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John X. 10.

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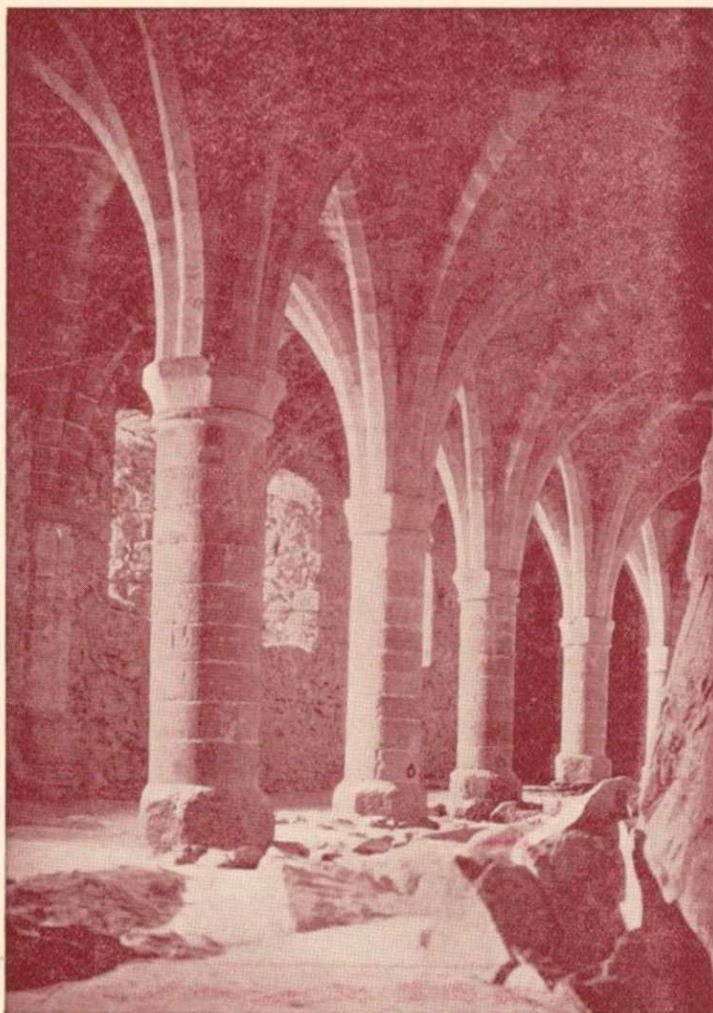
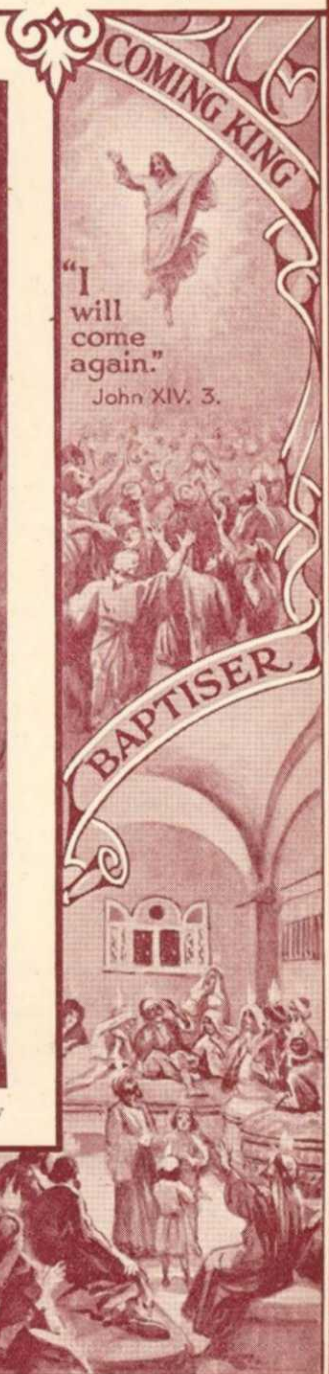


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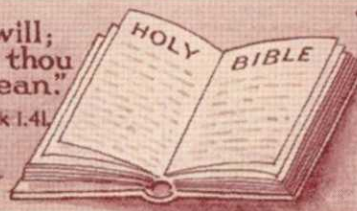
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"I will come again."
John XIV. 3.

BAPTISER

"I will; be thou clean."
Mark I. 41.



"I will send Him (the Comforter) unto you."
John XVI. 7.

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BATTERSEA. March 29 at 6.30 p.m. Elim Hall, Plough Road. Visit of London Crusader Choir.

CANNING TOWN. Feb. 18 at 7.30. Elim Hall, Bethell Avenue. Baptismal service conducted by Evangelist Gowan Bishop.

CANNING TOWN. March 8 at 6.30 p.m. Elim Hall, Bethell Avenue. Visit of London Crusader Choir.

HALSTEAD. Feb. 15—March 18. Town Hall. Campaign by Pastor and Mrs. Charles Kingston.

KENSINGTON, London. Every Sunday at 3 and 6.30 in the Kensington Town Hall. Pastor P. N. Corry (Dean of Elim Bible College).

LURGAN. Commencing Feb. 1. Elim Hall, Carnegie Street. Campaign by Pastor W. H. McWhinnie.

READING. Commencing Feb. 15. Palmer Hall, West Street. Campaign by Pastor F. A. Farlow.

This space is reserved for local announcements

FOR VISITORS TO LONDON.

CHEAP RAILWAY TICKETS.—Cheap tickets will be issued from all stations in England, Scotland, and Wales and certain ports in Ireland and the Channel Isles. Those requiring cheap tickets should write to the Convention Secretary for a voucher, which will enable them to purchase return ticket for single fare and a third, available for outward and return journeys any days between April 1st and 13th inclusive.

VISITORS FROM ABROAD.—Cheap tickets from certain ports on the Continent. Write to the Convention Secretary for particulars.

ACCOMMODATION.—Accommodation will be available at Elim Woodlands, but no bookings will be made until next month.

DAY VISITORS TO LONDON.—Eight or more travelling together from one station, and returning the same day, may obtain return tickets at a single fare for the double journey.

IMPORTANT.—Enclose stamped addressed envelope with your enquiry, and write to the CONVENTION SECRETARY, 20, CLARENCE ROAD, CLAPHAM PARK, LONDON, S.W.4.

EASTER CONVENTIONS.

Easter Conventions will be held at LONDON, BIRMINGHAM, CARDIFF, GLASGOW, and BELFAST. Further particulars later.

Can we Know when Jesus is Coming?

By Pastor JESSE LEES (*Elm Tabernacle, Croydon*)

Now learn a parable of the fig tree When his branch is yet tender, and putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer is nigh—Matthew xxiv 32

SOME have unwisely tried to fix the day and hour. Our Lord Jesus has not given this information, but He has told us that by certain evidences and signs we may discern the approach of the day.

A study of the

DISPENSATIONAL TEACHING

of the Bible gives us the knowledge that the next great event dispensationally is the epoch which will be ushered in by the coming of the Lord Jesus.

Let us first deal with an objection to this teaching. There are some who say that there are certain signs or phenomenal happenings which must take place before Jesus comes. Such usually get lost in tracking down the signs of Matthew xxiv. In an endeavour to clear the minds of earnest seekers, let me remind you of an important fact respecting our Lord's discourse in Matthew xxiv. The signs there are not connected with one particular happening, but three—note verse 3.

1 Tell us, when shall these things be? (the destruction of the Temple, verse 1)

2 And what shall be the sign of Thy coming?

3 And of the end of the world?

Included in the answer to these three questions are signs which can only appear after the Lord Jesus has come for those who are redeemed by His blood.

I pass on quickly to mention two classes who are not "looking for the blessed Hope."

There are those who turn from the subject with the simple remark, "I am not interested in prophecy." To such let me say there were thousands who missed Jesus at His first coming because they were not interested in prophecy. Had they been interested they would have known that He must

COME TO BETHLEHEM

(Micah v 2) But no, they were too much entangled in human affairs, and the varied forms of human culture. Thirty-three years and more pass, and then the zeal of the disciples who were baptised with the Holy Ghost, inspired afresh after meeting their Lord, made an impression upon Jerusalem's thousands, and commenced to capture them for Christ, and to preach His coming again. "Not interested in prophecy"—between vagueness and indifference men are lost.

Many have been fascinated by Advent truths until they have heard a discouraging voice. This is the work of the Devil to get our eyes off Jesus, and from the comforting thoughts of His Advent. "Where is the promise of His coming?"—the voice of the scoffer is heard above the many conflicting voices of the day. "He cannot be coming," says this sceptical voice, "for this promise has been talked of for nearly 2,000 years, and He has not yet come." As I think of the unsteadiness of human beliefs, I repair with joy to Old Testament prophecy, and in those mighty Oracles my heart cries, Hallelujah! In Eden I

hear the promise of the Redeemer given, Abraham saw the day of Christ, and was glad (John viii 56). Faithful ones had kept the promise of the Messiah before the people, it is true, for God will never be left without His witness, and yet as now several thousands of years have sped past, the cry is raised on every hand, "Where is the God of Eden's promise?" Thank God we know—having promised, He gave. The Babe in the manger was the first part of the fulfilment and the earnest of the rest. Glory to His Name. When He came the first time, He Himself assured us that He will come again. His promise, sworn upon the fact of the first fulfilment, is enough.

"Now learn a parable of the fig tree." Such an exhortation brings to us a quickened expectancy and immeasurable confidence. The disciples were without doubt fascinated by the parable. They knew that there was

ONLY ONE MEANING

—the fig tree was the emblem of the Jewish nation. There was no need for them to say as they did on another occasion, "Lord, declare unto us the parable." The Master had used this metaphor in teaching them before (Luke xiii 6-9).

Listen again—"When his branch is yet tender, and putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer is nigh. So likewise ye, when ye shall see all these things, know that He (R V) is near, even at the doors." (Matt xxiv 32, 33)

In order that we may see the great importance of the sign, let us briefly see the overruling hand of God in the dispersion of His people. When Jesus spoke they were as a nation weak, because of their waywardness, and were about to bring upon themselves a further spasm of suffering, because of their rejection of their Saviour and King. But throughout the thousands of years of folly with the concomitant penalty, there was a comforting hope even for the Jews—the voice of God had spoken, saying, "I will remember My covenant." Will you read at your leisure Deut xxviii? Please note God's word to the whole of Israel. It is epitomised in verse 1, and conditional blessings are promised in the context by Jehovah—"If thou shalt hearken diligently to the voice of the Lord thy God to observe and to do... but it shall come to pass if thou wilt not hearken [verse 15] thou shalt be smitten [verse 25] and the Lord shall scatter thee among all people, from the one end of the earth even unto the other [verse 64]."

