

CHILDREN'S HOME

LINKS



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THE OPENING CEREMONY OF OUR NEW"FLORENCE BARCLAY MEMORIAL HALL"

Dr. F. A. Martin Flegg presiding and Mrs. Angela Whitcombe (youngest daughter of Mrs. Barclay)

declaring the Hall open on 7th July, 1928

OUR 28th ANNUAL GATHERINGS

HE Woodford Baptist Church, George Lane, South Woodford, was the scene on Thursday, June 7th, of happy and entsusiastic gatherings, when the 28th annual meetings of the Children's Home and Mission were held. No better example of the success of this splendid work could be afforded than the presence of the little ones themselves, bright, happy, well-cared-for, who faced the friends present who are taking such an interest in this Christ-like work which has been, and is being accomplished by the Superintendent of the Home, Mr. White. One of the happiest of those present was surely the Chairman himself, Mr. Victor Levett. He has, as he said, grown up with the work, and has seen the progress that has been made.

After prayer had been offered by Pastor B. G. Lovelace Miss Hutchin gave a brief address showing how God had blessed them during another year. And in speaking of the old boys and girls who had gone forth into the world she said that they did want that they should live for Jesus. That was one of the first principles of the work—that the boys and girls should give their hearts to the Lord.

One of the most interesting things in connection with any annual meeting is the record of the work done. It was, therefore, with peculiar pleasure that the friends listened to the report outlined by Mr. White, who has been associated with the work in such a intimate way since first God showed him that such a work was necessary. As he pointed out, they started with no committee and with no influence behind them, except the wonderful resources which God had been pleased to give them through Christ in prayer. But for twenty-eight years God had allowed them to carry on the work so that every year had been brighter and brighter. They had a very fine band of workers, and God was binding them together in the spirit of unity and love. Mr. White paid a tribute to the work of Dr. F. A. Martin Flegg who had rendered very valuable services. They started the year with a total of 68 boys and girls in the Home; sixteen had gone out, and fourteen had been admitted; and there were now sixty-six actually in the Home. In regard to the financial side, they carried over into the New Year a balance of Thirteen Pounds. They were grateful to those who subscribed to the work, but they did not only receive money, but also gifts in kind. The Home was supplied with fish, tea, cocoa, and jam by many generous friends.

Mr. Smith was present at the meeting, and in the course of a bright little speech, he told of the blessing that had followed the preaching of the Word in the villages by means of the Children's Home and Mission Caravan. Since last year many towns and villages and hamlets had been visited with the Gospel.

As time was limited Mrs. Parkinson had to curtail her address somewhat. She said how glad she was of the opportunity of bearing her witness to the greatness of the work. It was indeed a work of faith, and she said what a privilege it was to her husband and herself to be associated, as a Church, with such a labour of love. They had found in the

Church a people after God's own heart. Since then they had had greater opportunities of getting to know the work. The Home was carried on in faith; they relied entirely upon God for the supply of all their needs. Mrs. Parkinson referred to a work which was similar to their own, the work of Mrs. Rowntree There they had a Women's Meeting of from 1,500 to 2,00 women, and one day a little woman asked to speak to Mrs. Rowntree Clifford, and said how much she had enjoyed the meeting. The next how much she had enjoyed the meeting. Monday she attended again, and again claimed Mrs. Rownfree Clifford's attention, and she handed her an envelope, and said, "What I want to say to you is in there." After she had left the vestry and Mrs. Rowntree Clifford had opened the envelope, she found that it contained a cheque for £2,000. And so God answered the prayer of faith. Said Mrs. Parkinson in closing, "I just wonder whether God can use us this afternoon to answer the prayer of We want to be sharers with Him in this work. It may be that He will open our hearts, and increase our interest that we may give of our best,

The Rev. Dr. F. Ellis gave an inspiring and helpful address. He supposed that some people would describe him as a new friend. He did not know whether that was an altogether true description, because although he had not been to one of their annual meetings before, he had taken a personal interest in the work for some ten or eleven years. He rejoiced in the work for at least three reasons. First, because it was a very practical work. If there was anything he believed in more than anything else it was practical Christianity, and if anybody wanted an exhibition of practical Christianity then they should pay a visit to the Home at Woodford. The second reason why he greatly rejoiced in the work was because it was so true to the great fundamentals of the Christian faith. It was a great thing to realise that the boys and girls were being instructed in the great verities of the faith, and were encouraged to believe in those great truths for which the Christian Church stood. The third reason why he rejoiced in the work was because it was absolutely evangelistic. The aim of the workers was to lead the children to Christ as their Saviour.

Dr. Ellis then reminded his hearers that the Apostle Paul exhorted them to pray and to desire that they might be conformed to the image of Christ, that they might be like Him. There were three great principles that regulated the life and service of Jesus Christ, and the first was, that the will of God was the plan of His life. He always sought to do the will of God. It was written of Him in the Old Testament, "I delight to do Thy will, O My God." And when He actually came to earth in the flesh, He said, "My meat is to do the will of Him that sent Me." He waited God's time. He lived for thirty years without, as far as they knew, preaching a single sermon, or performing a single miracle. Probably there were needy cases around Him, there were people who needed instruction, and He had come for the very purpose of healing the sick, and instructing in the things of God. Yet for thirty years He

remained silent-because that was the will of God Then, further, because He was conscious for Him. that He was doing the will of God Hc devoted His whole life to the task. And, hence, He was never worried, or hurried, or flurried. Once we are conscious that we are in the will of God, all hurry and worry and flurry which characterize so many of us, will be lessened. When the plans of the Lord Jesus were upset He was never put out. As He was going to raise the Ruler's daughter, a woman broke through the crowd that she might touch the hem of His garment, and He rebuked the disciples, and healed the woman. On one occasion our Lord wanted a rest with His disciples, and they went to the other side of the Lake, but when He found there was a crowd of people waiting for Him, He forgot all about His own weariness, and He talked to them, and fed them. Why was He so calm about it all? Because He was conscious that He was doing the The will of God was the plan of Father's will. Christ's life.

And, secondly, the Bible was the rule of His life. All His conduct was guided by the Bible. Everything that our Lord did He justified by an appeal to the Bible. He went into the Temple, and cast out the money changers. How did He justify such an action? By saying, "It is written, My house shall be called a house of Prayer, but ye have made it a den of thieves." He cleansed the Temple by an appeal to Scripture. When His disciples were walking through the cornfields on the Sabbath Day plucking the ears of corn, the scribes and Pharisees began to criticize them. How did our Lord justify them? By an appeal to the Bible. When the young ruler came to our Lord, and said, "Master, what must I do to inherit eternal life." And although he was asking the question of One Who had come to give eternal life, how did He answer him? saith the Scriptures? How readest thou?" When He walked on the road to Emmaus, and saw the two disciples, sad, crushed, and broken, He expounded unto them in all the Scriptures the things concerning Himself. It was an appeal to the Scriptures His whole teaching was based on the What was the teaching of Christ? A every time. Scriptures. development and unfolding of the Old Testament Scriptures. "Think not that I am come to destroy the law and the prophets; I am not come to destroy, Our Lord made the Scriptures the but to fulfill." standard for all His teaching.

Thirdly, the Holy Spirit was the power of His life. Our Lord was born of the Holy Ghost, for I am one of those who believe in the Virgin Birth of our Lord Jesus Christ. Our Lord was baptized with the Holy Ghost by the banks of the Jordan. Our Lord was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to meet His terrific temptations, and our Lord said concerning His ministry, "The Spirit of the Lord God is upon Me, for He hath anointed Me to preach good tidings unto the meek; He hath sent Me to bind up the broken-hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound."

Those were the three great principles of the life of Jesus. And if you and I are going to be like

Jesus every day, in the home, and in the throng, we need to make these principles the principles of our lives. Oh, may we just have a single eye to do His will. The will of God is a very blessed thing. Is the Word of God the rule of your life? Are you serving the Master in the power of the Holy Ghost or in the energy of the flesh? May God help us to seek His will, to be conformed in our lives to the standard and authority of the Bible, and to do all things in the power of the Holy Spirit, and then I feel sure we shall be like Jesus every day.

OUR MEDICAL OFFICER'S REPORT

Dr. F. A. Martin Flegg: Mr. Chairman and Ladies and Gentlemen—We had diptheria in the Home in the early part of the year. Twenty-one years ago, you may remember, we had an outbreak of diptheria, and it lasted for about seven months; we had eleven cases and were much perplexed to know how to stop it. We adopted the plan of having everybody in the Home, workers as well as children, examined, and germs of the disease were found in eleven of them, and these were isolated and the disease was stamped out. Twenty-one years after that, in January of this year, we had four cases of diptheria, and the outbreak on this occasion lasted six weeks. We adopted earlier the same tactics as before and I am thankful to say the disease was blotted out. I think it is a good record that we have not had a single case for twenty-one years. Diphtheria was about in the district in the winter. Generally speaking the health of the children is very good. We had one serious case, a little boy who died in the London Hospital. All the diphtheria children got well. Every child is examined by me before he or she comes into the Home so that there is no chance of infectious disease getting in. It is astonishing how they develop after they have been in a few weeks, so much so that I do not know some of the children when I see them a second time. They fill out surprisingly. They look well and they are all well We have alot to be thankful for. our troubles are, we all keep smiling, and we trust God to help us through, and He does.

THE CHAIRMAN (Mr. James Greenhill): I am not going to keep you very long, because although you are very polite towards the chairman, I know the chairman is always looked upon as a nuisance. I say sometimes to my boys when they come home from Speech Days, "What do you think of So-and-So who made a speech?" and I get the reply, "He was absolutely an awful bore?" I have no doubt that you have passed that invisible measure over me, so that I am not going to detain you too long.

It is very difficult to know what to say in the chairman's speech. I was trying to think of something to say, and then I had in mind that we have got Mr. Charles to speak, whose ability as a speaker

I know. Then I know we have Mr. Stokes coming along, to say nothing of Mrs. Maskell's singing. So that the choice of subjects was really very limited. I have got no eloquence with which to entertain you. This morning I was wondering what I should say, and when I got to business I opened a letter from an old friend of mine and of Mr. White, and in that letter he says: "I am sorry I shall be unable to be present with the children to-morrow, but I am sending a donation with the hope that you may persuade others to follow my example." That is my text. others to follow my example." That is m I am not going to preach about it very long. ladies and gentlemen, if there is one work on the face of this earth that commands the sympathy and support of Christian men and women and any men and women, it is work connected with destitute and motherless children. It is a work about which there can be no controversy. I said to myself this morning, Let the work speak for itself. There it is, and let the tremendous importance and significance of that work get into your minds, and think about it. No fewer than 396 children over a period of twenty-eight The care at the present time of 66 children who would be destitute and homeless but for this Home! Think of what that means to each boy and girl; the difference in the horizon to that boy and that girl when they enter the Home. fact sink right in. I cannot po Let that weighty I cannot persuade you. friend says, "I send a donation; persuade others to do the same." do the same." There is the Home. It is something very near to the heart of God, I am perfectly certain this work. I commend it to you to think about it, to pray about it, and then do towards that work . what you feel in your hearts you ought to do.

Mr. W. CHARLES said: Mr. Chairman, friends and fellow sympathisers with this great and gracious work,—It is a great responsibility for us to be here this evening to hear what we have heard concerning the work that our friend and brother Mr. White is carrying on, under God, for the children who are here. Frankly, it always helps me if I can get into touch with children, because they put fresh thoughts into one's mind, they give us fresh hopes, they open up fresh possibilities. In that book, "The Lady of the Decoration," which perhaps some of you have read, an individual who is given a certain work makes use of the expression, "My own to care for." As Mr. White looks at these young folk here this evening, I suppose that is something of his thought-" My own It is for every one of us here to have to care for." a share in that wondrous work. Have those facts that he opened up to us this evening touched your hearts?

I was reading a book, strangely enough, quite recently bearing this title: "The Psychology of Persuasion." Our chairman said he was not a good persuader. I am of the contrary opinion. I think he presented the most forcible argument in terms of persuasion that could have been presented when he read a portion of that letter from a friend, and put it upon your heart and mine to range ourselves with that one who has given help to the Home through our chairman. Oh, that we could just respond to a persuasive word such as that. Yes, the sheltering

of the children. What that means to them in their early days.

