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“This is the CONFIDENCE that we have in Him, that if we ask anything according to His will, He heareth us: And if we know that He hear us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired from Him.”

—1 John v., 14-15.

“The Lord shall be thy CONFIDENCE, and shall keep thy foot from being taken.”

—Prov. iii., 26.

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A Further Song of the Revival.*

REV. iii., 11, 12.—"Behold, I come quickly; hold fast that thou hast that no man take thy crown. Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the Temple of my God, and he shall no more go out; and I will write upon him the Name of my God, and the name of the City of my God, which is New Jerusalem, which cometh down out of Heaven from my God; and I will write upon him my New Name."

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| 1 O hearken, ye people,
Good tidings I bring,
The moment is nearing,
When JESUS, our KING,
Forsaking His seat
At the Father's right-hand,
Shall come down with shouting,
His Bride to demand. | 5 For Satan shall stand
On the shore of the sea,
And bring up the Beast,
His Vicegerent to be;
Empowered with seven heads,
Encrowned with ten horns,
Who God's tabernacle
And holiness scorns. | 9 And all who are lacking
His Mark or His Name,
And come to the markets,
Are soon put to shame;
No man buyeth of them,
And no man may sell,
Excepting to those
Who are branded by Hell. |
| 2 The voice of archangel
Shall follow the shout;
The trumpet of God
Shall be heard round about;
The graves will be opened,
The dead shall arise,
Caught up with the living
To Christ in the skies. | 6 Another is seen,
Coming out of the earth,
A great lamb-like dragon,
An ominous birth,
Who maketh the fire
To come down out of heaven,
With power like to that
Which Elijah was given. | 10 The Spirit will aid us
The number to count,
The sum unto which
His dread Name doth amount;
Divine foreordaining
This number doth fix,
To total Six Hundred
And Sixty and Six, |
| 3 Then look to your lamps,
Replenish the oil,
Lest Satan your hope
With his subtleties foil;
Be endued with the Spirit
Of Power from above,
Be clad with the bond
Of perfection in love. | 7 And to the first Beast
That himself did precede,
Healed, when sore wounded,
He bids them give heed;
Commands them in worship
His favour to seek,
And causes his image
Breathed into to speak. | 11 All peace then is ended,
Sore troubles begin
For all who till then [sin;
Are uncleansed from their
And, but that the time
For the saints is cut short,
No flesh could be saved,
But would all come to nought. |
| 4 For if you should fancy
His Advent not near,
Eat, drink, and vex others,
And walk without fear,
Descending forthwith,
He will take up His own,
And leave you, sore stricken,
Your sin to bemoan. | 8 He orders that all
Who this worship refuse,
Their lives, as a punishment,
Forfeit and lose;
The rich and the poor,
And the bond and the free,
In right-hands and foreheads
All branded must be. | 12 Seek then for the Spirit,
Oh, seek Him to-day;
For if you still grieve Him,
And longer delay,
Destruction will take you
In terrible shape,
Like travailing woman,
Nor will you escape. |

Doxology.

All glory to JESUS, Who reigneth on high,
Who unto His prophets this truth doth descry;
To Father and Spirit, that with His are ONE,
In Unity long as the ages shall run.

By the REV. CLEMENT WILBERFORCE DICKINSON, M.A., of Ferryhill, Co. Durham.

This Song can be sung to "Hanover" (set in H.A.M. to No. 431, "Disposer Supreme").

* See last "Confidence" for the first "Song of the Revival."

Amanda Smith's Blessing.

"But of him are ye in Christ Jesus, who of God is made unto us wisdom and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption."—1 Cor. i., 30.

(Amanda Smith was a Negro Christian whose face shone with the indwelling Glory of God. She was a great blessing to many in the United States.)

Following is the account of the sanctification of Amanda Smith, taken from *Amanda Smith's Own Story*. It will help you in faith and give you light about the Devil's devices:—

I always got up as early on Sunday morning as on other mornings. I got my breakfast, cleaned up my house, and at nine o'clock my little Mazie went to Sunday School. While she was gone I would cook all my dinner and get everything ready. I did not have time to cook much through the week, as I had often to dry my clothes in the house and I could not have the smell of cooking, so Sunday was the only day that I would have a real good dinner, but I never stayed home from church to cook—so I gave my baby his bath and laid him in his cradle; then I got down on my knees and prayed the Lord to keep Will asleep till I went to Green Street Church, and to keep James in a good humour so he would not scold me, for I hated to be scolded, in the worst way. James was peculiar. If he came and I happened to be out, even though I went to carry clothes, he would be vexed. So after Mazie came I said, "Now you read your library book and be a good girl, I am going to Green Street Church this morning; it lets out before our church does, so I will be home in time. You can tell your pa, if he comes before I get back. If Will cries, don't take him up; just rock him."

She was a good strong girl, thirteen years old, quite able to take care of him and could manage him quite as well as I

could, so I went and left them. On my way to Green Street, it seemed the Devil overtook me. Just as I turned in Carmine Street I felt a Satanic influence walking by my side and whispering, "Now, you know, if James comes home and finds you are out, you know what you will catch; you had better go to Bedford Street and hear John Cookman."

"Well, I will."

So when I got to the corner and was just going to turn down Bleeker Street, a voice said, "No, go on." I went on. After I had gone about half a block Satan whispered again, "You are seeking sanctification?"

"Yes."

"Well, if James comes home and you are out he will be very angry, and that will be a sin, and you should not make anybody sin."

"No," I said, "I will not do it."

Then Satan said, "You had better go and hear that Presbyterian minister on the corner of Houston and Prince Streets." I had heard how kind they were to coloured people, and I had promised several times to go and hear this minister. The Devil had found that out some way; I can't tell how he knew it, but he did. "You had better go and hear him; then it is nearer home, three blocks nearer, and you can get home quick."

"Yes," I said, "that is so."

When I got to the corner, as I was about to turn down, with a gentle pull a sweet voice whispered, "No, no, go on."

"Lord, help me!"

Oh, how will I ever praise God enough for His tender love and faithfulness to me in that awful hour. He gave power to my fainting spirit, and when I had no might He increased my strength. Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Praise the Lord!

I went on a little further, and by and

by the enemy seemed to approach me again fiercely. He said, "Now, you are the biggest fool that ever was. You think you are going to hear John Inskip; he is not there; he is at the Five Points."

"O if I thought Brother Inskip was not there I would not go. I would go back."

I went on. When I reached the steps I shall never forget the thrill of joy that ran through my heart when I heard Brother Inskip pray. With what strength I had left I said, "Thank God, he is here and not at the Five Points." I seemed to feel the Satanic presence sweep by me and say, "Oh, she has found it out." Old Satan knew I had caught him in one of his biggest lies. I went into the church and sat down about three seats from the door. I had been to that church but once before, and that was Brother Inskip's first Sunday. While I lived in York Street I was very sick, and could not walk away up to Sullivan Street Bethel Church, where I belong, so I went in there that Sunday. I sat in the gallery. The people were so kind; one brother handed me a book and asked me to come again. I thank God for that spirit that was in Green Street those days, even to coloured people. The Sunday I got the blessing I did not sit upstairs, but O how tired I was when I got into the church. I leaned my head forward and prayed God give me strength. When Brother Inskip had finished his prayer he rose and made his announcements; the last hymn was sung, then came the text:—Eph. iv., 24, "And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness." He said, "In preaching from this text this morning the brethren will observe I shall have to make some reference to a sermon that I preached a few Sabbaths ago on sanctification."

I was struck, for I had never heard a

minister say that word in commencing his sermon before, and I said, "Oh, I lost my chance; two Sabbaths ago I had such a drawing to come here and I did not do it; O Lord, I have disobeyed Thy Spirit and I am so sorry; do forgive me and help me, I pray thee."

O how I wept, for I had lost my chance and I am so hungry for the blessing; but, "Lord forgive me and help me to listen now."

I raised my head and fixed my eyes and thoughts on the speaker, and got so interested it seemed he was preaching right to me, and I took every word. By and by I heard my baby scream out; I heard him scream as distinctly as ever I heard a child scream. "You told Mazie not to take that child up, but she has done it and let him fall," Satan suggested.

For a moment the actual thing did occur, and it was before my eyes. My heart stood still and a voice said, "Trust the Lord."

"I will," I said, and fixed my mind again and listened, and as dear Brother Inskip warmed up and I was feasting, my baby screamed out again. I jumped, and it seemed that all the people in the church heard, it was so plain.

"There," the Devil says, "James has come home and Mazie has not done as you told her, and you will catch it when you get home."

Oh, I felt if I had wings I would fly. I wanted to scream out. A sweet voice said, "You said you would trust the Lord."

"So I did," I said, so I sat back and was listening and drinking in and thought all was well now. Again I heard my baby scream.

"There," said the Devil, "Mazie has let him fall and broken his back," and I got up and walked to the end of the pew.

"It is no use," I said, "I shall be tormented here; I will go home." And it

(Amanda Smith's Blessing—continued.)

was as though a person stood before me and said, "Didn't you say that you would trust the Lord with that child?"

"Yes," I said, "and I will trust the Lord, even if he is dead," and I sat down. Just as I sat down Brother Inskip said, "There are a great many persons who are troubled about the blessing of sanctification; how they can keep it if they get it."

"Oh!" I said, "he means me, for that is just what I have said. With my trials and peculiar temperament and all that I have to contend with, if I could get the blessing how could I keep it? Now, someone has told him, for he is looking right at me and I know he means me." And I tried to hide behind the post, and he seemed to look around there. Then I said, "Well, he means me, and I will just take what he says." He used this illustration: "When you work hard all day and are very tired,—“Yes,” I said, and in a moment my mind went through my washing and ironing all night,—“When you go to bed at night you don't fix anyway for yourself to breathe.” “No,” I said, “I never think about it.” “You go to bed, you breathe all night, you have nothing to do with your breathing, you awake in the morning, you had nothing to do with it.”

