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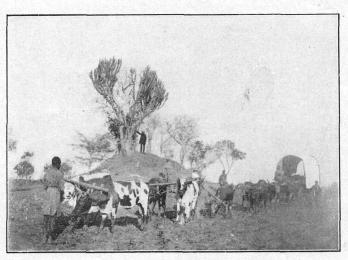
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## = EDITORIAL =

#### RE-FOREIGN MISSIONARY EDITORIAL, OCTOBER 28TH ISSUE.

We sincerely regret the mistake which occurred in the printing of this article in the above number of the "Visitor."

From appearances the mistake occurred in making an original correction and an employee inserting the wrong line. We sincerely beg your pardon and the pardon of the Foreign Mission Editor. For the benefit of our readers we are herewith re-printing the article as originally written.

It is simply amazing when one learns of the ignorance that obtains among the membership of our own dear people concerning the activities of the church in Africa and India, and the Missionaries who have been sent forth in answer to the call of God, and who are representing God, the Gospel, and the Church in those lands.

And many evidently who are either so little concerned, or who fail to acquaint themselves with the names, and the particular field in which they are labouring. Again and again are we told by the returned missionaries that they are frequently approached with the question on their return from the field as to whether they are from Africa, or India? And not a few cases where a missionary will be assigned to Africa, when in fact they have been labouring perhaps for fourteen or more years in India, and vice versa.

Why is it that our people do not know etc?

One is reminded of the incident recorded in the "Christian World" to the effect that a Salvationist went to visit an old Scotch Lady, and after the usual conversation, he read from Dr. Moffat's Translation of the New Testament. The old lady listened attentively to the end, and then she said, "Eh that's fine. And noo, wal ye read me a wee bit frae the Word o' God?"

We will agree, there was good reasons why the old lady did not know, and could not understand Moffat's translation. But are there any good reasons why our, "Evangelical Visitor readers" (pardon me, "DO THEY READ ?????") do not know in what field the missionaries are labouring.

—Editor.

The lack of knowledge referred to in the above article is by no means confined to Missionaries and Missionary facts. We have never been able to quite understand that type of spirituality that will prefer a farm paper or secular news sheet to the official organ of the church of which the individual is a member.

#### **Missionary Interest**

Due to the fact that matter intended for the last issue of the "Visitor" was received too late for publication we are taking the liberty to give our readers a number devoted largely to Foreign Missionary efforts and activities. We are herewith printing some of the reports published in the Hand Book of Missions which may not have been read by a great majority of our readers, and we are clothing this number of the paper with a new dress in the hope that it will not only be noticed when the mail man delivers it at your door but that it will be read and preserved.

No, we are not asking a \$1.00 for this issue of the paper, although it is worth it, but we would like to encourage everyone of our readers to remember the Foreign Mission general fund with an offering at this time.

It will be noticed that the Foreign Mission Editor has included some suggestions to increase greater Missionary interest. Your Editor has not felt that it was his prerogative to say a great deal in reference to Foreign Missions for the past number of years due to the fact that this Department has been in charge of others, and with this arrangement we are not now finding fault, but we do know personally that the matter of Missionary news is very vital to all the readers of the paper and if we may so state the manner of getting news to the Editorial office of the "Evangelical Visitor" has not been very well organized for a long, long time. I do not know who is responsible for this condition, but I do know it does exist. It is our conviction that news matter should reach the Church at the earliest possible moment and should not be passed through two or three hands before it reaches our office, and as is often the case we have just gone to press with the "Visitor" and items must wait over until another issue is printed, where if it would have been promptly and directly forwarded it would often reach our readers two weeks earlier.

We believe someone on the Foreign Missionary Board should be appointed to receive all cablegrams, receive all news of arrivals and departures and be instructed to forward such news matter to the "Evangelical Visitor" office with all possible dispatch.

We sincerely believe that the chief means which God has appointed for the evangelization of the world arethe faithful teaching and preaching of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, proclaiming Him as an all sufficient sacrifice and Saviour by men and women truly called of God and who have themselves become partakers of the fruits of salvation through an experimental knowledge—this teaching to be accompanied with prayer, and to be administered through the human voice, the written word, tracts, Gospel literature, and any other instrument fitted to bring the knowledge of the way of salvation to men's hearts.

It is our conviction that every believer in Christ has enjoined upon him or her the responsibility of the great commission "Go ye therefore, etc." and that if he or she cannot go in person they shall nevertheless go by their means to the same extent of sacrifice as those who go in person.

We wonder how many of our readers would like to see the "Visitor" with a good cover on each issue for 1930. Will you please write and tell us? Would you be willing to secure one new subscriber at \$1.50 to help do it?

# SIX WEEKS SPECIAL BIBLE TERM—GRANTHAM

A Special Bible Term of six weeks will be offered at Messiah Bible College, from December 30, 1929, to February 7, 1930. There will be three courses in the Bible Department, namely, a Book Study, Bible Doctrine, and The Christian Worker. A short course in Evangelistic Song Conducting, Bookkeeping, and Agriculture will also be offered to those who wish instruction in these subjects. A bulletin is being published, describing the courses more in detail, which can be had by addressing Messiah Bible College, Grantham, Pa.

# CONTRIBUTIONS

By Rev. L. P. Cassel

(Continued from last issue.)

HARDENED, the power of Hell is in that word. We speak of a hardened criminal, a hard hearted father or mother. How this country was shocked by the early crimes, and bank robberies of Jessie James. Of sufficient importance were the crimes of the hay market riot in Chicago of years ago to be put into American history. But what are these awful crimes of the past, in comparison with the recent wholesale slaughters in Chicago's Gang Circle? How the world becomes hardened to these things. The noted Pirate Gibbs, as he stood upon the scaffold before he was hung, asked for a few moments to speak. A hush came over the crowd as they listened to catch every word. Said he "I started out with a very tender heart: the face of the first man I slew haunted me by day and by night for weeks. It seemed as if I would go mad. Often I was at the point of throwing myself into the ocean, to get rid of my thots, but I braved it up, and nerved myself up to a life of crime, this because of my love for gold." So hardened did he become in a life of crime that he could pillow his head on the dead body of his victim and sleep nine solid hours without waking. But he started with a tender heart.

No human life starts hard. No child is hard. The early years are essentially impressionable. The Roman Catholic church is quite right in saying, "give me a child until it is ten years old and you may have it the rest of its life. The impression of those early ten years will remain forever. Fathers, mothers, herein is your great opportunity. The future of your child will be largely what you in these early impressionable years make it to be. "Every child indulges in romances, dreams dreams, sees vis-

WHOLLY FOLLOWING THE LORD ions, hopes, is capable of tears and laughter; every child is plastic." No life starts hard. The person who boasts of his hardened heart was not always so.

> We fear drunkenness, lying, stealing, immorality, we fear the grip of some specific sin and yet I believe there is more hope for such an one, than there is for the person who is HARDENED against God and His Word, and yet who does not commit the vulgar sins condemned by his fellows. Of all the sins Christians ought to be afraid of, ought to guard against. is the sin of a hardened heart. A condition where we know the Word of God, know our plain every day duty towards God and our fellowmen and yet a condition wherein none of these things move us. How soft and plastic is the clay in the hands of the potter. But how different is this same clay after it has passed thru the fire, almost as hard as flint, does it become. CHRISTIAN FRIEND YOUR HEART WAS NOT ALWAYS HARD.

> What are the symptoms of this hardening process? You fight tenderness as being childish, you fight the voice of conscience in the soul, you say no to that voice, you no more have that earlier simple childlike faith in the Bible, now you are not sure of anything, not sure even of the eternal realities. Once you wept over a dead canary, a dead dog, etc., but now the fountain of your tears are dried up so that you do not even weep over lost souls. Once you blushed when you told a lie, but now you are so brazen, bold, hardened in your lying that you can look men in the face and tell a lie without even a quiver. Once you believed God and His Word but now you are not sure that you believe anyone. That is the hardening process.

> HARDENED, yes, but how? Thru the deceitfulness of sin, but what kind of sin. Not necessarily the

vulgar sins, condemned by society, such as lying, drunkenness, immorality, etc. A person may be outwardly respectable and yet be guilty of having an evil heart of unbelief. Unbelief is the sin that hardens. Unbelief, what is it? It is a departing from the living God. It is a refusing to listen to and heed the voice of God in the Word of God. It is a refusal to obey the truth of God of which you have been convinced of intellectually. You hold down and stand on the truth you know. You refuse to bow to the truth you know.

HARDENED. Unbelief, an evil heart in departing from the living God. Unwillingness to confess your sins to God, your wrongs to your fellowmen means you are turning your back upon God. God's way is into the open, confessing your sins committed against God, to God. Sins committed against man confess to man. This doctrine of never confessing your mistakes, wrongs done to others is of the devil. Confession is God's way out of sin and wrong doing. Confession of sin is not a sign of a weak character, but rather a sign of strength of character. A sign that we are willing to pay any price, only to obey God, only to take His way.

HARDENED. Unbelief, an unwillingness to surrender our wills to the will of God. Unbelief says, I am capable of directing my own life. Unbelief refuses to take what God has given. Canaan was given to Israel, but Israel refused to take it. The "land flowing with milk and honey was given to Israel, but they refused to take the gift.

