs. Bosworth, on behalf of the sisters, presented Mrs. Ludbrook with several useful articles for her comfort on the journey.—R. P. Clark.

BOX HILL.—On May 5, Sister Johnson fell asleep in Jesus. This is the first loss by death that the church has sustained. Our sister was one of the pioneer members of the North Richmond church. She was also a pioneer member of the Box Hill. She was immersed by Edward Irving in Derby, England, in 1871, being thus a member of 42 years' standing. Our sister was interred in the Box Hill Cemetery, the funeral service being conducted by A. C. Rankine, amidst many sympathising friends. We commend her sorrowing family to the God of comfort, in whom alone there is peace.—W. Rothery.

CARNEGIE—Good meetings all day yesterday. Bro. Wilson spoke at each service. Two received the right hand of fellowship in the morning. Bro. Linnie, and Willie Ward, from Cheltenham. Members are still persevering to finish the building. We are open to borrow £300 on our loan from any of our brethren who would be willing to lend us this amount, and upon what sort of security at least £600. For any particulars, write—A. C. Luke, "Bowbells," Munster Av. Carnegie.

WILLIAMSTOWN.—We have been having good meetings lately. Our Y.P. and J.C.E. Service work. Our luncheon for six months' aggregate work. Our luncheon for a successful social on June 7. The Footscray Juniors being invited, and preparing for a good E.M. offering. We are glad to hear that our Sister Miss Synthe is in contact with good folk. Our evangelist is giving of himself in a most noble way. Steps in the Plan are, and at the close two young women made the good confession.—W.B. June 16.

PRAHRAN.—A number of the children confessed Christ last night. In the afternoon E.M. Ludbrook gave an interesting address, and B. C. Edwards made the presentation of rewards to the kindergarten scholars and cradle roll babies made had a present; 135 in these two departments. Monday evening the school demonstration took place. T. B. Fischer kindly presided. The crowd present was the biggest ever in the history of the church. There were 700 in the building, or trying to get in! Spacious galleries erected were of large enough to hold the school.—P. J. Post, June 16.

NORTH MELBOURNE.—The children's anniversary tea meeting was a splendid success. The entertainment thereafter by a number of visiting friends and local talents was highly interesting. J. W. Parslow gave a splendid lecture on "What Would Jesus Do?" Yesterday's service good. One confession from Bible School at close of an in memoriam address on June 15.

HORSHAM.—A decided improvement in the attendance at the Lord's table during the last three months. Good attendance Sunday week to listen to a chart address on "The Greatest Library in the World." A good number of strangers at the gospel meetings lately. Since last report there has been one addition by faith and baptism. G. M. Moxey takes up the work in this district in the beginning of July.—F. J. Goodwin.

SOUTH YARRA.—Last Lord's day was "roll-call day," and a day of records—record attendance, and a record collection. We were very pleased to have the Conference President, M. McClellan, with us, who presided over the morning meeting. We were also pleased to have C. M. Gordon, and to listen to his words of exhortation; he gave us an intellectual treat. At the roll call 119 responded to their names, and 23 were otherwise accounted for. We had quite a number of visitors, both from the College and sister churches. A good number of the others were happy time. Two of our members were called home during the week—Bro. Robinson on the 6th, and Sister Mrs. Dovey on the 12th inst. Feeling regrets were made concerning these at the morning meeting, the congregation singing "Asleep in Jesus," and E. M. Hall, from Williamsstown, sang properly led in prayer. In the afternoon there was a good attendance. C. Young presiding, M. Noble, E. Rosenburg and C. Heaher gave brief addresses. The latter also favored us with a violin solo, and Miss Luckan sang a solo. A collection was taken up in aid of the Barrowed Day Home. In the evening there was a record offering. E. Rosenburg presiding. C. Young and W. Warfield gave brief addresses, the latter on "The Great Roll-call." Miss Tucker, Hawthorn, favored us with a solo, and the local choir and male quartette rendered good account of themselves. E. Sherar, one of our boys, has entered the Master's college of the Bible to fit himself for the Dorcas service. Sister D. A. Lewis and the other friends, T.M.D., June 16.

TASMANIA E.M. COMMITTEE:

Sec., A. E. Gourlay, Mounah, Hobart.
Treas., H. C. Rodd, 195 Murray-st., Hobart.

Aim for Year, 1910.

WANTED.

The Kadina Church of Christ requires the service of a preacher, married man preferred. For particulars from Jas. H. Thomas, Christchurch, Kadina, S.A.

Girl, refined, Christian, 20, wants employment in warehouse or shop, no machine work.—Ella North Fitzroy P.O.

COMING EVENT.

SUNDAY, JULY 6—The annual Foreign Mission offering will be taken in every church in the Commonwealth. Let every member go to a general meeting of the Lord's people with a generous spirit, a liberal mind and a pure conscience to Jesus, the Lord.

Here and There

July 6—Go or send.

The first Lord's day in July, the great offering day.

One of the converts in the Millidura, Vic., mission is a Hindu, a native of the Punjab.

Special F.M. issue of the "Christian," as usual full of choice pictures, helpful articles and stirring reports.

The address of E. H. Eaton, secretary of the church at Claremont, W.A., is now Victoria Avenue, Claremont.

The treasurer of the W. W. Davey Fund has received from the trustees of the "Margaret Goodie Fund" the sum of £5.

We regret to notice an announcement of the death of Bro. D. Binnyson, of Balakia, S.A. A suitable obituary will do not appear later.

Millidura mission closed with 45 confessions, 7 baptised believers added, and 3 restorations. Of these have already joined themselves with the disciples.

The annual offering toward the funds of the New Zealand Church Extension Board will be taken on July 6. Attention is directed to the special advertisement on page 426.

Secretaries and preaching brethren are kindly reminded to make special announcements concerning the offering at every meeting from now on till the great day, the first Lord's day in July.