"Yes, yes, I see it."

He continued: "You don't need to fix any way for God to live in you; get God in you in all His fulness and He will live Himself."

"Oh!" I said, "I see it." And somehow I seemed to sink down out of sight of myself, and then rise; it was all in a moment. I seemed to go two ways at once, down and up. Just then such a wave came over me, and such a welling up in my heart, and these words rang

through me like a bell: "God in you, God in you," and I thought doing what? Ruling every ambition and desire, and bringing every thought into captivity and obedience to His will. How I have lived through it I cannot tell, but the blessedness of love and the peace and power I can never describe. Oh, what glory filled my soul! The great vacuum in my soul began to fill up; it was like a pleasant draught of cool water, and I felt it. I wanted to shout glory to Jesus! but Satan said, "Now, if you make a noise they will put you out."

I was the only coloured person there, and I had a very keen sense of propriety; I had been taught so, and Satan knew it. I wonder how he ever did know all these little points in me, but in spite of all, my Jesus came out best. Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Amen.

I did not shout, and by and by Brother Inskip came to another illustration. He said, speaking on faith: "Now this blessing of purity like pardon is received by faith, and if by faith, why not now?"

"Yes," I said.

"It is instantaneous," he continued. "To illustrate, how long is a dark room dark when you take a lighted lamp into it?"

"Oh," I said, "I see it!" And again a great wave of glory swept over my soul—another cooling draught of water—I seemed to swallow it, and then the welling up at my heart seemed to come still a little fuller. Praise the Lord forever for that day!

Speaking of God's power, he went on with another illustration. He said, "If God in the twinkling of an eye can change these vile bodies of ours and make them look like His own most glorious body, how long will it take Him to sanctify a soul?"

"God can do it," I said, "in the twinkling of an eye," and as quick as the spark from smitten steel I felt the touch of God from the crown of my head to the soles of my feet, and the welling up came, and I felt I must shout; but Satan still resisted me like he did Joshua. But the Captain of the Lord's host stood close by and said, "Take off the filthy garments from him," and Satan was mad.

Again I yielded to the tempter and did not shout. Then I felt the Spirit leave me. I knew He had gone, and I said, "Oh, Holy Ghost, if Thou wilt only return I will confess Thee." I am so glad God put the word confession in my mouth. I thought I would get ready, so when the Spirit came again I would shout; but before I knew it just as though someone threw a basin of water in my face, a great wave came and just as I went to say, "Glory to Jesus!" the Devil said, "Look, look at the white people, mind, they will put you out," and I put my hands up to my mouth and held still, and again I felt the Spirit leave me and pass away.

Then Satan said, "Now, you have lied to the Holy Ghost, for you said if the Holy Ghost returned you would confess Him, and He did return and you didn't confess, and you lied to the Holy Ghost."

Oh, shall I ever forget the horror of that one hour? I though I had committed the unpardonable sin, and was forever doomed. All hope was gone, and a horror of darkness swept over my spirit. For about five minutes it seemed to me I was in hell, but somehow, I don't know how, I said, "Well, I know the Lord has sanctified my soul"—I felt so sure of it—"and I will go home to my church and give the witness."

Just then Satan says, "They will not believe you because you did not get the blessing there."

Then I knew there was a little jealousy and prejudice among some, so I said, "Well, no matter, I know the Lord has sanctified my soul, anyhow." And I went to get up to go out, but could not stand on my feet. Oh, I was so weak. My head seemed a river of waters and my eyes a fountain of tears. I put my hand in my pocket to get my handkerchief, but could not get it out. Just then they arose to sing the closing hymn, that blessed hymn, "My latest sun is sinking fast." I tried to get up, but could not; then the Devil says, "No one knows you here, and they will think you are drunk."

"Lord, what shall I do?" and a voice seemed to whisper in my left ear, for Satan stood at my right and would whisper his suggestions, "Pray for strength to stand up." I took hold of the pew in front of me, and trembling from head to foot I stood up, but held on to the pew. Just as I got fairly on my feet they struck the last verse of the hymn—

"Oh! beat my longing heart to Him,
Who bled and died for me,
Whose blood now cleanseth from all sin,
And gives me victory."

And when they sang these words, "Whose blood now cleanseth," O what a wave of glory swept over my soul! I shouted glory to Jesus. Brother Inskip answered, "Amen, glory to God." Oh, what a triumph for our King Emmanuel. I don't know just how I looked, but I felt so wonderfully strange, yet I felt glorious. One of the good official brethren at the door said, as I was passing out, "Well, auntie, how did you like that sermon?" but I could not speak; if I had I should have shouted, but I simply nodded my head. Just as I put my foot on the top step I seemed to feel a hand, the touch of which I cannot describe. It seemed to press me gently on the top of my head, and I felt something part and roll down and cover me like a great cloak! I felt it

(Amanda Smith's Blessing—continued.)

distinctly ; it was done in a moment, and O what a mighty peace and power took possession of me ! I started up Green Street. The streets were full of people coming from the different churches in all directions. Just ahead of me were three of the leading sisters in our church. I would sooner have met anybody else than them. I was afraid of them. Well, I don't know why, but they were rather the ones who made you feel that wisdom dwelt with them. They were old leading sisters, and I have found that the coloured churches were not the only ones that have these leading consequential sisters in them. Well, as I drew near I saw them say something to each other, and they looked very dignified. Now the Devil was not so close to me as before ; he seemed to be quite behind me, but he shouted after me, “You will not tell them you are sanctified.”

“No,” I said, “I will say nothing to them,” but when I got up to them I seemed to have special power in my right arm, and I was swinging it around like the boys do sometimes ! I don't know why, but O I felt mighty as I came near those sisters. They said, “Well, Smith, where have you been this morning ?”

“The Lord,” I said, “has sanctified my soul.” And they were speechless ! I said no more, but passed on swinging my arm ! I suppose the people thought I was wild, and indeed I was, naturally ; God had set me on fire. “Oh,” I thought, “if there was a platform around the world I would be willing to get on it and walk and tell everybody of this sanctifying power of God !”

When I got home I opened the door ; the baby was still asleep. I said, “Mazie, has Mr. Smith come ?”

“No.”

“Has Will slept all right ?”

“Yes, he has not wakened up a all.”

“Well, the Lord has sanctified my soul this morning,” and she said, “Has He, mother ?”

(From “*A Call to Faith.*”)

The Word of God.

2 Peter i., 19, 20, 21.—“We have a more sure word of prophecy ; whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day star arise in your hearts : Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the Scripture is of any private interpretation. For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man, but holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.”

In these days of confusion of teaching and ideas, how precious it is that we have the Word of God to rely upon ; that we may have the blessed Holy Spirit to quicken that Word and illuminate its wonderful truths till they become part of our very being. How quickly should we be united in the One Spirit, if instead of following the traditions of men we would take the Word of God (1 Thess. ii., 13), and relying simply on the Holy Spirit to teach us, *believe* that Word—keeping it in the good soil of an honest heart till it sprang into life.

We praise God for an open Bible, but how few, comparatively speaking, take this Word *as the Word of God* to their souls and dare to stand upon it.

It is frequently said in these days that there are many who look for signs and miracles instead of believing the Word, but have we not the authority of the Word itself for expecting to see the Word *confirmed* by signs following—*e.g.*, in Acts iv., 29-30, the apostles prayed that the Lord would grant them boldness to speak the Word “by stretching forth Thine hand to heal, and that signs and wonders may be done in the Name of Thy Holy Child Jesus.” God approved of their prayer by a mighty manifestation of the Spirit at once, for they were all *filled* with the Holy Ghost—the place where they

were was shaken, and they spake the word with boldness.

Again, we read in Mark xvi., 20, “They went forth and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them and *confirming* the Word with signs following.”

We believe that the awful unbelief of to-day is largely due to the fact that the Word has not been confirmed in all things by signs following, because an Apostate Church has been, and alas still is, content to have “the letter which killeth,” instead of the Word quickened by the Spirit into fruitfulness.

It has been said both at home and abroad—Where are the signs of healing, casting out of demons, and other signs that I read of in the Bible? The Word says, “Jesus Christ is the *same*, yesterday, *to-day*, and for ever!” But we see none of the things that Jesus did coming to pass in the Churches!! How is it? Therefore to meet these difficulties the Word of God must be either explained away? or watered down, and this produces infidelity and agnosticism—and alas, worse still, Satan brings forth his counterfeits, and Spiritualism, Christian Science, Theosophy, etc., are in full swing. It is time “the people that call themselves by My Name humbled themselves.”

Thank God there are faithful souls to-day, and have been all along the ages, who believe and practice “*all* the Words of this Life,” but this is not the Church in general. Nay, the Church has branded such as fanatical or even worse, saying as the Pharisees of old did to our Lord, “He casteth out devils by Beelzebub, the prince of the devils.” We would venture to assert on the other hand, that the Word has always been confirmed by signs and wonders, according to the measure in which it has been believed.

Let us see if this is not so! When by

reading or hearing the Word a soul has been convicted of sin by the Spirit, and found peace and joy in believing, is not this—a life changed—a sign and wonder? Has not the Word of the Cross wrought a miracle? When a great longing for holiness, created by reading in the Word of a Holy God and a Holy Life seizes the soul, is not that a sign?