HARDENED. Unbelief first wants to look things over to see whether or not she can take the land. Unbelief refuses evidence. Israel by a miracle was delivered from Egypt. Their three meals a day were a miracle by God. The cloud by day and the light by night guiding Israel was a miracle. For thirty-eight years they died at the rate of 138 a day and still they hardened their hearts against God. Caleb and Joshua "we are able" dared to obey God. A man advertised for a workman. He came, was assigned the task of piling bricks which took

him a whole day, the next day he was asked to remove those bricks to another place, the third day to remove the same bricks again, all of which the workman did without a murmur. When the employer found a man that would obey him without any question, gave him a great responsibility. What God wants of us is unquestioning obedience. He wants us to WHOLLY FOLLOW HIM.—Selected.

# JESUS CROWNED WITH AUTHORITY

By J. H. Eshleman

We will now consider the Gentile court, Rev. 11:2, as they stand before the Judge of the earth. Psa. 82:8; Isa. 2:5. First, through a period of 2520 days, beginning June 28, 1914, with the capture of Jerusalem. Midway Rev. 11:1-3. (For days see Ezek. 4:1-8. "And I saw when the Lamb opened one of the seals, and behold a white horse, and he that sat upon him had a bow and a crown was given unto him, and he went forth conquering and to conquer. Rev. 6:2.

Habakuk sees the bow to be the Word, saying, thy bow was made quite naked, according to the oaths of the tribes, even thy word, Hab. 3:9. He goeth forth executing that which is written, Matt. 24:34. He first remembers his covenant with Abraham and seals Rev. 7:1-8 and 9:4. He goeth forth for the salvation of his anointed, Hab. 3:5. Who were sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise Eph. 1:13. He is seen making intercession with all saints Rev. 8:3-5. The trumpets sound out, and the smoke of incense with the prayers of the saints ascended up before God out of the angels hand Rev. 8:4-5. Psa. 110:1-4. "He shall subdue the people under him, he is gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of a trumpet" Psa. 47:1-5. The writer regards the sounding of the seven trumpets as the process of fulfilling the seals as the horsemen appear. The seventh seal Rev. 8:1 is followed by the seven angels when they come out of the temple Rev. 15:6 and is then fulfilled by Rev. 16, "And the angel cast fire of the altar into the earth, and there were thunderings and voices and lightenings and an earthquake, Rev. 8-5. And the seven angels prepared themselves to sound, 8:6. "And when he had opened the second seal. I heard the second beast say, Come and see, and there went out another horse that was red, and power was given to him that sat thereon to take peace from the earth and that they should kill one another, and there was given unto him a great sword Rev. 6:3-4. The nations refuse peace. They choose the sword. They declare war, Joel 3:9-10. The seven angels begin to sound, Rev. 8:7-12. Jeremiah exclaims, "I have heard, O my soul, the sound of the trumpet, the alarm of war, destruction upon destruction is heard," Jer. 4:17-31.

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# Obituaries

HATTON—Frelinghuysen Hatton was born in New Albany, Floyd county, Indiana, in the year 1850, and died November 17, 1929. His are was 79 years, 6 months and 13 days. He was married in 1881. To this union were born seven sons and three daughters, one son and two daughters preceding their father to the spirit world.

In the year 1901 they moved from Indiana to California and have resided in Upland ever since, Mr. Hatton had been in poor health for nearly a year and several times had been near death's door. Mr. and Mrs. Hatton were both members of the Brethren in Christ church. He, however, was only converted about seven years ago and had remained faithful, passing away in the triumph of faith. Funeral services were in charge of Eld. J. R. Eyster, assisted by Bishop C. C. Burkholder. Text: Prov. 16:31.

"Tis when we meet and when we part, breaks forth the electric fire."

GROUNDS—Laura Alta Grounds, wife of F. Oral Grounds, Superintendent of Schools, St. Clair. Mich., died at the St. Clair Hospital, Saturday, November 23, following the major operation through which she had passed a few days previously, came as a shock to the community. The news of it brought to all, one of those moments described in the lines just quoted, in the sense of the sudden breaking of contact with her life felt by the com-

munity, and in the expression of sympathy felt for the bereaved family.

Mrs. Grounds, before her marriage was Miss Laura Alta Lyons. The daughter of Bish. and Sr. Jonathan Lyons of Elsie, Mich., and was born August 31, 1899, and died November 23, 1929, being 30 years, 2 months, and 23 days of age, and it is a matter of sad coincidence that the date of her burial was the ninth anniversary day of her wedding. She was the fifth child in a family of twelve children, and the first to pass to the great beyond. She leaves to mourn a loving husband, one daughter Dorotha, 8 years of age, and F. Oral Grounds Jr., 5, her parents, six brothers: Garry Lyons, Merrill, Mich.; Leslie of Durand, Mich.; Earnest of Cleveland, O.; Jonathan R. of Flint. Mich.; Clarence at college in Grantham, Pa., and Harold at home, Elsie, Mich. Her sisters are: Mrs. Ada Turner, Owosso, Mich.; Mrs. Bertha Felton, Grand Rapids, Mich.; Elsie and Clara, in college at Grantham. Pa. A number of uncles and aunts and cousins; also her grandparents on her mother's side, Eld. Samuel Reichard and wife, Hemmet. Cal., and a large number of sympathizing friends.

Funeral services were held in the Methodist Episcopal church, St. Clair, on Tuesday, November 26. the Rev. D. D. Nagle assisted by Rev. Wm. Ward of the M. E. Church and Rev. C. M. Burkholder of the Congregational church. Text: Mark 14:8. "She has done what she could." At Carland in the Brethren in Christ Church conducted by Bish. Bert Shirk of Stevensville, Ont., assisted by Eld. Henry Schneider of Merrill, and Eld. Samuel Lady of Sandusky, Mich. Text: I Sam. 20:3 and Jas. 4:14. "What is your life?"

POEM WRITTEN BY C. M. BUKRHOLDER of the Congregational Church of St. Clair, Mich. Here was a wife and mother dear Who found within her home a sphere Most ample, glorious, fair, For ministries of love and care. To her the humble daily round Of tasks within that home was found To be at morning, noon, and night, A program full of keen delight,

Within the seeming commonplace She found a rare and lovely grace,

And drew from such, with great success, Her daily need of happiness.

Transforming love was in her heart And gave to her the lovely art Of making beautiful her life Within that home as mother, wife.

For such there must be, over there, A place of services wondrous, fair, Still serving loved there above Within the homeland of God's love.

And we shall think of her to-day As near at hand, not far away Still serving over there, as here, The loved ones in her heart held dear.

KANAGY—Jacob Earl, son of Willis and Matilda Kanagy, was born October 18, 1929, in Upland, California, and died November 24, 1929. His age was five weeks and two days. During his short stay with his parents and family it seemed that the joy and sunshine of a life time was crowded into a few weeks. Not only father and mother feel the keen loss, but also little brother Paul and sister Martha, who treasured baby brother and planned many things they would do when he grew big.

"Not till the loom is silent,
And the shuttles cease to fly,
Shall God unroll the canvas,
And explain the reason why
The dark threads are as needful,
In the Weaver's skillful hand,
As the threads of gold and silver
In the pattern He has planned."

Funeral services were held November 25, 1929, at the Draper Funeral Parlor, Ontario, Cal., conducted by Elder Henry G. Brubaker. Text: II Sam. 12:23 last sentence, "I shall go to him, but he shall not return to me." Interment in the Ontario cemetery.

FLAGG—Sr. Abigail Near Flagg was born Sept. 23, 1847, and passed to her eternal reward Oct. 15, 1929, having reached the age of 82 years, 21 days. She was united in marriage to Benjamin Flagg about fifty-six years ago. To this union were born five

children, four with the father preceded the mother

children, four with the father preceded the mother in death.

Sr. Flagg was converted and united with the Brethren in Christ Church over fifty years ago and remained a faithful, consistent Christian until the Lord took her to Himself. The last two years of her life she had to remain in bed, but bore her affliction very patiently, ever speaking and singing of "the home over there."

There are left to mourn her departure, one daughter, Mary, wife of Eld. Jesse Winger of Ridgeway, Ont.; two grandchildren and two great grandchildren. Funeral services were conducted by Bish. Bert Sherk and Eld. A. E. Riegle in the Brethren's Meeting House. Interment in adjoining cemetery.

WOOLSEY—Margaret E. Lillie was born in Decatur county, Iowa, October 2, 1863; died at Broadlawn General Hospital at Des Moines, Iowa, November 3, 1929, aged 66 years and 30 days.

In 1882 she was married to Frank R. Woolsey. To this union were born six daughters and one son, namely: Ella Benckerser of Oconto, Nebr.; Rena Smith of Decatur, Iowa; Ruth Davis of Melrose, Iowa, and Lucy Cram, Hazel Choate, Bessie White and John Woolsey all of Des Moines, Iowa. She leaves to mourn their loss her husband, six daughters, one son, her mother, seven brothers and five sisters. Sr. Woolsey was converted in early life and has been a faithful and consistent member of the Brethren in Christ Church for about five years.

The funeral was held at the Gospel Temple Church, Tuesday, November 5, conducted by Eld. H. W. Landis from Psa. 116:15 "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints." A large company of friends and relatives gathered to show their last respect to one they loved. Interment in the Pine Hill cemetery.

We as a church feel the loss of a mother in Israel, but our loss is her gain.

# REPORTS

#### CHICAGO MISSION

The testimony of our heart is that with the Psalms. "The Lord is our rock, and our fortress, and our deliverer, our God, our strength, in whom we will trust; our buckler, and the horn of our salvation and my high tower."

We will call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised, so shall we be saved from our enemies.

I am glad our Lord is the living God in whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning. Praise God!

