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Percy Bysshe Shelley.

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On Shelley's grave in the Protestant
Cemetery in Rome the lines from
Ariel's song in "The Tempest" are
inscribed:

"Nothing of him that doth fade
But doth suffer a sea-change
Into something rich and strange."

There is still controversy as to his place
among the poets, and this will con-
tinue, for even those who deny him the
supreme place among his contemporaries
are agreed that he is a great
poet. The controversy affords proof of
his greatness, and on the centenary of
his death many will desire to do him
reverses who was so little understood,
so violently repudiated, and yet at the
same time so wilfully neglected during
his lifetime. When he died he had
hardly fifty readers. In the Oxford
"Pageant of English Poetry" the only
poets that have more space than he are
Shakespeare, Milton, Wordsworth,
Keats, Longfellow, Tennyson and the
Brownings. This is evidence of his
growing fame.

There are few stories more romantic
than that of the death of Shelley and
the disposal of his body. On the eighth
of July he left Leith in a small
yacht. A sudden storm came on, and
either the vessel was swamped or it was
run down by accident or design. Years
afterwards an old Italian fisherman
confessed on his deathbed that the
collision was intended in order to
secure a sum of money supposed to be
on board. A fortnight later the body
was washed ashore and cremated after
the ceremonial classical fashion in a
furnace erected on the beach. The
ashes were collected, with the uncon-
sumed heart, and buried at Rome near
to the grave of Keats, to whom he had
paid so majestic a tribute in
"Adonais." His grave is in a different
portion of the cemetery from that of
"slope of green access" where Keats
rests, and in such deep shadow "that
the violet blossom lay there." He
had not completed thirty years when
death came and robbed the world of a
genius whose spring had brought biting
winds and for whom no summer was
to come.

It is not so difficult to write about
Shelley to-day as it would have been in
other long-gone days. He was regarded
then as the incarnation of the mock-
ing, scoffing spirit—a spirit whose pity
for man in his wretchedness was lost
in rebellion against the conventions
that the privileged regarded as gods,
and against the conventional
God. He was branded as an atheist—
in his youth at Oxford he had rash
enough to call himself such. We
have learned now that the things hated
by Shelley were for the most part
things hated by God; that God is more
tolerant (cannot a stronger expression
be allowed?) than that God loves those
who are indignant against wrong and
wrongdoers, even if the indignation is not
always well-informed. God cannot
tolerate those who are callous in a

world of care. Shelley was divorced
from his relations, adjudged incapable
of the guardianship of his children,
and became an exile. It is true that
much in his conduct calls for forgive-
ness. He was the child of his period,
eccentric, extravagant, enthusiastic.
The ferment as well as the fervour of
the revolutionary spirit lived in him.
When conviction was concerned he was
adamant.

Yet his was an equable, lovable, loyal
nature. In days when indecency was
tolerated without indecent could be
found in his life or his writings. His
heroics in politics and religion are
many of them regarded as orthodox
now. He says in his magnificent
"Defence of Poetry": "Poets are the
hierophants of an unapprehended
inwardness; the mirrors of the gigantic
shadows which futurity casts upon the
present; the words which express what
they have not uttered, the trumpets
which sing to battle and feel not what
they inspire; the influence which moves
not, but moves. Poets are the un-
acknowledged legislators of the world."
The passion of Shelley's poetry broke
in upon an undaring day, but his day
has waned. When the human spirit
awakens to a sense of its destiny and
demands its brilliant, strains of
Shelley's verse speak to the innermost
and the utmost hope.

Of the Romantics of the early
nineteenth century Scott and Byron
carried everything before them, Keats
and Shelley sang to ears that little
cared. To-day there can be no ques-
tion who are the greater poets. Keats
has found his sufficient biographer and
vindicator in Sir Sidney Colvin. It
only needs that this interpretation of
the man and his poetry be written.
Something of the glamour of his great-
ness. Shelley, although he waits the
supreme biographer, has also come into
his own. It is a pity that the pre-
judice of his father vetoed the biography
that Mary Shelley could and would have
written. Stanford Brooke, than whom
a more understanding student does not
exist, says: "There can be no longer
any doubt, among those who would
judge, that Shelley has assumed his
own separate throne among the greater
poets of England." Yet when he died
scarcely fifty years had passed to buy
his poems.

There are those who exalt Shelley's
poetry at the expense of his poetry.
This is not good criticism. Enough
has been said to show the exquisite
truth of his statement—

"Most wretched men
Are cradled into poetry by wrong
They learn in suffering what they teach
in song."
When applied to himself. His prose,
apart from his letters, is largely taken
up with scolding, sometimes scorch-
ing, exposures of wrong. When the
purpose is other this element obtrudes.
In the "Defence of Poetry" denun-
ciation of materialism looms large. "We
have more moral, political and histori-

cal wisdom than we know how to reduce into practice; we have more scientific and economical knowledge than can be accommodated to the rigid distribution of the produce which it multiplies. . . . We want the creative faculty to imagine that which we know; we want the generous impulse to act that which we imagine; we want the poetry of life; our calculations have outrun conception; we have eaten more than we can digest. The cultivation of those sciences which have enlarged the limits of man over the external world, for the want of the poetical faculty, proportionally circumscribed those of the internal world; and man, having enslaved the elements, remains himself a slave.

His fragment of an "Essay on Christianity" is worth careful reading. He attempts the reinterpretation of Christianity from a study of the whole character of Jesus and easily shows that historic Christianity has gone astray from this. Some of his poetry, especially the polemical poetry, is so close to the mark that the average Englishman can enjoy reading it. This is not the real Shelley. He is the poet of the ideal. Whom he has made his theories, and since because he must, his song has the compelling note. He is not a poet. He is always a poet. He is the spirit of Beauty is for him the spirit of Love, and "love conquers all." His shorter lyrics contain his most perfect work. The most perfect—the "Ode to the West Wind"—gives expression to the thought of the "to unweakened earth." The trumpet of a prophecy! O wind, If Winter comes, can Spring be far behind?

J. C. MASTERT.

REJOICINGS AT LIVERPOOL.

The President at Home.

It was fitting that the President's first week-end after Conference should be among his own people at Prince's Avenue Church, and fitting also for the occasion should be the church anniversary. The opportunity was taken by the church committee to recognize the distinction that has come to its minister in his election to the presidency, and a great programme was made for the evening. Rev. J. Taylor preached, and both he and his congregation had a good time. Amongst those present were the Rt. Hon. the Lord Mayor of Liverpool (Alderman C. H. Bartley, J.P.), Sir William P. Hunterley, J.P., and Miss Hartley (the Mayor of Southport). An excellent musical programme was provided in the afternoon by the choir, with Mr. E. W. Thomas as director and Mr. Frank Jones as organist. Owing to urgent public business, Mr. Sydney Walton, M.A., E.Litt., was unable to leave London, and his place was taken by the President. There was a full church at the evening service, when Mr. Taylor again preached. This was followed by a prayer-meeting, specially to ask for the Divine blessing to attend the President during his year of office. A gracious feeling prevailed.

A big company assembled in the schoolroom on the Monday, when Mr. and Mrs. Taylor acted as host and hostess. There was special music and refreshments. Following this there was a great public meeting, presided over by Mr. C. Wase, J.P. (of Birkenhead). Dr. A. S. Poake, who was given a most cordial reception, and he was there in token of loyalty to their President, and out of personal regard for Mr. Taylor as a very old friend, who had long rendered distinguished and loyal service. The President was called to the chair at a most opportune time. They were facing the greatest crisis in history, and he was always kept in touch with public life and public morality. He rejoiced in uplift which stood for great moral issues, and their President's voice

would ring out clearly on all great social and ethical issues.

The Rev. H. J. Taylor welcomed to the church his assistant, Rev. Cyril J. Humphries, M.A., and predicted for him a career of great usefulness. Mr. Humphries, who had been given the opportunity, and trusted that with the co-operation of the people the great traditions of the church would be

Great Missionary Meeting.

AFRICA FOR CHRIST.

For a considerable time before the commencement of the great missionary demonstration on Wednesday evening Belgrave Hall was crowded. The enthusiastic singing of some of the ringing evangelistic hymns whilst the mass of people waited created an atmosphere which thrilled the heart and gave tone to a remarkable meeting. The Vice-President, Mr. T. C. Gerrard, who presided, said that since 1918 he had nearly doubled the number of our missionaries in Africa, and that in four years there had been an increase in membership of 9,242. If the same rate was maintained, he said, in four years there would have been doubled in the five years. An increase of 10,000 in five years, he said, was not a bad demand, and this could be obtained.

