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Entire Sanctification by Faith

"This is the will of God, even your sanctification." (I Thess. 4:3.) "After that ye believed, ye were sealed with that Holy Spirit of promise." (Eph. 1:13).

A soul must be thoroughly justified in the sight of God before he is a candidate for holiness. Many try to seek a deeper work of grace before they have made their peace with God, before they have confessed and forsaken their sin, and have the witness to their pardon.

Then souls must get a conviction of their real need of more power in their lives, and of the infilling of the Holy Spirit. In order to get this, they must consecrate, dedicate, and give themselves wholly unto the Lord, with all they have, and are, and ever expect to be, for time and eternity, for sacrifice or for service.

Then they must get rid of inbred sin. But pollution to be cleansed must be confessed. God must give them a glimpse of themselves, of their carnality, and of the awful sin in their heart. They must see that God is not reigning supremely, because the temple has not been fully cleansed and yielded. They must see the darkness of their mind, the stiffness of their will, and the roots of bitterness, bigotry, selfishness, pride, evil desires, jealousies, envies, slothfulness, tormenting fears, impatience, peevishness, and formality that still remain. They must abhor the old plague of their heart.

After they have fully consecrated,

and drug out all the old traits of carnality by deep confession and contrition, and have gotten to the end of themselves, then they are ready for the faith that lays hold on the promise for cleansing from all sin. When

THE CROSS

A grand old man of kingly mien
But visage marred and sad—
Besides him walk with wondering eyes
A handsome callow lad;
The tragic step, the steadfast gaze—
The fire and the knife—
The cleaved wood the young lad bears
Bespeak a surrendered life.
The altar claimed the old man's son,
Three days he bore the loss,
Then first on Mt. Moriah fell
The shadow of the Cross.

The son of Abraham was spared—
He knew three days of grief;
The altar claimed the Son of God,
For Him was no relief.
He died for you. He died for me—
"Behold the Lamb of God"—
For man he took the sinner's place
And "passed beneath the rod."
The sun was veiled and darkness reigned,
The rocks did rend and toss;
Again on Mount Moriah fell
The shadow of the Cross.

Selected

they have fully met all conditions, and have asked God for the Holy Spirit, they will receive the faith that takes the Blesser. "Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed?" (Acts

19:2). "Giving them the Holy Ghost—Purifying their hearts by faith." (Acts 15:8,9). Then they will have a divine conviction that the work is done.

We dare not teach souls to seek for a blessing, or for an experience. They must seek until they know that they have the witness of the Spirit. Blessings, demonstrations, and even speaking in tongues could follow, but are no evidences. We are taught to do all things decently and in order. If one speaks in tongues, he should have an interpreter, that others may be edified. We should be careful lest Satan will step in right here and get folks to do and say things that are not becoming for a child of God. When the Holy Spirit is poured out, He prompts folks to do things that are in divine order.

The evidences of entire sanctification are perfect love, yieldedness, submission, obedience, a holy zeal and passion for souls, and power in the life to live above sin and to witness for Christ.

A person will never get above the possibility of falling while in the flesh, and he may always be imperfect in judgment. But thank God for the provisions made for a perfect heart, and a perfect love.

"For by one offering he hath perfected forever them that are sanctified. Whereof the Holy Ghost also is a witness to us." Hebrews 10:14, 15.

—C. M. Hoover.

NURSE WANTED

The Messiah Home is in need of a good practical nurse. If you are interested, please communicate with Eld. D. L. Graybill, 1175 Bailey St., Harrisburg, Pa.

FALL LOVE FEASTS

MarkhamSept. 14-15
Bertie and WaterlooSept. 21-22
Wainfleet and HowickSept. 28-29
Nottawa and WalpoleOct. 5-6
Clarence CentreOct. 12-13
Canada Joint Council will convene Sept. 12 (D.V.) in the Markham District. A ministerial meeting will be held in the evening.

Sunday School Convention will be held on Sept. 13.

A hearty invitation is extended to all to attend these meetings.

HARVEST HOME AND SCHOOL MEETING

A Harvest Home and School meeting will be held at Grantham, Pa., Saturday 7:30 P. M. Sept. 7, 1929, and Sunday A. M. and P. M., Sept. 8, 1929.

HARVEST MEETING

A Harvest Meeting will be held at Souderton on the 7th of September.

HARVEST HOME SERVICE

A Harvest Home Service will be held in the Free Grace Church, Millersburg, Pa., on September 21, at 2 P. M. Also preaching service in the evening at 7:30. Sunday morning, Sunday School at 9:00 A. M. followed by preaching at 10:30.

A hearty invitation is extended to all, especially to ministering brethren in other districts.

NOTICE

To all those who are in authority to act under the following circumstances.

The Beneficiary Board through an appointed committee has investigated and consulted with the creditors in the case referred to in Articles 33 and 34 Conference Minutes of 1929.

The creditors have agreed to settle on a 50 per cent basis as specified in Art. 34.

By virtue of this agreement it becomes necessary for the Beneficiary Board to extend the money to satisfy these claims.

We therefore request all Districts to respond with their pro rata share

of this amount as soon as possible.

Reckoning on a 5000 membership basis the pro rata share would be thirty cents per member.

Send the money to D. R. Eyster, Treasurer, and state that it is for the special debt.

BENEFICIARY BOARD.**NOTICE TO SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND VISITOR READERS**

To the Visitor Readers Greeting:

We wish to call the attention of our people and readers of the Visitors to the tract work and some changes that have necessarily been made in the committee due to the going to India, in foreign mission work, of the present Sec'y-Treas.

Elder R. I. Witter, Navarre, Kansas, will assume the duties of Sec'y-Treas. of the tract committee, and should receive all contributions for that work, any suggestions in regard to same would be appreciated.

We would also call attention to the report of the tract committee to conference of 1929. Those who have read their minutes will notice a shortage in the funds, which was due to the fact that our tract supply was almost depleted calling for a new supply to be printed. We would encourage our Sunday Schools to support this work with a liberal offering also to purchase freely of tracts for distribution among those who need them.

It is a good plan to have a few on hand when writing to an unsaved friend or loved one, to inclose a couple of tracts, perhaps God could use it to their salvation.

At the present report four of our Sunday Schools have responded by an offering to this need, according to our record. Some may have sent their offering to the Visitor office of which the Sec'y has no record. We still have a deficit of over (\$200.00) two hundred dollars. We ask you to give this report your prayerful consideration and let God direct your actions.

Thanking you for the cooperation we have received in the past and trusting you will pray for us individually as we go to carry the gospel to others, we remain,

Yours in His glad service,
Charles E. Engle.

SPARKS FROM DIFFERENT ANVILS

If skill wasn't difficult to attain, everybody would have it.

Sometimes people don't like you, because their taste is bad.

A place honors not the man, 'tis the man who gives honor to the place.

The sun will rise and set, without your assistance.

A small coin in a large jar, will make a great noise.

To be patient is often better than great wealth.

Commit the same sin twice, the third time it will not seem wrong.

Without law, civilization will perish.

Man is born with his fist clenched; he dies with his hands wide open. Entering upon life, he desires to grasp everything; leaving the world, all that he possessed has passed away.—From the Talmud.

The soldiers fight, and the leader is the hero.

God may not judge you by what you give, but by what you keep in your pocket.

Give as you would if tomorrow found you where giving was o'er.

Jesus not only taught to go the second mile, but gave an example to love unto the end.

Don't preach sound truths in an unsound way.

Insane people are the worst destroyers, proving it don't take a sound mind to be destructive.

Eloquence often prays at people, but love prays for them.

It is easier fighting while on our knees, than on our feet.

S. G. Engle.

"Nothing," says Goethe, "is so terrible as activity without insight." Look before you leap is a maxim for the world.—E. P. Whipple.

EDITORIAL

LOST OPPORTUNITIES

We are living in days when the enemy of righteousness is making a terrific fight along all lines, and among his many efforts he has not overlooked the opportunity to divert the Lord's money into fruitless channels or withhold it thru greed or misdirection. Who can estimate the loss when the "Books are opened?"

There is no greater work, next to direct personal soul winning than to be a steward for God. There are far too many who have never recognized the right of ownership. They speak of their possessions as though God never did have any claim upon them, and yet we are told in Scripture that "The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof, and they that dwell therein."

There are many of God's dear children who have lost their opportunity by failing to put their God given means into the proper channels to help win souls for heaven by neglecting the matter at the proper time.

Far too many have lived as though their only mission was to lay up treasures here, and waited until death came and they woke up to the awful loss entailed because they failed to sacrifice a little for the work of the Lord.