Also, the gratitude of our hearts is to those who do not forget us at a throne of grace rather than that of the material. Though the one cannot be without the other. Prayer indeed is a migthy weapon for the pulling down of satan's strong holds. Will you continue to pray for us.

Financial report for two months ending November 15th, 1929 Receipts

Receipts

Balance carried over, \$48.81. In His name \$5.00; Y. P. C., \$9.19; Lois Frey, \$5.00; In His name, Chicago, \$10; Samuel Z. Bert, Mowersville, Pa., \$5.00; In His name, \$15; Alma Linkey, Upland, Cal., \$10; In His name, \$5.00; Naman Climenhaga, Kindersley, Sask., \$5; Ruben Climenhaga, Delisle, Sask., \$5; Laban Climenhaga, \$5; In His name, \$4; Sadie Book, Kans., \$1; Ray Witter, Ramona, Kans., \$2; A. Heise, Hamlin, Kans., \$5. Total \$140.00.

Expenditures

Expenditures
General supplies \$76.45; gas \$3.80; electric
\$17.01. Total \$97.26. Balance on hand \$43.39.

Other Donations D. E. Bert, Abilene, Kans.; 2 cases eggs; H. Carlson, 3 bushels tomatoes; S. Stump, Myrtle Zook, potatoes, apples. Coal Fund

Balance from last report, 55.63; Adda Engle, Abilene, Kansas, \$15; Mrs. Sours, Chicago, \$5; Mrs. Stevenson, \$10; S. H. Bert, Detroit, Kans., \$10; Newel Smith, Chicago, \$5; Mary Braxton, \$10; Elmer Peterson, \$5; S. E. O., \$40.10; In His name, \$35.10; L. Carlson, \$23; J. E. Carlson, \$15; A. J. Heise, Hamlin, Kans., \$10. Total

Coal purchased—29 ton, \$222.86. Balance \$17.97.

In His service, Sarah H. Bert.

#### BETHEL MISSION

#### Sylvatus, Va.

Thinking that all would be interested to know that the most interesting meeting that has been held at Bethel Mission for several years is in progress. We thought to drop a line to the Visitor. Tho we have had much rainy weather we have had fine attendance, and the best interest for a long while. Eld. Joseph Vanderveer, of Michigan is with us, and knows so well how to adapt himself to our way of living in Virginia, thereby he has won his way into the hearts of the people in a wonderful way. Truly we may still carry out Paul's instruction, "Become all things to all men," and our brother has this gift to a remarkable de-

We should also add that Bro. Clarence Hoover of Ohio, has been with us as our song leader and has proven himself to be a valuable help in our meetings. We too had the pleasure of having three auto loads of kind-hearted brethren and sisters from Pennsylvania, who helped in the meetings and to put new roofing and paint on the buildings. Our chapel had never been finished inside, so during these meetings we have been doing like Nehemiah of old, building and carrying on the work of the Lord together. We now have a neat little Chapelseats varnished, walls covered with wallboard and painted. We are so thankful for the help of dear ones to do this and we trust that many souls will rejoice in this through Christ.

Yours for souls,

D. E. Jennings.

#### DES MOINES, IOWA

Greetings in Jesus' name:

We are glad to report victory in the camp. God has been moving in a special way for which we are glad. Our tent meetings were a great inspiration and blessing, quite a number sought the Lord and some received definite help. Elder Edward Engle and wife were with us to help in the work and were truly used of God. On September 8th we had baptismal services with three applicants present. One woman was saved who was very wicked indeed. After being saved

she testified that she had borrowed a gun with which to kill her husband. We were rejoiced to see her obey the Lord. It truly does rejoice our hearts to see those who are guilty of gross sins become saved, and become partakers of the Spirit of Christ and obey His commands.

Our Communion Services were also a great blessing to the Church, and a real interest was manifested by the believers in endeavoring to have all hindrances removed so as to be fit subjects to partake of the sacred emblems. We believe it was the largest love feast we have had at the Gospel Temple for fifteen years.

All these things encourage our hearts to go forward in the battle against sin. We were also glad to have with us an auto load of saints from South Dakota who came to attend our love feast. Their zeal was a real inspiration to us and we trust God's blessing will be upon them. Kindly remember us in your prayers.

Financial Report for August and Sept.

Receipts	id Sept.
Bro. Ray Witter, Kans.  Mr. and Mrs. Lester Saltzman Syl. N. Landis, board	10.00
Total	\$58.00
Expenditures	
Table supplies  Electric and gas  Telephone	21.00
Total	\$134.00 \$ 58.00
Balance due from previous report	\$ 76.00 \$771.03
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H. W. Landis and wife.

#### ROSEBANK, ONT., CANADA

Our fall love feast was held September 21 and 22. We were privileged to have with us Bish. Ernest Swalm and wife, Eld. Ernest Ditson and wife, Eld. J. Lester Myers and several others. The meeting opened at 2:30 p. m. Saturday and opportunity given for testimony. Although we were few in number we had the promise of God and had a precious time together. At the close of the afternoon meeting there was an anointing service, and God met with us. As we partook of the sacred emblems in the evening, I believe each one felt the nearness of God.

Our revival began Sunday evening September 22, conducted by Eld. J. Lester Myers. He came filled with the Spirit and brought forth searching messages. We did not have big crowds but God met with us, sending conviction and several bowed at the altar of prayer and received definite help.

May the blessing of God go with Bro. Myers as he labors in other fileds.

-Ida W. Cassel.

## GOD'S FINANCIAL PLAN

Many people are under the impression that God's Word teaches only the way of Salvation and Holy living. They believe the Bible to be lacking in counsel and instruction as to how people may prosper in their home and business. They know that it teaches civic righteousness and contains many rules for government. They admit that it is a firm foundation for our lives, that it is a book of high ideals and principles, that if we abide its precepts we will live rightly and die prepared to enter a better world. But of the fact that the Bible can teach us how to finance our business, how to finance the church and that it is God's practical business outline and plan, they seem to be strangely unaware.

The world to-day is rife with business schemes which promise to make people wealthy. Scarcely a newspaper or magazine but carries an ad exploiting the advantages to be gained through one or other of these plans. There are schools which endeavor to teach people safe financing. Successful business men recommend certain financial methods. All humanity seems to be intensely interested in business finance.

But God's Word gives the only certain means of becoming prosperous. Not only that, but if we abide by its rules it assures us a partnership above all other most desirable. God's financial plan is all-inclusive and ever reliable. It includes all classes of people from the day laborer to the millionaire. It includes the rich man and the little widows who have only their cruse of oil. It makes provision for the King on his throne, the fruit grower, the professional man every one of whatever age and whatever standing in the world of finance.

When a man starts out in business to-day it is the plan ninety times out of a hundred, to start out on a credit basis. He goes to the banker and lays out his plans. I would like to build a hotel. I have the ground. I feel as-

sured of its success. Now what will you lend us? What will you give us to put up this plant or factory or whatever it may be? The banker looks over his plans, "I tell you what I will do," he says, "I will back you financially." Perhaps 100% financing on first and second papers, or just part financing, "I will give you what money you want, but you in return must pay me ten per cent." Then slowly you may amortise it.

God works on much the same principle, only He does no amortization. He gives us our capital. He backs our notes. He has given us the world with its forests, its great oil wells and coal mines, He has given us great level stretches of prairie, the water ways and fishing grounds. He has provided great streams that make the power of the world, the lighting, the electricity in the air, the moisture. In addition to this, God has backed youth with brain, talent, health and strength.

He has given us seed potatoes, seed wheat, seed for fruit trees, and all the rest. He has given us the capital, but He says, you must pay interest on it, I want you to give me one-tenth of all that you receive, and with this one-tenth I will finance my work. With that one-tenth I will spread the Gospel—to the end of the earth.

So God stored the cellars of the world with gold, and silver, with zinc, radium, iron and copper. He overturned the forest by the great plowshares of the glaciers and rolled them underneath that the gold might be formed, that He might stock the earth, He poured forth the black rivers of oil, the mountain slopes He covered with valuable timber, the valleys He made fruitful, the seas He filled with fish and the fields of the earth with beasts and creatures of the earth.

"Here is your capital," He said, "be fruitful and multiply, but do not be an embezzler. Do not rob the One who backs your note."

God's plan for reproduction is a marvelous thing throughout the whole world. When God makes a flower He places a seed in it. We have some ladies who make paper roses and other flowers for decoration, but they cannot make a rose that can reproduce itself. One can make beautiful wax fruits. I saw some the other day which I thought were real, but when these fruits are cut, we find they are only wax, there are no seeds, no means of reproducing.

But God gives us the pollen of the flowers, the seed of the apple. He not only put the seed in the heart of the apple, but the apple itself is a fertilizer round about the seed. Drop it in the earth, and soon a tree which will bear many apples begins to grow.

The wisdom and knowledge of God is beyond human conception. We fade into insignificance in comparison. God draws the chariots of the clouds over the top of the mountains. They spill their water and streams come flowing down the sides of the hills into the ocean. The sun takes up the moisture, it is dropped down on the mountains, runs into the ocean and is taken up again. Talk about perpetual motion. The God of nature knows all about it.

(To be continued).

#### THINGS ALL CAN DO OR NOT DO

Refuse to do wrong, be polite, and obliging. Use no profanity or to-bacco. Be frank, don't laugh at a coarse joke, have respect for the aged and take your part although ill used. Never poke fun at or speak disrespectful of the poor and unfortunate. Take the part of those who are ill used, and don't buy stocks on margin, and above all be a Christian.

-S. G. E.

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# The Foreign Missionary Department

Edited by D. W. Heise Gormley, Ont.