Rev. B. Cawthorne, of Urua, Eyo, said that in Nigeria they faced the enormous task of presenting themselves in such numbers that they were unable to take advantage of them. England had sent out an allowed revenue to be brought out of Nigeria at the expense of an infant nation. They had found a missionary in the black leader, who had been sent only his cloth and soap, but they Bibles, and had clothed a trail. They faced the sunrise membership, which was rapidly increasing, and they desired to build up a Church strong in spirituality. Out of the darkness of the night they had a ray of sunlight in John Ehag Gill.

Rev. B. Batty, of Bende, said when he was sent out he was given charge of twenty-eight stations, but in the course of two years they were at work in thirty-five. He said that the Government had a ray of sunlight in John Ehag Gill. He said that the Government had a ray of sunlight in John Ehag Gill. He said that the Government had a ray of sunlight in John Ehag Gill.

Councillor J. T. Worton, J.P. (Vice-Chairman), said he had received great inspiration at the Conference. He said that the Government had a ray of sunlight in John Ehag Gill. He said that the Government had a ray of sunlight in John Ehag Gill. He said that the Government had a ray of sunlight in John Ehag Gill.

Rev. H. H. Hanne, of Oron, said he was very glad to be present with the splendour of opportunity that Nigeria presented. They did not make it easy to be a missionary in Nigeria, and he was very glad to be present with the splendour of opportunity that Nigeria presented.

worthily upheld. Rev. Tom Sykes gave a much appreciated address on "The Message and Meaning of Methodism." Revs. James M. H. Fisher, W. J. Fisher, W. E. Fardale and J. W. Jenkinson occupied seats on the platform. During the evening Mr. W. D. Pugh (the church treasurer) announced that with promises still to be paid, he expected the effort to realise £500.

It to join the Church, the class of candidates for baptism was filled to overflowing. Week by week the demand for the opening of new stations was increasing. The natives had heard the rumour of Jesus Christ, and they wanted the experience for themselves. Much remained to be done if Nigeria was to be a land of the Saviour's crown. They desired that the British Government had realised that it was impossible to build a colony on the basis of the four great virtues, but the natives were open to other influences. They wanted all public officials to be sincere in their faith in Christ. They wanted commerce also to be Christianized. The Englishman was the African. He prayed that all classes labouring amongst them might live up to that ideal.

The Conference choir, which throughout under such splendid service, with Mr. Hainsworth as conductor, gave a fine rendering of the "Hallelujah Chorus."

Rev. G. Bell, of San Carlos, referred to the custom of the British Government of putting natives in the British Colonies into posts of responsibility, and they then desired that the Spanish Government should do the same. Mr. Backeyron was a living witness that among the Fernando people there was a desire to take up their power and gifts for the well-being of others if they were given the opportunity. It was their work to give the boys an education which would enable them to be useful and to convince the representatives of the British Government that their intentions were not political or military, but the welfare and salvation of the people. This they were trying to do, and if they succeeded they had a bright and prosperous day before them.

Rev. E. S. Pritchard, of Addis, gave the last address, which was based on the words "Don't run away." Their responsibility was a great one, and he urged them to stick to the good work they had begun in that country, that the days that were to be might be filled with glorious achievement.

Rev. E. Barrett, B.A., announced that the total realizations of the meeting were £2748 9s., the luncheon £37 10s., and the evening meeting £64 17s. 6d., making a total of £2850 16s. 5d. for the Mission Funds.

The meeting was a wonderful one. The platform was a memorable group. We have seen wonderful missionary meetings in past years. This has been equal to any. The facts eloquent beyond power of speech. The missionaries filled with the spirit of the great charity that every word touched. Technical eloquence was left behind. We saw no cunning artistry of words. It was the immense fact of the age-long warfare of Jesus Christ for the world's soul that confronted the emotions of that great meeting could only reach every church in our domination, then, and we would rush to the place to be enrolled for the great adventure of the Cross, and money would flow as a river.

W. Walker Land, son of Mr. W. Land, Chorlton, has secured his B.Commerce at the Manchester University. He is on the University Union Committee and Treasurer of the Students' Christian Association. He is also Assistant School Secretary at Chorlton.

THE CHURCH AND ALCOHOL.

A National Campaign.

By invitation of the Bishop of London and under his general presidency, there gathered on July 2nd, at the Naught Rooms, Great Queen-street, London, an assembly that was described by the success of its purpose as being unique in the history of the Churches. The purpose was to hear a statement respecting the evils of alcohol, and the Campaign of the Churches against the evils of alcoholism, and to consider proposals relative thereto. About 150 guests were ten bishops, the chairman of the Baptist Union, the president of the R. C. Total Abstinence League, the Rev. F. C. Meyer, Rev. C. F. Gillies, Rev. Scott Liddell, Rev. J. Alfred Sharp and several Members of Parliament. The moral profession was represented by St. Thomas's Bury, Dr. Kilmack and others, and English Methodism by Rev. St. Horton and Rev. Telford Parr. Among the score of ladies present were Mrs. W. G. P. (of special interest) and Mrs. W. G. P. (of special interest) and Mrs. W. G. P. (of special interest).

After luncheon the Bishop of London introduced the topic in invigorating fashion. He said that the Prime Minister that the Churches meant business; they were going to lay their coats on the line. If you take your coat off and keep them off, nothing can stop you. Referring to the tremendous difference between the Church of England and the people of Whitechapel, he said that there was no evil that could not be swept away by universal Christian effort. He had many times brought Sunday closing before the House of Lords, but it had failed. All progress made in America began with

Rev. Henry Carter's announcement that a national campaign against alcohol had been launched, officially endorsed by archbishops, bishops, and the leaders of Roman Catholics, Salvation Army and the Free Churches, met in the House of Commons. The campaign would be carried on under the auspices of the Temperance Council of the Christian Church, and it was a sign of the modern scientific indictment against liquor and show its moral bearing upon our country. It was a sign of the modern scientific indictment against liquor and show its moral bearing upon our country. It was a sign of the modern scientific indictment against liquor and show its moral bearing upon our country.

Rev. C. J. Jenks (Secretary, C.T.A.S.) asked for financial aid to start a great open-air campaign. The Bishop of Croydon urged that the time had come when the Churches should act, and they must not neglect the hour and the opportunity. Major Bagg, M.P., expressed his sympathy, and he appealed for financial assistance. The auspices were great; he never remembered a gathering more impressive. All that was best in the religious life of their country. There should be no relaxing of their steps, no relaxing of their steps, no relaxing of their steps.

Lord Astor said opposition should not unnerve them; it should bear testimony to their efforts for one who people failed to make themselves felt were they left alone. When the cross was set in the world, the concentrate on those central points on which they could agree, and not wrangle over their differences. He had recently returned from his work in Canada, where everyone testified to the cleansing of public life through prohibition.

The Church is now. With coats off and gloves off we are fighting shoulder to shoulder—and we shall win.

Miss E. G. M. Ford, daughter of Mr. F. G. Ford of Doncaster, has been successful in passing the second M.B., Ch.B. Examination at Leeds University.

Memories of Fifty Years' Ministry.

By Rev. E. DALTON, D.D.

A Foreword—Sheriff Hutton and its Mixed Population—Early Education and Ambition—A Local Wit—Denominational Bigotry.

At the request of the Editor I have made a desperate effort to congeal and subdue the reticence in my nature which has hitherto been my chief refuge from me in my public life (I am afraid the latter), and I am not sorry now that I have succeeded. I sincerely hope that my readers will find the volume as helpful to my readers. All along my career I have hesitated to make use of my own feelings, and I have been so appreciated and commended the practice in others. I am fully convinced that I have done my best, and I am sure that I have done it with a good will. There was a magical tie to the land of our

home.
With the heart broken beat, though
the footsteps may roam.
It will land where it may, at the Line
of the world's great men.
He stands holds the magnet, that draws
behold the soul.
Tis loved by the freeman, 'tis loved of
the slave,
'Tis dear to the coward, more dear to
the brave!
And what a spot they like best on the
earth.
And they'll answer with pride, " 'Tis
mine, my birthright."
The educational institutions were
very pretensions. There was the dance
school where I began my mental train-
ing. I was a member of the dance school
parents paid \$2. per week for me, more
to be named than taught. Then there
was the school where I was a member
and graduated and my parents paid \$3.
for thirteen weeks' tuition. At this school
I was a member and graduated and my
education and commenced to work
my living. In this school I had
received an education to attain to a
high in the world. I think I had

Mr. Walton thanked Colonel Lew for his "strong, simple, soldierly speech."

