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#### "THE LORD LIVES THERE !"

#### A remarkable incident at Le Havre, told by Mdle. Biolley.

The Lord, to my great surprise and little by little, has entrusted me with a small work of faith among the many Bretons who come as diggers and sailors in our seafaring town. As the work developed, the Lord distinctly showed that a temperance work must be attached to it, and it led to the founding of a temperance hotel and restaurant in 1896 named ,

#### "LE RUBAN BLEU,"

or Biue Ribbon. Many and many have been the miraculous interventions of the Lord in providing for the means, as He was really and solely reckoned upon for them. Sweetly has God used it for spreading the good news, and still more so since the war and among British and American soldiers.

#### BURGLARS.

To-day it is not to this subject that I want to draw your attention, but to a special occasion when the Lord protected us wonderfully without our knowing it. For men who have some agility it is easy to climb to our first floor windows and get access into the house. One morning my attention was drawn to a flower pot which had fallen from over the window railing on to a small roof beneath. That could be no wind, nor could it be a cat. Two footprints proved it well. How my heart flew to God in intense gratefulness for His protection ! But it was only after a few days that I learnt in a marvellous way how it had happened.

#### A CONFESSION.

A young friend, who acted as nurse in a hospital, came with the following news: she had overheard a conversation between two patients, one of whom had a bandaged arm, the other a bandaged foot. They were talking with very rough-looking visitors. The one with the bandaged arm, whom we will call A, was saying : "It is useless to try and do anything to the Ruban Bleu, because the Lord lives there." "Oh," said a visitor, "if I had tried I would have succeeded; there is only a woman there."..."No, no," said A, "did I not tell you that the Lord

(LE BON DIEU) lives there." "I pushed you up well, though," said the one with the bandaged foot, "it is your

fault if you did not succeed." "Perhaps you were drunk," said the visitors. "Oh, yes, we were somewhat tipsv." "Ah! that is why you fell backwards." "I shall never try again," said A, "because the Lord lives there."

Since then the words have rung many a time-the Lord lives there ! the Lord lives there ! And when later the threatening forces of a much greater enemy, at the service of the same devil, have tried to come, the Lord living there, the Lord living there has compelled the ominous birds to recede. Praise, praise His Name!

#### H. BIOLLEY.

#### 19, Piace de l'Arsenal, Hâvre.

Twice during this war time the Editor of "Confidence" has enjoyed the hospitality of Mdle. Biolley, the Christian hostess of the "Ruban Bleu" at Havre. Precious prayer meetings are held in her "Upper Chamber," in which French and English join. It is good to find such a place in France. The restaurant is often crowded and the cooking excellent.

#### A REVIVAL AT THORNTON HEATH.

#### BRO. STEPHEN JEFFREYS.

At Grange Hall, Mersham Road, Thornton Heath, there is a Mission carried on by Mrs. Denham, who is better known as Miss Lily Littlebury, "the drunkard's friend." The Mission was not a Pentecostal Mission, but the Lord had used it for the salvation of many souls. Owing to Mrs. Denham having been ill, the work was not in a very prosperous condition, and Stephen Jeffreys, the Welsh revivalist, was therefore invited to come from Llanelly to conduct an eight or nine days' Mission there, an invitation which the Lord led him to accept.

Although efforts were made to attract the people by bills placed about the town, by the distribution of small handbills and by advert. ising in the local paper, the first meeting, which took place on a Sunday morning, was only thinly attended. At the end of the Mission, however, the hall was packed. Altogether Stephen Jeffreys gave seventeen addresses, and during that time it is estimated by the workers

#### (A Revival at Thornton Heath-continued.)

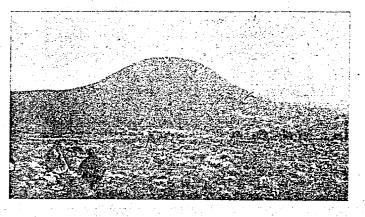
that about seventy-five souls were converted, and that in addition about sixty backsliders were reclaimed. These dedicated their lives to God, and began to seek the Baptism of the Holy Ghost. Six were baptised with the Holy Ghost with the scriptural evidences, and several remarkable cases of healing were witnessed. About 180 came out into the enquiry room altogether. Unfortunately, the Mission Hall was only large enough to accommodate about 200 people at a time.

The keynotes of Stephen Jeffreys' messages were Salvation, Consecration, Baptism with the Holy Ghost, the near Coming of the Lord Jesus in the clouds and the need for professing Christians to come away from the pleasures of the world and to be separate for God. Such messages God was prepared to confirm "with signs following," as in Mark xvi., 20, and consequently the faith of those who turned to God

how His eyes moved, etc. Another went into the enquiry room and gave her heart to God. When asked by Mrs. Denham if she had felt "Felt the power? Why, I saw the Lord im-mediately I entered the hall, and have been gazing at Him all the afternoon." A soldier in the Royal Flying Corps was brought in by another in the same service who had conse-crated himself to God at a previous meeting, and after hearing the address was obviously convicted, but would not yield to God. Asked by Mrs. Denham if he could see the Lord, for she could, he answered "No"; whereupon she prayed the Lord to open his eyes. The Lord heard her praver; the soldier saw Christ, and, seeing Him, wept and immediately gave his heart to God.

#### THE HEAVENS OPENED.

(b) On Thursday evening Stephen Jeffreys was preaching about visions, and pointing out



#### MOUNT TABOR. (Judges iv., 6.)

Mount Tabor is near the Plain of Armageddon. British Cavalry have been in action within sight of its rounded flanks, and Armageddon itself is now in British hands. Mount Tabor is considered by many to be the "Mount of Transfiguration." Before the war it was visited on this account by thousands of Russian pilgrims yearly. (Notice in the picture the native men watching their camels feeding.) Mount Tabor is not from Norareth. It has looked down on many battle creates. The Lord is not far from Nazareth. It has looked down on many battle scenes. The Lord passed it on His way to Nain (which is close by on our right). The southern end of the Sea of Galilee is at the far side, down the *wadi*.