Then there is an important quotation from Leviticus xxvi 45. "But I will for their sakes remember the covenant of their ancestors."

THE DISOBEDIENCE AND SCATTERING

is universally recognised as fulfilled in history. There was the period up to the days when our Lord was upon earth, which was followed by further troubles

throughout our dispensation, following the awful havoc by the Roman army in Jerusalem in A D 70. Historians tell us that the slaughter was so great that the streets flowed with blood, and were strewn with the bodies of the slain. Since then the history of the Jews has been one long record of scattering, with massacre upon massacre—

(A D 1096) A holy war began in the attempted massacre of all the Jews in Europe who would not submit to baptism.

(A D 1190) Tragic happenings in York Castle, in which the chief Rabbi and 500 or more Jews were besieged and slain, or burnt with the castle.

(A D 1272) The King of England claimed that he owned the Jews and their possessions. He confiscated great wealth, and drove 16,000 Jews from the country. Further banishments and slaughter followed in various European countries.

Let us however dwell upon the wondrous truth that God will not forget His covenant. Our blessed Lord foresaw the day when life would be manifested in the Jewish nation (given in the parable of the re-sprouting fig tree).

To-day we perceive the greatest awakening in the history of the Jews. Firstly, there is, praise God, a mighty spiritual awakening. Until the last few decades it was well-nigh impossible to hear a favourable word from them about Jesus. Now we are living in the glorious age when they are finding that Jesus is the Saviour of the Jews. According to

JEWISH STATISTICS

some 40,000 at least have accepted Christ in Hungary alone since the Great War. Vienna has the record of 20,000 converts. Further, a Jewish writer, by name Joseph Poyzner, the author of *The Realm of the Messiah*, says, "Christianity, which was to serve as a unifying force, became the instrument of separation. We are now to witness the reverse. That which separated us hitherto will unite us, and serve as a bridge. *The recognition of Christ by us is yet to form the greatest chapter of our glorious history*"

Do we not rejoice with our Jewish brethren in their new-found light and joys?

Again the awakening is being indisputably seen in the great trek to Palestine, to which the Jews are returning. The eyes of the world have beheld the efforts in the past few years to open up the land. During and since the war there has been a greater stirring among the Jews than during the previous 2,000 years. What is the significance of this to us? Certainly it is that Jesus is even now at the door.

Are you saved by the blood of the Lamb? Your opportunity may close at any moment. Yet thank God, the way is even now open for you.

Christian, Jesus is coming, the blessed Hope is about to be realised—"summer is nigh."

The need of the hour is that we unitedly work with Jesus to rescue the perishing. There is much theological controversy raging around us, much indifference, much vagueness of testimony where there ought to be plainness in declaring the evangel of Jesus, but amidst all this, we, empowered by the Holy Ghost, can broadcast the message which humanity needs—Salvation through the crucified Jesus, our coming Lord and King.

? Question and Answer ?

Question: What, in your opinion, should be the Christian's attitude toward the latest craze game, "Midget Golf"?
—W E T

Answer: The attitude of a Christian toward this craze should be governed by the question of example and influence. In the game itself there may be no actual sin or wrong, but—and this is where we must be guided—for a Christian to be carried away by the latest craze is certainly no good example of steadfastness in Christ. We are told to "love not the world, neither the things that are in the world" (I John II 15) and to be carried away by such a craze would evidently be loving the things of the world. Then again, what about its influence? The Midget Golf courses will be thronged with people who are worldly, and mixing with them can bring no blessing to the spiritually minded person. In our opinion the attitude of a Christian toward this new craze should be one of isolated indifference.

Revival Fires in Ulster

From Pastor JOSEPH SMITH (*Divisional Superintendent*)

THE FOURSQUARE REVIVAL IN ULSTER IS SPREADING ALL AROUND AND NUMBERS ARE BEING CONVERTED IN THE VARIOUS REVIVAL CENTRES. PRINCIPAL GEORGE JEFFREYS IS AT THE CITY HALL, ARMAGH, WHICH IS PACKED TO CAPACITY, AND REMARKABLE REVIVAL SCENES ARE WITNESSED. THE QUIET CITY IS STIRRED BY THE POWER OF GOD AND THE NEWS OF SO MANY CONVERSIONS AND HEALINGS TAKING PLACE IS SPREADING LIKE WILDFIRE. THE WORD OF GOD IS ASSUREDLY PROVING ITSELF TO BE SHARPER THAN ANY TWO-EDGED SWORD AND IS ACCOMPLISHING ITS OWN GLORIOUS WORK WITH GRAND RESULTS. THE LIVING WATERS ARE RUNNING DEEP AND THE COMMUNITY IS PASSING THROUGH A CONVICTING AND HEART-SEARCHING TIME. ONE REALISES THE POWER OF GOD OUTSIDE THE MEETINGS ALSO. PERSONS CONVICTED IN THEIR HOMES ARE SENDING FOR THE MINISTERS TO LEAD THEM TO THEIR SAVIOUR. THE MELTING POWER OF THE CROSS MAKES SINNERS WEEP OPENLY, WHILE BELIEVERS WEEP FOR JOY. APPEALS FOR REVIVAL MEETINGS POUR IN. PRAY ON.

More Revival on the Congo

Notes from the Journal of Pastor CYRIL E. TAYLOR, of Ngoi-Mani

OUR hearts are full of praise and thanks to God for His goodness to us all in raising us up again from a severe trial and time of sickness. Our little girl Patricia got so thin and weak, that we felt that she was going to be taken from us. But no, our wondrous Jehovah-Ropheca again shewed us that His ear is not heavy that it cannot hear, nor His hand shortened that it cannot save" (Isaiah 1:2)

Sister Turpin has come from Kisanga to work with us. Pray that her ministry may abide in the power and demonstration of the Spirit. She has started meetings in Luamba. Pray that God may save many, and bless the children's work there.

I left recently for a visitation of the outstations in the Kabongo territory. At Mulolo there are

THIRTY-FIVE COMING REGULARLY

to the assembly. From here we passed on to Kazadi, where two souls returned to the Lord at the meeting we held. One confessed to having worshipped an idol. His wife had been sick for a long while, and he had consented to this wickedness to propitiate the spirits.

At Kakanga we had a happy meeting with most of the villagers. We felt the power of God gripping the people, though the *mfumu* (witch-doctor) seemed amused, and grinned several times. He is steeped in witchcraft, and his hut was full of *majende* (charms and idols). He had a lot of funny little doll-like idols, already carved, and ready for making into charms.

As we were leaving the village we met a man with numerous charms and medicines tied on to his gun. He had been out in search of game and had got nothing. We asked him whether his idols had been sleeping, and how was it that all his charms had availed him nothing. Round his waist he had tied on a number of skins and duiker horns stuffed up with native hunting medicines. He was ashamed at our question, and ran away to hide behind a tree. We passed on through the beautiful Lungu plains and swamps to Kateba. Here we had

A GOOD MEETING

at evening. The headman of the village bought a New Testament and a reading primer. He told us history of past days, when the Arab raiders would come and carry off their people, and others would demand them to sell their children, the price being a gun for a male child, and two guns for a female.

Here there are large numbers of palms and they seem to exist largely on palm nuts, palm wine and meat. They cannot garden much owing to the numbers of buffalo, antelope, and wild pig that come along at night and demolish the corn and other produce. But they extract salt from the bulrushes.

The next day we set off for Kisula. The path led us through the Lungu plains and then a stretch of forest. We came up with a party of native women with baskets, who were going out to dig up wild potatoes. They sat down by the side of the path,

and we were able to give them a Gospel message to which they listened very intently.

At the village of Mpela we gathered the people together for a meeting, at the close of which ten came forward to the front thus signifying their acceptance of the message. Praise God.

At Kisula we renewed our acquaintance with Petelo and others and had a good meeting. Petelo is now chief, and seldom misses a meeting. He is still a very young man, about sixteen years old. Those about him would influence him for evil, and incline him into ways of wickedness and cruelty. He has only one wife at present, but his unbelieving counsellors are seeking hard to persuade him to have the usual chief's harem. Pray for this boy chief that he may be faithful and true all his days, and

OBEY GOD RATHER THAN MAN.

Our next stopping place was Kabanga, where we visited another old friend of ours—a very old man, now blind, and his hair quite white. He had been terribly frightened a few nights previously by the *bumungu* (a big kind of hyæna that comes at night to the villages, and carries off goats, and anything else that it can seize upon). This old man was in his hut sleeping, when he was aroused by hearing these animals trying to break in his door. He shouted out for help, though at most he could only raise a feeble cry. Fortunately his son heard, and came and drove off the fierce brutes just in time.

In the morning we had a baptismal service in the first suitable stream. This one village has sent out five men who are now proclaiming the Gospel, but the first teacher that we sent to teach them from Ngoi-Mani, one Samwete, has backslidden. Pray that God will make him dissatisfied with everything, and with himself, until he has returned to God.

Accompanied by nearly a score of happy youngsters we cycled along the path for eight miles, and then reached Kikombe, where we had a happy meeting for nearly an hour. We passed a number of women and girls getting fish from the mud where the river has receded. They work



CHIEF MWENGA.

round in a circle and block up the channels with reeds and mud, and then throw the pounded leaves of a mildly poisonous shrub upon the water. This stupefies the fish and they come up to the surface, and are killed with the fishing spears.

At Kanshisa we saw many old friends, and at the meeting a young man confessed Christ. From here we passed on to Kayambe, where the whole village came

along to the meeting, at the end of which seven souls professed to believe. Then we proceeded to Kioni, and here the headman welcomed us with the present of a goat. This is a great delight to the carriers, who jump about with the prospect of

FRESH MEAT FOR SUPPER.

We visited the dowager chief, Mwenga (see picture), and as we sat by the fireside he told us some old Luban histories of past days. This man has charge of the famous old *noma* (special drum, used only for proclaiming the new chief). This drum is said to have been made of human skin, and it is forbidden to shew it. The prospective new chief has to pay down a native gun before they will have the drum beaten to proclaim his elevation to the chieftaincy.