In many of these instances that which was left went to heirs, who had little or no interest in the work of the Lord and not only was all hope of future good thru personal association, but also all the blessings which might have come to the Church's Missionary, Educational and Benevolent Institutions were hopelessly lost forever.

There is no thought of robbing lawful heirs of their rightful interest but we would like to encourage those who have means to provide for the Lord's portion while it is yet day.

Truly God has not left us without witness as there are those who have given us examples worthy of emulation.

GOING SOMEWHERE?

The highways everywhere are full of autos from one State and another, all apparently bent on getting to some destination, but when interviewed many of these travelers tell you they are just roving around, with the hope of visiting certain places unless some fancy takes them elsewhere, and it makes very little difference because they are just filling up the days having a good time, etc.

Too many people are roaming the same way with respect to their spiritual lives. There is no definite program, no definite aim. They simply wander. In Gen. 12:5 it is stated concerning Abraham and Lot. "They went forth to go into the land of Caanan; and into the land of Caanan they came."

We cannot help but have a sincere admiration for folks who start out to go somewhere and arrive at their destination. There are too many who give great promise in the beginning, but who apparently find traveling "too hard" and get footsore and weary before their destination ever comes in sight.

How sad the life to whom satan has sold a ticket to Nowhere. It is well for us to have a goal and never lose sight of it. In fair weather and foul feeling or no feeling we need to go forth to go whithersoever the Lord has set for us the goal. It may not be an easy road and the self denial required may bring suffering, but nevertheless let the same settled conviction and courage that emboldened the Patriarchs of Biblical fame make us bold and determined to reach our goal, regardless.

A FABLE

A loud, noisy and particularly objectionable skunk, obsessed by its own prominence and the attention paid to it, challenged a lion to single combat.

The challenge was promptly and emphatically declined by the lion.

"Huh!" sneered the skunk, "You're afraid to fight me!"

"No," answered the lion, coolly, "but why should I fight you? You

would gain fame from fighting me, even though I gave you the worst licking of your life, as I would do. How about me, though? I couldn't possibly gain anything by defeating you, while on the other hand, every one who met me for a month would know I had been in the company of a skunk."

Moral: It's an art to know when to fight.—The Walk-Over Man.

BOB SHULER SPEAKING

For myself, I am sick and tired of men saying that Jesus was a good man but not actually God. How can a liar be a good man? How can a hypocrite, who lays claim to Deity, be the world's invincible teacher? How can a braggart, who boasts that He is come to redeem and save humanity, be a mighty pattern by which honest men should map out their lives? Indeed, the Unitarian position is an impossible position. It matters not as to the brain capacity of the man who undertakes to defend it. Either Jesus Christ was very God or else He was and is a mighty poor specimen of a man. Either He is from everlasting to everlasting, the eternal Jehovah, or else I can pick a dozen men in my community who are more honest than was He. The atheist cannot utter blasphemous accusations enough concerning Jesus of Nazareth, if it is actually true that He undertook to put over the hoax on humanity that is recorded in the New Testament—that is, if His claims of Deity were a hoax! I hold that Jesus the man was also the Christ of God. Otherwise, He is ridiculous.

Selected.

Impatience grasps at all, and admits of no delay, scorning to wait God's leisure, and to attend humbly and dutifully upon the issues of his wise and just providences.—South.

Never yet since the proud selfish race of man began, did passion give, nor can it ever give, a right decision.

—Thomson.

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MARRIAGES

STOCKSLAGER—BOVEY

On August 14, 1929 at the home of the officiating minister Bishop J. D. Wingert, there occurred the marriage of Mr. Ralph E. Stockslager, Chambersburg, Pa., to Sister Mildred C. Bovey also of Chambersburg. May God's richest blessing attend them though life.

OBITUARIES

SNIDER—Jaunita Belle Snider was born April 1, 1929, and departed this life August 5, 1929, at the age of 4 months and 5 days. She was the only child of Mr. and Mrs. Audrey Snider who have lived near Thomas since their marriage.

Death came to the darling baby as a result of the home being completely destroyed by fire. Every effort was made by loving hands to rescue the baby from the burning flames yet without success.

Juanita Belle was a source of much joy and happiness since she came to live with her parents. However, God in His all infinite wisdom saw best to take this little jewel to live with Him in that better world above.

She is survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Audrey Snider, and many other relatives and friends. The remains were laid to rest in the Bethany Cemetery August 5, 1929.

The funeral was conducted by D. R. Eyster and John Frymire. Text II Samuel 12:23.

When you do not know what to do, it is a clear indication that you are to do nothing.—Spurgeon.

REDEMPTION OF BODIES

In Dr. Brown's book on the Resurrection there is a story told of a servant, who, receiving a silver cup from his master, suffers it to fall into a vessel of acqua fortis, and, seeing it disappear, contends in argument with a fellow servant that its recovery is impossible till the master comes to the scene and infuses salt water, which precipitates the silver from the solution, and then, by melting and hammering the metal, he restores it, not only to its original shape, but to something more beautiful than it was before. It is said that a skeptic was so impressed by this incident, and so convinced of his own foolishness, that he renounced his opposition to the Gospel, became a happy Christian and was buried at last near the foot of Dr. Brown's grave in the sure hope of a glorious resurrection.

Satan shall not have so much as the believer's dust to gloat over, according to Scripture, for body as well as spirit and soul, is purchased by Christ and to be claimed and transformed by Him at the resurrection (Rom. 8:23).

When passion is on the throne, reason is out of doors.—M. Henry.

Whoever is in a hurry shows that the thing he is about is too big for him.—Haste and hurry are very different things. —Chesterfield.

"Life is a waiting game, and any one who tries to force proceedings is scheduled to lose on every point."

Allow time and slight delay. Haste and violence ruin everything.—Stadius.

All good abides with him who waiteth wisely.—Thoreau.

He whom God steers sails safely.—Pr. "If thou wouldst have him work mightily in thee, cease from thy own doings."

There are many times and circumstances in life when "our strength is to sit still." —Tryon Edwards.

REPORTS

SAN FRANCISCO MISSION

We greet al the Visitor Family in Jesus name:

We magnify the Lord for all He has done for us these few past months. We have had His gracious presence in our midst. There has been almost contiued heavy conviction on hearts over the place during meetings and out of metings. Some have spent many wakeful hours because of the Holy Spirit's dealings. One individual became so burdened and broken up that he wept all night and decided in the early hours of the new day to come for prayer. God blessedly met us. Since, Satan is doing his utmost to defeat. We are looking up that he may be defeated. It certainly means walking in the light of God and it takes more holding on to get souls established in grace than to get them converted.

Many have been the calls we made among the sick people, some few are real saints of God. Others are far yet from Father's house Many have been the blessings thru prayer and personal contact with the sick, both in the home and the institutions we visit.

We have prayed for Spiritual physical and financial help. Truly God has again answered prayer. We thank one and all who assisted in their prayers and giving of their material benefits for His great work of soul saving in this city.

Brothers and Sisters pray for us.

Receipts

Hall Offerings	\$220.73
Mr. F. J. Eller	4.00
Cash	2.50
In His Name	7.50
Mrs. Moor, San Francisco, Cal.	1.00
Bro. and Sr. King, Downey, Cal.	5.00
Bro. and Sr. I. Ales, San Diego, Cal.	15.00
In His Name, Calif.	10.00
Sr. Martha Kuhns, Mt. Joy, Pa.	10.00
Bethel S. S. Detroit, Kans.	17.42
Sr. Leah Sollenberger, Upland, Calif.	5.00
Bro. Lester Zook, Pa.	5.00
Total	\$303.15

Expenditures

Table Supplies	\$ 59.39
House Incidentals	6.08
House and Hall Rents	202.50
Gasand Hall Expenses	23.04
Poor	3.25
Total	\$294.26

Balance on hand, May 1st, \$58.29.

Balance on hand Aug. 1st, 67.18.

Your sisters for souls to whom the Lord has called,

Maggie E. Sollenberger.
Rhoda F. Wingert.

REPORT OF ORPHANAGE MEETING

The second annual orphanage meeting was held at Cross-Roads meeting house on July 28, 1929, with Bishop H. B. Hoffer, moderator in charge. Devotion service was conducted by Elder Harrison Hostetter after which Elder Herman Miller used Matt. 16:26 for a text and spoke on the subject, "Do the benefits derived from Orphanage work justify the efforts?" He gave an inspiring message on the responsibility of raising children and the value of the soul. Does it pay? We answer yes. One soul is worth more than the whole world.

Bishop David Wenger then preached a sermon on Luke 19:10-13, I Peter 4:9-11, dwelling on the thought of "Occupy till I come," and on "Hospitality." Jesus said the poor you have always with you and if you will you can do them good. Will you?"