But that is not the only work that is done. Let us remember that in the sheltering of the children a fuller and further responsibility comes upon those faithful and conscientious workers who are daily in touch with the young folk. What is that? It is surely the bringing to bear of a shaping influence upon the young life. This is all plastic life that we have here around us this evening, and under God and with His guidance, we have to get this life shaped. That forms part of the work in a Home such as this, and we have got to make it possible that that work shall go on successfully, continuously and faithfully. What are we going to do in this matter?

So far I have departed from my instructions. My instructions from Mr. White were these: "Give us a spiritual feast to encourage the workers." Now I want to try and fulfil the instructions given to me, and I should like to range myself with the workers here, if I may, and pass on to them a word that comes in Paul's Letter to the Colossians. Towards the end of chapter three, we get these five words: "Ye serve the Lord Christ." Are we conscious that our activities, in relation to the lives of these children, are in line with that wondrous expression, "Ye serve the Lord Christ?" If grace has not reached us, then we have no qualification for the services we render here. This service of ours is to be a service, then, that will be in accordance with His mind, a service that shall fulfill His purpose, a service that on the one hand must be faithful, if on the other hand it is to be fruitful. Let us challenge our hearts then, as we think of our relationship to the children here and the young life developing under us.

"We serve the Lord Christ." How that is going We need to be kept in check to keep us in check, by the Lord Himself because we get tired in our work, and touchy. You know what that is. Anyone who has had to do with a company of children will know how exacting and exhausting is the work. as you feel yourselves getting into that condition, just get these words before you: "Ye serve the Lord Christ." Our Lord Himself once was tired, if I may use that expression reverently, when He got to the well of Sychar. But He was not touchy. No, He was ready for a fuller service when He reached there, and He began to open up the grace of God, the Water of Life, to a thirsty soul. We have been called upon by that solo we have just heard not to be downhearted, and if we get in touch with Christ I am persuaded that we shall be constantly hearing the word from Himself, "Be of good cheer." That will stimulate us, that will regulate us. It must be His word that will do it.

This service of ours—you will allow me to put myself with you in this just for the moment—this service of ours must, of course, be a purposeful service. Some types of service that we see going on, and that we read of, seem to lack purpose. People do not know what they are aiming at, and by consequence they get there. But if we know what our purpose is, then we shall seek the guidance, the strength, the grace that we need to get that purpose fulfilled. That purpose is the bringing up of these

young folk in the nurture and admonition of the Lord, getting them into touch with Him in order that they can get the best start in life that is possible for them. That starting-place is to be found at the Cross of Christ. Not only so, but it is also the standing-place. If we can only realise as workers that our starting-place and our standing-place must be at the Cross, then we are kept in such living touch with the Christ that we shall have the remembrance of this fact woven into every fibre of our being.

"He gave Himself for us." That was His service, and it touched the point of sacrifice. boy at school I always remember an incident in We had to go to chapel relation to the collection. after the so-called divinity lesson, and on a certain morning we had a collection. I was in the unfortunate position on that morning of sitting next to the master, and that is not a comforting thing for a boy. I should like to have been next to someone else because, first, I had to be on my best behaviour, and secondly, it was no use my putting a penny in the collection. He would speak to me pretty definitely if I did not put something more in. the collection came on that particular day I was really in trouble. I had got in my pocket two-andsixpence—that was a good sum for a boy to have in his pocket—a penny, and one of those beautiful threepenny pieces, and I had got to decide as a boy what I was to do. I want you to feel for a boy in that position, and to realise what it would have meant to you. But this is what I want to get out Our preacher was one of the assistant masters, and in the course of his sermon he used this expression and I have never forgotten it: "Boys, remember that your offering this morning must touch the point of sacrifice." That man's persuasive appeal said this to me: "You must put the two-and-sixpence, the threepenny piece and the penny into that box," and that is what I did. You see, what I am trying to aim at in this. It is to show that our service is to be something that is going to make something from us; our service must touch the point of sacrifice.

Do not let the difficulties of the way give you the blues; do not let the dangers that are associated with the training of children—and there are dangers—do not let them so upset you that you fail to carry on. Just realise that the service is for Christ.

With this word I will close. It is for us, in view of that service to which we are called, to be constantly in 'His company. What will that mean?' There must be restful times for one who is serving Christ, when he can commune with his Lord. We want to seek the company of Christ. That will mean so much as we go out from His presence to those with whom we come into touch. The boys and girls will feel some of the pressure of the love we bring on that occasion. If we are much in the company of the Lord Jesus, I am persuaded of this—that we shall readily, willingly, constantly come under the control of the Lord Jesus. Oh, what that will mean in service.

I am often saying at meetings I occasionally go to, that the age in which we are living is an age that has no use for that old hymn we used to sing—

"I was a wandering sheep I would not be controlled."

They do not want that hymn to-day. Yet that is an expression of the life of too many to-day-" I will That is the label that people not be controlled." seem to be putting on them to-day, exhibiting—the cyclist, the motorist and others. The age in which we live is an age of lawlessness and laziness, and those two powers, if they may be described as powers, affect the Church of God. "I will not be controlled!" Do not let us be saying but let us get the control of the Lord Himself, in order that the service we render will be according to His heart, according to His will, according to His purpose; thus securing that to the young folk with whom we work we give the best; and nothing but the best is suited to the young life with which we have to do. "Ye serve the Lord Therefore, Christ."

"We are not here to dream, to drift; We have hard work to do, and loads to lift; Shun not the struggle; face it; 'tis God's gift. Be strong."

Mr. James Stokes in the closing address said: Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,-I do not want to put myself in the place of a worker to-night, as Mr. Charles has so ably done, but in the place of a member of the congregation; and what I want to ask myself as a member of the congregation is this: What is it that keeps the workers going, what is it that provides them with the dynamic for service in the hour of darkness and in the moment of doubt, As I think of that question, there comes to my mind this word, found in the thirteenth verse of the twenty-seventh Psalm: "I had fainted, unless I had believed to see the goodness of the Lord in the Our translators put in that land of the living." exclamatory phrase, "I had fainted." It the original; there you are left to imagine it. I had believed to see," what would have happened? Collapse, defeat, fainting. The dynamic of this great work of God is because the workers believe to see. They do not see to believe. That is just the difference between the workers for the world and the workers The worker for the world is only for God. prepared to go forward when, so to speak, the goods are delivered. The worker of Christ is going forward believing to see the goods are going to be delivered. The one works by sight, the other by faith.

It is my happy privilege to meet our brother Mr. White perhaps twice or three times some weeks, and we have a cup of coffee together after an openair service in the City. Over those cups I hear little bits that perhaps you do not hear. But whatever may be the problem or the question, there is always this cherry thing at the end: "Well God has got something in store for us; He will see us through." That is the dynamic of this work, William Carey, that Northamptonshire cobbler and man of letters, when he sat in that humble little cobbler's hut looking now and again to the then known map of India which

he had up on one side of his wall—he was believing to see. One who opposed his going to India said, "He's mad; what's the good of going to preach the Gospel to black niggers?" But William Carey believed to see, and because he believed to see that through the preaching of the Gospel and the Evangel of the Lord Jesus Christ, niggers black in body and black in heart, steeped in heathenism, could be changed into saints of God, he went out on his lone journey and became the pioneer of the Baptist Missionary Society. He did not say, "Show to me a converted nigger and then I will believe it," but he went out in faith, believing to see. There is a host of others—Howard with his prison reform, General Booth with his fight for the submerged tenth, Dr. Barnardo lifting the gutter child. They all achieved because they believed to see. Twenty-eight years of consistent service for Christ among these little ones—that has been achieved because this has been the dynamic; they have believed to see.

But if you are going to have faith you must have a centre for it. Did Mr. White, when he commenced this work, say, "Well, I have got some good chums, they will see me through, they won't let me down, they are Christians?" No, he had his faith fixed He was like the Psalmist, he somewhere else. believed to see the goodness of God. It makes all the difference what you believe to see, faith is centred in the living God, it is going to count in service; but if it is centred in self, or in your best friend, however good that friend may be, it cannot possibly count so effectively or so powerfully. through the history of God's dealings with His people How did the three Hebrew children get on? believed to see that God would look after them, and What happened to Daniel? He believed to see that God would honour his faith and prayer, and God did. What happened to all those holy people of God recorded to us in the eleventh chapter of Hebrews-Faith's portrait gallery, as it has been aptly termed? They achieved, conquered because they believed to see. Our brother, taking that as the basis for his service, set out upon his holy crusade. He believed to see the goodness of God. eight years have gone, and the goodness of God is still apparent and still abundant in these Homes. That is a lesson for us. If we are going to achieve, it must be by a life of believing to see the goodness of God.

The Church is faced with many problems to-day. It is strange how many people have their various ideas of how those problems are going to be solved. There are those who say, "If you are going to claim the young people of to-day for Christ, you must just give them a good time." They have their Institutional work and bring in billiards and other side issues. We see many instances of how these things have been tried and how they have failed. They are bound to fail. You cannot have a substitute for God and the power of the Spirit. Essentially the work of the Christian is a work of faith in the living God: The work of this Home was a venture of faith in God who in the past had proved Himself to be true, and our brother and others allied with him said, "As in the past He has been true, we

believe to see that in the future He will be true," and twenty-eight years have amply justified that venture.

But there is something more, and this is what I like about it all. The Psalmist says, "Unless I had believed to see the goodness of the Lord"—where in heaven? No, "in the land of the living." Often we get thrown at us this criticism as we hold forth the Word of Life in the City, in the open spaces: "Get away with your Gospel. You just think of having something in the future—a glorious and happy time of singing hymns and the like. What we want is something for now." But we have got it. Do you realise that if you are a Christian, and if in your heart God has wrought a work of grace, you are the only people who have got it. I am prepared to admit that the religion of Jesus Christ opens up to I am prepared to us a vista of glory and beauty; it takes away the sting of death and pourtrays to us a future, glorious and sinless. But supremely the Lord Jesus Christ glorious. We have evidence The doctor to-night has said came to make this life glorious. of how he does it. that he does not know some of the children after they have been in the Home a few days. That is what Jesus Christ does to the children physically through And spiritually it is true. consecrated personality. There is an old hymn we used to sing:-

"My Jesus to know, and to feel His blood flow— It's life everlasting, it's heaven below."

God intends that the life of the Christian here should be an earnest of what our life is to be in the future. It was because our brother We have got it now. and his helpers, believing to see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living, went forward, and now we see the goodness of God in the land of the living, in South Woodford, in operation in this Home. life that counts is the life that believes to see; not the life that says "Seeing is believing." Alas! there "Unless I can are many Christians like Thomas. put my hand." But our Lord, while not blaming Thomas, said, "Blessed are those who, not having seen, yet believe." That is our position—believing to Do you belong to that company to-night? often hear our friends, on political platforms referring to that old phrase about this land being "fit for Well, it is the Christian's great heroes to live in." privilege in life to help to make this land fit to live in; and the chief factor which is going to help towards that end is what our friend Mr. Charles has pointed out—to bring the Lord Jesus Christ into living communion not only with the children but with the grown-up people with whom we come in contact, May we all learn this great lesson: that life which is effective in service and powerful in its achievement is a life which believes to see.

Mrs. E. Maskell rendered sweet messages in song at both meetings and our children took part.

Tea between meetings was a happy experience and we praise God for all who came from near and far.

EXTRACTS FROM DIARY

(MAY, 1927 to APRIL, 1928)

MAY 1927

2nd.—Buntingford, £2.

3rd.—Wanstead, 2 parcels of clothes.
4th.—Stratford, "Please find enclosed 3/6 P.O. for the work of the Homes with prayer for God's

abiding blessing and presence with you."

10th.—Feltham, £1. Shoeburyness, 1 Shoeburyness, 1 suit clothes. Stratford, "I send 2/6 to help you a little, wish I could do more, but if spared to get the Old Age Pension will try and do a bit better for you.—A poor widow."

11th.—"Will you please accept enclosed from "Modern Eve Sunshine Box, 10/-."

12th. Stratford, Harmonium for wagon. Gospel wagon started out again to-day. Woodford, £1. Proceeds of Recital given by our friend Mr. C. Lidington, £19 14s. 0d.

16th.—Walthamstow, £1. Westeliff, 2 pairs socks and sundry S.H. articles. London W., 10/-. Catford, £1 1s. 0d. Stocksfield-on-Tyne, £1 1s. 0d.

18th.—Walthamstow, "I enclose £1—thank you for Report which I always hand to some one who does not know of God's work in your hands. May it still go on for His glory." Gidea Park, "Have just been glancing through Links and must say with you there is much cause for gratitude and thanksgiving to God for all the wonderful tokens of His love and providential care over you, Praise His Name I enclose £1."

