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## OUR FOREWORD

Still being able to continue our journeyings and meetings we gratefully own the Lord's great mercy in the privilege granted us, and have tokens here and there that He blesses the Word ministered. As the holiday trade in the Depot will come on in Dec. we hope to be back there ere that time, and will be grateful to any who can place their orders for S. S. Books and gifts early, as there is still a difficulty with the transport. Soldier Tracts are still being issued as fast as able and others received from Great Britain and elsewhere. Now is our special time in view of the great conflict still continuing. May the Lord of Peace Himself give us peace within while awaiting it without.

B. C. G.

## General Meetings

Brandon, Man.—In Fraternal Hall, 550 Sixth Street, Sat. a.m., Nov. 17th, over Monday, 19th. Notify Alex. or John Robson, 256 Percy Street.

316 Breckenridge St., Buffalo, N. Y.—(D. V.), an all day meeting on Thanksgiving Day (November 29th). Take West Utica car No. 10, from Exchange St. Station, as far as Grant and Ferry Sts., and walk two blocks north to Breckenridge Street.

Grand Rapids, Mich., Nov. 29th.—Thanksgiving Day meetings, Gospel Hall, 432 College Ave., N. E. Provision made for all who come.

W. A. Buck.

Detroit, Mich., Nov. 29th, Thanksgiving Day, at Gospel Hall, Greenwood Ave., near Forest.

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## LETTERS FROM THE UNITED STATES

Germantown, Pa., Sept. 17.—After the Plainfield meeting we had a night each at Newark, New York, New Orange Park, Passaic, and then came-on to Trenton, N. J., for Lord's Day. It was some years since we had been there last, and we rejoiced in the increase of the little gathering, through the labors of others, and latterly of Bro. V. Pennington, who had been com-

ing over for Lord's Day. Was glad to find them in an accessible hall, downstairs, on a main street, and with a nice attendance at Sunday school and other meetings. We shared four meetings with them, visited in several homes, and left Bro. Crain and wife there as we came on here. Since here, a week, have had 7 meetings in Wissahickon, Camden, Kensington and West Philadelphia, and with good attendance and interest, and are glad to learn of some advancement generally.

Reading, Pa., 20th.—On Monday came on to Bethlehem, having one meeting at which Allentown Brn. were quite a factor, and Tuesday at Allentown, when Bethlehem were nicely represented. In both places the loving service and faithful example of our dear Bro. Gilbert Reninger has borne its fruit, and his memory is precious to many who knew him, and his testimony still lives both in his own family, and in the little assembly. Wednesday visited Brn. Persing at Catasagua, and also Mrs. G. McCandless and Mrs. and Miss Feustermacher, out from Bowers Station, and then came on here for last night, when the Lord granted us a full hall, and liberty in presenting the Word, with evident appreciation of it.

Pottstown, Pa., 22nd.—At Boyertown had a large and attentive meeting, Brn. being there from Bechtelsville, Pottstown and Pine Forge, in which their autos served a good end, and we trust that many who possess such may consecrate them to the Lord in such ways as these. At Bechtelsville, next day, visited 3 or 4 families, some of them long known and beloved in the Lord, and later Bro. Erb, Jr., took us over to Pottstown for a meeting at night, which was well filled, some new ones especially expressing much interest in it. After it, went home with Bro. Dunn to Pine Forge. Next a.m. he took us to visit several families at Douglasville and Pottstown ere our going on to Lancaster. Was sorry to miss visiting Lebanon, but time had expired, and we are often reminded that only God can both will and perform all He wills.

Lancaster, Pa., 24th.—Coming here from Pottstown, have had a good and full Lord's Day with our brethren here, and a good attendance both afternoon and evening. Our next point is Altoona, having promised this

and time failing to visit, as we desired, Pottsville, York and Harrisburg.

Altoona, Pa., 26th.—Though but with one night here, it has been a true joy to see how graciously the Lord has wrought here by His varied servants, since, some years ago, we visited at times an isolated brother and sister here. Some, indeed, of those who ministered the truth, and helped them out into the path of separation, have, themselves, turned aside from it. Yet while the truths of Scripture need no human endorsement to give them their force and value, they do involve that if we know the Lord's claims we should yield hearty obedience to them. The truth of God is in His Book, but He claims also that it should have living witness of it being of Him, not as mere holders of certain views, as distinct from others, but as those who "obey from the heart that form (mould) of doctrine delivered unto us." Let, then, the ministers of the truth never be seen again, or even be found the living contradictions of it, in their varied paths, yet what God has revealed abides, and it is ever available for faith to rest upon, and for love to obey. While here had an interesting visit with a Roman Catholic woman dying, as, we trust, in faith in Christ, and also with a Swedish sister, feeling her way, with some of her children, out into the path where the reproach of Christ is yet to be known. May the Lord lead them on in His own way safely!

Pittsburg, Pa., 26th.—Reached here too late yesterday for the funeral of our sister, Mrs. McTurk, but was at the prayer meeting, in which Bro. McCandless spoke from joy in God (Rom. 5:11), God for us (8:31), and His wisdom and knowledge (11:33), and we followed from God's way, His word and His victory (Ex. 15:17). Next day visited several, and now take night train to

St. Louis Meeting, Sept. 27-30.—Here met Brn. from Chicago (3), Minneapolis (1), Kansas (5), Iowa (8), Detroit (6), Grand Rapids, Mich. (7), Princeton, N. J. (3), Toronto, Can. (3), Plainfield, N. J. (2), London, Can. (1), Greenville, Alton and other places in Ill. (30), Woodland, etc., Mo. (35). The weather was beautiful all through and as Brn. Hall and Dresch were here with their Gospel auto and several

Brn. had autos, many were helped to and from meetings with considerable comfort. The attendance was the largest yet known here, about 350 Lord's Day, and a fair number of strangers in at night meeting especially. Preaching went on on the street as well as inside. Bible Readings were on 1 Cor. 11 and 12 twice, and on Matt. 24. Addresses were by Brn. Ridout, McKenzie, Hall, Greenman, Elliott, Pearson and Fleming on various themes. After the conference Bro. Ruga gave an address on missionary lines and some scattered to places round, and meetings were held at Woodland, Greenville, Pocohontas, Alton and Highland, so as to widen out the sphere of blessing to others. Tokens of it were not lacking, as causes for praise to God, while the abounding need and deepening gloom of these evil days may well lead us to increasing and constant prayer in view of it all.

B. C. G.

St. Louis, 11th.—After a week here and at Woodland, alternating meetings with Bro. Ridout, have spent Lord's Day at Alton, Ill., and now go (D. V.), to Pocohontas, Greenville and Highland, ere going east to Indianapolis, etc. The Lord guide us each in the service to which He appoints us until He comes.