#### ENROUTE TO AFRICA

Aboard S. S. Windsor Castle Near Maderia Island November 11, 1929

Dear Readers of the Visitor:

"The Eternal God is thy Refuge." Repeatedly these words have been verified since we left you. Then too, we have felt your prayers as we sail day by day.

We, brother and sister Cullen, and son Roy, sister Mary Breneman, sister Charles F. Eshelman and the writer left New York, October 31, on the Berengaria. Our hearts were made glad to see so many interested friends at the pier to wave farewell to us. Our trip to England was very interesting. The sea was calm except two days, even then it was not very rough.

We arrived in England, November 5, and sailed from Southampton, England, November 8. We are due to arrive at Capetown, November 25. We hope to arrive at Matopo mission by December 1. We have had good weather since leaving England.

We are happy in Him. God has been good to us. Continue to pray for us, as we live for Him in Africa.

> Your brother, Charles F. Eshelman.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT

Reservations have been made for Sister H. J. Frey and Mabel to sail from New York to London, on S. S. Deutschland, Saturday, December 28 at 3:00 P. M.

From England they are booked to sail on S. S. Windsor Castle, leaving Southampton, Friday, January 10th.

A farewell meeting has been arranged for, to be held at the Messiah Rescue and Benevolent Home, Harrisburg, Pa., on Sunday evening, December 15th.

Foreign Mission Board.

#### **EDITORIALS**

Any one who may have read the Editorial in the missionary depart-

Evangelical Visitor, in which amazement was expressed at the lack of knowledge on the part of our people regarding the foreign work of the church, will no doubt wonder what the Editor was trying to say in the "fourth and fifth lines." We hope our readers will conclude that it was a typographical error and will rightly place "our own dear people in the home land as being the persons in the

Referring again to said article. It is evident that the same had the effect of setting some people thinking.



A Missionary Group-South Africa Note Bish. H. P. Steigerwald in front row near center.

We have had at least one communication, and several personal references to the sad fact of the lamentable lack of knowledge among our people in the home land. One has even designated this condition as "appalling." Not only are our people careless with reference to keeping themselves posted on missionary matters, but in church work in general. Recently a question was asked a congregation of perhaps nearly two hundred as to how many had read the last issue of the Evangelical Visitor which had been off the press nearly two weeks. And, to our surprise less the "twenty" responded. Among the delinquents were ministers, and even a bishop.

Our correspondent, regarding the above matters, suggested that some ment of the October 28th issue of the remedy should be found for this sad

condition in the church, and intimated that if not objectionable he would be ready to advance something to this most desirable end. We at once wrote saying that anything he might have to advance would not only be quite agreeable, but heartily invited, and that it would be given a place in the Missionary Department at as early a date as possible. We are thankful to be able to submit the same for the serious consideration of the Visitor readers. The author, though prominent in the church, and deeply interested in all her activities, does not give us the absolute right to publish his suggestions, but since they are so vital, and we think could be made so practical, we venture out on what may appear presumptuous ground. The suggestions follow:

How to get our people better acquainted, and then also more interested in our foreign mission work? I do not think a plan of any kind could be put into operation that would revolutionize conditions at once, or even in a year or two. But I do believe—if the Lord delays His coming, in a few years noticeable results would be evident.

(1) Notwithstanding the missionary meetings held at our General Conference, and by our missionaries home on furlough, our people in general are too remote from the nature and scope of the work being done on the field. In other words, "They do not have radio communications." Every body is so busy in this nerve straining age trying to keep pace with the times, that they will not stop and become interested unless a special effort is put forth on the part of those few who are interested. The so much needed, is some medium of imparting knowledge. I mean "the publication of a Missionary Bulletin," say monthly. The contents of which should be short descriptive letters, from the field, of the different phases of the work, for instance. "A Love Feast at Kankasie"—"A Visit to Cecil Rhode's Tomb"—"Dipping the Cattle"-"An Overflow Meeting at Mtshabezi"-"Or at Macha, etc."-"Daily Routine at a Mission Station"

—"Some Difficulty with the Herd Boy, and His Cattle"—and a hundred and one other things might be used as circumstances reveal them.

The Bulletin could be published here in America, but to get it before our people would be the next problem.

We have Ministerial, and Sunday School conventions or meetings. Why not have a day, or half a day with a special missionary program in connection with it. Give general as well as specific information concerning our work. Provoke question asking, and thus stir up interest.

If someone cannot be found in each district who is interested, delegate such an one to take the initiative in calling and holding missionary meetings. Our people need to be educated as to the nature and scope of our work.

To summarize:—I would suggest "Missionary Bulletin," and "More Missionary Programs given throughout the Church." I know this is the mechanical end of it, but God uses men and machinery in His work.

Now, I have simply given a mere skeleton of what I think would be helpful, but if it starts someone to "thinking," and "working" I will be glad to give God the praise and the glory.

Note: I sincerely trust that the suggestions offered above will start "many" both to thinking, and working.—Ed.

# ARE WE DOING OUR BEST? By Graybill Wolgemuth

I was impressed very much recently, as I read the report of our Church Conference which was held at Macha Mission, Africa. We believe our dear Missionaries who are stationed so far apart, enjoy to meet occasionally at a meeting of this kind and discuss their problems and matters which they so frequently meet. Most of all, we believe their souls are refreshed and gladdened as they fellowship together.

When we think how blessed it is for us in the home land to meet together in Conference, how upbuilding and refreshing in spirit, how much more so for our brethren and sisters in the

Foreign Field, who are so few in number. But, thank God. He is there to bless them just the same as here. We appreciated so much the address given by our newly appointed Superintendent. He referred to our past Superintendent, who so nobly filled his calling until death. Since our dear brother feels his youthfulness and the tremendous responsibility resting upon him, he needs our united prayers that he might continue to be under the guidance and direction of God. that the work on the field may go on successfully to a victorious end. We in the home land have a great part in this accomplishment.

Since God saved us, our interest was in Mission work. It was much enjoyed when missionaries stopped at our home, especially those who had just returned from, or were preparing to go to the field. I seemed to think they were folks just a little different from other people because they gave their lives and all they had, saying good-bye to their friends, not knowing whether they should ever meet here again. After the Lord took me through, and I consecrated my all to Him, I realized that was the same kind of consecration the Missionaries have. We come to the place where our farm and all is yielded to God, and we just obey His leading. Some He calls to India, some to Africa, and other countries, and some to Home Mission work, and others are called to stay by the stuff or in other words "hold the ropes while the others go out." The all-important thing is, that we live continually in calling distance of our Master. Perhaps it may be sadly true that some of us are so much taken up with the world that we cannot hear His voice, and thus may lose our own souls, as the steward who hid his Lord's money. How sad, were this true! God has given this assurance that, if all of us would have an ear keen to the Spirit of God, our Foreign Mission treasury would not show this large deficit. Should this be the case in a business concern, the stockholders would become alarmed and make an investigation seeking the cause of the trouble. We as

the Brethren in Christ are some of the stewards in this great Company. Our name is the Bloodwashed! Will we make an investigation? Perhaps it is a lack of interest, or is it a lack of vision? Might it be the case that some of us are more concerned about building or securing fine homes for ourselves and children than we are in spreading the Gospel, in places where it is yet unknown, before Jesus comes?

Our vision could be greatly enlarged if each congregation would have regular Missionary Prayer Meetings. We know of a certain district which for the last few years, has had regular Missionary prayer meetings each month. The first mid-weekly prayer service of each month is devoted especially to prayer for our Missionaries on the field. If some one receives word of special needs for prayer, it is presented, and if no special need is known, the Missionaries as a whole are prayed for, as well as the native church, and those who have backslidden, that they may again be reclaimed, and the work go forward. This has doubled the interest, and we might say, the offerings too in this particular district.

It may be the case that some folks are wrongly informed as was the case recently. A good brother came to me and said. "Our district is disgusted in giving to Foreign Mission work. Is it true that, out of every hundred dollars given, only ten dollars reaches the field?" Well, should this exist, I believe some more of us would get discouraged too, but praise God! I was simply delighted to tell him that, out of every hundred dollars contributed, one hundred dollars is sent to the field. This brother, feeling quite happy took a different report back to his people. If any one has any doubts in mind about any work of the treasurer, we will be glad to give explanation on anything desired or upon anything you may not understand in the reports.

Another explanation may be necessary so as to rightly instruct our people. When missionaries from Africa come through the Church, holding

meetings, giving thrilling experiences in their field of labor, and telling how many are still living without the Gospel, it is natural that the folks sympathize with that work, and when the offering is taken it is sent especially for the Africa fund: the same is true of India. This is not the best. We have only one General fund and out of it the mission work in both fields is supported, also the missionaries home on furlough, and the fares to and from the field, which amount to an average of between five and six thousand dollars every three months. However, if you are impressed to send your offering to any special mission station, which you especially feel to help, we will be pleased to do it for you. Or if it is for the support of orphans, preachers, teachers or propogation work in India, it is heartily endorsed. But do not forget the General Fund.

The work is large. Let us ask ourselves the question, "Am I doing my best:" Mal. 3:1 says, "Will a man rob God? But they say, Wherein have we robbed thee?" The answer comes from God himself. "In tithes and offerings." In Romans 1:14, Paul makes this statement, "I am debtor both to the Greeks and to the Barbarians, both to the wise and the unwise." Are we any less debtor to our brother and sister across the sea? Many have given their sons and daughters. Let us ask ourselves, "What shall we give?" The challenge is on us. Shall we move forward or backward? Shall we gain new victories or shall we retreat?