The Word has also a slaying power. As we dare to believe such words as Gal. ii., 20, Col. iii., 3, Rom. vi., 6, and hold fast to these words, we find that a wonderful sign and miracle of grace takes place. We *are* changed; the old life dies and the New Life—the Eternal Living Word (the Logos) springs up and is formed within.

Very many of God’s children when sorely oppressed in body have believed that Acts x., 38 can be repeated to-day by the Living, glorified Christ, and have found the sign of health following, or daring to venture on Matt. viii., 17, Is. liii., 4, find to their joy that God still confirms His Word with signs following.

Further, many dare to believe Mark xvi., 17 is true, and find in very truth that God confirms His Word.

We believe also that in these days we are on the eve of greater things as we stand on the Word. We are learning through the Word more of the tremendous power and safety of the Blood of the Lord Jesus, and as we dare to resist Satan with this Word we find it confirmed and Satan flees.

Is not the whole Church expecting the confirmation of the Word in the Coming of our blessed Lord for His Saints?

As we look at these facts must we not admit that God does indeed confirm His Word with signs and miracles? We rejoice in the “impregnable rock of Holy Scripture.” Glory be to our faithful God. He is willing to do still greater things,

(The Word of God—continued.)

but we shall only discover these from His Word, and it will only be, as we believe that Word, that God can confirm it. "Fear not," only believe, still rings out clear and firm from that blessed Book. Let us take courage and expect our faithful, unchangeable God to fulfil His Word by signs and wonders. Above all, let the Living Word, the Lord Jesus Christ, fulfil in us as faithfully as He did on earth the Written Word, which is His Father's will (Heb. iii., 6; ii., 6)

We are born again by the Word	-	1 Pet. i., 23.
We grow	" "	1 Pet. ii., 2.
We live	" "	Matt. iv., 4.
We are slain	" "	Hosea vi., 5.
We are quickened	" "	Ps. 119, 50.
The Word gives us Light	-	" " 130.
The Word guides our Path	-	" " 105.
There is no mixture in the Word	-	" " 140.
It is settled for ever in Heaven	-	" " 89.
It is never void of power or impossible		
		Luke vii., 37 (Weymouth).
God will hasten to perform it	-	Jer. i., 12.
It is our Life	- - -	John vi., 33.
The Written Will or Word of God was fulfilled absolutely by the Living Word, "Who was God"	- - -	John i., 1.

In conclusion, we are not surprised to find that to the one of the two churches who had not to repent, the Philadelphian Church, wonderful promises given to the overcomers in that church. They had "Kept My Word," "the Word of My patience." "therefore I will keep thee," and "Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my God."—Rom. iii., 7-12.

P. M. U.

(The Pentecostal Missionary Union for Great Britain.)

The quarterly opening of our Missionary Boxes is almost due. Will friends who read the following letters both pray for our Missionaries and give as the Lord enables

towards their work.

Boxes can be obtained from Mr. Cecil Polhill, 15, Cornwall Terrace, Regent's Park, N.W., or from local representatives. The letters from Miss James and Miss Kathleen Miller are full of interest, and should make our prayers very real and definite.

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Letter from Miss Kathleen Miller.

WHITE HOUSE, DARJEELING,
APRIL 21st, 1909.

MY DEAR MR. BODDY,

You will rejoice with us to know that God is working in our midst, and one dear missionary was baptized in the Holy Ghost yesterday at our daily waiting meeting. The power of God was mighty in the room, and this dear sister came right through beautifully, praising God and rejoicing in Him, and the Spirit speaking in her in another tongue. The Spirit also came upon another missionary who has also been earnestly seeking since we came here. His joy in the Holy Spirit was beautiful, and we believe he will very soon get the full seal.

GOD IS WORKING FOR US.

When we came up, not a fortnight ago, we knew of only *two* here who had any desire for this blessed baptism, but now eight have been seeking, all their prejudices and doubts having been dispelled. Oh, if only people would come and see for themselves instead of listening to false reports, how quickly this work would spread, and hungry hearts would be satisfied, and weary, disheartened workers sent back to their stations with the joy and power of the Holy Ghost flooding their whole beings. Oh, praise God, He is pouring out the "latter rain," and even we, by His grace, have participated in its soul-refreshing abundance. I rejoice to hear also of God's continued goodness to you at Sunderland. We often speak of you, and we do so hope you will continually remember us in prayer. Miss Orlebar now has five homes for definitely witnessing to this Pentecostal blessing and for helping to lead seeking souls into it. There is the permanent one at Bombay, and on the hills for all this hot season—*Darjeeling, Mussoorie, Kodaikanal, and Mabableshwar*. She is responsible for all these, and they are the only such centres for this truth in all India. So you see how we do

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of God's dear people. I do praise Him for bringing me out to this work. Up here all our time is taken up with these meetings for seekers and in prayer for all India, that we have not much opportunity for any work among the heathen. The Mohammedan man who was converted through the preaching at the Mission Hall in Bombay was baptized at Mukti, and is going on all right as far as we can hear. Please continue to pray for him that he may become a *strong* Christian and a witness to others.

I do rejoice to think of the good gathering you will have at Whitsuntide. We shall be much with you in spirit. I look forward to the day when we shall be able to have such a Conference in poor, needy India! May the Lord hasten the time!

With warm greetings to all the dear Saints who are praying for us,

Yours in our ascended and glorified Saviour,

KATHLEEN MILLER.

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Letter from Miss Lucy James.

AN ESCAPE FROM DANGER.

"KENMURE,"

KODAIKANAL,

S.W. INDIA.

April 6th, 1909.

MY DEAR FRIENDS,

I thank you so much for remembering me in prayer so regularly. I do not need to ask whether you do, for every Sunday afternoon at four o'clock or soon after, which is about 10:30 or 11 a.m. with you, I feel such a power come over me, and then I know you are praying for me, and I try to arrange to pray then too, so that we may meet in spirit.

Now I must tell you of a very great danger I have passed through, so that you will know better how to pray for me. You will see by this heading that I have now gone to one of the hill stations, and a tremendous journey it was—two days and a half in the train, travelling all the time, only wooden benches to lie on at night, and thankful we were to have the carriage empty enough to do this, as otherwise we must have sat up all the time. Then, about 2 a.m., we began the last stage of our journey in a bullock-cart. I have heard a good deal about this mode of conveyance, but I assure you it was luxury after the hard train seats. We went about 40 miles in this, and then arrived at a small inn, where we were to change into chairs and be carried by four men each right up the side of a mountain. There is no other experience I have ever passed through to make one so ashamed of one's weight or so desirous of becoming thin.

However, these chairs were not forthcoming, there were only natives at the inn, and only one of them and the waiter could understand English properly. They promised us chairs by 2 o'clock (we arrived at 10:30 on Saturday morning, and were very anxious not to have to travel on Sunday), but when that time arrived we found that nothing had been done in the matter. Then we were promised they should come by 9 p.m., and there was nothing to be done but sit down and wait and pray, as otherwise we could not possibly arrive before Sunday. No help arrived by 9 o'clock, but about 10:30 a lot of coolies with chairs arrived answering to the party we had ordered. We con-

cluded, of course, that they were ours and made all speed to get off, and only discovered at the last moment that they were intended for another party who had arrived during the afternoon and had gone to bed in the inn. They, however, pressed us to go on, which we did. Of course, it was night, but the moon, which had been clouded, came out brightly as we started, and so continued all the way. It is a distance of 12 miles, climbing all the way, and oh, the loveliness of the scenery we passed through. After going several miles, about 1 a.m., our bearers put us down in the middle of the path and made us understand that they wanted to eat, so, of course, we made no objection to this, and the women gathered round us to talk by signs while they went away somewhere by themselves, but when a considerable time had elapsed, Miss Unsworth, who was travelling with me—a missionary in the villages near Bombay—began to get nervous. We were in the middle of a thick wood, tigers and snakes might find us out, and we were totally unprotected, our people all sleeping round us. With some difficulty we roused them up and called the men together and made them understand that we must go on, and whether they were vexed at this or what we do not know, but their temper seemed to change. Previously, we had walked short distances to ease them a little, but they had always kept near us and seemed quite kind; now, Miss Unsworth said they were talking together of us in a rude and insulting manner, and she frequently heard the words "die" and "kill,"—she does not speak Tamil, the language here, so could not tell all. In about half-an-hour, when the baggage coolies had all gone on before, with the exception of two men carrying my large box, they set us down again and said they must eat; this we felt too soon after the long rest they had just had, and Miss Unsworth being thoroughly worked up with all she had listened to, looked upon it as the Lord's escape for us and jumped straight out of the chair, calling me to follow, and when I came up she explained all that I have just written.

The two men with the box were most kind—the Lord reward them for it—they evidently understood our fear, because afterwards they told the women about it, though we never said a word to them only asked them to come on, and they kept with us all the way until we came up to the women again, a distance of about 3 miles right up the mountain, during which time we were really flying from our bearers, and indeed, when one thinks of it, how really helpless we were, quite alone in the power of 8 heathen men who knew that we had money with us, because they were so anxious to get hold of the bag in a lonely mountain defile with a precipice running along one side all way. How easily they could have pitched us over and said they tripped or were frightened, and Miss Unsworth said the Brahmins would have protected them. However, when they came up their spirit had changed again, and they were rather frightened lest they should be reported or not get their *bachsheeshi*. So we arrived safely by the good hand of our God.

This is a lovely spot. The scenery is quite homelike. I could well imagine myself in Scotland again. We are 7,000 feet above the sea, so the air is quite cool.

With much love,

LUCY JAMES.

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A Tree of the Lord's Planting.

St. John xxi., 7—“It is the Lord.”

We thank the Lord for Pentecost,
The Lord is leading the way—the way,
But most because of the Holy Ghost,
The Lord is leading the WAY.