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during the Mission does not lie in the words of man's wisdom, but in "DEMONSTRATIONS OF THE SPIRIT AND OF POWER" (1 Cor. ii., 4). Below is an attempt to describe some of the signs and wonders which God wrought during the Mission.

#### VISIONS OF CHRIST.

(a) A number of those who attended the Mission saw the Lord in the meetings. These were of all ages, children of about nine years, young men, young women, old men and old women, saints and sinners. Three of the conwomen, saints and sinners. Three of the con-versions were caused directly by a vision of Christ. The Writer (who did not see the Lord) was asked to come and speak to a lady at the back of the hall while one of the addresses was going on. He went and found the lady trembling from head to foot (like an old-time Quaker),"

that in the Scriptures visions frequently were given to God's people when they were suffering tribulation and persecution for His name. Examples cited were Paul, who was left for dead at Lystra and caught up into the third heaven; John, to whom the Revelation was given when he was in banishment in the Isle of Patmos for the Word of God (Rev. i., 9); and Stephen, who was stoned for telling the religious people of his day that they did always resist the Holy Ghost.

While Stephen Jeffreys was speaking of how the heavens were opened to Stephen, God opened the heavens to him (Jeffreys) and he saw into the glory, saw the Lord and the whole scene of Stephen being stoned.

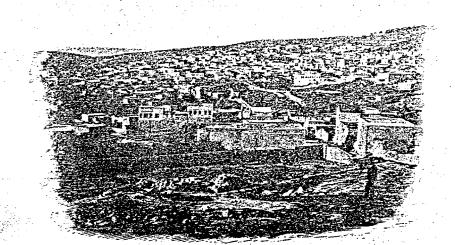
Jeffreys' face changed, his lips trembled, all could see that his eyes were opened to behold the unseen realities. He stood looking up into heaven and spoke of what he saw, asked the congregation if they could not see too, but they could not. When the vision passed and he looked at the congregation everything appeared to him to be glittering, for he was dazzled with the glory he had been privileged to see. 

#### POWER OF GOD FELT IN THE TOWN.

(c) We were impressed by the Spirit to pray that God would make His fear fail on the people and that He would pour His Spirit out not only on those who came to the meetings, but on those who stayed away, that they might be convicted and drawn by the Spirit to the meetings. Several testimonies were received her eyes rivetted on a corner of the hall, and afterwards confirming that God had answered tears running down her cheeks. She said she this prayer. Several said they had not wanted could see the Lord. She described Him, and to come to the meetings, but had had to come, they did not quite know why. One lady said the power of God had fallen on her at home; she did not understand it, and came to the meeting the next day to say she had given her heart to the Lord. An enquirer, who conse-crated his life to God afresh, said that he had not wanted to come to the meetings, but had felt the Power of God directly he arrived in Thornton Heath from London.

various conversions. (d) Members of various den various denominational churches who thought they were right with God, discovered they had never been born of the Spirit at all, and came to the foot of the Cross. Many saw visions, some heard the angels singing, and some saw lights round Stephen Jeffreys' head while he was preaching.

young man who had been baptised with the Holy Ghost before, instead of going on with the Word of God had started to study various religions. He had been caught in the net of Russelism (doctrine of no Hell), lost all his joy, rejected a great part of the Scriptures, and was in a very bad condition. He was convicted by the preaching, and came into the enquiry Jeffreys the word of wisdom (1 Cor. xii., 8) to deal with him. He was delivered, found his joy, was re-baptised with the Holy Ghost by Jesus, spoke in an unknown tongue under the dominion over thee; My grace is sufficient for thee; My strength is made perfect in weakness."



#### NAZARETH. (St. Luke i.)

The square, white, flat-roofed houses of Nazareth are spread over the hillside. It probably con-tains nearly 2.000 inhabitants in normal times. It has now passed away from the rule of the cruel Turk, and has been occupied by our British troops. It is built of white limestone, which crops up everywhere. Our Lord spent His childhood and youth here. After the commencement of His ministry He was in danger when visiting the synagague, high up-on the hill to the right. (St. Luke iv.) In the distance (left hand) can be seen the plateau of Mount Carmel.

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Jeffreys often did not know what he was going to preach about, but when he got up the Spirit of God came on him and the preaching was with power. One man was converted by seeing his children being baptised with the Holy Ghost; he came out of curiosity, saw his children on their knees shaking from hand to foot, praising and giorifying God, sometimes in their own language and sometimes in an unknown tongue, and he gave his heart to God there and then.

#### EVIL SPIRITS CAST OUT.

(e) Quite a number of people who had not got the JOY of salvation were delivered, and found joy when the evil spirits were rebuked. One evil spirit came out screaming like some her chair again to be taken home as of the cases in the New Testament. One forgotten to bring her boots with her!