On the back page of our Hand Book of Missions, is our Church Statistical Report. If each dear reader will look up that report, he will see what his district is doing according to his membership.

May God bless you all.

Graybill Wolgemuth, Treas.

Note: This letter should have appeared in last issue, but it reached us too late.—D. W. Heise, Ed.

"A storm is only the out-skirts of His robe, the sign of His advent, the environment of His presence."

#### A RETROSPECT

Looking back some twenty years, a great change has taken place both in the spiritual and temporal sphere of the work in this part of God's vineyard.

My first trip from Bulawayo to Matopo Mission was made with donkeys and a heavy wagon. The scenery was beautiful, large patches of lovely high grass, the picture of ripened wheat with the soft wind blowing over it and causing beautiful waves to roll along. Then also here and there a large hopje and in the distance the high hills making it all very picturesque.

As we traveled along, the question came to me, "Where are the people, to do mission work with?" Then many of the people were still hid away in the rocks and hills where they had taken refuge during the war.

On arriving here we found four lone workers, all of which are in eternity but one, our dear Sr. Steigerwald. Those who had accompanied me from the home land have also passed over.

Then there was this one station only with one or two out schools and twelve or thirteen members. Some of these are still following the Lord, some have passed into eternity as Christians, and some have forsaken the way of the Lord.

Taking a backward view of the work up to this present time, we would have to say, "What hath God wrought?" At present there are five stations and some forty out schools, from where the Word of God is going forth. Many have accepted the Gospel and are living witnesses for the Lord. Many boys and girls have been taught at these stations. Some of them have grown up to be men and women and have homes where prayer is being made. Their children are taught the way of the Lord from their youth up. Others have passed into eternity leaving a victorious testimony for Jesus. We thank God for every soul which has been delivered from the power of sin and darkness.

This is the bright side of the work,

but there is also a dark side to it. There are many who should be pillars in the church but are back in sin, especially brethren. Polygamy is entrapping many of them. In the schools there is a different spirit, stead of desiring to read the Word of God, they are wanting to learn English. The work is becoming more difficult year by year.

Will you help pray that believers may receive the fullness of the spirit, and for conviction on the unsaved?

Temporally, these people are also moving forward slowly. Twenty years ago there were few cattle in this part of the country, now it is over stocked. Then small gardens, and no plows, now large gardens and many plows.

Then there were few who were clothed in European clothing, most of the young people now are clothed. Some are now going to extremes on these lines.

During the month of September we had a Teachers' Normal at this place. The Educational Department is requiring better educated teachers. One of the school inspectors was here all the time helping to teach.

This yearly normal is to help our teachers on a little farther and stir up their pure minds educationally and spiritually. There were thirty-two teachers present. We are thankful to God for these young men who are willing to help their own people. A beautiful spirit prevailed amongst them. Please help pray for them and for us.

Your sister in His service, Sallie K. Doner. Matopo Mission, Bulawayo, S. A. Oct. 1, 1929

If you wish to succeed in life, make perseverance your bosom friend, experience your wise counselor, caution your elder brother, and home your guardian genius.—Addin.

"Take the welcome off your doormat and wear it on your face."

"When religion is worn as a cloak, it has no warmth in it."

# A Few Interesting Missionary Reports

#### REPORT OF ACTING SUPERINTENDENT

By H. J. Frey

April 22, 1929

Dear Ones, Greeting:

We are here, in the midst of the battle. The enemy is disputing every inch of the way; but by God's grace we are pressing forward. The work has suffered a very severe shock in the loss of our superintendent and leader, Bishop Steigerwald. At this time of stress we are very much in need of mature judgment and advice; and we therefore feel our loss very keenly. But we dare not complain or be downhearted because of circumstances; it is ours to go forward in the path of duty, by faith conquering all obstacles.

We wish to thank you all, dear ones, who have stood by the work in Africa, by your prayers, your means, your travail, yea, by your very selves. We believe that God will richly reward you. At this time, especially, do we crave your prayers in a special way that we might have wisdom to guide the work aright, and that the work might prosper, and the Native Church built up in holiness.

But we ask you not only for your prayers—we must have help by way of new recruits. With our present force of workers, it will be utterly impossible to build up our Training Schools in North and South Rhodesia. We need workers, not only for the Spiritual part of the work, but also for the industrial. Can we not count on you for these needed workers? We do not like to speak of retrenchment, but unless help comes, what else can we do? If we would fully gain and hold our prestige with our own people, and gain prestige with others, we must have help, and that soon.

Dear ones, are you going to let this plea, and other pleas that have come to you from time to time, fall on deaf ears? A thousand times, No!! You have stood by us in times past when the work was in its infancy; we believe you will stand by us now. It may be easy, perhaps to give a mental consent to this question, but the thing that we crave, the thing that we must have, if the work will go forward, is more men and women actually on the field.

Again, dear ones, we thank you for help in the past, and we thank you for help in the immediate future. May God bless you. How we would like to meet with you in fellowship at Conference. We trust however to be with you in the Spirit.

And now, may the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, he with you all. Amen.

#### MATOPO MISSION REPORT—1928

"We are troubled on every side, yet not distressed; we are perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; cast down, but not destroyed." These words of Paul to the Corinthian brethren, came to me at different times as I thought about writing the Matopo Mission Report for 1928.

Truly the year has been one of perplexity, and sorrow. The things which have befallen us, are only understood by God, Himself, for His Word says, "Known unto God are all His works from the beginning of the world." While we do not understand, He does, and "His ways are best, they lead to rest." To us the loss, through transition, of two of our most stalwart brethren, is incalculable and has often been questioned by us. Again, the removing from our midst of our beloved Bishop and Superintendent is only understood by the great Infinite Power who has permitted it to come to pass.

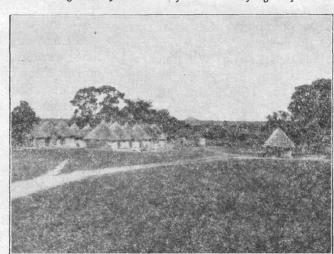
Through the columns of the "Evangelical Visitor," the sterling qualities of our brother and helper, Ngadela, were set forth. Often have we missed him and wondered why he was taken

away. Then later on, Mazibopela, the first elected deacon of the Matopo Mission congregation and the teacher of the midday school during the last eight years, was claimed by the grim messenger of death. We also have missed him in many ways. The death of these two brethren gave a more accurate knowledge and revelation of the hold that superstitious ideas still have on the Church, and often have I cried out, "Oh my Lord what can I do, teach, and preach, to enlighten this poor deluded, witchbound people, and deliver them from the thraldom of the powers of darkness?"

But the loss of these two brethren to us is very little compared with the loss the work has received in the death of Bishop Steigerwald. While he was not stationed at Matopo Mission, yet this is the place of his first and longest activities, and his death has certainly been a great loss to us and to the work of the Church as a whole. His advice was always sought in connection with the work here, and his counsel appreciated. But now, his voice is still, his pen is silent and we cannot hope to turn to him for counsel.

Yes, we have been troubled and perplexed but shall we be distressed and despair? No we may not be distressed for if we are how shall the best for the work be done? We may not despair for even in the midst of sorrow, victory has been ours.

Before Ngadela passed away his one dying request to us



An African Scene

was to do the best for his only son, his wayward son. He wanted him married by Christian rites. He desired to see him repent. He wished to have him join the class and then unite with the Church. For Kanka, Ngadela's son, was a prodigal in every word and deed. A number of years ago his father disinherited him because of his riotous sinful life. However, a couple of months before Ngadela's death, his son returned and asked forgiveness. He was received with outstretched arms. Ngadela, a few days before his death, had the pleasure of seeing his son married according to his desire. Since Ngadela's death, Kanka and his wife both came forward for prayer, entered the Class, and the last Saturday of 1928 were both baptized and united with the Church. At this writing he is assisting in holding services at an Out-post. Hallelujah!

Even before Mazibopela died the Lord provided a substitute for the Midday School in the person of Stefane, a pupil of the upper school and a son of Matshuba. Educationally he is better qualified than Mazibopela was and has put new life into the student body. He is very young, being only eighteen years old, and needs careful guidance. Will you pray for him? He lacks experience and naturally does not have the influence which Mazi-

bopela had. Our prayer is that God's hand will be kept upon him continually. He states that God has called him to dedicate his life to His service.

For several months after Mazibopela's death no steps were taken to elect another deacon. However at the close of the year it was thought best to have an election for a new deacon. Owing to some misunderstanding in the announcing of the Council Meeting, it was not too well attended, so another meeting was called the first Friday in 1929. At this meeting which was very well attended, Bafana Ndweni was elected as deacon. He seems to realize his responsibility and we believe, is willing to be used of God to the best of his ability. Pray for him also. He needs our united prayers. He is a fine man and an earnest Christian. In my mind, the best man who could have been chosen.

During the first Baptismal Service, there were two held during the year, there were many things which savoured of witchcraft brought out in the examination meeting. If ever messages were directed against one sin they were directed against "the sin of witchcraft" during 1928. It was not liked, at all times, because it located the sin and failings of the people. At times it brought persecution and so we can rightly say, "persecuted but not forsaken." The Holy Spirit drove the messages home and afterwards, numerous were the confessions which were made. Oh! that the Church may be entirely purged and be made a New Creation in Christ. "He never forsakes in the darkest hour, His arm is around us with keeping power." Praise His name.