The witch-doctor is said to have the control of the spirit that inhabited the previous chiefs, their forefathers. And before this man will call up this spirit on behalf of the prospective new chief, the latter has to put down two native guns and a *mutwe* (a native slave girl). This spirit is believed by the people to have the power of inflicting instantaneous death at sight, and thus is greatly feared. Approach to this spirit was until quite recently attained through the mediumship of a miserable-looking, little, shrunken old woman. Sometimes in the middle of the night this evil power would come upon her, and she would rush about in a state of frenzy and demon possession, and perhaps run to another village, seven miles away, without any fear of wild beasts, to call a native sorcerer. We spent the day visiting around the different parts of the village,



A recent convert at Kashesle

and praying with the sick. Just before the meeting was about to begin we heard some singing in the distance that came nearer and nearer. In this district everything is quickly put into song with some old tune and well-known chorus. These were singing, "We are of the crime, of the crime, of the crime," and so on. They were a company of forty men all roped together with bark cord. Their crime was that they could not pay their

HUT-TAX MONEY.

and were now being marched off by the runners to prison for two months. There are many resistances, and many sleep out in the forest to avoid arrest.

In the morning we had a big meeting up at Mwenga's village, and quite a crowd of young folks came along from Makwidji to greet us. What a joy it is to labour among those who give us such a welcome. Chief Twite Mudjlo asked us to come and pray for his wife who was sick. The evangelist Petelo had told me that this chief some time back was possessed by an evil spirit that used to come upon him, when he would rush about all over the villages. But he has been coming to the meetings of late, and has shewn interest in the Gospel. Pray for him. Petelo and Hezona and myself went along to pray in the hut with his wife. It was pouring

with rain. We sat around the fire, and just as we were starting to pray for his wife, suddenly the Chief Twite Mudjlo became filled with demon power, nearly kicking one of the men out of the hut. He was saying a lot of terrible things under the power of this lying spirit. When he had stopped we asked him if he wished to be delivered from this demon power, and the poor fellow was just delighted. So we laid hands upon him in the Name of the Lord, claiming full and complete deliverance for him. How wonderful is the all-prevailing Name of our precious Jesus.

The whole constitution of these native chieftaincies is built on the doctrine of demons and sorceries. This is backed up by the

SPIRITIST MEDIUMS

who when enquired of concerning the mysterious death of some person, have no compunction in saying that this spirit has been displeased with them, and has been responsible for their removal. When one sees some of these poor, simple old folks it is not difficult to understand how readily they can be imposed upon by these rogues.

Pray that the glorious Gospel light may shine into their poor hearts, and help them to "acquaint themselves with Him, and be at peace." After we had finished making arrangements for the cooking of the carriers' food, we had a good meeting with a company of naked children who had followed us around, not a bit timid or afraid.

We went up to Chief Mwenga's and had a good meeting at which ten believed. We left Makwidji, after praying with another sick woman. Thank God for these requests to pray with the sick. They do indeed signify a breaking up of old beliefs. This particular man said when he came along, "Bwana, I have been three times to the witch-doctor and paid him to enquire for me concerning my wife's sickness, and she is no better. Now I want you to come and pray for her." What a joy it was to respond to such a request. This poor man who had tried in vain the broken cisterns now comes to be prayed with in the Name of Jesus, the Great Physician, who

BORE EVERY SICKNESS.

As we passed on to Kaseba the sun was just burning down and scorching us terribly. The natives often feel the effects of the sun on these very hot days, and speak of aching bodies and limbs. Our carrier, Petelo, is growing in grace. It is delightful to see his cheery face. He is always so ready and willing to help one over some evil-smelling swamp.

Mr. Burton told me that in the early days he could not get his men to go with him to Twite Munza at all. They said, "Bwana, if you take us there they will eat us." In those days it was a struggle to get them over the Luvidye at all, and it has only been by slow degrees that their fear has been broken down, and that we have teachers and believers in what was then a cannibal area, and is probably still such in some places. But whereas once these practices were carried on openly now it is in secret. There are some funeral ceremonies for important personages which are still accompanied with a human sacrifice. But we praise and thank God for the measure of

change that the Word of His precious Gospel has brought about. At Kaseba eight confessed their faith in baptism. Among them was the chief of the village, a fine, sturdy, outspoken youth with a very strong voice. We had an opportunity of questioning those who were about to be baptised and of giving them a word of exhortation by the side of the stream where they were baptised. Later we marked out the site for the little chapel and

TEACHER'S HOUSE.

After a time of prayer asking the Lord to put His seal of blessing upon the building from the start, we passed on with those who had been baptised. No one with a love for young folks could avoid being attracted to these young Luban people—bright, merry little children, who come running along by the side of the bicycle, glad to see you, and giving a warm welcome. There is undoubtedly a very great opportunity to reach these youngsters before they are initiated into the heathen customs, witchcraft, and sorceries of their parents. After a boy has partaken of native medicine and been taught witchcraft, he loses his sweetness, and gets a scared and hunted look. This is a great contrast to some of those whose hearts the Lord has touched, whose little countenances just shine with their new-found joy and happiness, as they sing the hymns they have learnt to love. At Luamba quite a small boy of only nine years of age was coming to the meetings, when *bambudye* secret society people got hold of him and took him by force to a place in the forest, where they compelled him to go through the initiation ceremony. Then they told him that now he was a *budye*, and must stay away from all the mission meetings. What a long time it was before the little fellow got straight again, but praise God, he has managed it, and told us all about it one day in the meeting.

We next reached Mpasu. On our arrival those who had stood up for salvation on a previous trip came up to greet us. We had not been able to send them a teacher, and they had been struggling to learn to read as best they could, with the help that visiting teachers and others had given them. One had nearly learnt to read the Gospel primer and was glad to shew us how far he had got with it. They

PLEASED AGAIN FOR A TEACHER

The witch-doctor here listened intently to the message at the meeting, but we had to tell him that the words of God were many, and that we could not nearly tell him all in one day. But we bid him accept and believe what he had heard, to start praying and to seek God with all his heart.

At Mateshu it rained again in the afternoon. Here we found ourselves up against violent Roman Catholic opposition with a vengeance. Their teacher was half drunk with palm wine, and determined to stop us having a meeting at all. He kept on blowing an antelope horn. As we started our meeting they continued to try and shout us down with incantations and songs. However, in God's goodness another messenger arrived from the local state official with a band of tax-defaulters. This messenger was a senior state servant, and soon put matters straight for us, so that we were able to have a fine meeting,

at the close of which three souls came up to confess their acceptance of the faith. The next day three believed at the village of Kahasa. After another meeting at Kimbi we set off for the river for a baptismal service. Here we felt the Lord's presence very near as we sat down by the side of that stream, seven men confessing their faith in baptism.

From here we passed to Songe, and found our evangelist Elijah and his company of believers. In the middle of the meeting suddenly all those on one side jumped up and ran. A snake had found its way in. At Kimbi they called us out to pray with a man who had been bitten by a snake. In the morning the next day we rejoiced to see him walking around by his hut. At Ngole we had a good meeting, at which four stood out for salvation. What a change here. The headman is the man who seven years ago shewed us the path to Kansumba when no one else would. There was continual strife between two near villages, and they would not assist any passing strangers. Now we praise God for the change that has come and a

GOODLY NUMBER OF YOUNG MEN

coming to the meetings. From Ngole we passed to Dando, where they were building their chapel with Mosesa.

At Kakanga the mosquitoes had been so bad that the people had built their houses about five feet from the ground, and were sleeping on raised platforms with a fire burning beneath.

We were so anxious to get some fresh meat to bring home with us for my wife and children as sometimes we do not see any for four weeks. God graciously answered prayer and on the last day out from home we got a fine antelope. Willing helpers were able to get nearly all the meat carried into our station by nine o'clock the next morning. How glad my wife was to see it, and get some fresh broth and gravy for our little ones. Surely "His goodness faileth never."

We took a short rest by the stream at the bottom of the big Mbu hill homeward, then a word of prayer and thanksgiving with Yamboca and some young folks who had come along with us for about six miles, then, once again at home, we praised God for having provided for us, and for having blessed so abundantly all the journey.

CYRIL TAYLOR

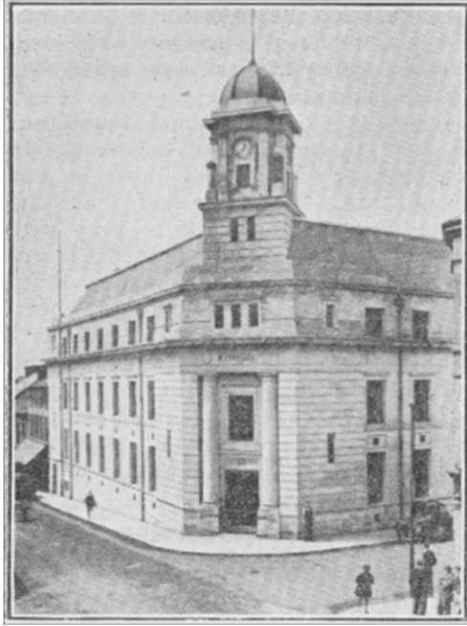
Work Waiting for Us

Remember that people are often more ready to talk with strangers about religion than with those whom they know.

Remember that the Holy Spirit is all the while convicting people of sin, the Providence of God is continually softening hearts, and preparing the way for some one to drop in the good seed of the Gospel.

Remember also that thousands of people have never once, in all their life, had the way of salvation made plain to them, and then in a firm but loving way urge them to settle the question, and settle it now.

REVIVAL PARTY AT BALLYMENA



The Town Hall, Ballymena

where Principal George Jeffreys and Party held meetings immediately after the Belfast Campaign

Our readers are asked to pray for the Foursquare revival fire that is burning in Ulster. The Principal and Party have moved on to the City Hall, Armagh. Since the Ulster Hall meetings in Belfast, eight other campaigns have been conducted by other ministers of the Elim Alliance in different centres, and souls have been saved and bodies healed as the fire has been spreading. The following is a brief report of the Ballymena meetings, written by Mr W H Jack, who was converted as a lad under the canvas roof of the tent in the early days—JOSEPH SMITH (Divisional Superintendent)

MUCH blessing rested on the short campaign just concluded in the Ballymena Town Hall. Night after night crowds gathered to hear Principal George Jeffreys administering the old-time Gospel.

Although the campaign was destined to last only seven days, souls were saved, bodies healed, and God's children richly blessed and revived. A deep interest was also created amongst the people of the town, and long-standing prejudice was broken down.

As the Principal stepped on to the platform many hearts throbbed with joy, as thoughts went back some fourteen years to the time when he, assisted by his five gallant pioneers, first entered the town and held a revival campaign. In the audience could be seen many smiling faces of those who under that canvas roof had accepted Christ, and were still rejoicing in the glorious Foursquare Gospel.