After this there was an opportunity for foster parents and orphan children to get acquainted. This we believe is encouraging to the children, especially to those who have been separated for years. They can mingle their voices together. There was also a song service by the orphanage family.

At 1:45 Bishop H. K. Kreider spoke on the topic, "The Opportunity of Helping Children who are unfortunate."

He gave an edifying address to all who were present by pointing out the privilege we have who are blessed with this world's goods by helping in this kind of work, and many other appropriate remarks. He said when God speaks to your heart on these lines do not forget that these orphans are at your mercy (Let us show mercy with cheerfulness, because God loveth a cheerful giver).

Some short talks were given by the Orphanage workers, including Sr. Ella Gayman, who is an Orphanage worker in India. These talks were interesting, and were followed with recitations by some orphanage children. I am sure it would have done you good to have been there and listened to these children recite. An offering was then taken for which we were thankful and we thank you all for past favors. We remain,
THE BOARD.

DES MOINES MISSION

Greetings in Jesus name:

We are glad for confidence in Christ who is able to save and keep. I John 5: 14, 15. "And this is the confidence we have in Him, if we ask anything according to his will he heareth us. And if we know that he hear us whatsoever we ask we know that we the petition we desire of Him." Praise God for definite promise from a God who is all powerful.

We are glad to report the work is moving along nicely and is encouraging.

We were glad to have Brethren and Sisters with us from Kansas for our Lovefeast at Dallas Center, and also Bro. Wm. McCulloh from Ill. It encouraged the hearts of the saints to meet the dear ones from different places.

Our summer tent meetings so far have been a real blessing and uplift to the saints and definite results have been received. Bro. and Sister Ed. Engle from West Milton, Ohio, are with us and God surely has blessed in the messages given. Praise God for men who are filled with the spirit. We are encouraged to push the battle on for souls.

Financial Report April, May, June and July

Receipts

Valley Chapel S. S., Ohio	\$ 8.00
Earl Bryant, Des Moines, Ia.	5.00
Bro. and Sister Samuel F. Minter	5.00
M. G. Engle, Abilene, Kans.	2.00
Bro. and Sr. Dan Bert, Abilene, Kans.	5.00
Bro. Hoover, Abilene, Kans.	1.00
Bro. Long, Abilene, Kans.	1.00
Hebron S. S., Green, Kans.	16.34
L. P. Cassel, Grundy, Ia.	1.00
Bro. and Sr. Walter Reighard, Ia.	2.00
Bro. and Sister Hock, Penna.	3.00
Bro. Wm. McCulloh, Ill.	1.00
S. S. Brown So., Kansas	190.00
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Bro. Biltz, Des Moines	10.00
Bro. Walter Reighard	2.00
Sister Fanny Shuck	5.00
Board, S. W. Landis	40.00
Bro. and Sr. Odgers, Phila., Pa.	5.00
Total	\$342.00

Expenditures

Balance due mission	\$861.17
Table Supplies	191.00
Gas, Electric, Telephone and water ..	61.20
Total	\$1,113.37
Receipts	\$342.00
Balance due mission	\$771.37

Yours for souls,
H. W. Landis and wife.

MT. CARMEL MISSION

Gladwin, Mich.

Greetings of love to all our dear Visitor Readers:

We regret that our report is somewhat late but as many of you know of the change made in our location at Conference you can readily understand why we haven't been able to send in our report as promptly as we would have liked. We have been very busy since Conference in disposing of many of our things which we will not need at our next place, and of making arrangements to leave.

It is with a great deal of reluctance that we pull up stakes, and leave our first charge at Mt. Carmel Mission, where nearly five years have been spent in laboring for the Master. We have enjoyed working among these dear people and they have won a large place in our hearts.

Tho there have been tests and difficulties and hard places to go thru yet we

thank God for the many pleasant experiences and times of rejoicing in the Lord to which we will often look back with joy. We thank God for the way of the Cross whether it leads thru the valley or over the mountain top, as we realize every experience thru which we are called to pass only brings us closer to Him, if we allow Him to always lead the way.

The Home Mission Board after prayerful consideration decided to place us at Welland, Ont., Canada, and Bro. and Sr. Walter Taylor at Gladwin, Mich. Altho it has meant quite a lot for us to leave, yet we feel satisfied and contented, knowing that God has planned it all. And we are so glad those who are taking charge of the Mt. Carmel Mission have a real concern and burden for the work and our prayer is that they may be mightily used of God in that community.

My health not being so good this spring, the Board granted us a few months rest this summer before taking up our new charge at Welland. We are very thankful for this rest and it is especially doing us good to have all responsibility lifted for a short time. We are thankful to report I am feeling some better and am hoping to feel quite normal again before long. We solicit your earnest prayers as we go to our new field of labor, Oct. first, that we might be kept hid behind the cross and let God use us in some way to point precious souls to Jesus who is able to save unto the uttermost.

We wish to express our deep appreciation to all the dear Brotherhood for so bountifully supplying our needs while at the Mt. Carmel Mission. May God richly bless each one and reward you all for your kindness.

Financial Report for April, May and June Receipts

Balance on hand	\$96.72
Cream sold	\$ 10.81
Rich. and Ash. S. S. Ohio,	18.96
Pequea S. S. Pa.,	27.33
Manor S. S. Pa.,	31.33
Refton S. S. Pa.,	9.55
Lancaster S. S. Pa.	23.77
Cream sold	3.51
Carlisle S. S. Pa.....	28.75
Total	\$250.73

Expenditures

Table supplies	\$21.62
Gas and oil for car	14.58
Miscellaneous	21.81
Telephone	4.87
Total	\$62.88
Balance on hand	\$187.85

One half of this balance was kept for personal by request of the Home Mission Board.

Balance carried forward\$93.93
Henry P. and Lela Fern Heisey

PLEASANT HILL, OHIO

Missionary Service—On Sunday evening July 7th, Sr. Naomi Lady gave a very in-

teresting and touching talk on the work in the African Mission field and of the needs there.

After Sr. Lady gave her talk, Sr. Mary Brenaman, who expects to soon leave us for Africa, was ordained as a foreign missionary. The presence of the Lord was felt in a very special way. May the blessing of the Lord rest upon our dear sister as she leaves us for the field of labor to which God has called her.

Tent Meeting—On Sunday July 14th a tent meeting began at Kessler Station, a small country town where no religious services have been held for quite a number of years. The people of the community attended the services fairly well considering it being at such a busy season of the year. On July 21st we were very glad to have Elder Ray Witter come in our midst, giving forth clear, straight and practical messages from the Word of God which were heart-searching. We are glad to say that conviction was on the service and there were those who were found at the altar of prayer, some to be saved, some to be reclaimed while others to be sanctified. The Lord satisfied each soul as they met conditions and at different times the shouts of victory could be heard in the camp. While we saw no apparent results among the people of the immediate community, yet we believe as the Word has gone forth it will not return void. The meetings closed on Sunday evening, August 4th.

Street Meeting—A group of brethren and sisters have been meeting on the street corner in the village of West Milton and lifting up Jesus to the people who gather there each Saturday evening. Quite a large group of attentive listeners gather to hear the Gospel through songs, testimonies and the preaching of the Word of God. May the seed sown find lodging in the hearts of the people is our prayer.

Cor.—Elizabeth Thuma.

WAUKENA, CALIFORNIA

According to previous arrangements, Eld. J. R. Eyster and wife, Bro. Cletus Naylor, and Sr. Leah Sollenberger were here on the 14th of July ready to enter the Tent Campaign of the Brethren, on the Pacific Coast. This place being the first on the list, and the old tent having been discarded, and a new one purchased, we felt that a dedicatory service would be in order and for the glory of God. So, on the first night, the new tent was dedicated to God for the extension of His kingdom. During the three weeks which followed, Bro. Eyster gave us soul stirring messages and the Spirit of the Lord was present to convict. Several hands were raised for prayer, but only one person came out and definitely sought for Salvation. One night the message was on the Signs of the Times, this subject was previously announced and as a

result the tent was well filled with interested listeners. Afternoon prayer services were held daily and were a means of blessing to those who attended.

We appreciate very much the faithful service rendered by our Bro. and his cohelpers. May God greatly use them throughout this campaign.—Cor.

CLARENCE CENTER, N. Y.

On July 28th, tent meetings were begun west of the center of town. Eld. J. H. Martin from Lancaster, Pa., faithfully preached the Word night after night. Good interest and attendance was manifested at the very beginning, the tent being well filled most every evening.

The Spirit used our brother in bringing the good old-time gospel to the people, which was followed with conviction. Quite a number sought the Lord at an altar of prayer, some to be reclaimed, some for their first experience of salvation, others for healing and a number followed the Lord in definite consecration.