We are glad to report the health of Bro. F. G. Goodwin continues to improve. In his latest letter he stated he hoped to speak on behalf of missions at least once at Stirling East before the July offering.

The brethren at Malvern, Vic., have made a forward movement, having purchased a suitable building for a chapel for £200. They are few in number, and will have to borrow most of the money, but the building is a bargain at the price and the prospects are good.

Isolated members can fellowship with the church in the missionary enterprise through their gifts. They are invited to study the names of the officials as given in the "From the Field" page, under each State heading, and to send stamps, postal note, post office order or cheque.

By the last English mail we received intelligence of the death of Sister King, widow of the late David King. She died on Wednesday morning, May 14. David King was for many years the most prominent figure in our English churches, and his widow, just deceased, was an able and active worker for the Lord.

New tents are required for the Victorian mission tent; these will cost 1/4/9 each. The Victorian Churches of Christ Endeavor Union is bringing the matter before the societies, and it is hoped that quite one-fourth of the number required will in this way be provided. Write to W.P.S.C.E. if this is the way to respond, that society having provided the tents.

We have received letters from Bro. Bennill and Sonsting, who write most enthusiastically in regard to the preparations being made for the Brisbane mission to be conducted by S. G. Griffith. A choir of 100 voices has already been formed, and is under the leadership of Bro. Forbes, of Albion, who, besides being a leader of song, is a good soloist and cornet player.

T. H. Mathison informs us that President Zollars intends visiting Australia about the beginning of next year, and that he is open to giving a five days' course of lectures, including a Sunday so important. Biblical themes, to churches that express a desire to avail themselves of the opportunity. He makes no stipulation whatever in regard to remuneration, leaving that with the churches concerned. Further particulars may be obtained from T. H. Mathison, Oamaru, N.Z.

On Wednesday, June 11, Bro. Hagger and City staff had a 24 days' mission in the tent at Merburn, Vic. This is a new settlement about 7 miles from Millidura, where we have a small church meeting regularly. So far there have been large audiences for so small a place.

Agents Please Note.—As usual, we are issuing extra copies of our special number of the "Christian" Federal Foreign Missionary Committee, thank the agents for past favor, and asks that care be taken in distributing, so that if possible every church family may receive a copy.

Christ gave very few detailed instructions for the guidance of his church. He left her policy to be shaped by the Holy Spirit. But one definite injunction he did give, and that his last as the risen Saviour: "Go ye, therefore, and make disciples of all the nations."

Sister S. J. Kingston, of Tasmania, writes:—"I feel I must send along a word of appreciation of our publishing house that has just reached its majority. I have been a reader of the 'Christian' for many years, and have been built up by its religious matter, and will not hesitate in recommending Co. every success in the future. We also read with pleasure the S.S. book, 'Pure Words'."

The Melbourne and suburban churches are asked to kindly arrange to cancel any meeting they purpose holding on July 3, so as to allow all who are unable to attend the great public questions demonstration in the Collins-st. Auditorium on that date. The subjects for the addresses are: Social Purity, F. C. Spurr; The Curse of Strong Drink, W. H. Allen; The Menace of Gambling, F. C. Martin.

Mrs. T. Hollen, of the Mile End church, recently was shocked on the 6th by the news of the death of her husband at the Adelaide Railway Station. He was booking a parcel to a daughter in the country when he suddenly fell and passed away; heart-failure. Much sympathy was expressed when the news was announced on the Lord's day, and special prayer was made for the sister whose health it frail, might be sustained by "the God of all comfort."

The Origin of Life.—In a lecture before the Victoria Institute, Professor G. Sims Woodhead, M.A., M.D., of Cambridge, dealt with "The Origin of Life." He asked what we know of the subject—what we have ascertained along the line of scientific investigations—and he replied: "Very little." Having outlined theories that have been discredited, and indicated the methods of modern research, he declared that even the most agnostic must admit the wonderful order and law that rule throughout the great scheme of Nature. He added:

"So marvellous and complete is it, that when I am informed that there is no personal God, I answer to myself that of this great scheme I have but one experience; and that is, that all the will, the ruling power, the intellect, the soul and spirit of which I have cognizance, are personal; and that if I am to argue from their loss to the greater, I must accept it that there is a great Power above all, ruling, guiding, and regulating; personal, but all-pervading; to whom, in however small a degree, we are allowed to liken ourselves; rebelling against whose laws we are bound to suffer directly or indirectly; but obeying with the freedom of sons, we become more like that from which we come. Lo, these are parts of his ways; but how little a portion is heard of him! But the thunder of his power who can understand?" (Job 26: 14).

The meeting was presided over by the Earl of Halifax, president of the Institute, who said at the conclusion: "I did not understand the subject before I came; and I am not certain that I am in a better position now." In the course of discussion, notably words were spoken by Mr. A. Trevelyan, D.S. Among the questions proposed was one for a definition of life; but in his reply the lecturer drew the line at this. On the other hand, as to the origin of life, he was clear, how ever it came into the world, and however life and matter were associated, there must be a great Cause, a great Ruler, a great Regulator.

The Samaritan Pentateuch.—At the Victoria Institute J. Iverach Munro, M.A., of Canisby, N.B., read a paper on "The Samaritan Pentateuch and Bibliographical Questions Concerned Therewith." As the author of a remarkable book on the same general subject, issued in 1911, Mr. Munro presented the work of an expert, and his essay was equally clear and erudite. The subject is one which, though of profound critical importance, has been somewhat "shunted" by scholars, in consequence of the misdirecting treatment it received, about a century ago, at the hands of the eminent Orientalist, William Gesenius. Mr. Munro, however, has reopened the entire question; and as a result, a new and a convincing argument has been formulated against critical theories that tend to discredit the Books of Moses.

