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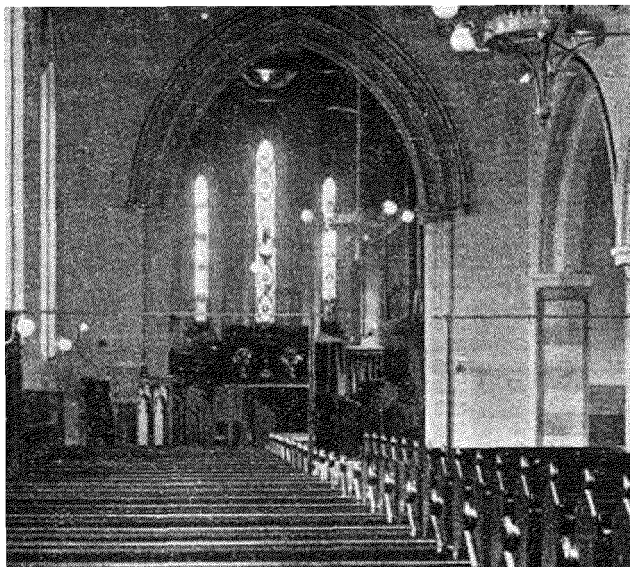
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TO EDITORS AND OTHERS.—Any matter in this Paper may be re-printed on condition that full acknowledgment is made thus:—"From 'Confidence,' Sunderland, England."

With Jesus, that Great Shepherd of the Sheep. Heb. xiii., 20.

(A song given in the night to Miss White, and sung by her at the Bradford Convention.)

Tune 423, Redemption Song.

Jesus, our great Shepherd, with Thee we will go,
Where through fresh green pastures living waters
flow.

All Thy paths drop fatness, all Thy ways are
right;

In Thy will is safety, blessing, and delight.

Chorus—

Thine own sheep they hear Thy voice; follow
and obey,

And Thou goest on before, leading us in Thy
way.

Step by step with Jesus, walking in the light,
For Thy blood most precious makes our garments
white,

And the Holy Spirit taketh His abode
In Thy holy temples, hearts prepared for God.

Onward, forward, upward—clearer still will be
Visions of Thy glory while we walk with Thee;
Wondrous revelations, all with love ablaze,
Causing all within us to show forth worthy praise.

Step by step with Jesus, other souls to win
From the paths of error, darkness, sorrow, sin.
Fetters riven and broken, sin-bound souls set free,
Oil of joy for mourners; life and liberty.

Step by step with Jesus, where the sick are laid
At the Cross of Christ, my full atonement made.
Sickness, griefs, infirmities—all He gladly bore;
Now to health and gladness doth speedily restore.

SWITZERLAND.

Bro. Smith Wigglesworth's Visit.

Graphic Letter from Mr. Anton Reuss.

MARVELLOUS MEETINGS.

My very dear Mr. and Mrs. Boddy,

It is some little time since I last had the pleasure of writing you. I first wrote Bro. Smith Wigglesworth at your address, for I had forgotten his. Thank you for sending on my letter.

Before I begin to let you know how the Lord blessed our brother here in Bern and Thun, let me thank you for having *always* encouraged Bro. Smith Wigglesworth to come to us as he told me, for the enemy tried all ways and means to prevent him coming to us. Some one who ought to have known better told Bro. Smith Wigglesworth that "If you go to Switzerland now you will not get enough to eat!" We did our best to feed him up with our best, so that he exclaimed "You are determined that before I leave I shall have to go out of the door sideways in order to be able to get out at all!" Another well-meaning friend said "If you go to Switzerland now you will suffer from cold!" Well, we have not had a cold day since he has been here, and if we had we could have found ways and means to have heated the rooms and halls, etc. The enemy tried and failed to keep our brother in England.

I met Bro. Smith Wigglesworth at Neuchâtel Station on Saturday, the 31st January, and we had a slow but comfortable journey to Bern, where he stayed with me and my wife at the house

of a sister, who is one of the mainsprings of our work, Sister Wüthrich.

AT BERN.

I had taken the hall in the Casino, Bern, for our first Sunday meetings, as I rather expected a crowd of friends, but the crowd did not turn up until Sunday, February 8th, when afternoon and evening the hall was crowded. The meetings, as you know, began in Bern on the 1st and continued until the 10th February. As fast as our brother became known (and the healings too, for we had many healings) the people began to come in crowds. Every morning from 10 till 12 o'clock we had prayer meetings—entrance only by card, as we wanted to keep the curious and opposers to the speaking in tongues out—and we had many blessed meetings. It was not an uncommon sight to see several people laying full length stretched out on the floor perfectly unconscious to anything and everything around them as our brother continued his preaching, for the Holy Ghost had begun to fall upon them, and they were there, the slain, so to speak, of the Lord. Several definitely received, but there were so many seekers that we had to have special waiting meetings every afternoon, where our friends were packed in like herrings in their anxiety to receive blessing.

Healings continued the whole ten days, and often from 10 o'clock till 11:30 p.m. at night our brother was anointing and dealing with the sick, who had to come up in rotation, having first stated in German the nature of the ailments, which I interpreted to him in English. We had two excellent interpreters, a Bro. Steiner from St. Gallen, and a Sister Kummer from Zürich, whom I think you met in Labilliere's time. Scores, I can faithfully say, were healed, the unsaved

(Switzerland—Bro. Smith Wigglesworth's Visit—
continued.)

saved, and Christians stirred, sanctified, and several baptised. We had ministers and preachers come both from German and French Switzerland. So many calls came to our brother to come and visit the sick in Bern, which, of course, was impossible, that at last, as these dear people implored me to bring him to them to see a son, a father, etc., I said "Pay my taxi, and I will bring him." This was the beginning of events, for after that, for two whole afternoons, Bro. Smith Wigglesworth and I hurried all over Bern in a taxi visiting the sick, whom he could not possibly have visited otherwise.

It may interest you to know that dear Mme. Gaullieur, who received her baptism in Sunderland on the same day as I, August 22nd, 1908, but who had only once since spoken in tongues, again spoke and continues to speak. Her maid also received the Baptism and spoke in tongues. To God be the glory!

The meetings lasted ten days in Bern, and on the last evening, Tuesday, we had a missionary meeting, the proceeds to go to the P.M.U., London, and the Congo Mission, in which Bro. Smith Wigglesworth's daughter is interested. Well, the Lord gave our brother the word, and the friends in Bern had been so blessed and interested that they raised the fine sum of frs. 2,100, which amount was subsequently raised to frs. 2,500, more than £100.

If you ask me what the people thought of Bro. Smith Wigglesworth and his methods, I will only say that my friends who are in a position to judge say that Bern has never seen anything like it. It was completely stirred, and the enquiries were so many, also the requests that Bro. Smith Wigglesworth should again come to Bern, that I feel sure the biggest hall in Bern will not be too big for him, should the Lord graciously send him to us again in the near future.

A YORKSHIREMAN.

But what of Bro. Smith Wigglesworth? Well, we are all agreed that he is one who has been very specially blessed of God. Before he came I told my people that I rather believed Bro. Smith Wigglesworth to be an apostle who had apostolic power, and we can say that what we experienced was in a very marked measure apostolic, in spite of the times in which we are living of indifference and unbelief. Bro. Smith Wigglesworth's language, which had a delightful Yorkshire touch when he is in the natural, is not always good English, but when he is under the power of the Spirit his tongues are glorious! the interpretation of the same majestic! and the English perfect!!! We have never seen anything to equal it in Pentecostal circles in Switzerland.

Many of our brethren in Switzerland and Germany are greatly taken up with visions and prophecies, but Bro. Smith Wigglesworth brought us the Word of God, which the Holy Ghost especially emphasised by these powerful utterances in tongues and interpretation. Bro. Smith Wigglesworth is very humble, and the naive way in which he told us that he could not read before he was 23 years old, and that his wife taught him, moved many, and led us to magnify the Lord, who chose fishermen and other working people to be his representatives when He left the earth. When he is in the natural, which is not often, one

sees the humble origin, the imperfect education, the man of the people; but when in the Spirit one is conscious of the presence of Someone else who is altogether lovely. Bro. Smith Wigglesworth's great strength is his humility and his love for Jesus, and longing that He alone should have all the glory.