The interview of my career is at once humbling and inspiring. I think it is imperative that I should make reference to events that led up to my entry into the profession of a public administrator, was born on November 22, 1922, in a small town in the historic and picturesque village of Sheriff Hutton, situated in the North Riding Yorkshire. I am very proud

The religious institutions of the village were the Anglican Church, Wesleyan Chapel and the Primitive Methodist Church. I never saw an attempt made to introduce a new religion, called the Warrenites, but this people were not numerous. The only type of pioneer was not sent. I am aware that more than one sermon was preached by a man who did not share the views of the majority, but he did not shine brilliantly. One of the oddities of village went to hear him. He endured the sermon with a great deal of patience, but he was completely exhausted he claimed: "Willie, it tumb th'd de we want t'gan yam twinner d'ners." I was not sure whether or not he thought it had been. This sudden and explosive attack seemed to be the last of the kind. I was the pioneer game to the authorities, they never appeared again, and the Society who allowed Mr. Warren to preach never returned.

All the places of worship were fairly well attended. The Anglican Church would have the largest congregation, but the Catholics were not far behind, attendances, especially on the Sunday evenings. The Primitive Methodist Church was also well attended. The Baptist congregation had become fairly well established in my boyhood days. They were a small sect, but had grown to some twenty-five years when I was born. The Squire of the village, who lived in great style, was a member of the Anglican Church of the district, and had great influence with and over the inhabitants. He was a very good man, and his influence at the church services, and some who were members of the Nonconformist churches, did not leave any doubt as to the Squire's power. Until the Squire had taken his place in the church. Happily, services at the church were more perfect, free. The denominational spirit was so pronounced that in many places the feeling was intense, and bigotry. The feeling was intense, and in many places bitter. There appeared to be no real unity of sentiment among the three religious communities. I was afraid that the dominant spirit was

Sir, I was superannuated by the recent Conference without my knowledge and without warning. There was no charge, complaint or fault against me. I am entitled to my Stationing Committee and rush out through Conference, and then sent to me completed. I appealed at Leeds. I failed—I protested. I shall continue to do so. It is hard to bear; but what do you think of a man who resisted to the end? I am entitled to receive also consolation from Conference in these words: "Seventeen hundred brethren have through physical infirmity been compelled to apply for a well-earned rest from the toils and the responsibilities of the ministry." I am entitled to sit on the list of superannuates. *This has not been done in any single case without the sanction of the Conference to the end of that great adventure for God, etc.* The italics are mine. As I am absolutely false in my case. This conference has been a farce. I shall denounce his superannuation as a piece of tyrannical coercion. "Compelled" is the word. I am compelled to say that I am compelled to resist without to sit down from my work as a Christian. I am entitled to say to any one of us, but at the enforced loss—

—Yours, etc. GEORGE TRAUER.

at Stockport.

A successful garden party was held on June 28th in the grounds of Holm Hall, the residence of Mr. and Mrs. W. Morley. In spite of unfavourable weather over 170 came to the party, which was held in the shelter. It was organised by the Women's Branch of the Manchester and District Y.M.C.A. Association, of which Mrs. Morley was president. Mrs. Chadwick and Mrs. Douglass, made excellent arrangements for the party, and Mrs. Morley presided in addition generously gave the tea. Happily the day was fine. The meeting was held in the garden of Holm Hall, and the address was given by Rev. E. Rees, Vicar of Bredbury. The Y.M.C.A. Association has a devotedness to the missionary cause at home and in foreign lands. Mrs. A. Rowbotham, secretary of the Manchester and District Y.M.C.A. Association, and Mrs. S. Daggett, secretary of the Levenshulme Branch, stated that the total of £212 had been raised for the Y.M.C.A. by Mrs. and Mrs. Morley were thanked by Rev. J. Mainwaring, the vicar of Bredbury, who presided in the evening of the group. It gave her husband and herself the opportunity of visiting the Y.M.C.A. Women's Missionary Auxiliary.

A Great Move Forward.

YARDLEY ROAD, BIRMINGHAM.

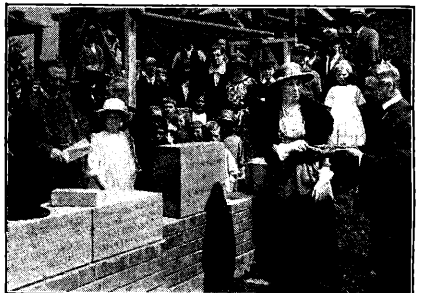
Birmingham Primitive Methodism is working out its destiny in a commendable manner. Here and there, as in other populous centres, there are decadent parts, but suburban Birmingham is showing to the denomination, whatever the past history of our Church in the city has been, that the future in the suburbs is full of promise upon an aggressive church life. The Birmingham Commission appointed during the missionary secretariat of the late lamented Dr. Guttery set in motion forces which, while they have wrought many changes and improvements, have

We have, however, been restricted by one outstanding limitation—the nature of our building and its inadequate accommodation. There are many instances in the Church where both the building and the accommodation are all that could be desired; the only thing lacking has been the people. At Yardley-road the reverse has been and is still true. We have the people—more than can be well accommodated, and the buildings have for years been unworthy of the denomination, and utterly inadequate for the work continually in progress. And what has added acutely

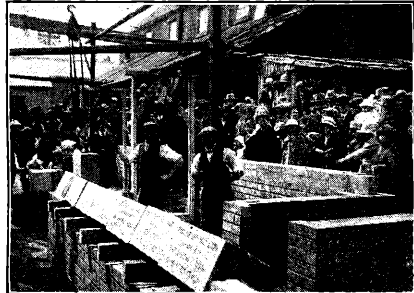
crowded with unique activities; each year has witnessed marked progress, until the continued prosperity has brought about the present urgency which Mr. Bateson is valiantly endeavouring to meet.

The work among the young has been the feature of this progressive society. The school is unduly crowded. No more scholars can be admitted. Over a coffee room there is another room where the Primary department meets with 200 little children. Every week-night the premises are required for the numerous and flourishing young people's organisations. And this has gone on throughout the autumn and winter. Associated with the church is a vast organisation of recreative welfare work, and for this six acres of land have been requisitioned, great good resulting to the young people, the neighbourhood and the church. And the spiritual has

The auspicious event took place on Saturday, June 17th, amid great rejoicings, about 2,000 rallying to take part in or to witness the ceremony. The Salvation Army Silver Band, led a great host organised by the City Police. Free Church ministers joined those of our own Church, and headed the procession, accompanied by Church officials, the local M.P. and City Councillors. Mr. Charles Hougham, who presided, laid the principal stone, and was presented with a silver trowel by the architect. The Venerable Henry Carden offered the dedicatory prayer and stones were laid by many friends from the Birmingham churches, including Yardley-road, and made substantial financial gifts. Then followed the laying of fifty-three personal stones by members of the Church and friends, some of whom had come from afar to



Presentation of Silver Trowel to Mrs. A. Bateson.



Some of the Institutional Stones.

not even yet spent the whole of their reforming energies. The latest instance of those far-reaching proposals has recently been witnessed at Yardley-road in Birmingham First Circuit, Small Heath, in which locality Yardley-road is situated, is a modern development of this ever-expanding city, and affords by the nature of its population one of the finest opportunities for aggressive work ever presented to our Church. Here is a population of many thousands—a population of the middle working classes, the very type to whom we have so often appealed successfully in the past, and from whom we have drawn so largely for the building up of our denomination.

so our need has been the fact that no other Free Church is in the neighbourhood—indeed, to reach another Free Church building about a mile has to be traversed. We have, therefore, the locality to ourselves, and all the accommodation offered to the people has been an iron structure, both old and dilapidated, unattractive and not worthy of the Church. Here at this centre for six years as approved by the Birmingham Commission, Rev. A. Bateson has been in charge, and here he will remain for a seventh year, when he will undertake the superintendency of Bristol Hall, the head of the circuit, as the successor of Rev. J. H. Hirst. Those six years of Mr. Bateson's work have been

dominated. During the last season many young people yielded themselves to the Lord and united with the church. It was realised that the time for advance had come, and the minister and officials after years of preparatory work determined to seize the occasion so that ere Mr. Bateson leaves this productive field the people gathered together should have a building fitted for the work, and in which the aggressive forces could find more suitable service. A hall to accommodate 750 was approved by all the Courts concerned, and with much encouragement and the sympathetic assistance of the Church Extension Fund the first steps have been taken—the memorial stones have been laid.

render assistance. An address eminently fitting to the occasion was delivered by Rev. Percy George. A crowded tea followed. Congratulations to Mr. Bateson were offered by Rev. Joseph Scarret, and thanks were presented to all friends by Mr. J. R. Felton, O.B.E., and Mr. Arkworth Ager. Old residents stated that the event marked the biggest thing ever witnessed in the locality with any church. The move forward has been made and a new and expanding career lies before our church at Yardley-road. And the thrubling life that now marks the church is the best pledge that the almost unequalled opportunity will be used to the fullest advantage.

Missionary Garden Party.