Finally, "Cast down, but not destroyed." What changes the death of Brother Steigerwald have brought. We have been left without an earthly leader and to whom shall we look? At this writing we know not. Our general has been removed. We are trying to take care of our Stations the best we can until such time that word reaches us of the appointmen of a new leader and superintendent. Yes, we are cast down, but thank God! we are not destroyed. Our prayer is that a double portion of the Spirit of Jehovah will rest upon Brother Steigerwald's successor. His work will be difficult but our God is able. Will you pray, earnestly pray, fervently hold onto God in behalf of the work. It is not destroyed even though it has suffered untold loss. Do not lose heart. Our God is able.

The Matopo Mission area was under the same workers as was mentioned in last year's report. Brother Brubaker had charge of the farming operations and also the Out-Schools, not directly connected with the Head Station. A baptismal service was held at one of his Out-Schools when three precious souls followed the Lord into the watery grave. The writer went over to officiate at these services (a love feast followed the baptismal service) at the suggestion of Brother Steigerwald.

Here at the Main Station two love feasts and baptismal services were held. There were eleven added to the Church during the year. David Climenhaga was also baptized at the last baptismal service. All the missionaries of our society, who were on the Field, were given an opportunity to express themselves relative to his acceptance and his name was also placed before the Native Church for acceptance or rejection. We thank God because he was accepted by all of them. Oh that all, who were baptized would remain true. Each one has his, or her, distinct experience.

How agreeable it would be to state that all the former members stood true, but again it becomes necessary to report that "here was a falling away" of some, in order not to make the report biased. Satan is cunning and so many of God's children are ensnared "through the lust of the flesh." Would to God we would see a greater stability on the part of all. Let us pray to that end.

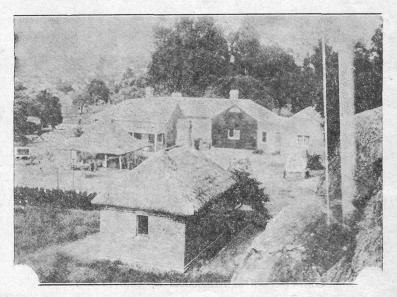
A unique outstanding feature of the next to the last Sunday of the year 1928 was a memorial service for Bishop Steigerwald, at this place. In fact there were two distinct services held, one

for Europeans only and one for Natives. All the missionaries of our Society, labouring in South Rhodesia, with their children, in connection with a dozen or more special early friends of Brother and Sister Steigerwald living in Bulawayo, met here in a service of rememrance of the sterling qualities of our departed Brother and Neighbor. The service was very impressive indeed. This service was held in the dining and sitting rooms of the Mission. It was followed by a meeting in the Church with the Natives of the community, at which time three of the Native brethren with whom Brother Steigerwald had been associated for many years gave their testimony of Christian leadership of their beloved overseer. "Only remembered by what he has done," "He being dead, yet speaketh."

Very little in addition to what has been written other years, can be said concerning the educational work of the Mission. There was an average attendance of fifty in the midday school, or boarding school, and an average attendance of twenty-eight in the morning school for the children of the surrounding kraals.

The teachers' normal was much better attended during 1928 than during some of the previous years. Brother Brubaker and Brother Mann assisted the writer in the teaching of the teachers. The spirit of the normal was very good throughout for which we are grateful. May it ever be thus.

As we look back over the year's work we have many things to encourage us and also many which might tend to discouragement. Truly at times we were "cast down, but not destroyed." We are still in the fight and it is our desire to remember the words of Paul, "For all things are for your sakes, that the abundant



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grace might through the thanksgiving of many, redound to the glory of God. For the which cause we faint not, for though our outward man perish, yet the inward man is renewed day by day." Amen.

Yours for the Lost of the World J. A. Climenhaga and Workers.

#### WANEZI MISSION REPORT-1928

It becomes our privilege to give you a brief report of our work in this part of God's moral vineyard for the year 1928. How quickly the time goes. It seems only a very short time since the report of a year ago was sent. As time passes, it bring with it many changes. One great change has come to the work here, when God in His all wise wisdom called our leader to higher service. We miss him; there is a vacant chair in the house, yes, on every hand we miss him. But we thank God for the hope we

have in Him. It brings great comfort to our hearts to know he is at rest at home.

We were not able to do the building that we had hoped to do. But as we think back and remember the many smaller improvements which have been made around the mission station, we feel that progress has been made. Brother Steigerwald was not able for heavy work, but made many useful articles such as chairs, tables, benches and cupboards which are very useful around the mission.

The fore part of the year Brother Steigerwald was very bad. It was thought best that a nurse should come here to help with the work. Sr. Martha Kauffman came to assist with the work here the latter part of May. Her presence was greatly appreciated and a great help to Brother and Sister Steigerwald. After her arrival, I was able to visit the outschools.

The outschools have been encouraging. The attendance has been much better than the year before. One school was reopened during the year, which made a total of thirteen schools in the District.

The spiritual part of the work has also shown progress. There were twenty-five baptized in July and one received back into the church. The latter half of the year, it was my privilege to hold several evangelistic services at some of the outschools. The results were very encouraging and we long to do more of evangelistic work among the schools. However, it is very difficult for us to do much evangelistic work with our present staff of workers. We are praying that God will supply this great need.



Girls' School at Mtshabezi Mission (1921)

The native offerings have also an increase for which we praise God. We ask you to pray with us that the native church might realize the joy of giving.

The medical work has also increased. All who came were treated. The results have been very satisfactory.

In closing this report we wish to praise God for His care, protection and help to us during the past year. We are glad for the confidence which we have in Him. He will never leave us. Praise His name. His presence means strength and courage.

May each one of us be faithful to Him at all times.

Yours in His glad service, R. H. Mann and Co-Workers.

#### MTSHABEZI MISSION REPORT FOR 1928

To the Foreign Mission Board and General Conference of 1929, Greeting: ,

Another year has swiftly passed, and while we were busy

here and there trying to do all we could for the Master, it is very true that there is much more which was left undone than what was cared for, and while we were often tired in the work, but not of the work, our courage is strong to go on and do all we can for the Master, and also to continue to pray on till many more will see the vastness and the pressing need of this field, and come over to help us.

The mission schools, boarding and morning school, were carried on as before except that we kept the number lower in the boarding school on account of shortage of food from drouth, and need of more workers. The Lord has sent us beautiful showers this season after two years of quite severe drouth, so that condition is relieved, but the shortage of workers is becoming more serious all the time.

We are very glad for those who were baptized during the year including our daughter Beth. Will you join us in prayer for all of these, and may we also pray that as these people develop and reach out for more education they will also seek to fully follow Him who called and sent the missionaires to bring the light to them? For, education and all we can teach them without the Gospel makes them practically no better, and ofttimes worse. The Gospel lifts them and to-day they are hungry for it, and shall I ask why are we so slow in giving it to them? In the mines here they are not short of men but even risk their own lives in mining and developing the different metals and why should not the Gospel work be better cared for, when one soul is worth more than the whole world?

In speaking of spreading out, we think of Isaiah. The work at the main stations must be developed more, and also at the outschools. This is a Government requirement, and while they count mostly on the educational part, still we have the same chance to give the girls the Gospel at the main station. As they require four visits a year to the outschools, if weather, roads and rivers permit, this gives us four chances to hold a Gospel service with our people. Since we also do the inspecting of Native schools the Government gives a grant to cover all transportation expenses. This gives us a good opportunity to preach the Gopel. But though we should stay for a week or two at each school some time during the year, on account of the need at the main station we sometimes made two schools in one day with four hours or more at each place, and although we knew we were not doing enough for the schools, and still not doing justice to the main station, yet at times it was even hard to get around and get enough time for required sleep. Under this strained condition and pressing need we felt we should have a quicker means of transportation than the mules, of which we did not have enough. And even then owing to the drouth, it would have been most difficult to visit some of our schools with mules for lack of water and pasture, so we did not feel it would be consistent to put money in more mules for this work. After prayerfully considering this need we felt to make a plea to the Executive Board for a car to help us get thru with this work. This request was granted and we have been able to do twice as much in the same time with the car than we could with the mules, and do it easier. The car has been a real blessing to the work and will be we believe in the future. As some may remember a few years ago we preferred a fence around our mission and gardens to a car, and we still think it was the wise choice at that time as there was very little need for a car then, and the fence has helped care for our crops. The fence really helped us to get the car which is needed very much in the work now, but even now one man is needed at the main station. With twenty schools, and say ten to fifteen out places to hold services, and hungry people who need a couple weeks service during the year at each of the thirty places, what are we to do, if you don't come over and help us?

As we see it, there are enough schools in South Rhodesia to keep one man busy all the time, and it is a good and needy work. The people are anxious for the simple Gospel message and it does not return void, but transforms all who yield. Romans 10:15, the latter part of verse says, "How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the Gospel of peace and bring glad tidings of good things." It never says that about the hunter, miner, trader, farmer or even of the doctor, but they all come to dark Africa with many others for gold or fame, but why are men so slow in coming to preach the blessed Gospel of our Saviour who sacrificed and did so much for us? It even says we are bought with a price and are not our own, but then it says again "How shall they preach, except they be sent." So perhaps we are weak in praying God to send forth workers.

May God forgive us and inspire us anew to earnest prayer and obedience, till many more will heed the call and give their lives in service, so that many more of Africa's lost may receive life Eternal.

> Yours in the Master's Service, W. O. Winger and co-labourers.

#### **MACHA MISSION REPORT FOR 1928**

Another year has swiftly flown, another year's endeavors are in the past, and the works of the past year will be tried in the judgment. We are glad to report that in the midst of difficult problems God has not failed us, and we therefore say. "Praise the Lord."