We began at Thun on Wednesday, the 11th, and continued for six days, the meetings being larger every night. We had morning meetings of waiting upon God in my chalet, of which I enclose you a postcard. I need not say how it would delight us to see you and dear Mrs. Boddy out here for your holiday. It would do her a lot of good. Well, the meetings increased so through the many healings, that I was forced to take the largest place in the town in the Hotel Fresenhof. It holds, they tell me, 800 people. Well, we had quite 600 on Sunday afternoon, and again on Monday evening, our last night. Scores and scores were healed, I can faithfully say, and, what is astounding to us and our opposers, so many unsaved were healed.

A preacher came to Sister Wüthrich and said, "Can you help me to understand why in Bro. Smith Wigglesworth's meetings so many unsaved were healed? I myself brought a very dear young child of God to his meetings in the hope of her being healed. Many unsaved were healed, but not she. How do you explain it?" She quietly replied, "The unbelief of God's people."

We had about 30 visitors from Lausanne, French Switzerland, and from all over Switzerland people wrote and came to the meetings. If they had only continued longer in Thun I verily believe we should have had a revival, and this is the feeling of many to whom I have spoken in Thun.

Naturally the enemy was not going to take it lying down, so he set his satellites to work, who accused me of making money out of these healings. It is true that in many cases my wife and I were offered money by the grateful sufferers who had been healed, but we always naturally refused. Some would receive no refusal, and these left us 28 francs all told for the poor, which we shall gratefully distribute. But on the Saturday morning when Bro. Smith Wigglesworth left I wanted to accompany him to Liyem, when we were to meet my brother-in-law, R. Ruff, of Zürich, I had to go before the Police Inspector in Thun to give an account of my doings in respect of taking money from the healed. I went with another brother-in-law, J. Nievergelt, an engineer in Schaffhausen, and after I had denied the charges my brother-in-law gave the inspector to understand in his own vernacular that this was a put-up job. The inspector was very nice as soon as he saw there was no truth in the charge.

Bro. Smith Wigglesworth left here to preach in Zürich, where I went to support him, and also in St. Gallen. He returns *via* Basel on the 2nd inst., but he tells me he is invited to Chêxbres (Vaud), French Switzerland, for the 16th March, for a week's convention. He returns from Bradford for this week. If he were to return again I believe the Lord would use him to move Switzerland, for, as I say, we have not seen anything like this in Switzerland since the Latter Rain began to fall in 1906 and 1907.

I feel I have written you a long enough letter to enable you to judge by the details that our Bro. Smith Wigglesworth's visit to us here has been

signally blessed of God. I verily believe that many pastors and preachers, far more highly educated than our brother, have been forced to ask themselves how it is that this dear brother has so much more power and acceptance with the people than they have, for signs and wonders do so naturally follow his ministry.

His coming brought us a little bit of old England and of Sunderland, as I heard Bro. Smith Wigglesworth preach at Sunderland, which has always had a very warm place in my heart, and should the Lord open the way for me to come to England this year, I will certainly take the opportunity of coming to see you and dear Mrs. Boddy, for I never forget it was at Sunderland God began first to really bless me at a time in my life when I needed His blessing. Good-bye, dear Mr. and Mrs. Boddy. By the time you receive this Bro. Smith Wigglesworth will be with you and able to relate more of his experiences to you.

With Christian love,
Yours affectionately in Him,
ANTON B. REUSS.

Chalet Ramholz,
Goidiwil, ob. Thun,
Switzerland,
28th Feb., 1920.

Bro. Wigglesworth (70, Victor Road, Bradford, Yorks.) writes that he received for Foreign Missions whilst in Switzerland £303. The amounts devoted to P.M.U. are recorded in our list at the end of this paper. The balance was given to the Congo work as represented by Bro. Salter.

Bradford Convention,

APRIL 1st to 6th.

From Miss Vipan's Notebook.

Miss Vipan most kindly took notes for "Confidence." She writes that the Convention was well attended. The Missionary offering reached the wonderful sum of £1350!

Thursday Evening.—BRO. SMITH WIGGLESWORTH. Acts. xx., 16: "Paul . . . hasted if it were possible for him to be at Jerusalem the day of Pentecost." Acts ii., 1: "And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place, and suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting."

If it had not been for Acts ii. we should not be here to-night. I am glad it filled the place, and I am also glad it was a new order, as Jesus said it would be. A new dispensation of power, grace, revelation. It gives us a deeper sense of what it meant for Jesus to die, rise, and ascend to His Father.

What is heaven? Jesus is heaven. In Him are all the rivers of life. Out of Him there is nothing. The Holy Ghost takes the veil from our eyes and shows us Jesus. There is nothing so beautiful as a soul melted and broken, so ready to be filled for all the Master's mission. When men's hearts are in perfect tune with God,

HE COMES.

It is divine in its thought, plan, and operations.

You can get nothing except by the Breath of the Almighty. We are on the threshold of a greater place than we have ever known.

The Breath of the Almighty—it filled all the place. It was so full of fire that it sent fire over everyone. The Holy Ghost is a fire, moving, burning, destroying, refining, reducing to ashes, and God always comes out of the ashes. They were at an end of themselves, in perfect stillness, and then God came. God always comes when we are brought to an end. God cannot save us until we are done with. Fire falling, then life; destruction, then life. The Holy Ghost manifested His Presence in the persons. They must have an inward moving, an inward working, then they become flames of fire. They were in a bursting condition. You have your boiler all right, you light the fire, the steam rises; but the boiler would burst unless there was an outflow. Flow on, flow on, flow on! May it flow on.

Friday Afternoon.—BRO. JAS. TETCHNER. Col. ii., 12.

We will begin at the commencement in giving thanks. I believe it is God's purpose in these days to bring us deeper into God, unproveable in His sight. This is the standard in holiness God wills to bring His children to. Where are we this afternoon? The centre of all history is the Cross of Christ. We have a right to the Father through His Eternal Son. There is coming a crucifixion of the flesh that we may walk in newness of life. We give thanks to the Father. Are you justified? We praise God for Good Friday. Giving thanks for what you are—what He has done for you—for what He is. Give thanks to the Father for translating us out of the kingdom of darkness into the kingdom of His dear Son. Are you sanctified? It is the will of God that you should be presented unproveable. Holiness in body, soul, and spirit. Do you believe it, friends? Then give thanks "unto the Father, who hath made us meet to be

PARTAKERS

of the inheritance of the saints in light." A spirit that lifts us up above the world. We can walk in holiness with our hand in God's. Where are the saints of God? Are they all gone to glory? I believe my Father expects to find lovely saints in a Pentecostal assembly to-day. Give thanks for what He has already done for us.

Phil. ii., 13. Separated in heart and life from all unholiness, we must continue to give thanks unto God. "Blessed be the Name of God and the Lamb for ever and ever." "I have set the Lord always before me." What I do I do in Thy presence, my Lord. What is he doing at my right hand? "He shall stand at the right hand of the poor to save him." Ps. cix., 31.

Heb. xii. Follow peace and holiness. Do you want to see Him? Then follow after holiness. A healthy body—thank God He touches the body and makes it sparkle with divine life. Thank God we have got power to conquer sin, sickness, and death. "I am the Resurrection." "He that liveth and believeth," etc. I pray that God may help us to understand that we are made to be inheritors of the kingdom of light. "Hath made us"—He can only make us as we are yielded. May we know what it is to stand in the centre of His will.

"Presenting us"—Oh, thank God for a full salvation. He will open the lips of clay. I do

(Bradford Convention—continued.)

not believe it is the will of my God that I should know defeat. I believe it is His will I should know victory.

Tuesday Afternoon. — MR. WIGGLESWORTH. Luke x., 19-22.

It is more important our unity with Jesus than anything else. When our hearts are in perfect tune then we can have confidence before God. It is more important than casting out evil spirits, but it brings the casting-out of evil spirits. Greater is He that is in you than the power of Satan. Jesus said, "I will give you power," etc. That is the fact we have to deal with this afternoon. Only in the authority of the Name of Jesus. The authority of the name of Jesus is in fellowship and co-operation with Him. "If we know that He heareth us," etc. God would have us in the place continually, where we know He heareth us. "I will give you power to cast out the evil spirits." I was asked to visit a man in an asylum, a slave to intemperance and nicotine. The evil power would not allow an introduction to this man. God gave authority over the power of evil, a broken spirit was given, and he was crying out for salvation. In three days he was out of that place. In the Name of Jesus we deal with the two evil powers—the hardest thing in life was to do without tobacco—the mighty power of God came over him.