One of the events in the London Primitive Methodist "season" is the missionary garden party at "Parkfield," Grove Park. Mrs. Proud, who entertained about 150 guests on Saturday, confessed that the weather had occasioned her some anxiety. The meeting took place indoors, but the visitors enjoyed a delightful tea on the lawn in a genial atmosphere. The meeting thronged all at available rooms, with overflows into halls and on stairways. Mrs. W. Templar, of Seven Kings, presided, with Mrs. Johnson (New Malden) in the vice-chair. Speaking on India, where he had spent twenty years, Rev. Harold Spencer said that evangelists by men only produced on the foreign field an uneven result, and women must serve. No where was the new age newer than in India. If the women of India were to be evangelised, who were to be the evangelists? Western men or Western women? The speaker argued that the missionary organisations should be so constituted that women had an equal part with men. Miss Florence Copinger admirably rendered two solos. Thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Proud and others were voiced by Mrs. Hallam, Revs. A. Baldwin, S. Horton and G. Armistead. The collection amounted to £52.

Methodist Union at a

Quarterly Meeting.

The officials of the Tarporley Primitive Methodist Circuit, as well as those of other P.M. and U.M. Societies touching the Wesleyan area, were invited to the Tarporley Wesleyan Circuit officials to their Quarterly Meeting held last month at Bunbury. A good company gathered. An open discussion upon Church membership was interesting. Revs. W. O. Barratt and W. Jasper Gardner, Messrs. T. Bateson and S. Greenway welcomed us with great cordiality, and Rev. T. Harking and Mr. J. Wright suitably replied. The general procedure and method of doing business was so distinctly like our own that, had we not known, we could have imagined ourselves in our own Quarterly Meeting. Certain differences of detail added interest to the meeting, but there were no greater than exist between some of our own circuits. Afterwards a good company partook of tea, at which, again, a welcome was extended. The purpose of the gathering was to stimulate the good feeling between the two denominations, and in this it was very successful.

Miss Margaret Lucas, B.A., daughter of Rev. E. Lucas, has gained the Diploma in Education of the University of Bristol.

The marriage took place at Hesse Church, on Wednesday, June 28th, of Mr. James F. Brown, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Brown, and Miss Ivy Mathison, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. Mathison. Rev. L. H. Wood conducted the ceremony. Mr. Brown is the Trust Secretary and Miss Mathison a teacher in the school. The occasion was of considerable local interest. The bride, who

was given away by her father, wore a dress of mauve crepe de Chine, with panels of mauve silk lace; she was attended by three bridesmaids, Misses M. Mathison, L. Brown, and Freda Brown. Mr. W. T. Brown was best man. Miss A. Cooper presided at the organ. A reception was afterwards held at the bride's home. The presents were numerous and valuable.

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Nantwich and Burland—Ralph C. Noble, John J. Schofield.
Congleton—Herbert Sumner.
Leek—James W. Richardson.
Newcastle-under-Lyme—Frederick T. Smith.
Sandbach—Stanley W. Brown.
Whitchurch—Thomas A. Kelley, Albert Cole, William Hall, sup.
Stafford—Richard H. Asty, Local Supply, Thomas Clapp, sup.
Hanley—William Davies, A. Jackson Smith, sup.
Winford—Richard H. Quick.
Market Drayton—Leonard Jones, William H. Mason, sup.
Tale—George Eatonby, Joseph Pearce (2).
Chasle—William H. Whiting.
Silverdale—Wilfred J. Raymond, Tanton, Crews First—Bertram B. Portnell.
Crews Second—Joseph Rigby, Thomas Watkins.
Biddlall—Frederick A. Ingham, John W. Swarbrick, B.D. (Vic.).
Shoke and Longton—Edward W. Gibson, Tom Morris.
Tarpoley—James W. Tieveit, John W. Lancaster, sup.
Burnham—Abel Taylor.

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Nottingham First (Broad Marsh)—Edgar Reavley.
Nottingham Second (Hockley)—James Kirby.
Nottingham Third (Forest-road)—George A. Howard, Christopher Tinn, sup.
Nottingham Fourth (Mayfield-george)—Howard B. Goodwin, Frederick Brock.
Nottingham Fifth (Blue Bell Hill)—John Charlton.
Nottingham Sixth (Bulwell)—G. Roy Russell.
Loughborough—Charles F. Gill.
Belper—Albert H. Kynaston, John Tece, sup.
Burton-on-Trent First (Mosley-street)—John T. Eoak.
Burton-on-Trent Second (Queen-street)—John G. Cushing.
Burton-on-Trent Third (Parker-street)—Wilfred S. C. Leach, Samuel Mincher, sup.
Ashby-de-la-Zouch—William Hughes, Henry Shenn, sup.
Sleaford—Edgar Trevett.
Leicester First (Belgrave Gate)—Philip Nums, Arthur G. Gray.
Leicester Second (Hinkley-road)—Frank Holmes, Albert Williamson, Wilfred S. Hinchliff, Claud Williamson.
Leicester Third (Carzon-street)—Arthur Jubb, William S. Sibson.
Leicester Fourth (Claremont-street, Belgrave)—George Welbourne, George A. Morgan.
Mansfield—Edgar Ball, George R. Trussell, Joseph Waggott, sup., James Radminton, sup., George J. Cook, sup.
Ilkeston—Jacob Walton.
Bottesford—George W. Hancock, William Tingle, sup.
Derby First (Traffic-street)—W. Walter Goldsaw, John Wren, sup.
Derby Second (Hickleton-street)—Albert Lowe, Frank Nead.
Derby Third (Central Church)—Tom Buttrick.
Derby Fourth (Dale-road)—Walter Tunley.
Milton Mowbray—Ambrose Allcock.
Hinkley—John Holmes, Owen M. Collins.
Wirksworth and Winstar—Isaac Cousin.
Ripley—Matthew Dobinson.
Newark—William G. Sotley, William Newsup, sup.
Grantham—George F. Staring.
Church Gresley—Frederick S. Clulow, James Blayney.

Oakham—Joseph Burton, John A. Wales, sup.
Sileby—Philip M. Richardson.
Rugby—Arthur E. Goodall.
Ashbourne—John H. Martin.
Long Eaton—Thomas R. Auty, B.D. (Lond.).
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Timothy Archer, sup., Robert W. B. Whitlaw, sup.
Coalville—Edward W. Pape, Herbert Booth.
Hucknall—William Thompson.
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Nuneaton—Albert Walliker.

Hall District.

Hall Green (Hable)—T. Herbert Kedward, William Jacques, Edwin Dalton, D.D. (Victoria University, Toronto), sup.
Hall Second (Marriott-street)—William Turner (2), Frank A. Mayes.
Hall Third (Holden-road)—T. Herbert Barlow, Raymond Tanton, William H. Harrison.
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Hall Fifth (St. George's-road)—Wm. J. Tubbs, George H. Ireland, B.A. (Canab.), Samuel J. Wallis, sup., Frederick Andrews, sup., Frederick Ash, sup.
Hall Sixth (Williamson-street)—David T. Mann, Charles Jennings, William Shipley, sup.
Portobello Branch—Alexander Jackson.
Hall Seventh (Lambert-street)—Hermon F. Johnson, William B. W. Bilborough, John Strong, sup.
Hall Eighth (Anaby-road)—Thomas Cook, Robert Harrison, sup.
Pocklington—Lawrence Robinson, Arthur S. Leyland.
Driffield—Harry Aldridge, Joseph J. Hodson, M.A. (Dunelm), Samuel J. Hill.
Bridlington—Fred H. Edwards, Charles T. Bishell, Frederick E. Heape, sup., Charles G. Milson, sup., James McKelvey, sup., Jonathan Goldthorpe, sup., Patrician—Benjamin Wilson, Alfred W. Hall.
North—John Graham (3).
Hornsea—Christopher H. Ratcliffe, Albert C. Willman, Joseph Beal, sup., George W. P. Shenn, Frank C. Scarle, Thomas Wood, sup.
Filey—William Moore, Caele Ross, sup., Emerson Phillips, sup.
Goole—Frederick A. Young, H. Percival Bell.
Hovden—Harold H. Woodward, M.C. Hewlett, William Woodley, Percy Myers.

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Sunderland Second (Thatham-street)—Fred Winterburn.
Sunderland Third (Williamson-terrace)—William H. Campbell.
Sunderland Fourth (Mainsforth-terrace)—William Dixon.
Newcastle First (Central Church)—William Younger, John T. Gallon.
Newcastle Second (Maple-street)—Tom Robson, Jacob W. Richardson.
Newcastle Third (Easton-road)—Frederick W. Beal, George Davis.
North Shields—T. Greener Gardner, William H. Hotby, M.A., B.D.
South Shields—George T. Fawcett, William F. Todd, James C. Sutcliffe.
Hexham—James Gorton, John B. Bayliffe.
Berwick—Charles L. Storey.
Eymouth Branch—John P. Barton.
Durham—George B. Richardson, James W. Collingwood, sup.
Sholey Bridge—Henry Pratt, Hugh A. Davison.
Alexdale—James Palmer.
Floodgate First (Dham-road)—Henry Fox, G. Wilfrid Taylor, Robert Clementson, sup., William Geiley, sup., William A. French, sup.