#### DIVINE HEALING.

(f) A woman who had had a stroke and been partly paralyzed so that she could not put her feet to the ground was brought to one of the afternoon services in a bath chair for heal-When prayed for and anointed with oil, ing. special attention being paid to the words "Confess faults one to another, and pray for one another that ye may be healed" (Jas. v., 16), she got out of her chair and found she was able to stand alone. Encouraged to walk she took a tottering step and received strength from God. She walked all round the enquiry room twice by herself, and then down the Mission Hall. She had, however, to get into her chair again to be taken home as she had

#### (A Revival at Thornton Heathcontinued.)

A Methodist who lived about one and a half miles from the Mission was bedridden, given up by the doctors, and dying. He obeyed God and called for the elders of the church. Stephen Jeffreys, Mrs. Denham and another worker went to see him on Sunday, prayed with him, anointed him with oil, and on Monday evening he was round at the Mission, having walked most of the way there. He has been again since, and is very happy in

Another sister who belonged to the Pentecostal League of Prayer was brought to the Mission in a bath chair for healing. When questioned, she said she had received the Spirit of God, but that she had not been obedient to Him. All her joy was gone, and Satan was tormenting her body. When prayed for and anointed she regained her joy, clapped her hands. praised the Lord, and left the Mission with a face happy with the light of heaven on it, and the roses again on her cheeks. Asked by her friends if she *felt* better, she said, "I know I shall be healed." Just then two lads of about 17 years of age, one belonging to the Baptists and the other to the English Church, came up and said, "We know she will be healed as we saw two angels over the bath chair while she was being anointed with oil." The Writer did not know them, and entered into conversation with them. "It was no imagination, sir,



A CYCLIST IN THE HOLY LAND. A snapshot taken of the Editor of "Confidence" when leaving the orange-groves of Jaffa. He was cycling across the Plains of Sharonto the mountains of Judea, and so up to the Holy City. The Turks and Arabs were much interested in the cycle, and inspected it carefully.

we saw the angels; we know she will healed. he But someone tells us that if we see visions we shall die. Is that so?" They went away happy to study Joel ii. 28, which was quite new to them, and glad to know that their experience was a sign of the last days, and that God was confirm. ingtothemStephen Jeffreys' message Jesus that was coming soon. "Where there is no vision the people perish.") Next day a message came that the sister who had been anointed had walked up. 🖯 the . stairs by herself. THE-HEAVENLY ANTHEM. (g) On two occasions God's people

#### ACRE, OF "AKKA."

This town, recently occupied by the British troops, is near the north end of the great Bay of Acre, which stretches twelve miles from Mount Carmel. It has been a fanatical Mohammedan town, and also a centre of the Babi sect from Persia. It can be seen from the hills above Nazareth. Our Lord would pass within sight of it at times.

> were on the tip-toe of expectation, expecting to hear the heavenly anthem, but only two sisters took part, singing in tongues and in harmony a few bars of this wonderful song of praise. If David sang in this way, no wonder he was called "The sweet singer of Israel."

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GIFTS OF TONGUES AND INTERFRETATION.

(h) Several messages were given by the Holy Spirit in accordance with God's Word. "With stammering lips and another tongue will He speak unto this people, yet would they not hear" (Is. xxviii., 11). The Writer remembers the interpretation of one-

"Come unto Me, come unto Me, come unto Me and I will give you rest," spoken just after the invitation had been given

for sinners to come to the Lord.

#### TRANCE AND PROPHECY.

(i) Some of us had been impressed to asl: God to pour out His Spirit as He did on Balaam, Peter, Paul and John, and give the people visions in trance in their own homes. This prayer was answered in at least two cases, one being in the Writer's home, where the Spirit fell on one of the maids at evening prayers, and she was in a trance five hours, during which the Lord appeared to her and told her that He was coming soon. He also said:-

"This is the time of Daniel's vision, which, although rejected by much people, shall be fulfilled. Have I not sent My ministering spirits and My prophets at all times, and in these days of greater light they will not hear My children. Yea, they are hun-, gering to silence them and to kill them, and those who do this are not the ignorant ones, but those who call themselves the children of God. I know them not; they rob Me of My Holy Name, the devil has blinded their eyes that they shall not see My mighty wonders with spiritual eyes lest they be born again. It is only those who are born of the Spirit and joined together as one in Me, and bring Me honour and glory who bear fruit. For those who are born of the Spirit must bring new souls into birth.

#### REVIVAL CONTINUES.

When Stephen Jeffreys left after nine days the revival continued, under the ministry of Mrs. Dawson, the converted gipsy, and Mrs. Denham. In another fourteen days the number of new converts was brought up to considerably over 100.

Christian reader, this account is written by request in the belief that you will rejoice at these signs of revival in our country, and that you will be inspired to launch out to reach the unsaved masses. If you will put your time, prayers and money into bringing the unsaved to Jesus, and preach the whole Gospel without fearing the face of any man, God will work with you, confirming His Word with signs and wonders following as in days of old, and multi-tudes will be saved.

Yours in the love of God,

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The above account is in the opinion of the undersigned quite correct.

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LILY L. DENHAM,

NELLY GREEN,

A PICTURE-VISION OF CHRIST. The Editor of "Con-

readers would be in-

the above account of Stephen Jeffreys'

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"On the wall of the Island Place Mission Room at Llanelly (South Wales) above the platform."

"Was it at night? and during a meeting?"

"Yes; I was preaching, and I noticed that the people were all beginning to look at something behind me, and at last I stopped and turned to see what it was that attracted their attention, and then saw the Face."

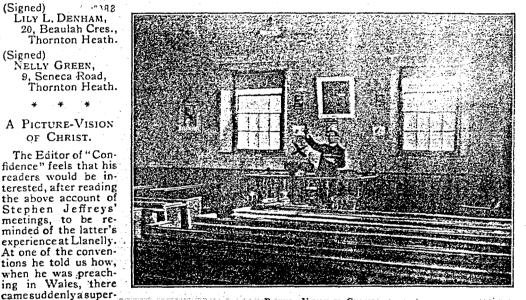
"What kind of light was there in that Hall?"

"It was lit by electric light. Everything was quite plain."

"What was the wall like? Was it plastered? Had it a smooth surface?"

"It was something like the wall over there. Tinted, or slightly coloured."

"Could you go to-day and put your hand on the wall exactly where it appeared?"