A False Theory Discredited.—In brief, says the *Christian*, the argument is as follows: A study of the distinguishing features of the Samaritan Pentateuch confirms the suggestion that this document dates from the time indicated in a Kings 17: 24-41, when, in response to the appeal of men whom he had sent from Babylon to occupy the cities of Samaria, the King of Assyria sent one of the priests who had been deported from the Northern Kingdom, to dwell among the idolatrous colonists, and to "teach them the manner of the life of the land." Now, as the Jews do not say the plague of lions that infested the region, it, as the fact demonstrates, this was so, and the Samaritans had their recession of the Pentateuch in the seventh century B.C., the theory which makes the Hebrew Pentateuch (of which the Samaritan is an accumulated version) to have come into being several centuries later, is untenable.

Remember the first Lord's day in July.

IN MEMORIAM.

BAGLEY.—In fond and loving memory of our precious mother, who passed away June 23, 1909. We call it death, the veiled and gloomy gateway into a lovelier, brighter, sweeter, fairer sphere; We speak of life cut short; 'tis the beginning. The life of greater, larger interests than here. With precious tears we would have stayed her entrance.

But her going out, for faith is dim;
Defaced and hands in love have blossomed earth's flowers,
That our beloved one might be free to dwell with Him.

—Inserted by her loving family.

COPELAND.—In sad and loving remembrance of our dear wife and mother, who fell asleep in Jesus on June 20, 1912, at 142 Victoria Avenue, Albert Park. Sadly missed.
—Inserted by her loving husband and daughter.

CRISP.—In loving memory of our dear Will, who departed this life for a better at Trafalgar, Gippsland, June 12, 1902.

With our love we would have stayed his entrance,
Defaced his going out, for faith is dim;
That our beloved one might be free to dwell with Him.

—Mother and father.

STRAIDER.—In loving memory of our dear dad, who passed away on June 21, 1912.

A life made beautiful by loving deeds,
A generous heart for others' needs,
A presence making sunshine where he trod,
Glad with the happy now resting with God.
—Inserted by his loving daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Harold, Geelong, Vic.

STRAIDER.—In fond and loving memory of my dear husband and our dear father, who was peacefully called, June 21, 1912.

Thou made beautiful by love divine,
Thou in the likeness of thy Lord shall shine,
And He shall bring that golden crown of thorns,
Good night, Beloved, Good night.

Work Among the Chinese.

To those who would gladly devote their whole life to Foreign Mission work abroad, but are prevented by circumstances, it is a great privilege to be able to give a portion of their time to the foreigner at their door. Every night, at the Chinese Mission School, Queensberry-st., may be seen a number of such who are foreign missionaries in the truest sense, and who devote their time, money and labor to this work without fee or reward, except that of a joy which comes from labor for God.

To many it is doubtless a matter of surprise that Christians can and do keep on, year after year, at this work of teaching the Chinese. To an outside observer it appears dreary and tedious. But it is not so to the teachers. On the contrary, their love for the work and pleasure in it grow stronger as time goes by. The scholars are deeply grateful to them. This is proved whenever they have an opportunity to show it. The teachers are encouraged by the appreciation shown them. Then there is pleasure in observing the opening and expanding of the mind as the light of divine truth breaks in upon it; and when the darkness is gone and the light has fully entered, who can measure the joy of the teacher's soul when the scholar comes forward to make the good confession? It is true, but a small percentage of the scholars are brought to this noble climax; but then so it is in all Foreign Mission work, and Home Mission work, too, for that matter.

Speaking personally, I find real joy in the office I have the honor to hold. For many years I have been in touch with the work in Melbourne, and have had close dealings with the Chinese. I have ever found them to be thoroughly human, deeply respectful, abounding in gratitude for any kindness done them, sensitive, highly intelligent, and quick to learn. Our Bro. Sam. Wong is one of the best fruits of our mission. It was my privilege to give him some of his earliest lessons in the art of public speaking. I mention him in particular because he is soon taking his leave of us and going back to China, where, doubtless, his Christian light will shine, and God be glorified in him. Thus it will in all probability come to pass that the living shoot here raised from the seed, when transplanted in its native soil will grow into a mighty tree, to bear fruit to God's glory.—J. Pittman.

Our Chinese Evangelist.

There is a good mission established here at Sydney, and a great work to be done. At present we have a good staff of teachers, yet there is still room for more. Lately one was baptised on making the good confession, and others are inquiring how they can become Christians. Bro. Wong paid us a very welcome visit recently. His exhortation helped us very much. I am sorry we will lose his help and good counsel in Australia, as he will be leaving this shore to return to China, where we trust he will es-

tablish a strong church, and will be a great help to the brethren who so often visit the home land, as well as win others to the Christ who is our Saviour.—W. Jame, Chinese Evangelist.



CONCERNING THE OFFERING.

OUR AIM FOR 1913-14

New South Wales	£1120
Victoria	£1250
South Australia	£1350
Tasmania	£70
Queensland	£250
Western Australia	£250
Total	£3390



Bro. Jame and Son,
Our Chinese Evangelist in Australia.

Work in Perth, W.A.

The annual social gathering of the Chinese Mission in Perth was held last month. Peter Geen, the leading scholar in the mission, who had just returned from China, gave an interesting address on his visit to that great land, telling of the thousands who were anxious to hear the gospel message.

New Chinese Evangelist.

It has just been decided to engage an additional evangelist for the Chinese work in Australia, in the person of Bro. A. John Sing. For some time past it has been felt that Bro. W. Jame could not possibly do justice to all the Chinese work in Australia, hence an engagement has been offered to and accepted by Bro. Sing. The new evangelist will be stationed at Sydney and begin his work there on Sunday, June 29, thus relieving Bro. W. Jame, who will arrive in Melbourne on June 26, and work in connection with the mission in Queensberry-st.

Having now two Chinese evangelists, the Committee hopes to be able to arrange for visits to other States later on, to assist the missions there. Bro. Sing is well and favorably known to the Sydney Chinese, as he has at various times assisted the mission in Sydney, preaching for them for about 18 months. He is a man of good appearance, and good address, and having had some training, he is thought to be highly fitted for the work.