Gateshead Second (Prince Consort-road)—Sydney Bullough, John E. Storey.
Hetton—William Brown, William Armstrong.
Thornley—Henry Fletcher, Robert W. Grayson.
Blyth—Irving Graham, John T. Bell.
Stanley—James S. Nightingale, John W. Morrow.
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Houghton-le-Spring—John Williams, John S. Francome.
Jarrow-by-Tyne—Edward W. Challenger, Arthur Watson.
Seaton Harbottle—John Holme Had-Don.
Blaydon—George G. Soalby.
Hartlepool—Scott Memorial.
Aston—Thomas Baines, Lancet Brown, Robert Walton, sup.
Amble—John Spence.
Wingate—Mark Pattison.
Coxhoe—George R. Bell.
Horden—William Atkinson (1).

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Norwich First (Queen's-road)—Albert E. H. Tucker.
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Norwich Third (Scott Memorial)—Percy S. Gorden, Arthur B. Grosvenor (lay agent).
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Great Yarmouth Second (Queen's-road)—Joseph Maleny.
Norwich—William H. Bennett, James Biggs, sup.
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Wangford—John Norton, Wm. J. Ruckon (lay agent).
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Acle—Ernest S. France.
Bromwich—Ernest C. Hudson, George Radman, sup.
Harwich—William H. Lawson.
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Sheringham and Holt—George Stanley.
Loddon—John W. Whitaker.

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Manchester First (Newington)—John Deane.
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Oldham—John E. Jenkinson.
Oldham Second (Lea-road)—Albert B. Taylor, Thomas Banks.
Oldham Third (Boar-street, Hollinwood)—George Emmet, F. Gilbert Cooper.
Oldham Fourth (Middleton-road)—William J. Tristram, Herbert G. Marsh, M.A. (Canab.), B.D. (Vic.), Andrew W. Beille, B. (Vic.).
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Stockport First (Wellington-road)—J. Brace Evans, Richard Crowdon, sup.
Stockport Second (Lancashire Hill)—Joseph H. Cline.
Bury First (Walmerley-road)—Thomas Kynaston, Abijah Heston.
Bury Second (Ecclesfield)—Marmaduke Robinson.
Knowlwood (Tordmore)—Gilbert Rockdale.
Rockdale (Smith-street)—Frank S. Button, Frederick W. Brett.
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Helmshore—Frederick Humble.
Haslingden (Grange-road)—Abraham Hill.
Stalybridge—William E. Welby.
Northwich—Herbert Smith.
Glossop—Edward Campbell.
Leigh—Robert H. McFarlane, Joseph H. Richmond.
Bacup—Joseph Bilton.
Buxton (London-road)—George W. Meadley.
Walden—Henry Davenport, George G. Gilmory, sup.
Middleton—George W. Maschin.
Newton and Hyde—Henry Chamberlain.
Darnley—F. Eliott Blake.
Littleborough—William S. Leach.
Marple—Edward R. Davies.
Keyworth—Benjamin Morgan.
Lowton—James Wright.
Woodley—James Dickinson.
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Abington—Henry L. Herod.
Rushall-under-Lyne—John Kinosh.
Macclesfield—Herbert Haynes.

Brinkworth and Swindon District.

Brinkworth—J. Archibald Tingle, Herbert S. Lawson.
Newbury—Percy Jackson, J. Squire.
Wilkinson, John H. Green, sup.
Reading—John Bates.
Andover—Thomas Bates.
Wallingford—Thomas W. Morgan.
Banbury—A. Campton Wright, A. Stanner Funn.
Aylesbury—William C. Tonks.
Wishley—Luther Warham.
Oxford—J. Miles Johnson, George Morris, sup., John T. Sted, sup.
Malmesbury—F. J. Taylor.
Chinnor—Herbert Hedges, Thomas Tansfield, sup.
Chipping Norton—Francis N. Green.
Hungerford—Henry B. Didoock.
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Swindon Second (Regent-street)—A. Keston Wightman, Edgar H. Jones.
Swindley—W. H. Turner (2).
Hunston—Tarrant—John T. Smith.

Leeds District.

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Conference Mass Meeting.

AN INSPIRING RALLY.

The great Conference public meeting was held in Oxfords Palace Wesleyan Church on Monday evening. "I'll praise my Maker," the opening hymn, was the sound and sign of a mighty triumph. The titles of the spirit rose high as the devotion was led by Rev. J. Mayles. Aid. W. E. Morse, J.P., the Chairman, had a hearty reception. They had met, he said, when almost everything precious was in the melting pot. Doubt, disappointment and, perhaps, depression were in the atmosphere. Suspicion played a dominant part in national councils and deliberations. Confidence was conspicuous by its absence. Reformers in all spheres were deploring the fact that after three and a half years of release from the horrors of war progress was still held up. Agreement on anything was indefinitely postponed and the solution apparently as far off as ever. Someone had to be blamed, and next to the Government the Christian Church was regarded as the villain in this matter. It was said if the Church had raised its voice the drink question could have been settled years ago. It had even been said that the Labour movement had never received any blessing or impulse from Nonconformity. It was easy to find fault, but things would have been very much worse if it had not been for the Church. These were days of drift, and there was one source of encouragement and salvation, and that was the Church. But the Church must produce men, and men who could build. They must be men of good heart, strong mind, true faith and willing hand.

Rev. W. R. Wilkinson, who was introduced as a native of Leeds and given a fine welcome since they lived in ominous days, but they were days of challenge, and as such, were days of wealth and joy. The man who believed in a placid atmosphere was not the stuff of which real and viable Christians were made. Our troubles were birth pangs, not death throes. The best was yet to be. We lived in a disappointed and dispirited world which may easily become a riotous world. It was theirs to make it a righteous one. They must face the facts of life. In politics coalitions meant compromise and the triumph of reaction. Mr. McCusker had declared that religion and politics had nothing in common, that statesmanship and Christianity belonged to different realms. Men who believed that would act upon it. In undark times were times of passion. Revolution, and some of starving men into submission. Both sides were morally wrong. The worst morality that meant mutuality was forgotten in the stress and strain of things. In the world of great men, great wisdom in recent years were men without faith. It was refreshing to read others who pointed to Christ as the only remedy. In religion there was not an overwhelming passion for belief, however they regarded it. There were not the surge and urge that meant reality and power. The thermometer of faith marked the temperate, not the boiling point. In religion great times were times of passion. They had in Christianity the voice that would give the response to these challenging facts. It must, however, apply itself not simply to individuals, but systems; not only to men, but to methods. We should then be on the highway to the settlement of the soul of the people in the peace of God. If our young people would be real Christians the letter day would soon come. They need not fear a Christian revolution. An explosion created by Christianity would be a good thing. They could not, however, have a fundamental change in the structure of society until they had an elemental change in the soul of man.

Councillor J. Crow, the Vice-Chairman, introduced Rev. J. H. Barton, who said he would be more than glad if he could help in the solution of one of the great problems. There was a feeling everywhere that civilisation and Christianity were in the balance; it gave one a sense of depression, and he wished that the right word might be said by him, as he put in a plea for the recovery of a few things they had lost. He saw no chance for the Church tomorrow unless they could bring back the vitality of the visions and the raptures of the ecstatic experience. Wherever he went he found that the fine glow had become dim, and only a few seemed to live in the Christian experience. They were busy, but not triumphant; they were eager and anxious, but somehow they did not sing as they used to do "My God I am Thine." There was a problem in connection with the children in the Christian life of the Christian Church. There were multitudes of young people who seemed to possess everything except a vivid religious experience. The Christ of the Book was the Christ of the heart. He who lived so long ago lived in their hearts now. That was worth everything to them. It was often asked, "How were they to bring the children to Christ?" Let them live their religion. There was rapture, ecstasy, triumph in it.

Then they must have more of the spirit of adventure. He pleaded for a new spirit of daring in Primitive Methodism which would urge them to attempt great things for God. Everything worth having has come to the race through adversity. It was the daring man that had done things. There had always been a divine spark in man which had helped him to the dark ages of the past. He urged the young people to be great adventurers for Christ.