PICTURE-VISION OF CHRIST.

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The X marks the place on the wall where it appeared in Island Place Mission, Llanelly, So. Wales. (Bro. Stephen Jeffreys in the Rostrum.)

was the head of a LAMB, then it gradually changed and became the FACE OF THE MAN OF SORROWS.

There it remained in the sight of the congregation and of everyone who came in to see it. It was just a little while before the commence. ment of the great War. It was surely in some way a warning as to that terrible thing that was coming on the earth.

I had a talk with our Brother after the meet-ing. Mr. Geo. Every ("Springfield," Westbury Street, Llanelly, South Wales) was standing with us, and he corroborated as an eye-witness all that Pastor Stephen Jeffreys said.

"Will you let me ask you some questions as to this miraculous picture of Christ?" I said.

"Yes, gladly I will," he replied. "First, exactly where did it appear?"

"Indeed I could. It was there for six hours, to be seen by everyone. Next day it had gone.

"Did anyone try to explain it?"

"No; no one could possibly explain it. It was just there for everyone to see, above the platform. It was a vision sent to us by the Lord. It reminded us that He was indeed the slain Lamb, and that that Lamb was identical with the Crucified Saviour bearing the sin of the world. He seemed to be sorrowing with His people over the things which were coming upon the earth."

Bro. Every said that he went up to the wall and was close to the picture. It was the size of a man's face. The eyes were remarkable, they seemed to be alive and moving. (He drew as it were with his finger on the wall where we

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#### "Faith in God, the Holy Ghost."

There is a beautiful paragraph in the Nicene Creed which specially emphasises faith in God, the Holy Ghost. It runs: "I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord and Giver of life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who together with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified." Perhaps few of us realise sufficiently the importance of a definite faith in the Holy Spirit.

A great cry is going up for power. Individuals are conscious of the lack of power. Power to overcome sin, power for service, power to understand spiritual verities. The Churches are conscious of failure to grip men and women, especially young men.

If we examine our faith, we have no doubt as to our belief in God the Father. He is our comfort and strength. We have no doubt as to our belief in God the Son. We can never doubt the historical and biblical fact of Calvary. We humbly and thankfully acknowledge Him as our Saviour, as the Saviour of mankind. But I doubt whether we as fully believe in the present dispensation and power of God the Holy Ghost. Yet we see the special work of the Third Person of the everblessed Trinity fully demonstrated in God's Word. Each Person in the Trinity has His special work and province.

In the first creation God the Father originated the idea and plan. God the Word spoke. God the Holy Spirit operated and turned the Word into substance. Even so in the beginning of the New Creation—the Incarnation of His Son. God the Father spoke the Word, the Virgin Mary received it, God the Holy Ghost operated, and "the Word became flesh."

In the Old Testament we see the special dispensation of God the Father : the Trinity working in unity. In the Acts of the Apostles, the Epistles, and the Apocalypse, we see the special work and power of God the Holy Ghost: unity in Trinity. Between these we have the Gospels, the glad tidings in the life and work of God the Son, the God-Man, a grand and lonely figure, treading the wine-press alone. Ever and anon we get a vision of the Father and the Holy Spirit working with Him and through Him, the Trinity in unity giving Him the courage, the strength and the power to go through and complete the redemption of mankind. Just in the three hours' appalling darkness and silence we are allowed to have a faint glimpse of the awful loneliness and sacrifice that was needed for the God-Man to take the place of the sinner. Just a brief glimpse of the cost to the Father when "He so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son," a sacrifice that we can perhaps enter into a little more fully in these days, when fathers and mothers know what it means to send forth their dearly loved boys to the great fight for righteousness.

That dearly beloved Son went forth alone. By Himself He purged our sins. By Himself He met and conquered the powers of darkness. And yet not alone! Soon we are permitted to see the power and glory of God the Holy Ghost in the Son triumphing over death and the grave. He arose, the first-born of a new creation, the first-born of many brethren. He had shed His most precious blood, and made full atonement for the sins of the whole world. He had "tasted death for every man." He had been delivered for our offences and raised for our justification, and thus obtaining forgiveness of sins. He ascended into heaven, sat down at the right hand of the throne of God the Father, and obtained the promise of the Father. the gift of the Holy Ghost, who would at once begin to renew and recreate all those who believe, till finally a new heaven, a new earth, in short, all things would become new.

ated and turned the Word into substance. Since the day of Pentecost God the Holy Even so in the beginning of the New Ghost has been and is still doing the same

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mighty work, renewing, transforming and empowering all who believe in God the Father's word, in God the Son's work, and who will receive the gift, the marvellous gift of God the Holy Spirit. He still needs a body and faculties through which to express Himself. He is looking for the faith and confidence and surrender of those whose bodies have been made clean by His body, those who will venture in the true humility of helplessness to recognise and rely upon God the Holy Gnost in the temple of the body.

To those who will thus believe and surrender in faith and obedience He will indeed "take of the things of God and declare them." He will guide us into all truth. He will quicken the mortal body with the life of Jesus. Above all, He will glorify the Lord Jesus Christ and reveal Him as the risen, glorified King of kings. He will open the eyes of our understanding so that we can speak of things that we do know, and testify of things that we have seen in such conviction and power that men will feel the reality of eternal verities. Lastly, this knowledge of God will bring the kingdom of God into our hearts and The kingdom which is "righteouslives. ness, peace and joy in the Holy Ghost," Out of us shall flow "rivers of living water."