B. C. G.

Minneapolis, Minn., Sept. 29.—Since writing last, I have been evangelizing in Northern Iowa and Eastern Minnesota. After the Iowa conference I labored about Clarksville, where the Lord gave blessing, a number confessing Christ. Five were baptized in the Shell Rock River the morning I came away, two of them being young men. At Packard we had the use of an old abandoned M. E. church, a good-sized building, and at the last meeting it was crowded to the doors, and some standing in the entry. At Clarksville we had the meetings in a disused U. B. church, where the interest and attendance also steadily increased up to the last. I then came on to Anoka and Trott Brook, and at the latter place the Lord granted blessing also, some half dozen professing conversion, five of whom we baptized in the brook. Both at Clarksville and the Brook souls seemed deeply plowed up, weeping freely over their lost condition, a sight one rejoices to see in these days of superficiality and irreverence. Bro. Booth goes there to-day to re-

main over Lord's day and he may do more reaping, as others were under deep conviction. Oh! to see a widespread reviving of the work of the Gospel in our midst. There is so much preaching which seems totally barren of results, so far as conversions go. This is often the result of local conditions, the blame resting largely on the assemblies, though sometimes the preacher is himself to blame. Does he agonize in prayer for souls, and, knowing the terror of the Lord, persuade men? I leave for parts in Wisconsin October 1st, while Mr. Booth may continue in Minnesota a week longer.

C. Knapp.

Rochester, N. Y., Sept. 2.—Recently I saw in the daily paper a telegram stating that the celebrated surgeons, Mayo Bros., Rochester, Minn., were going "somewhere in France" to perform surgical work. It brought to my mind an incident related by a brother of one of these remarkable men. He stated, "I met a lady physician, of our city, who had taken a post-graduate course under a well-known surgeon of national fame. We spoke about his wonderful success, and she told me that she had a very interesting experience with the doctor. After having been there about two months, and having received very much instruction and help in their work, she, with other lady physicians, spoke about the religion of the surgeon. Someone said that he was not a Christian, and they did not know whether he went to church at all. One of the lady physicians, who were all Christian women said, 'I will volunteer to ask him to give me five minutes of his valuable time, and will talk to him about it, if you and the other ladies will pray for him.' She asked him for five minutes of his time, and he gave them to her. She came right out with the question: 'Doctor, I am very thankful for the opportunity you have given me, and we are all indeed thankful for the privilege we have had to learn here. What I have to tell you may seem forward, but we are so much concerned about your welfare that I made up my mind to speak to you about it. We have been told that you are not a Christian, and we are very much afraid that you are missing the best of life. I have brought a Bible with me and have marked certain passages. The question which I have to

ask it this: Will you read the Word of God when you have time?' After some thought the doctor said to her, 'Well, doctor, you are the first physician of the many physicians (and I know there were Christians among them), who ever spoke to me about the salvation of my soul, and I am very thankful to you, indeed. I promise you that I will read a portion of the Word of God daily.'"

E. Bosche.

Indianapolis, Ind., Sept. 3.—August 4th Bro. Chas. Milne, wife and daughters and I went in the auto from Detroit, through Cleveland to Dunkirk. Crossed at Buffalo into Canada and went through Hamilton, Brantford and London to Windsor. Scattered a large quantity of papers and tracts, and had some good street meetings. Were at the breaking of bread in Hamilton and the street meeting on Saturday night was a large and attentive one. We were glad to see Bro. Somerville and family again, but as Bro. Milne's holiday was limited, could not tarry long at any point. Aug. 22nd Brn. Bert Hall, Ervin Dresch and I left Detroit for St. Louis. In coming towards Bryant, Ohio, we came into Stryker, O., and looked up Brn. (with Mr. Lowe, I think), and spent Lord's Day. Here we found Bro. Geo. Louys and family. On Saturday and Lord's Day night we had good crowds on street. Sept. 1 we reached here and got a hearty welcome from the Brn. After making some necessary repairs on our auto and trailer, we hope to start for St. Louis, better able to handle our literature. In answer to Bro. Dresch's letter in June, two pkgs of papers have been sent to us from N. Y. and Minn., which we desire to acknowledge. We believe that many homes have papers that ought to be distributed, and with this outfit we can scatter thousands. If sent care of Robt. A. Robson, R. D., Box 21, Carlton, Kansas, we could use them from there.

R. H. Hall.

515 Second St., Solway Stn., Syracuse, N. Y.—We have removed from Elmira to here, as there is a meeting here and we were alone in Elmira mostly. We were formerly from Schenectady, and in the meeting there for some time. We are very glad to be amongst the Lord's people once again. I was severely injured at N. Y. C. R. R. station here on July 14th, in a hos-

pital 8 days and laid up from work a month. An express truck, placed too near the tracks on the station platform, when the train came into the depot, bearing my wife and two little children, hit the truck, which in turn struck me, as I stood near. I was taken to the hospital, unconscious and bleeding from ugly wounds and suffered great pain. My right cheek was punctured, upper jaw thrown out of alignment, head cut, so it had to be sewed up, and suffered concussion of the brain. When five days in hospital the N. Y. C. claims agent settled with me, when I was in no condition to be dealt with, for the sum of \$25.00, and when able to realize the circumstances, I went to him and protested as I was at many times that expense, but the company refused to grant any more compensation to me, and so we leave all things with our blessed Lord to order as He sees fit. It was His mercy that spared me to my family for a time yet, for which we are very thankful. I am at work in a factory here, where I am treated very kindly, the Lord providing employment so we could be among His people. Bro. Young here was kind to us, until we got a place to live and we are now in a flat again. My wife and children were in Schenectady visiting relatives, and on her return I was injured, so it was a great shock, and made things hard for her as well, having to settle as much as she could without my aid. She knew not what had happened to me for over two days, and then through a newspaper. I had identification papers in my pockets, but they did not take the trouble to notify her. Abel P. Johnson.

St. Louis, Mo., Sept. 10.—On my recent visits to various gatherings I was more than ever impressed with the evident need among our younger brethren and sisters especially, of encouragement to Bible study. The spirit of the day affects us all, and we certainly need, in these days of growing indifference to the Lord's claims, when His word seems to have so little authority in the soul, to encourage one another and strengthen the things which remain. In many places, alas, the weekly prayer meeting and Bible reading has become defunct; no wonder that our testimony is enfeebled and that many who once "ran well" are lagging behind? What, too,

must be the effect upon the younger ones, who have little or no ministry to build them up in the faith. May we bestir ourselves and redeem the time. For a long time I have had upon my mind the desire to stimulate young Christians to Bible reading and study. This leads me to propose a postal Bible Class (particulars below). Shall be glad of as many addresses as possible, not necessarily connected with our meetings. Shall hope to mail the first papers in Dec. (D. V.).

J. W. H. Nichols.

Minneapolis, Minn., Sept. 29.—I receive H. Friends each month. Thank you for them. I have found many Christian people while on the wagon, who enjoyed them, and am sending them to them. I have been alone this summer, but found much to encourage and feel that it has been a summer well spent. I have laid the wagon up at Pine River and now hope (D. V.), to go back over some of the ground where there seemed to be some interest and may be accompanied by Bro. Bisset, of St. Cloud. I trust, if the Lord tarries, another year to have company on the wagon. Brn. Booth and Knapp are in this vicinity with quite a little blessing at Trott Brook.

Reginald Taylor.