The Church of the future must be absolutely great. The world became greater every day they lived, and the problems were getting greater. They had got to grow a finer type of Christian. If statesmen talked about millions and multitudes of continents, it was no use talking about little men. They must be a daring people, a people for ever; it was unworthy of the universal spirit of Christ. It was not difficult to be brominated, but he wanted them to be deep-seated. It was the height and the depth of the splendour of Christian experience and character they needed today. Some men were little at big things, and some were big at little things. That Church would be big which had a daring experience. It was a great thought, have a great experience, live grandly to the interests of the world, and follow the white flag of Christ of God they would be saved from all their proclivities, and would win the whole world.

The choir then sang, "Worthy is the Lamb," and one of the finest Conference meetings ever held was brought to a close, no small measure of success being due to the magnificent singing of the choir, and its distinguished conductor, Mr. Arthur Brighouse. Each item was followed by round after round of applause.

Miss Lily Redpath, of Morpeth, Northumberland, has obtained her M.A. degree (with first class honours) at Durham University. She is the Latin mistress at Brighouse Secondary School, in the West-riding, and is an active worker in connection with Lane Head Church, Brighouse, teaching regularly in the Sunday-school, and actively connected with the Endeavour Society.

Churches and People.

The President has issued his Presidential Address in pamphlet form and presented a copy to each member of his congregation.

Matlock Prize Choir have won fresh laurels. Competing at Church Gresley Musical Festival they succeeded in winning first prize with the mixed choir, also first with the male. At the same contest Mr. L. W. Wildgoose won first in the tenor solo class and Miss Clarice Wildgoose gained second prize in the contralto class. The adjudicators were Messrs. Appleby, Matthews and Richard Wessell, both of Birmingham, who paid a high compliment to Mr. L. G. Wildgoose, the conductor of the winning choir, for his fine interpretation of the test pieces. The choir won a handsome silver shield, also twenty guineas in cash. The festival was organised by the Church Gresley Primitive Methodist Circuit.

The Cambridge Circuit paid its farewell tribute of esteem to Rev. James H. and Mrs. Rose, on June 26th, in Castle-street Church. A large company met in the beautiful building, now entirely free from debt, many owing to Mr. Rose's magnificent achievement in raising £2,000 for this purpose. The appreciation of the Free Church Council was expressed by Rev. H. G. Baker (Baptist). For the circuit, Messrs. C. Bidwell and A. Harding (separately), H. W. Howell, E. Dowling (separately), W. Doggett and Sister Alice spoke in high praise of Mr. Rose. Rev. J. G. Rolley expressed his admiration for Mr. Rose, after which Mr. Bidwell presented Mr. Rose with a cheque for £20. Repeating Mr. Rose dwell upon the splendid support which had been given him during his five years' ministry. Mrs. C. Bidwell then presented to Mr. Rose a charming handbag as a slight token of esteem and love from the ladies. Rev. John B. Hardy, M.A. of Orton, spoke highly of Mr. Rose, and pleaded with fine missionary zeal for a quickened spiritual interest. Mr. Rose and his family carry to Birmingham the heartfelt gratitude of Cambridge.

Ladies' Day was observed at Robert-street Church, Plumstead, on Sunday, when Miss Freelove preached on the ministry of women in the morning, and Mrs. Garnett, of Hampstead, in the evening appealed for support for the League of Nations. Mrs. Garnett is the mother of the General Secretary of the League of Nations Union, and from her intimate knowledge of the movement gave some striking facts. Forty persons gave in their names for membership of the Union. On Tuesday Rev. G. Bennett lectured on "Her Majesty—Woman!" Mrs. Crisp presiding.

One of the happiest gatherings at the Leeds Conference took place on the Wednesday afternoon of the missionary day in one of the Leeds cafes. Those present included: Rev. G. H. and Mrs. Hanney, Rev. B. and Mrs. Batley, Mrs. J. B. Hardy, Rev. R. Cavillors, Rev. G. Nicholls, Rev. G. and Mrs. Bell, Rev. E. E. Pritchard, Rev. C. and Mrs. Finlay and Rev. J. Fritchard, together with Mrs. Wood (of Nantwich), Mrs. Cawthorn (Whitby), Mrs. E. Cawthorn (Leeds), Mrs. Sutcliffe, Mrs. Wiles, Mrs. T. J. Grainger, Mrs. J. G. Soubly, Misses Peel-Bradford, Miss Jones and Mr. and Mrs. T. Bowran. The gathering was held to commemorate the fact that Rev. G. H. Hanney exactly twenty years ago sailed for Africa, and that his company was then seven times of service, and is preparing to go for the eighth. Speeches of congratulation and good wishes were made by Revs. R. Cawthorn, B. Batley, G. Bell and E. E. Pritchard, speeches full of intimate knowledge of the work done by Mr. and Mrs. Hanney. The replies of both Mr. and Mrs. Hanney were replete with happy reminiscence and appreciation. The company then attended the great missionary meeting in Belgrave Hall, where all the missionaries had to speak.

Rev. John Bradbury visited his old circuit at Blackpool last week and received the warmest of welcomes from hosts of friends. He presided at a mass temperance meeting organised by the vigorous Free Church Council of Blackpool, conducted the marriage service of Rev. M. W. Pinks and Miss Lilian Eccles, and preached twice on the Sunday in the Chapel-street Church to crowded congregations.

Mr. W. Skinner, Hounslow, writes: "I have read with great interest the address by our Vice-President on The Four Problems of the Church, and feel that he has touched the right note. I suggest that the address be printed for distribution broadcast in our churches. I trust that our officials will see the importance of this, and let us know the best means for the cost of pamphlet."

A social gathering was held at Bristol Hall, Birmingham, on Monday to inaugurate the winter's work and to express good wishes to Mr. A. H. Barnard (senior Circuit Steward) and his wife on their silver wedding anniversary. Rev. J. H. Rist, president; Mr. J. R. Felton, O.B.E., expressed congratulations on behalf of the church, and Mrs. Felton presented Mr. and Mrs. Barnard with a beautiful silver vase. Mr. Dams and Mr. Sanders supported. Both Mr. and Mrs. Barnard suitably responded. The school has been suitably decorated, and it was a happy coincidence that the first meeting in the brighter conditions was of so pleasant a character.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Lawson, of Leicester, celebrated their golden wedding on May 31st, when a large number assembled in Humbleton-road Lecture Hall to offer congratulations. A sumptuous repast was provided. Mr. and Mrs. Lawson were surrounded with all their children and their only granddaughter. They have been associated with our Church all their lives and their parents before them. They are profoundly respected for their generosity and devotion to the Church. Rev. George Windram, of Burnley, a lifelong friend, with Rev. A. Jubb, voiced the congratulations of all the guests.

Mr. Tom Smith, who is a devoted worker at Bel Church, Burnley, has won his B.Sc. degree at Manchester University, being bracketed, first class. Mr. Smith, who is only nineteen years of age, is the only son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Smith, and grandson of Coun. J. Knapp. Mr. Smith has won his way to the University by means of successive scholarships.

Mr. W. H. Barrett, son of Rev. W. S. Barrett, has been awarded the B.Sc. degree by the Sheffield University.

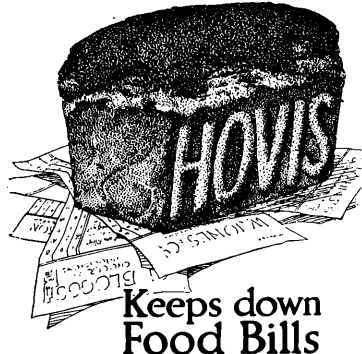
The friends of Rev. J. Arthur Smith, of Brampton, will be pleased to learn that he has passed successfully through an operation in a Bradford nursing home, the results being highly satisfactory.

Rev. R. F. Wearmouth has successfully passed his final examination and been awarded the B.A. degree at Birmingham University for 1922.

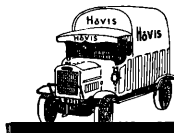
Miss Kathleen Peters, of Shipley, has won the first prize in the Bristol Honours at Manchester University. She was the only lady among the five who gained First-Class Honours.

Miss Nellie Hewitt, B.A. of Prince Consort-road Church, Gateshead, has received the Diploma in Theory and Practice of Teaching at Durham University (Armstrong College), with distinction in the written part of the examination, and has been awarded the Ellen Phoebe Wright Prize in Education for 1922.

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 pathetic resolution authorizing and
 commending this appeal.—Yours, etc.,
 H. J. TAYLOR.

Organ Opening at Newhall.