PRAYING YORKSHIRE FOLK.

We have people in Bradford that can carry you right through into heaven, and it is due to their prayers that before I got to Switzerland the Revival was on the spring. Oh, the preciousness of my Lord and the adaptability the Holy Spirit gives to a child of God. I saw hundreds healed by the power of God, and I give testimony in the face of Jesus. We go away from these meetings to act in the power of the Holy Ghost. A woman in Paris suffered from epileptic fits for 23 years and could not go out alone. She was healed and can now go out alone. The mother, too, was healed because of the testimony of her daughter.

Rom. v., 5. We know the Baptism in the Holy Ghost gives all we need. A young man, 27 years of age, was dumb. He came to a meeting sneering and laughing, and got so near to see what was going on. I thought he was seeking, and put my hands on him. The power of God went through him. I said to him, "Shout, shout, shout!" and the people called out to him in his language, "Shout!" and for the first time in his life he began to shout. God gave him his speech.

POLICE IN SWITZERLAND.

There were more people night after night seeking healing than there are attending this Convention. We were working until midnight. So many people were healed that two policemen were sent to apprehend me. They said I was doing it without credentials. The police wanted to see a wicked woman who had been healed of a rupture, and was the means of bringing others to be healed. When they heard this they said they wished all preachers did the same.

Scores of awful sinners were healed. A whole family (all wicked) was saved through being healed. Jesus is glorious. Surely He is the most lovely of all. Truly He was manifested to destroy the works of the devil. That Name manifests

life as truly as ever it did. There was a woman with an awful face (nose). I felt an awful sensation, as I do when I see cancer. I rebuked the disease in the Name of Jesus. The next night I forgot about the woman. She came to the meeting and when I saw her I said, "Oh, God! Oh, God!" The same nose shone like glass, and all the skin was new. Our God is a God of love. Who can describe His majesty and glory. Well might the poet say, "Crown Him with many crowns." We must do it. We must do it. There was a man with an incurable disease. The moment hands were laid on him he was perfectly healed, after 34 years of suffering from the work of Satan. When Peter's wife's mother was sick with the fever, Jesus rebuked the fever. The fever could hear. All fevers are evil spirits. Jesus was manifested to destroy them. Where is Jesus? When we are born again we are born of the Word of God—Christ in you. Resist the devil and he will flee. Rebuke him in the Name of Jesus.

HEALED AND SAVED.

The presence of God was so manifested there. A man on the railway was healed of a disease of 22 years standing. There was a wicked man healed. He was so broken in spirit that we had to break up the meeting till he got saved. He was going to tell everybody how he was saved. I tell you, there is something in healing. Like the man at the beautiful gate, when the people saw him leaping and praising God 5,000 were saved. God forbid we should glory in anything less than putting Him before anyone. I was taken to a place to see a girl whose bowels, the doctor said, were completely done. No one could do anything for her. She felt an inward power immediately hands were laid upon her.

At one meeting there were 1,000 people so anxious to hear the Word of God and of healing. God only knows how I have longed to see people saved, and God showed me in spirit He would save. People put up their hands all over the place, as they wanted to be saved. Oh, to see how they flocked out. God is the same God. When the love of God came they were neither Swiss nor English. When I told them about the needs of China they asked if they couldn't give money. At the first collection they gave £100. This is what the German-Swiss did for England to send our missionaries. The work is enlarging. I brought £300 to England for foreign missions - £200 given to the P.M.U., and £100 to the Congo.

A woman came to be healed of a cancer. How it did smelt—but God healed. The husband got saved and the whole family. I believe there is a crown, but it will have to be fought for. There was a young woman vomiting blood. God awakened me in the middle of the night, and in the Name of Jesus commanded the demon power to come out, and she was immediately healed. It is the Name of Jesus. It is the precious Name of Jesus.

AT ZURICH.

At Zurich it was just the same. God worked special miracles and wonders. The Holy Ghost is different to everyone else. "The anointing ye have received abideth." There was a man with a disease you could not look at. I praise God for what Jesus does. In ten minutes he was made whole. The man sat up in bed and said, "I know I am healed." The doctor was announced. He was amazed, and said to the man's wife, "Your

husband is whole. Whatever has happened? I shall come no more." He had been attending his patient three times a day.

A little boy four years of age was very ill. The doctor who had been attending him for several days said there was something amiss with his brain. The Lord showed me the mischief was in the stomach, so I laid hands on the child's stomach. A few hours later a worm, fifteen inches long, came out of his mouth, and the boy was whole. Does God know? Heb. iv., 12, 13. The discernment of God goes to every part of you—neither is there any creature not manifest in His sight.

In Ireland a woman had her thigh broken in two places. She lay in bed and could just reach the mantel-piece. When I laid hands on her she said, "It's going right down." "What is going right down?" "The power of God." And in His strength she arose.

Tuesday Evening.—BRO. TETCHNER. 1 Cor. ii., 9.

I believe we are not very deeply acquainted with the deep things of God until we are taught by the Holy Spirit. He has come to teach us the deep things of God. He has come to reveal to us our inheritance, to get His people ready to spend time in His school, and having got them there, to keep them there—they are so prone to run out to play. If we are ready to obey immediately, we can know victory in our lives every day and every hour. "Whom God hath given to them that obey Him." It is necessary we should not only be willing to be taught, but to sit at the feet of the World's Redeemer. As we walk that we should walk and talk with Jesus. We have received the Spirit of God. We have not received the spirit of the world.

WHAT IS THE SPIRIT OF THE WORLD?

There is a spirit of a system of evil permeating society—among leaders of religion—leaven of evil working its way through and through. Satan supreme minister in this country as well as in Jerusalem and in other parts of the world.

Rom. viii., 32. All things, all things, all things are yours. Ye are Christ's, and Christ is God's. What is your calling? I will tell you what your calling is. You are called to reign as kings. You are called to minister as priests (Luke i., 47). Reign as kings in life (Rom. v., 17). Ps. xlv. 15: He has come to reign inside—a glorified Christ. As kings and priests among His people, they offer their sacrifice continually—the fruit of the lips—praise. The King is crowned. Are you crowned? What is the crown? He "crowneth thee with loving kindness and tender mercies" (Ps. ciii., 4).

Rom. viii., 2. Has it operated in you? Are you free? In Christ? The Spirit is life in Christ. I am as free as the bird that flies in the air.

Rom. viii., 11. Quickened body. I believe I have a right to believe when I am weary that He will quicken me; when I am tired He will refresh me; and when sick He will heal me. Verse 14: "They that are led"—standard of sonship. Stand still and see the salvation of God. Led into the deep things of God. It is necessary to obey the Spirit to be led. Obey the Spirit and you will be

led. Verse 17: "If children, then heirs;" if so be we suffer we shall reign with Him. The suffering and the glory are linked up together. Heirs of God. Heirs to eternal promise, climbing the mount of intercession and getting translated into the glory.

Tuesday Evening.—BRO. REES GRIFFITHS. 1 Kings xvii.

The second word came to Elijah, "Hide thyself by Cherith" (separation). We have often to be separated one from another that God may speak to us, and that we may be unto Him what He means us to be. Separated from all He knew to new circumstances. It is first of all you and Jesus—you and God. The written Word of God is to be entirely trusted. You will never get off the rails. You will go on straight with God. Separate for God; drink of the brook. God is a wonderful provider. He will meet your needs—not your wants, but your needs. God strip us. You may be separated from your friends, from the best people you know—God has provided a brook where you may live.

SATISFIED WITH CHRIST

and a crust of bread, the joy of the Lord will overflow. He did according to the word of the Lord. Implicit obedience! It is better to be in the will of God doing anything than to be out of it the other way. The brook dried up. Has your brook dried up? You drank, and drank; oh, the experiences you had. You worked yourself to death, pretty near, but God dried the brook—experiences, joy, gladness, comforts. Because there had been no rain in the land—nothing doing. An onward, unstopped journey; a place of smelting, of refining. If you listen to your friends you will never go on with God. He wants to put us in the fire that the shackles may be burnt off. Have you been put in tight corners? All for your good. God dry your brooks and move you on with Him. God wants to do a new thing. God moves our nest that He may bring us on. God cut everything that would keep us back. In the smelting fire the form of the fourth will be there. The joy of the Lord lifts us up. Go on for a full life in God. There is plenty of place on, but no place back, for the bridges are burnt behind you.