21st.-Handed to me in London, 10/-. Merton,

23rd.—Norwood, 5/-. Party, 12 dresses. Woo Muswell Hill Working Woodford, 1 skirt, 1 pair shoes,

26th.—Woodford, basket of mutton. Woodford, "Please accept £1 for the Lord's work which you are doing at the Home. Praying for blessing at Woodford and Abridge." Seven Kings, 15/-.

28th.—Muswell Hill, parcel of clothes.

28th,—Muswen 1111, parts of the Southwick, £2 2s. 0d. Merleswood Boys rusader Class, £1. Worthing, 2 pairs combs, 2 Crusader Class, £1. pairs gloves, 1 pair stockings, 1 pair shoes, 2 bars soap, and 10/-. Kingston, 10/-.

1st.—Muswell Hill, 9 vests.

2nd.—The Brotherhood of Cheerful Sparrows, 10/-, orwich, 10/-. Woodford Bridge, "As I see you Norwich, 10/-. have not yet received quite enough for your new building and as I have had an extra bit of bonus please allow me to send you a few more bricks and a little timber (you can't buy much for your money now a day eh!) towards it, £3 enclosed."

3rd.—Clapton, 2 suits clothes.

4th.—Bow, "It is a long time since I sent but have not forgotten you. The Lord has specially laid it on my heart to send the enclosed 80/- He knows, He cares, He loves us and by His hand will lead us on to that fair Land of Love and Song." Finchley, 10/-. for New Hall.

Scripture Union, £1.

7th.—South Woodford, "Just a small offering £1 1s. 0d. towards your Home. We often pass your children on Sunday returning home from service and we appreciate the care that is shown in the dress of Gospel Hall, Manor Park, Young Womens Bible Class £2 6s. 7d. Woodford, £1. Gorleston, "Thank you for sending Report, the children look very well I see God is letting you reap. May He bless you abundantly. The enclosed 5/- is towards the Summer Treat." Purley, £2 2s. 0d. Woodford, some wood. Muswell Hill Working Party, 5 frocks, Woodford, Cricket bat and 2 shirts, I pajama suit.

8th.—Anstey, 2-lb butter, with, "I enclose cheque \$5 to help on the Lord's work in which you are engaged, praying that you may be greatly blessed in the coming meetings. We remember you in prand praise God for His continued goodness. We remember you in prayer realize more than ever the great need there is in helping the children and seeking to win them to Christ." Stratford, 5/-. Shoeburyness, £1. Leytonstone, 56 lbs. tea.

9th.—Anon, 2 parcels clothes. Woodford, 16 grts. milk. Shoeburyness, 10/-. Walthamstow, 10/-. Walthamstow, 5/-. Leytonstone, 10/-. Leytonstone, 10/-. Dorking, £10 10s. 0d. and £1. London, £10. Walthamstow £1 "Inasmuch as ye Woodford, £5. do it to the least of these ye do it unto me."

one, 5/-. Offering, £25 14s. 0d. 11th.—Walthamstow, A tug of War Rope. London 4 Hospital letters. Merton, 2 frocks and knickers for baby. Readers of the "Christian" 15/-. Wanstead, £1. An Offering, 9/-. Brighton, £3. Woodford, Woodford, £1.
socks. West Ham, £3 and £2 for Memorial Hall.

14th.—Shoeburyness, 6 pairs socks. 6s. 0d. West Africa, £2.

16th.—Walthamstow, 1 doll's pram and toys. Lansdowne Sewing Circle, 16 dresses, 12 shirts, 12 nightdresses, 5 bolster cases, 8 overalls, 2 towels. Bermondsey, 16/- from a mother of two old boys, "I am enclosing 10/- for use in the Home as a Thankoffering and the 6% is the boys and my little bit for boots for boys still in the Home. We have saved 3d. each week and it has amounted to this. 3d. each week and it has amounted to this. We are still going on with it. The boys are both doing well. Our love to all, Yours gratefully——" Plaistow, 10/-, a neighbour, 10/-, For boots £1 17s. 6d.

17th.—Shoeburyness, Box of cakes. Walthamstow, 2 parcels. Dulwich, "I enclose cheque £1 Is. 0d. on

behalf of your work and shall hope to send you one regularly each year. God does honour the faith of those who trust Him." Minsterworth, £1.

20th.—Woodford, 112 lbs. jam and marmalade. Highams Park, 3 parcels S.H. clothes. Alfred Road Mission, £3 2s. 0d. Southampton, £1.

21st.—Clacton, £1.

25th.—Teddington, parcel of S.H. clothes. Anon, Woodford Green, 10/-, "Will you please accept the following 218 eggs, fruit and flowers and £1 3s. 11d. collection from the Theydon Boys Baptist Sunday School with all good wishes for the boys and girls of your Homes." Bristol, 5/-.

28th -Chingford, 18 frocks for the girls.

30th.—" For the Homes 10/-"

JULY

4th.—Tunbridge Wells, £5. Western Road Mission, £2 10s. Od. Leyton, £1. St. Johns Wood, 5 shirts, 3 petticoats, 4 tops, 7 skirts, 3 frocks, 1 nightdress. Stratford Sunday Afternoon Class, £1. Worthing, 6 pairs knickers, 3 pairs socks, 1 pair shoes, 1 piece ribbon. Purley, I coat. Leyton to Ongar C.E. Union, 10/6. Woodford, £1 4s. 0d.

7th.-1 parcel S.H. clothes, Harrow. Woodford,

Firewood.

11th.—Cann Hall C.E., £1 1s. 0d. Leytonstone, 10/-. Leyton, 10/-.

12th.—Boro Market, 4 baskets strawberries, Un. C. S.S. 10/-. Catford, S.S., £1 1s. 0d. Shocburyness, 1 suit of clothes. Woodford, 12 loaves.

13th.—Tottenham S.S., 5/-.
"In memory of Mrs. H." Worthing, 6 frocks Woodford, basket of mutton.

15th.—Hove, £5. Ilford, £1. Woodford, 10/-.

18th.-Montague Mission, 100 eggs, bananas and Sawbridgeworth, 81 eggs, 2 bags cakes. Leigh-on-Sea, parcel of clothes.

19th.—Stratford, 5/-.
20th.—"On behalf of our Sunday School at Grove Green Hall, I enclose £3 from scholars and teachers towards the work amongst the dear children whom the Lord has entrusted to your care, and with it the assurance that we are seeking His blessing in prayer that you may have the joy of leading many of them in their early days to know Him as their own loved Saviour." Harrow Green B.C., £3 8s. 0d. Harrow Green B.C., £3 8s. Congregational Church, 21/- "I " Being donation towards the expenses of the Childrens Annual Outing.'

22nd.-Montague Road, 10/-.

25th.—Plaistow, "£3, and offering." Major Road, Stratford, 36 eggs and flowers. Anstey, 3lbs butter. "Enclosed £5 from the friends of the "Lighthouse" for the Lord's work. We count it a privilege to be helpers together." Anstey, 10/-. Woodford, 10/-.

26th.-Walthamstow, parcels of clothes. "I am glad the work amongst the children still goes on and trust they may not only be fed and cared for, but that many may be truly converted before they leave the Home. I enclose cheque £5."

29th.—Westcliff, £2 2s. 0d.

30th.—London, £5.

AUGUST

4th.—South Norwood, "4/- being First Fruit of a rise I received for passing a German exam."

5th.—Woodford, 5 pairs knickers. 9th.—Woodford, £1. A friend left A friend left 10/-. London, £5 for personal use.

10th.—Eastbourne, 2 pairs socks, hats and toys.

11th -- Muswell Hill Working Party, 7 shirts.

13th.-Langbourne Baptist Association, £3 13s. 6d. 14th .- £4. "May I have the privilege of sharing in your extra heavy personal expenses at this time. The Lord knoweth and He is able.....May you enjoy increasingly a sense of His gracious presence." Stratford, 5/-.

15th.—Shoebury S.S., £2. Woodford, Stratford, 5/-.

17th.—Worthing, 7/-.

18th.-Westcliff, "It is a great pleasure once again to send you a cheque and take some little part in your great work. This year I am sending £20. put £10 to your General Fund and £10 to the New Hall and I trust you will be able to open it free of debt as you so desire."

19th.—Purley, £4.

20th.—Shoeburyness, £2 and £2.

21st.—"Please accept the enclosed tiny gift (£1) for the Florence Barclay Memorial Hall. A relative passed Home a few weeks ago and left me a few pounds in his will and I feel I would like to send one of them to you."

22nd.—Worthing, 3 pairs shoes, 2 pairs combs, 1

pair gloves, 1 pair socks.

23rd.—Boston, "How are you. Hope quite well and on the War Path, defeating the enemy and winning souls for Christ. Please accept enclosed £2 2s. Od. for own use and £2 2s. Od. for children.

25th.—Walthamstow, £1.

Shoeburyness £10. To-day the children and workers went to Shoeburyness by charabane by the kind invitation of the friends at Shoebury Hall. A very happy day was spent by the sea-then all returned to the Hall to tea where the children had a great time, after this we spent a happy hour together and before leaving for the Homeward journey each child was We praise God for touching given fruit and sweets. the hearts of these kind friends to do all this for His little ones. We also took home with us 1 sack of potatoes and I sack of apples and parcel containing 8 nightdresses, 5 pairs knickers, 4 shirts, 1 piece shirting, I pair gloves, 4 ties and a blazer.

27th.—Seven Kings Sewing Meeting, 48 chemises, 9 pinafores, 2 pairs knickers. Shoeburyness, £1 (collected in farthings).

30th.-Woodford Boot Box, £1 3s. 9d.

SEPTEMBER

1st.—Leytonstone F.C., £1 1s. 0d. Shernhall C.E., Box of apples and oranges, 2 marrows, 1lb. plums, 2lb. tomatoes, 5lb. rice, 1 qrtn. flour, 1lb. currants, 1lb. raisins, 3lb. sugar, 1 tin cocoa, 1 table jelly, 1 box custard powder, 5lb. jam, 3 bunches grapes, and 5/-,

3rd.—Basket of apples.

7th.-Woodford Bridge, Basket of apples. Chelsea Kingston-on-Thames, "I am enclosing small donation 10/- to help with the good work. bless you and all your helpers in the training and seeking to lead the boys and girls to Jesus. wife and I remember your work in our prayers."

8th.—"An old friend," 5/-.
9th.—Readers of the "Christian," £2 2s. 6d. Walthamstow, books, basket and S.H. clothes.

10th.--M. £1.

13th.—Woodford, Books. 14th.—Stratford, "Please find enclosed 5/- praising God for the blessing of being able to help a little. Truly it is more blessed to give than to receive."

20th.—Walthamstow, Higham Hill Baptist Primary D., 5/-. Children's Service, 3/6. Walthamstow, parcel S.H. clothes. Handed to me after a meeting at Plaistow £4 6s. 7d.

22nd.—Bovey Tacey, I box apples. 24th.—A Woodford friend, £3. Boro Market, 5 bags beans. Doncaster, "Kindly accept enclosed 5/for your Home and 5/- for fruit for your sick one."

27th.—Bristol, 5/-. 30th.—Boston, £2. "May I share a little of your Westeliff, burden, for illness means expense." "Enclosed £2 2s. 0d. is to help with extra expenses." "Am sending you £1 15s. 0d. from our We so often think of you and your work Women. and shall have pleasure in again sending you a box of Have been doing a little for you all the year with much joy." Stratford, 10/-.

OCTOBER

4th.—Anstey, "We have put on rail 2 bags of vegetables, etc., gifts from our Harvest Thanksgiving Services yesterday. I also enclose £1 9s. 0d. being part of the Offering." Fullers Road S.S., £1 12s. 6d. 7th .- A Woodford Green Boys' Class, £1. parcel of clothes.

8th.—Dorking, 7 suits. Parcel of clothes, Anon.

Woodford, for new Hall 10/-.

11th.—Southampton, £1. Doncaster, 5/-. ford Green, "10/- Wishing for the Home God's choicest blessing, i.e., The conversion of the dear children and the strengthening of the faith of all who

know of it."

12th,-Loughton, 1 ewt. cocoa. (This we were specially needing). Southend, 5/-. Sunbury, "We had Harvest Thanksgiving Service and a Thankoffering was taken for your happy family which amounted to £1 17s. 6d. which I enclose. It was delightful to see our Sunday School children having fellowship, even the poorest and tiniest tots brought their little offering, some halfpenny which they had saved instead of buying sweets.'