Duluth, Minn., Aug. 29.—After a day or so in Minneapolis, preaching Lord's Day evening, came to Nashua Meeting. Brn. Booth, Nichols, C. Knapp, Fleming, Hume, Brandt and Enefer ministered the Word. Bro. Van Loon was still in poor health, although able to attend the meetings, and bright and happy. From signs of improvement we trust he will recover. The conference was well attended, the local saints well caring for our temporal needs. Bro. A. M. Scott was, as usual, indispensable, and in his no mean service "before the Lord," as much depends upon a capable leader upon such occasions. The three daily meetings were well attended. Bible study in the mornings being John 1, Col. 1. Afternoons, addresses for Christians; at night, the Gospel. Iowa and Minnesota were well represented, Florida and California also by Brn. Knapp, Nichols and the writer. Two confessed Christ Lord's Day eve. I came here for a few days desirous to see as many as I can ere returning. It is seven years since I have been away from

the coast, and it may be my last privilege to see old faces ere He comes. We are passing through much exercise in these dark days, so many dear saints have sons in the army. Our own son, a captain of field artillery, National Guard, at any moment may be sent abroad. Well, God is over all. Christendom has failed disastrously. No government has been true to its trust, as representing God. So all must bite the dust. How much should we "love His appearing" when He will manifest Himself in all power. When the groans and tears of this poor scene will end and the "kingdoms of this world become the kingdoms of our Lord and of His Christ." May we have grace to go on, unswerving in loyalty to Him, His truth our shield and buckler, compromising none of it, and not turning back in the day of battle." Live fish go up stream and against the current. May our assemblies be pools of living water and not stagnant; may we not be ashamed of the reproach of Christ nor afraid of the word "separation" in its proper bearings.

F. J. Enefer.

462 Belmont Ave., Los Angeles, Cal.

515 Day Ave. S. W., Roanoke, Va., Sept. 1.—We visited near Glade Hill, my wife staying with Sister E. J. Dearing, whilst I held a week's meetings at Mountain Grove. The attendance and attention were excellent, especially two Lord's Day's, a.m., p.m. and night, when every seat was filled. Week night attendance was not so large, as <sup>the</sup> were busy threshing wheat and curing their tobacco crop, their only real money crop. Walking back to Sister Dearing's, tarried a few days, then Lord's Day at Roanoke. Returned Mon. to Glade Hill, and announced nightly meetings in Baptist Church, which was granted me and attendance is improving. The bright moonlight and good roads make it quite inviting to come out. May God give all needed grace to minister the Word. But, alas! the apostasy is settling down, like a pall, young people especially losing all relish for sober truth. Some young ladies here, church members, meet weekly to practice a new dance. "Lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God" painfully apparent. May God mercifully lead them to repentance. We are asked to hold meetings near Union Hall. Then purpose (D. V.), returning to

Roanoke, and on to Iron Station, N. C., for the quarterly meeting, Oct. 7, then to visit the brethren briefly at Stanley, Gastonia, Newton and elsewhere. We are thankful for the supply of "Home Friend," "Messenger of Peace," and the bountiful supply of good tracts from Bro. Crabtree. We wish to be remembered in prayer. Bro. Jenkins returned home on Aug. 21st for a needed rest, having been more encouraged in Luray in his tent services with Bro. Gainfort, who continues the meetings.

Robt. Seed.

Green Bay, Wis., Oct. 2.—I see, as never before, the need of sticking to the Gospel, and that in its simplest form, and with plenty of salt and fire. The lack with us to-day is an awakening Gospel ministry. We give and hear many fine addresses, but they seem to fail utterly to arouse sinners. I fear we do not aim sufficiently at the conscience. May God revive His work among sinners with us. I spoke at Minneapolis Friday and Sunday nights, and Saint Paul Sunday at 3. Sunday night the Word laid hold of some half dozen or more, and penitential tears flowed freely, and quite a few dear young souls confessed Christ freely. It was a time of great joy to parents and all the brethren present. May they now patiently feed and tend these lambs.

C. Knapp.

R. F. D., No. 1, Charlottesville, Va., Oct. 1.—Closing tent meetings a week ago Bro. Gainfort left to attend quarterly meeting at Iron Station, N. C. Bro. Seed and wife also expect to go. There is great need of "strengthening the things that remain." May they be used for blessing to the few with us there. Brn. at Nethers announced a meeting for last Thurs., 28th, but infantile paralysis broke out and the Board of Health forbade all public gatherings, so it is postponed till later. Our tent meetings were well attended at Luray, Va., but souls seem hard to reach with the truth, and the professing church seems dead. In many towns in Va., I am told the ministers are compelled to have union meetings, Sunday nights, in summer, to get a congregation. The fewest of people even care to read God's Word. Preachers are agitating the war question and many forget that our citizenship is in heaven. If there were a

real turning to God in this sore distress He would hasten its close. But nations must realize that "it's an evil thing and bitter that they have forsaken the Lord their God, and that His fear is not in them." May He give us peace, if consistent with His holy counsels. We should cry mightily to Him for our rulers, for they need our prayers as never before. We should honor kings and magistrates, and it ill becomes us to speak evil of rulers. May the Lord grant the president needed wisdom at this crucial moment. The only young brother in our meeting is drafted, and while he will not have to take up arms, yet it is sorrowful to see any have to go. But if the honor of the nation is to be maintained it must be, so we can only cry, "Thy will be done." I expect to be about home for a couple of weeks, gathering the vegetables and fruits for the winter, and then to visit Etlan, Syria, Nethers and other places about the Blue Ridge Mountains of Virginia.

C. R. Jenkins.

C/o Loizeaux Bros., 1 E. 13th St., New York.—Thanks to the Lord, I have had a good season of refreshment and fellowship in Plainfield, N. J., Abilene, Kas., and St. Louis, Mo., general meetings. Many may not enjoy this as those who are alone in regions beyond, deprived of the blessed privilege. I had also the joy of visiting our brethren in Chicago and Oak Park, and now hope (D. V.), to return to N. York to spend my time among Italian speaking people. A brother from Brooklyn says he knows a Spanish-Jewish quarter where I may have also (D. V.) a good opportunity to speak of our blessed Saviour. Pray for those fields, as for the neglected French island, Guadeloupe and Martinique, and the encouraging field of Porto Rico and, also for my health's improvement.

Henry Ruga.

Nashua, Iowa, Oct. 4.—We missed you at our meeting this year. There were four young girls confessed Christ at the close of the meetings, and we hope it is real and that in their lives there will be fruit to the glory of our Lord. I trust and pray that we, who are growing gray, may prove real spiritual fathers to the rising generation, and teach them by example as well as by precept. I am still tied at home



through affliction. It seems impossible to go from home overnight, as I seem worse through the night. We are thankful, indeed, my symptoms are not so violent as they were last Winter. Occasionally we get out to the meeting in the country, six miles from here. My wife is fairly well.