The Pill that Cures.

There was a coloured minister who always preached from the Gospel. No matter what subject was given him, he always brought it back to the Gospel. One time his congregation asked him to talk about pills. There was so much sickness in the community that nearly everyone was taking pills of some kind, and they wanted him to explain about the different kinds of pills. So he announced his subject, "De Pill What Cuahs." He said, "Dere am de kinine pill what yo' takes for de feber and de ager. Dere am de calomile pill, what yo' takes for de yaller janders,"—and so on, describing the different pills and their uses—"but, brederen and sisteren, de pill what I's gwine to talk about am de pill what cuahs all yo' ills. It am de Gos-pill."—(Unity.)

"CONFIDENCE."

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London Whitsuntide Convention

Will (D.V.) be held at Kingsway Hall, Kingsway, Monday, May 24th, to Friday, 28th, at 11, 3, and 6.30.

Proposed subject for consideration :—
"Christ's Ascension to Glory in the Light of the Pentecostal Baptism." 1—The Baptism only possible after the Ascension. 2—The Outpouring of the Holy Ghost, and its Attendant Gifts, Witness (Proof) to the Glorious Ascension. 3—The High Priestly Intercession. 4—Himself Exalted to be a Prince, 5—And a Saviour. 6—Head of the Church.

Amongst the speakers expected are the following :—Rev. A. A. Boddy, Mr. W. Glassby, Rev. J. James, Pastors Stephen and George Jeffreys, Mr. John Leech K.C., Mr. E. W. Moser, Mr. T. H. Mundell, Pastor A. E. Saxby, Mr. Smith Wigglesworth, Rev. E. Wern Williams, Mrs. Crisp, Mrs. Walshaw, and others.

Convener : Mr. Cecil Polhill.

THE FUTURE OF "CONFIDENCE."

*A Personal Word from Rev. A. A. Boddy,
Editor and Publisher of "Confidence."*

This is my 121st issue of "Confidence." I have borne the financial responsibility and have edited "Confidence" since April, 1908 (twelve years). I have, however, to prepare my readers and friends for the

possibility of its cessation. Printing and paper are extremely expensive, and our balance often stands on the adverse side.

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Columns might be filled with the touchingly grateful appreciations of readers who write with full hearts telling of the blessings they have received through "Confidence." It has been a privilege and a great joy to have had such a share in sending out the good news that the Comforter has come and still bestows His Gifts.

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A great debt is owing to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Busfield, of Old Dunningwell, Millom, Cumberland, who for years have earnestly laboured as Honorary Secretaries, addressing wrappers and envelopes for the printer, and keeping up to date the Roll of Readers. "Confidence" could not have been issued so long without their labours. They commenced when living at Roker, and have continued ever since.

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In addition to this, a great mass of necessary correspondence and account-keeping has fallen upon All Saints' Vicarage. The Editor realises, however, that increasing work in his Church and Parish under the altered conditions created by a recent Act of Parliament, together with the extra work which increasing congregations demand, make it altogether more difficult for him to go on with "Confidence" and the correspondence it involves. Mrs. Boddy also finds it difficult to do what she would like to do in this matter.

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"Confidence" is issued on Faith lines—the faith of the readers and of the Editor. If funds cease to come in, then the paper ceases, and no money is returned. The term "Subscription-Gift" has been used to cover this. If anything is left over in such an event, it will eventually be given to the P.M.U. for Foreign Mission work.

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Having written the above, the Editor must ask his readers to bear with him. He is not able to say whether the next issue will be the last, or whether it will go on as before. He must be guided by the leading given through various conditions.

The Risen Christ.*

(He loves even unbelieving disciples.)

Matt. xxviii., 1-6. We read of the great earthquake. The angel of the Lord descended to roll away the stone. The angels are so great, so mighty. How wonderful is the Lord of angels! The keepers became as dead men. “Fear not ye.” He wants no terror to be in their hearts. “Fear not ye, for I know that ye seek Jesus.” Fear hath torment. “Fear not ye, for I know that ye seek Jesus, which was crucified. He is not here, for He is risen, as He said. Come, see.”

Shall we go into the sepulchre this morning with Mary, and see where He lay? How beautiful in death was Jesus! He lay there for you; He lay there for me. Come and see where He lay. “He is not here.” Oh, that sacred slab where Jesus lay! He didn’t stay there. He didn’t stay in the grave. The angel said, “He is risen,” “He is risen”; “and go tell His disciples that He is risen; and behold,” etc.

John xx., 19. He is the same Jesus. We can tell He is the same by the things that He did. He looked after them, guided and cared for them, endured them with power to go forth. Their unbelief could not hold back the love of His heart. When He was come forth out of the grave, He came and stood in the midst. He did not twit them with the fact that they had left Him and fled. His first word was, “Peace be unto you;” and God’s peace came in with Him. He is our PEACE.

And what is His message to us this morning? Jesus said, “Wherever two or three,” etc., and, blessed be God, we know Jesus is here this morning, for He is walking in the midst of the golden candlesticks. He has borne the burden into the land of forgetfulness. He had the right to rise from the dead, because His blood had been shed. Might and dominion—every knee shall bow. We confess Him as Lord this morning. “Peace I leave with you.”

Verse 20. The very same Jesus. Verse 22. Oh, beloved, has He not been breathing upon us afresh this morning? I praise Him for natural air, but I praise Him ten

thousand times more for the breathing of the Spirit into our innermost being. He had greater blessing yet for them, and He said, “Tarry,” etc.

Acts ii. I am glad they were all filled. They say there was a band of twelve. (Thank God there was a 0 added on to it, which made 120.) The women were there. Why was He made like unto His brethren? That His brethren might be made like unto Him; and the Holy Ghost has come to make us like Jesus. God sits upon the throne of our hearts and rolls away the stones, and brings us out of the mists into the sunshine.

Is it not lovely that we have a risen Jesus within us? Do you realise that the Christ of God is in you?—“Ye in Me, and I in you.” Christ in you! We could not live on doctrines if it were not Jesus. What about Thomas? Where’s Thomas? After eight days Thomas was there. Then came Jesus, and he fell down and worshipped Him, and said, “My Lord.” Even Thomas cannot be left out. Jesus has enough love for Thomas, hasn’t He? And if you are another doubting Thomas, Jesus has love for you too. Oh, what a Jesus we have got!

Bro. Stephen Jeffreys’ Meetings in Wales.

London newspapers have (since our last issue) given glowing accounts of meetings in the mining village of Aberaman. The “DAILY MAIL” said: “Men are responding more than women to the emotional call of the new revival.” The “Star” writes more fully and sympathetically. It says:

Fervid scenes began some time ago, when a missionary, Pastor Stephen Jeffreys, arrived in the town from Llanelli to conduct services at the Primitive Methodist chapel at Aberaman.

A GREATER THAN EVAN ROBERTS.

The crowds that grew upon his advent taxed the resources of the building each evening, and his passionate discourses brought converts in hundreds.

In fact, it is asserted that the present revival is greater than that which was associated with Evan Roberts.

The outstanding feature of the present mission is the reverent silence of the congregations, instead of the loud ejaculations which characterised previous revivals.

Many professing Christians, Pastor Jeffreys avers, have presented themselves and

* Bradford Convention. Easter Sunday Morning—
Bro. Jeffs.

(Bro. Stephen Jeffreys' Meetings in Wales—
continued.)

announced that they have been born anew.

Testimony has been given by many present at the services that they have experienced the influence of divine power in healing, and cases of miracles are also asserted to have taken place in the district since Pastor Jeffreys made his appearance.

A GIRL'S VISIONS.

The supernatural takes a prominent part in the revival, and visions are related by devotees. A young girl states that she has seen visions of persons who were dead, and has fervently told of a glimpse of the glorified state and also of perdition.

The revivalist declares that the key-note of his preaching is the near second advent of Christ, and that his preaching of the Gospel with the power of the Holy Spirit has brought the young to the mission in large numbers.