13th.—Wanstead, 5/-.

14th.—Waltham Abbey Allotment Holders, 4 cwt. tatoes. Walthamstow, 2/-. Tottenham, £1. potatoes.

15th.—Woodford Green, £1 6s. 4d. Woodford, £1. Stratford, £1. Anon, £1 0s. 6d.

10th.—Hampstead, £2 2s. 0d. 19th.—Snaresbrook, bedstead and bedding, 4 fenders and fireirons, and sundry articles. Leytonstone, £5. London, "Enclosed please find £20 to help along." Widow's mite, 6d. Merton, 10/-. Lighthouse (fathings), 5/-. Loughton, "Much regret I cannot

Will you please accept the be with you on the 29th. enclosed £10 towards cost of new Hall, you every blessing in the work."

20th. Merton, 30 frocks, 10 pairs knickers, petticoats, 11 shirts, 1 pair stockings, 2 pinafores, 1 blouse. Walthamstow Womens Own and P.S.A., 25/6. Worcester. "I am enclosing £5 herewith for Home and £2 10s. 0d. towards your building fund." wick, £1 towards New Hall.

21st.—Forest Gate, parcel of garments. Shoeburyness 10/- (fathings). Stratford, 10/- for New Hall. Widow's mite 1/- for New Hall. Leyto for New Hall and 10/- for New Hall, 2/6. Leytonstone, £1 Clacton-

on-Sea, £6 for New Hall. A wellwisher, 10/-.
25th.—Stratford, "Once again by the Grace of God I am able to send 5/- for the Homes. Sorry I cannot be with you at the Stone-laying. It is indeed grand to see the work grow and surely is evidence of that great truth that "Where sin did abound, grace did much more abound." Praise God He is love and in the glorious Millenium what grand purposes such Halls will be dedicated to that we little realise now, Still He knows and will perform His good pleasure." Shoeburyness, box of cakes. Leyton, 5/-.

26th.—One of the workmen, 10/- for New Hall. Clacton-on-Sea, "I hope to think of and be with you in Spirit on the 29th. I have a big motto in my dining room "Marvellously Helped"—My experience from a child and ditto yours I am quite sure. It will be grand if you succeed in opening the New Hall free of debt. I enclose 20/-, 5/- the gift of my niece." Wanstead, £50. Dorking, "I am enclosing 5 guineas towards the Building Fund and have added a further 5 guineas as a further thankoffering to God for the recovery of my dear old friend A.M."

27th.—From a Bible Class, Stratford, 2 shirts, 2 pairs knickers, 2 petticoats, 8 pairs G. knickers, 2 frocks, 2 jerseys, 1 coat, 6 handkerchiefs. Anstey,

sack of apples.

28th.—Manor Park, onions. Ware, New Hall, £1. Worcester Park, "You certainly have my prayers, but old age prevents my being with you. May the dear Lord abundantly bless you and grant a most wonderful success to this great effort. I enclose 10/my little mite, yet it will help with the others." Woodford Green, "Some time ago I promised to give you some help with the New Hall, so I am now enclosing a cheque to redeem my promise (£5). sorry it is only a small amount, but many micles make a muckle and I trust you will receive all the money you require." South Wimbledon, £1 for New Hampstead, "Another brick, 10/-. Shocburyness, "Please bour, 10/- for New Hall. accept the enclosed 10/- as a thankoffering for the Trusting it will be the birthplace of New Hall. many souls." A new hat for H.W. inside which was a cheque for 10 guineas for the New Hall. "I hope this will reach you in time for the stonelaying tomorrow. Our dear mother was taken from us after a few hours of pain last Sunday, but she had put on one side the money to send for the New Hall so please find enclosed £1 note." Walthamstow, 2/6. From a mother of two old boys, "Please will you use 10/- for Building Fund and 5/- for boots, which we have saved."

29th.-Copford, £1. Girls Life Brigade, 10/6. Wanstead Congregational Church, £5 for New Hall.

Wanstead, £2 for New Hall. Wanstead, "Just a small Thankoffering towards the New Hall from our household with christian love, £5." London, £5. Woodford, An old friend, "Please accept my mite £2 2s. 0d. towards the Building Fund with my prayerful wishes that you may experience much happiness and blessing and that the total will soon be realised—I have not the remotest doubt, knowing where you look for it." Wanstead, £1 for New Hall. Offering Box, £35 9s. 0d. Amyard Park B.C., £2. Tottenham, 10/-. Widow's Mite, 1/-. Ongar, 5/- for New Hall. Newton Green, 1 pair socks, 3 scarves, 1 jacket, 1 petticoat. Boro Market, 3 bags carrots, 3 bags parsnips, 1 bag turnips, 4 barrels apples, 3 bags beans. Leytonstone, "I send this little gift towards Building Fund (£5) in memory Leytonstone, "I send of my dear husband." Wanstead, "Our thoughts and prayers will be with you this afternoon. £5 enclosed."

NOVEMBER

1st.-~Hove, 1 jersey, 1 coat. Bovey Tacey, I box apples.

2nd .- Woodford, 1 sack apples. Dorking, 4 new

3rd .- We to-day had the Annual visit from the L.B.R. Sewing Circle, who provided tea for the workers and children and an entertainment, which all enjoyed immensely. These Annual visits are looked forward to with much joy by all. Leytonstone Pound Day, 90 packets of groceries and £2.

4th.—Readers of the "Life of Faith," £2. Hither Green Baptist Tab., £1 1s. 6d.

7th.—Ray Lodge M.M., 11/-.

8th.-Worcester Park, £1. Walthamstow, "Please accept the enclosed very small gift 7/6 towards the New Building. I trust God will bless and multiply it to His glory, and that His richest blessing will rest upon you and your family your labour of love for Him and also upon all the souls He gives into your Shoeburyness, A lady's bicycle for the work lge. Wanstead Mens Meeting, £2 4s. 0d. care. at Abridge.

9th.-Wanstead, 10/-. Edinburgh, 10/-. Chingford, 3 large boxes of honey cake. Hither Green,

20 large dolls.

10th.—An old girl, 5/-... Bow, "Please accept enclosed £2 4s. 6d. for the work you are engaged in believing God will continue to make it a great Testimony of Prayer and Faith in these difficult times Until He comes. Certainly I will be with you. Ex. 3.12." Westeliff, 10/-. Loughton, "I enclose 25/--to help the work with prayer that God's blessing will rest upon you and your family-wishing I was in a position to give more-A brother in Christ."

11th.—Chingford Hatch, £1. E. Twickenham, "Will you accept enclosed 5/- for the work among your boys and girls. I was interested in hearing at Amyard Park about the boy who went to Canada. Wishing you every blessing." Walthamstow, "In memory of Armistice Day 4 little children send three shillings and sixpence towards the building of your New Hall. With love from all to all." Woodford

Boot Club, £1 12s. 6d.

14th.-Woodford, £1 for New Hall and 10/-. 15th.—Old boys, 10/6. Anon, 10/-.

16th.—Brotherhood of Cheerful Sparrows, 10/-. ournemouth, £1 1s. 0d. Catford, 10/-. Wolver-Bournemouth, £1 1s. 0d. hampton, "I enclose 3/- with true sympathy for the May God bless you." work you are doing.

18th.—Walthamstow, 3 blankets, 9 frocks, 2 jerseys, 2 nightdresses, 2 petticoats, 6 pairs knickers, 4 sleeping suits, 6 pairs combs, books and texts. Manor Park, several bundles onious. Wanstead, 56lbs. jam.

19th .- Seven Kings Sewing Meeting, 40 flannel L.B.R. Sewing Circle, 40 flannel vests.
5/-. Gainsborough Gospel Hall, "I Stratford, 5/-. enclose £3 on behalf of Bible Class and Sunday School trusting that the Lord is blessing you in His service."

21st .-- 6 Pillow cases from Purley, made by an old lady over 83.

24th.—Walkern Mission, "Please accept £1 10s. 0d. from the friends of the Mission Hall towards the F.B. Memorial Fund. Wishing you every blessing on the effort you are making in His Holy Name." Shoeburyness, 2 pairs knickers, 2 frocks, 1 petticoat. Glasgow, parcel of clothes.

25th.—Southend, 4 pairs socks. Stratford, 5/-. Gidea Park, £1 10s. 0d. "For He hath said I will never leave thee nor forsake thee."-Hebrews 13.5.

26th.—Leytonstone, 56lbs. tea.

28th.—Purley, £1 1s. 0d. Wanstead Park, £1 for personal use.

30th.-Walthamstow, 10/- from several young girls. Southampton, "Will you please accept the enclosed £1 towards the Memorial Hall. It is sent as a thankoffering as my son has been out of work three months and this is part of his first weeks wages."

DECEMBER

3rd.-Ware, parcel of clothes and 10/-. "Sorry to hear you are unwell. Enclosed please find £10 as you may be having extra expenses." Muswell Hill, "As Xmas draws near I feel I must rite and wish you and yours personally and the orphanage a very happy and blessed time. enclosing £3 (£1 for general fund, £1 for Hall and £1 for Xmas festivities. With christian love."

5th.-Woodford, 56lbs. jam, 56lbs. marmalade, 7lb.

6th .- South Godstone, "Thank you for Links. have great pleasure in reading it and following the ways of God our Father in His love and care toward vou all. May many be brought to know and fear our Risen Lord and Saviour Cast thy bread upon the waters and it shall return after many days." Please accept enclosed 10/- with christian love." Parcel of clothes.

8th.-Woodford, 5/-. Woodford Green, £1. Stratford, "Please find enclosed from us all at our Sunday afternoon Women's Class the sum of £2 5s. 6d. for the New Hall. We all felt we would like a few bricks in it. May God's best ever be the portion of you all.'

10th.—Boro Market, 4 baskets tomatoes.

11th.-Woodford, 2 jars dripping, and magazines. 12th.—Chingford, 20 blankets, 13 tins Robinson roats. Forest Gate, "I am enclosing my mother's abscription £1. She likes me to send it about the Groats. subscription £1. time of her birthday, that is next Thursday and she will be 83." Westeliff. "Cheer up. Keep and the control of Westeliff, "Cheer up-Keep smiling.

Our Lord is still rejected and by the world disowned etc.—Oh the crowning day is coming by and byc—Perhaps soon—I hope so. Enclosed £2 2s. 0d. for Xmas fare." Leyton, 10/-. Westcliff, £5. Wimbledon, "Please accept enclosed little mite 2/6 with our united christian love and every good wish for God our Heavenly Father's abundant blessing on the work you and your dear ones are doing for Him in helping so many young lives."

18th.—Mersea, "Once again am enclosing a little gift with christian love £2 for self, £2 for Home, and £1 for my little friend Eunice, wishing her all the best of wishes for Christmas." Ilford, £1. Leyton, 10/-. Walthamstow, £1. Sutton, "I enclose 10/-at my Father's wish as this was the sum my mother always sent to you at the Christmas Season."

14th.—Copford, 6 rabbits, Harrow, parcel of clothes Highgate, 5 doz. tooth brushes, gross of boot laces. London, £3 3s. 0d. Twickenham Baptist Mothers' Meeting, £1 2s. 0d. Leyton, 2/6 "In memory of my sister-in-law." Walthamstow, 10/-. Hackney, £1 1s. 0d. Bracknell, 5/- collected in fathings. Winchester, £5. Stratford, "I enclose 11/- collected at the Share Out of the Sick Benefit Club, wishing you every success."

16th.—Goodmayes, £5. Leyton, "Enclosed please find cheque 21/- to help in your Christmas Jolities for your bairns." Leytonstone, £1. Forest Gate, 5/-. Snaresbrook, "Enclosed mite 10/6 to help to bring a little cheer for the kiddies at Xmas. Barkway, 37lbs. salt beef. Chichester, 2 nightdresses, 3 pairs stockings, 2 pairs knickers, 2 pair socks, 2 feeders, 2 shirts, 4 petticoats, 3 cushion covers, 1 pair gloves, 6 pinafores, 3 teacloths, 1 pair sleeping socks. Walthamstow, 10/-. Minsterworth, £1. A business house, Cheapside, "We have much joy in enclosing £1 15s. 0d. as a Christian gift to the boys and girls in your Home."

17th.—Railway Mission Sunshine Com. C.E., Barrel of groceries. Forest Gate, parcel of groceries.