This war has brought us face to face with the powers of darkness. Amidst it all we see the Spirit of God at work. Surely, because of our great High Priest, "a Priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec," we see a looking up to God. the Father, a super-human courage, unselfiishness and sacrifice in men and women who were living lives of pleasure and luxury. Men and women of every rank and class are coming together in a better relationship, facing a common foe, facing stern realities. Seeing a new vision of a better world, they are looking eagerly for something great, something divine. Many have found God in the time of dire need; they have discovered Him for themselves. It is for the churches to determine whether they will be the medium through which the Holy Spirit can work as of old.

That the work of destroying the evil and building up the good will continue goes without saying, for it is the will of God that all things shall find their Head in Christ, and that righteousness and peace shall reign upon the earth. He is calling for workers, for instruments, for vessels, for faith in the Holy Spirit, faith in the Word of God, which He will transmute into substance; faith in God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Ghost, so that we shall all come, not into uniformity, but into unity of faith, and to the fulness of the stature of Jesus Christ. Then we shall see God in everything, and everything in God. Then we shall joyfully and expectantly look for the appearance of our great Head, and the final triumph of God the Holy Ghost in the redemption of the body and the destruction of the last enemy, death.

We believe that as the power and working of the one Eternal Spirit is more realised and believed in, we shall better understand telepathy, the working of the subliminal or sub-conscious self, and experience the effectual, mighty power of prayer and co-operation with the will of God in a marvellous way.

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were standing the shape and size of the picture.) I asked Bro. Every if he could send me any account which had appeared in one of the local papers. He has sent me the following cutting from the Lianeliy "Star":---

"A remarkable experience is related by those who attend the mission services now being held at the Island Place Gospel Hall. For some months past Mr. Stephen Jeffreys, an earnest mission worker, has been conducting services here among a section of the community to whom the churches and chapels seem to make no appeal. During the service on Sunday night the congregation were startled to see a vision appearing on the wall behind where the preacher was standing. The outlines appeared to be blurred at first, but by and by the congregation recognised the head and face of the Man of Sorrows, with the Crown of Thorns upon His head.

"Speaking to a 'Star' representative to day, Mr. Jeffreys gave a thrilling account of what he described as

'THE VISION OF THE MASTER.'

"We have had many conversions," he said, "but what occurred on Sunday night transcends all that one could have hoped for. My back was turned to the portion of the wall where the vision appeared, and my attention was drawn to it by some of the congregation who were spell-bound to see the face of our Blessed Lord standing boldy out on the wall. There was no mistaking the appearance—it was the Man of Sorrows looking on us with ineffable love and compassion shining out of His wonderful eyes. The effect upon us all was one that will neverbe forgotten by any who were privileged to behold it. Some of my congregation saw the

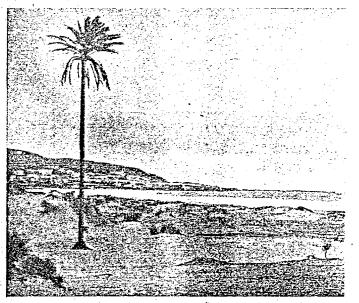
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head crowned with thorns, but I cannot speak as to this, as I did not see it. The face, however, was not to be mistaken, and it still haunts me. It remained on the wall for hours after the service closed, and we kept the building open in order that all should have the opportunity of witnessing this wonderful revelation. Many unbelievers came in and

FELL ON THEIR KNEES IN PENITENCE.

It was a proof to us that the Lord is with us in our work, and it will inspire us to more wholehearted consecration to His service.'

"A member of the congregation told our representative that to him the vision appeared as that of the Lord appearing out of a great cloud.



HAIPA.

On the left are seen the slopes of Mount Carmel running down towards the Mediterranean Sea. Elijah's servant saw from these heights the cloud no bigger than a man's hand that foretold the downpour of longed-for rain. Haifa is at present the best port for the Holy Land, being sheltered from the South and somewhat from the North also. It has been the terminus of a branch line running down to the south end of the Sea of Galiee, and, after crossing the Jordan, climbing up eventually to the Damascus line from the Hedjaz. The River Kishan here runs into the sea.

'I went early on Monday morning,' he added, 'but by that time the vision had disappeared.'"

Bro. Every secured for "Confidence" a copy of a photo taken shortly afterwards, showing the spot (marked with a X) where the picture appeared.—A.A.B.

#### PENTECOSTAL ITEMS.

The Stone Church in Chicago has passed into other hands. It is now a Coloured Baptist Church. The immediate neighbourhood has become largely a coloured people's locality. The congregation which worshipped at the Stone Church occupies a building which has been known as the Oakland Music Hall, 40th and Cottage Grove Avenue. The pastor is Bro. Hardy W. Mitchell.

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The Evangel Publishing House continues to publish "The Latter Rain Evangel" at 3635 Michigan Avenue. Sister Reiff, its gifted Editress, has done a great work through this excellent paper. (One Dollar a year, or 4s. 2d.)

Our dear Brother Stanley H. Frodsham (with Brother Max Wood Moorhead) suggests special prayer on Sunday, November 2nd, and Monday, November 3rd, in connection with the Lord's Return. To "hasten the Coming of the Lord" (2 Peter iii., 12, margin). A crown is promised

to all them that love His appearing (2 Tim. iv., 8).

In Springfield, Missouri (336, West Pacific St.), are the offices of "The Christian Evangel." They have now been removed from St. Louis. This paper is 5/- a year, and is now issued bi-weekly. Subscriptions can be sent to Mr. Sydney Frodsham, 7, Gerald Koad, Bournemouth. This paper has done much for

The Editor (Bro. Stanley H. Frodsham) writes: "There is quite an encouraging work amongst the American soldier boys in training in the Texas Camps. Hundreds have been saved, and in one camp the officers have put up a special tent for the Christian boys to have a meeting in every night."

Pentecostal missionaries.