Certain it is that the intense fervour exhibited at the services shows no sign of subsiding.

The meetings are to continue for the present, and the number of converts is already estimated at about 300.

In his preaching Mr. Jeffreys utters fierce denunciations of the evils of the times, and in his last address he attacked the practice of holding concerts in churches, saying they were nothing but rubbish.

A Letter from Sweden.

(OREBRO.)

Rev. Alexander A. Boddy,
Sunderland, England.

Dear Brother in Christ,

Some years ago I sent you an article about a crippled or lame man whom the Lord wondrously healed. You were kind and published it in "Confidence." The man is still well and preaching the Gospel both in Norway and Sweden. His name is Mansen.

I send you an article about the Pentecostal Movement in Scandinavia, more especially Sweden as I reside there and am better informed about the work there than in Norway, my native land. In Denmark the work has taken a new start since last summer. The former renowned actress, Mrs. Anna Larsen, who through the instrumentality of Pastor Barratt was converted in 1908, and her husband, Signor Bjorner, a former secretary in the Y.M.C.A. work in Denmark, were both baptised by the writer on June 1st last year. Since then and before, God has richly blessed their work in Denmark. They have held tent meetings at the bathing places, and last summer God gave them gracious revivals. They have now organised a church of baptised believers. From December 9th to 11th they had a large Convention there, at which Pastor

Barratt and Pastor Pethons (of Stockholm) were among the speakers. We hope for victory even in Denmark.

The Convention Church here at Orebro has a capacity of nearly two thousand.

Peace be with you all in Christ.

Your brother in Him,

ANTON TARANGER.

Ekersgatan 24,
Orebro, Sweden.

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The Pentecostal Movement in Scandinavia.

We are very thankful to God for the blessed work that has been going on in Norway, Sweden, and of late even in Denmark, during the last troublesome years of the world-war. Though not actually engaged in the war, we have felt the effect of it in many ways in these countries. The war seems to have hardened the hearts of many, and the spirit of worldly-mindedness and greed is very prevalent. But amidst all God is working.

The wave of Pentecostal power, which was so graciously poured even over Scandinavia, 1906-7, has been increasing ever since. To-day it burns more intensely than ever, blessed be God. It came with fire, with power to save, to heal and sanctify. It was a fresh breath from the risen Saviour, an unction of the spirit of life in Christ Jesus, a refreshing stream that changed the wilderness of sin and worldliness to a blossoming garden of our holy God. It was also a doom over a cold, dead, yet what is worse, a lukewarm church. It was a mighty blow to the hosts of materialists who deny the resurrection of Christ and the power of His resurrection in the life of believers.

I shall now relate some special features of the work as I personally have observed it, and even for a number of years have participated in it in the above-named countries.

PENTECOSTAL CONVENTIONS.

The first of this kind of Convention was held in a faith home called Bethania, near Orebro, in July, 1914. Now such meetings are being held by the scores and thousands of saints who gather from far and near. Thousands have been saved, baptised in water and in the Holy Spirit, sick persons have been healed, signs and wonders have we seen before our eyes, and so the name of the Lord has been glorified. The preaching has been powerful, the singing inspiring, the praying unanimous and uplifting, and a spirit of brotherly love manifested, unequalled in all former times of the Free Churches in Scandinavia. It has been wonderful to behold, and blessed to be in it, glory to God! These Conventions have brought the movement before the public, it has fastened a spirit of brotherly love and unity of the Spirit, and the result is that everybody reckons with the Pentecostal movement as a real spiritual force. The next Convention will be held in Orebro from February 5th to 8th, 1920. It will surely be the largest held yet, and it should be a pleasure for us all if some of the saints in Great Britain would come over and participate.

ORGANISATION OF CHURCHES.

This is another feature of the movement, and it is astonishing to behold how many churches have been organised during the last three years. It is impossible to give any definite number, as these new churches are not organised into a denomination, nor ever will be; but there are at least 150, with, in all, thousands of members. No Free Church movement has had such a success in so short a time. There is no parallel, at least not in Sweden, and here God is blessing it wonderfully. It is also most biblical in doctrine and practice. Of course, there have been gracious revivals in many places, and the Writer has had the pleasure of burying hundreds in baptism, many of whom Christ has baptised in the Spirit.

BIBLE SCHOOLS AND MISSIONARY COURSES

are being held in many places. In Orebro a Bible school has been held in November for the last 25 years. Pastor John Ongmann has been the efficient leader, and this year it was attended by 250 students, with 150 more applicants. In Stockholm, in the Philadelphia Church, a Bible School has been held for three years, and this year there were about 350 students, and about 125 could not be accommodated. 200 of these went out as evangelists all over Sweden. Pastor Barratt, Kristiania, has also had a Bible School, and he expects to continue if the Lord will. In Denmark the leaders in the Pentecostal movement are also planning for such courses to help young men and women to a better knowledge of the Scriptures.

Here in Sweden missionary J. E. Hjejn, a returned missionary from Zulu, has held many courses for missionary candidates, giving lessons on biblical doctrine and practical missionary work. A large number of young men and women are awaiting the time when God opens up the way for them to speed away to the heathen nations of Asia, Africa, and South America with the glorious Gospel of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Some are on their way, having left all to follow the Lamb. Oh, that the flying machines and steamers may soon carry them abroad, that they may help in hastening the Coming of the Lord.

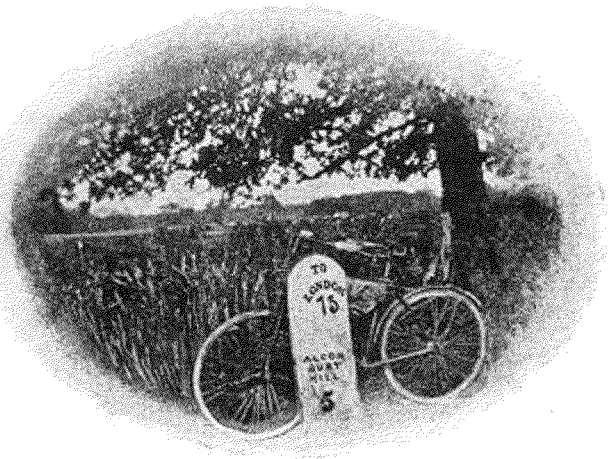
A CHRISTIAN WORKERS' ASSEMBLY,

or Bible week (as we have called it) has been held for four years in different places. Last summer about 200 pastors and evangelists and other Christian workers were gathered together for Bible study and prayer for a week. It was a time of wonderful refreshing, and the power of God was revealed in many ways.

These gatherings have done more than anything else to consolidate the work and fasten

the spirit of brotherly love, which at all our gatherings has been so graciously manifested. It has also been a training school for us all, which far excels any we have participated in before. No strifes or carnal discussions, only the studying of the Word interspersed with seasons of prayer and messages in the Spirit by prophecy and speaking in tongues with interpretation. As the Lord tarries, these assemblies will continue every summer. We hope to have visitors from England with us next summer.

There could be many other things of interest to write about, such as healing of the sick, signs and wonders that God through His mighty Spirit has wrought among us, but time and space forbid me to mention any more. But God has done great things and we rejoice, blessed be His Name for ever! His Spirit has



ON THE WAY TO LONDON.

The Editor's Cycle by the roadside.

been abundantly poured out over the northern lands, as it is written, and God has given us the victory through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory for ever and ever.

Greetings to all saints in Christ Jesus with 1 Cor. xv., 58.

Your brother in Jesus,

ANTON TARANGER.

Orebro, Sweden.

"REAL ANGELS AT MONS."

This is being re-printed in a slightly different form, with evidence both German and British. Owing to the increased cost of printing and paper, the price will be 4d. a copy. There are five pictures and a diagram. — Hon. Secs., All Saints' Vicarage, Sunderland.

PENTECOSTAL ITEMS.

Signor Del Rosso Alfredo, 35 Piazza in Lucina, Rome (Italy), Baptist Minister, writes:—"I want to have the 'Confidence' because I desire to know the present state of the English Movement. Too often we look to doctrines and to men; it is Jesus alone Who is our Saviour."

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"Jesus! Jesus!! He alone can outpour His Spirit upon us. We have no other name. His Name, His Power, His Life. His Joy, His Promises, His Authority. He is our God and Saviour and King, Who is ever ready to save each one who goes to Him."