There are some things we cannot fully understand in this blessed Pentecostal movement, for we only know in part. But a tree is known by its Fruit (Matt. vii., 16). This Pentecostal Tree is therefore either (1) or God, bearing the fruits of God with possibly some imitation fruit tacked on by Satan, on (2) it is a Tree of Satan with a quantity of really Divine Fruit growing there.

If it is Satan's Tree, then the Lord is doing something quite contrary to His character. We scarcely like to write the words—He is permitting His trusting ones to be sadly deceived, for He is helping on the work by attaching to the Pentecostal Movement undoubtedly :

1. A great hunger and thirst for Himself.
2. A new joy in praising Him.
3. A new delight in honouring and obeying His Word.

4. A great desire to exalt the victory of Calvary and the ever precious Blood.
5. A joyous looking for the coming of the Lord.

Our thoughts of God would get a great shock if we could conceive it possible that our Heavenly Father would encourage a movement of Satan's. But we will not believe it for a moment. There is quite an opposite explanation. This Pentecostal Tree is God's own planting and the Fruit is the Lord's. Satan, knowing that his time is short, tries his very hardest to (1) slip in now and again something of his own, or (2) make the Lord's people afraid of what is not so much of Satan, but rather the flesh stirred up by emotion.

If we tied the apples of Sodom on to a healthy vine, it would not make it any less a vine. Jesus says, “I am the True Vine.” We will recognise the True Vine however the subtle foe may try to confuse God's children. We will not stand aside and wait till the difficulties have passed away.

The Enemy is doing his best to mystify and perplex by sending along self-seekers and religious cranks. He does this in every great spiritual movement. Or he works through earnest, emotional, hysterical people who are truly longing after God and yet have little control over themselves. Timid seekers who should be occupied with God thus get their thoughts upon noises, or mistakes, or self-seekings, instead of holding on to God and seeking Him earnestly.

Now seekers and others should endeavour (1) not to stumble others, and (2) not to be easily stumbled themselves.

1. Not to stumble any of God's redeemed ones by any unscriptural methods which may seem for the time to be very successful but are not scriptural.

2. Nervous trembling souls should ask the Lord not to let them be stumbled easily. Let them make allowances for others who

have different temperaments. Let them not turn aside, for instance, because some seek and receive spiritual (!) messages again and again which have turned out unsatisfactorily. "Now we know in part, then shall we know even as we are known."

Let us keep our eyes on the Lord Jesus. Remember how He appeared to the disciples after His Resurrection. Sometimes they did not know Him, their eyes were holden. On the shore of Galilee one morning He appeared and even spoke across the water to them in their boat, but they did not recognise Him for a while. Who was it that did recognise Him? It was the disciple that Jesus loved. He whose heart responded to the heart of Jesus. He it was who cried because he knew,

"IT IS THE LORD."

The writer can bear witness that when he is nearest to the Lord, and his love to Him is warmest, then He is most convinced that this work is of God.

But tremendous tests come, and then those who are not trusting to scriptural methods will be the most likely, sooner or later, to go back wholesale from the movement. We feel assured that the Lord is going to bless far more mightily and more deeply than ever, but also that there will be a great sifting. If there is to be persecution, let us suffer for something which is clearly not of man, but of which we can honestly say with all our hearts,

"IT IS THE LORD."

A.A.B.

The World-Congress at Sunderland,

JUNE 1st—4th, 1909.

(See page 124.)

The Lord is most wonderfully preparing all the arrangements for the International Conference or Congress at Sunderland at Whitsuntide. Every day more and more

names are being added to the long list of Delegates and Visitors. A Pentecostal Brother reads "Confidence" at Hong Kong, and sets out for Sunderland to be in time for the Congress. We hear from India of friends on the way, and then they arrive in England. Mrs. Lockhart from Winnipeg is expected, and Mr. and Mrs. Judd Montgomery from California. Pastor Barratt has brought Mrs. Barratt with him from Norway (their London address is: Care of Pastor Niblock, 7, Howley Place, Paddington, W.)

Coming, coming, yes they are,
Coming, coming, from afar;
All to meet with songs of glory,
All to sing Him praises sweet;
What a chorus, what a meeting,
All in love at Jesus' Feet.

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The Convener of the Congress (Rev. A. A. Boddy) asks for the earnest prayers of those who come together that he may have wisdom and love in presiding at these important meetings.

If any difficulty arises through difference of opinion, etc., during the meetings, he will be thankful for very earnest prayer in *silence* by those who can lay hold of God (audible prayer at such a time too often seems like an expression of opinion, and is in danger of being personal).

We are looking forward to a mighty time of blessing at the Congress of mutual help and of glorious praise. May the Lord be greatly glorified in our midst.

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The large proportion of our Visitors are coming for the Preliminary Meetings, and are arriving on Friday, May 28th.

The *Preliminary Meetings* will be held in the Parish Hall:—

(The World-Congress at Sunderland—continued.)

Friday, 28th, at 7:30, Parish Hall.

Saturday, 29th, 11 a.m., 3 p.m., and 7:30, Parish Hall.

Sunday, Parish Hall, 3 p.m. and 8:15 p.m.

Monday, Parish Hall, 11 a.m., 3 p.m., and 7:30 p.m.

The Whit Sunday Services in All Saints' will be—8 a.m., Holy Communion; 10:30, Holy Communion (and Address); 6:30, Evening Service and Sermon.

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The Secretaries (Miss Howell and Miss Scott), 11, Park Lea Road, make all arrangements as to rooms, etc. At the meetings they will wear red and white rosettes. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Busfield, of 2, Sea View Gardens, Roker, kindly act as Assistants at this time. They and other helpers will wear red rosettes.

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How glad we shall be on the Tuesday when the dear brethren have arrived from the London Conference, and from North and South and East and West, meet at Sunderland.

Many coming back to the place where the Lord met them, and others coming in joyous expectancy of meeting Him in a very special way.

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A Letter from India as to the Congress.

BOMBAY G.P.O., INDIA,
19th APRIL, 1909.

MY DEAR MR. BODDY,

One thing laid upon my heart touching the Conference at Sunderland is the prayer that God will use it to pour out the Holy Ghost in Latter Rain blessing in countries on the Continent of Europe where there are few Pentecostal witnesses as yet, or none at all. I believe we are called to prevail with God for nations in these closing days.

I am longing to know that there are witnesses to Pentecost in Spain, Belgium, France, Portugal, Malta, Sicily, and elsewhere on the Continent, and in the islands of the Mediterranean.

We continue to pray that God will graciously bless the gathering in a deep and *widespread* manner.

Yours in His Name,

MAX WOOD MOORHEAD.

Pentecostal News, etc.

GREAT BRITAIN.

ENGLAND.

LONDON.

A Visit to the Pentecostal Meetings.

BY THE EDITOR.

How green and fresh are the Parks in London. Spring-time has come, and the Lord, the Giver of Life, the Blessed Holy Spirit, is quickening the trees and plants and the flowering shrubs, and God's sunshine was glorifying all this fresh life. The very water-fowl, splashing in the shallows or feeding on the banks, were full of life, and all were singing in their way a joyous BENEDICITE :—

*O all ye Green things upon the Earth,
bless ye the Lord: Praise Him and
magnify Him for ever.*

We drove in the Motor-car from 15, Cornwall Terrace (Regent's Park), through the busy streets of the greatest City on earth. What a perpetual rush of urgent traffic Motor Taxi-cabs swarming in hundreds everywhere; horse-vehicles seem to be in the minority in parts of this great City, the chariots jostle one another in the streets, “many run to and fro, and knowledge is increased” (Dan. xii., 4).

Down by the Thames, we spun along the broad embankment to Sion College, near the end of Blackfriars Bridge. Sion College is a beautiful Church of England building, with almost an episcopal appearance about its windows and pictures and dignified furnishings. Our dear brother, Mr. Cecil Polhill, has, in Sion College, secured a splendidly central building for the Pentecostal Meetings, which are held every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday at 7, and on Fridays at 3 and 7 (with tea for those who remain after the afternoon

meeting). Many old Pentecostal friends were there, and one met new Pentecostal friends also. The Lord is adding continually to the number of the Baptized ones.

On the platform in the afternoon were Mr. Cecil Polhill, Pastor Niblock, Mr. H. Small, Bro. Daniel Awrey (of Doxey, Oklahoma), and the Writer. At night also Mr. A. H. Post, of Los Angeles, who has returned from a short stay in India.

Our Brother Daniel Awrey is very quaint in his Americanisms from the Far West. He loves his Bible, and devotes his life to Bible teaching. He spoke from St. John vii., 37: "If any man thirst, let him come unto me and drink." 1st.—We need to be thirsty. The Holy Spirit, in answer to prayer, will make us very thirsty. 2nd.—We must go to the right *source* (to ME). "You may run after the preacher and just get fooled." But He says, "Come unto ME." There are many mighty blessings while we are *seeking* Pentecost. Many blessed anointings. Wonderful opening-up of the Scriptures, etc., for it is a fact that a man may have a wonderful knowledge of the Word before his Pentecost. 3rd.—Let him DRINK. Now a person who drinks heartily gets drunk. They may come under the power of the Spirit of God, the scenes of Pentecost may be repeated. 4th.—He that *believeth* on Me. The Holy Spirit never makes man unconscious. Those who really become unconscious are controlled by a *strange* power, not the Holy Ghost. Keep under the precious Blood all the time. It is a believing on Jesus—not believing on the Holy Ghost. 5th.—Out of him shall flow. When the Holy Ghost arrives and is in full possession, He just announces that He is there. There has to be the fact first. Then He attests the fact by speaking. "As the Spirit gives utterance."