Many Special Memorial Services have been held by the Editor of "Confidence" for fallen British soldiers, etc., who have gone out from Sunderland. One of the latest was for a torpedoed engineer parishioner. Along this coast in war time there are constant dangers from submarines ailors are brave men. every

and mines. Our sailors are brave men, every moment running tremendous risks.

O Trinity of love and power, Our brethren shield in danger's hour From submarine, from fire and foe, Protect them wheresoe'er they go. Thus evermore shall rise to Thee Glad hymns of praise from land and sea.

Gifts will be thankfully received by Rev. A. A. Boddy for the funds of the Pocket Testament League. The "ACK-EMMAS" of an aerodrome gave him much encouragement the other Sunday. He had scarcely enough P.L. Testaments to supply their needs. They came back after his

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"Church Parade" Service to ask for copies, and to say they would be glad to see him back again.

As he was preaching that morning there came the roar of aeroplanes near by rushing up into the sky. He was reminded of the Avenging Angels (I Kings xix., 25; Acts xx., 23), but also of the Angels of Deliverance. We thank God for the bravery of our airmen. They do their duty nobly to protect us from such scenes as we witnessed here, when women and children were killed and torn to pieces by the German bombs. Young Captain Ball (who laid down his life after putting about fifty hostile planes out of action) wrote to his mother: "I am indeed looked after by God; but oh, I get tired of always living to kill. I shall be so pleased when I have finished."

Lieut. J. A. V. Boddy, R.A.F., is not quite so well. Erysipeias had recently attacked him, but he is improving. He had been out of bed, wheeling himself about the ward. It is quite hoped that one leg will be saved. It is nearly a year (November 23rd) since he was shot down over Bourlon Wood, when patrolling in his scouting aeroplane. We thank God with grateful hearts that He has preserved him thus far, and trust that he will be restored to us at Sunderland eventually.

Any person wishing for a reply, or for a receipt to be sent, should certainly enclose stamps for the reply postage. We cannot undertake to pay postage, especially at the present rates. We do not as a rule send receipts. The acknowledgment in due course appears in the following issue of "Confidence."

The Palestine pictures in this and the previous two issues originally appeared in the Editor's book, "Days in Galilee" (7/6), which is now out of print. Second-hand copies sometimes can be obtained by booksellers, who advertise for them in their trade papers.

CONFERENCE AT MAESTEG, SOUTH WALES. The Secretary, Bro. A. S. Gundy, 23 Station St., Maesteg. reports that a United Conference was held at the Pentecostal Mission Hall from August 4th to 6th. The speakers were as follows:--Bro. D. J. Davis, of Glanamman; Bro. D. Mordecca, of Kenfig Hill; Bro. A. W. Davies, of Abercregan; Pastor J. H. Thomas, of Ammadford; Bro. David Evans, Cumdu, Llandilo; Bro. Thomas Evans, Ystalyfera. Evangelist M. L. Owens, of Glanamman, rendered some very effective solos, especially one on the Second Coming of our Lord.

The coming-in of the U.S.A. to finish the war has had very marked results. The British people can never be too thankful. Yet it must be remembered that without the British ships they could not have been in France. Also that for four long terrible years Britain stood face to the foe through awful times. Now that peace is nearer, let us together thank God and each ungruogingly give the other all due praise in a generous way.

### THE PENTECOSTAL MISSIONARY UNION.

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

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

MISSIONARIES. INDIA.—United Provinces: Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Boyce, Miss G. Elkington, Miss B. Jones, Miss C. White. Bombay Pres.: Miss C. Skarratt, Miss M. A. Thomas. CHINA.—Yunnan-fu, Yunnan: Rev. Allan and Mrs. Świft, Mrs. A. Williams, Mrs. Trevitt, Mr. and Mrs. Boyd, Miss Cook, Miss E. Biggs, Miss J. Biggs, Miss Waldon, Mr. and Mrs. Lewer, Mr. and Mrs. Leigh. Likiang: Mr. and Mrs. Kok, Miss Scharten, Miss Agar, Mr. and Mrs. Klaver.

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

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

#### - (Pentecostal Missionary Union-continued.)

A P.M.U. Council Meeting was held on the 18th September, at 21, Godliman Street, in the City of London. There were present Mr. Cecil Polhill (President), Mr. T. H. Mundell, Hon. Sec., Mr. E. M. Moser, Hon. Sec., Rev. A. A. Boddy, Editor of "Confidence," Mr. W. Glassby, Mr. H. Small, Mr. Smith Wigglesworth, and Mrs. Crisp. For about three-and-ahalf hours very close attention was given to much important business connected with the work of the Union abroad and at home.

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The Hon. Treasurer asked for much prayer as to funds. The needs now were great, and at the moment the sums in hand were very small. He does not wish to delay the forwarding of the much-needed remittances to the missionaries in India and China. The readers of "Confidence" are among the most likely people in this world to pray with power for these needs.

#### TIBETAN TRAVEL.

#### Bro. Pietre Klaver.

#### DEAR ONES IN THE HOMELAND,

Greetings in the precious name of Jesus! I would like to give a brief account of the last trip which Mr. Lewer and I took among the Tibetans. I hope it will be of interest, so that the people at home may see the great need which is among them, and that fervent prayer may arise from the saints at home for the Tibetans.

#### A HORSE'S END.

On Monday, April 29th, we started on this trip. It is quite a lot of trouble to arrange for such a trip in Tibetan country, because you have to take everything with you. We took with us a good quantity of rice, flour and meat, because you cannot buy anything till you arrive at Chongtien. Travelling was just lovely, the rains not having yet started. On this journey one of our horses was terribly lame, and it was a real pity to see the animal suffering; so we asked the man if he would sell the horse to us, because it was of no use. We told him we would give him one dollar, afterwards we would drown it in the big river. After a while he agreed, and when we arrived at the place we bound the horse's legs, and then very soon it was drowned, and was free from its sufferings. The whole time this was taking place the man was praying.