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CROYDON. At the Holiness Hall (95 Sydenham

Road), Pastor and Mrs. Inchcombe held a very successful Convention week at Easter. Among the speakers were Mr. Mundell, Mr. Hollis (Men's Training Home), Pastor Saxby and Mrs. Crisp. A number were blessed, healed, or "baptised" in the Spirit. (A Convention is to be held on August Bank Holiday and the Sunday preceding.)

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Miss Burlinson (formerly of Sunderland) forwards the 19th Annual Report of the "Door of Hope" (at Shanghai). Its title this year is "The Glory of the Impossible." The illustrations and matter will appeal to many hearts.

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An Election in Sunderland caused printers to be burdened with extra work, and this helped to delay considerably this issue of "Confidence."

THE PENTECOSTAL MISSIONARY UNION.

"Other sheep I have which are not of this fold; them also I MUST bring." (John x., 16.)

The Pentecostal Missionary Union (or "P.M.U.") for Great Britain and Ireland dates its commencement from a meeting held in All Saints' Vicarage, Sunderland, on January 9th, 1909, when a Council was formed. Mr. Cecil Polhill, of Howbury Hall, Bedford, was chosen as President, Mr. T. H. Mundell, 30, Avondale Road, Croydon, is Hon. Sec., Mr. Ernest Wm. Moser, Hebron, St. David's Road, Southsea, is Hon. Treasurer and Missionary Box Secretary, the Rev. A. A. Boddy is Editorial Secretary, and other acting members of the Council are Mr. W. Glassby, "Ladyfield," Renhold, Bedford; Mr. John Leech, K.C., 11, Herbert St., Dublin; Mr. H. Small, 47, Belvedere Rd., Upper Norwood, London, S.E.; Mr. Smith Wigglesworth, 70, Victor Rd., Bradford; Mr. Ed. J. G. Titterington, M.A.; Mr. J. Hollis, 7, South Hill Park Gardens, Hampstead, N.W.; and Mrs. Crisp, 7, Eaton Road, London, N.W.

Hon. Auditor: Herbert A. Cox, F.C.A. (Woodman, Cox & Co.), Chartered Accountant, London.

MISSIONARIES. INDIA.—United Provinces: Mr. J. H. Boyce, CHINA.—Province of Yunnan: Rev. Allan and Mrs. Swift, Mrs. A. Williams, Mrs. Trevitt, Mr. and Mrs. Boyd, Miss Cook, Miss E. Biggs, Miss J. Biggs, Miss Waldon, Mr. and Mrs. Leigh, Mr. and Mrs. Klaver, Mr. and Mrs. Lewer, Miss Scharten, Miss E. Knell, Miss M. Hodgetts, *Miss Agar (Associate)*. CENTRAL EAST AFRICA.—Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Richardson.

THE TRAINING HOME.—The Women's Missionary Training Home is at 7, Eaton Road, Haverstock Hill, Hampstead, London, N.W. Mrs. Crisp, Principal and Superintendent.

THE MEN'S TRAINING HOME, 12, South Hill Park Gardens, Hampstead, London, N.W. Mr. J. Hollis, Principal; Mrs. Hollis, Superintendent. Application for admission as students, etc., to be made to the Hon. Sec., Mr. T. H. Mundell, 30, Avondale Road, Croydon.

Continued prayer is asked for the Home Base, viz.:—(1) P.M.U. Council Meetings, (2) P.M.U. Missionary Meetings, (3) Box Holders and Donors, (4) the Reports from the Field, (5) Students—the Sisters, (6) Those helping in their Training. Then let us also constantly uphold our Missionaries on the Field, at work, or learning their new language. Wednesday in each week has been suggested as a special day of prayer for P.M.U. Let us also pray that enough money may always be given to supply our Missionaries' necessities. This is important, as this is a faith work. The Council only pass on that which is entrusted to it. Let us ALL pray the prayer of faith.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wm. Richardson arrived safely in East Africa early in February after varied experiences. To join the Portugese vessel (S.S. "Lima"), they had first to journey overland through France, Spain and Portugal to Lisbon. Great difficulties at that place were overcome by prayer and faith. Then they had a stormy Mediterranean voyage, arriving eventually at Port Said.

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An English married lady passenger died with tragic suddenness on their arrival. "This was a shock to us all, and one could only speak of the span of life here, and urge those who were unsaved to consider the way in which they were travelling."

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The permanent address of these our Missionaries to Africa must remain for a season unsettled, but will probably be

known later. Much prayer is needed for guidance and the over-ruling hand of God in this matter.

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Our Sister, Mrs. Wittick-Keller, has settled down to work in British East Africa in the neighbourhood of that great inland sea, the Victoria Nyanza. She was married soon after arrival (Jan. 29th) to Mr. Keller, to whom she has been engaged for some time.

They have taken over a large Mission Station, vacated in their favour by a returning Missionary.

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A Day of Prayer was held at the Men's Training Home for members of the Council and other friends on Tuesday, April 20th. "It was a blessed time, and will be productive of much good." Another Day of Prayer is shortly to be held.

CHINA.

IN THE VILLAGES.

Miss E. M. Cook writes:—

"Let us lodge in the villages." Such were the words spoken into my heart a month ago, as I started out with Mrs. T'ang and Mr. Luh on a short evangelistic journey. Perhaps a few details might be of help to the friends who are prayerfully interested in Yunnan.

We travelled on horseback, and, taking the shorter southern route, made the first stop at Ku-shu, a small village recently pillaged and partly burnt down by brigands. Never did we more enjoy preaching the glad tidings, for the women seemed hungry and eager to learn. The second day at noon, resting at a large market called Heo-kai, no welcome, for many were

AFRAID OF THE ENGLISHWOMAN,

and only after waiting patiently was an invitation given by a very poor woman to sit in her home. There, too, the Gospel was listened to with manifest interest and some faith.

Arrived the same evening at the small but prosperous town of Chu-tien, we found good opportunities, so stayed for one week, visiting and teaching in the homes. Some few women shewed faith and learned to pray. We heard of a man dissatisfied with his old beliefs, who had broken his Vegetarian Vow, but was not at peace. In an adjacent village we sought him out, told him of the Saviour, and left booklets and tracts for perusal. He was much interested, although cautious. Please pray for him; his name is Mr. Ang.

Thence the journey was continued in easy stages. It was impossible to procure horses to go straight to Ch'iu-peh. We had to change at nearly every village, and so travelled from ten to sixteen miles per day only, changing horses from five to eight times per day! But it gave us

unusual opportunities for telling the Gospel in those scattered villages. Waiting for the fresh horses, the missionary's presence was sufficient novelty to attract people, and Christ was preached. In the evenings, staying in homes, Mrs. T'ang and I invited the women to come and sit with us, and, much prayer having prepared the way, some hungry hearts were met.

Principally the villages were of

ABORIGINAL TRIBES,

but one or two of Chinese; rather curiously placed, one thought, for here was one small Miao village, then three or four of Ih-pien, next a Chinese market, then another Miao hamlet, and so on; each tribe, of course, with its distinctive dress and speech.

Arrived finally at Ch'iu-peh town, we had conversations with Shatren as well as Chinese, and were again well received. The County Magistrate informed me that more than a dozen distinct tribes are to be found there, and one's heart again stirred in longings for a settled world to be carried on amongst some of them. In Kuang-hsi-cheo itself tribal work would be more difficult, as the Roman Catholics have power over the Lah-ni and some of the Beh-ih, but in Ch'iu-peh County is "virgin soil."

In returning home we were again enforced to stay in a village where, too, interest in the way of salvation and healing was evident. One should have mentioned earlier that the Lord has healed some people in these villages. Poor simple folk, how deluded by Satan have they been! For instance, in approaching one village we noticed a rope hung across the road with shaped pieces of wood fixed in: these were to represent swords, on seeing which the demons would fear to re-enter the village. Under a dragon tree were signs of a chicken that had been offered in worship. We saw also a toy sedan-chair, a square of plaited bamboo (meant for a table), and pieces of bowl with food in; they had given the wicked spirits a meal and escorted them away! Oh, it was pathetic, for when we reached the village we found that very many had been ill with

MALIGNANT MALARIA,

one lady suffering for four months and still being very weak and ill. The Lord's Name was magnified in her instant healing, Hallelujah! In these last days it seems that the Lord would have us prove Him constantly as "Jehovah Rophi."