The closing meeting, which concluded with a communion service, will not soon be forgotten by those present. The singing of psalms was a special feature, and the atmosphere was charged with the power of God.

Down with Division

IN I Corinthians xii, as in other parts of the New Testament, the Church is referred to as the Body of Christ. This does not mean the Church organisation, but those in the Church who belong to Christ. The figure implies that our Lord works through us in bringing relief and salvation to a lost world. He uses our voice to speak words of warning and comfort, He uses our feet to run upon errands of mercy, He uses our hands to lift the burdens of them that are oppressed. The several terms or figures of speech by which the New Testament indicates the functions that must be performed by

GOD'S SAVED PEOPLE

in the world, such as the *Church*, the *Bride of Christ*, the *Body of Christ*, each present some peculiar phase of the subject. This figure of the Body of Christ happily illustrates our working with others, in that all parts of the human body not only co-operate, but co-ordinate with each other, and very often the same member of one's physical

body will form several offices, even to the extent of vicariously relieving some other member of the body.

The apostle implies that we may legitimately covet this or that place of honour and usefulness in the body of Christ, but that our spiritual gifts and the nature of our usefulness are determined somewhat by Divine appointment. All cannot be the head or the hand or the eye; all cannot have this or that

GIFT OR OFFICE

as it may appeal to his fancy, but he must fill the place that becomes his by natural endowment or by the appointment of Providence. The apostle gives us further valuable suggestion at this point in the 12th chapter of Romans where he implies that we should find our office or our place, and that we should be diligent to fill that place well.

It is not immodest nor carnally ambitious for us when we find what we are good for in the Church of Christ, to undertake by prayer and

education and practice and self-development to try to rank second to none in our qualifications. As we are labourers together with God, we are under Him labourers with one another, and we should try to excel at three points in our personal fitness for our place, in the securing of harmony between ourselves and others in the kingdom of Christ and in active co-operation with others to accomplish a definite end for the glory of God.

YIELDING TO THE SPIRIT.

We are risen with Christ in the thought and purpose of God, but we must open our natures wide to the Spirit of the Resurrection, the Holy Ghost, that He may conform us to the ideal Easter-life.

The exceeding greatness of God's power that wrought in Christ, when He raised Him from the dead to His own right hand, is waiting to do as much for us, but we must yield to it. It will enter and transform our spirits, then permeate our souls, and finally, when the Lord shall come, it will reach and vitiate our bodies, which will rise in the likeness of the risen Lord—transformed from corruption to incorruption, from mortality to immortal youth—Dr F B Meyer

FAMILY ALTAR



The Scripture Union Daily Portions Meditations by PERCY G PARKER

Sunday, February 22nd Luke xi 1-13
 "Trouble me not" (verse 7)

This is language frequently upon our lips. Some trouble us with what should not be troubles, and the language of our heart, if not the language of our lips, is, "Trouble me not." Many times however we evade being troubled when there is no excuse for evasion. There are troubles that should immediately command our sympathetic attention. It is easy to insist upon living in a little, selfish world of our own. We close our eyes, and stop our ears to the crying needs around us. But while man says, "Trouble me not," God delights in hearing about them. We may bring all our troubles to the Saviour. We may cast all our care upon Him. He does not tell us to be quiet. He does not pooh-pooh our needs. Every trouble is tenderly dealt with. Frequently, however, we ourselves are the cause of our own troubles. Then our heavenly Father has to deal with us in discipline, until we cease to bring trouble on ourselves. The greatest trouble is that we trouble God about petty matters that should not trouble us, and do not trouble about matters that should cause us grave concern.

Monday, February 23rd. Luke xi 14-26

"The last state of that man is worse than the first" (verse 26)

That demons seek to inhabit human bodies is made very clear by this passage. That they can be expelled from the human body is also clear. And finally it is vividly clear that the only safe method of dispossession is possession. If we would be freed from demon-control then we must be full of Christ-control. Christ must drive out evil spirits, and He must keep them out also. How important that we should be filled with Christ! How important that Christ should control every room and corridor of our being! "Christ in me," is not only the hope of future glory, it is the secret of daily victory. One great way to get victory over a foe is to recognise the existence of the foe. Let us recognise that demon powers can excessively harass us if we are in a backslidden state, then we shall take great care to maintain our constant obedience to the Lord.

Tuesday, Feb 24th Luke xi 29-44

"Take heed, therefore, that the light which is in thee be not darkness" (verse 35)

It is a tragic thing when we believe ourselves to be right, and yet all the time are wrong. Enthusiasm for any special cause does not prove the righteousness of that cause. It is possible to be enthusiastic—wildly enthusiastic—over a plan which is erroneous. That we should all be fired with a great ambition is right. The happiest life is the life

that is full of purpose to achieve some great ambition. Lives robbed of ambition are robbed of much that makes life worth living. But how careful we should be that the strength of our life is put behind a purpose which is right! When Paul cried out, "For to me to live is Christ," he was putting all his emotion, enthusiasm, and effort into a programme which will ultimately conquer. Live for Christ, and the light which is in you is indeed light. Live for any other purpose or person, and the supposed light in you is really darkness.

Wednesday, Feb. 25th Luke xi 45-54

"Them that were entering in ye hindered" (verse 52)

Lawyers were supposed to be leaders into truth. Instead they had been perverting their duties. They had closed doors instead of opening them. Positions of responsibility can be used to help or hinder. If you have a key position be sure you help. If you are a minister see to it that you do not open the door into modernism and shut the door into heaven. If you are a day-school teacher guard against leading the children into head knowledge alone. Head knowledge without the heart knowledge of Christ leads into pride and eternal loss. Let your influential position be used for the glory of God. Enter into God's best yourself, and then tactfully and prayerfully lead those you superintend into the same position.

Thursday, Feb 26th, Luke xii 1-15

"The Holy Ghost shall teach you in the same hour what ye ought to say" (verse 12)

Into what a wonderful position of rest this brings us. We are usually anxious about what we shall say when we come before important persons. We are anxious not to make mistakes. A great deal may depend on our words. Words make the difference between release and imprisonment—between holding an important situation or losing it—between a successful business transaction and no transaction—between leading another to Christ, or driving him away from Him. How important that our words shall be wisely chosen! This passage teaches us that in the time of crisis we may speak God's words. Only believe. Don't worry about your words. Cast the burden on Him.

Friday, Feb 27th Luke xii 16-34

"But God said 'Thou fool'" (ver 20)

God's declaration must ever overrule every other. Let us learn rightly to balance the words of man against the words of God. "Thou fool," says the worldly man to the young Christian. "Thou fool," says the unsaved husband to his praying wife. "Thou fool," says

the tricky business man to the conscientious assistant. When we hear such statements let us remember that in reality it is God who confronts the worldly man, the unsaved husband, the underpaid business man, and says to each one of them, "Thou fool." Let us so live that no matter what abusive words are applied to us by man, God will say, "Thou art wise."

Saturday, Feb 28th. Luke xii 35-48

"My Lord delayeth His coming" (verse 45)

No one who truly appreciates Calvary need fear the coming of the Lord. A true appreciation of the Cross of Christ will so fill us with love to Him that whether He comes or not we shall remain faithful. Again, even if our Lord delayeth His coming, there may be no delay to our going. At any moment we may be called away into the Lord's presence. At any moment, through accident or disease, we may be hurried into His presence. Our lives should be lived in constant readiness to meet our Lord.

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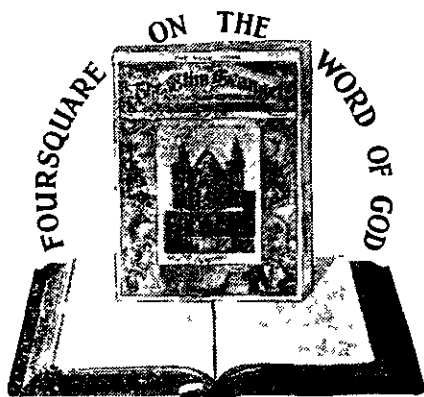
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EDITORIAL

Appreciation.

YET another testimony comes to hand of the blessing conveyed through the pages of the *Elim Evangel*. A Methodist local preacher writes

I work at Birmingham, nine miles from my home. One night, when walking to catch my train home I found a book lying by the side of the road. It was lying there for a purpose. I wanted something to read in the train and had intended buying an evening paper, but God directed my eyes to this book. I found it to be a copy of the "Elim Evangel," one of God's silent witnesses. It spoke volumes to me. I read it in the train quite delighted with its contents, for it directed my thoughts God-ward, and I saw that useful information could be obtained from it for preachers as well as the strengthening of believers. So I write and enclose subscription."

Just a chance happening? Never! Just the filling of a great need in a human heart hungering for God. How many copies, dear reader, do you pass on?

Hold On.

DISCOURAGEMENTS quickly arise. The Sunday school class is so small, the teacher wonders whether it is worth while taking so much time to pray over and prepare the lesson. The pastor sometimes finds his people so indifferent in attending the meetings that his earnestness is threatened. The tract-distributor gets so many rebuffs and sees so little fruit that he wonders whether to continue or not. But here is a story to encourage. The Rev. Edward Last gives it in a series of articles on

How the Churches grew in the Older Days."

The story of the Telugu Mission in India is a thrilling one. The Canadian Baptist Missionary Society had only one station right away by itself, and it was called the Lone Star Mission.

The missionary who laboured there found himself alone, and it was resolved by the Mission Board, instead of giving him a helper, to close down the station. Boldly and bluntly the missionary told the Board that he would carry on alone, if only to leave his bones there as a witness for Christ. Impressed by his impassioned earnestness, the Board resolved to make one more attempt, and a helper was sent. Before long there was experienced a marvellous time of conviction, conversion and confession, 2,222 converts being baptised in one day—"probably," said the late Dr. A. T. Pierson, "the largest number baptised at one time since the day of Pentecost." There cannot be true progress and prosperity without persistency and perseverance.

Doing Good

A YOUNG factory girl picked up a Gospel from the street on her way home from work. It was "The Gospel of John"—a penny edition. By carefully reading this the young girl had a wonder-

ful blessing. She found a Saviour who brought her out of darkness into the marvellous light of God. From that time onward she felt a deep longing and a strong desire in her heart, for others to receive the same blessing. She felt too nervous and timid to speak to people, but she could not refrain from doing something. She laid aside a penny of her earnings every day—sixpence a week—and bought six Gospels every week and distributed them, and this she did for many years, visiting on Sundays the poor quarters of the city in which she lived with John's Gospel to give away. At last she felt stronger and had enough courage to say, when handing a Gospel—"It has made me very happy accept and read it." This lady missionary "went about doing good" and had the pleasure of leading many to the Well of "joy unspeakable."