18th.—Alexandra Park, 10/-. Railway Mission, £2 10s. 0d. Goodmayes, £1 1s. 0d. Ilford, 2/-. Railway Mission Sunday School, quantity of toys. Fullers Road Sunday School, a number of toys. Muswell Hill Working Party, 8 shirts.

20th.—Worthing, "I have saved 10/- towards something extra to make Christmas happy for all the children. Iwill try to do what I can to help. I do think it is such a loving work you are all doing to make little children happier." Worcester, "I have pleasure in enclosing £5 towards your work. It comes with all good wishes for God's richest blessing for Xmas and 1928." Doncaster, "While thinking of our dear little ones, our thoughts turn to you and your large family, Christmas time always seems to be the children's delight. May this one be a very Happy one and may God continue to pour out His blessing on your work, the blessing which adds no sorrow therewith. Enclosed please find cheque £8 3s. 0d. with much love and best wishes from all." Grove Road Mission Slate Club, £1 12s. 6d. Shoeburyness, 5/-. Leytonstone, "Please find £2 in aid of the Lord's work among the children. May His

blessing attend your efforts as the days come and go, above all we pray that they may be led early in life to take in the good news that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners." Epsom, 10/-. X.Y.Z. 10/6. Walthamstow, "Please accept 10/6 with all good wishes for Xmas and the New Year as a small token of thankfulness for many blessings in the past year from my friends and myself." Anstey, "I enclose cheque £1 15s. 0d. being the Christmas Offering taken at our services yesterday to be used as the Lord may guide you at this Season. We wish you all a very happy Christmas with the blessing of the Lord which maketh rich and addeth no sorrow."

21st.—New Malden, 2 parcels groceries, toys, clothes etc. Westcliff, 2 boxes Crackers. Harlesden, parcel of S.H. toys. Anon, £2 2s. 0d. Manor Park, "Having unexpectedly had a Christmas box given me of a sum of money, I thought I would like to pass some on to you for your work as your Homes are based on faith in God to supply your needs, having heard about them for the first time recently. I am specially interested because I am on the staff of the China Inland Mission, which you probably know is a faith Mission. I am therefore sending you 10/-which I hope will be of some use and pray that God will bless you in your work for Him at Woodford." London, £3 3s. 0d. Seven Kings, "Please find enclosed £5 from the Seven Kings Sewing Meeting. Our prayers are that you may all have a very happy Xmas, that God's smile will rest upon you in the New Year." Walthamstow, 10/- "In memory of Mrs. Barclay."

22nd.—Leytonstone, £1 1s. 0d. Stratford, "I am sending 5/-. I cannot do much but I like to share what I have given me with someone else. soon be having the Old Age Pension and then I am going to give you 1/- a week out of it as long as I live." From an L.B.R.A. momber 10/-From an L.B.R.A. member, 10/-. Rotherhithe, "I enclose 6/- towards boots our last contribution this year, also 10/- towards the General Both boys send their love and are doing well-Mother of two old boys." Amyard Park Sunday School, 2 boxes, toys and groceries. Sunrise Band, boxes of toys, garments, etc. Buckhurst Hill, Twickenham S.S. Young People's Sewing box sweets. Circle, parcel of garments. Wanstead, parcel of toys. London, Ovaltine, 7 doz. packets Chocolate and books. Woodford, 1,000 oranges. Rotary Club, Leytonstone, nuts, oranges and apples. Woodford Bridge, Anon, apples, oranges and nuts. Woodford Green Anon, Christmas Pudding, 14lbs. cocoa, 14lbs. tabioca, rice, beans, large piece bacon, Quaker Oats, 2lbs. biscuits, 14lbs. sago. Aldersbrook S.S., quantity of toys.

23rd.—Shoeburyness, Anon, £2. Loughton, Ronnie, 10/6. London, £1 1s. 0d. Walton-on-Thames, 10/-Romford, "Please accept the enclosed little gift of 10/- towards the work—With christian love—A Tower Hillite." Montague Mission, "I have pleasure in sending you herewith 15/- being amount of the offering at our Toy Service last Sunday." Woodford Green, "Mother and I are sending you £1 for the children's Xmas." Gloucester, 3/-. Woodford, £1. Walthamstow, £1 1s. 0d. Woodford, "Have enclosed small cheque £2 2s. 0d. and shall be glad if you will kindly buy the children something for Christmas."

Clacton-on-Sea, £1. Woodford, £1 4s. 0d. Chelsea, Walthamstow, "It is my pleasure to enclose a further cheque £2 10s. 0d. from the Western Road Missionary Fund." Muswell Hill, "I enclose cheque £1 15s. 0d. from the Freehold Mother's Meeting with our very best wishes for Xmas and the New Year." Woodford Green, £1. Anon, £1, "Just for the little ones-Trade has been so quiet or I would have sent before. Wishing you all a good time-With best Let you know where I lived when I see you wishes. above with Our Father." Walthamstow, 5/-. Plumstead, "10/- to help towards your Christmas dinners." Walthamstow, "Enclosed please find £1 as a gift from the Mens Bible Class, Greenleaf Road Baptist Tabernacle." Snaresbrook, "It gives me much pleasure to be able to send each child a small Christmas Gift. Friends have been most kind and I am delighted to have a balance of £5 which please find enclosed with sincere good wishes to you and your fellow helpers in this great and glorious work. Please wish the kiddies a Merry Xmas from Auntie Lou." Woodford Green, 2 geese Woodford Green, 2 geese Amas from Annue Lou. Woodford Green, 2 george and apples. Woodford, 20lbs beef and a quantity of cakes. Amyard Park Christian Band, 1 doz. bags 6 pairs knickers, 2 nightdresses, 2 scarves, 10 pairs socks, 3 frocks.

24th .- A member of Montague Road Mission, "On behalf of my sister I have pleasure in enclosing 30/being proceeds from novelties she has made and soldto be used towards extras for Xmas." Leytonstone, From B. D. and B. £3 3s. 0d. Ilford, 10/-Muswell Hill, £1. Hampstead, 10/-, "Another brick" Woodford, £1. Woodford, £1. Woodford, box of oranges, apples and nuts. Lansdowne Sewing Circle, 27 knitted vests, 12 nightdresses, 12 boys shirts, 8 overalls, 5 pairs knickers, 3 chemises, 4 pillow cases, 1 petticoat, 18 pairs stockings, 3 dresses, 1 bundle handkerchiefs. Father Christmas and his wife again Father Christmas and his wife again called and brought box maccaroni, 2 tins toffe, 12lbs. golden syrup, 6½lbs. cocoa, 7lbs. cornflour, 28lbs. rolled oats, 28lbs. haricots, 28lbs. tapioca, 28lbs. rice, 28lbs. butter beans, 28lbs. splt peas, 21lbs. jam, 15lbs. lentils, 6lbs. tea. Stamford Hill, 16 packets Sunmaid raisins, 5 tins fruit, 6 packets blamange powder.

26th.—This morning a party of friends from Grove Green Road came and sang carols to us and gave a little message to the children leaving two lovely iced cakes, basket of fruit, etc. Walthamstow, basket of sandwiches. Woodford Latchett Road Hall Women's Meeting had a Pound Day and brought us the proceeds. Woodford, large basket mince pies. London, 5/-. Athens, £1. Brighton, 15/-. Stratford, 3/-. Two Woodford friends called and left Senior Boys' Class, £1 15s. 0d. £3 3s, 0d. Anon, 10/-... Alfred Road Mission, £3 1s. 10d. Catford, An old boy, £1. Wanstead, 10/-.

28th.—Brentwood Baptist Carols Singers, £4. Southport, £3.

JANUARY 1928

2nd.—Clapton, £5 5s. 0d. West Norwood, "Please accept £3 from my father for the children. He is getting on in years now and does not write many letters himself. We praise God for the spiritual blessing received by your children, as well as prosper-

ing them materially. May they be His brave witnesses in various parts of the world." Cheshunt, £1 19s. 0d.

-"Enclosed £5 a little gift from the friends at the Lighthouse Mission." Friends at Ashburton Hall, £1 10s. 0d. Anon, 10/-. A friend, 8/3. Crewe, £1 10s. 0d. Leytonstone, £5. Highbury, I gross boot laces. Upton Poole, 10/-. Overstrand, Wanstead, £1 6s. 0d. A London business house Woodford, 10/- and £2 for New Hall. Leytonstone, £1. From a lad's Bible Class, £2. From a Woodford friend, £15 15s. 10d. collected from friends.

6th.—Merton, parcel of garments.

9th.—Fullers Road Sunday School, £1 6s. 9d. Leyton, "I am sending my usual donations 5/- and 15/- towards Building Fund with best wishes for the future success of the Homes."

. 10th.—Merton, £1 3s. 0d.
12th.—Surbiton B.C., £1 4s. 0d. Worcester, "Please accept £2 2s. 0d. proceeds from our Carol Singing from the G.L. Brigade with every good wish and prayer for God's richest blessing to rest upon you and your workers. A Walthamstow Sunday School Class £1 5s. 0d. Barking, 10/-.

13th.-Surbiton Sunday School, box of toy.

14th.—Buckhurst Hill, 5 grtns bread. Anon, 10/-. 15th.—London, £10.

16th.—London, "It's a long time since I wrote you, but I have not forgotten you. May I send you a little New Year gift......£1 1s. 0d. for the Home and £5 5s. 0d. for your own personal use. Wishing you God's blessing."

17th.—Bedfont Baptist S.S. Shoeburyness, "You will be pleased to hear we have had our Annual Pound Day on behalf of the Home and have been able to send off to-day by rail 4 boxes of groceries, I box of clothes and 5 bags of potatoes, carrots and parsnips. I also enclose £5 and another £5 for your own personal use, also proceeds of Pound Day. We praise our Heavenly Father for answered prayers on behalf of the effort. It is only a small item among your large family, but I would like you to know the amount of love behind the small parcels as they come in. There are about 358lbs. of groceries, etc."

19th.—Worthing, 10 pairs stockings, 3 pairs knickers 4 aprons, 1 pair shoes, 1 apron, 1 scarf, 2 pinafores, 3 petticoats, 4 pairs gloves, soap.

22nd.—Anon, 2 shirts, 1 petticoat, 1 frock and S.H. garments. Anon, Abridge, £2.

24th.—Misterton, "I enclose 2/6 in memory of my dear husband who entered the Homeland in September 1925 and who had previously taken such a great interest in the work that you carry on so loyally."

25th.—Hastings, 10/- "a thankoffering." Worcester £1.

26th.—Mersea, parcel of S.H. garments. Walthamstow, parcel of S.H. garments.

27th.—Surbiton S.S. quantity of toys, etc. Walthamstow, "Once again I send you thankoffering £1 for your noble work. Goodness and Mercy are still with us. He is faithful to all that trust Him." Stratford, 5/-. Teddington, £1 1s. 0d.

FEBRUARY

4th.—Shoeburyness, "For personal use, 10/-. Shoeburyness, "The Lord has told me to send you this thankoffering 10/- for renewed health and We are so sorry to hear of the sickness Much prayer was offered for among the children. you at the Hall last evening. We do ask that through this trial you may have much of God's Wanstead, "I have Wanstead, 5/-. much pleasure in sending cheque £2 2s. 0d. from the Wanstead Y.A.U. to be used in whatever way you like in the Home."

8th .-- Crouch Hill, 10/6.

London, "The Lord has 10th.—Snaresbrook, £1. laid it on my heart to send you the enclosed £5 to use as you need.'

11th.—Central Baptist (Stratford), proceeds from Carol Singing, £3 3s. 0d. St. Catherine's Church, £1 1s. 0d.

15th.—Anstey, 2lbs. butter.

17th .-- Royston, 5/-.

20th.—Queensland, "I was so very glad to have your letter and the account of the laying of the Foundation Stone of the Memorial Hall—I do trust that it will soon be completed as it will be such a blessing for the children-I enclose a further donation of £5 with my very warmest good wishes to you, all (please place this sum to the Memorial Hall Fund) I so often think of you all and am so very happy to know how splendidly your work among the dear children is being carried on—May God's blessing rest on you all."

22nd,-Newbury Park, parcel of clothes. ham Baptist Church, £1 1s. 0d. Leytonstone, 2/6.

25th.-Clapton, 7 wollen scarves knitted by a blind

Boro Market, 2 bags beetroot. 28th.-Muswell Hill, Freehold U. Mission, £3 3s. 0d. 29th,-Highbury, 10/-. Woodford Boot Club,

£2 11s. 3d.