We are sure all will rejoice at this step forward, and pray God to bless the newly appointed evangelist.

A Jotting.

I am very glad to hear that Bro. John Sing is taking up the work in Sydney in place of Bro. Jame, who will thus be enabled to help our work in Melbourne.—Samuel Wong.

World Challenges.

1. A new China. What will it be?
2. An enlightened Japan. Whose light?
3. An educated India. What kind of education?
4. A reformed Turkey. Reformation or regeneration?
5. A civilised Africa. Mohammedan or Christian?

"Let it be said at once, and as emphatically as possible, that mere 'interest' is not worth keeping up, and the owner it does of starvation, the better, both for the churches at home and the missionaries abroad. It is not interest, but passion, the passion that comes from deep living and high thinking, that the church needs."—Bernard Luce.

In the Realm of the Bible School.

MOSES SAVED FROM DEATH.

Sunday School Lesson for July 6,
Exodus 1: 8-14—22: 10.

A. R. Main, M.A.



ANY, many years of bitter bondage for the children of Israel intervened between the events of last lesson and those of this. Jacob and Joseph died. Another king arose which knew not Joseph (Ex. 1: 8). The general view is that the dynasty of Hyksos, or Shepherd Kings, an Asiatic dynasty, which held sway when Joseph came to Egypt, was expelled, and its place taken by a native dynasty. Rameses II., one of the most famous kings of this new order, is generally held to have been the Pharaoh of the oppression. From occupying an honored position, the Israelites were reduced to a nation of slaves. The oppression is recorded in Exodus 1, and culminated in the cruel order that all the male children of the Hebrews should at birth be thrown into the Nile.

"The uses of adversity."

Hazlitt declares that while prosperity is a great teacher, adversity is a greater. We can see the purpose of God being fulfilled in the midst of the Hebrews' affliction. The gains have been summarised thus:—

1. The oppression kept the Hebrews separate from the Egyptians, preventing intermarriages, and preserving them from degrading contact with idolatry. 2. Their oppression united them into one nation, binding them together in common sorrows, dangers, hopes, and plans. 3. It tended to wean them from the desire for idols, those gods of their enemies, and lead them to the one God who alone could help them in their sore need. 4. In working for the Egyptians they were compelled to use Egyptian arts and appliances, to study the great national works and the noble architecture on which they were employed, and to become acquainted with weaving, the working of metals, the homes, and the literature which was written upon bricks. Professor Price says it was an industrial training school in the foremost civilisation of that day. 5. The oppression weaned them from Egypt, so that they were ready to leave when the time came which God had appointed. Otherwise they might have become so pleasantly settled in business, so encumbered with property, that, as many years later in Babylon, they would not be willing to enter upon the hard and dangerous enterprise of journeying to Canaan.

The lesson is an important one. The church's persecution has often resulted in great good. So it was in apostolic days (Acts 8). Little as we may be able at the time to appreciate it, it is doubtless so with our trials. "God's hand is in all things," says the *Sunday School Times*. Some one oppresses you, deals with you unjustly. God permits it, and this means that a good, a blessing,

shall come out of the suffering. It may be a good for you. What you are called to endure is designed to make you better, richer in life and character, gentler-spirited, more patient.

The child Moses saved.

An old Jewish proverb has it that "when the tale of bricks is doubled, then comes Moses." Our lesson tells us of the way in which God overruled the cruelty of Pharaoh. The story has been familiar to us from childhood. It is beautiful and interesting enough to hold our attention still. We think of the mingled joy and terror of Amram's home. How full of anxiety must the three months have been! The way in which the mother received back her own child to nurse, with payment for the nursing, is delightful, as also is the manner in which the princess is made the instrument of the thwarting of her father's cruel designs. We may



Bro. and Sister Pittman's Bungalow,
Daltonganj, India.

wonder as to the extent of the knowledge of Pharaoh's daughter. Probably most will think that she saw through the plot, while yet she disembled.

We do not know how long Moses stayed in his mother's home. Opinions are widely divergent. It may easily have been for years. Quite probably it was long enough for Moses to learn of the true God and of the way in which he had revealed himself to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, and of the promises he had made to them and their seed. We know of the importance of the early lessons. We may be tempted to think of Moses' education as beginning when he went to Pharaoh's court; but the mother's instruction came first and most profoundly influenced his life.

The early life of Moses.

Exodus tells us practically nothing of Moses' youth and early manhood. Its record is that Jochebed "took the child and nursed it, and the child grew, and she brought him unto Pharaoh's daughter, and he became her son." From the address of Stephen in Acts 7 we learn some important things. First, we are told that it was nearly forty years before the break with the Egyptian court came. Also, we read that "Moses was in-

structed in all the wisdom of the Egyptians." We might have inferred that from the fact that he was treated as the son of Pharaoh's daughter. Egypt then gave great opportunities. It had two great universities, at Heliopolis and Hermopolis, and Moses is said to have studied in the former, which was situated about twenty miles north of Memphis. It was the Oxford of Ancient Egypt, as Alexandria was in later times. Herodotus went thither to gather information for his travels, and Plato studied there for thirteen years. "Such schools opened into lecture rooms for the students, and quiet houses for the professors and priests, in their many grades and offices; there being room for all in the corridors of the huge pile." A splendid library would be at his disposal. The library of the Ramesseum at Thebes—a structure built by Rameses II.—contained 20,000 books.

Eldersheim tells of the ordinary course of study: "In no country was such value attached to education, nor was it begun so early as in Egypt. At the age of three a child was sent to school, and instructed by scribes. This writing was not by letters, but by hieroglyphics, which might be either pictorial representations, or symbols (a sceptre for a king, etc.) or a kind of phonetic signs, and as there seem to have been hieroglyphics for single letters, for syllables, and for words, that art alone must, from its complication, have taken almost a lifetime to master perfectly. But beyond this, education was carried to a very great length, and, in the case of those destined for the higher professions, embraced not only the various sciences, as mathematics, astronomy, chemistry, medicine, etc., but theology, philosophy, and a knowledge of the laws. There can be no doubt that, as the adopted son of the princess, Moses would receive the highest training."