Reader, what are you doing for Jesus Christ? Do you ask the question Elizabeth Fry asked to herself every morning for seventeen years, "How shall I please my Christ to-day?" Do you feel God's love compelling you to help your fellow men to find Jesus?

With God delays are not defeats.

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MISQUOTED SCRIPTURE

No. VIII.—John xii 32.

HERE is the popular rendering of this important statement made by our Lord Himself not long before He hung upon the Cross. "And if I be lifted up I will draw all men unto Me." How often we hear this passage distorted in this way. A close examination of the scripture will reveal the weakness of this misquotation, for we shall read "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto Me."

What a world of difference there is in the two renderings. The correct one distinctly shews that it is Christ Himself who will be the drawing power and that *through His Cross*. We have listened to sermons extolling Jesus as the perfect Man, the ideal Example, the true Companion and Friend. With what result? Only to find that the people are apathetic to the message. But let the preaching be concentrated on *His Cross* where He was lifted up to die, and immediately there is felt a magnetism in its message. Christ only draws through His Cross. The power of attraction is not His wonderful life, but His wonderful death—His wondrous Cross on which the Prince of Glory died.

The Venomous Cigarette

The Picture of its Work in America

By Colonel E. N. SANCTUARY

THE present article is written as a protest against the well-organized propaganda of a large trust, backed with huge sums of money, to thrust the cigarette habit upon the young people of this country. The writer well understands that he is inviting all kinds of criticism from friends of the weed, but he dares to challenge these addicts on the ground that not one person in a thousand knows anything about the evils of this habit. It is his desire to emphasize the physical and scientific side of the subject and not the moral side.

The tremendous subsidizing of every available avenue of publicity by the tobacco industry—to the extent of \$12,300,000 in 1929 by one single cigarette brand—prevents the dissemination through many channels of the facts which have been gathered

A BIG TOBACCO MERCHANT

remarked in a letter to a friend of the Anti-Cigarette League some time ago. "We all agree that excessive smoking injures the heart, the liver, and the kidneys." Another tobacco seller, when solicited for a contribution to a fund for use in counteracting the efforts of the anti-tobacco movement, promptly refused the request, adding "The people have a right to know the evil effects of tobacco using."

That there are dangers in cigarette smoke is seen from the statement of G. W. Rosenloff, Director of Secondary Education and Teacher-Training of Nebraska, who says "The tobacco evil, and it is an evil when it begins to affect immatured youth, must be combated in our public schools. Perhaps no campaign has been more insidious nor is being furthered with greater determination than is the campaign of the tobacco interests to interest boys and especially girls in the smoking of cigarettes."

ATHLETES ON SMOKING

The current cigarette campaign on the air offers an Aladdin's lamp to the twentieth century woman. Does she want steadier nerves, a better singing voice, or a more perfect form? Cigarettes are the unfailing answer. Does the school boy want to play a better football game? Smoke more cigarettes. Do you want to be a hero? Puff cigarettes continually. A cigarette in the mouth of every man, woman, and child in the United States—that is the outrageous goal of this cigarette advertiser.

Knut Rockne, athletic director of Notre Dame University, told a member of the Advisory Council of the Boys and Girls Anti-Cigarette League recently that the makers of a well-known cigarette offered him \$2,000 to sign a testimonial to the effect that his athletes always used their brand because it did not hurt their wind.

Does Charles Paddock, the world's fastest sprinter, dare to smoke? Could he have established his long string of world records if he had poisoned his system

and weakened his heart with nicotine from the cigarette?

Connie Mack says, "No man or boy can expect to succeed and continue the use of cigarettes."

Ty Cobb, who has retired as an outstanding leader in baseball, says "Too much cannot be said against the evils of cigarette smoking."

IT STUPIFIES THE BRAIN,

saps vitality, undermines one's health, and lessens the moral fibre of the man. No boy who hopes to be successful in any line can afford to contract a habit that is so detrimental to his physical and moral development. The alert brain, the strong body, and the moral stamina necessary for success in any line of endeavour are weakened and destroyed by the cigarette habit, and young men should realize its disastrous effects."

Says Grantland Rice, a sports writer of recognized ability "For eighteen years I have been covering all forms of sports for newspapers. Smoking by the young brings a double burden to carry—a burden both physical and mental. Those who do not smoke but keep in clean training have far more energy, much greater stamina, much better control of their nerves. Under twenty-five years of age they are developing mentally and physically, and if this development is hampered by smoking the loss can be hardly made up later on. Smoking cuts in vitality on nervous energy and vitality. A cigarette smoker would have little chance in red-blooded competition against a non-smoker."

"Hurry-Up" Yost, thirty years head coach at the University of Michigan, just retired, said a short time ago, "I have

FOUR ALL-AMERICAN STARS

helping me at Michigan. Not one of these has ever taken a drink, ever smoked, ever used profanity, or told a dirty story. Are they effeminate? The four of them can take thirty of the other type and break them in a number of pieces without straining a muscle. They are men of the highest order and their influence will extend far beyond the athletic field."

Dr. Frederick Pack, University of Utah, gathered statistics from fourteen universities and colleges, and compiled these significant conclusions:

1 In the tryouts for football squads only half as many smokers as non-smokers are successful.

2 In the case of able-bodied men, smoking is associated with the loss of lung capacity amounting to practically ten per cent.

3 Smoking is invariably associated with low scholarship. Smokers furnish twice as many failures as do non-smokers.

Here is what the principal of a high school concluded about cigarette smoking by his boys:

1 The boy who has a hard time to keep up with his class any way, if he takes to smoking, fails in

his work and drops out of school. He smokes away whatever chance he had.

2 The boy who makes a practice of smoking is seldom a success in high school sports or athletics.

3 The really ambitious boy knows better than to spoil his scholarship and athletic chances by smoking. The tobacco interests will never get the chance to include him in their

TWELVE HUNDRED DAILY QUOTA

of boy beginners in the cigarette smoking habit.

A check-up of the effects of tobacco on high school boys at Highland Park, Ill., showed that not a single graduate was a smoker while at school. The 45 quitters were all smokers and in poor standing in their classes. The average grade of 7 non-smokers was 84 per cent, 24 reformed smokers 79 per cent, and 55 smokers 75 per cent. One boy who was smoking gave it up, and his grades came up 10 per cent in six weeks.

A careful study through a long period of years of smoking among men students made by Antioch College showed that a definite relationship is established between smoking and low scholarships. 31.8 per cent of non-smokers failed to maintain required grades, while 62.3 per cent of heavy smokers similarly failed.

Smokers remaining in college fall steadily in scholarship (from 3.56 to 3.31 in three years). Non-smokers maintain a nearly uniform average. With these figures before us, it is hard to avoid the conclusion that smoking is actually a cause of mental inefficiency.

WHAT BOYS ARE NOT TOLD

Perhaps it would be well to give a few illustrations of the viciousness of the current radio campaign to put a cigarette in the mouth of every man, woman, and child in the United States. This is how it runs, according to stenographic reports of the broadcasting submitted to the Federal Radio Commission:

"Football is the supreme test of physical and mental fitness. At every game"—this is what a well-known football coach is made to tell 10,000,000 American boys over the radio—"this brand of cigarettes has helped me through. Throughout the athletic world I find that these cigarettes are the favourite."

Are the boys of the nation told that such testimonials were bought and paid for? Are they told that leading medical and health authorities have denounced this advertising as an outrageous attack upon public health? They are not!

It has been estimated that twelve hundred American boys begin the cigarette habit every day! Is the Trust reaching your boy or your girl (they make no distinction) in the quota they have set for to-day?

The Judge of the Montreal Juvenile Court says:

"I have dealt with over three thousand boys. I regret to say that at least ninety-five per cent of these boys smoked cigarettes."

Mrs. Rose Henderson, Probation Officer, declared: "The smoking of cigarettes among the young is one of the most pernicious and terrible things we

have ever met. Children who come in are, many of them, absolutely

LACKING IN MENTALITY,

having no idea of moral conduct. Almost every boy is trembling, shaking, and undersized."

"I would rather see a boy with a revolver than a cigarette," says Thomas A. Edison.

We recently met a college professor who told of a student in his classes who is employed during his spare time by a large corporation to distribute cigarettes to boys and girls of the town. His salary is twelve dollars a week, plus a liberal supply of cigarettes. The tobacco industry is spending money in a persistent campaign to ensnare every boy and girl in the land.

A teacher of art in a certain Ohio city reports that seventeen of the eighteen young women teachers attending the same classes in summer school last year were smokers! They went back to teach the children art—and smoking. It is small wonder that little girls are now beginning to smoke in large numbers.

There can be no two opinions as to the use of the cigarette by little children, or by young women, the future mothers of the nation. We are told by one of the great women's organizations of the country that the average age at which the cigarette habit is contracted has decreased during the past decade from sixteen to eleven years. Every year, it is reported, over 985,000 child smokers are added to the list of cigarette addicts.

The tobacco companies can boast that tobacco costs the American nation a great deal more than the public schools of which we are so proud.

THE BUSINESS WITHOUT A HEART.

The latest scheme is to send out a liberal supply of cigarettes directly to our girls through the mails. "We are handling thousands of free cigarettes," declares Postmaster Davis, of Champaign, Ill., "and they are going to the big majority of homes in this city."

Whatever may happen to the purity of American motherhood and the charm of American girlhood, "business is business." Five to ten million women and girls may smoke now, but the tobacco interests seek to recruit twenty-five million more to the cause of tobacco combustion, thus increasing their annual gross receipts by about \$2,500,000,000.

Dr. D., dining at a well-known hotel in New York City recently saw a young mother light a cigarette, take a few puffs and then put the weed between the lips of her two-year-old boy. Her woman companion, not to be outdone, placed her cigarette in the mouth of her eighteen-months-old baby!

"We appeal to the womanhood of the nation to refrain from acquiring the tobacco habit, in the interests of their own health and that of their children," reads a recent W. C. T. U. resolution.