Brother and Sister Webster Burtch, Idellus Sider and Pearl Swalm served as the tent workers. Their services were highly appreciated and we surely wish them God's richest blessing in their labors.

A Bible conference was held Aug. 24th and 25th, which proved a very uplifting season. Besides Bro. Martin, Bish. C. N. Hostetter, Bish. E. J. Swalm and Eld. D. W. Heise served on the program. Many golden truths were given which we trust will bear fruit only to be fully manifested in the world to come. Remember the work here in your prayers.—Cor.

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A JOY TO SUFFER SHAME— FOR WHOM?

A certain sister felt that it was neither necessary nor expedient for a Christian woman to appear any different from the world—that there was no virtue in being noticeable even for principle's sake. She adopted one of the current fashions, which according to the Biblical standard is the mark of an impure woman. The Scriptures say that it is a "shame" for a woman to so appear.

Then circumstances took her to a section where as yet this style did not prevail, in fact it was almost unknown. So she was accordingly conspicuous and the object of stares and comment. And what was far worse, her example was a hindrance to Christian teaching.

But she did not seem to mind at all being noticeable for fashion's sake. Such ideas only applied to Bible teaching that ran counter to the world.

This same attitude prevails with many on another point—the present fashion of exposing the limbs up to and above the knees, and wearing hose as near the color of flesh as possible.

One would think that as common as this is, it would not attract attention. But it does. The stares that follow some of such sights as are constantly seen in public, speak for themselves. For flesh is flesh today, the same as it has been since the fall, and holds the same appeal to the lower nature.

But do even the professing Christian women mind being thus conspicuous? Not that one can notice. It would seem as if it were a pleasure.

After the apostles had been in prison and then beaten for their activity and testimony in Christ's name, the narrative says that they went from this punishment "rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer shame for his name." (Acts 5:41).

But with many professed followers today this joy in shame is reversed. Many are ashamed not to belong to the lodge, not to smoke, not to dance, not to play cards, not to go to the

moving pictures, not to wear jewelry, because the crowd does it and they might be laughed at for refraining for His name's sake, or called on to testify to Gospel teaching along these lines. Sisters are ashamed to wear the prayer veil and brethren are ashamed to wear a mark of their high and holy calling. What opportunities for witnessing are thus missed!

Christ says: "Whosoever therefore shall be ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him also shall the Son of man be ashamed when he cometh in the glory of his Father with the holy angels." (Mark 8:28).

If we are ashamed to live and testify for him here we cannot expect to share in his glory hereafter. Lord Jesus, help us and make us willing to live and testify for thee in all our walk in life.—Selected from Gospel Messenger, by D. B. Wenger.

UNDEVELOPED TALENTS

Sarah C— was the oldest of the six children of a poor clergyman. She had a talent for music, and was ambitious to become a fine performer. One New Year's morning, on rising, she resolved to practice four hours every day. "It is right," she thought, "that I should do this. I have but one talent; by means of this I may better the condition of the whole family."

She seated herself at the piano, but hardly had she touched the keys when her mother called her.

"Come and take the baby, Sarah, while I dress the boys."

She nursed the baby until breakfast was ready. Just as she rose from the table, her father said to her, "Sarah, will you darn my coat? Your eyes are better than your mother's."

When the coat was finished, Bob came to beg help with his sums, and Harry followed with a cut finger.

These calls answered, Mary, the girl of all work, became the next obstacle between Sarah and the duty which she had taught herself was the highest in life. Mary had an offer of higher wages, and left the kitchen full of unwashed dishes.

For three days Sarah was kept busy in her place, cooking and cleaning. Then Joe and Nan had the measles, and she was their nurse.

Then came the spring sewing, and she sat early and late at the machine. When midsummer came she found that she had made very little progress in her music in the half year.

The history of these months was but an index to her life. A thousand insignificant little duties each day called her away from her great career.

When six years had passed, Sarah was no musician. Her knowledge barely sufficed to enable her to teach the rudiments of the art to her little sisters. But she had developed into a large-natured, patient, gracious woman, whose very look carried help and comfort. Her father asked her opinion upon his sermons; her mother leaned upon her in all her trials; her brothers confided to her their scrapes in college, and actually took her advice when she gave it.

She had not learned to play well any instrument, but she had learned to touch the hearts of those near her with wisdom and tenderness.

It is true that Bob's sums and Harry's cut finger were but paltry trifles, yet if she had disregarded these trifles throughout their boyhood, she would never have had the influence to keep Harry from wrongdoing at college, or save Bob from a drunkard's grave.

Many find, doubtless, just such little household duties irksome, every day. They probably have a higher and more brilliant future planned for themselves than the commonplace work which this petty home life gives to them.

But they should remember that the duty of the moment, whether it be the washing of dishes, or the saving of a life, is but the note which is set for us to strike in the great orchestra of life. If we refuse to strike it we make discord, not harmony.

If God gives you a great part to play in His orchestra, thank Him and
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CONTRIBUTIONS

WHERE ARE WE—IN THE WILL OF GOD OR OUT OF HIS WILL?

By Mrs. E. H. Hess

This question has recently been impressed upon my mind, and to me it seems a serious one. If we are in His Will, obeying the Word and the dictates of His Holy Spirit, then we have peace in our hearts, the "peace which passeth understanding, joy the world can never give." And it makes it "so sweet to trust in Jesus, just to take Him at His word, just to rest upon His promise, just to know 'thus saith the Lord.'

It is the blessed privilege of every child of God to enjoy a life yielded to Him, and can He not well have such a claim on us after we have given our hearts to Him? Then, we are no longer our own for "we are bought with a price" therefore He can rightly claim our service in His great vineyard.

The Savior has done all that He could do to redeem lost humanity. "All the way to Calvary He went for me"—for you. "What more can He do, what more can He do, His hands and His feet to the cross nailed for you."

Now, what are we doing for Him? Are we living faithful to the trust He has given us, do we witness for Him each day as we have opportunity, and do we manifest to others the very importance of living for the "Christ of the World?" Or are we somewhat indifferent about the matter and perhaps ashamed to say anything to others about Him? Then what if He will some day be ashamed of us?

Oh, that we had the courage as the three Hebrew children we studied about in the Sunday School lesson sometime ago, or the faith of Daniel, who clung to his God even at the risk of his life. And what do we know but that our faith may some day also be severely tried. How well then it would be if we would go to God with

the little tests of life and ask Him to give us victory over them instead of stopping to parley with the enemy and becoming discouraged and thus get crippled in our spiritual life. Life is too short and eternity too long to miss the good things that are in store for the children of God.

Paul admonished the Corinthian church to "covet earnestly the best gifts" and then adds "and yet I shew unto you a more excellent way," 1 Cor. 12:31, then the excellent way is found in the following chapter. This brings us to a high standard. Is it too high? Surely not else it would not have been given. It's the standard for God's chosen people to live by and if we live by this standard we need have no fears of not being in His will.

How well has the writer put the words of the song: "His yoke is easy, His burden is light, I've found it so." If we don't find it so where then is the trouble? Surely not with the Lord, then it must be in us. Might it be that we have become entangled with the things of this world? It does seem to be an easy thing these days for our young people to follow after the foolish fads and fashions of the worldly people. But why? Dear young people, is it to gain the approval of the people with whom we come in contact? But what profit in such gain? Which would we rather be like, and look like when Jesus comes, like the worldling or like a follower of the meek and lowly Savior?

The world gives no credit for following them, they see that the professor is compromising and even scorn at such profession. Then wherein lies our power and influence over them for good?

Dear young Sisters, for Jesus' sake, be willing to take Him with you every day, wherever you go, at work, in the shop, in your office, in the school and, dare I say, in the store when you do your shopping, consult Jesus before making a purchase whether the arti-

cle or material you are about to purchase is becoming to the child of God.

And to the young Brethren, the same admonition can well be applied to your life. Wherein lies your power if **you** pattern after the world and worldly things? Jesus said: "He that taketh not his cross and followeth after me, is not worthy of me. If we follow after the world where then is the cross? And how then can we be "read and known of men?"

Sometimes we are made to wonder if the mothers are always in carefulness along these lines to give advice and encouragement as they should. Dear mothers, let us be careful and prayerful in these matters lest the blood of the dear young souls be required at our hand. Satan is so subtle that the young people have many things to encounter with even with the best that we can do for them.

The church, of course, also has a great responsibility in this matter. God grant that the ministers and shepherds of the flocks do their duty from the pulpit, and out of it. And that the laity also realize a responsibility to the extent that they should. These days, some say, we shouldn't say much or anything, just pray for them. But the apostle Paul gave many admonitions to the different churches and the people in whom he was concerned and many times over did he admonish them. And Jesus himself gave many admonitions. "We are our brother's keeper." And our baptismal vow should not be lost sight of along these lines.