Another thing recorded in Acts 7 is that Moses "was mighty in his words and works." Were we to take this with reference to the later life of Moses, we could not only well agree but see the things which Stephen had in mind. For, by common consent, Moses was one of the very greatest men in the world's history. The babe who was saved was providentially guarded for a mighty work. W. E. Gladstone said of him: "We have in the historic Moses a great and powerful genius, an organising and constructing mind. Moses belongs to the great class of nation-makers; to a class of men who have a place by themselves in the history of politics, and who are among the rarest and highest of the phenomena of our race." But it would seem that Stephen was referring to the life of Moses before he reached the age of forty. There is a tradition that Moses became a soldier. "According to Josephus (upon what foundation we do not know), the Ethiopians made an incursion into Egypt, and routed the army which was sent to resist them. Panic spread over the country, and Pharaoh trembled at the approach of the swartly savages. The oracles, well aware of his remarkable abilities, advised that the command should be intrusted to Moses. He immediately took the field, and by a rapid though roundabout march surprised the enemy, defeated them with heavy slaughter, drove them back into their own territories, and followed them up no more, capturing one city after another, that they could no longer till they reached the swampland city of Mevoe."

Greetings and Gratitude.

The Federal Executive Committee greet the brotherhood on the eve of another annual offering, and desire to express their gratitude to the churches for their splendid co-operation in the past and for the earnest missionary spirit everywhere manifested.

The churches have been wonderfully blessed during the past year because they have faithfully responded to the emphatic command of the Master, whose "Go ye" has never been countermanded, and will not be fulfilled until the last sin-sick soul has heard the gospel sound.

The Committee looks with confidence to the churches for a continuance of their support and asks every member of every church to assist in making July 6, 1913, a day of record offerings for the world-wide work.

Yours for the glory of God and the salvation of the heathen.

F. M. Ludbrook, President of Fed. Ex.
R. Lyall, Treasurer of Fed. Ex.
T. B. Fischer, Secretary of Fed. Ex.

Sermon Outline.

Subject: "The Crowning Glory."

Text, "But far be it for me to glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ."—Galatians 6: 14.

Introduction.—World-wide evangelism is the crowning glory of the Church.

1. Evangelism is the crowning glory for it is the crowning command.

- (a) It is last.
- (b) It is highest.
- (c) It is final.
- (d) It is perpetual.
- (e) It is inexorable.

2. Being the crowning command, then, it will ever be the crowning mission of the church.

3. Evangelism is, moreover, the crowning need of the world.

4. Evangelism was the crowning glory of the apostolic church. And as it was the crowning glory of the church of that age, so it is the crowning glory of the church of this age.

5. But evangelism is the crowning glory because, and supremely because, through it is Jesus revealed as the "Lamb of God that taketh away the sins of the world." Paul knew and taught two things—a world of sin and a mighty Saviour for it. He had but one purpose—to get the two together.

Conclusion.—And because evangelism is the God-ordered method by which Christ is to be made known and brought near to men as Saviour, it is, and ever shall be, the crowning glory of the church of the living God.

Do you hesitate to become a missionary because the people are degraded? Remember, your forefathers were savages in Europe.



Ramn.

Won from Hinduism to Christ. Baptised by Bro. Watson at Diksal, on Feb. 27, 1913.

Facts from India that Appeal.

- 27,000,000 orphans in India.
- 391,000 child-widows in India.
- 6,000,000 child wives in India.
- 500,000 blind persons in India.
- 277,000,000 illiterates in India.
- 203,000,000 non-Christians in India.



Coolie Woman, Baramati District, India.

Your Eyes my care.



OPTICIAN: **W. Aird** 314 Collins St. Melbourne. Equitable Reg. 15 years' experience in A. Is thoroughly up-to-date and reliable.

"WOODLANDS," 127 NORTH QUA, BRISBANE. Overlooking the River.

FIRST-CLASS PRIVATE BOARD AND RESIDENCE MOD. APPLIANCES.

THE TEACHER'S BIBLE

A LIBRARY IN ITSELF.

Post Free, 8/-. Austral Publishing Co.

Home Missions Directory.

AUSTRALIA (FEDERAL EXECUTIVE):
A. C. Rankine, 59 Manningtree-road, Hawthorn, Victoria.

QUEENSLAND:
F. A. Bignall, Kobe-st., Albion, Brisbane.

NEW SOUTH WALES:
H. G. Payne, Pretoria Parade, Hornsby, N.S.W.

VICTORIA:
T. W. Smith, "L'Alhago," 720 Rathdown-st., North Carlton.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA:
D. A. Ewers, Mile End, Adelaide.

WEST AUSTRALIA:
R. W. Ewers, c/o Post & Co., 46 St. George's Terrace, Perth.

- *TASMANIA:
- NEW ZEALAND:**
- *Auckland District:
- *Middle District:
- *Southern District:

*Names and addresses of secretaries wanted.

NEW ZEALAND CHURCH EXTENSION BOARD

Annual Collection July 6th next.

New Zealand Members are reminded of the Annual Offering to the Funds of the Board, to be taken up on the above date. Obtain a special envelope from your Church Secretary, and contribute liberally. Our church is being helped as the result of last year's collection, and others want help.

Isolated Members may forward contributions direct to the Secretary of the Board,
BOX 500, G.P.O. WELLINGTON.

ASTIGMATISM.



Look at the above with each eye separately. All the lines are equal. If they appear to you of unequal blackness you should at once consult

Ernest J. Dight,
"THE BLOCK OPTICAL PARLORS"

Room 2, 1st Floor,
THE BLOCK.