E. H. Van Loon.

### LETTERS FROM CANADA

Port Daniel West, Que., Sept. 5.—We still go on here, now seven weeks, and the good Lord granted us some cheer. Sometimes it is trying, keeping the tent up, but then there is a calm, and it is fine to go through the storm "with the Lord." We still have fair attendance through the week, and Sunday evenings a full tent. Quite a few profess to be saved, which we trust is real, and now we look for the fruits meet for repentance, proving they are "His workmanship created in Christ Jesus unto good works." We are seeking to lead them on in the truth also, knowing that "God desires to be glorified in the church by Christ Jesus, throughout all ages, world without end" (Eph. 3:21), and this not so where the Lord has not His true place as Centre and Head. So far thirteen have broken bread with us, and we look for more and covet a share in your prayers that the Good Shepherd would temper the storm for these lambs, and that all "the nets of the fowler may be spread in vain." Most Lord's Days we have a visit from some brethren up the bay, and that is a cheer, and often as "a drink from the brook by the way." It is getting a little cool in the tent in the evenings already. Trust that much cheer was ministered at Plainfield, Osgoode and other centres, where many gathered together. We remembered you all at the throne of grace. Some are wondering if we are going to stay till the snow flies, "tormenting them before the time." How sad they desire the Lord to depart yet, knowing not their deep need that He alone can meet.

A. H. Stewart and H. L. Campbell.

Black Cape, Que., Sept. 24.—I am improving and (D. V.), will soon be all right again. They have an unused store in P. Daniel now and quite a few break bread, but they need help for a while yet; may the Lord raise up among them those that will

"care for the state of the saints." I expect to get down again (D. V.), and try to help. Pray for us also. Glad to hear of "Que. city." May the Lord encourage and sustain.

A. H. Stewart.

Cullen's Brook, Que., Sept. 5.—I was up the Restigouche River when you were down and missed seeing you, for which I was very sorry. Was thankful, however, to learn of your visit to our old home, and our hall, where you had the privilege once again to give out the "Word of God." I do not remember seeing you face to face since we were at St. Croix meeting many years ago, but am thankful to know you are being sustained of God, and used in blessing to others. Thank you for the little mention of "Robbie's Treasures" in Home Friend. It may be the means of help and blessing to others, besides showing fellowship in a sorrow, which is the common lot of many to-day with ourselves. How the Lord loves to cheer us even through one another, and how readily He can do this, if we are where He can use us. May He enlarge our hearts. It is a precious and important service to encourage one another in the path, as He desires us.

Jno. E. Campbell.

Sydney Mines, N.S., Aug. 28.—We have been much helped and cheered on our pilgrim journey. "How good is the God we adore." It is with joy we look back on our visit to Black Cape and New Richmond. How good of the Lord to take us that long journey and back safely, to find our loved ones all safe after being away two weeks. We enjoyed it very much. How wonderful the work of grace around those shores. How cheering to meet all the brethren, some with hoary heads, a crown of glory (Prov. 16:31). It makes one think of the untiring labor and earnest prayer, of the plowing and sowing, and the faithfulness of our Lord in blessing His Word. His arm is not shortened but willing to save. What joy to meet Bro. H. L. Campbell who was the first one it pleased our Lord to send us here and how glad we were to see him. We had a precious time at New Richmond meetings. Our Lord didn't send us empty away. As we journey home those hundreds of miles I could not but think on John 4:35: "Lift up your eyes and look on the fields, for they are white already to harvest." How we need to pray the

Lord of the harvest to send out laborers. We enjoyed your visit very much. We feel as if there had been a big shower of blessing land here, you and Brn. McCalm, Huss and Eames all coming to us at once, and the precious time we had. You caused quite a stir in North Sydney. The people there are asking when you are coming back and when you come you have to take a hall. We continue the meetings there. We have had some very helpful meetings with Bros. Huss and Eames. They left here Aug. 15th, with their auto wagon, for the southern shores of C. B. Bro. McCalm seems to enjoy his stay with us. He is a help at our meetings. The deed hasn't come for the land for our hall yet, so we have done nothing since you were here. We are looking for it any day now. As Sept. 3rd is a holiday, Bro. Simmons and I intend going to Louisburgh on Sat., staying over Lord's Day. I am enjoying Judges by S. R. very much, which you left for our library.

John Irvine.

Sydney Mines, N.S., Aug. 25.—I am still here, but no work at the hall here yet. I enjoy the saints here very much. They have good meetings 5 times a week and Saturday nights at N. Sydney on the street. We had a visit of our sister, Mrs. H. McEwen (P. E. I.), for one Lord's Day. I expect to leave (D. V.) for home Thursday night.

W. McCalm.

H. M. Minesweeper "Baleine," Halifax, N. S., Sept. 7.—Am endeavoring to get all the old H. F.'s, etc., out from the hall here into surrounding fields, where the good seed may get a chance to prosper. Several complete volumes F. & W., 1889, have bundled up to distribute to saints. To review past history of saints often brings blessings. We can gain from the experiences of dear departed ones much spiritual profit. One wrote: "I am sure we are and have been in a very low state, occupied with much that does not profit or bring near to God, and so we have been brought low in the presence of our enemies. Oh for a singleness of eye and purpose to the praise and glory of God!" How true among many assemblies to-day, occupied so much with temporal things and even some that dishonor Him and just a few rapid hours each week, and the bare leavings of our means for Him. Oh that

each heart may echo the last sentence of the above quotation and in these closing days live up to our wonderful privileges to **live for, stand for, and speak for** a rejected Saviour. To be occupied thus is a pleasure. We become bright and happy in our souls, and lay up treasure in Heaven to abide forever. Quoting from same paper: "Yes, work is only thought to be self-sacrifice when it is for Jesus Christ. Oh! it is an infinitely sad thing: we only talk about self-sacrifice when it is to save souls. When it is to hunt beetles or collect butterflies, then it is 'pleasure.'" May we each live closer to the Lord than we have done in the past."

Close to Thy trusted side,

In fellowship divine;

No cloud, no distance e'er shall hide

Glories that then shall shine.

B. L. Twinn.

Providence Bay, Ont., Sept. 7.—We are all pretty well and still looking for our dear Lord and Saviour, in whom we trust. I hope you are keeping well and able to do that great work which is much needed in these days of awful trouble that is going on in this world. Oh isn't it good to know we don't belong to this world. Soon that loving Saviour will come, and we will be caught up with Him and be in our glorified bodies. What a thoughtful people we ought to be. Bro. Gordon has gone down east to see his friends, may the dear Lord bless him in his travels and bring him home safe. The Lord has blessed us with good crops this season. Mrs. D. McDermid.

Toronto, Oct. 1.—Osgoode meetings were very well attended, and every care taken of those present. The ministry was full of the person of Christ. One meeting for the consideration of worship and another as to Christian obedience in case of conscription. After this the Gospellers spread out, Brn. Sykes, Pearson, Somerville, Ferguson, Dunning, Robins, Clingen, Wallace, Viret, Couch and others. A. McLellan and H. Lawson went on to Golden Lake, visiting round on foot, 15 or 18 miles on the way. The latter visited Vankleek Hill and eight other places ere returning. Brn. at Lachute purpose holding meetings Thanksgiving Day. Brn. at Carleton Place and Grey to have them at New Year, and



Brn. here 2 days at 191 Westmoreland Ave., Oct. 7 and 8. We are reading Rev. 3 here. The young men have held the Gospel on the streets since April. Bro. T. Tomkinson and C. Nicholson are at St. Catharines. F. B. Tomkinson and Geo. Craik are at Grey. Everywhere there is great need of evangelists and pastors, and to remember God says, "Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit." H. P. Lawson.