Are not all babies entitled to be well born? Here are Dr. Barber's words: "A baby born of

A CIGARETTE-SMOKING MOTHER

is sick! It is poisoned, and may die within two weeks of the birth. The post-mortem shows degen-

eration of the liver, heart, and other organs Sixty per cent of all babies born of cigarette-smoking mothers *will die before they are two years old* " A fearful prediction, and if it is true, " sin lieth at the door " of the cigarette-smoking mothers, writes C. E. H. in the *Sunday School Banner*

Dr. Herbert H. Tidswell, member of the Royal College of Surgeons, England, writes " The evidence contained in my histories proves the high vitality of the children of non-smokers The rate of mortality per thousand children of non-smokers is 153, the rate for smokers is 227

Cigarettes so poison the blood that a leech cannot suck the blood from a cigarette smoker's arm and live

Dr. D. H. Kress, neurologist, Washington Sanitarium and Hospital, says, " If young women take up this habit generally there will be a landslide in physical and moral degeneracy " U. S. Surgeon General Hugh S. Cummings, recognizing this, says " If American women generally contract the habit, as reports now indicate they are doing, the entire American nation will suffer The physical tone of the whole nation will be lowered This is one of the most evil influences in American life to-day The habit harms a woman more than it does a man "

One physician says " The most convincing and damaging testimony against the cigarette comes from the smoker himself When strong men confess they are powerless to stop the use of cigarettes any more than a morphine user can stop, there can be no doubt as to

THE ENSLAVING POWER

of this habit Undoubtedly hundreds of cigarette smokers daily pass the point where they have power to stop, and usually unknown to themselves are in the toils of slavery to the habit "

" I have discovered, as a physician, that it is more difficult to free patients from the cigarette habit than it is to free them from the alcohol habit " (Kress)

It is the internal effect of the tobacco poisons which is ruinous to the human body Nicotine is one of the most virulent poisons known We have been educated to look with horror on the use of opium, chloral, and morphine Why not on the more subtle but none the less deadly nicotine poison?

The proofs of the deadly effect of the cigarette and its content of nicotine are before us in such profusion it is difficult to select among them Here are a few chosen among many

Says Charles B. Towne, of Towne's Sanitarium " The tobacco inhaler gets his effect in precisely the same way that the opium smoker gets his—the rapid absorption by the tissues of the bronchial tubes It may be news to the average man to hear that the man who smokes opium moderately suffers no more than the man who inhales tobacco smoke moderately "

Gy, of Paris, as a result of extensive experiments with " denicotinized " and " detoxicated " tobaccos, presented a paper to the *Société de Biologie*, in which he proves that 4 c c (60 drops) of a maceration of a popular cigarette would produce death

H. H. Drake " A drop of the concentrated solution of nicotine is sufficient to kill a calf or a large dog A small amount of tobacco spit from the mouth of a tobacco chewer put into the mouth of a snake will kill it within a few minutes "

United States Surgeon-General Rixey says " The prevalence of

TUBERCULOSIS IN THE NAVY

is chiefly due to the use of cigarettes "

The following is taken from the *American Journal of Public Health*, June, 1929, page 658 " The old slogan, ' It Pays to Advertise,' seems to need some slight revision For two or three years past we have been afflicted by cigarette advertisements which were preposterous on the face of them One brand or another, as the case may be, wins elections, prize fights, makes statesmen, educators, musicians, or anything desirable at the moment The sad part is that these claims, ridiculous as they are, seem to sell the goods Just as brewers and distillers went to extremes which led to their downfall, so it seems that some cigarette manufacturers are exceeding the bounds of reason and common sense Whatever differences of opinion there may be as to the use of tobacco by adults, it is universally conceded that its use by adolescents is harmful The excessive use of cigarettes, combined with the lessening of appetite and the avoidance of foods which furnish heat and energy, has played its part in the increase of tuberculosis noted among young women during the last few years, attention to which has been noted by certain boards of health and statisticians "

MAKE NO MISTAKE!

Tobacco is a poison that would not be urged upon men, women, and children were it not for the enormous profits to the industry in making so many victims Death from some disease later on will not be laid at the door of some tobacco company even though the nicotine-weakened heart fails to pull the sick one past the crisis

What a shock it would be to go through the cemeteries and read tombstone epitaphs declaring the fact that this man died of typhoid made fatal by a tobacco-weakened heart, and that man succumbed to nervous prostration because tobacco had shot his nerves to pieces, and another gave up the ghost because cigarette smoking ruined his stomach

Smokers do not drop dead around the cigarette lighter in tobacco stores They go away, and years later die of something else From the tobacco men's point of view that is one of the finest things about tobacco, it rarely gets blamed The victims do not die on the premises They go away, and when they die the doctors certify that they died of something else—pneumonia, heart disease, typhoid, kidney disease, or something else Tobacco kills indirectly and thus escapes the blame

Dr. Kress says " Tobacco is a deadly poison It kills its user slowly Some who are hard to kill may live to old age in spite of its use, but none reach old age because of its use " The New England

LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

has published data from 180,000 policy holders, covering a period of sixty years Where the company

had expected 100 deaths in any given year, they found there were still alive 7 moderate users of tobacco, 16 temperate users, 29 rare users, and 41 total abstainers

The secretary's record of the class of 1868 at Dartmouth College shows that smoking students died at an average age of 49 years and 9 months, while non-smoking students died at 59 years and 4 months, a difference of almost ten years in favor of the non-smoker

On the weight of reliable evidence which cannot be controverted we have established a definite case against the cigarette. If you, my reader, agree that

this article has made clear some of the dangers of smoking, we ask that you use your influence and your own personal effort to pass on the information we have afforded you, that the coming generation, especially our girls and young women, may have some warning of the evil effects of this pernicious habit

Reliable statistics show that cigarette smoking has more than doubled in the last ten years. What will the harvest be if the testimony of these scientific men is ignored? Surely the next great reform movement will be properly to educate our citizenship to the evils of the cigarette. Will you help to spread this information?—*Sunday School Times*

Prophecies of the Old Testament Concerning Our Messiah and their Fulfilment in the New Testament

THE PROPHECY

- 1 He was to be born in Bethlehem (Micah v 2)
- 2 He was to be born of a virgin (Isaiah vii 14)
- 3 He was to be called out of Egypt (Hosea xi 1)
- 4 He was to be a great light (Isaiah ix 1, 2)
- 5 He was to bear our sins (Isaiah liii. 4, 5)
- 6 He was to come riding upon an ass (Zech ix 9)
- 7 He was to be betrayed for thirty pieces of silver (Zech xi 12, 13)
- 8 His hands and feet were to be pierced (Psalm (Psalm xxii 16-20)
- 9 He was to be spit upon (Isaiah l 5, 6)
- 10 He was to submit silently to insult and abuse (Isaiah liii 7)
- 11 He was to be despised and rejected of men (Isaiah liii 3)
- 12 He was to be buried with the rich (Isaiah liii 9)
- 13 He was to be given gall for meat (Psalm lxxix 21)
- 14 He was not to see corruption (Psalm xvi 10)
- 15 He was to ascend on high (Psalm lxxviii 18)

THE FULFILMENT

- 1 He was born in Bethlehem (Luke ii 4-7)
- 2 He was born of a virgin (Luke i 30-35)
- 3 He was called out of Egypt (Matt ii 20, 21)

- 4 "The people . . . saw a great light" (Matt iv 16)
- 5 "Himself took our infirmities and bare our sicknesses" (Matt viii 17)
- 6 "Thy King cometh unto thee sitting upon an ass" (Matt xxi 5)
- 7 "And they covenanted with him (Judas) for thirty pieces of silver" (Matt xxvi 15)
- 8 "And it was the third hour and they crucified Him" (Mark xv 26)
- 9 "Then did they spit in His face" (Matt xxvi 67)
- 10 "And when He was accused He answered nothing" (Matt xxvii 12)
- 11 "And the men that held Jesus mocked Him" (Luke xxii 63)
- 12 "There came a rich man of Arimathea and begged the body of Jesus and laid it in his own tomb" (Matt xxvii 57-69)
- 13 "They gave Him vinegar to drink mingled with gall" (Matt xxvii 34)
- 14 "There was a great earthquake He is risen" (Matt xxviii 2-6)
- 15 "A cloud received Him out of their sight" (Acts i. 9)

'Tis Burning in my Soul

DELIA T. WHITE

WM. J. KIRKPATRICK

'Tis burning in my soul, 'Tis burning in my soul, The fire of heavenly,
Ho-ly Spi-rit came, All glo-ry to His name, The fire of heavenly

love is burn-ing in my soul The in my soul
love is burn-ing burn-ing in my soul burn-ing in my soul

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Bible Study Helps

CHRIST IN THE 23rd PSALM

1. **Possession.**
"The Lord is my Shepherd"
2. **Promise.**
"He leadeth me"
3. **Pardon.**
"He restoreth my soul"
4. **Progress.**
"Yea, though I walk"
5. **Provision.**
"Thou preparest a table before me"
6. **Pleasure.**
"Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life"
7. **Paradise.**
"And I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever"



FRUIT FOR FAITHFUL LABOURS



Rousing Reports Recently Received

BAPTISMS AT HORNSEY

Hornsey (Pastor J E Goreham) Praise God His blessing is still descending upon the children of God here.

Great times of blessing have been their portion for some time past. The Lord is continually adding to the Church, such as shall be saved. It was decided by the whole assembly a few weeks ago, to pray for ten souls, and thank God, last Sunday, the number was completed, a sister surrendering at the Cross.



Pastor J. Goreham.

The baptismal service, which was held recently, was conducted by Pastor Boulton. There were ten candidates for the message, which was taken from Acts viii, the story of Philip and the eunuch, was a real means of refreshing to all hearts. The front of the platform was decorated with an immense number of flowers, brought by friends, for the occasion. This was backed by a beautiful painting (the work of a member of the assembly) of the River Jordan, flowing from the distant hills, through plains of verdant pastures and beautiful woodlands into the baptismal tank.

There were gasps of genuine astonishment as the people entered the hall, which was soon crowded. During the meeting, immense enthusiasm was displayed, with real revival fervour. One sister desired baptism at the next occasion.

A LIVE CHURCH

Ealing (Pastor J Kelly) The church here was recently visited by Pastor W Henderson, the Divisional Superintendent, who preached from the text, "You hath He quickened, who were dead in trespasses and sins." His visit was an inspiration to the church to press forward in spite of many difficulties.

God is blessing the efforts of His servant Pastor Kelly, and the church is alive not only to their own need, but to the need of the multitudes around. The Word still goes forth with power.

FARMHOUSE FELLOWSHIP.