100 ELIZABETH STREET,
(Take Lift)

Bibles & Testaments

- NEW TESTAMENT, profusely illustrated, Neatly bound, size 3 1/2 x 4 1/4 in. post free 1/6
 BIBLE, Text only, Yapped, size, 3 1/2 x 5 in. post free 2/6
 BIBLE, References, illustrated, Yapped, size 4 x 6 in. post free 4/-
 BIBLE, References, Yapped, thumb index, size, 4 x 5 in. post free 4/6
 THE WORKER'S BIBLE (with helps), Yapped, size, 4 x 5 1/2 in. post free 4/0
 Do. do., with thumb index, post free 5/9
 THE TEACHERS' BIBLE, A library in itself, post free 8/-
 THE SCOFIELD REFERENCE BIBLE, with a new system of connected topical references to all the greater themes of Scripture, etc. etc. A helpful book for preachers and workers. Well bound, size 5 1/2 x 8 in. post free 22/-
 AUSTRAL PUBLISHING CO., 528, 530 Elizabeth st., Melbourne.

Pages: 400 Central "Ye Oldersfeet" Terms on Application
TEA AND LIGHT LUNCHEON ROOMS
 are now available for Dinners, Soles, Weddings, Ladies' Afternoons, and Presentation Nights, &c.
 Morning Tea. MISS BICHILL. Afternoon Tea. Progress.
475 COLLINS STREET, CITY.

THE DEAF HEAR
 WILSON'S COMMON SENSE EAR DRUMS
 are now available for Dinners, Soles, Weddings, Ladies' Afternoons, and Presentation Nights, &c.
 Morning Tea. MISS BICHILL. Afternoon Tea. Progress.
475 COLLINS STREET, CITY.

EMPIRE COCOA
 THE WORLD'S BEST
 Sold in 1/2 lb. and 1 lb. tins. Thousands in use throughout the world. Write to Star Kandy Co., 157 Arlington Chambers, 157 COLLINS ST., MELBOURNE

Books to Give Your Friends.

- The One Volume Commentary. Edited by J. R. Dummelow, M.A. For its size, this is the best and most useful Commentary published. 1100 pages and maps. Price, 9/-; post free, 10/-
Crestlands: The Great Centennial Story.
 It is full of the spirit of the times that produced the Campbells and other pioneers. Beautifully bound and handsomely illustrated. Post free, 4/3.
Errett's Evenings with the Bible. Three Volumes. Post free, 13/-
The Church of Christ, by a Layman Post Free, 4/-
Rotherham's Studies in the Psalms. Post free, 10/11.
Bolenge: A Story of the Congo. Post free, 3/-
Jubilee History of the Churches of Christ in Australasia. Profusely illustrated and handsomely bound 7/6. Carriage additional.
McGarvey's Commentary on Acts. New Edition. Post free, 6/6
The Teacher's Bible. A library in itself. Post free, 8/-
"The Australian Christian for 1913. Would make a splendid present to friends likely to be interested in our movement. Post free to the year, 7/-
 Send for full Catalogue to
THE AUSTRAL PUBLISHING CO.
 528, 530 Elizabeth st., Melbourne.

Established 1884. Phone Cent. 6743
F. McCLEAN
 FURRIER
 (Wholesale and Retail).
126 Lygon St., Carlton, Melbourne, VICTORIA.

Splendid Collection English, American and Australian Furs. Furs trimmed, SKINS TANNED, DYED, and made to PURCHASING FASHIONS. White Furs cream. Sizes height. Furs of a Trial Selected.

BIBLES! BIBLES! BIBLES!
Hyde's Bible Hall and Book Depot
 79 RUNDLE STREET, ADELAIDE
 (Next to Hackett's).
 Change of OWNERSHIP and MANAGERMENT (from Jan. 1, 1913). BIBLES: Teachers', Oxford, Revised, Pulpit, Family, Scofield; also British and Foreign Bible Society Books. Hymn Books: Psalms and Hymns, Sankey's. Prizes. Sunday School requisites on liberal terms. Books of Devotion, Tracts, Cards, "Church of Christ" Books, the Poets, and all healthy Literature.
HYDE'S BIBLE HALL.
 Director and Book-Seller, Manager, Pastor Erby Smith. Mr. C. E. Bowker.

C. K. MILNE,
 Builder, Estate and Fire Insurance Agent.
 Plans and Specifications prepared and Estimates submitted town or country. Reliable valuations made.
Gibbon Street, Goulburn.

BOARD AND RESIDENCE.

HEALESVILLE.
 Come to "Denholme Farm" for a nice holiday. Splendid scenery, fern gullies, mountain air, good table, bath and piano.—Mrs. Chaffer.
 Terms, 25/- per week. Trains met when advised.
TUNSTALL.
 Harcourt Cottage, Springsvale rd. Milk, Cream. Bath. 25/- week.—Mrs. Bignill.

PAHRAIN.
 "Lyndon House," 6 Murray st., Pahrain. Furnished rooms to let; meals optional. Every convenience. Healthy locality. Close to Chapel st. train and tram.

KATOOMBA, BLUE MOUNTAINS, N.S.W.
 Superior accommodation at Glenfruin, Cascade st. Splendid view; also near sights.—Misses Tewkesbury. Terms, 25/ to 30/ per week.

KATOOMBA, BLUE MOUNTAINS, N.S.W.
 When requiring a change of air, it can be had by going to Mrs. Griffiths, Mount Logan, Katoomba st., Katoomba, N.S.W. Terms moderate.

ORDER your next suit from
A. J. HARRIS,
 Practical Tailor,
 290 CHAPEL ST., PRAHRAN.
 PERFECT FIT. Suits from 6/-
 On Receipt of a Post Card, Customers can be waited on by orders.
 LADIES' TAILORING a specialty. A Trial Satisfactory.

JAS. MANNING
 Licensed Valuator, Land Broker,
 Estate Agent and Sharebroker,
HAS REMOVED
 To National Mutual Buildings,
 King William St., Adelaide.