These are rough notes of our Brother's address. He also said that he first spoke in Tongues 18 years ago. When the Revival came to Los Angeles, he was in Arizona, but at once journeyed to "Azusa Street," and found himself quite in touch with what was going on.

Brother Daniel Awrey is concluding a journey round the World. He has been in Japan, China, and India giving Bible readings.

He reports a strong little company of Chinese brothers and sisters at Hong Kong, with whom he companied for some weeks. He never had more enthusiastic lovers of God's Word to speak to. His interpreter, Bro. Mok, was all on fire with Pentecostal zeal. (He has been a Government Interpreter, and interprets addresses splendidly.)

Miss Rose Pittman (56 Connaught Road, Hong Kong) and her fellow-workers are much used of God.

When in India he stayed over two Sundays at Mukti with Pandita Ramabai, giving addresses to the Widows and Workers there.

All this information was given as we motored across London to King's Cross after the evening meeting ended. At King's Cross I bade the friends "good-bye," as I was leaving next morning for Sunderland.

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Pastor Barratt, from Norway, is now speaking at the London Meetings (Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday at 7, and Friday at 3 and 7, at Sion College, Victoria Embankment, E.C. Then at Praed Street Chapel, Edgware Road, N.W., Saturdays at 8, Sundays, 7 p.m., Mondays, 7 p.m.

A wonderful time is expected at the CONFERENCE, May 25th, 26th, 27th, and 28th, when the German Pastors and the friends from Holland will also be present. Let us pray down a mighty blessing

(Pentecostal News—London, continued.)

upon London and its visitors just now. We do thank the Lord for the blessed way He is working.

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A Message from Pastor Barratt in London.

LONDON,
MAY 8th, 1909.

DEAR BROTHER AND SISTER BODDY,

DEAR BROTHER AND SISTER BODDY,

My wife and I are getting on splendidly here. We arrived last Sunday night, and have been given a place in dear Brother Niblock's Pentecostal Home at 7, Howley Place. It's a miracle of grace that God provided this beautiful centre for His work in this great Metropolis. It is supported entirely by the gifts of people whose heart God touches. The meetings both in Sion College and Praed Street Tabernacle are progressing favourably. We have had some very powerful meetings already. The open-air meetings are also greatly used of God. It was so touching to see a great strong fellow, worse for drink, once a member of the Baptist Society in Praed Street, arise at our last meeting there and call for prayers. We had quite a time that evening, praying with him and rejoicing together. May this be the first fruit of numerous conversions. Sick are also being healed. May God shake this great Metropolis with a spiritual earthquake.

Yours in Christ Jesus,
BARRATT.

week, God willing. My wife greets you all.

SUNDERLAND.

The Editor of "Confidence" will be very thankful if matter for this Paper only be sent to him, and that all correspondence, as far as possible, be through the Secretaries, 11, Park Lea Road, Sunderland. He is compelled to request this owing to stress of work and duties, but he hopes that all will write freely as before. All important letters will be shown to him. (He and Mrs. Boddy expect to be from home in August.)

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"These meetings are better than a dose of medicine to me," said a brother in his testimony the other day. He is trusting the Lord for his health, and occasionally is attacked by the enemy, but gets gloriously

delivered, especially in the meetings.

At a recent testimony meeting for the Men's Bible Class, several whose wives have received spiritual blessings thanked God for the fellowship they had now over the Word, after the Bible Classes. They just go over the subjects together, and much blessing follows.

A testimony meeting was held for the Women's Bible Class, and a number thanked God for the blessings through "Pentecost," and for the strong teaching which they had received. These blessed testimonies show how God has worked here in the last year and a half especially, though He was preparing the soil before. Here are notes of an address given at one of our meetings:—

Gal. iv., 30—"Cast out the bond woman and her son, for the son of a bond woman shall not be heir with the son of the free woman."

There is an Ishmael blessing and an Isaac blessing. The flesh needs to be cast out. The Lord wishes to get us practically like Christ, so that our words shall go home. If we prepare our hearts, then God's message will supply the need. There is a secret of letting God work. We have it in 2 Cor. iv., 10: "Bearing about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus." (The dying condition or deadness.) Then the Life of the Lord Jesus can be manifested. Our personality is to be hidden.

Jesus on the Cross was very helpless. He was at the mercy of men, and at the mercy of God. He remained in a helpless condition. He had not even any hold of God, but God was there. So when we think we are forsaken, we are not in darkness—but in the light. We know that God is there, even if we do not feel it. St. John's Epistles are about "Knowing"—knowing God. So we know our dear ones are near, even if we do not see them—even

if they are not speaking.

God wants the life of Jesus to be manifested in quietness. Whether praying, or praising, or writing, etc. God is working, even if you do not feel it. The Lord is carrying out His Father's will in each one of us. We shall find ourselves being rapidly changed. God wants those who are filled with the Life of His Son. So far as there is Self—so there will be an *Ishmael* blessing. We must claim death to the natural mind, that we may have the mind of Jesus. If you let death reign throughout your being, God will work. When quiet before God, fix your mind on the Lord Jesus Christ. God wants faith. "When I come, shall I find faith upon the Earth?" People will be writing, praying, and praising, but will He find faith? We are sanctified by the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all, and perfected too. The secret of the Lord is with them that fear Him. The Holy Ghost reveals it, and only He; and He does not reveal it to the Devil. Satan does not know all.

There are regions beyond that we must press on to. We shall be astounded. It will not, however, be *us*, but Jesus.

We shall see what we never thought we should see. This is the outcome of the *Isaac* blessing.

Abraham got a son by the birth of *Ishmael*, but it was not the child of faith or of promise. When Abraham and Sarah were entirely past the natural age, then God worked, and *Isaac* was born, and became the source of great future blessing. So, at all times, flesh and spirit produce an *Ishmael* blessing, but "All of God" produces a life that will produce faith-fruit (the *Isaac* blessing).

BOURNEMOUTH.

A Four Days' Pentecostal Convention will be held (God willing) at the Havergal Hall (opposite the Bournemouth General Post Office), on June 8th, 9th, 10th, and 11th. The Meetings will be at 3 and at 7. Mr. Cecil Polhill will preside, and with him will be Pastor Barratt, of Christiania, and Pastor Polman, of Amsterdam, and other speakers.

SCOTLAND.

A RURAL POSTMAN'S BAPTISM.

REV. A. A. BODDY,

Dear Brother in Christ,

It's with praise and thanksgiving I desire to give my humble testimony for the glory of Jesus Christ, whose Blood cleanseth me from all sin. I remember when but a child of four years of age asking my mother who made the sky, and she told me it was God. "But," I said to her, "where did God come from?" and "Who made God?" questions she could not answer me; but, all the same, I said to my mother, "I love God." Time passed on, and I remember when a boy between 16 and 17 years of age being brought under deep conviction of sin and suffering great agony of soul, and instead of going to my minister or some other Christian, which I ought to have done, I endeavoured to keep my feelings to myself, which was a mistake on my part; but in my distress of soul I offered up the Lord's Prayer, and He heard me and delivered me. But I was afraid anyone would get to know about my conversion, and tried to keep it to myself and grieved the Holy Spirit, with the result I backslid and was no use as an instrument of righteousness. But about 12 years ago I confessed all my sins to God, and He heard me, and delivered me for His own Name's sake. But, as the hymn sings, I was sometimes joyous, sometimes sad, till last June, 1908, when I met Brother Neilson, from Glenmavis, N.B., who had been to Coatbridge and had received the Baptism of the Holy Ghost, and he told me his experience shortly, and all the time he was speaking to me Heaven was shining out of his face, and I knew he had got something I didn't possess. So I went down to Coatbridge to see and hear for myself, and from the first never had any doubt but that the work was of God. So one Saturday night in June, 1908, I received the Holy Ghost with signs following, and according to Acts 2, 4, 10, and 46. All glory to His Name, who am so unworthy of His blessing, whose Blood cleanseth me from all sin.

Yours in the Coming Lord Jesus,

HUGH HUTTON,

Rural Postman,

Caldercruix, Scotland.

(Pentecostal News—continued.)

BELGIUM.

GOOD NEWS FROM ANTWERP.

REV. A. A. BODDY,

Dear Sir,—I feel I must write just a few lines of testimony to the glory of God and for the encouragement of other thirsty ones.

I was converted when 12 years of age, and when 22 commenced my full work for God as a Church Army Mission Worker. Seven years ago I came to Antwerp to the Sailors' Rest, and God has privileged us to carry on and extend this work among sailors of many nations. From the early days of my spiritual life I had felt I had not the fulness of joy so many had. I had not the victory in daily life, and my heart was thirsty for more of Jesus. I went to many meetings seeking holiness; was greatly blessed by attending meetings in May, 1908, held by Mrs. Booth Clubborn, but still felt I had not fully received the Holy Spirit as my thirsty soul craved.

In February of this year I received a little paper called "Fragments of Flame" from Mr. Cecil Polhill, where I read of great blessing which was poured out in Amsterdam by "the Baptism of the Holy Ghost." I felt this was what I had so long thirsted for. I wrote to Pastor Polman, and he replied by sending me a cordial welcome to Holland. I cannot here speak of the love and kindness received from both Pastor and Mrs. Polman and brothers and sisters in the Lord. I rejoice to say that at the first meeting I was dealt with by the Spirit of God, and received a great blessing. At a prayer meeting at the house of Pastor Polman, Mrs. Polman prayed and laid hands on me, and I spoke and sung a little in an unknown tongue, but it was not until a return visit last week that I received the full "Pentecost with Signs." In a little room at the house of a dear sister with whom I lodged, alone with God I received the Baptism fully, and spoke fluently in tongues unable to speak a word in English or Dutch. Several times since God has completely taken away my English, and I have praised Him in an unknown tongue. Glory to His Name, *Christ is more precious to me than ever before. The joy He gives through His Spirit is wonderful*, and I am pleading the power of the precious Blood for the salvation of our sailors. Oh, for a mighty outpouring of God's Holy Spirit on this city and our sailors.