Let us be true to the **church** of our **choice**, that we do not burden our elderly members and give them undue concern.

How blessed to be in the Will of God and be free instead of being in bondage. Then we have the experience of Isaiah where he says: "They that wait upon the Lord **shall** renew their strength; they **shall** mount up with wings as eagles; they **shall** run, and not be weary; they **shall** walk, and not faint."

HEAVENLY LOVE

It is with a heart full of love that I take up my pen to write a few lines to my dear brothers and sisters in the faith and readers of the Visitor in general.

My desire would be to meet with you this Lord's Day in His sanctuary in person, but as that is not my privilege, I am with you in heart. My soul often longs to meet with the saints of God that I might be refreshed in hearing from the blessed truths. However, I have much reason to thank God that I can meet occasionally, which I greatly appreciate. I also feel thankful that so many call on me and offer a short fervent prayer and have a pleasant conversation on the good things of God. I thank Him that I can still write a word of praise to His dear name. I thank Him for all that He is to me, thank Him that I ever came to know Him and that His abiding presence is with me continually. What would I do without this Comforter? It would be sad indeed to live in this world of sin, sorrow, suffering, disappointments, and death, without Jesus to lean upon for help. How could we lean on Him and trust Him if we had not taken Him into our lives

Oh, I do praise him every day of my life that he died for me—even me. I must say with the psalmist. "Bless the Lord, oh my soul, and all that is within me, bless His Holy Name." Ps. 103:1. My heart goes out in pity when I see so many speeding by on the Lord's Day to places of amusements, spending this day in sinful pleasure, receiving nothing that will satisfy, but will only add to their soul's condemnation. I feel the great need to call upon God in behalf of these that know Him not. Even in this civilized land of ours multitudes are hastening on to eternal woe—may we who know the worth of prayer, pray earnestly that God's work may be revived and souls saved in these latter days. We believe the time is short, and the prince of the power of the air is doing all he can

to drag poor careless souls down to eternal night.

I have been speaking of the people in our own homeland, but let us not forget those in the heathen lands that have not the blessed privilege that the people of our land enjoy—reading the Word and hearing the gospel preached week after week if they desire it. Sorry to say many would choose worldly pleasure instead.

We pray that the few in the heathen lands that have become enlightened and have accepted Christ as their Saviour, may be true and faithful that much good may be accomplished through their efforts. We ask God's blessings upon our missionaries that have sacrificed home and comforts for the sake of souls. Especially let remember dear Sister Steigerwald in her very sad bereavement, and who feels the responsibility very heavy. May God fit the back for the burden. Last, but not least, may we remember the out-going missionaries that they have a safe landing, health and strength for every duty that lies before them. Before I close I ask your prayers in my behalf. I mean to lean upon His promises and His everlasting arms which are able to support in every time of need.

When we assemble and look over the congregation we see so many vacant seats and we miss the departed ones sadly. One by one we are passing away. Who will be next? God alone knows. The following lines come to my mind:

"There is a time, it may be soon,
When I shall yield this fleeting
breath,
And others looking on shalt say,
This is the work of thine, oh, death.
Be near or far, hope fear disarms;
I shall fall sweetly in Christ's arms."

Farewell,

Sister S. McTaggart,
Box 78, Stayner, Ont.

It is not enough to dream of heavenly mansions—we must build them. And the material that goes into them we must gather here below.

EATING AND DRINKING CHRIST

John 6:54, "Whoso eateth my flesh and drinketh my blood hath eternal life."

It is not merely that I see Him and hear Him, I can eat Him and drink Him. His life will pass into my life and become incorporate in me, until I am really one with Him, as the blood that flows in my smallest finger, is one with the blood that courses thru my heart. It is the amazing intimacy of the figure that possesses my mind. The Lord Jesus will enter and pervade my life as surely and as deeply as the strength of eaten bread builds in my flesh. Now, between persons the act of eating is just the act of faith; one life passes into the other by the ministry of faith. When one life has no faith in another all communion is closed. The deeper the confidence the more abundant the communion, the more venturesome the faith, the more gloriously open is the fellowship. The act of faith is the act of appropriating. To live one's life depending on Christ, is to eat and drink Christ all day long. Every moment He passes into us, into mind, heart and will. He feeds the soul with hidden manna and preserves it in the saving health of His Grace.

Jowett. (Sel. by S. G. E.)

HOLD THE LINE

A woman telephoned the business manager of a large concert hall that she had lost a valuable diamond pendant there the night before, and asked if it had been found. The man said to hold the line. Search was made and the pin was found, but when the manager went back to the telephone, the call had been cut off. He waited for the woman to call again, but never heard anything from her, even though he advertised. How often we act that way concerning our requests to our Father in Heaven. We turn to Him in our troubles and difficulties, and then, sometimes, weary of waiting, our faith gives way, and we fail to "hold the line," so that when the time comes for the request to be granted, we are not there to receive it. We are bidden to "wait patiently for Him."—From the Christian.

Nothing can come out of nothing, any more than a thing can go back to nothing.

THE FAMILY CIRCLE

A BITTER END

A Dance That Never Occurred.

An ungodly young girl in Texas was getting up a dance at her father's house to counteract the influence of a revival that was being held in the community, and to keep the young people away from it. She rode from home to home, giving out the invitations, and at the last place, on leaving, she uttered in a gay, reckless way, these fearful words: "I am one day nearer hell than I ever was before. Pray that I may hold out faithful." She galloped away, but in a few moments her horse came back dragging the dead body of the rider.

My Bed in Hell

A young man was deeply convicted of sin during a revival meeting. He was not a scoffer, or a blasphemer, but on the contrary, acknowledged the necessity of salvation by grace, and expressed his full intention of seeking the Lord at some future time, but resisted every entreaty to turn to Christ then and there. Just about the close of the meeting he was taken violently ill, grew worse rapidly and the physicians gave him up to die. He sent for the evangelist who had been so burdened for his salvation, and said to him, "Oh, if I had taken your advice a few days ago, I should now be ready to die. God's Spirit strove with me powerfully, but I was stubborn and resisted Him. If I had yielded then I believe God would have saved me from my sins, but now, racked with pain almost unsupportable, and scorched with burning fever, and on the very brink of an eternal world, I have no hope in the future; all is dark and gloomy. I have resisted God, His Spirit and His ministers, and now I must make my bed in hell; lost! lost! forever lost!" In this condition he breathed his last.

God Is Not Mocked

A Christian physician on the way home from the bed side of a patient,

through a sparsely settled country, was obliged to take refuge from a swiftly approaching storm in a grocery store which also contained a grog shop. Two wicked men were present, under the influence of liquor, and as the lightning flashed and the thunders rolled, they poured forth such a volley of fearful oaths that finally the store keeper said, "Gentlemen, I am no Christian, but I want to say to you that your cursing is too much for me. God will strike you and make all of us dead right here with a stroke of lightning if you do not hush your blasphemous oaths." The leader of the two rolled up his sleeves, went to the door, cursed God and defied Him. At that moment a blinding flash of lightning descended on the house, with a lurid flame of fire. Quickly the blinding light was gone, and only a sulphuric smoke remained from the awful blaze. In a moment that, too, had disappeared, and there lay God's defier in a heap, having sunk down on his feet just as an empty garment when let loose would fall. The physician helped the other men to lay him out, and said he did not believe that there was a bone left unbroken in his body two inches long.

His Choice Granted

A young man with whom the Spirit of the Lord had been striving during a revival, when earnestly solicited by his mother to accept Christ, turned with a look of fiendish hatred and defiance and said, "I would rather be damned than yield." In an instant he fell forward with the cry, "O God, I am damned! I am damned—" and passed into eternity.

These are a few of the many well authenticated instances where sudden destruction was meted out to the perverse and stubborn sinner.

God's word is full of loving entreaty to the sinner, and over and over again he is assured of forgiveness and salvation through the atoning blood of Jesus Christ, the Saviour, if

he will turn to God. But the bells of warning also ring in the Bible, from Genesis to Revelation, as to the dire consequences of continuing in sin, and neglecting God's great salvation.

Unsaved friend: You may be or you may not be desperately wicked in outbreaching sins; but away from Christ and His pardoning love and mercy you are in jeopardy every hour. Every time you resist the pleadings of the Holy Spirit your heart is becoming harder, and the probabilities of your salvation less. There are multitudes in the dark regions of despair who intended some time to find peace with God, but they put off the day of salvation until it was everlastingly too late. "Seek ye the Lord while He may be found; call ye upon Him while He is near." "Boast not thyself of tomorrow, for thou knowest not what a day may bring forth."