Knapp Farm, Nr Exeter A time of spiritual blessing was enjoyed on a recent Thursday evening, when Pastor Quest paid a visit to the saints meeting here. A good number of young people came over the moor and through the mud, to hear how Jesus was made to be sin for us. What a drawing power there is in the

Foursquare Gospel for the young people. They forgot all about the mud as they sang with glorious anticipation, "We will talk it o'er together by-and-by." A blessed time was spent in fellowship and rejoicing, as the Pastor led on step by step from the Lamb in Leviticus to the Lamb on Calvary. God is blessing in this little gathering as the saints meet together for prayer, and the breaking of bread.

SUCCESSFUL CAMPAIGN.

Banbridge The market town of Banbridge, Northern Ireland, was the scene of a successful three weeks' campaign conducted by Evangelists W J Hilliard and W Barrie. This special effort proved to be quite an attraction to both saved and unsaved, for nightly the hall was filled with an interested congregation, and before the close of the campaign extra seats had to be obtained.

Mr Barrie's messages in song, accompanied by his concertina, were a great attraction, while Mr Hilliard's heart-searching addresses were richly owned of God.

The saints in this corner of the Lord's vineyard believe that a true and deep work has been accomplished through the labours of His two servants, and all lift their hearts in praise and gratitude to God from whom all blessings flow.

NINE NEW MEMBERS

Islington (Pastor W G Hathaway) Sunday, February 1st, was indeed a blessed day to the saints at Islington—spent "within the veil, where the glories never fail." Although in the morning fog darkness prevailed outside, the light of the Lord's countenance shone upon them as they remembered Him and His dying

love and realised all He has done and is doing, in the oft repeated phrase in Hebrews, "for us."

In the evening the Pastor received into the church a further nine members, and as they were given the right hand of fellowship, they were made to realise the bond of unity and love which is extended to them. God is truly blessing Pastor Hathaway's ministry and the preached word is producing definite results in the services. All glory to God.

Mention must also be made of the Sunday school prize distribution event, at which several of the little ones' parents attended. Many books were presented, amongst which were a number of Bibles, which were specially requested by the scholars. Altogether a very profitable evening was spent, and will, we believe, have a lasting effect.

PASTOR CORRY AT LISBURN

Lisburn (Pastor J Hill) We give praise to God for the blessing that is attending the preaching of His word in Lisburn, under the Spirit-filled ministry of Pastor J Hill. The church has overcome its obstacles and has been led into a place of blessing, and victory with God.

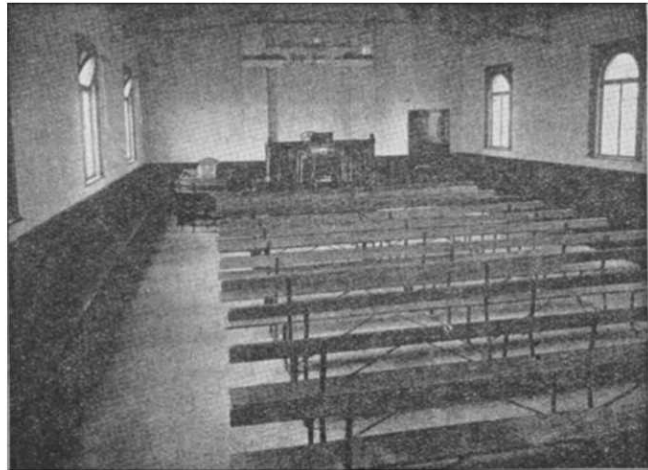
Although the people of Lisburn are much prejudiced against the truths we stand for, yet fresh faces are seen at every meeting, and the numbers are growing.

At eight o'clock on Wednesday evenings the saints gather together for the weekly Bible study and much blessing is received as the precious truths of God's Word are expounded.

On a recent Wednesday evening the Pastor delivered an inspiring address on 1 Cor iii 21, "For all things are

yours." What joy filled all hearts as they saw that He who gave Jesus, freely with Him gives us all things.

We praise God too for the salvation of precious souls. Several have decided for Christ in the last few weeks. The Lord is adding to the church continually. Praise God for the steady growth in this assembly, and for the knowledge that His hand is moving. Much blessing was experienced by all recently when Pastor Corry of



Interior of Elim Hall, Lisburn

the Elim Bible College paid a visit His earnest, straight-forward messages will long be remembered On Monday, December 29th, a special meeting was arranged, and the Tabernacle was filled Pastor Corry delivered a powerful message on "Individual Responsibility," which quickened all God's children, and resulted in one precious soul being saved

SEVERAL SURRENDER.

Eastbourne (Pastor J R Moore) A review of spiritual life and progress

here, since 1931 has been ushered in, gives cause to lift up hearts in thankfulness to God

Pastor Moore's faithful ministry has been blessed in the yielding of precious souls to the Lord, eleven in all having signified their acceptance of Jesus the Saviour The prayer meetings held in the "upper room" every Saturday evening have indeed been blessed times spent with the Lord, precious preparation ground for the Sunday following God

is blessing, too, in other ways, progress being in evidence all along the line

In recent gatherings round His table He has revealed Himself in a wonderful way

Open-air meetings have shared in the general spiritual uplift of the assembly The Crusaders and other loyal supporters have witnessed for God in the chilly streets of Eastbourne, at times carrying the banner of Christ to the neighbouring villages and they are proving that souls are won by this open-air testimony

Concise Comments & Interesting Items

The Walls of Jericho are occupying the attention of Professor J Garstang, the distinguished antiquary He believes that the present remains of those walls prove the truthfulness of the Bible account It will be remembered that Jericho was destroyed by fire after it was captured An extract from a daily paper is most interesting along this line The special correspondent says concerning an interview with Professor Garstang

"Referring to-day to the Biblical story of the walls falling down when the priests of Joshua blew trumpets, and the people shouted, he told me 'It looks as if the outer wall was undermined by the enemies of those in the city The trumpets were not the cause, but were probably blown during the fall of the walls There are traces of a tremendous fire—cracked stones, charred timbers and ashes and loads of charcoal There is evidence from my previous excavations that the main defence of Jericho about 1400 B.C. comprised two parallel walls, the outer 6ft and the inner 12ft thick The outer wall suffered most in the fire and fell outwards down the slope The inner wall is preserved only where it abutted upon the citadel to a height of 20ft I have examined scores of Biblical sites, but my scientific discoveries have never proved the Bible story to be radically wrong'"

Lord Brentford, better known as Sir W Joynton Hicks, believes in preaching the old Gospel At the launching of the

London Youth Campaign he presided at the initial gathering He said, "The catering of amusement for the people of to-day, militated against a mission of that kind Something like 30,000,000 people went to the cinema every week in this country alone What a wonderful thing it would be," he said, "if 30,000,000 people could be got into the churches every week Young people looked upon religious people as a mild kind of fanatics, well meaning but not quite up to date They should not try to make religion easy, or pleasant, or intellectually attractive They should preach the old Gospel"

Viewing the London Youth Campaign, now it is in progress, it is a joy to be able to say that a large number of young people are, indeed, responding to the old, but ever new, Gospel

Mr D E Hoste, the General Director of the China Inland Mission is home in England His review of the situation in China is most interesting Some people would say concerning missions in China, Let us put up the shutters But Mr Hoste says, No, ADVANCE

"Mr Hoste mentioned that, in conversation with his fellow-workers from the interior of China, he has gathered that great numbers of people of all ranks of society desire, at the present time, to hear the Gospel, and to receive Christian teaching This is a tremendous fact

"The attitude toward foreigners has in a certain measure reverted to the state of things that prevailed before the Boxer

Movement, but is more intelligent From 1900 to 1910, there was an abnormal acceptance of the foreigner, who was regarded almost as a superman, whereas from 1885—1895, there had been obstinate opposition There are dangers of a serious nature to-day, but are we on that account to put up the shutters? Should we not rather follow the example of Mr Hudson Taylor in the early days of the Mission, and take as the watchword ADVANCE?"

The position of the Army—and of course we mean the Salvation Army—is most interesting in the light of the meeting of the High Council in November last At those gatherings it was agreed, (1) that Generals should in future be elected, and not nominated by their predecessors, (2) that a retiring age for Generals should be fixed, (3) that Army possessions should be transferred to an incorporated body of trustees, (4) that a Board of Arbitration should be set up, (5) that a Bill should be introduced in the Commons to legalise these changes"

The proposed changes seem to be meeting with general approval The Army has passed through a great crisis, and we praise God, that the results have turned out so happily

Concerning Sir Arthur Keith's infidel views, a correspondent says "Sir Arthur Keith may blow out his little candle, but he cannot extinguish the Light of the World"

THE DUNGEON OF CHILLON

By Pastor P. N. CORRY (see picture on cover)

It was of this prison that the poet Byron wrote

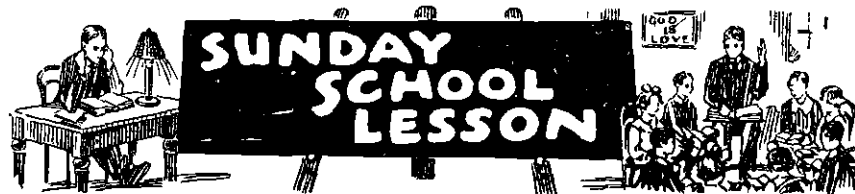
There are seven pillars of Gothic mould
In Chillon's dungeons deep and old,
There are seven columns massy and grey
Dim with a dull imprison'd ray
And in each pillar there is a ring
And in each ring there is a chain
That iron is a cankering thing
For in these limbs its teeth remain
With marks that will not wear away

The early Reformers of Switzerland were imprisoned here for many years, and in the pavement the steps of the prisoners have left their mark In these days when the precious truth of justification by faith is hardly spoken of, and when men count but lightly the

heritage of religious liberty that these Reformers purchased for us, it is good to remind ourselves of the stand they made for the truth of God's Word

Men on every hand hold truth lightly, the love of many has waxed cold, ears are turned to fables, and hearts are slothful, but thank God for a testimony that stands for the truth

Let us not think lightly of the doctrines we hold, but remember at what cost men rescued them from the darkness of Romanism Therefore peel them out, that all those who are fast bound in fetters of sin and superstition may hear the glad message of liberty and fulness in the Lord Jesus Christ, and live



By Pastor P N CORRY

Sunday, March 1st, 1931.

READING John iv. 5-26.