The mission staff has undergone a number of changes during the year. About the first of May, Sr. Kauffman was called to the aid of Brother Steigerwald, and Sr. Book came to help us out temporarily. At the following Conference, it was arranged for Sr. Musser to go on her overdue furlough, and Sr. Doner, with Bro. and Sr. Cyrus Winger, came to our help. We have thus been enabled to keep things going, but we do hope for the sake of the progress of the work that more workers will be coming our way soon.

The work at and around Macha has been and still is passing thru a severe crisis, which fact is an earnest call to prayer. A number of the members of the Church have taken the second wife, thus automatically putting themselves out of the Church. Many others have become cold and indifferent, and you can understand that the Church being in this condition, the gaining of new members would be an uphill work. To cap the climax, David, our chief helper here ever since the mission was opened, was entrapped by Satan, and became so bound by sin that he had to be dismissed from the mission.

Thus progress has been slow, and sometimes discouragements have pressed their claim very incessantly. But our continued prayer has been that God would hold us steady thru this emergency and crisis. We are glad to say that our prayer has at least partly been answered. We have many times felt our insufficiency for these things, but we can truly say that we have done the best we could, and we leave the results with Him, who is our Captain and Saviour, and Comforter.

On the other hand we think we see signs of improvement. Despite the coldness, some have been seeking the Lord, four were baptized during the year, and two others returned to the Church. A number of others have given themselves for baptism when the opportunity opens, and several of those who had fallen into sin are coming closer. A short time ago, a deacon was elected, and thus a beginning made toward Church organization. Then, too, the Church is beginning to feel her responsibility to some extent to care for the poor, instead of expecting the missionaries to do it all, as was too much the case heretofore. Again, there seems to be an increased willingness on the part of the brethren to assist in preaching the Gospel in the villages.

A number of outschools were open during the year, but the spirit of indifference that has had such a hold upon the older peo-

ple took hold also of the children, and a number of these schools had to be closed because of lack of interest. We are hopeful, however, that some will be re-opened, and new places begun. The school in Choma has not yet been opened, but the schoolhouse has now been partially built, and we hope that it may be opened during the coming year. Regular Sunday services have been held there by one of the brethren living there.

A school has been opened at Siachitema, the place about sixty miles west of us, of which mention has been made in the Visitor. This school is large and full of interest, and many there have entered the Enquirer's class. We are very hopeful for that place, and hope we might be able to spend more time in that neighborhood during the coming year. We are confident that other promising places in that district could be opened for the Lord.

The Training School here on the station is more encouraging than a year ago. Though the number of girls in attendance has slightly decreased, the number of boys has increased, and a good spirit seems to prevail among them. It is our hope and prayer that we might be able during the coming year to give the boys more systematic industrial training than we have been able to do in the past. In order to do this, however, as it ought to be done, we need more laborers.

Temporally speaking, our needs have been bountifully supplied. Crops have been fair, and the natives as a whole are well-to-do, and prosperous, this may be one of the causes for leanness in their souls.



Hauling Water in Africa

Dear Brethren and Sisters, we have tried to give the position as it is. Is the situation not a challenge to faith and prayer? It means a holding steady in the midst of backsliding and trial, it means pleading with the indifferent ones, and a travail in prayer. It means furthermore, a vision of victory when victory seems so far away. Do we come up to the mark? Ah! who among us can boast? And yet, praise God for His promise, "Lo, I am with you alway;" and we will go forward in the path of duty, knowing that God will work thru us if we are but empty vessels.

Again we say, the situation is a call to prayer. God bless all who have supported the work here, by your means, your prayers, and your travail. Amen.

H. J. Frey and co-laborers.

#### INDIA GENERAL REPORT

To the Church in the Homeland, Greetings:

To the Lord be honor, praise, and glory, for His wondrous grace and manifold blessings to us and the work here. The past year has brought to us blessings innumerable—and as well has not been noted for the absence of disappointments and heartaches. But these all serve to magnify His name and power as He is allowed to over-rule in our lives.

The missionary staff has in a general way enjoyed good health. There were several minor exceptions to this, but with no serious results. One of our number, Sr. Smith, left on furlough in November last. With three at Supaul and four at Saharsa, we are able to keep things moving along, although not forgetting that much more could and ought to be done.

The Indian staff has been depleted somewhat. One of our preachers, (the oldest member in the Church), died in the fall. His work was principally in connection with the Saharsa dispensary. Then we were compelled to dismiss a man and his wife who were serving as evangelistic workers at Madhipura. They did not belong to our Church, but to another body.

This reminds us of the fact that we must pay more and more attention to internal growth and development. It is difficult to maintain an adequate staff of preachers from among our own members, because the majority are women. However, we are work-

ing to this end as rapidly as possible.

The Evangelistic phase of the work has been carried on as usual. The country around the two main stations is being fairly well covered, but much of the more distant interior territory is practically untouched. In fact, there are villages where the people do not yet know what Christians are! Nearly all of our preachers now have bicycles which enable them to cover more territory than was possible before.

We are now starting a phase of evangelistic work heretofore practically untried by us. There are scores of small vil-



Two Native Preachers Conducting an Open Air Service

lage schools throughout the District whose teachers are in most cases poorly paid. We offer to pay a small sum per month to these teachers as a contribution to their salaries, in return for the privilege of holding Bible Classes once a week in the schools.

Seven of our Indian women are visiting zenanas in the immediate vicinity of the stations. This valuable and important work deserves increased support and sympathy, as the stronghold of the local religion lies in the homes among the women.

The two Orphanages and connected schools have shown decided improvement during the year. Both boys' and girls' schools have been given Government recognition and accredited standing, with a recommendation for Government aid in the case of the girls' school. In connection with the latter we wish to emphasize the fact that enlarged quarters and compound are greatly needed. The girls are more closely confined than the boys, and it is very essential that their quarters be roomy and sanitary.

As to the boys, it has always been self-evident that with no more land than we have in Supaul, it is not an ideal place for them. The school has grown rapidly so that at present there are as many Hindu boys attending the orphanage school as day students, as we have orphanage boys. The problem of relocating the boys, therefore, has become more complicated. It has been considered advisable, however, to remove the boys from Supaul if a more suitable place can be found.

These institutions yield fruitage for the kingdom, which is encouraging indeed. Eighteen boys and girls, mostly in or approaching adolescence, were baptized recently. It is most en-

couraging to see the Lord working among them. It means so much for the future of the work.

Again, as these young people arrive at a marriageable age, we are faced with the problem of starting them on their life work. To know what each one is able to do and to get them started in an honorable and profitable vocation is no small task. All are not able to qualify as teachers and preachers, and must be started out in something else.

Educational work has been confined to the immediate demands of our own community, which seems to be the wiser policy,

taking all things into consideration.

Medical work has been carried on to some extent at both stations, the bulk, of course, being at Saharsa. This work is growing more important because of the fact that disease is on the increase in this section. This is due mostly to the gradual encroachment of the river from the east. Cholera has practically become endemic, while other diseases are on the increase. There is a great need of a women's hospital in this district, and if we were in a position to man one, there is no doubt but that we would receive much help and encouragement from Government officials. There is a move on now toward establishing a leper colony in the north end of the territory. If only the Mission were in a position to offer a medical attendant, and secure the oversight of the colony, what a great opportunity to bring light and gladness to these otherwise blighted lives, would be afforded! Would that some of our young people (men and women) would qualify as full fledged doctors and offer themselves to this needy field

Charitable work is represented principally in the caring for widows and estranged women. Four such were recently baptized. Several poor Christian men who were unable to work, have also been helped. This work is purely charitable, but also bears fruit for the Kingdom.

The Church. In the Indian Church we have for some time been faced with the problems of local self-discipline or government, and of self-support. An initial step was instituted by the Mission several years ago, but was not followed up because it was not understood, hence not supported by the Board. We feel we have been handicapped in not being granted a privilege which cannot but tend to better conditions in the local Church. It is not feasible to proceed here as is done at home in the organizing of a District, because of the lack of full appreciation of such a move, on the part of lots of our members. Appointments ought to first be made, of deacons and licensed ministers, by the Mission Council, rather than hold elections for such. After a start is made and our people become educated in actual practice, to the working of an organization, they can care for all such future need, by election. We feel there is no real necessity for electing or appointing any more full-fledged ministers than we have at present. Matters requiring discipline, etc., would possibly be better attended to under such circumstances than at present, since the Indian Church is likely to be far more strict in disciplining their own fellow-members, than we would dare to be. We hope it will be possible for us to proceed unhindered along

Finance. The usual report from a mission field involves consideration of financial problems. We much appreciated the response of the Church this last year in this respect; and while we are not satisfied that more cannot be done along this line, we do not want to make ourselves obnoxious by pressing demands for money. This much we know, that if you all were able to personally see and feel conditions as they exist here, there would be no need of further asking for funds.

Our plan of direct appeal by personal and circular letters has been successful in a measure, but it requires so much of our time and attention that it almost becomes burdensome. However, we feel we cannot keep in too close touch with you at home, and expect to continue this policy as long as it brings adequate results.

No money sent to the field is used by the missionaries for personal requirements unless specifically designated thus. They receive nothing beyond a fixed allowance per month. Too much money is needed in the work for us to appropriate any for ourselves unless specially requested to do so.