"Christ, His own self bore our sins in His own body on the tree." I Pet. 2:24.—Tract.

THE LANGUAGE OF NATURE

Clouds

Scientific investigation has lately shown that if there were no dust, or germs of disease, in the air, not a drop of rain or a snowflake would fall on the earth, and no clouds or fog would ever form. The moisture must have something small as a nucleus to start with before it can form into drops, and dust and germs fill this very important place in the economy of nature. This is claimed as a modern discovery, within the last fifteen years, but it is stated in Nahum 1:3, "The clouds are dust of His feet," and that was written over 600 years B. C.

The dust and disease germs that we so deplore and try to get rid of, which lie in the streets and the fields, and which the wind blows into our eyes, into our houses, often carrying disease and death—this same worthless dust, carried along and upward by the wind till it meets a cooler stratum of moist air, is seized upon by the waiting moisture, which builds upon it, as a nucleus, a drop of water or a snowflake, and sends it back

in blessing to the earth, the place of the curse from whence it came.

Dust and moisture are thus fitted for each other, and the need is mutual, as it is imperative. But for the wind, the dust would lie in the street and on the ground forever; so the wind is an important factor. Moisture, or water, is a type of the Word. It was said to Adam, "Dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return" (Gen. 3:19; see Ps. 105:14). Dust, then, is the type of worthless, helpless, insignificant, fallen man—in the streets and lanes of the city, and in the highways of the country, the places where men are found (see Luke 14:16-24). The two—men and the Word of God—are perfectly fitted for fallen man, adapted to his needs and nature, and addressed to him (see Prov. 1:20, etc., 8:1, etc., 9:1; Is. 55:1); but for the Spirit of God, we would remain forever in our fallen condition, satisfied with the street and the earth—this present evil world (see John 3:19; Gal. 1:4).

But God has a faithful and efficient servant for just such a work (see Luke 14:17). Only one is equal to it—the Holy Spirit: and with Him at work no other is needed; so we have but one, the number of supremacy and independence (see John 3:5-8; 14:16,17,26). See also Abraham's servant (see Gen. 24:2-4).

Hydrogen, as a chemical element of water, seems to set forth, as we have seen, the Holy Spirit's part in providing the Word for man; and here, the wind, His active part in behalf of men, bringing them within reach of the Word. As a result of the wind, we have clouds, and what can the antitype be but the people of God gathered up by the Holy Spirit? Look on the Day of Pentecost. There was the crowd of men—the dust; a rushing, mighty wind—the Spirit; and the water—the Word of God by the mouth of Peter. A Heavenly cloud was formed, so full of rain that it could not but "empty itself upon the earth:" there was such a shower of blessing that 3,000 were converted that day. That cloud of blessing has been hanging over this world ever since: and however few the showers,

and however long the periods of drought have been, still, what would the world have been without it? The cause of the present spiritual drought must be that God's people are not filled with His Word (see Heb. 11:3).

Clouds belong to Heaven. They are made up of very many drops of water, each having for a nucleus a tiny particle of dust often worse than worthless—a germ of disease and death. For example: one such germ, a deadly microbe, on his way to Damascus, breathing out threatenings and slaughter, was met by the Word of God; he was taken up, filled, and sent back into the world for blessing (see Acts 2:1; II Tim. 1:2-16).

The particle of dust is so small as to be invisible to the naked eye in the drop, so blessing to the earth lies in the water, not in the dust. God makes much of His word; the man who ministers it is used in the measure in which he is little (see II Cor. 12:9,10). This is just the reverse of men's thoughts: they make little of the Word, and much of the man; but a little water and much dust make mud, and this accounts for much of the unhappy conditions of Christendom. The remedy is also manifest. In keeping with this thought, Paul, which means "little," was the one, above all others, who ministered the Word for blessing, and the one who said he was less than the least of all saints (see Eph. 3:3-8).

Sunset

Clouds are formed upon dust once belonging to earth, now to Heaven; so with the Church, once dead in trespasses and sins, now raised up heritage merely for the future, but in Christ Jesus; once belonging to the streets and lanes of the city now commissioned to reflect the glories of our absent Lord, and thus associated with the character of the glory with which the Father has crowned Him by placing Him on His throne—the greatest honor He could give to man—the most sublime spectacle in the universe to-day, or that ever will be. Do we realize the wonder and the glory of it? It seems natural that sunset—the most brilliant scene in nature—should be the type of this.

The Church is the witness of this glory now to a world that is in darkness, and whilst the Lord is absent. So in the type it is only when there are clouds in the sky, and the sun has set that sunset is seen at its best. We are looking for the Lord's return: but many of us may be called home before He comes. It may be through lingering illness, or intense suffering, or by sudden accident with but few seconds notice before we pass into the immediate presence of the One Who loves us; but even then this blessed thought may fill the soul and lift it clean above all fear, for not only have we the assurance that "underneath are the everlasting arms," but the next moment we shall open our eyes on the face of the Lord Jesus on the Father's throne in Glory.

This present glory of the Lord eclipses His millennial glory, when He will be seated on His own throne, in the measure that honor from the Father eclipses and outclasses all human and angelic honor. To see Him thus will much more than offset the trial of passing through even the most painful death. We shall exclaim:

"It were a well-spent journey
If seven deaths lay between."

Paul saw it, and he said, "It is not lawful for a man to utter it." Still it is not necessary to wait till death to enjoy what is now the portion of the saints in light. Notice, not the in our present portion up there even now, while yet down here—of course, only for Faith now. The thought of this, Christ thus glorified, is able in the most trying moment to rescue the soul from the confusion around, and not only remove all the terror of death, but fill the heart with victory in the midst of it all. If we tarry till He comes, we shall escape death; but if not, we shall be with Him in that "excellent Glory."

May every sunset speak in power to our hearts of our Saviour's present glory—and our own as identified with Him.

Sunset belongs then to the night, in contrast with the rainbow which is seen only when the sun is in the

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The Foreign Missionary Department

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EDITORIAL

WHAT SHALL WE EMPLOY?

Those who have had the privilege of making personal investigation from observation, have come to conclusions as to the advantage or propriety of auxiliaries in connection with mission effort in heathen lands, such as: Education, Medical, and Industrial work, etc. And some may have reflected on these departments as being detrimental to the real cause of missions.

Personally, we have had only a very limited opportunity of estimating the value of what some might be ready to designate as "side issues."

We have concluded that both educational and medical agencies are great means to an end, and that end is to reach the Soul life of the heathen, etc.

As to the real value of industrial work in connection with mission effort, we might hesitate to commit ourselves, only to say that it dangerously tends to "top heaviness," but that it has its advantages no one will deny, and that it is practically unavoidable because of conditions is also a fact.

The Educational and Medical features of mission work, and the dictation and restrictions imposed upon missionaries in the various heathen lands on the part of those in Civil Authority, have in some cases been a real menace to progress.

But the fine display of faith and courage with firmness of some of God's Embassadors in China at least, is truly refreshing in these days of all sorts of handicap.

In a recent editorial comment in the Evangelical Christian, the Editor has picked up some information which I believe will be of value to us as a people, who are at least in a measure meeting with the same thing. We pass it on, as follows:

Christian Missions and Education

"An eccentric woman, generally known in New York as 'scrubbing Sophie', because of her daily calling, was so persistent in her witness for Christ that she laid down the rule with her clientele 'no preach, no scrub.'

"The Southern Presbyterian Mission in China have just served notice to Government, and all and sundry, that if there is to be no Bible teaching there will be no schools as far as they are concerned. They refuse to conduct institutions of learning from which Biblical instruction is excluded, or even made optional. They have served notice that any educational institutions with which they have to do shall be distinctly and decidedly Christian. Thank God for the Southern Presbyterians.

"Why should the Christian Church have the responsibility of educating heathendom? We were informed by the head of a Christian College in India that 75 per cent of his students were Moslems, 15 per cent Hindu, while 10 per cent were nominally Christian.

"Why should the Christian Church carry the burden of educating this mass of students only to make them polished opponents of Christianity?

"Then the same number of 'The Bible for China' announcing this decision contains an article entitled, 'Merely Medical or Medical Missionary.' We would quote one or two pregnant sentences. "The 'merely medical' attitude surely loses sight of the fact that the medical side of our work is but a means to an end, and not the end itself. Let us be as efficient medical workers as we can be—only thus can we glorify the Master of Whom it was said, 'He doeth all things well.'" But above everything let us be efficient missionaries, labouring that we may have souls for our hire.