Pray for me. I have many difficulties, but many opportunities of telling the Story of Jesus. Oh, for more and more of this Pentecostal power. Oh, that all God's children would seek this blessed preparation for service. I write this hoping that others may seek and find the same glorious blessing—the presence of Jesus manifest in the Baptism of the Holy Ghost with Tongues.

Yours in our Risen Lord,

(MRS.) ADA ESSELLACH,

Missionary,

April 25th, 1909.

Sailors' Rest, Antwerp,

SCANDINAVIA.

PASTOR BARRATT'S JOURNEY TOWARDS LONDON.

COPENHAGEN,

APRIL 4th, 1909.

DEAR BROTHER BODDY,

Since my last letter to you, which was sent from Langesund, Norway, God has been wonderfully blessing our meetings, so instead of decreasing, the Pentecostal waters are *increasing*.

I went to Christiania from Langesund, and had a good time there. It was then my intention to make a sweep of the West Coast before leaving for England, but the Lord had another place, and He always makes His will plain to me as I wait on Him. I had to return to

BREVİK,

where I found God worked most on the last tour. It is a small town of about 3,000 inhabitants, but its position is strategical for mission work and God knew it. We had no sooner started in real earnest than the revival burst out mightily. The whole town became stirred up, and the fire spread to the neighbouring towns, where I also made some short visits. Hundreds were awakened, and how many of these were saved I cannot say, but I do not think I have seen so many souls saved in so short a time in one place since this movement started. The Fire fell on the children of God. One sister received a marvellous and pure gift of prophecy. The hidden secrets of the hearts of many were revealed, and sinners smitten to the dust before God. One young woman received her Pentecost in one of the better class houses whilst attending to her household duties, much to the consternation of her folks there, but to the joy of the friends. She spoke known languages, although unknown to herself. God has been strengthening my faith in the work of *healing* too, and numbers have been healed from various sicknesses. The rooms where I was staying were at times filled with patients and people seeking Pentecost or salvation, and many of the sick received help from God immediately. One young lady, so deaf that I had to shout into her ears to make myself heard (and the best physicians had only made her worse), spoke to me on the telephone a day or two after, and could converse easily with me, and when sitting at table later could converse with me when I spoke in a moderate tone. She was delighted once more to be able to hear song and music as I played the piano and sang some songs for her. A young boy's eyesight was restored.

The Lutherans opened their large "Bedchus" (House of Prayer) in order to accommodate the crowds on Sundays. This was a new experience. But they managed to skip over their stringent rules by calling the meetings "Fællesmøder" (United Meetings). During the week we had our meetings in the Methodist Church and an overflow in the Temperance Hall. I spoke at both meetings, God giving wonderful strength for all this work.

I had to make a short tour in between to *Thelemarken*, one of the most beautiful country districts in Norway, where the revival has spread over many communities. I held some meetings there, and conversed with the leaders concerning what

to my mind was a wrong use by some of the gift *prophecy*, and sent an open, printed letter to all the friends by their leader, which was to be read throughout the district. The *mistake* was that of *judging* to eternal perdition those whom *they supposed* were forsaken by the Spirit of God. I found cases in which I am assured great injustice had been done. We cannot be too careful. We are surely *not* to despise prophesings, but still to "*prove* all things," and only "*hold fast that which is good.*" But God has done a mighty work in Thelemarken, and will lead on His people there and everywhere.

I find that I am in need of a larger

MISSION-TENT.

that could seat from 1,500 to 2,000 people, and would be made use of in the towns where churches and halls are closed against us, and in great strategical points in the country places. Might not ENGLAND help us in this? It has by God's grace derived some blessing from Norway, and here is a chance to pour some blessing from God on this dear old country in return.

I broke up from Brevik just before Easter, in time to take part at the LARGE CONVENTION at Christiania. The large "*Turnhallen*" (you remember it) was crammed full on Good-Friday. At the "Breaking of Bread," or Communion Service, *over 1000 friends took part*. The meetings both on Shrove-Thursday and Good-Friday were remarkably blest of God.

At the first meetings when you were here there was often a strong spirit of curiosity. But now the spirit of conviction and faith stamped the meetings.

Having to leave early the next morning, after inviting sinners to come to Christ (and numbers came forward that night and were prayed with), I had to leave the meeting a little before its close and pack my trunk for my journey.

The next evening, after a day's drive in the train, I reached

OREBRO,

in Sweden, where two Baptist Churches had invited me to conduct meetings. I could only remain till the following Saturday. But from Easter morn till then I conducted 15 meetings. At the larger meetings the crowds varied between 800 and 1,800, or more. God was with us in mighty power. Scenes, never to be forgotten, remain with me from that bright week at Orebro. *Pastor Ougman*, whose church seats 1,500, is fully in sympathy with the movement, and so is *Pastor Sæter*, whose church takes over 1,000. Brother Ougman has a training course for evangelists every year, attended by 180 or 200 evangelists (both men and women), and a mission school for *missionaries*, with a three years' course of study. I am sorry that I had to leave Orebro so soon, but the following Sunday I had to be at

GÖTEBORG,

where *Pastor Truvé* and his church (Baptist) had opened their "*Tabernacle*" for our services. He is the "grand old man" of the Swedish Baptist Church.

I conducted four meetings in this large building, Sunday and Monday. At the afternoon meeting on Monday, besides the numbers seeking Pentecost, some 50 or 60 people were prayed with, according to James v., 14-18. Several received immediate help. Souls were also saved at these meetings, and I received a hearty invitation to return to the "*Tabernacle*" on a future visit.

The Pentecostal friends in this town had allowed

some questions to creep in (especially that of water-baptism) that had brought about discussion and a split.

Before leaving I got all the leaders together, and everything was straightened out amid sobs and tears and mighty shouts of "*Hallelujah!*" It was a most wonderful meeting. So now, although the new assemblies will continue, there is and will be the best understanding between them all. So the Devil has been defeated once more, and instead of two Pentecostal centres has now to face four, besides the friends in the Baptist "*Tabernacle.*"

I commenced meetings here in

DENMARK

on Thursday, in the Pentecostal Hall and in the "*Studentarhus*" (Students' Hall). The same Power has been active here, and on Sunday evening every inch of sitting and standing room was occupied.

One of the best known, and possibly the greatest actress in Denmark, has been converted through the movement here. During my last visit I spoke in her large villa to about 100 of her colleagues, and several of them were greatly affected by the Spirit. One was converted last night, and I expect several here, where I am staying, this afternoon, who are definitely seeking the Lord.

The papers have been full of it, and since my last meeting at her house for actors and actresses on Saturday the large paper "*København*" has written two very sympathetic articles concerning this whole affair and the matter of "*Tongues*," and "*Prophecy*," the result of an interview I had with a reporter.

But I expect no quarter from the "Press," and am so hardened now to the attacks there in general that I just praise God and go on to the "next thing." God is conducting this battle. Hallelujah! On Friday I leave (p.v.) for

LONDON.

How delighted I was to read dear Brother de Labilliere's letter in "Confidence" yesterday. It all seemed so strange. Just after gathering a good congregation and God had sent me a pastor, and the hall was rented, the Devil tried to upset the whole work by smashing the pastor's leg, and many no doubt said, "There, you see!" —but the accident, and the *marvellous healing*, has done more for the cause than "two years of pastoral effort." The Devil tricked and outdone once more!

I feel assured though, that if the readers of "Confidence" would remember the dear brother *financially* (it's been impossible for the friends to help much in that way so far, as they had to do their best to meet expenses with the new hall) it would be a *gift from God* through them just now. Of course, the pastor himself only talks of such matters to God.

It's simply wonderful to see from "Confidence" how the work is spreading in Great Britain. We are on the WINNING SIDE, brother; there is no doubt of that. No matter what they say and do, the road to *perfect victory* takes people to the "UPPER ROOM" first, and the Churches will have to go that way if they are going to win.

Yours in our glorious Redeemer
and King,

BARRATT.

(Pastor Barratt's address:—
Care of Pastor Niblock, 7, Howley Place,
Paddington, W.)

(Pentecostal News—continued.)

AMERICA.

CANADA.

A United Pentecostal Camp Meeting of all the Canadian Pentecostal Missions and Bands has been decided upon, and is being arranged for at Stouffville, Ontario, June 10th to 20th.

Stouffville is about 26 miles north-east of Toronto by Grand Trunk Railway, and Camp Ground is a little distance from Station, but trains will be met by conveyances to convey to Camp Ground those who attend. Tents will be provided for those who desire them at moderate rates.

Further information can be received by writing to the Secretary, G. E. Fisher, 51, Lippincott St., Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

A Testimony from Belmont, Manitoba.

Sunday, the 23rd day of September, 1906, found me a sinner, yet unconvinced of sin, not knowing that God required every man to live without sin. I had lived a back, openly wicked life in England, but after leaving England and arriving in Manitoba, Canada, in the year 1904, I lived an hypocritical life, outwardly and publicly moral and professing Christianity, but inwardly full of wickedness, rebellion, and iniquity against God. In the year 1906 I was walking from a village to the farm where I was working, when a preacher riding along alone in a buggy (a kind of carriage used in Western Canada) asked me if I would like a ride. I consented, and soon I found one man that cared for my soul and feared not man. He asked me if I had ever been born again (a subject no one had ever mentioned to me before, although I was born and lived in Brighton, Sussex, England, for nearly 18 years, and had attended many churches and missions). He confused me with that question, I thinking it meant leaving this world and entering heaven. Anyway I put him off with some answer, and was glad at that time when I had to get off and walk across some fields.