MARCH

5th.—Leytonstone Congregational Sunday School, "On behalf of Officers, Teachers, Boys and Girls I have much pleasure in sending cheque £1 in support of your splendid work. Máy you rest assured that we are in full sympathy with your great task." Woodford Anon, £2.

6th.—Highbury, 2 gross of laces. 7th.—Woodford Bridge, "I have the pleasure to send you £2 again towards the support of your big family and as I have had a bit of extra bonus to add another £2 which you can put towards your new building or otherwise as you please."
9th.—From Readers of the "Christian" £1 10s, 0d.

11th.—Walthamstow Wesleyan Church, Stratford, 10/-.

ratford, 10/-. London, 10/-. 15th.—A Police Constable, 2/-. Walthamstow, 10/-Anon, 10/- for New Hall.

17th .- Woodford Green, 6lbs. beef.

21st.—Stratford, 3/6. Bedfont, £5. Highgate, box of books and clothes. Ongar, 10/-.

22nd.-Leyton Junr. C.E., box of toys.

23rd.—Seven Kings Sewing Meeting, 29 nightdresses

24th.—We to-day had a visit from The Grange Park C.E. who provided tea for all the children and entertained them. This was much appreciated by Enfield, 10/-.

25th.—London, 10/-. Palmerston Road, B.C., £1. A Stratford Bible Class, £1, "Unto Him who is able to do—above all we can ask or think I commend your work." Stratford, 5/-.

28th.—Woodford, 56lbs. marmalade and jam. Westcliff, £2 2s. 0d. Woodford, 10/-.

29th.—Anstey, 3lbs. butter. Anon, parcel of clothes.

APRIL

2nd.—Leyton, Barclay Hall, £1 1s. 4d. Leyton-stone, 10/-. Woodford, Fullers Road S.S., 108 eggs, Stratford, 3/6. Ray Lodge, 10/-. Worthing, £1 and parcel of hankies, etc.

4th.-£10 2s. 6d. collected specially to buy boots for our children, by the friend at Shoeburyness.

5th.—A party of friends from Sawbridgeworth visited our new hall and collected amongst themselves Woodford, 5/-, large basket of Hot 5/5 for same. Cross buns.

7th.-Leytonstone, 7 doz. eggs.

8th.-Aldersbrook S. S. 150 eggs. Ongar, 5/-Buxton, 10/-. Shoeburyness, £1.

11th.-Epsom, 1 cot and bed. Royston, £1. Brighton, £3.

12th.—An old girl and her husband, a bag of potatoes from their garden.

13th.—Paignton, Primroses from 20 little children. 14th.—Grange Park C.E., 12/-.

Loughton, 4lbs. suet, 21lbs. jam, 7lbs. corned beef. 17th.—Newton Green, 5 pairs socks. Woodford, bs. cocoa. To-day the Fillebrook Baptist Guild paid us a visit, providing tea for all the children. very happy evening was spent together, and each child was given a very nice present. We praise God for the many kind friends to help to brighten the lives of His little ones in this way. £2 2s. 0d. was also handed to me for our new hall. Leytonstone, £2 10s. 0d. for New Hall.

19th.—Purley, "I hope the enclosed will be a surprise and that it will give you pleasure. Since Christmas I have been begging from my relations and friends in aid of your Memorial Hall and am very pleased with the result. Mother has made it up to the total for me as I was several shillings short of the cheque enclosed. I send £10 10s. 0d. with my love and best wishes for the success of your undertaking." Merton Mothers, £1 5s. 0d. and 12 Merton, 10/-. frocks, 1 petticoat, 1 pair knickers, 1 shirt.

21st .- 6 dolls houses, 6 blackboards and easles, 6 engines, 5 dolls and cots made by a lad's class, Manor

23rd.—Redhill Baptist Tabernacle, Dorcas Society, 11 shirts, 3 nightdresses, 2 frocks.

During the year our friend has continued to send the 56-lbs. of fish twice a week and we were again greatly encouraged by the proceeds of the Harvest Festivals from many Churches and Missions.

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THE CHILDREN'S HOME AND MISSION—SOUTH WOODFORD (Home for Destitute and Motherless Children) INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 30th APRIL, 1928

Expenditu	ıre					Income
	. £s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£ s. d. £ s. d.
To Rent, Rates and Taxes	202 14	0	•		,	By Donations—
Water, Gas and Coal	109 5	3				Home 604 13 2
" Provisions	618 1 8	10				Building Fund (per
" Printing, Postage, 'Phone						contra) 267 4 4
and Stationery	58 12	6				871 17 6
" Furniture, Linen, Books,	010 14	8				" Subscriptions 90 3 0
Repairs, etc ,, Petty Cash Expenses	212 14 78 18					" Boxholders 49 7 6
" Petty Cash Expenses " Expenses of Outing	38 9	8				" Boot Box 7 5 0
" Wages	136 2	6		•		1018 13 0
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" Transfer Gospel Wagon	•			_		, Payments received on
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" Children's Sunday School Account—						come carried to Ac- cumulated Fund 60 14 2
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THE CHILDREN'S HOME AND MISSION—SOUTH WOODFORD (Home for Destitute and Motherless Children)

BALANCE SHEET, 30th APRIL, 1928

Liabilities						Assets						
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Building Fund— Balance at 1st April, 1928 11	12 10	11			·	Amount paid on account of the Florence Barclay						
Transferred from Income and Expenditure A/c, 2	67 . 4	4	-			Memorial Hall	800	0	0			
Children's Sunday School			1409	15 18		Cash on Deposit at the the Midland Bank	609			1409	15	3
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Accumulated Fund, Home						Cash in hand				. 1	18	11
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Less Excess of Expen- diture over Income for						Motor Car as at 1st May, 1927	37	13	4			
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I have examined the above Accounts with the Books and Vouchers, relating thereto and certify the same to be correct

A. WILLMOTT, Chartered Accountant, Hon. Auditor 14 Old Jewry Chambers, London, E.C.2.

Childrens' Home Missionary Boxes, from 1st May, 1927 to 30th April, 1928

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THE OPENING OF THE NEW HALL



FRIENDS COMING TO THE SERVICE IN OUR NEW HALL

On Thursday, July 5th, 1928, an interesting ceremony took place in connection with the work of the Children's Home and Mission, Woodford, when special services were held on the occasion of the Opening and Dedication of the "Florence Barclay" Memorial Hall. It was fitting that Mrs. Barclay's daughter, Mrs. Angela Whitcombe, should be present to perform the opening ceremony. She congratulated those present on the beautiful hall which had been built in memory of her mother, Mrs. Florence Barclay. "It is just the sort of memorial" said Mrs. Whitcombe "that she would have liked. She always took a deep interest in the work of the Hone. How much she loved it. I am so glad that her name will always be connected with this place." Everyone present must have echoed the words which Mrs. Whitcombe quoted in reference to her mother, "Her memory ever lives in the hearts of those who love her." Dr. F. A. Martin Flegg presided.

The Hall, having been opened, the friends began to troop in for the meeting that followed, under the chairmanship of the Rev. John Jermyn, who reminded us that at the laying of the foundation stone in the

previous October things were in a very rough state, but now things were in a finished state. It was indeed a day that marked a stage in the splendid work that Mr. White and his helpers were doing. Mr. Jermyn said he remembered Mr. White when he was but a stripling with a dream; but it was a dream that was really a vision. The need of motherless children was the objective of his life. "I feel that my life has been somewhat flat compared with his," said the Chairman. There has not been in it the same sort of adventure that he has had. I came to a Church that had been builtup by other hands. There had been good men before me. I was one of the fortunate men who entered into the work that other people had begun. The lines were laid, and everything was in order. But our brother here had not any landmarks, except the landmarks that were within his own soul, and he hard the great call of the Galilean, "Look after the children." He made a great adventure of faith. As we gather here in this Hall we rejoice with him that God has set His seal upon the work. It is a wonderful thing how he has been led on from stage to stage. His faith and zeal is as fresh to-day as it was in the days of his youth.

And we are here to rejoice with him and with his helpers who have come into this inheritance. One wonders how they have managed to do the domestic part of their work. They must feel to-day like people who have been living in a cramped cottage moving into a mansion. We trust that God's blessing may not only rest upon this new effort, but that they may find a greater and deeper and fuller joy in the work that He has sent them to do. We thank God for this hall, and take courage.

The 84th Psalm was read by Rev. G. H. Monks, M.A., followed by prayer offered by the Rev. A. J. G. Hipperson, in which he besought God that the Hall might be a nursery where little children might learn their first lessons of a Saviour's love, that it might be a school where the boys and girls might be instructed in the fear of the Lord.

Mr. J. R. Stark the Architect said: I would like first of all to say that it is a great pleasure for me to be connected in some small way with this Hall, which has been erected to the memory of Mrs. Florence Barclay, whose addresses I have often listened to with pleasure and profit. You all know how deeply interested she was in this work here.

You will expect from me just a few details of this new building. From the commencement we have always kept before us the fact that this new Hall will be used by the children as their School We want it to be a place that they will Chapel. remember. We hope that in years to come they will look back upon this hall as the place where they have made some of the most important decisions of Now this Hall is about 62-ft. by 30-ft. their lives. Below this Hall we have a dining and drill hall, and a big kitchen underneath the platform. Then we have had lavatory basins properly fitted. And the flooring over the hall is fire-resisting, made of concrete We have a hot-water installation which will add to the comfort of the children. The plan and the specifications were commenced nearly four We had three tenders. The highest years ago. We had three tenders, was for £5,820; the next was for £4,180; and the lowest was for £2,785. Mr. White and I agreed together that it would not be right to start the work until we had received half the amount either in gifts or promises. We tried to effect a saving in the expense somehow; and then the builder of the lowest tender kindly agreed to a reduction of his price to £2,250. The foundation stone was laid by Mrs. Whitcombe on a lovely Saturday afternoon on the 29th October, 1927.

As is usual on these occasions it is the custom for the architect to say something about the builder, Mr. F. C. Stark. I must say in fairness to him that he has done his work well. And being in sympathy with the work of the Homes, he has really put in more work than was specified for, and has made my job much easier and more pleasant. What I am struck with in the work of these Homes, is the human element in the Superintendent and his workers. Now to me that is a very important thing. I do think our Lord and Master must have had a lovely and smiling face for the children for sinful men and women to have been attracted to Him. Really to come into touch with

this work, perhaps after a tiring day in the City, One Saturday afternoon does one a world of good. I had been seeing a man on business, and I was standing on Liverpool Street Station, and presently I felt someone tugging at my bag at the back, and I turned round, and there was Mr. White. We travelled down in the train together, and Mr. White was saying that he hoped the Hall would be opened free of debt, and I said, "You don't think the Lord will send the money till the work is completed, do you?" And he said, "Don't say that. There may be a cheque waiting for me at home now!" And then at night I have visited the Homes, and it has been so helpful to see the smiling faces of the workers. They are always so cheerful and happy. Really they are wonderful. In going through the various items for the work, we had decided, in order to save expense, to retain a gas stove that was in use, but the workers told Mr. White that they did not want the old gas stove, and although no one was receiving more than ten shillings a week, they contributed a pound eachamounting to Seven Pounds in all-towards the cost of a new one. Yes, they are all wonderful workers. I said to Mr. White, "I would not like to change my life with you here, but I should up yonder. For you are indeed laying up treasure in Heaven." It will be a great joy when the builder has been entirely will be a great joy when the builder has been entirely hand you may to-day relieve the And you may to-day relieve the paid for his work. the workers here of some of their responsibility.

THE REV. LOUIS C. PARKINSON, M.A. said: I want to say what a real pleasure it is to have any share in to day's gatherings. It was a great privilege to be here when the foundation stone was laid. It is a still greater privilege to be here at the opening. There is just one little verse of Scripture that has been on my mind as I thought of the meeting this afternoon, and it is this, "David encouraged himself in the Lord his God." I do think that Mr. and Mrs. White and Miss Hutchin, and all who are associated with them in the work, have abundant cause to encourage themselves in the Lord. When these words were originally written of David, he was in anything but a happy position. Everything had gone wrong. And if David could encourage his heart in the Lord in circumstances like that, how much more can all of us encourage our hearts in God under such favourable circumstances, because everything concerned with the building of this Hall speaks to us of the goodness of God. We had a magnificent afternoon on the occasion of the laying of the foundation stone, and we have now another wonderful day for the opening of the Hall; and all the way along, if you knew the whole story, you would realise that the good hand of God has been with our friends in the building of this Hall.