"If our medical work is not effec-

tive toward the saving of souls it is not justified as a missionary agency, however laudable it may be in itself. Can it be shown that the relative costliness of our medical work in money, time and effort is justified by its spiritual results? If it cannot, then some other form of evangelism should take its place.'

"These words are not written by an outside critic, or by an armchair observer at home, but by an active worker on the field.

"This writer makes the suggestion that while admitting the need of possibly one 'base' hospital, the work should be largely done by 'Field Hospitals,' which could camp down at a place for a few weeks with all essential operative facilities, but which should be conducted as a medical Mission, evangelism being its primary purpose.

"If the upheaval in China brings about a return to the right emphasis in Missions and relieves the Church of the incubus of the great institutions which have consumed so large a proportion of her resources while yielding the minimum spiritual returns, the missionary enterprise will be purified and strengthened by the losses caused by the revolution."

With Much Appreciation

It was our glad privilege to have a few very pleasant calls at our home recently by Elder R. R. Smucker, wife and family, from the American Mennonite Mission, Dhantari C. P. India, now home on furlough.

It was our joy while in India some years ago to be very agreeably, and generously entertained by Brother Smucker at the mission station, for which we have ever been grateful. We were pleased indeed to renew acquaintance and enjoyed each others fellowship on the occasions of these brief calls.

We availed ourselves of the opportunity to learn from Brother Smucker some of the outstanding features of blessing, leading to success in mission effort by the American Mennonites in India during nearly the past thirty years. The following is some

of the fruitage which God has made possible.

Population territory allotted—One million. Missionaries on the field, ordinarily: Twenty-five to thirty. Seven fully organized congregations. Fourteen missionary ministers. One native ordained minister. Nine native deacons. Eight station Sunday Schools. Sixty-four village Sunday Schools. Average attendance (aggregate) two thousand seven hundred. Seventeen evangelistic centers. Thirty-six evangelists, and thirty-three Bible women, supported by U. S. A. Thirteen charitable institutions, Hospitals and Dispensaries. Missionary Doctors. Missionary and Native nurses. Twenty-eight thousand patients treated annually. One thousand two hundred native baptized communicants; besides the hundreds of children in native Christian homes, and the hundreds of natives under Christian influence in Christian communities, etc.

All this fruitage by the grace of God, after faithful service of nearly thirty years, having found its nucleus in the great famine of 1899. And yet some will raise the question: "Why Foreign Missions?"

MTSHABEZI MISSION

Private Bag, Bulawayo, S. Rho.
July 15, 1929

Dear Readers:

Greeting to the dear ones in the homeland. Once again we come to you to tell you a little of the work at this place.

The first half of the year is in the past. It does not seem possible but we are in the midst of our quiet time. What do we mean by our quiet time? It is only the long vacation when the girls go home. The middle of June school closed and most of our girls went to their homes or to near friends and now with thirty two girls here it does seem quiet. We usually have about one hundred and fifteen here. These people are inclined to be noisy and it is often hard to keep them quiet. It tests our love and grace.

Another condition here at this time

is that all the workers are gone but the writer and family. They are attending the Africa Conference of our work.

Our children are all home now and it seems nice to have our sons, Bert and Mark here. How we wish for a Christian school for them. They do not get much help on spiritual lines in school, and we ask you to pray for them that they may be kept true and may not forget their promises to the Lord.

The work here is progressing about as usual. There are victories and there have been defeats as it appears to us. The victories we know are because of the power of God. The defeats are because of failure on the part of God's children; perhaps because of the lack of prayer and waiting upon God. Perhaps it was with us, perhaps with you. Perhaps we were not patient enough or did not have the grace we should have had. Let us go deeper, deeper.

We do realize keenly that the work has been handicaped because of the shortage of workers. We often wonder why men cannot realize the importance of this age. We often say we believe the coming of the Lord is near, if so why should we consider our lives dear.

Oh, that the professing church might catch the vision of this dark world's need and be willing to give time, means and men, as God requires.

Just recently it was mentioned that Sr. Frey and her daughter were coming back to Africa. One young man asked, "Are there no young men?" We did not know what to say. Well, may they ask the question, and yet this eve we heard of new recruits. Oh, our hearts rejoice to hear that some are willing to obey the call. But so few?

Yes, here we ask, where are the young men to give themselves for teachers? The conditions seem to be the same the world over. The tide sweeps along and draws many away from the things of God.

We do realize, that we see so much of souls giving away to the temptations of Satan, that we need much

charity to deal justly with them, to be firm and to call sin sin, and yet not to be unduly harsh with the entrapped one.

On Lord's Day there were over two hundred at services. We were glad to see them, but oh we long for a real breaking down of the stronghold of Satan. A crying out to God.

There is a real sifting time for many. How many will come through clean? Are you praying for these black diamonds? The cutting and polishing process means much. Are you doing your part? Are you remembering them before the throne?

Some of our old members are being drawn away with the Ethiopian movement. One of our old teachers in speaking about it said, "It will soon be cheap and lose its value to them, then they will be left, but they will be ashamed to come back." All too true but so sad.

Yes we have mentioned some sad sides of the work, but it is not all sad. We have many uplifting things and we praise God for every victory. Victory in King Jesus.

Pray for your unworthy servants and for the work in this part of God's Great Harvest Field.

Yours seeking the lost,
Abbie B. Winger.

ARE YOU DEEPLY INTERESTED IN AND EARNESTLY PRAYING FOR THE WORK IN INDIA?

If you are, then, here are some subjects to add to your prayer list. **Please pray for the young people of the mission.** James and William, two young men just nearing maturity are now in a Mission Industrial school in Benares, learning a trade. Pray that they may be kept from evil habits and temptation while they are thus surrounded by special temptations in the city and that after they have finished their training they may be ready to return to the Mission and fill a place of usefulness here. Pray, also, for a young man named Arthur Singh who has now completed his High School course and is about to take up a special course of training for the ministry. In order to do this he will have

to go away to another Mission. Pray that he may be wonderfully blessed and set apart for God and that the enemy of Souls may not be permitted to thwart God's plan for his life.

Pray for Dukawa and Luke, also Watson, who are still in the Orphanage but nearly of age. Above all else pray that they might know the Lord in saving and sanctifying power and that God may definitely lead them into paths of usefulness in the Mission. For we do need these young people in our work and the devil also knows that we need them and will do his utmost to hinder the cause of Christ. They have grown up in the Mission, one might say, and will prove much more satisfactory in the work than those who have come into the work as adults, so let us hold onto God for them. Pray for Daud Prakash, a young man of sixteen who is just taking up the work of Evangelist and dresser at the Saharsa Dispensary as a beginner in this line of work along with his step-mother.

Pray especially that he may be given real boldness as he sings and speaks to the patients who come for treatment and also that he may have success in selling gospel literature to the patients.

These are seven young men, full of promise and real ability if filled with the Holy Spirit and the real call of God upon them. Also add to these Silas Hendri of Dhumaria. He was baptized last spring and is also one to be coveted earnestly for God though only a farmer boy with but little education. Pray that his life may be so upright among the Roman Catholics of his community that they also may be won for God. Also please add the name of Mary Moti to your prayer list. She is a teacher in the orphanage, a fine young woman and greatly used in the work, but she needs your prayers that God may have his way in her future life, and that satan may in no wise gain a victory over her.

Last but not least, pray for Pauline. It may be remembered by some that she had taken up Hospital training a year ago, but on account of an illness with typhoid fever she had to give up her training and come home.

For some time we feared she might not want to continue her course but now we are glad to say that she is very willing to go back to the Mission Hospital for Women in Patna and will be beginning her work, again, very soon. Please pray that she may be spared from farther severe illness and may have great success in her work, being able to successfully complete the course and return to the work of our Mission in due time with a clean character and a willing heart. Ten new names for your prayer list—ten young lives which may be turned into channels of blessing and usefulness because YOU prayed.

July 5th, 1929

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PRACTICAL HOLINESS

Practical holiness must correspond to the nature of holiness. Whoever is in possession of holiness behaves himself as becometh those professing holiness. Whoever is wanting in a holy life is surely wanting in a holy character, for the two go together and cannot be disjoined. Wherever the sun is, there are its sunbeams, so also wherever holiness is there are its fruits. The sanctified person is a singular and most significant example of loving kindness, generosity, overflowing with deeds of kindness, always in full fellowship with all of God's saints. Perfect love cannot be cynical, tyrannical, selfish, unfraternal, unsympathetic, disrespectful, rude, uncivil, and such like offensive behavior. We have met even professors of holiness who were as cold as a moonbeam, cynical, unfraternal, shut up in their religious shell like a clam. This class belong to the "Ice Saints." In Germany in May there is a killing frost that ruins strawberries, tomatoes and cherries. The superstitious German peasants say it is caused by the vengeful "Ice Saints." This will apply to the moral killing frosts caused by these religious "Ice Saints."