Blessed be God. From that moment conviction seized me, and I tried to live better and read my Bible, etc., but was not satisfied, and gradually I grew more careless, until Sunday, September 23rd, I was lead to attend a chapel about three or four miles distant from my work. The meetings were in charge of two lady evangelists who were preaching holiness. I was then not under very deep conviction and enjoyed the meeting, prayed with the rest, and got up and testified and professed salvation. On the following Monday I began to feel the Spirit of God revealing to me what an awful sinner I was. As day by day went by conviction grew upon me. I got more miserable, and Satan once tempted me to commit suicide, but God was restraining me, although everything was dark.

On Sunday, the 30th day of September, 1906, I again went to the chapel, this time knowing I was a deep-dyed, black-hearted sinner, as the Sunday School went on and conviction grew heavier and heavier. Then the same brother that had spoken about my soul some months before preached from

1 John, 9: "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." After preaching, he invited all that wanted salvation to go forward and kneel and pray. I went forward, but made no progress. At last I got up, but upon another call for seekers went to my knees. By this time tears were rolling down my cheeks, as I felt I was a doomed soul; my feet seemed to be slipping, and I was falling into the pit. Oh, the anguish, the pain, the sorrow I had as my past life came before me. Things I had forgotten, all were laid before me, piles of sin to answer for. I soon forgot where I was or who were praying with me, and I could not pray, but just three words, "Jesus save me," "Jesus save me," that was all I could do. Then God tried me, and asked me among other things, would I write to those I had stolen from, make restitution, and ask for forgiveness? Would I preach the gospel? I promised God I would, and glory, hallelujah! in the twinkling of an eye the burden of sin rolled off, tears were dried, and I filled the place with laughter and loud praises to God and the Lamb. Bless God I was born of the Spirit. I was

ADOPTED INTO THE ROYAL FAMILY

because Jesus, the Son of God, died on Calvary's Cross for my sins, and rose again the third day. Let all the children of men praise God for His goodness to the children of men. Hallelujah! Amen.

About Wednesday, October 3rd, I was convinced of my need of purity, but not having much light I did not know how to seek until late on Friday evening. On the following Sunday, October 7th, 1906, at the same chapel, the Blood was applied and I was whiter than snow. I was counted in that number that are making the Church of Christ without spot or wrinkle. Glory to the Lamb. Praise God. He is no respecter of persons. From being the chief of sinners, He through the Blood of Jesus in one week made me ready for the marriage supper of the Lamb, clothed me with my wedding garment. All glory, praise, honour to Him who alone is worthy. The Spotted Lamb of God. Amen.

Joy and peace flowed like a river from that time on, although fierce the temptations that assailed me and strong the enemy of my soul. I knew in whom I had believed, and was sure He would keep me to the very end. In July I attended a Holiness Camp Meeting, and we had a glorious time, although the people fought those who claimed that speaking in other tongues was the outward evidence of the baptism. I was undecided and could make no headway as a result, there being only a few baptized saints there, and they had no opportunity to preach the truth. After the camp meeting was over I stopped for conference, as I had a desire to join and go out and preach the Gospel.

Monday, the 15th day of July, 1907, we had a meeting in the evening, and the blessing of God fell richly upon me as the meeting progressed. I was filled with holy laughter and went to my knees. I soon forgot what was going on around me, and a voice came to me, "You are now baptized." I quickly replied, "No." Then a voice came to me, "You are looking for tongues." I replied, "No, Lord, Thou knowest." Glory to God. Oh! Hallelujah, I was instantly

BAPTIZED IN THE HOLY SPIRIT, and soon found myself walking round on my knees

talking in other tongues as the Spirit gave me utterance. Oh, glory, what rapture, what love, what visions. One minute I could see the heathen going down the broad way. The Spirit spoke through me in other tongues to them. I could see them in the vision turning and weeping their way to Calvary. Oh! glory, glory, glory! What a wide-sweeping revival the Lord is going to send. Torrents of rain in the time of the Latter Rain. Glory to God. Even so, Lord, fulfil Thy Word quickly. Amen. Bless God, I have had visions and prophecies concerning this revival, especially in heathen lands, and visions of Christ coming to set up His kingdom. Hallelujah! Even so, come quickly, Lord. Let all who read this praise God with all your soul and body. Let all say, "Amen, Hallelujah, Amen!" For worthy is the Lamb. Oh, come, let us adore Him. Amen.

I am, although unworthy,

Yours in Christ,

FRANK HONEYSETT.

P.S.—Should any read this at Brighton, Sussex, I would be pleased to hear from you, as my heart yearns over my native town to see God work in Pentecostal fulness. My address is:—

Frank Honeysett,

Box 68, Belmont,

Manitoba, Canada.

LOS ANGELES.

DEAR BROTHER BODDY,

May the Lord's richest blessings rest upon you and your work, and especially upon "Confidence" which has truly been a great blessing to my soul. I thank you very much for sending it to me. I will enclose an offering with this to help to pay the expense of printing, etc., and I pray that the paper may continue to be a blessing as it goes here and there throughout the world.

I praise the Lord that I ever came into contact with this wonderful Holy Ghost movement, for through it I got to the place where the blood of Jesus reached my soul and took my sin away. Hallelujah. After seeking the Lord for some time, on the 28th of February, 1907, He baptized me in the Holy Ghost and in fire. Words cannot express what this has meant to me, and this experience is more glorious to me to-day than ever. For the fire that burned in the bush in Moses' time and that shone from between the cherubim is in my soul to-day.

When the Holy Ghost came into my soul and took possession, I spoke in other tongues as He gave me utterance, and I have found that it is true that "He that speaketh in a tongue edifieth himself." The dear Lord is pouring out His Spirit in blessing and power in the meetings in this city, and especially at 327½, South Spring St., where truly the glory comes rolling in and sweeps over our souls, and souls get through to God. Bless His Name.

In the bonds of Christian love and fellowship,

Your brother in Christ,

E. L. YODER.

GERMANY.

Pastor and Mrs. Polman are with Bro. Edel at Brieg. Let us remember Germany in earnest prayer.

SOUTH AFRICA.

WORK AMONG THE NATIVES AT JOHANNESBURG.

The prospects are good for a mighty down-pour of God's power in the work among the natives in the near future. Up to this time God has been doing great things among them. A witch doctor was thoroughly saved, sanctified, healed, and baptized with the Holy Ghost, speaking in tongues, and is now at his home in Natal preaching the Gospel. Before he left Johannesburg he was greatly used of God.

We are having marvellous healings among the natives constantly. In our native meeting last Sunday, a man who was absolutely blind in one eye asked me to pray for him. I laid my hands upon him and prayed, and as he went out of the hall he closed his good eye, and with the once blind eye he looked at the sun, and found himself seeing just as well with that one as with the well one. When he got home he took his Bible and found that he could read the smallest print with that eye. His testimony is always received with great joy. My trip to Natal was a most wonderful one. A dear deaf and dumb girl who was 30 years of age, and who had never spoken in her life, was instantly healed by complying with God's Word. Many other healings took place of which I have not time to write.

J. O. LEHMAN.

Useful Pentecostal Papers.

The Overcoming Life. 1d. monthly. From Pastor Cantel, 73, Upper Street, Islington. The last number was excellent.

The Bridegroom's Messenger. Fortnightly. Send post card to Mrs. Sexton, Editress, 78, N. Broad Street, Atlanta, U.S.A.

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The New Acts. Published by Pastor Levi R. Lupton, Alliance, Ohio, U.S.A. (Per annum, with postage, 62½ cents.)

The recent numbers are fascinating because of the Missionary News they contain. Some 38 Pentecostal Missionaries have gone forth from North America, and their letters tell of blessed results in India, West Africa, South Africa, China, and Japan. The Camp Meeting at Alliance is to be from June 17th to 27th, and will be a Missionary Conference. Let us remember our Brother, Levi Lupton, and his workers at that time in prayer.

The Baptism of the Holy Ghost with the Sign of Tongues.

1.—What is the Baptism of the Holy Ghost?

1.—It is God coming upon us and into us. A jar plunged into a river is not only surrounded, but filled with the water.

2.—Is the Baptism of the Holy Ghost necessary or scriptural?

2. The first disciples felt that they needed "Power from on High." Their Master promised that they should receive it *super-naturally* after He had gone back to Heaven. ("Ye shall be baptized in the Holy Ghost not many days hence.")

3.—Is this a Divine influence, or is it the presence of a Divine Person?

3.—The Lord Jesus said that a Divine Person (like Himself) should come, who should do more than influence His disciples. He should live IN them.

4.—How did the first Christians know He had come into them?

4.—When the Holy Ghost first came in, He announced His arrival and His Presence by speaking through these disciples in other tongues as He gave them utterance.

5.—Was it only on the first day of Pentecost that He spoke through them?

5.—He spoke through them not only at Jerusalem, but also at Cæsarea, at Ephesus, and at Corinth (very probably also at Samaria).

6.—Did they always understand when the Holy Ghost spoke through them?

6.—We are not told that they understood. But they were edified. It was Divine Worship.

7.—Is there the same need to-day? Does the Holy Ghost still speak in Tongues?

7.—To-day there is the same need of the Presence and Power of the blessed Holy Spirit, and He is coming in the same way. He also announces His arrival by speaking in other Tongues.