Perhaps someone who reads these lines feels a burning desire to come over and help in this itinerating work. It is only fair, however, to say that it is not *all* perfectly easy. To see God's handiwork in Nature, standing on a ridge whence one could view eight distinct ranges of hills (or, properly speaking, mountains), or passing through lovely lanes where ferns and flowers grace the banks and every detail is most beautiful; or away in a fertile valley where fields of rice or sugarcane are terraced up from the banks of the rushing river—it is an inspiration! But then we arrive at a village where the head-man is unfriendly, and it means persistent arguing between my helpers and his men before we can stay in a home there. Or, we are well received by a poor woman, but her house is so dirty, and food coarse and unpalatable. Or, as in nearly every house where we lodge, fires of green wood are burning and our eyes find the smoke cruelly paining.

(Pentecostal Missionary Union—China—continued.)

Our last two days travelling—the first we were scorched by the hot sun, the second found us shivering with cold and wet, for we had a long stiff climb of three and a half to four hours in mud and drenching rain—part of it on foot, but chiefly on horseback. But, Hallelujah! the Lord has never yet brought us into any circumstances where His abundant grace did not prove more than sufficient, and the joy of witnessing for Him is abundant compensation.

Kuang Hsi Cheo,
Yunnan,
China,
Nov. 6th, 1919.

Miss Biggs writes:—

Through the kindness of some friends I have now got a horse, which enables me to visit the distant places more frequently. The heathen have named him "The Jesus Horse!"

With the help of the evangelist and the Bible Society colporteur, we took our stand among the crowds, pinned the hymn-sheets on the wall, sang and preached. The sale of books was very good. Many of these scriptures are carried to their mountain homes, where the preacher cannot go. Pray that the Spirit may use the printed word to illumine their hearts.

It is six years ago since the Gospel Hall was opened in this city, and the evangelist and others witness frequently at these country places, so that the Gospel is well known; at least, many have a mental conception of it. It surprises one to find that the old-time superstition and evil reports still hold the masses in bondage. In intercession for Leliang we need to pray that those who know about the Gospel may have the truth of it revealed to them by His Spirit, and brought to repentance.

As we pass along the streets it is common to have the people call out:

"THE JESUS PEOPLE

have come;" "They have come to preach Jesus," etc. This is usually done in a mocking spirit; but in spite of the natural unpleasantness of being ridiculed, there comes a peculiar feeling of satisfaction that they at least have heard the blessed Name. Glad we are to be His witnesses through evil report and good report.

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Miss Jessie Biggs writes:—

It was a cold December morning when the little party—a native evangelist, Bible-woman, and myself—started off for our first trip to the busy market-town of Mileh. As we travelled through the beautiful country, one longed that some of our dear ones at home could have shared the delight of gazing upon the magnificent scenery. The autumn tints were glorious, from every shade of the deepest purple, orange, and red, to the palest yellows and browns.

But our hearts were saddened as we passed village after village wholly given to idolatry, and God's glory given to others. On reaching a large village where a market was being held, we were gladdened to see two faithful witnesses declaring the good news to many country folk for the first time. We put up at the inn there for the night, and thus

afforded many women who never visit our chapels the opportunity to hear of Christ.

We were reminded of Jacob as we removed the large stones from our beds which had served as pillows for the last Chinese who occupied the room. How little some of these poor Chinese know of personal comforts, and yet they get along nicely without many things we would consider indispensable.

Arriving at Mileh next day, we found a wide open door for work. The opportunity there is exceptional. Our evangelist, who has travelled about a good deal, said he had never seen such interest shown anywhere else. Although we remained a week longer than originally intended, we were kept busy, visiting in one street only. The people just showered invitations upon us. They did not seem concerned about us; they seemed hungry for the message. Praise the Lord!

Usually one is pelted with all sorts of questions regarding foreign customs, people, etc., before we get a chance to preach; but these women were so anxious to learn how to pray to the true God, that we could not but feel that the Spirit was at work. Of course, one cannot tell if they have truly repented in such a short time, but we hope to be able to send native Bible-women soon to follow up the work. Please pray that they may be given wisdom and power to lead many into the light of the Gospel.

One night while there we were aroused from sleep by hearing the plaster and stones falling from the mud wall of our inn. A severe earthquake shook the country for miles around. There were at least twelve shocks in five days. The first was so severe that several people were killed and injured. Portions of the city wall collapsed and several houses and an archway facing our inn were destroyed. Praise God that although we picked up two large shovelful of stones from our beds we were not hurt.

Let us praise God together for His

MIRACULOUS HEALING POWER

manifested during these troublous days. Eight persons were injured in a house, where they were chanting prayers for the dead and burning paper money, etc., at 3 a.m. The husband was to be buried the following day. Mrs. Iang, his wife, was so badly injured that she could not turn in bed for five days. There was some dislocation of bones in the upper region of the body, and she seemed to be in great pain. We called to see her five days after the accident, and offered prayer for her. The next night, just before we left Mileh, her sister and daughter came to the inn in great delight, and gave the following report. Just after we left the house (3 p.m.) the mother felt the dislocated bones moving back into place, and was perfectly well. She got up for her evening meal, and next day was serving in her shop on the market. They believed that God had reset the dislocated bones, and they wished to trust in the Living God. To Him be all the glory. Who only doeth wondrous things.

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Mrs. Boyd writes:—

Practically all the tribal languages around us have not as yet been translated. Nearly all the villagers can speak a little Mandarin Chinese, particularly the men; the women understand very little. One encouraging thing now is, a

goodly number of village schools are being erected, that a number of village boys are able to read. so when a bookseller goes into a village to sell books, it is nearly always the children who purchase his books.

NEW CHINESE LETTERS.

A new phonetic system has been introduced into China, and is making great progress in other provinces. Possibly all China will yet adopt the system; it is certainly easier than the old. It is so simple that even old people are learning it. It was recorded in the Chinese Recorder of one old man over seventy years of age both able to read and write from it. The alphabet has thirty-nine characters, which are simply written and quickly learned.

From Mrs. Williams (Yunnan-fu).

No doubt you have heard of the change in the children's work. From the commencement the children's work has been carried on in one class, ranging from babies in arms to boys and girls of thirteen and fourteen years. We do praise the Lord for the encouragement given in this work amongst them, and trust that we shall yet have great results from this branch.

Towards the close of last year we talked it over and arranged to form

A REAL SUNDAY SCHOOL,

dividing up into classes according to ages, and although we have only had a few weeks' trial, we are finding it to be very successful, and the children are beginning to understand about keeping to their regular classes and teachers.

Each Sunday more children come, so we will soon be able to have more classes. This is providing work for some of the Church members, and will be a means of blessing to their own souls. Nor is it solely a children's meeting. Each Sunday quite a number of the women come early, and we also have a class with them and go through the same lesson with them. Like the little ones they learn the golden text, and are as pleased to receive a picture in return.

List of Contributions received during Jan., Feb., and March, 1920.