Unity and fellowship among Christians is a most conspicuous characteristic. Christian fellowship is the outward expression of inward unity. Fellowship is the widest commonalty known, and expresses the deeper spir-

itual things in the life of a Christian.

Christian unity and fellowship is not dependent on membership in some particular religious organization. The unity, oneness, and fellowship among Christians, is the result of an inward condition of the heart—Unity with God, and pure and undefiled soul.

Hearts cleansed from all sin, hearts made perfect in love is the unifying and centrifugal force which makes Christians one. Entire sanctification is the great law of unity. If you are wholly sanctified you can no more escape from the Spirit of unity, and fellowship than you can escape from your shadow.

Christ taught that sanctification is the basis of oneness, unity and fellowship, and is also the leveling down process. "And for their sakes I sanctify myself that they also might be sanctified through the truth."

"That they all may be one; as thou Father are in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me." John 17:19-21.

That sanctification is the underlying condition of oneness, unity and fellowship is a truth here stated by Christ Himself.

Separation, competition, division and strife among Christians is manifestly of the devil. The cords of "perfect love" that bind the hearts of Christians together are stronger than iron, and will endure through time and all eternity. The "unity of the Spirit is the only hope of saving ourselves and others. St. Paul has well said: "If ye bite and devour one another, take heed that ye be not consumed one of another." That's all. That's enough.—Vanguard.

THE LANGUAGE OF NATURE

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heavens. This seems to fix the application of it to the Church, and that of the rainbow to Israel and earthly blessing promised in the millennium. Israel is connected with the earth as the scene of blessing, and with the Law (a glorious Law, reflected on Moses' face) and with judgment, though followed by blessing.—Our Hope.

LIVING IN THE SUBURBS OF HEAVEN

When Peter, James and John were granted that sublime interview with Jesus on the sacred mount, no doubt they felt that they were basking in the very suburbs of heaven. And when the ever-outspoken Peter exclaimed, "Lord, it is good to be here," he unquestionably expressed the sentiment of the two other apostles. Ah, yes, where Jesus is, there is heaven in holy fellowship and "joy unspeakable and full of glory."

And notice the words of the apostle Paul, in speaking of being "in heavenly places in Christ." That would, indeed, seem to bring us to the suburbs of the celestial city on high, may be the great enjoyment of divine or heavenly things. But let us not forget that they are all "in Christ."

Dear reader, where do we live? Is it "in heavenly places in Christ Jesus," so far as our personal relation to Him is concerned? Do we "stand by faith on heaven's table land?" Or do we flounder "where doubts arise and fears dismay?" If the latter, then we are a long way from the delectable suburbs of heaven. And it certainly becomes us fervently to pray, "Lord, plant my feet on higher ground."

The Bible speaks of "the gates of heaven," and of "that great city, the new Jerusalem, having twelve gates," and of each gate as being a "pearl." Oh that we may constantly live very near to those pearly gates! Then live in the very closest confines of heaven. And we shall not be concerned whether we dwell near the "east three gates," or "the north three gates," or "the south three gates," or "the west three gates," because all of them are of inimitable grandeur, and the glorious passage ways from heaven's suburbs to heaven itself.—A. W. Orwig, In King's Business.

STEVENSON'S PRAYER

"The evening before his sudden death in Samoa, Robert Louis Stevenson read aloud to his family a prayer

that he had composed, which closes with this petition: 'Go with each of us to rest; if any wake, temper to them the dark hours of watching; and when the day returns to us, our Sun and Comforter, call us with morning faces and with morning hearts, eager to labor, eager to be happy, if happiness shall be our portion; and if the day be marked to sorrow, strong to endure it.'"

CHRIST'S MARVELOUS INSIGHT

"Never man spake like this man." John 7:46.

Marvelous indeed was Christ's insight into human nature. With divine delicacy, yet with divine certainty, He lays His hand upon the heart of the moralist who, boastful of his prim propriety, asks, "What lack I yet?" and touches instantly the sensitive spot. "Go, sell that thou hast," etc. The penetration of Christ's words struck His most gifted foes dumb. Pharisees and Herodians forgot their hostility and conspired to catch Him in His talk: "Is it lawful to give tribute to Caesar or not?" "Render unto Caesar," etc. Then the Sadducees sought to entangle Him in a question on the Resurrection; but again His wisdom put them to silence. Then the Pharisees returned to the assault, and cunningly tried to entrap Him into giving some one command of God undue prominence. And when again He read their hearts, and so majestically eluded their snare, from that day they "dared ask Him no more questions." Fouque has a fable of a magic mirror so wonderful, that he who looked in it might read his own character, history and destiny. Goth and Moor, Frank and Hun, came from far to see their past and future unveiled. Here is the true magic mirror. This keenest sword is also a polished blade; it not only cuts deep, but it reflects character. Nothing is more plain, in Christ's words, than an insight and a foresight far beyond man. Here, as in the brook, is the inverted image, which shows how deep is our degradation; but it tells of our possible elevation and salvation, even as the stars

are no deeper down in the reflection than they are high in the heaven. Go, look in this mirror, see your thoughts revealed.—Dr. Arthur T. Pierson.

TRAVELER'S WET STORIES

The following incident is reported by a county prosecuting attorney of Washington:

A few days ago in a popular tavern in Seattle, while five Elks, commercial travelers, were dining, prohibition came up for discussion. The usual claim that more liquor is being sold under prohibition than ever before was made and the statement was about to get over by common consent, when one of the party objected.

"Gentlemen," he said, "I challenge the statement! There is not one-tenth of the liquor sold now that was sold before the Eighteenth Amendment was adopted." Looking them squarely in the face, he asked, "Have any of you had a drink to-day?"

They were an orderly but liberal set of business men, but each admitted that he had had no drink that day.

The challenging brother pursued his vantage: "Have any of you had a drink in the last three days?"

All of the party except one agreed that they had not tasted liquor in three days. This one had barely tasted some liquor at the hands of a customer; he was afraid to drink the stuff, he said.

"Now don't you fellows remember," said the challenging brother, "that before prohibition, by this time of day, you would have had at least ten drinks apiece, and you could not have gone about your business selling goods for three days without inviting more than half of your customers to some saloon or the hotel bar for a drink?"

There was no answer. The party unanimously agreed they were wrong in their claim that there was more liquor sold now than in licensed days.

This incident illustrates the absurdity of this exaggerated claim the wets are putting over by well financed

and scientifically directed propagan-
da. The pretense that prohibition
does not prohibit is about the silliest
claim that confronts the friends of
prohibitoin.—The Advance.

UNDEVELOPED TALENTS

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do your best. But if it is a small one,
take comfort. The man who blows
the organ, out of sight, is as neces-
sary to the music as he whose voice
rises with the lark to Heaven's gate.
—The Household.

FOR SPRING OR SCRAP-HEAP

A blacksmith, about eight years
after he had given his heart to God,
was approached by an intelligent un-
believer with the question: "Why is
it you have so much trouble? I have
been watching you. Since you joined
the church and began to 'walk
square,' and seem to love everybody,
you have twice as many trials and ac-
cidents as you had before. I thought
that when a man gave himself to God

his troubles were over. Isn't that
what the parson tells us?"

With a thoughtful but glowing
face, the blacksmith replied:

"Do you see this piece of steel? It
is for the springs of a carriage. But
it needs to be 'tempered.' In order
to do this, I heat it red-hot, and then
cool it with water. If I find it will
take a 'temper,' I heat it again; then
I hammer it, and bend it, and shape
it, so it will be suitable for the car-
riage. Often I find the steel too brit-
tle, and it cannot be used. If so, I
throw it on the scrap-pile. Those
scraps are worth less than one cent
a pound; but this carriage spring is
valuable."

He paused and his listener nodded.
The blacksmith continued:

"God saves us for something more
than to have a good time. That's the
way I see it. We have the good time
all right, for the smile of God means
Heaven. But He wants us for ser-
vice, just as I want this piece of steel.
And He puts the 'temper' of Christ
in us by testings and trials.

"Ever since I saw this I have been
saying to Him, 'Test me in any way
You choose, Lord, only don't throw
me on the scrap-pile.'"

"But He knoweth the way that I
take; when He hath tried me, I shall
come forth as gold" (Job 23:10).—
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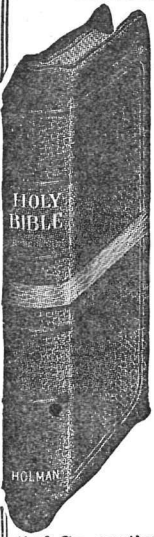
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