Now I am one of those fortunate people—and I count it one of the greatest privileges of my ministry—to have these friends as members of my Church. You know it is said that ministers are constantly giving out. Well that is perfectly true. But it is equally true that ministers are constantly receiving. And I can say this from a good many years' experience in the ministry, when I think of the sum total of what I have received from those with whom I have been associated in Christian work, I have abundant cause to thank God, and I thank God

again and again for the association of Mr. and Mrs. White and Miss Hutchin and their fellow workers with my own Church. This Hall will ever stand, and the whole of this work will ever stand, as a wonderful

example of what God can do.

This is the second time this week that I have visited a building and gardens connected with children. It so happened that the day before yesterday I was at Shenfield where Mrs. Rowntree Clifford opened that wonderful home "Peacehaven" for the slum It is not in order to carry on the same kind of work as is carried on here for children, but it is intended for those little ones who are not very strong, that they may there regain their health. marvelled as I looked round that place, to realise what God has done for them in answer to prayer. They have got a place that if you wanted to buy it for £10,000 you could not do it. And God in a very wonderful way gave it to them for £3,000. And God in a very wonderful way has touched the hearts of so many, with the result that you have this beautiful building here to-day for the Lord's work. I do feel this, that God will look after the work that is carried on amongst His little ones. And all God's people must be deeply interested in such a work. About a week ago I was in the most wonderful garden that I have ever been in. It was not wonderful because of its size, nor was it particularly wonderful because of the variety of things that were growing in it. But it was wonderful because of the actual things that were found there. I never saw gooseberries, or currants so large as those that were growing in that garden. And the man who owned that garden was an amateur, and it was his hobby, and he seemed almost to be able to speak to those plants, and they did just what he wanted. The first thing I saw when I entered that garden was an ordinary sort of tree, and yet I saw that the stom described a figure eight. I expressed my surprise, and my friend said, "That is done by beginning young." And that was the whole secret of the success of that wonderful garden. It is as easy as possible if you only start young. Everyone of his plants were so uniform. What a lesson that is for all of us, and what a blessing it is that these dear friends are giving themselves to this work among the boys and girls. That is the time to win them for the Saviour—when they are quite young. One other thing about this garden. Nearly all his best bushes were covered with muslin. And my friend told me that there was a two-fold reason for that, one was because he wanted to keep the bushes from draughts, and the other was to protect them from the heat rays of the sun. There again there is another wonderful lesson. The joy of the work is another wonderful lesson. The joy of the work here is that these boys and girls are brought away from surroundings that would be otherwise full of temptations. It is so easy for them to fall, or to take the wrong pathway. But they are brought here into a Home where every influence is Christian, and where the workers seek to lead them to the Lord Jesus Christ. And one does rejoice in a work like this, and I am sure that God's blessing will ever abide upon it. And I do trust that the highest hopes of His servants may be abundantly realised.

THE REV. A. J. G. HIPPERSON: I also am delighted to be here this afternoon. Mr. White is a

friend of my Church and in our home. We have had fellowship together, and one has learned to know him well, and to respect and esteem him highly for his great work, and his great devotion to the Lord Jesus Christ. I had the pleasure of being present at the stone-laying, and I am glad also to have a little part in the opening celebrations. I had an illness in 1918, at the close of the Great War, and I remember 1 derived very great comfort from one of Mrs. Barclay's books, and I am glad to be on the same platform with Mrs. Barclay's daughter. I have often commended this book, and other books of Mrs. Barclay's to friends, and they have always profited thereby.

Mr. White asked me to give you an address on Keswick lines; but I have never been to Keswick. I am sympathetic with the Keswick teaching, and I read the Keswick addresses with great delight. I do not think I could do better than just go over the ground of the coming of Pentecost to the world. What creation was to this world, so Pentecost was to the Christian Church. There was no Church until the day of Pentecost; and there were just five things that made Pentecost possible.

The first thing that brought Pentecost was the prayerfulness of God's people. Those 120 continued in prayer with one accord; and it was while they were praying that the Holy Spirit came upon them. The great men of the Bible were men of prayer. "Then began men to call upon the name of the Lord."
Abraham, Jacob, Moses, Samuel, Daniel were all men You can go through the whole list of these people who were great in God's sight; they were men and women who had fellowship with the throne. I was with Mr. Parkinson in Wesley's Chapel recently, listening to one of his excellent addresses, and we were shown over the historic Chapel and then taken into Wesley's house. We saw a good many relics of John and Charles Wesley; and we sat down on the chair where Charles Wesley; and we sat down on the chair where Charles Wesley is supposed to have written, "Jesu, Lover of my soul." Only a few days previously I stood on the spot where Toplady wrote, "Rock of ages, cleft for me." After that we passed into John Wesley's death chamber, and we stood there hushed. But this is the thing that impressed me most. We were shown into a little anti-room where John Wesley retired every day for prayer and meditation. "When thou prayest enter into thy chamber, and when thou hast shut the door, pray to thy Father which seeth in secret, and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee And someone said, "Brethren, let us have spot where John Wesley used to pray, and we dedicated our lives anew to the Lord, and our Churches and our ministries. Behind Pentecost there is a glorious secret-there is an up-looking people, looking up through the clouds with a strong faith in a living Saviour.

Secondly, the secret of Pentecost is unity. There were all there with one accord. I was told that in the second row of a large London Church there was a lady sitting at one end, and another lady sitting at the other end; and they had sat there at different ends for nearly twenty years. They had sat in the same pew, they had sung the same hymns, they had

listened to the same prayers, they had been uplifted by the same inspiring message. But they had not looked at one another; they had not spoken to one another. They could not love one another. Just because of some little quarrel. And they could not forgive one another. There was nothing of that at They were all with one accord in one Pentecost. If we want blessing we must maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace; and at all costs we must learn to be forbearing and forgiving. There was no criticism between Peter and John. They tarried for the Coming of the Spirit. Thev kept the unity of the Spirit in peace and love.

Thirdly, there was the faith of the disciples. You remember when the Saviour came down from the Mount of Glory, down in the valley there was a lunatic boy; and the disciples were trying to cast out the evil spirit, and they looked up and said to Jesus, "Why could not we cast him out?"

Jesus said, "Because of your unbelief. All
are possible to him that believeth." Let us re All things Let us re-adopt Carey's great motto, and expect great things from God, and attempt great things for God. I have been preaching for five or six Sundays on the fulness of In God there is fulness and bountifulness. We have no right to go bare and empty-handed. May God supply all you need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus. These early disciples were great in faith, and joyful in expectancy.

Fourthly, they were very carnest. If only you business men here would do your work for Jesus There are scores of business men who come into the City every day. I see them careful to catch their train, giving of their ability to the accomplishment of their daily task. If only we brought our consecrated manhood and womanhood to Jesus Christ, oh, what wonderful things we might sec. The early disciples were men of zeal, even as Jesus of Whom it was written, "The

zeal of Thy house hath eaten me up.

The fifth secret behind Pentecost was that these men were absolutely devoted to the Lord Jesus Christ. We shall never accomplish anything until we get there. They said, at any rate, in spirit, "Whom have I in Heaven but Thee, and there is none upon earth that to Him, and may we appropriate the blessings He waits to give. What this sad world needs is the fulness of God in Christ, the glory of God in the Church, and the power of the Holy Spirit in every individual life.

EVENING MEETING

A pleasant time of social intercourse was spent around the tea cups, and the friends then gathered in the hall for a preliminary service of song, which was held under the conductorship of Mr. Smith, the

Caravan Evangelist.

MR. HERBERT WHITE, in speaking of the progress of the work, said: We can say from our hearts that God is good. It is now some time ago since we thought of putting up a hall for the glory of God, and the extension of the work here. We have built this Hall in memory of Mrs. Florence Barclay.

loved her while she was with us, and now that she has gone into Heaven we revere her memory. believe that Mrs. Barclay did say one day, when addressing the Bible Meeting at Leyton, that she hoped she would go before the Coming of the Lord, so that she might see behind the scenes. We loved her because she loved God, and because she loved the Bible, I heard he say more than once that she believed the Bible from cover to cover. And that is the only safe thing to do. Mrs. Barclay often spoke for us at our anniversary meetings. Her addresses always inspired those of us who were

carrying on the work.

The first donation towards the cost of building this Hall was given to us by one of our old boys. He joined up during the War, and was killed at the battle of Gaza. He willed to his sister half of what he possessed, and the other half to us. We put that money by, and it has been used as a contribution towards the building of this Hall. The Hall has cost us £2,250, without any extras. We have actually paid to the builder £1,400, leaving a balance of £850. We have since received £276 12s. 0d. in promises and gifts, including three cheques for £50 each from different friends. I may just remind you that legallyspeaking we are not altogether responsible for the final payment until six months after the completion We have a Christian architect and a of the Hall. Christian builder, and they have done what they have done not of love to God, and with a desire to help His work. Sometimes we have got right to Wits End Corner, but we have never gone right round. We have just looked up to God, believing that at the right time all that was necessary would be sent in. In all the years through which we have travelled in this work we have realised that God is not a disappointment. There is a bigger power in prayer than we dream of. There is nothing that God cannot do if we trust Him. We have learned this secret that one person with God is in the majority.

MAJOR MAURICE CHANCE, O.B.E., J.P. speaking from the chair said: I thought the boys and girls were going to be here this evening, and the remarks I have to make were really intended for them. one time Mr. White and I were at Sunday School together, and Mr. Mathews' father was our Sunday School Superintendent. Occasionally I fear I was bad, but now I have reformed. One of the things that we used to be taught in the Sunday School was the parable of the Prodigal Son. We all have our favourite portions of Scripture; and this parable told by our Lord Himself of the Prodical Son was my favourite. We picture that scene in the East of that prodigal son saying to his father, "Father, give me the portion that fallest to me." And we can just the portion that fallest to me." And we can just guess how the poor father felt. The Scripture does not mention mother; but we can imagine how she felt at her younger boy going off, perhaps waving to them as he went along, I do not expect the father and mother said anything to each other for a time; they wondered how their boy was getting on, and what he was doing. But, as we know, that lad wasted his substance in riotous living, and at last one day there he was in the far country with nothing to eat, and he asked a man to give him a job of any kind, and he sent him into his field to feed the swine.

And there was the father looking out day by day for him; then one morning he looked again, and he saw a figure in the distance, and as that figure drew nearer he recognized the walk of his son. How that father bounded down the steps, and ran towards his boy, and threw his arms around him and fell on his neck and kissed him!

I know a little up-to-date tale of the prodigal Just after the War a friend of mine, who was one of the Y.M.C.A. workers outside Victoria Station, one evening saw a young Colonial soldier with his head on his arm leaning against one of the pillars at Victoria Station. He went up to him, and said, "Alloa, what's the matter, lad?" And he replied, "Leave me. I am all right. I am simply tired out. I have been travelling for two days, and have had very little rest." And my friend said, "Look here, I have got a lad just about your age. Imagine ther. I will see that you get a bed
The young fellow consented to I am your father. somewhere." accompany him, and they walked along, and he started asking him about himself, and whether he had any friends. "I had a good father," he said, "but, unfortunately, I made a fool of myself, and I lost him." They went into the hut and found it crowded out, but there was a passage from the hall that was left open, and they got three of four blankets, and they made a bcd up for him. Just before going to sleep he put his hand in his tunic pocket, and said to my friend, " Mind that for me. There is some money there." While my friend was counting it, a visiting card slipped out-the young fellow was then fast asleep-and he saw on the card the name of a wellknown stockbroker. My friend thought to himseli, I wonder if this young fellow is his son. He noticed that the telephone number was given on the card, and he decided to get into touch with him. He went to the telephone box, and rang up the number given. At last after some time a very angry voice came to the telephone. And my friend said to him, "You won't know mc. But I want to ask you whether you have got a son." And the man said, "What do I had a son, but unfortunately we have you mean? And my friend, mentioning the name of lost him." the Y.M.C.A. hut said, "If you come down to-morrow morning, I think you will see your son." And although it was a late hour at night, the man said, "No, I will come now," and my friend arranged to meet him under the big clock at Victoria Station. When they met, the gentleman said to my friend, "Do you really mean that you have got news of my We had a quarrel and a dispute, and he went away, and I have not seen him for nine years." They went together to the hut, and my friend turned back the blanket from the face of the young soldier, and said, "Is that your boy?" And the gentleman said "Yes," and he put his arms around him, blankets and all, and kissed him." The following morning the gentleman came again, and then went in to be united to his son, and soon afterwards the two came out, arm in arm, and both of them shook my friend warmly by the hand.