Gabarous, C.B., N.S., Sept. 26.—After you left we got the top fitted to the chassis and stocking up at Sydney, left for Grand Narrows, to cross for Boddeck and Inverness Co. Reaching the "Narrows" the wiseacres informed us that our car was too large to be taken across, but we held our peace and waited. When the "Blue Hill" arrived, the captain not only took us aboard, but made a very small charge, taking us much further than we expected. Near Boddeck, we saw the beautiful estate of Dr. Bell, of Bell Telephone fame, but the entire country is one of beauty, save where man's wanton hand has laid it waste. Up the Middle River to Margaree was through some of the loveliest scenery of lake, mountain and valley perhaps anywhere to be found. Reaching N. E. Margaree, visited some farmers and preached on the street to a small, but attentive company. At Kingross, next day, had meetings outside, and the people (Pres.), all requested us to preach in their "church" Sunday a.m. and eve. Their pastor preached in the p.m., so they felt they had a full day. We found them a sincere, godly company, uncorrupted by much that taints those who would despise them for their simplicity. They gave us a hearty invitation to return, but its remoteness makes it difficult to reach except in summer. At Frizzelton met an anxious soul, who told us that those who ought to have shown her the way of salvation spoke of the weather, etc., but not of what she longed to know. Pointing her to Jesus alone and His finished work we left her resting, we believe, in God's Word, concerning Him. At Margaree Harbor, preached to a large company on street, with good attention. Many Catholics present. Next day left for Chimney Corner, but heavy rain prevented, so we camped till it ceased. Next a.m. got to

Inverness, where large mining operations are carried on. Visited the houses selling some Testaments and Bibles, and at night preached on street to a large crowd, with the greatest attention. We felt that God was working in some here and that He will manifest fruit in that day.

At Mabou, next day, preached on street, and met, next a.m., a number of the merchants and others, some of whom said they were much helped by the Word spoken. A Mr. MacMillan, merchant, expressed his sorrow that his brother was carried off by Russellism, and is one of their "big men" since Russell's death. We met another Russellite just out of Mabou, and warned him against that wicked system, but alas, we fear his love for it shuts out the appeal of God's Word to "cease to hear the instruction which causeth thee to err."

At Port Hood, a deserted mining town, a lot of rowdy young men persisted in their endeavors to break up our meeting in the street. Neither the priest nor the Meth. minister, nor any one in authority, offered to quiet them, and with difficulty we presented the Gospel to some disposed to listen. Stones, cowbells and firecrackers were brought into play, but God enabled us to finish, and we prayed Him to look in pity on them, and open their eyes to their own need and to His love for them.

Next day visited Ports Hastings and Hawksbury, distributing papers and presenting the Gospel to all disposed to listen. Rain in the p.m. compelled a retreat to the woods till it cleared and Lord's Day we went on to Cleveland, where a Mr. Fergerson, village blacksmith, welcomed us and we had hearings at C. E. meetings and later, a larger one on street to a very attentive company. Mr. F. showed interest at a previous visit of Bro. Eames, and now has assurance of salvation.

Monday we went to St. Peters, stopping at West Bay en route and visiting about. Preached at St. Peters on street at night, and then left for Grand River, 20 miles distant. At G. R. Falls, next a.m., spoke to a farmer, who confessed to being in the dark and trust he found peace through God's message in His Word. Another farmer showed much interest, too, and each

bought a Bible. After some very rough roads, we returned here (covering some 360 miles), where we remained a week, making some needful changes and started again into Victoria Co. to visit the north shore, where they went last year. Besides many conversations with people in homes, on the road, etc., we preached in quite a few school houses, halls, on street, etc., touching at Englishtown, Britton Cove, French River (where we remained three days and had three meetings in their school), at Little Narrows, Whycomagh, and Plaster Mines, reaching Sydney Mines last Thurs. p.m. Many earnest Christians welcomed us, some lacking assurance, others sick and dying, to whom it was our privilege to give the word of life. At almost every place, I believe, they would welcome us again. We have names and addresses of several, who, no doubt, would be led on with suitable ministry. A number were exercised as to the Lord's coming, others mourning the loss of loved ones in France. We commend all to our God for His rich blessing. I expect to spend Lord's Day at Louisburg, and go on next week to P. E. I.

R. B. Eames.

Wm. Huss.

H. M. S. Minesweeper "Baleine," Halifax, N. S., Sept. 1.—Last Sunday p.m. Mrs. Turner's youngest boy and myself sowed a good deal of seed from Dartmouth Ferry to Oil Works. Hope to have him and brother to-morrow p.m., having a few more tracts left. Am using up old Home Friends from hall. Friendly Words have delighted many children.

Oct. 1.—You will be sorry to hear young Edwin Turner was stricken with appendicitis Sunday, 23rd, and taken to hospital and operated on. Pleased to say operation was successful and he now progresses favorably. Have been doing much sea-time lately, missed meetings. Unable to get to breaking of bread Sundays on account of duty. Pace and Foggins from "Leviathan" and three brothers from auxiliary cruiser in port, with us last evening. Refreshing time and "open air" afterwards.

B. L. Twinn.

260 Perry St., Brandon, Man., Sept. 29.—We had a very enjoyable visit from Bro. Fleming at the end of July. He was with

us for over two week-ends. His ministry was very precious and we will have pleasant remembrances of it for some time. He encouraged the idea of having a general meeting here, as the brethren did not have one at Minnedosa this Thanksgiving. Bro. F. may come and he said Bro. Scott would likely be present, which would be a great help to us. Have you thought of coming our way about that time? Thankful to say we are all well at present.

John Robson.

Lachute, Que., Oct. 10.—The one-day meeting held Thanksgiving Day, Oct. 8, at Lachute, Que., was fairly well attended. Brethren from Hawkesbury, Ottawa and Montreal were present to enjoy the spiritual as well as the temporal blessings so amply supplied by our blessed Lord and Saviour. Preparedness was the keynote of the three reading meetings. Preparedness for the soldier of Jesus Christ as depicted in 1 Thess. 5, and in Eph. 6:10-24. The signs of the times characterized by multiplied circulations of secular periodicals and books, etc.; apostacy in the pulpits, and not praying for all kings, our enemies and also the notorious Kaiser. Nearly all present at the meeting agreed the one-day meeting was worth while.

F.

Our brethren in London, Ont., have now a hall, 20 x 30 feet, corner Ray and Edward Sts., which is to be used for Sunday school and Gospel work. In their present rooms they have increased in Sunday school and Gospel work until this hall became a necessity. A sister in the Lord, Mrs. A. O. Jeffery, has taken the responsibility of building one, at a reasonable rent. We wish them God's rich blessing, that there they may draw abundantly from "the wells of salvation" both for themselves and others.