The Australian Christian.
 PUBLISHED WEEKLY AT
 528-530 Elizabeth St., Melbourne.
 Editor & Manager, F. G. DUNN.

All communications should be addressed to the AUSTRAL PUBLISHING CO., 528, 530 Elizabeth st., Melbourne.
 All Cheques, Money Orders, etc. should be made payable to F. G. DUNN.
TERMS.—In Australian Commonwealth, Two Copies or more to one address, or Single Subscription posted Fortnightly, 6/-. In New Zealand, Four Copies or more to one address, or Single Subscriber posted Monthly, or Two Subscribers posted Weekly, 6/-. Single Copy posted Weekly to any part of the world, 7/-.

TERMS FOR ADVERTISEMENTS.
 Births, Deaths, Marriages, and In Memoriam Notices: 3/-
 Coming Events: 16 words, 6d., and 6d. for every additional twelve words and under.
 Other Advertisements (not displayed): 24 words, 1/-, and 6d. for every additional twelve words and under.
 Special Quotations for Advertisements for a term.

The Society of Christian Endeavor.

UNITED PRAYER.

June 22 to 28.

Daily Readings.

The golden promise. Matt. 18: 18-20.

The upper room. Acts 1: 12-14.

The hour of prayer. Acts 3: 1-8; 16: 12-14.

The place was shaken. Acts 4: 23-31.

Prayer in the early Church. Acts 6: 4-7; 13: 1-3.

A Church on its knees. Acts 12: 1-5.

Topic—Prayer: United. James 5: 14-20.

Dwell on the privilege of fellowship in prayer.

Point out some faults that kill Prayer Meetings.

Show how timidity may be overcome.

Church of Christ, Hampton.

Meets in the Hampton Hall, Hampton-st., just through railway gates. Morning at 11; evening at 7; Sunday School at 3 p.m. Brethren visiting the district will be most cordially welcome.—J. H. Tinkler, Secretary.

Phone Central 8187.

Leslie B. de Beer, L.D.S.

Champion's Buildings,

DENTIST.

48 Swanton St., Melbourne.



Calvary's Praises

COMPLETE EDITION

Limp Cover, 1/-; posted, 1/3

Cloth Cover, 1/6; posted, 1/9

Austral Publishing Co.,
338 510 Elizabeth St
Melbourne.

A. L. CRICHTON,

Caterer and Pastrycook

Country Orders Packed. Tabling, Marquees and Requisites on Hire.

Masonic Hall, Collins St., City
And 135 Raccoourse Rd., Kensington



GREEN & CO.,

F.S.O. & Doctor of Optics.

Ophthalmic Opticians.

Registered by the Qld. Government

as Opticians & Eye Specialists

N.B.—By appointment A. J. Green himself may be consulted on all cases of defective eye-sights, ocular headaches, tired and sore eyes, &c., at his private residence, Maribah st., Alton, Brisbane.

H. L. PANG & BROTHER

Furniture Manufacturers.

Public Supplied Direct.

Linoleums, Carpets, and Furnishings of Every Description.

New Show Rooms—

857 Exhibition Street, Melbourne
Tel. 239.

SOUTH BRITISH

Insurance Company Limited.

Accident, FIRE, MARINE, Burglary,
Plate Glass, WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION.

Scotch British Buildings, North Melbourne Agents
19-25 Queen St LYALL & BOM

Gas Fires

For full particulars write or phone.

Phone: 8163 (Six Lines).

THE METROPOLITAN GAS COMPANY,
Melbourne.

Books, Stationery and Fancy Goods.

New Books & Magazines
By Mail Steamer Every Week.

Mechanics' Institutes
and Libraries supplied
at Lowest Rates. . . .

School and College Books &
Stationery.

Bibles and Hymn Books.

M. L. Hutchinson,

GLASGOW BOOK WAREHOUSE,

305-307 Little Collins St., Melbourne.

PHONE CENTRAL 6038

R. & A. E. Barnes, L.D.S.,

DENTISTS.

17, 19 Brunswick St.,
Fitzroy.

High St.,
Kynston.

Yield WARMTH at will and they are easily adaptable to climatic conditions
With a GAS FIRE there is no Dirt, Dust or Smoke, and it saves Time and Labor for the busy housewife or domestic.

College of the Bible,

Glen Iris,

Melbourne.



Particulars in regard to the College Course will be furnished on application to the Principal, A. R. MAIN, College of the Bible, Glen Iris, Melbourne.

Treasurer—W. C. CRAIGIE, Little Collins Street, Melbourne.
Secretary—CHAS. HARRIE, Hensletta Street, Hawthorn, Victoria
Organising Secretary—C. M. GORDON.

TEACHING STAFF.

Principal—A. R. MAIN, F. A.
C. M. GORDON
and Assistant Teachers.

FEDERAL CONFERENCE OFFICERS.

President—F. G. Dunn,
Vice Pres.—A. E. Hingworth,
Treasurer—W. C. Craigie,
Secretary—A. C. Rankine,
Asst. Secretary—R. Ennis,
H. Jongsbury, W. H. Allen,
J. Pittman, A. Mills, R. Lyall,
C. Hardie.

BOARD OF MANAGEMENT OF THE COLLEGE.

F. G. Dunn, W. C. Craigie,
C. Hardie, R. Lyall,
A. Mills, F. M. Ludbrook,
R. C. Edwards.

STATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES:

South Australia:
J. R. Thomas, D. A. Howard,
I. A. Paternoster,
S. G. Griffith, W. C. Brooker,
G. T. Walden.

New South Wales:
T. Bagley, T. H. Rufe,
L. Rossell, G. Stimson,
J. Stimson.

West Australia:
H. J. Banks, W. B. Blakemore

Queensland:
T. F. Stubbin, L. Gale.

Tasmania:
W. H. C. JARVIS.