I am wondering if someone here is going to be united to the Father. Will you go out of this building, saying, "I am united to my Father. I have made peace with my Father." This is the work which is being done by this Home, and God has given

everyone of you a great opportunity to have a share in it. You have got a share with our brothers and sisters here who are carrying on this great work. Are you going to take your share in the work by your prayers and gifts?

MR. J. A. AYLOTT: My mind is carried back years ago when Mr. White and I used to work here in this neighbourhodd, and I used to take my cornet, and Mrs. White (she was not Mrs. White then) used to play the organ. There was a tent in those days, it was just where this Hall is standing to-day. had beautiful meetings in the tent, and they were times when the blessing of God came down upon the people, and when hearts were inspired. I read for my portion this morning, "Abraham went on his way, and journeyed till he came to Bethel, where he made an altar; and there he called unto the Name of the Lord." Now here is a place to call upon the name Now here is a place to call upon the name of the Lord; this is a spot where blessing has been manifested in the years that have gone by. I came across recently another remarkable thought, and it That after the Israelites had had a great victory, "Samuel took a stone, and set it between Mizpeh and Shen, and called the name of it Eben-ezer, saying, Hitherto hath the Lord helped us." inspired when I think of the bounteous blessings that God has given us here. We have very fragrant memories of this place. God came to the aid of His people in those distant days when the friends were few, when the money was very scarce; when there was sufficient, but not much over. And we are in the same position to-day. There is always a sufficiency but not much over. But as the need has increased, so the supplies have increased. The blessings of the past give us encouragement and confidence and hope for the future in the God Who has blessed us, and Who will continue to bless us.

I am glad that in my lifetime I have known Mr. White. He is indeed a man of faith. There are times of depression in life. But there is an old verse I learned many years ago.

"How easy it is, how easy
When sailing the sen in a calm
To lean all your weight
On Jehovah's great arm,
But somehow I find
When the waves rock the boat,
It takes a lot of believing
To keep it afloat."

I remember that kindly, gracious, English lady Mrs. Florence Barclay, that saint of God. And that is the highest compliment I can pay anyone. She was the highest type of womanhood, and she used to come and minister us here. And I revere her memory to-day. God has answered prayer. Will you continue to pray about the work. Will you take some of the burden upon your shoulders. And then "Whatsoever He saith unto you, do it," and the Lord will bless you.

Mr. A. M. Mathews, E.C.C., J.P.: I am glad to be here to-night to take some part in the celebration of the opening of this new Hall. You have had a feast of good things from those who have spoken. I do congratulate Mr. H. White and his workers at the magnificent structure which has been erected. I feel that they are deeply indebted, and

must ever feel grateful to Mr. Stark and his brother for all that they have done in building this magnificent Hall. If ever there was an answer to prayer, this indeed is an answer in itself. This Hall is a memorial to that great woman, Mrs. Florence Barclay. One feels that it is a fitting memorial to her memory. She did a great deal in this neighbourhood. There were those weekly Bible meetings which took place at Leyton over a period of twenty years attended by hundreds of women who gathered to listen to her give the Gospel message. And this Hall being erected to her memory is a fitting memorial. She loved the work, and it is not too far away from the work she founded and carried on. How often she came to cheer Mr. White on his way, and to encourage him and his helpers in what they were attempting to do.

I was going to recall just one or two of the things that made her want to help in such work as this. do not know whether you have read the story of her life as depicted by one of her daughters. Read it for yourself, and you will find there a glowing tribute to a wonderful life. I have not time to say all that I wanted to say, or all that I intended to say, but I will just mention two incidents from her life which may be of interest to you. She was an extraordinary child, quite out of the usual. She never really grew up, in a way, and I think it was because of that that she had an interest in a Home such as this. When she was quite small she was walking up a road called Sandy Lane, and she thought she saw Satan coming down that lane. She was only four years of age at the time. She was terribly frightened, but she prayed hard, and presently she saw Christ, and she cried out to Him to save her; and immediately He was by her side, and they walked up the lane happily together. That was very real to her, and she never forgot it. Her imagination had played a great But it was something that left its part in that. impress upon the whole of her life.

She was a precocious child. If I were to tell you some of the stories it would make you marvel. She loved flowers and she loved music. She had a beautiful voice, and it was due to her that we had on this platform Miss Phyllis Lett. They were twin souls as regards music. She loved flowers. She used to go out into the garden as a little child, and there was one big tiger lily that seemed to dominate all the other flowers, and it looked so haughty and so proud and so domineering that it roused her anger, and one day she took her little spade, and she cut it down.

I could go on telling you other stories, but I am just going to tell you one more. She used to go to Church, and it was in the time of the high-backed pews, and she used to play in the pews as a little child; her father could not see her from the pulpit. She used to take Sunday by Sunday for a long time a lady bird, and she christened him "Jack Martin." And she used to take him in a little match box, and she used to play with him while the service was going on. And there was a little family, and she used to weave stories around "Jack Martin" and his family. But one day the poor little chap tucked up his toes, and turned on his back, and they buried him, placing the matchbox containing his body in the earth. And her father was reading two days later the story of Lazarus, and she heard how that our Lord had raised

Lazarus from the dead. And she prayed hard that He might raise even "Jack Martin." And having prayed, with a child's faith she went out into the garden, and dug up the little match-box and opened it in intense excitement, and little "Jack Martin" ran out.

There was another incident in her life as a child which is most interesting. One Good Friday she was playing in the pew when suddenly her attention was rivetted by the reading of the passion of our Lord. We have all read it. Some of us have been greatly affected by it. Some of us have stood at the actual spot. We have seen the place called Gethsemanc. We have passed from there, and seen Calvary. have seen the place where the Cross was placed. in the Scripture lesson read by her father the trial scenc was depicted. She pictured the whole thing. She could see the soldiers there, and Pilate sitting there on the dias as judge. How her heart beat. Will He get off? Yes. Pilate was going to save Him, the innocent Christ. Pilate is afraid No. of the Jews. He is not going to save Him. Yet He has done so much good. He blessed little children. Something must happen. How dare they mock Him. How dare they, those wicked people. How can they shout that He is to be crucified! Still, Pilate was trying to save Him. Pilate was doing his best. Then came the last scene of all. "They delivered Him to be crucified. They took Jesus and led Him away. And He bore His Cross, and went forth into the place called Calvary, the place of a skull, which is called in the Hebrew tongue, Golgotha" There they crucified Him, and two others with Him." Then she broke down. She was only six, and her mother had to take her out of She sobbed, "Oh mother, how could they Church... It was so cruel." do it? And her mother said, "It was for you."

This work is being done by our good friends in God's Name. It is being done for the little ones. I am hoping that when the builders require the money to be paid that the whole amount will come to hand. And if we have faith, even as our friend has faith, it will be so. This work is starting on a new era. From to-day one feels that there is a new incentive, something to work for, something bigger, something greater. More children will be gathered in. But the pathway will not always be smooth. One cannot have roses all the time. There must be the dark days as well as the bright ones. Nevertheless, even as Florence Barclay basked in the sunshine of God's love, so the work here will be carried on in the sunlight of His love.

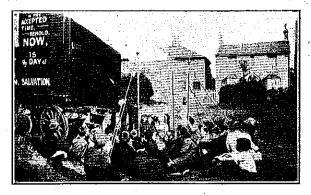
"God hath not promised skies ever blue. Flower-strewn pathways always for you. God hath not promised sun without rain, Joy without sorrow, peace without pain. But He has promised strength from above, Unfailing sympathy, undying love."

Mr. Bruce Flegg greatly cheered us by his messages in song at both meetings.

We were sorry Mrs. J. T. Inskip and Mr. C. Linden, J.P. were unable to be present also Mrs. Barker and Mrs. Rogers, daughters of Mrs. Barclay.

FLORENCE BARCLAY MEMORIAL HALL from 1st May, 1927 to 30th April, 1928

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CHILDREN'S HOME AND MISSION GOSPEL WAGON MESSRS, SMITH AND GARNER

EDITORIAL NOTES

We are now in our 30th year and for the 29th time we wish all our friends a very Happy Christmas and a real sense of His abiding presence during the coming year.

As we look back we can say "Ebenezer" and as we look forward we remember "The Lord reigneth" and so:—

"We'll praise Him for all that is past And Trust Him for all thats to come."

You will see from the Links what times of refreshing we had at our Annual Gatherings and also at the opening of our New Hall.

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The 70 children are enjoying good health and the Work is slowly progressing and we shall appreciate the prayers of all friends at this time for God's continued blessing to rest upon this, His Work.

MISSION WORK

The Evangelical Free Church at Abridge is still being blessed and regular services are continuing with good results:—

Sunday at 11 a.m. Worship 6-30 p.m. Gospel Service School 10 a.m. and 2-45 p.m.

Tuesday at 7-30 p.m. Prayer Meeting Wednesday at 3 p.m. Women's Bright Hour

Thursday at 6-30 p.m. Band of Hope 7-30 p.m. Mid-Week Service

and we gather around the Lord's Table twice a month. Good Open Air Meetings have also been held in the Village during the year and, we praise God for the many friends who have come to assist.

Meetings were held and tracts distributed with the Oakland Car up to December last when the frost got into the cylinders and put same out of action. We are (D.V.) hoping to dispose of this for a lighter Car and one which will be cheaper to run. Will you pray for His leading?

We also helped the Open Air Mission at Tower Hill, Hyde Park, Epsom, and Doncaster, etc. and conducted many meetings in places of Worship, including Blackhorse Road Baptist and Wesleyan Mess Room, Bishopsgate L.N.E.R., Maynard Road Mission, Lighthouse Mission, Cripples Parlour, Walthamstow, Barclay Mission, Leyton, Central Baptist, Stratford, Palmerston Road Baptist, M.O.B. Woodford, Hither Green Baptist, Assembly Hall Mile End Men's Tea, etc.

Last but not least our Gospel Wagon No. 1 has been out the whole of the year under the leadership of Mr. Tom Smith (who has recently been joined by Mr. J. Garner) and a real Work amongst old and young has been the result.

After a splendid send off from Headquarters Mr. Smith took the Wagon to Chingford Hatch, Chingford Town, Markhouse Road, Walthamstow, Ponders End, Waltham Abbey, Enfield Highway, Enfield Wash, Waltham Cross, Cheshunt, Tottenham, Edmonton, Enfield Town, Wormley, Hoddesdon, Rye Park, Stanstead Abbotts, St. Margarets, Ware, Hertford, Benge, Cole Green, Birch Green, Widford, Hunsdon, Hadham Cross, Much Hadham, Green Tye, Walkern, etc.

In sending his 12th monthly report Mr. Smith says, "This report gives me much joy to write, as it celebrates the completion of 12 months labour with the Wagon in the Villages—How soon the days and the months pass—It is almost impossible that a year has passed so soon.

We have much cause to praise God that 26 Towns and Villages have heard the joyful sound "Jesus Saves" and as far as ye know 31 souls, precious souls, have outwardly expressed and confessed faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

Will the friends specially pray for our Brethren that AIL needs may be supplied and that the dear Lord may open up the way for them. Also that the Texts on the Wagon and carried as banners by our Brothers may find their way into the hearts of men to the Praise and Glory of His dear Name.

Prayer is asked for the "City Business Men's Gospel Testimony" on Tower Hill every Friday from 12.30 to 2 p.m. All who love our Lord are invited to pray and help.

Our Special Praise and Prayer Meeting is held on the second Thursday in each month at 3-p.m. All are welcome.

Now in these days when Prayer Books are being altered and the Bible is being tampered with and questions are being asked in the public press, "Is prayer answered," shall we who love the Lord (although sundered far) meet at the Throne of Grace and pray that the Work here, founded by God 30 years ago, and daily supplied by Him in answer to prayer may prove to be a channel of blessing to many a Saint and a finger-post pointing men, women and children to the Lamb of God who came to take away the sin of the world.

Brethren pray for us

H. W. WHITE

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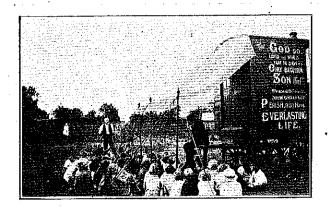
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