Buildings, etc. It is considerable task to keep pace with the need for buildings, etc., as the work grows. At Saharsa our principle need is extension of the Girls' Orphanage and School Building. The present building is small, unsightly, and uninviting, and no credit to the Christian Community. A nice little brick Chapel ought to be built there. Then the boys' quarters are also inadequate in view of the boys' growing up, and the school enlarging by the attendance of non-Christian boys.

General. Our outlook is good. There is stiffening opposition all around, and competition also in some respects. This is no more than can be expected. The great need is for increased contact with the people, in out-stations, touring, etc.

We have been trying to lease a desirable and well settled property in the south-west corner of our territory, but so far it has not materialized, for various reasons. This place would afford an excellent opportunity for development in that direction. For forty miles west of that place there is NO mission work at all!

All we can do is what you enable us to do by providing that which we cannot provide, i.e., funds and workers, for the service. If a third station can materialize by building or purchasing, more workers can be used to good advantage, both Indians and foreign.

What can we expect from the Church? This question confronts us at every point wherein lies the possibility of expansion. It is better to not start at all than to start and be compelled to give up because of lack of support. Perhaps our faith has yet been unequal to the occasion! What will you do to inspire our faith and confidence, and precious souls to forsake all and follow Jesus!

May we enjoy your continued and increased co-operation, sympathy, and support, for the sake of the unevangelized thousands in our District.

A. D. M. Dick, Supt.

#### SAHARSA STATION GENERAL REPORT

To the Foreign Mission Board and the Church at large. Greetings:
It is with profound gratitude to our Heavenly Father that we address you with this annual review. None have greater reason than we to praise Him whose love and mercy have abounded toward us during the past year,

As missionaries we have been greatly blessed, notwithstanding some severe tests and disappointments. All our temporal needs have been fully supplied, for which we thank Him. He has also sent us spiritual refreshings, which mean still more to us.

The work at Saharsa has proceeded with but little change from last year. The Indian staff has been depleted, in the death of Tobias, our oldest worker. We also had the sad experience of being compelled to dismiss one worker and his wife, (not members of our Church), because of trouble between them. We hear they have turned pseudo-Hindu, having joined the Arva Samaj. Four men constitute our present staff of Indian preachers, while two women serve as Bible readers in the zenanas. For the latter we are providing a special ox-cart so they can more easily and safely get about.

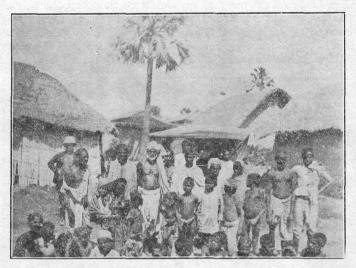
This phase of work can stand as much extension as we are able to afford it, in the way of out-posts, aiding village schools, for the privilege of holding Bible classes in them, etc.

The Girls' Orphanage has not seen many changes. One of the older girls had started training in a woman's hospital, but fell ill with typhoid fever and was compelled to give up training for this year. She may start again later. One girl was recently married to one of our young men. Several girls left and others

entered the school, so the number has not changed much, at present there being thirty girls living in the orphanage.

The girls' school has been formally recognized by the Government Educational Department, and a grant-in-aid of Rs. 30 per month has been recommended by the Inspectress, although the later has not been received as yet. We hope to be able to induce girls from the bazar and nearby villages to attend school here later on.

The present buildings and compound are too crowded. The orphanage compound is about 125 feet square over all, surrounded by a brick wall except where the other walls of buildings provide this protection. All the buildings for school, sleeping, cooking and eating, etc., are inside this enclosure. It is not conducive to health in this country to have so many children in such close quarters. The compound wall ought to be extended at least fifty to sixty feet southward, and the buildings altered considerably. We fully expect this school and orphanage to grow and hope that you in the homeland will make possible these much needed changes. Twelve of the girls, mostly of a fairly good age, were recently baptized. We are glad for this evidence of God's working among them.



Missionary Dwelling at Saharsa

Medical. In this phase of the work, as always hertofore, we are restricted only by lack of equipment, (supplies and staff), and funds. We are more and more convinced of the need of a fully qualified doctor or two. The present magistrate of the subdivision would help push a women's hospital if we were able to take up such a project. If some young sister at home with God's call on her heart would qualify as a full-fledged doctor and come out here, a great work could be established.

This year, at the request of the magistrate, Sr. Byer conducted a dispensary at Singeswar mela, for women only. Nearly two hundred patients received treatment there during the few days the dispensary was open. Rs. 100|- were given us by the mela committee to defray the extra expenses of the work.

Poor. This phase of work finds expression mostly in the caring for widows and other women who have no home. Four such were baptized recently, so that now all such women in our care have followed the Lord in this holy ordinance. It is quite a problem to look after, train, and instruct, these unfortunate ones, who in many cases have been compelled to live in sin before coming here, and the change required in them is very great. But patience, perseverance, and prayer, do accomplish much, for which we are thankful.

In general, the workers here have enjoyed good health, and have been very busy. Sr. Smith left on furlough shortly after our annual fall convention, leaving four of us here to carry on.

It would not be fair to say that we have enjoyed unmarred peace and progress in the work, because the devil will get in a blow now and then and cause things to happen and conditions to arise that give us much pain and anxiety. But God always does over-rule in the end, and give joy and deliverance.

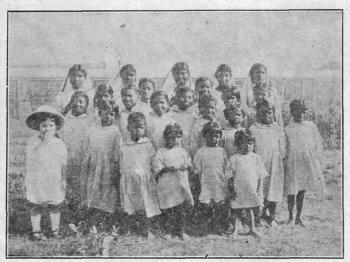
We desire to thank all who have prayed for the work here, all who have encouraged us with letters and offerings,—in fact, all who have responded fully to the Spirit's urge in behalf of the work here. May we enjoy your continued interest in prayer that God may do exploits for the sake of His great name at Saharsa.

Saharsa Workers.

#### SUPAUL GENERAL REPORT

"I will praise thee with my whole heart: before the gods I will sing unto thee." The workers at Supaul take this psalm of David's as their own, for indeed when they come to reflect over the past year's work, and to recount the many incidents of God's blessing and care to themselves, they have good reason to praise God.

It is not our purpose to attempt a detailed summarization of the activities at this station as they may have occured during the past year, but only to recall the outstanding things. The Boys' Orphanage except one change which we thought good to make, was maintained practically on the same lines as in other years. Formerly there was no responsible person to live right in with the boys, which was believed not to be ideal. Therefore a House-Father was sanctioned to live in with them. This is more



Girls from the Orphanage 1926

satisfactory. Four of the older boys were put out into occupations. Two of them were sent to Benares to a Mission Industrial School to learn the automobile trade, one is learning the derzie trade, that is—sewing, and the last is learning gardening.

Recently we held a baptismal service in which six of the orphan boys and three others were the applicants. Two of the others were formerly Roman Catholics, man and wife, one is a young man of a Christian family in the Mission. It made us rejoice when we could claim them for the Lord, and take them into church membership. When the farmer sows his seed and gets no harvest, he has good cause to become discouraged. With equal force this applies to Christian work.

Then comes the Evangelistic side of the work. We have three Indian preachers and three Indian Bible women, who go daily into the zenanas and villages to tell the story of Christ's love to mankind. Sr. Rohrer has charge of the Bible women's work. She and they get many opportunities to touch the lives of the women who must live under purda. The purda women enjoy to be visited, for in this way they get in touch with something new and stimulating to their long pent up desire to learn. Above all they hear about Christ the blessed Saviour. The

preachers too, have many doors of opportunity opened to them. It is not an easy task to go out every day to visit the villages with a new message for the people each time one goes. But God supplies the need, wisdom and tact.

Through the influence of preaching and the distribution of Christian literature there is coming a softening in the hearts of the people, toward the Jesus religion. Let us pray that many of them will leave off worshipping the gods of their imagination, to worship the true God. We had hoped to open another outstation eighteen miles north of here, but this has not yet come to pass, because of difficulty in completing the transaction in purchasing a plot needed for the purpose.

Also a small amount of money is monthly allotted for the Medical work here. With it there is kept in stock a supply of medicines for the common ailments. The people like the Missionary's medicine, for they say, "the Pardi's medicine isn't like that in the Government Hospital. It is thus to be seen that contact of a good sort is made which paves the way for a more direct appeal to their hearts concerning Christianity.

As for the spiritual condition of our Christians, it must be admitted that one would like to see a higher standard of grace among them. But again, when one considers the fact of their heathen origin and surroundings, there is a good deal to appreciate in them. They have come a long way. It is, not that they have no more capacity, but that their capacity has not yet attained full development. We have full confidence in the Gospel, and its power, therefore want to proclaim it diligently until the full measure of grace is obtained by them. For this we crave your prayers—an earnest interest in the prayers of all the dear ones in the Home Church.

Yours for the lost of earth,

The Supaul Workers.

Yes, we are waiting, waiting, waiting still For new recruits to come.

Dear One just listen, listen, listen to God's will, How long shall there be none
To answer, gladly answer, to His call
And leave their homes, their friends, their all?

Oh hear Him pleading, pleading, pleading yet For you your time to give.

Dear Friend, just answer, answer, answer, do not let In vain your life be lived.

God wants your "YES" He wants, He wants it now; Before His will then gladly bow.

Yes, He is calling, calling, calling YOU
To give up all for Him.
Dear Child, can you, will you just now to Christ be true?
Although your past has been
A little clouded, mists will surely go
As you His love and will doth know.

Just throw off this thing, that thing, all things now, And dedicate your all.

Dear Saint, through Him, who on the Cross His life did bow, You shall indeed not fall.

Step out into His work and you shall see That all things shall be well with thee.

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