### REGIONS BEYOND

Aibonito, Porto Rico, Sept. 17.—Now that Bro. Ruga is in the States, the responsibility is on us to visit the sisters in San Juan, Luguillo and Fajardo, and encourage them to be faithful to that which they have learned of Him. I left my wife alone here, in His care, and went to San Juan Aug. 20th, and spent two days and

a half with a sister, and visited others. She shows love and faithfulness to the Lord and to His Word. She is poor, but rejoices in Christ, and in His care, and reads His Word faithfully. She is collector for the Singer Co., and as she goes in many homes she gives tracts and carries her Bible to read when the way is open. She took me to see a few to whom I was privileged to give the Word. After being with Sister Ruga and others a few days (in which we had the joy to remember His death), I went on bicycle back here and stopping in a few towns, I was able to distribute some 5,000 Gospel tracts. I met a minister and two local preachers; all seemed true believers, particularly the two preachers. Since sent them and others some literature. After a few days at home I went to Ponce, and was four days with Bro. Rafael Hernandez. He had met a few and given them the Word, and we went to see them and some others, and were privileged to speak of our Lord and of His precious truth. Our brother and sister Hernandez are going on serving the Lord and say they are blessed in the path of dependence upon Him, saying they have less friends, but the Lord is nearer them. May they, by His grace, find more and more the sweetness of being the servants of Christ alone, and to have the privilege to be ministered unto by their never-failing Master. My wife and I have been exercised before the Lord on account of her health, and we think that it is wiser for her to go to Canada, and, D. V., she will sail Oct. 3rd. I intend (D. V.), to stay here up to next spring and then may go for a change.

Louis J. and Annie Germain.

Katase, Kanagawa Ken, Japan, Sept. 5. —Some months ago, putting a strong cover and a wire holder on a Japanese copy of "The Travelers' Guide from Death to Life," I got my barber (who has a busy shop at the P. O.), to let me hang it there. He is a pleasant man, and readily consented, though a Buddhist. He tells me, and the book itself shows, that it is read by customers waiting their turn. It is in competition with a rather imposing "god-shelf," which occupies one corner of the place. Our all-wise Father has permitted us a trial in our dear Paul's first serious illness.

Bowel complaint attacked him a week ago, and for 24 hours we were very anxious, but in God's goodness, by the help of a Christian friend, a Japanese woman physician, the danger was averted; but he still needs much care. Our only child and such a comfort in our isolation, it has been, indeed, a trial, and the exercise of heart brought vividly to us the sorrows of others, and especially the pitifulness of the distresses caused by this awful war. We trust you are much blessed in your service by voice, pen and press. E. B. Craig.

Pakow, via Tangshan, Chi, North China, July 24.—We were very glad to get "Home Friend" and "Field and Work" for May and rejoice that you are able to keep these avenues of service going in spite of drawbacks and disappointments. We also pray that suitable help may be sent you. We have been here over a month now, and it may help you in praying for us to know of our welfare. I find no asthmatic tendency here, in fact I find it agrees with me splendidly and I feel well and able to work. I did not know, before coming, that there was such a delightful climate in China, although I surmised that there were different parts where I could live and labor for the Lord. I am told that the winter is rather severe, but I do not anticipate any trouble from that fact. I think I told you in a previous letter how the language was being given back to us of the Lord, and I am able to add to that now by saying that we are continuing our progress, and are greatly encouraged at the way we get on. We read the Bible in Chinese with a native almost daily, and in conversation with him we learn how to express ourselves so as to be understood readily.

In addition to this, two telegraph operators in charge of the government office here come to me for a short time daily (except Sunday) for help in their English. I have them read a few verses of John's Gospel each time they come, and translate what they read into Chinese, and also explain its meaning. This gives room for the Holy Spirit to work in their hearts, as of course I desire their salvation since they have come in my way. Then after a page or two of grammar, I have them read Pilgrim's Progress in Chinese for my benefit in the language, as well as theirs in

regard to the Way of Life. It has been translated into excellent Chinese, which the common people find no difficulty in understanding. Mrs. Biggs and I have already had several opportunities for speaking of the Lord to individuals, and to small congregations, and while our speech still leaves much to be desired, we feel that we are being understood. We are seeking guidance about renting a house, etc., and trust the friends at home remember us. Our youngest child, Randall, seven years old, is with us, but should go to school at Shanghai in the fall, if the Lord will.

The river here was in flood the other day, and carried away a house and drowned the owner, who was trying to rescue his household goods. Much rain has fallen and we may have more yet. Pray for us all that the Lord may be glorified in us. P. S.—Just received "Field and Work" for June, for which we are thankful. It is indeed good news from a far country to read of the work of the Lord recorded in its pages.

Albert Biggs.

once, Porto Rico, Sept. 24.—"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings, in heavenly places in Christ" (Eph. 1:3).

Since, by the grace of the Lord, we left the human systems, we feel the Lord nearer to us. We have lost the fellowship of those who called themselves our brethren, but on the opposite side, that of Christ our Lord has increased, and His communion is sweeter than ever. Also the fraternity of the true believers, those who only look to the Lord and His Word, has been offered generously in Christ. Glory to Him! He has permitted me to do something for His glory, and for the souls whom He came to save. Lately I have preached the Gospel in the open air and on some occasions in the school house of a lady that now is separated from the systems. Also in her house I have given some Bible studies, with Bro. Germain.

As soon as I left the systems, I visited my mother (25 kilometers from my residence). She is a true believer. My wife and I explained to her our difficult step in the light of the Bible. We gave her some tracts, and she took new interest in the matter. We trust in God that she will be

out of the "camp" soon. The Lord is guiding a young man, a friend of ours, and a true believer, to do His will better. He has been separated from the Methodist Church, and is studying the Bible with us, and if the Lord does not come soon will sit at the Lord's Table with us. Trusting in the precious promise of Isaiah 55:11, we ask your prayers and of God's assemblies. "The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you." "My love be with you all in Christ Jesus."

Rafael and Rosario Hernandez.

Ancon, Canal Zone, Panama, Sept. 15.—I follow with pleasure the movements of the Lord's servants in F. and W., and am thankful to God for this medium, as otherwise we would know but little about each other. I look also to hear a little of the various conferences, and am there in spirit, while unable to share personally the good things enjoyed there. Still am thankful to be occupied for the Lord here. Have just received from Los Angeles a good supply of Spanish literature, and from Bro. Somerville, Loizeaux Bros. and others, donations of their papers. I return many thanks for all and have a supply of Spanish and Italian, but am short of English and Chinese, and will appreciate any sent me.

Jos. B. Hoze.

## In Memoriam

Chicago, Ill.—Our sister, Miss Christina Pederson, fell asleep in Jesus Aug. 17, 3 a.m. She had been suffering very much the past year, and death was a happy release from this groaning creation. She bore a bright testimony and was a faithful servant to Him who bought her with His own precious blood. It was her joy to sit at His feet and learn of Him, and how she delighted to have the Lord's people visit her when unable to come to the meetings. She often put us to shame by her faithfulness, as she always had a handful of tracts with her, which she constantly distributed.