MEMORY TEXT: " My meditation of Him shall be sweet I will be glad in the Lord "—Psalm civ 34

MEMORIES

TEACHER'S NOTES

Some places are associated with notable memories, at times historical and at others sentimental, yet always they bring to mind incidents in the life of the nation or the individual that have power to move men's hearts. If my reader is a Scot, I have only to whisper the magic word "Bannockburn" to know that the memory of that Scottish victory and the field of blood south of Stirling thrills your heart with the love of freedom. If you are from the north of Ireland, then the hills and lochs of Ulster speak once again of the coming of King William, and the rat-tat-tat of the drums of the 12th makes your heart beat quicker. To English folk, London, with its towers and tombs, its shops and sidewalks, palaces and parks, makes you proud of the chief city of the world and its memories. Notable events may be not only national, but sometimes personal—the place of birth, the old school, the seat in chapel, and perhaps most of all the spot where you yielded yourself to God or received the unction of the Spirit coming upon you. Memories chase one another through the mind of all of us, young or old, and in John iv the writer mentions some memories of Israel that may give us cause to be thankful, and assist us in the lesson.

I. Memories of Jacob (John iv 5 and Genesis xxxiii 18-20)

As the writer of John iv thinks of the well, he remembers the history of the place. It was the first bit of the land of Canaan ever owned as a dwelling-place by any of the patriarchs. It is true Abraham had bought a field, but only because of the cave of Machpelah which it contained, and this was not a home but a burying place (Gen xxiii 20). Jacob had been a stranger in Hiran for over twenty years (Gen xxxi 41), and during that time we never read of any altar being erected to Jehovah, or of any act of worship. But now, after the experience on Peniel, the struggle contest, and the changed name, things are different. Jacob buys the parcel of land where he had spread his tent, and there he erected an altar and called it El-Elohe-Israel, i.e., God, the God of Israel. His dwelling was an unsubstantial goat-hair tent, here to-day and gone to-morrow, with no mark left to shew who had passed—but not so the altar. The altar of worship, and that to the God of Israel, would remain long after he had departed, witnessing that this

was Israel's land, claimed, bought, and built upon, even though Egypt's sands for hundreds of years blow over the bones of his descendants. Not only so, but he dugged a well, and from it gave drink not only to himself, his sons and his cattle, but left it for the dwellers of Samaria to use (John iv 12). A tent, an altar, a well—how suggestive! A place of transient dwelling, in altar of worship to the God who had changed him, and a well of blessing for all comers. How different was this Jacob to the old Jacob, he does not think of himself now, but of posterity.

II. Memories of Joseph (Gen xlviii 21, 22, Exod xiii 19, Josh xxiv 32)

Joseph was a young son of Jacob but his faith gave him preference over his ten brethren. The anger with which they greeted him when Joseph had been given the garment with sleeves (Gen xxxvii 3, RV) which marked him out as the son and heir, was no childish passion, but the deep-seated resentment of matured men who saw their claims to the leadership of their tribe set on one side. Joseph had been given the place of chieftainship, and as was the custom in such a case, he received from his father the double portion of the inheritance (see also Deut xxi 17 and II Kings i 9). All that was Joseph's in the land of Canaan became his (Gen xlviii 22, I Chron i 1, 2). His inheritance was in the land of promise, though he died in Egypt, and the words of Jacob, "God shall bring you again unto the land of your fathers," were to him a sure promise of the future, so that he took an oath of the children of Israel that they would carry his bones from Egypt into the land of his inheritance (Gen i 24-26).

Move on now four hundred years and more, to that wonderful day of deliverance from Egypt, and see that body of men carrying a mummy case through the Red Sea. Though Israel flee, and Egypt follow with speed, Joseph must not be left behind. Follow them through their forty years of wandering, and add to their baggage train the furniture and fittings of the Tabernacle—yet with it all you will find that mummy case going on just the same. Through the Jordan, through battles, sieges, campaigns, and through the Land, until Joseph comes to his inheritance and is buried in the parcel of ground which Jacob bought (Josh xxiv 32). The faithful God of Israel had brought his faithful servant home even though years and death intervened. Jacob gave the ground to his son Joseph (John iv 5), and into his possession he came. When the Lord promises an inheritance you can depend upon His Word, because there is an altar, an inheritance, a grave, besides a well, in Samaria, to bear witness that the promises of God come true.

III. Memories of Jesus (John iv)

Though religious factions quarrelled as to the comparative sacredness of this site or of Jerusalem (John iv 19, 20), and though its waters could not fully satisfy—though racial strife would almost prohibit one of the land giving drink to the lawful descendant of the owner of the spring (John iv 9)—though it now lies deep under the ruins of ages, and Rome seeks to claim it as her own, and build a church about it—yet in spite of strife, apostasy, and the passage of the centuries, there is about this well of promise a memory that clings, so that its tasteless waters seem as sweet and fresh as on the day that Jacob discovered the spring. Jacob's altar has long since perished, Joseph's bones are mingled with the dust, but the spring remains to serve as an everlasting memorial to the Son of God and to His imperishable message of satisfaction. He who by His will and overruling transformed Jacob into Israel, and Joseph into the saviour of his people and of that generation (Gen xlv 7), so changed this poor woman's heart at the well that she ceased to pollute the city with her conduct (John iv 16-18), and became instead a power to lead men to Jacob's spring that they might hear Jacob's Lord. Though streams of worship may still seek to find their outlet in Jerusalem or Samaria, or in deep wells of wordy ritual, yet the spring that our Lord spoke of while sitting at Jacob's well has never ceased to flow. Jesus, the Lord of glory, is its source, and the stream that flows through the heart that drinks of the river of life proves itself to him as a well of water springing up into everlasting life.

The altar of stone has gone, but a living altar remains (Heb xiii 10), the earthly inheritance has passed to another, but a far richer inheritance is ours (I Peter i 3-5). The burial place no longer holds what is dear and precious in our sight, for He is risen—*is alive for evermore!* and the insipid supply of a sunken well has changed to an everlasting supply from the throne of God and the Lamb (Rev xxi 1). Therefore come unto Him, drink and be for ever satisfied.

N B Previous notes on John iv appeared in the "Elim Evangel" of March 21st, 1930

SAINTS HERE AND NOW.

Saints are God's people, separated from the world and consecrated to Him. Something more is meant than a formal separation from the world; it is a real separation, that of a man's heart from sin. That is the characteristic of the saint; he yields himself to God.

They are saints who are perfectly pure and blessed in the mansions above, but so also is everyone who has devoted himself to God in order that he may be like Him. He may have little of that likeness as yet, but if he has consecrated himself to Him, having been constrained by the love of Christ, upon whom he depends alone for life, he is nevertheless a saint.

A Wonderful Healing

By Miss DAISY COMYN CHING

IN India I met a Miss Macaulay, who is a strenuous, capable missionary to the lepers, and as she was working amongst them she was praying expectantly that God would heal them. One day, as we rested under a tree, in a field of waving Indian corn she told me her story.

For many weary years she lay in

A HOME FOR INCURABLES

in New York. She had sunk all her money in the Home, and again and again went through the horrible process of being suspended from the ceiling in order to be thoroughly encased in plaster of paris. One day, as she lay helpless in bed, the Lord called her to preach the Gospel to the heathen, and told her she was to go to India. She pondered over the wonder of this until it dawned upon her that, of course, the Lord would first heal her, as the Lord Jesus healed in Bible days. But whenever she tried to speak of this to the doctors and nurses, and even the ministers of the various denominations who visited her sick bed, she met with great discouragement and even opposition. The only one who helped her was her brother who was an unbeliever. She knew of a Christian household on the other side of the river, where they believed in the full work of the atonement for soul and body, and she felt if she could only get

there, the Lord would do the rest. Accordingly she made her arrangements for removal, but the authorities of the Home were so sure that her reason was giving way and she only

COURTING DEATH

that they sent round to all cab stands preventing them from taking her away. Hour after hour she lay waiting for the cab she expected, and at last her brother persuaded one to come, and as she was carried away not able to turn nor speak above a whisper, the authorities of the Home told her she would never be admitted again, but they did not think she would get to her journey's end alive. And indeed she felt she was fighting death all the way there. After two weeks she was lying in bed quite helpless, but without the plaster of paris casing, and her heart at rest in the household of living faith. Two missionaries of the household were to be dedicated to God for His work in China, and they held the service in the room in which Miss Macaulay lay. As they prayed God touched her. It seemed to her that power as of an electric current passed right through her. She immediately sat up, and within a week walked into the old Home for Incurables to testify of Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, to-day, and for ever.

An Old Rancher's Challenge

IN the middle west of the American continent, a coach with some fifteen passengers from the east was detained for hours between stations. Amongst them was an old rancher, uneducated and unstylish, and ap-

parently much less gifted with intelligence than his companions in travel.

The conversation turned upon the subject of accomplishments, and it was agreed that all should tell of their excellencies in this particular. A young man was a successful lawyer in New York; a young lady was in the higher rank of artists, and works of hers were becoming known far and wide, another young lady was a musician of conspicuous ability, and another young man was financier for a large mercantile firm in Chicago.

At length someone half-jocularly asked the rancher of what his good qualities consisted. In reality, shrewd and experienced, though uncultured and seemingly unintelligent, nevertheless he had grasped the situation.

"I cannot paint," said he. "All good pictures have a beauty about them to me but the fine paintings you mention have nothing more for me than beauty. I cannot make a speech. The sight of your big mercantile establishments frightens me as a horse is frightened by other things. Of music I am entirely without knowledge. Nevertheless, my accomplishments are such that if you have them not, you are nothing and that is this. My wife believes with all her heart and soul, and all her mind, that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God, and that God answers prayer, and so do I." For a full minute silence reigned, and then a sweet alto voice struck up "Nearer, my God, to Thee," followed by all in the car, while the face of the old rancher beamed with the heavenly joy which his accomplishments alone could give.



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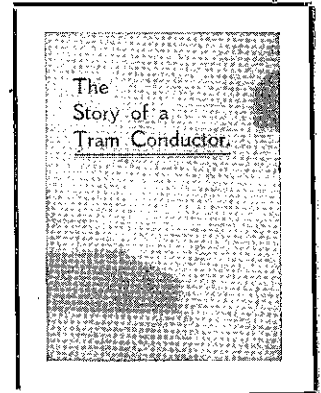
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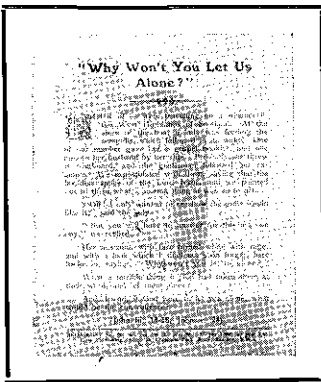
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