#### CHONGTIEN,

In Shau-Chongtien we had the same old trouble. First we could not find a place for sleeping; but after a little while a friendly Lama took us into his house, and later on we had a nice little meeting. We stayed for about fourteen days in Chongtien, and we had fine opportunities for preaching. The people were very busy praying for rain, and every day there were big processions of Chinese as well as Tibetans. One day we went on the plain, and we saw all the people of the villages gathered together to pray for rain. We arrived just at the time they were having a little rest, and I saw this was our opportunity for preaching to them. I played a few hymns on the cornet, and our evangelist spoke a few words. We had just done this when a sign was given that everyone had to pray again. The elders of the villages were going round with a stick, and they hit everyone who did not pray. An old woman came to us and said, "I do not pray to the idols, but I pray to Jesus, because Miss Scharten and Miss Biggs have preached in my



#### MR. P. KLAVER.

home, and I believe what they have told me." It was encouraging to hear this.

#### OPEN-AIRS.

Every day we held open-air meetings in different parts of the city, and great crowds listened to the Gospel. I always find the people ready to listen to the Word of God. We again visited the villages near the big lamasery, and the Lord gave us a wonderful time. At that time there were a great number of Tibetans from far inner Tibet; some even from Kansu Province. How they drank in the Word of God! The Gospels were eagerly received. Our evangelist, as a rule, can hold the people when preaching. May the Lord use him more and more!

#### FEARFUL PEOPLE.

The next place we visited was Peng-tsi-ra, three days from Chongtien to the North. We were unable to hire horses, so we had to walk. I shall never forget that journey. We hired two little donkers to carry our loads, and so we started our journey. The first night we stayed

at a place called Rom-pa. We tried, as usual, to have a little meeting, but the people were too afraid to come out of their houses. The road was very difficult. We had to climb over high mountains, and often we had to hold one another fast, because the road was so narrow, with deep precipices on each side; but the Lord kept us, praise His name. After three days we arrived at P'eng-tsi-ra, after having crossed the Iang-tsi at 9 p.m. Then we had to find a place to sleep. They called for the head of the village, and he gave us a place in an old temple, the people being too afraid to take us in. We had a nice time of preaching the Gospel. The whole time great crowds came into our little place, and sat around us on the floor, and we talked to them about the "Doctrine."

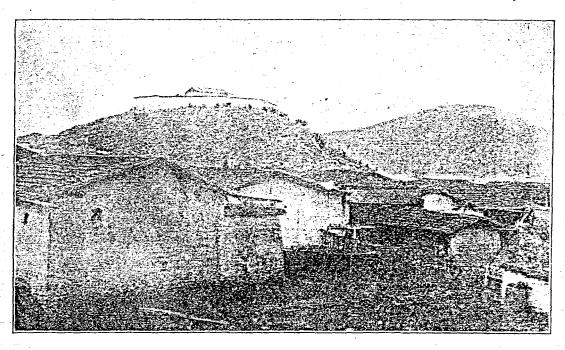
#### CAMP BEDS.

From P'eng-tsi-ra we went to AduntsT again, another four days further. The elders in the The next day we dried our things by a huge fire, and soon we were able to travel again.

Aduntsi is a very small place. The place itself is mostly Chinese. The Tibetans come from far places and do business in the city. For a few days we held meetings in the street, and we had good numbers listening to the Gospel. The Bible pictures and gospels were gladly received. We believe also this will be a means of taking the Gospel into Tibet. The people in Aduntsi seemed rather in favour of the Gospel.

#### THROUGH THE WATERS.

After Aduntsi we came home, because we wanted to be home before the heavy rain started. But our hope was in vain. For about ten days we had heavy rain, which made travelling very difficult and not without danger. But the Lord kept us through it all. In two places the river was so swollen that it had washed away the



CHONGTIEN, A TIBETAN TOWN.

former place were able to hire horses for us, so we started fresh for Aduntsi. On our arrival we were received heartily by the head, and he brought us to a nice, clean house all prepared. We wondered why it was, but soon we found out. The head of P'eng-tsi-ra had sent word to this village that we were coming, and told them to receive us. Also he liked our camp beds so much that he sent a carpenter to take a pattern of it for himself.

From P'eng-tsi-ra to Aduntsi we saw very high snow mountains. It was a beautiful sight. Yes, even we who travelled in May were passing through the snow. The night before we arrived at Aduntsi we were just in bed, when a terrible rain came, and, not having tents, we were soon soaked through. We tried to sleep that night, but found it impossible, as everything was so wet. bridges, and the people told us we could not cross the river. But we could not stay there, so we had to wade through it with much danger. In Wei-hsi, six days from Likiang, we went through the river up to our waist, and the current was so strong that we had to hold each other firm. We realised the truth of the Word of God: "When thou goest through the waters I am with thee." We were very glad to return home on account of the rain, praising the Lord for all His blessings during this trip.

At present we are all busy studying Tibetan language, and the Lord is helping us.

May the Lord bless you all. Continue to pray for us.

With Christian greetings, Yours in Him,

PIETRE KLAVER,

#### **ITINERATING in YUNNAN PROVINCE.**

#### Mrs. Boyd.

Since last writing you and the dear readers of "Confidence" Mr. Boyd and I have been doing some itinerating in this district. Our first trip was to Hsi-sa, passing through the market towns of Long-so and Peng-ku. In each of these places we were permitted to preach to crowds of men and women respectively, and our colporteur disposed of a large number of Gospel portions and New Testaments supplied by the British and Foreign Bible Society. We praise God that this society is still enabled to promote the propagation of the Scriptures. We often come across villagers who have not heard the Gospel, but possess a "Book," and it gives a splendid opportunity to preach the Word and to deepen their desire to read the "Book.'

