

MISSIONARY CORRESPONDENCE.

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Dear Highway:

This subject, "His Lost Sheep," came to me yesterday with more force and vividness than ever before. It was our Wednesday class with one hundred present. Their hearts were tender, receptive and oh, so hungry for God and His righteousness. One old woman, Sala Sigubudu, a church member, but now gone back to the slavery of drink and heathen customs, seemed to have her hope revived. Others, only seekers, promised to go home and pray. There was deeper conviction on the company than we have seen for many months.

We are praying that next communion Sunday may see a large gathering and much victory.

At last Sunday's services several made a start for the Kingdom. Joeli reports three, and here on the mission station were two more.

I was present with Paulina on her needy field and had four services, the second with 30 heathen present. Two made a start. At the fourth "kraal meeting" was a man in the last stages of consumption. Since Paulina's last visit he had seen a vision of Heaven, and been shown that the way to that glorious place was, for him open and clear. One of his three wives showed me pieces of sugar cane she was saving for him. Next morning a child from them was here bright and early to get some promised things—sugar, bread, kerosene and more sugar cane.

20th.

Our "Big Sunday" has come and gone. Over three hundred were present, so crowding the church that we wished it were larger. A spirit of deep conviction was present.

In yesterday's class again it seemed that revivaf flame was about to break out. We are believing to see the glory of the Lord revealed in the cleansing of this church for whom Christ gave himself, and in bringing in of his lost sheep.

Remember, it is yours to help in this glorious work by prayer. God will give you a burden, inbreathed by the Holy Spirit. You will become conscious of his purpose in this little section of His great harvest field, and thus be led to pray along the line of His actual working, becoming workers together with Him and us.

Yours abiding in His love,
H. C. SANDERS.

DOUBLE TERMS OF SCRIPTURE.

God has seen fit in His inspired Word to use double terms, or words of a two-fold meaning. This has pleased Him, and hence we are neither to criticize them nor seek to dodge their meaning and claims.

We read of two knights in the days of chivalry who met at the crossing of two roads where there was a shield set up. One of them declared it to be a shield of gold and the other as emphatically declared it was silver. From contradiction they came to blows, and after they had

shed blood in the quarrel, they discovered that the shield was golden on one side and silver on the other. They were both wrong. The one who declared it to be all gold put its value too high, while the one who said it was all silver put its value too low.

There are double words in the Bible over which some people stumble because they get only one definition.

For instance, the word "sanctification" is a double word. It means to consecrate and it means also to purify. There is an erroneous teaching that confines the use of the word wholly to the first meaning, saying it only means consecration. Some preachers say, "Sanctification means consecration. That is what I did when I entered the work; I consecrated myself to the ministry." They leave out this part—the purifying of the soul entirely. Such men are not fit to preach the Gospel. They are either ignorant or dishonest. If a man is ignorant he has no right to be a public teacher, if he uses words of whose meaning he is ignorant. If he is dishonest in the use of the word, he is not fit to preach the Gospel.

Then again, "sin" is a double word in the Bible, and in the theology of great denominations. The Bible uses the term "sin" in two senses. It defines it as an act, and says: "Sin is the transgression of the law." It defines it as a condition of nature, thus "all unrighteousness in sin." Theologians generally adopt this two-fold definition of sin, defining it as actual sin and original sin.

There have been some sad jugglers with the term, who refuse to recognize the double nature of the word and confine its use to the first definition. They have neglected to use the definition of sin as a condition in order to do away with the need for entire sanctification. The facts of sin as a state and sin as an act abound on every hand. There is a double sin, and thank God there is a double salvation—a salvation from the consequences of the act and from the sinful state.—English Exchange.

WANTED.

Wanted—Men, women and youth who can not be influenced by their friends, loved ones or associates to do wrong.

Who have the stamina, backbone and grace to say no when tempted to do evil.

Who think and weigh matters rather than jump at hearsay conclusions.

Who go to church to worship rather than to be merely entertained.

Who will stand for right principles regardless of what others may think or do or say.

Who are looking for an opportunity to lend a helping hand to some needy soul.

Who are willing to sacrifice for the furtherance of the cause of holiness.

Who have the heroism of a Paul, the faith of a Daniel, the strength of a Samson and the tenderness of a Jeremiah, to go out and have revivals in new fields.

Who have the boldness of Peter and the faithfulness of a John to stand for righteousness at all times and everywhere; and

Who regard usefulness of more importance than pleasure.—J. C. Walker.

IF YOU WERE THE ONLY ONE?

By Frances McKinnon Morton.

If none but you in the world today
Had tried to live in a Christ-like way,
Could the rest of the world look close at
you
And find the path that is straight and true?

If none but you in the world so wide,
Had found the Christ for his daily guide,
Would the things you do and the things
you say
Lead others to live in His blessed way?

Ah, friends of the Christ, in the world to-day
Are many who watch you upon your way,
And look to the things you say and do
To measure the Christian standard true!

Then guard this treasure that you possess,
This power to hurt, or help and bless,
And live so close to the standard true
That others may safely follow you!

HIDDEN DANGERS.

There is danger sometimes where it is least expected. It lurks in out-of-the-way places, and when everything seems fair and peaceful makes its presence known, and often causes irreparable injury. Only recently a steamer was speeding its way across the Atlantic. The pilot knew where the sand-bars and submerged rocks were, for they were marked on his chart. But there was a danger that had not been indicated on any chart. It was that of the hull of an old ship beneath the water, a derelict, which had been wandering the sea perhaps for years without coming in contact with anything. The steamer struck the old hull, and in a few moments began to fill with water, and the crew seemed certain of a grave in the deep. Fortunately another steamer was in sight, and being signalled, approached, lowered her life boats, and saved every man.

So there are many unseen dangers in life. There are derelicts everywhere. In church, in state, in society they are found. And men unconscious of them move on in their accustomed way, and are aware of their presence only when they strike the unseen danger which leads them to ruin. The young man who takes his first glass of liquor or plays his first game of cards, the young lady who attends the first dance, do not see the derelict which is but waiting to give them the shock that will lead to death. Young man, young woman, beware of the hidden rocks. At a time when you imagine that everything is well with you the crisis will come in your life. There are many derelicts in our churches. Men and women who have enrolled under the standard of the cross, and who by their profession have declared their faith in the crucified one, and then fail in that profession are derelicts, who will be the ruination of weaker ones. Having once made a profession of religion, care should be exercised that the profession be maintained before the world in a consistent manner, so that we do not place a stumbling block in any one's way.—Ex.