At the chapel we sang Hymn 316, L. F., and Bro. A. E. Booth spoke from 2 Cor. 5:1-8; Phil. 1:21-23; 1 Thess. 4:13-18. His theme was sorrow, but not as those who have no hope. At the grave we sang Hymn 161, L. F.; prayer by Bro. J. Kofal; Bro. Anderson read Hymn 286, L. F., and spoke

about the return of our blessed Lord. We laid away her body to await that resurrection morn when we shall be with Him for evermore. D. F. Eggers.

Pittsburg, Pa., Sept. 26.—Our sister, Mrs. David McTurk, went to be with the Lord, Saturday, 10 a.m., Sept. 22, aged 49 years. Her heart was ever open to the Lord's servants and people, in a marked degree, and she took delight in making them welcome at their home. A brother who knew her well for many years, said he had never known her speak against any of her brethren, even though they at times may have deserved it. She certainly sought the things that make for peace and edifying one another, and was a uniting bond in the assembly. She and her husband had been Presbyterians, and of the decided order of the North of Ireland, and when Bro. G. McCandless had his tent pitched here about 25 years ago, they attended his meetings and received assurance of salvation, and were gathered to the Lord's Name, and have since continued steadfastly in it.

Our sister was taken ill with pleurisy three weeks ago, which turned to pneumonia, and the bursting of a blood vessel took her away suddenly. The morning of her home going she had told her husband not to wait at home with her, as she felt so much better, and also gave her children directions as to some household matters, and in an hour she was gone above. How blessed is such assurance that "none who put their trust in Him shall ever be confounded," and to leave our houses of clay here below is to be with Him who has redeemed us, and there to await with Him the day of His coming again.

Bro. G. McCandless spoke at the funeral on Jno. 11 to a good company of brethren, friends and neighbors. The Lord grant the dear husband and their five children the sustaining of His grace in the little while until they too share the glory of the eternal home. B. C. G.

Oakland, Cal., Oct. 11.—Within the past few days we have twice been called upon to lay away the bodies of believers who had been taken home to be with the Lord.

The first was a dear young girl, only 14 years of age, Odessa Bradshaw, who, two years ago, confessed the Lord Jesus as her Saviour, and on her dying bed was able to

testify to her faith and confidence in Him. This helps much to assuage the grief of her beloved parents.

The other was a sister in fellowship, Mrs. H. Blankert, who a little over two years ago also took Christ as her Saviour and Lord. She leaves an unsaved husband, who, however, we rejoice to know seems deeply interested in the things of God. There are also two dear little children who are now motherless members of our Sunday school.

In both cases the funeral services were held in the Gospel Auditorium, and I was thankful to have the opportunity of presenting the Gospel to so many unconverted friends, who came to extend their sympathy to the bereaved ones.

H. A. Ironside.

### IOWA CONFERENCE, AUG. 22 TO 26.

It was one of the best ever held. The weather was ideal throughout, and while the number in attendance was not as large as some years, the surrounding States were well represented, saints coming from most of the mid-west gatherings. The morning Bible Readings were on John 1: 1-18 and Col. 1, precious unfoldings of Christ's person, incarnation, headship, offices, etc. The afternoons were devoted to addresses to Christians, C. Knapp and A. E. Booth, Thurs.; J. W. H. Nichols and F. J. Enefer, Fri.; A. E. Booth and C. Knapp, Sat., and Sunday, F. J. Enefer and A. E. Booth, in the order named. The Gospel was given each night by J. W. H. Nichols Wed., F. J. Enefer Thurs., C. Knapp Fri., H. Brandt and W. Hume Sat., and J. W. H. Nichols and C. Knapp Sunday. Four or five professed conversion, and as all seemed much broken and deeply moved, it is to be hoped that they may prove real. It was a sight to do the heart good, to see tears of penitence flowing freely in these days of universal indifference. Far more of the townspeople attended than had ever been before—a gracious sign, we trust. To foster any real interest that may have sprung up amongst them, it was decided to keep the tent up and continue the meetings, C. Knapp remaining for the purpose. Bro. Enefer has gone to Duluth to continue east as far as New York, possibly. Booth and Nichols to Minneapolis.

for the two day's meetings over Labor Day, the latter to proceed thence to Kansas Conference, and the former to spend some time in Minnesota. All praise is due the local brethren for their abounding hospitality, and to those especially who labored about the kitchen and dining tents to supply the bodies' needs, while the souls of their brethren were being so richly fed.

### OAKLAND GENERAL MEETING

We have much to praise God for, in His goodness to us in our recent General Meeting, which was, by far, the best in many ways we have ever enjoyed on the Pacific Coast.

The difficult times caused us to hesitate somewhat as to announcing one this year, but felt we should go ahead in dependence on the Lord, and He has done far exceeding abundantly above all that we asked or thought.

The attendance from outside places was over twice the usual number, so that on the 1st day morning some 225 sat down to the Lord's Table. Many of these had been saved through the ministry of our dear Nels Thompson and others, and it was a joy to see them in their first love gathered about the memorials of the Saviour's death.

There was no lack of helpful ministry, both for saint and sinner. We had with us Dr. Peter Van Winkle and Brn. E. A. Buchenau, R. F. Elliot, Thos. Carroll, Jr., R. E. McAllister, Nels Thompson and Jas. Anderson. We were also cheered by the presence of a number of missionaries, who came a long way to get a spiritual uplift, and, we trust, were not disappointed.

There was also a visiting Indian sister, and our own pupils of the Navajo and Hopi tribes.

The Epistle to the Philippians was taken up in the a. m. meetings, and from 200 and over were present. The afternoon and evening meetings were devoted to addresses, and attended by from 350 to 425 people.

Our hearts were quickened by quite a number openly confessing the Lord Jesus as their Saviour, and others who had wandered, manifesting restoration of soul. In all 21 were baptized during the conference and following evenings. Most of these had

just lately been saved, and others we trust will soon follow.

The matter of erecting a mission house for the use of Bro. and Sister Anderson at Valentine, Ariz., in connection with their work among the Walapais, was put before the saints, and in a very few hours some \$1,200.00 was given (including some \$350.00 previously in the hands of Bro. L. F. Crane, custodian of the Building Fund), and later it has been raised to almost \$1,400.00. The government will give the land on the understanding that we erect a building worth about \$2,000.00, so our brother will now be able to go right ahead with the work, as doubtless the small balance will soon be forthcoming. This building is greatly needed, and we trust it may be much used to the glory of God and the salvation of the Indians. "Except the Lord build the house they labor in vain that build it."

Since the conference the ministering brethren have scattered and now Bro. Buchenau is at Penryn, Brn. McAllister and Elliott at San Jose, and Dr. Van Winkle and Bro. Carroll are still with us here.

H. A. Ironside.

### SPECIAL NOTICE

To stimulate interest in Bible study—especially among younger Christians—it is proposed (D. V.), to start a correspondence Bible Class, with the commencement of the New Year.

Each month a typed outline Bible Study, simply given, will be mailed to each one joining the class, also a monthly letter, and some helpful pamphlets or leaflets. In this way it is hoped to encourage and help many who are isolated, and those unable to take advantage of Bible readings in the various places of gathering. The packets will be sent free, for cost of mailing.

Questions and helpful comments will be welcomed from correspondents and answers may be incorporated with the outlines.

All that is necessary is the names and addresses of those who wish the monthly correspondence.