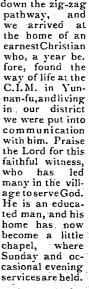
#### LIVING IN A TEMPLE.

We have made two visits to Peng-ku. It has

speak a few words of their own dialect, such as "Have you eaten your rice?" or, "It is late, we must be going." So far we cannot find that they have any equivalent of "Forgive us our sins," although they understand the Mandarin, and thus, we have been enabled to teach some a little prayer, partly in Mandarin and partly in their own dialect.

#### OPIUM POPPY GONE.

Leaving Hsi-sa we proceeded to San-uen-ching. The road lay up and down the sides of mountains, steps were cut into the sides of the rocks, and it was like climbing huge stairways, but amidst most beautiful scenery, mosses, ferns and bushes near at hand, and forest-clad mountains, narrow, fertile valleys not far away. A few years ago the whole district was given up to the cultivation of the poppy, but now the opium curse has been re-moved, beans and Indian corn flourish in every nook and cranny. At last we rested on the slope of a mountain overlooking the village of San-uenching. Slowly our horses went down the zig-zag



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CHART OF TIBET.

proved a "hard" spot. While the books went like "wild-fire," yet the people greatly feared foreigners, and we realised a little the meaning of "There was no room at the inn." The people refused to have us, and so at last we found a lodging place in an old temple, now used as a schoolroom. The idols in all their-dilapidation are still in one portion of the building, and are worshipped twice daily, but we secured an empty room, having our meals brought to us twice a day. In spite of their trepidation people came to visit us, and one day we were kept busy with the women from morning till evening. We would ask your prayers for Peng-ku. We feel sure the Lord has His own people there. Since our visit several have called here (two days' journey away) to enquire more.

Hsi-sa is a very large, well-built town, and there we met and preached to tribespeople and many travellers from distant towns. One great advantage in this district is that most of the tribespeople speak and understand Mandarin

#### TRIBAL FOLK.

Our next trip was entirely amongst the tribespeople. We stayed at the home of an enquirernot quite equal to English hotels. At night I could not understand why the chirping of chicks should keep me awake, until next morning I discovered their resting place was below mine. We spent four happy days there. A family of Hua Miao decided for the Lord, and as we partook of breakfast with them one morning the bitter flavour of the steamed buckwheat and Indian corn or maize became sweet as we joined. in their joy of newly-found salvation. That family is steadily pressing on with God. Another day we visited a village where a year before several had decided for the Lord. Hallelujab! The number has now increased, so that at the time of writing about thirty families in that village have turned from idols to serve the living God. Their paper gods, etc., have been torn down and burnt, and wall-texts pasted in each home. We make well, although they are very pleased when we can -it a rule that if any one desires his idols to be

destroyed he himself must *begin* to tear them down, and we help him to make a clean sweep. It often means a good deal of labour to completely get the old papers off the walls.

#### MR. LU.

The Lord has graciously given us an evangelist especially for work in these parts, and in six adjacent villages there are now enquirers. We are endeavouring to get our little church of six members at Kaihua to regard the village work as their offspring, and out of their poverty to help a little in the support of the evangelist, Mr. Lu. We will be glad of your prayers for this worker and work. Mr. Lu is now earnestly seeking the Baptism of the Holy Spirit.

Our third trip took us chiefly among the tribe

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Lord is all-sufficient to make them living witnesses, and anything short of this will not suffice. Dear friends, pray for these "babes in Christ."

#### GROWTH.

Our return to Kaihua brought joy to our hearts. We found our little flock of members and enquirers steadily going on. They had made strides during our absence. This has been our experience after each trip, and we give God the glory. It is such a joy to see the dear ones depending not upon the teacher but upon the Lord who bought them. Several are earnestly seeking the fulness of God's Holy Spirit.

Yet we would ask your earnest prayers for Kaihua. It is a very hard city, and it seems impossible to win the men of the town, but our



#### WEDDING GROUP AT YUNNAN-FU.\*

Rack Row: First on left (in front of door), Mr. Swift. Second Row: Fourth from left (below Mr. Swift) Mrs. Swift. Miss Cook, next lady, Miss Waldon, Mrs. Klaver, Mrs. Trevitt, Miss Lizzie Biggs. Mrs. Williams. Miss Jessie Biggs. Front Row: Third from right, Mr. and Mrs. Lewer, Mr. and Mrs. Boyd, Mr. and Mrs. Leigh.

known as "Long-ren," distinguished from other tribes by the women wearing a long skirt. We visited six market towns, and also the home of our woman helper. We hear since that the whole family, some sixty-odd members, have turned to the Lord. We were detained at Malipo, a market town some thirty English miles from the French We had come to the end of our funds, border. and the wet weather delayed communication with the Capital. However, we saw God's hand in it There are now ten families, including the all. telegraph official. We would earnestly ask your prayers for these dear people, for not only do we desire them to have a mental grasp of "salvation's plan," but the active working of the Holy Spirit in their hearts, Living contact with our living

God is able, and we believe if the dear friends will especially remember to pray for the men of Kaihua, some will yet be gathered in. May the readers of "Confidence" have a big share in the Kaihua and district harvest.

In closing, may I say how very sorry we were to read of the injuries sustained by Mr. Boddy, junior, while serving his country; while we praise God for the favourable recovery. We truly sympathise with Pastor and Mrs. Boddy at this time. What consolation in these days of sorrow to realise that very, very soon our King is coming!

This picture and the two preceding illustrations are inserted by kind permission of the Editor ot "Flames of Fire". (free monthly on sending address to the Secretary, 10 York Terrace, Regents Park, London, N.W.)

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