	JANUARY.	£	s.	d.
Blaenclydach Assembly, towards the support of Mr. J. H. Boyce	...	10	0	0
Plymouth Pentecostal Assembly	...	1	5	0
Receipt No. 3146, Box	...	1	0	0
" 3147	...	0	2	6
Receipt No. 3148, towards the support of Mr. and Mrs. Leigh	...	8	0	0
Receipt No. 3149, towards the support of Mr. and Mrs. Richardson	...	1	2	0
Receipt No. 3150, Box	...	4	0	0
" " towards a native worker in China	...	1	10	0
Heanor Pentecostal Church, Boxes	...	4	0	0
Receipt No. 3152	...	1	0	0
" 3153	...	0	5	0
Dulwich Assembly, Box	...	2	0	0
Receipt No. 3155	...	0	10	6
Receipt No. 3156	...	1	0	0
Full Gospel Assembly, Hopeton Street, Belfast	...	16	7	6
Hull Pentecostal Assembly, Boxes, for work in Africa	...	7	8	0

Hornsey Assembly, Boxes	...	1	16	6
Receipt No. 3161	...	1	4	4
Church of God, "Peniel," Westbourne Grove, contributions to Women's Training Home	...	13	0	0
Receipt No. 3165	...	2	0	0
George St. Pentecostal Assembly, Derby	...	7	0	0
Sion College Own Missionary Fund	...	25	5	7
Receipt No. 3168	...	4	15	6
Holiness Hall, Sydenham Rd., Croydon	...	3	15	0
Anonymous, for work in China	...	5	0	0
Receipt No. 3171	...	2	0	0
" " for native worker in China	...	3	0	0
Lower Cwmtwrch Pentecostal Assembly	...	2	0	0
Elim Gospel Hall, Lytham, Boxes	...	9	10	0
Receipt No. 3174, Box	...	1	10	0
" 3175, towards the support of a native worker in India for Mr. Boyce	...	1	0	0
Receipt No. 3176, Box	...	0	8	0
" 3177	...	55	0	0
Cwmparc Pentecostal Assembly	...	1	7	4
Receipt No. 3180, "Thankful"	...	1000	0	0
" 3181	...	2	0	0
" 3182, Box	...	0	9	0
" 3183	...	0	1	0
"Brooklands," Box	...	0	5	0
Receipt No. 3185, Box	...	0	5	0
" 3186	...	0	10	0
" 3187	...	0	10	0
Whiston Street Mission, Derby	...	0	10	0
Morley Assembly, for the support of Mr. and Mrs. Richardson	...	3	0	0
Horden Pentecostal Assembly	...	25	0	0
Havant Meeting, Box	...	6	0	7
Receipt No. 3193, towards the support of Miss Knell	...	0	10	0
Receipt No. 3194, Box	...	2	5	0

FEBRUARY.

Church of God, Kilsyth, Boxes	...	3	0	0
Receipt No. 3196	...	0	10	0
Pentecostal Assembly, Pontardulais, Boxes	...	1	13	0
Receipt No. 3199	...	0	10	0
Sion College Own Missionary Fund	...	27	7	5
Llantwit Vardre Assembly, towards the support of Mr. Boyce and Mr. Lewer	...	8	4	0
Receipt No. 3203, Box	...	0	2	0
" 3204	...	10	0	0
" 3205	...	5	17	5
" 3206, toward native workers in China	...	0	5	0
" 3207	...	1	10	0
" 3210	...	4	0	0
" 3211, in support of native worker in China	...	4	10	0
Tonypandy Assembly, towards the support of Mr. Boyce, Mr. and Mrs. Richardson, and Mr. Lewer	...	17	10	0
Maesteg Assembly, Boxes	...	7	3	6
Receipt No. 3216	...	0	9	0
Tonyrefail Assembly, towards the support of Mr. Boyce and Mr. and Mrs. Richardson	...	8	0	0
Receipt No. 3219, Box	...	0	14	3
" 3220, for a native worker for Mr. Leigh	...	22	0	0
" " towards the support of Mr. & Mrs. Richardson	...	5	0	0
" 3221, towards the support of the Misses Biggs	...	1	0	0

(P.M.U.—List of Contributions—continued.)

Receipt No. 3222, towards the support of native worker for Mr. Boyce	1	0	0
MARCH.			
Redhill and Reigate Pentecostal Assembly, in support of their native worker in China	5	10	0
Receipt No. 3224, Box	0	10	0
All Saints' Women's Bible Class, Sunderland	6	0	0
Sion College Own Missionary Fund	24	9	5
Receipt No. 3227, towards native worker in China	0	5	0
Receipt No. 3228	0	7	0
Emsworth Assembly	2	10	3
" " Sunday School	1	4	2
" " Box	0	18	2
Sunderland Boxes	11	13	8
Full Gospel Assembly, Hopeton Street, Belfast	7	10	0
Receipt No. 3237, for my substitute in India	15	0	0
" " for a native evangelist in India	2	10	0
Blackwood Assembly	2	10	0
Receipt No. 3240	5	0	0
" 3241	1	0	0
Church of God, Kilsyth	1	0	0
See note on page 21. { The Berne Missionary Offering	77	3	1
{ The St. Gallen Missionary "	60	0	0
{ The Zurich Missionary "	47	6	8
{ The Lausanne Missionary "	18	0	0
Receipt No. 3247	1	2	1
" 3248	0	15	0
Bedford Gospel Mission, towards the support of Mr. and Mrs. Richardson	10	0	0
Receipt No. 3251	1	0	0
Havant Meeting, Box	5	0	0
Receipt No. 3253	0	11	10
Wemyss Christian Assembly	2	0	0
Portobello Pentecostal Assembly	1	0	0
Hawick Pentecostal Assembly	3	0	0
Receipt No. 3257	1	0	0
Heanor Pentecostal Church, Boxes, etc.	4	8	0
Receipt No. 3260	1	0	0
	£1691	18	3

SPECIAL GIFTS.

Kenfig Hill Mission, for the outfit of Mr. D. Wilkins	5	0	0
Receipt No. 3163, towards the furlough of Mrs. Trevitt and Mrs. Williams	5	0	0
Ystalyfera Pentecostal Assembly—			
Towards the outfit of Mr. J. Andrews	5	0	0
" " Dan. Wilkins	5	0	0
Clapton Meeting, towards the outfit of Miss R. Woods	3	0	0
Receipt No. 3191, towards the furlough of Mrs. Trevitt and Mrs. Williams	1	10	0
Receipt No. 3197, towards the outfit of Miss M. H. Thomas	1	15	0
Receipt No. 3202, towards the furlough of Mrs. Trevitt and Mrs. Williams	1	0	0
Receipt No. 3208, towards the furlough of Mrs. Trevitt and Mrs. Williams	1	0	0
Receipt No. 3209, towards the furlough of Mrs. Trevitt and Mrs. Williams	0	5	0
Masons Road Pentecostal Assembly, Gorseinon, towards the outfit of Mr. D. F. Williams	10	0	0

Maesteg Assembly, Boxes—			
Towards the outfit of Miss Eaton	2	10	0
Towards the outfit of Miss Rees	2	10	0
Receipt No. 3218, towards the furlough of Mrs. Trevitt and Mrs. Williams	5	0	0
Receipt No. 3232, Box, towards the furlough of Mrs. Trevitt and Mrs. Williams	1	0	0
Clepton Pentecostal Mission, Dundee, towards the furlough of Mrs. Trevitt and Mrs. Williams	3	0	0
Receipt No. 3236, towards the furlough of Mrs. Trevitt and Mrs. Williams	10	0	0
Leith Mission, towards the outfit of Miss M. Anderson	9	0	0
Receipt No. 3249, towards the furlough of Mrs. Trevitt and Mrs. Williams	1	0	0
Southsea Assembly, towards the outfit of Miss M. Noad	10	0	0
	£82	10	0

As many of our friends desire their gifts to be anonymous, the receipt number alone is given.

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Hon. Treasurer (P.M.U.)
"Hebron," St. David's Road,
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THE PENTECOSTAL MISSIONARY UNION.

ANNUAL STATEMENT.

Receipts and Payments Account for the year ending
December 31st, 1919.

	RECEIPTS.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
To Balance in hand (Jan. 1st)			292 7 5
.. Subscriptions and Donations	1176	11	6
.. Collections at Meetings	1803	0	6
.. Proceeds of Collecting Boxes	561	16	2
.. Sale of Literature	6	0	10
Total Contributions			4147 9 0
.. Interest on Deposit Account			4 2 6
			£4443 18 11
	PAYMENTS.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
By Allowances to Missionaries and Native Workers			1915 7 10
.. Cost of Remittances			27 10 11
.. Mission Outfits, Passages, and Furloughs			863 9 2
.. Mission House Rents			89 0 0
.. Men's Training Home—			
Maintenance, Furnishing, etc.			664 2 1
.. Women's Training Home—			
Maintenance, etc.	484	18	5
Less Contributions for Board	46	16	3
			438 2 2
Total Missionary Expenses			3997 12 2
.. Incidentals			33 5 8
.. Printing and Postage			10 19 7
			4041 17 5
.. Balance at Bank (Dec. 31st)—			
On Current Account	146	0	6
On Deposit Account	256	1	0
			402 1 6
			£4443 18 11

ERNEST WM. MOSER, Hon. Treasurer.

I have audited the above Account, and certify that it is in accordance with the Books and Vouchers.

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