A new pipe organ has been installed
 at Newhall Church, Bolton-on-Trent.
 Second Circuit, has been so long
 long to realise the desire now fulfilled.
 The organ has been constructed by
 Messrs. Lloyd and Co. of Nottingham,
 and has cost £255, and with the renova-
 tion of the church has total cost
 has amounted to £1,230. The church
 was recently reopened, the dedication of
 the organ taking place at the same
 time. Mr. G. Colley, an ardent worker,
 presided at the service. The
 Mayor, of Leicester, Miss Kirk-
 land, L.L.C.M., who presided at the
 organ, had a lifelong association
 with the church. The organist
 and vicar, Mr. W. W. W. also
 been connected with the church from
 boyhood. The dedicatory address was
 delivered by Rev. E. W. Wilson, who
 laboured on the circuit when the new
 organ scheme was initiated. The public
 test was well attended, after which there
 was a procession through the village,
 followed by a grand concert. On suc-
 ceeding Sunday sermons were preached
 by Messrs. G. Clump and E. Jones
 (Church Gresley Circuit), J. Adams
 and Rev. G. G. Cushing. Musical ser-
 vices were given by Mr. W. W. W.
 W. Perry, jun., and T. Cockayne, and
 Miss A. Kirkland, L.L.C.M., has given
 organ recitals at Newhall, and
 Messrs. B. Harrison and E. New-
 borough (Barton-on-Trent) presiding.
 The opening of the organ has been a
 success, and the funds have gained over
 £100, notwithstanding that the mines
 are working on short time.

MARRIAGES.

A pretty wedding was solemnised at
 Cumbury road Church, Southport, on
 June 20th, the contracting parties
 being Thomas Arthur, son of Mrs.
 Marshall and Miss Mary Thomas
 Marshall, Birkdale, and Miss Dorothy
 Ewline, daughter of Mr. and Mrs.
 Ewline, of the same place. The
 officiating minister was Rev. B. Oliver.
 The bride, who was given away by her
 father, looked charming in a maize
 crepe de Chine gown adorned with
 nigger beads and broderie anglaise.
 She was attended by Miss Ida Hodg-
 kins and Miss Margaret Marshall.
 The best man was Mr. John Marshall,
 and the wedding music was well ren-
 dered by Mr. J. W. W. W. W. W. W.
 R. Jinkinson was the M.C. After the
 reception the happy pair left for
 Talycafn, Wales. Both bride and
 bridegroom are active workers in the

school, choir and Endeavour, and they
 received many tokens of the love and
 esteem in which they are held.

The Holywell Cross Church, Chester-
 field, was attractively decorated on
 June 20th for the wedding of Miss
 Mabel Grace Aspinshaw, daughter of
 Mr. and Mrs. W. Aspinshaw, Chester-
 field, and Mr. Wilfred Hancock, son of
 the late Mr. Leonard Hancock, and
 Mrs. Hancock, of Tupton. The bride,
 who was given away by her father, wore
 a dress of ivory silk georgette,
 prettily embroidered with beads, silver
 bugles and lower's knots, and a wreath
 of orange blossom. Mr. Joseph
 Wright acted as best man. The brides-
 mae was Miss Lillian Hancock and
 Miss Edith Cornwell. Rev. G. H. Ire-
 land, B.A., conducted the service, the
 choir being in attendance, and Mr.
 Urwin presiding at the organ. A re-
 ception was held at the home of the
 bride after the wedding. There were
 a large number of valuable presents.

The North Shore Church, Blackpool,
 was crowded last Wednesday to witness
 the marriage of Rev. Martin W. Pinter
 and Miss Cecily, daughter of Mr. and
 Mrs. Frederick Eccles, prominent
 members and workers in this thriving
 church. The bride and bridegroom
 are heartily loved by the people. Rev.
 John Bradbury, formerly minister at
 Blackpool, conducted the service. The
 bride was given away by her
 father, wore a lovely gown of ivory
 double crepe de Chine and a veil of
 Brussels net. She was attended by Miss
 Alice Holliday, Miss Edna Hindley,
 and Master Jackie Bentley. Mr. Vin-
 cent Eccles served as best man. After
 a largely-attended reception the happy
 pair left for Kewick, followed by many
 heartfelt good wishes.

A pretty wedding was solemnised at
 Dalton-street Church, Cardiff, on Sun-
 day, July 2nd, the contracting parties
 being Thomas and Doris Wytton
 Hobbs. The Rev. T. H. Bryan con-
 ducted the service, and Mr. L. E.
 Roberts acted as the organ. The
 bride, who was given away by her father,
 was dressed in white crepe de Chine,
 with lace overdress, and carried a beau-
 tiful bouquet of gardenias, and
 Mr. J. H. Hocking acted as best man.
 The bride is the granddaughter of
 Miss Mary Thomas, of Delford, Devon.
 The happy couple afterwards
 left for Breamore, Hants.

On Monday, July 3rd, in Reddall Hall,
 Chislehurst, the Rev. James Wesley
 Homer, late of the East London
 Mission, was married in the presence of
 a large congregation to Miss Fanny
 Harrison. Both bride and bridegroom
 have lifelong associations with the
 church; the bride being one of five sisters
 who have been Sunday-school teachers,
 and the second sister to become the wife
 of one of our ministers. Mr. E. Tolney
 exchanged the duties of best man. The
 bride, who was becomingly attired in sea
 blue liberty silk, was attended by Miss
 Elizabeth Harrison and Miss Homer.
 Messrs. D. M. Bowman and J. H. Hirst
 conducted the service. The wedding
 breakfast was held in the schoolroom,
 a large company being present. Con-
 gratulations were accorded the happy pair
 and the respective parents, Mr. and
 Mrs. Harrison and Councillor
 Albert and Mrs. Harrison. After a
 brief honeymoon Mr. Homer enters
 upon the duties of superintendent of
 East Dereham Circuit.

Maude Angell tells in the "Woman's
 Magazine" how she has to paint re-
 ligious pictures. She says: "I don't
 know about flower painting is not worth
 knowing, and she also knows how to
 convey her expert technical knowledge as
 to interest and enlighten our
 amateur painters. Mrs. Lovat helps
 pupils in their artistic and creative
 work. "Why not a business career for the
 child without a bent?"

The Rev. J. K. Ellwood, Clapton
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International Lesson.

Bartimeus Hails Him King.

Luke xviii. 35-43. July 16.

By HENRY G. MEECHAN, B.A., B.D.
 We have seen that the kindly deeds
 of Jesus set us an example as to the
 Door. The feeling had been slowly
 gaining ground that Jesus must indeed
 be the promised Messiah. It finds
 definite expression in the confession of
 Bartimeus, who was blind from birth
 (Luke's Gospel). Jesus is publicly re-
 cognised as the Messiah. How significant
 it is that whilst John the Baptist had
 doubts, a poor blind beggar grasped the
 truth concerning Jesus. It was given
 to our Lord before entering into His
 suffering (this incident probably took
 place about a week before Jesus was
 crucified) to know that upon a few
 minutes the truth had dawned that He
 was none other than God's Son and
 Israel's Messiah.

The teacher should vividly picture
 the scene of the healing and the ac-
 counts of Mark, Matthew and Luke
 need cause no difficulty. The main out-
 line of the story is clear. It is evident
 that by a crowd of Galilean
 pilgrims, goes up to Jerusalem to join
 in the Passover. He reaches Jericho
 ("the city of palm-trees"), a flourish-
 ing town some sixteen miles from the
 capital. Bartimeus (only Mark x. 46
 gives the name) is a well-known man
 who frequents the busy road leading to
 the city. What was it that impelled
 Jesus to go to him? It is evident
 that our Lord was moved not merely
 by pity but by something in the man
 himself. Ver. 42b shows us what that
 something was. It was the cry of
 the lesson may therefore take the form
 of bringing out the evidences of faith
 shown by Bartimeus. They may be seen in:—

(1) His greeting of Jesus as "Son
 of David." Note the answer
 given in reply to Bartimeus' inquiry.
 To them our Lord was "Jesus of
 Nazareth." They knew Him as the
 carpenter of Nazareth (Matt. xiii. 55).
 Even His disciples had not yet fully
 realised that Jesus was the Messiah.
 Blind as Bartimeus was, he had seen
 But he had heard of His mighty works,
 and had jumped to the conclusion that
 Jesus was surely "He that should
 come." So he hailed Him in Messianic
 language as "Thou Son of David" (cf.
 Matt. xvi. 22). Note that Jesus does
 not discuss the title. It sometimes
 happens that the loss of one faculty
 sharpens those that remain. If Barti-
 meus had been put off by the bulk of his
 sight into the character and person of
 Jesus. And this very title was to be
 taken up again by the multitude
 when Jesus had entered His entry into
 Jerusalem (Matt. xxi. 9).

(2) His belief in Jesus' power to
 heal. Bartimeus had reached his goal
 concerning the wonderful cures wrought
 by Jesus. And his faith that Jesus
 was our Messiah had reached its full
 fruition. He had seen the power of His
 presence in the Master's ability to heal.
 And this is the right order. It is not
 difficult to believe in the miracles of
 Jesus when we believe in Jesus Him-
 self.