NEW ZEALAND ADVISORY BOARD:

H. G. Harward, R. Gebbie,
J. I. Scott, S. H. Mudge,
C. F. McDonald, J. Routledge,
and J. Inglis Wright.

BOSISTO'S "PARROT BRAND" Eucalyptus Oil.



THE AUSTRALIAN REMEDY
For Rheumatism, Coughs, Colds,
Sore Throats, Bronchitis, and
All Catarrhal Conditions.



DOSE FOR AN ADULT: Three drops on sugar several times a day.
For a Child, one drop. To hasten recovery, the vapor of the Oil should
be inhaled by means of a handkerchief.

As an Embrocation the Oil should be rubbed into the skin by brisk
movements of the hand until a warm glow is set up.

CAUTION.— Beware of inferior Oils,
which may do harm rather than good.

Ask for Bosisto's "Parrot Brand."

LADIES! — the
Pauline
 RELIABLE
Paper Patterns
 They make
HOMÉ DRESSMAKING ALWAYS A SUCCESS
 Agents in all Centres.
 Manufacturers—
J. & M. INVERARITY, 105 Smith St., Fitzroy.

Scott's
 Brown & Scott's
Stores
 401, 403 Brunswick Street, Fitzroy
 for
 Winter Family Drapery, Boys' and Men's Clothing, etc. May we expect a visit from YOU? Serge and Tuxed 5/6 Suits to Order, 15/-.

ALF. NIGHTINGALE,
WURSBYMAN, EMERALD P.O.
 All Kinds of Fruit Trees. Grown on Best Stock. Clean and Healthy. Reasonable Prices.

JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA.
 Church of Christ meets every Lord's day at Masonic Hall, Ford Street, Jeppe.
 Breathing of Bread, 11 a.m.
 Secretary's Address:
 Wm. Wilson, P.O. Box 5184, Johannesburg.

Joseph Allison Telephone 724
 Telephone 234
 Agent.
Furnishing Undertaker and Embalmer . . .
168-9 ERROL STREET, NORTH MELBOURNE.
 Branch:
 11 East Alexander Road, Moonee Ponds.
 Funerals supplied to any part of the Town or Country.

For Used Honest Value go to
P. B. McMASTER.
Watchmaker and Jeweller.
ERROL ST., NORTH MELBOURNE.
 Only First-class Work done.
 Orders by Post Promptly and Carefully Attended to.

A. Millis & Sons,
Fruit Commission Agents,
 5, 6 & 7 Western Market, Melbourne.
ACCOUNT SALES EVERY WEDNESDAY.

For Indigestion, Dyspepsia
 the New Medicines. **AN ABSOLUTE CURE**
 Depot—O. J. LAWSON, Chemist.

And all **LIVER** ——— **"3401,"**
 ——— **TROUBLES** take
 In every case. Posted to any State for 2/6.
120, GERTRUDE STREET, FITZROY, VICTORIA.

THE UNITED INSURANCE CO. LTD.
 Fire, Marine and Accident
 Australian Institution. All Funds Invested in the Orange-wealth. Rates Accepted at Lowest Rates.
 Victoria Branch: **51 QUEEN STREET, MELBOURNE.**
 Theo. Lockwood, Resident Secretary.

LYALL & SON,
 Exporters of
PRUSSIAN HAY, CHAFF and COLONIAL PRODUCE.
CHAFF, HAY, GRAIN and PRODUCE MERCHANTS.
 Country Orders carefully attended to.
 Special Attention Given to Seed Grains.
 Head Office and Mills:
39 to 51 Lavison St., North Melbourne.
 Branch Office:
1 and 3 Victoria Market, Melb.

For ... **FIRST-CLASS Tailoring**
 Go to ...
W.C. Craigie & Co.
 263
Little Collins St., East, MELBOURNE.
 (Doors from Bourke Street.)

MR. LUDBROOK,
DENTIST,
HAS REMOVED
 to
HIGH'S BUILDINGS,
223 Collins St. (next Swanston St. Corner)
 Opposite Stewart Dawson's.
107 TOWN HUNDRED, "CITY HOTEL"
 Vols. Ltd.

FOUNDED 1858 **INCORPORATED 1907.**
No Really Destitute Boy Refused.
Burwood Boys' Home **A Home for Neglected, Orphan and Fatherless Boys**
 Contributions can be sent to the Treasurer, Members of the Committee, or F. G. Dunn, Austral Co. Reference can be made to the Committee and officers, and also to M. W. Green, G. B. Moseley, D. A. Ewers, G. T. Walden. Of all the work in which Christians can engage, this is the most encouraging and reproductive. You sow to-day, and to-morrow you reap the harvest. Readers everywhere are asked to assist the great work of saving the boys.
OFFICE-BEARERS:
PRESIDENT: Mr. R. Campbell Edwards.
VICE-PRESIDENTS: Mr. W. C. Craigie, Mr. D. A. Lewis.
HON. TREASURER: Mr. G. A. Green, McKillop-st., Melbourne.
HON. MINUTE SECRETARY: Mr. W. H. Sinclair.
HON. AUDITOR: Mr. F. G. Hoole, P.C.P.A.
HON. PHYSICIAN: Dr. Chas. Stewart, Canterbury.
HON. CHEMIST: Mr. Loughnan, Surrey Hills.
HON. DENTIST: Mr. F. M. Ludbrook, Collins-st.
HON. VETERINARY: Mr. Wm. Hunter, Camberwell-rd.
HON. OPTICIAN: Mr. W. J. Aird, 125 Collins-st.
COMMITTEE: Rev. Alfred Jones, Messrs. G. H. Doery, C. Quittenton, G. A. Green, W. H. Sinclair, W. Carr, Messdames R. C. Edwards, F. M. Sinclair, W. Carr, S. A. Edwards, W. Hunter.
SUPERINTENDENT: Mr. W. H. Dunstan.
ORGANISING SECRETARY: Mr. A. Stewart.
CITY OFFICE, 484 BOURKE STREET, MELBOURNE.