8.—Should people seek for the Tongues to-day, or for the Holy Ghost?

8.—We must seek not the Sign, but the Divine Person Himself; not the "Tongues," but the Holy Comforter. The Sign will follow.

9.—Do people so receiving to-day have other signs in addition to the Tongues?

9.—The presence of the Holy Ghost brings a new love of the Lord Jesus and His will. He comes to glorify Jesus, to shew us things to come, to convince the World of Sin through us.

10.—What is the attitude of those soblesed towards the Atone-ment?

10.—This Pentecostal Baptism with the Sign of Tongues causes its recipients to honour the Blood of the Lord Jesus—that is His finished work at the Cross, and all that it means.

11.—If there is a real Baptism with Tongues to-day, are there not also Counterfeits?

11.—There are not nearly so many counterfeits as some think. This Blessing is so great, that some are tempted to act impetuously in seeking it. Others have allowed their new joy to lead them to do strange things.

12.—Are there no disappointments in results? Are there great Revivals? Are the Gifts being given? (1 Cor. xii.)

12.—Some who have prayed for revival do not recognise it. Yet it is here. God is working wonderfully in many lives and many lands to-day. Many are being healed in different places to-day. Let us praise Him.

13.—Are not the manifestations in some of the meetings excessive? Do they not frighten many away from the Movement?

13.—We should as far as we can endeavour not to stumble any who come amongst us, but on the other hand seekers after the Baptism of the Holy Ghost with Signs should keep their eyes on the Lord, and not on what seem to them to be extravagances.

14.—Have there not been prophecies which seem to have failed?

14.—While there have been true prophecies, there have been some which have been unconsciously of the mind. Some of us feel that it is better not to seek guidance thus. Yet we do not because of this go back from God's Pentecostal Baptism which has transformed so many lives around us.

15.—Should we connect this 'Movement' of the last two years with the approaching return of the Lord Jesus?

15.—Yes; for in every land where this blessing has come there have been prophetic utterances, "Jesus is coming soon," etc. It seems as if the Lord were giving His warnings to His own people.

16.—Are there not some who claim to have received this Baptism of the Holy Ghost who seem to be less used than we would expect?

16.—Some have been called (as the Lord was called) into the Wilderness. They have seasons of dryness, but it is that they may trust the Lord in darkness as well as when their hearts are lifted up with joy.

17.—Why do some earnest Christian leaders stand aloof from this blessing?

17.—Often through an honest fear of the manifestations they have heard of or seen. The articles in religious papers, and the desire not to lose favour with others keep them away. Many are waiting to see whether the blessing lasts. But the Lord has kept some of us trusting Him and praising Him, and He has met us. Hallelujah!

Don'ts for Christians.

1. *Don't* talk too much, a very common sin among even good people. Someone has said that spirituality will leak out through the tongue quicker than any other way. "Be not rash with thy mouth." "He that keepeth his mouth and his tongue keepeth his soul from trouble," says Solomon.

2. *Don't* be discouraged. "The eternal God is thy refuge." We have the promise that *all* things, even strange, hard, unaccountable things, are working together for our good. Many of God's brightest saints, once as weak as you are, have passed through the darkest and the hottest fires, yet their lives were enriched by their experiences and the world blessed by their lives.

3. *Don't* look at other people's failures too much. We shall likely see plenty of them in most people, but that does not help us any. And if we do not watch we will look at the difficulties till we, like Peter, will begin to sink ourselves.

4. *Don't* fail to contribute. If we sow sparingly, we shall reap sparingly. Many a man's nose has been kept on the grindstone because he has been robbing God. A tenth of our income justly belongs to God, and we impoverish ourselves by withholding what is not our own. Many have tried, to their loss. Our feelings are not the guide in the matter.

5. *Don't* seek worldly applause. Try to please God. Even the world will think more of you in the end. Trying to be popular will ruin any Christian.

6. *Don't* think it strange if the world misunderstands and misjudges you. That is a part of the heritage of the people of God. Job's friends thought his trouble and affliction due to his great sin, and told him so. Jeremiah was put in a dungeon because of his faithfulness to God. Other examples could be given. You need make no explanations. Your friends do not need any, and your enemies would not believe you; so just go on and be true to God.

7. *Don't* neglect to read the Word every day. Pray for enlightenment. Mark the passages that most interest you. Memorise them if you can. If we prefer to read newspapers instead of the Bible, there is a wrong somewhere, and if we will read prayerfully, we will find out what the wrong is. Job said he esteemed the Word of the Lord more than his food. Jeremiah says: "Thy words were found and I did eat them," and he says: "Thy word have I hid in my heart, that I may not sin against Thee." So we see that the Word will rejoice our hearts and keep us from sinning against God—two good reasons for reading it.

8. *Don't* neglect prayer. Form a habit; talk to the Lord about everything. No matter how we may be pressed for time, we can do more work and do it much easier if we take time to pray. No matter how gifted one may be, we will never amount to very much without continued prayer. We meet many who are willing to testify, sing, shout, or preach, but few—very few—who are willing to pray much, and everything will be a failure without it. It is the praying people who bring things to pass. Our lives will be joyless, fruitless, and powerless if we undertake to live without it. That accounts for much of the deadness and powerlessness that we see among professed Christians.

—*Living Water.*

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AT WHITSUNTIDE, 1909, BEING THE

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Of those who seek the Baptism of the Holy Ghost with the Sign of Tongues, together with their friends and sympathizers,

ALL SAINTS' PARISH HALL, FULWELL ROAD, MONKWEARMOUTH, SUNDERLAND,

JUNE 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th, 1909.

At the European Conference held in Germany, December, 1908, it was decided that the Congress at Whitsuntide at Sunderland should be the INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE, to which Pentecostal Leaders and Workers from all lands should be invited.

In the Name of our Beloved Lord, and trusting to the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we therefore invite friends in full sympathy with "Pentecost with Signs" to join us at Whitsuntide. We are not able to offer expenses or hospitality, the numbers are too large, but the Lord can in answer to individual prayer provide for each one *before leaving their homes*.

We have had difficulties with those who impose upon the kindness of Pentecostal friends at such a time, and therefore in love we would warn such not to give us the pain of refusing them.

It may hurt some to read such warnings, but perhaps they have not had the experiences we have sadly suffered. Every great work of God is attacked by the enemy through self-willed persons, and He is teaching us and using us to protect and keep pure His Work. Therefore to protect our friends who come long distances to those gatherings we find it wise, and we believe in accord with the mind of the Spirit, to ask all to conform to two conditions:—

1st. To be willing to declare that they are in full sympathy with those who seek Pentecost with the Sign of the Tongues.

2nd. To be willing to obey the ruling of the Chairman.

The Lord so wonderfully blessed us under these two conditions last year that we feel He gave His seal to those terms, and that He Himself put them in our minds.

Hymn Books will be supplied ("Songs of Victory," Allan, 143 Sauchiehall St., Glasgow).

Board and Lodging. All arrangements should be made, and made early, through the Secretaries, 11, Park Lea Road, Sunderland. Comfortable Lodgings, with or without board, can be had at reasonable terms to suit different parties. The Secretaries will be glad if all will arrange through them, so as to secure fairness to all and proportionate uniformity. (British friends are asked to send stamped envelope for reply.) The following is the proposed Programme for the Four Days. The details are liable to be altered, as the Holy Spirit guides:—

Tuesday, June 1st—

9:30—Leaders' Meeting. Germany to open.

(Entrance at back of Parish Hall.)

10:30 to 12—Necessity of True Sanctification. (Doors open at 10:25.)

2:30 p.m.—Social Meeting. (Light Refreshments.) Followed by an Open-air Meeting.

6:30 to 9—Address by Pastor Paul, of Berlin.

Wednesday, June 2nd—

9:30—Leaders' Meeting. America to open

(Entrance at back of Parish Hall.)

10:30 to 12—"Prophetic Messages."

2 p.m.—General Council of the Pentecostal Missionary Union.

2:45 to 4:45—Foreign Missions. Mr. Cecil Polhill.

6:30 to 9—"Tongues" the Sign of "Pentecost."

Thursday, June 3rd—

(7 a.m.—The Holy Communion in All Saints' Church.)

9:30—Leaders' Meeting. Holland to open.

(Entrance at back of Parish Hall.)

10:30 to 12—Questions of Morality and Conduct. (Doors open at 10:25.)

2:30 to 4:45—Divine Life and Healing. Mrs. Boddy.

6:30 to 9—The Coming of the Lord.

Friday, June 4th—

9:30—Leaders' Meeting. Scandinavia to open. (Entrance at back of Parish Hall.)

10:30 to 12—Interpreted Testimonies from Brethren not speaking English.

2:45—Pastor Barratt on his Journey to the East, etc.

6:30—Testimonies from English-Speaking Brethren.

Preliminary Meetings, especially for those seeking their Pentecost, will be held (God-willing) on Friday, 7:30 (May 28th); Saturday, all day (29th); Sunday (30th), and Monday (31st May).

A DAY OF PRAYER.

The Day of Prayer for the International Congress, will be Thursday, May 20th (Ascension Day). We ask friends right round the world to join us in Fasting and Prayer on that day, both for the Congress and for His Pentecostal Work in London and elsewhere.

The London Conference.—A Special Conference, before the International Congress, is to be held in Sion College, Thames Embankment, near Blackfriars Bridge, at 11, 3, and 7 p.m., May 25th to 28th. Pastor Barratt, Pastor Paul, and many others are invited speakers. Mr. Cecil Polhill will preside.

A List of Visitors, with their Conference Addresses, now ready. Send a stamped envelope to the SECRETARIES, 11, Park Lea Road, Sunderland.