(3) His persistence. Bartimeus is
 set out put off by the bulk of his
 sight. People are inclined to be im-
 patient with repeated begging. Par-
 ticularly when the person is blind and
 way and they resented the interruption.
 But Bartimeus "cried out the more
 a great deal." He knew how to
 convey his expert technical knowledge as
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Mark the result. Bartimeus' faith
 was rewarded by the recovery of his
 sight. Then both the man and the
 multitude glorified God. As in the
 towards the man, boy and girl's work
 for June 11th), the works of God had
 been made manifest in the healing
 ministry of Jesus.

SUTTON-on-SEA.—Mrs. G. R. URRY, High Street.—Homey and comfortable Apartments; Board optional; facing sea; P.M.

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VALEDICTORY SERVICES.

Bedford First.—Hassell-street Church on Tuesday was the scene of a large gathering, it being the last meeting of Rev. S. McDuchon, who for the past twelve months has ably taken charge of the circuit, owing to a breakdown in health of Rev. J. S. Buckley. Miss Peacock, on behalf of the church and Endeavour, presented him with a dressing-case, and Miss Appley, on behalf of the Cricket Club, presented him with a silver-mounted walking-stick. Many other presents have also been received.

Castleford.—For four years Rev. J. Fryer Loveday has served the Castleford Circuit, two years as second minister and two as superintendent. During that period he has splendidly maintained the pulpit and exerted a great influence on the town. Several of the officials spoke of the services rendered by both Rev. and Mrs. Loveday, and Mr. W. C. Collins, on behalf of the Bradley-street Church, presented Mr. Loveday with a gold watch as a token of esteem and appreciation. The ladies of Bradley-street presented Mrs. Loveday with a gold brooch, with four pearls and centre period. Many other presents have been received.

Luton Third.—A memorable week-end rounded off the ministry of Rev. and Mrs. George Lucas. A great Sunday was followed by a large circuit gathering, when many spoke in glowing terms of the service of both Mr. and Mrs. Lucas. Deputations from the Free Church Council and ministers of the town joined in the thanks for many blessings received. The Ladies' Guilds, founded by Mrs. Lucas, presented her with a gold wristed watch and bangle and gold-banded fountain pen. To Mr.

Lucas the men of the circuit presented an eight-day solid silver study clock.

Middlebrough.—There was a large gathering at Gilles-street Church to bid farewell to Rev. and Mrs. T. Herbert Kedward. Glowing testimonies were paid by the many speakers to the work accomplished by Mr. and Mrs. Kedward. On behalf of the circuit, Mr. Theo. Wardle presented Mr. and Mrs. Kedward with a wallet of Treasury Notes as a token of esteem for six years' faithful ministry.

Northwich.—A large audience gathered at Witton-street, when fine tributes were paid to the impressiveness and power of Rev. H. L. Herod's four years' ministry. During Mr. Herod's ministry each church had been cleared of debt and many conversions witnessed. Mr. John Byron, on behalf of the circuit, presented Mr. Herod with a wallet containing £23 in Treasury Notes. Other presentations were made to Mrs. Herod from the Women's Own (Witton-street), a gold expanding bracelet watch (Winnington), a handsome silver-plated bowl. Many other gifts were also received.

Seaham Harbour.—At the farewell service held at Tempest-place Church, Rev. W. Robson was the recipient of an oak eight-day timepiece from the Mission Band, Mr. Mackey and several others spoke in high terms of the valued ministry of Mr. Robson, also of Mrs. and Miss Robson. Mr. R. Young made the presentation, and heartily thanked Mr. Robson and family for their valuable aid and sympathy.

Stalybridge.—Rev. S. Parlow has just completed a successful four years' ministry in the circuit. At a social gathering held in the Canal-street School, a presentation of a gold watch was made to Mr. Parlow by the Circuit Steward (Mr. H. W. Taylor), on behalf of the circuit. Speakers from the various Societies each bore testimony to Mr. Parlow's sterling qualities as preacher and pastor.

Sunderland Third.—On Thursday a large number of representatives from

each church assembled in the Williamson-terrace School to bid good-bye to Rev. Geo. W. and Mrs. King. The Chairman (Mr. T. Bailey) expressed the deep regret of every church at their removal, and spoke of the great improvement in every department since they came, five years ago. Ald. E. H. Brown (Circuit Steward), on behalf of all the churches, presented to Mr. and Mrs. King a wallet, well filled with Treasury Notes. Williamson-terrace Endeavour, Pilgrim-street Women's Own, and Castleton Society Class have also made presentations.

West Bromwich First.—In the unavoidable absence of Ald. A. G. Tutley, Circuit Steward Mr. Wm. Poulton presided at the meeting held at Queen-street on Monday to bid God speed to Rev. and Mrs. W. E. Webley. A large number of friends expressed their thanks for the valuable work accomplished by Mr. and Mrs. Webley during their ministry. On behalf of the circuit, Mr. Poulton presented Mr. Webley with an illuminated address. Mrs. Webley received a beautiful handbag. Many other valuable presents have been received from the other churches in the circuit.

Women's Missionary Federation.

Birmingham.—A good company met at Sparkhill Church, the President (Mrs. With) being in the chair. Rev. H. Carden offered prayer, Miss F. James rendering solos, and Miss Twissam reading a letter. Echoes of the Conference meetings were given by Mrs. Darwood and Rev. D. Cooke, with telling effect. Tea was served by the church ladies, and thanks were expressed by Rev. J. H. Hirst. Mrs. Smith and Miss Ager. Collection, 29s. 4d.

Grimsey Second.—The monthly meeting was held at Lacey. A party

of 70 went by charabancs, etc. from Grimsey. Mrs. Macaulay (Wesleyan) presided, and Mrs. Russell, wife of the Wesleyan minister, gave the address. Miss Johnson, of Grimsey, was the elocutionist. The Scripture and missionary letter were read by Mrs. Ellis and Mrs. Wilson respectively. The Lacey ladies provided a good tea. This yearly visit to Lacey is much enjoyed, and is extending the interest in the missionary movement.

St. Helen's, Auckland.—The monthly meeting took the form of an outdoor gathering in the woods of Drydale Hall, near Hamsterley, under the presidency of Mrs. Jerrom. Reports of the Leeds Conference were given by Mrs. Hodgson and Rev. G. B. Richardson. At the close Mrs. Jerrom presented Rev. G. B. Richardson with a dressing case, and Miss Mollie and Master Byron Richardson with a slave bracelet and fountain pen respectively, from the members of the auxiliary—a fine tribute to Mr. Richardson's work on the circuit. Tea was afterwards served in picnic fashion.

Tunstall.—The Auxiliary met at Biddulph. Mrs. F. A. Ingham presided, and Mrs. C. Finlay, of Congleton, gave an inspiring address. Miss Lawrence, Miss Barnett and Mrs. T. Whitehurst delighted the meeting with their songs. The missionary letter was read by Mrs. Frost. Mrs. Dolton, of Crewe, also took part. Councillor T. Cottrell, J.P., was the accompanist. Tea was generously provided by the Biddulph ladies. Financial result £4 10s.

Walsall.—Splendid meeting held at Calanore, Thursday, June 22nd. Mrs. W. Savage presiding. Mrs. Pearce (president) read the missionary letter, Mr. Parkes was soloist, and Rev. D. M. Bowman, of Old Hill, gave a helpful and much-appreciated address. Tea was begged by Miss Parkes, the corresponding secretary, and was admirably served. Collection upwards of three guineas.

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Yes, to-day, whilst we listen to the joyous prattle and the merry chatter of our dear little ones, whilst we fondly regard their happy and contented faces, wreathed with the purity of childhood's smiles, whilst we thank God for their good health with its blessed augury of steadfast growth, there are countless thousands of babes, of sweet little boys and girls of tender years, in the last throes of a life which has never known sunshine and sustenance, but which has been to them but one long nightmare of horror and want, of hunger and woe.

Just look at the illustration shown here, which truthfully depicts scenes which are only too common a story in Russia. No, this is not an exceptional case, but one (would to God it could be said otherwise) typical of the unimaginable state of the many millions of Russian children who are to-day faced with the inevitable awful Death which has already swept remorselessly away millions of others.

Will our Christianity and will our vaunted civilisation—will our proud sense of honour towards the weakest of the human race allow this colossal tragedy—this iniquitous scourge of starvation to continue—to drain the life's blood of the babes—to fill the accursed graves with the gaunt spectral corpses of the tiniest victims ever sacrificed to a ruthless oppressor?

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Send without the loss of a post your most abundant free-will gift to the headquarters of the "Save the Children Fund."

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