The prayers of the Lord's people are earnestly desired, that wisdom may be given in choosing suitable studies, that profit and blessing may result.



Address as to this, as early as possible, J. W. H. Nichols, 121 Moss Ave., Oakland, Cal.

## LETTERS FROM SOLDIERS AND OTHERS

25 Bd. Oudinot, Oran, Algeria, June 15.

—Many thanks for your welcome card and two nice pkts. of John 3:16, in one pkt. nineteen and in the other thirty-four. I shall have enough for a time now, but good tracts in Spanish or French are always useful (not Italian, I have a lot of these). Pray for us that the work may be blessed and that Christians may be kept looking for the Lord's return, which must be very near.

Percy Moore.

Another French soldier at the front writes: I would like La Bonne Nouvelle, also a New Testament if you could favor me with them.

P. C. 90 Inf., 9 B., 36 Ca. Sector 188.

A Swiss Christian lady writes: I received your charming parcel, and cannot thank you enough for those pretty texts, cards and L. B. N. The Lord Jesus has been near me in the painful days of my long illness. Every day He renews His blessings, and if He allows us to go through the furnace He is with us to temper the heat, so that we may go out of it not consumed neither cast down, but strengthened. Raised by a pious mother yet only at the age of 17, I possessed the assurance of my salvation. Since then I experienced the tender care of the Lord, His love always in activity, His compassions in sufferings. I suffer from heart disease since my youth, and at the age of 18 I got worse. I can only go out in a wheel chair, if weather is fine and warm. Yet I have reason to be infinitely thankful for all His loving kindness. I am always happy in Him. The days are passing very rapidly. I employ them to write, read and send tracts to the sick ones and soldiers. My thoughts are taking great journeys and besiege the throne of grace, and bring there all my beloved ones. I am now 31 years of age, and tenderly cared for by my dear mother and sister. It did me good to learn it was in this town you found the Saviour.

H. J.

A French soldier, who has been nearly 2 years in hospital writes: I write you to

let you know that for several days I have been to the front again, where I wish L. B. N. to be sent.

A Chasseur Alpin writes: Having a moment of rest I write to ask you to kindly send to me La Bonne Nouvelle, which you send free to those who ask for it. G. E. J.

Another French soldier writes: Lately having a period of rest in a camp, I have found in the barrack we occupied, several of your "La Bonne Nouvelle." I read them with pleasure and take advantage of your generous offer to ask for a French New Testament that I never read. I am since the first day of the war so long and so hard, of which we start to-day the fourth year. I have been wounded twice and am decorated by the war cross. Being a soldier of the front, as I like much to read, I will receive with great pleasure your gift.

M. F., 251 Rgt. Inf., 19 Cie., S. P., 32, France.

Winoski, Vt.—I am making good use of the Italian papers you send. I have several tract boxes nailed up with "Take One" printed on each. Wish you would write that in Italian so I can print it on the boxes. Many thanks for the papers.

Robt. H. Washburne.

A Belgian Corporal writes: I got acquainted with a good lady who sent me the "Good News," which I was very happy to receive. Being a soldier at the front, I would like to have the New Testament to meditate every day with the greatest care. As soon as I read "La Bonne Nouvelle" I wrote you to send it to me. I will read it carefully, and always hoping in our Lord Jesus Christ that He will not forsake me. For three years I am serving under the flag, but I put my trust in God.

H. R., Corporal D. 222, 9th Cie.

A French soldier writes: I received two packages of tracts and L. B. N., and thank you from all my heart, and am satisfied. Hoping that hereafter you will continue to correspond with me.

M. N.

Another French soldier writes: You would do me a great and real pleasure by sending me a French New Testament. (I wrote and asked him if he knew the Lord),

P. A. G.

A Christian Lady from French Italy writes: I received your good card and the

second parcel of Scripture texts. Thanks for all. The texts pleased very much those who received them. You are right when you said: "What should we do without His love?" As we near the term of the journey, the love of God becomes more and more precious. I am a cripple for many years and lately I can hardly see, but do not lose courage knowing that "if our outward man perish, yet the inward man is renewed day by day," and the grace of the Lord is sustaining one day by day. Many thanks for your L. B. N. and the texts and your faithful affection in the Lord.

An interned Belgian writes: Here all goes well. God allows us to gather regularly for prayer and preaching His Word. It always does us good to receive a few lines of a servant of the Lord. My father, A. Duvierer, emigrated to America in 1886, and since we never hear from him

G. D.

Barrack 13, Harderwijk, Holland.

An Italian, Racine, Wis., writes: We wish to have some copies of your La Buona Novella to send to the front. A. R.

A Belgian interned soldier writes: You will make me very happy to grant my request. Not having my wife near me, I would pass many hours instructing myself usefully if I had a N. T. If you would send one it would be a great consolation. I would pay for it, but unfortunately we only get two cents a day.

J. P. P., Barrack 36, Harderwijk, Holland.

A French lady writes from McDonald, Pa.: Our pastor is away in Europe for 6 months. It would be a favor to us all if you would send us L. B. N. Every one asks for it even when I have none to give away.

Mrs. V. F.

A French lady in Montana, I met at Rochester, Minn., at the Colonial Hospital writes: I would be very glad to hear from you often, and as for the reading, I enjoyed it very much. I am gaining every day.

Mrs. L. L. B.

A Belgian soldier writes: I received 3 cards of John 3:16 with great joy. Alas! what moments we are going through at this time. It is no more a likeness of life, but we must not get discouraged, but be strong to do our duty. Christ has suffered for us sinners on the cross. I have had the pleasure to assist in our worship. What comfort in fellowship with our Lord. I gave one of those beautiful verses to be framed for our meeting room. B. N.

A French girl writes: Having read a La Bonne Nouvelle I would be very thankful if you would send some to me to give the good word to our dear soldiers. L. C.

A French sailor, on a man of war, writes from Falmouth, Eng.: Passing here with our vessel, I read some of your B. N., where you offer New Testaments. I had a whole Bible not long ago, and others since going to the Sunday school. But I lost all in the torpedoing of my last vessel, and since did not get any, being from the invaded part. I decided to write you for one, also some letters for general distribution. P. B.

A French dragoon writes from the front: With real pleasure and joy I received the New Testament and card you kindly sent my sister-in-law for me. Being of reformed religion it has been a great pleasure to me to read it in the trenches, every day a few chapters, and I read it to my comrades, though they are Catholic, and they are as happy to listen as myself. In the midst of projectiles falling upon us often with rage, they pray God to grant us his protection. If agreeable to you, some more Testaments would be accepted and read with great pleasure. I regret to be in the impossibility to add postage stamps. Thousand thanks.

M. M.

(Sent him a parcel of 10 Testaments.—P. A. G.)

Paris, France—Thank you for all your faithful help. All the parcels reach safely and are put in circulation, sometimes among civilians and often among the soldiers. I like the last one very much. I returned a week ago from as far as Marseilles, returning visited Arignon, Valence, Montelimar, Vienne, Lyons, made a tour of Ardeche, visiting several towns then St. Etienne, Maeon, Chalons and home again.

Hy. Johnson.