

makes the wrath of men to praise Him."

From out of this clash of arms and terrible upheaval He will work out His purposes despite the failures of mankind. Our trust is in God who worketh all things after the counsels of His own will.

All this, however, does not take the guilt from the guilty.

Does not the clash of arms, the cannon's roar, and fields drenched with human blood all seem a hollow mockery when we are right in the midst of the season, or have just been specially meditating upon the coming of the Saviour into the world, when we are called upon to think of that wonderful song of the angels, "Glory to God in the Highest, Peace on Earth, Goodwill to Men?" What does it all mean? Has His coming been for nought? Where is the Peace on Earth? Is this all His coming has meant? Strife, war, bloodshed, suffering and sorrow indescribable!

Ah, yes! from one standpoint it does seem as if the song "Peace on Earth" has not yet been experienced.

Nationally, it certainly has not. But, thank God, individually it has been realised in many hearts. Christ's coming has not been in vain. The Prince of Peace has been here. He left His blessed legacy of Peace to His own—the Peace which the world can neither give nor take away.

And it is our deepest conviction that one day, perhaps not far distant, the angel's song will be fully realised, when the Prince of Peace will Himself come again to this old sin-cursed world, full of bitterness, hatred, jealousy, war, and bloodshed—when all that is opposed to His holy and righteous Will shall be overthrown and Peace shall reign over the whole earth.

The glad day is coming. The Prince of Peace, who with a word calmed the raging billows of Galilee, will speak the word of Peace to a world raging with sin. "The nations shall beat their swords into plough shares and their spears into pruning hooks, neither shall they learn war any more."

God speed the day.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS—F.M. OFFERINGS.

Roma £4/12/9, Vernor £2, Bundamba £1, Tannymorel 12/-, Albion £3/4/-, Boonah £1/11/4, Zillmere £2/14/5, Annerley £1/7/-, Gympie £1, Rosewood £1/12/4, Brisbane, £2/1/8, Hawthorne £1/3/4, Marburg £1/2/-, Ma Ma Creek 8/4, Flagstone Creek 8/5½; total £24/17/7½.

THE ASSOCIATED CHURCHES OF CHRIST, QUEENSLAND—HOME MISSION FUND.

BALANCE SHEET FOR YEAR ENDING 29th FEBRUARY, 1916.

RECEIPTS.

To	£	s	d
Balance	20	12	9
Churches—			
Annerley	2	15	9
Albion	4	18	8
Bundamba	4	13	9
Boonah	20	4	4
Brisbane	12	3	11
Eel Creek	1	10	0
Elliott	26	16	2
Gympie	7	4	0
Hawthorne	3	16	2
Ipswich	3	17	9
Mt. Walker	13	5	3
Ma Ma Creek	3	14	3
Maryborough	11	14	0
Marburg	2	3	6
Montrose	1	0	0
Pialba	4	0	0
Roma	2	15	0
Rosevale	12	0	0
Rosewood	6	1	9
Sunnybank	3	13	3
Sandgate	2	16	3
Tannymorel	8	5	6
Toowoomba	4	0	0
Vernor	1	5	8
Wooroolin	0	15	0
Zillmere	2	1	9
Kingaroy	8	16	0
Home Mission Rally	5	10	7½
Women's Executive	36	14	2
Ditto, Special Fund	4	1	6
Personal Amounts	26	16	0
Conference Fees	4	5	0
Loan Account	60	0	0
Dr. Balance on General Account	6	13	10½
	£341	1	7

EXPENDITURE.

By	£	s	d
State Evangelist	208	0	0
Annerley-Hawthorne Subsidy	26	0	0
Railway Fares—State Organiser and Secretary	23	9	5
J. Mills—Printing	5	0	0
Austral "H.M. Number"	6	0	0
Printed Stationery	2	17	6
"Christian Plea"	1	0	0
Typing	0	12	0
Postage—Secretary	1	5	11
Postage—Treasurer	1	16	3
H.M. Envelopes, etc.	2	3	6
Exchange and Cheque Books	1	3	3
Sandgate and Petty Sessions	1	7	9
Reserved against Loan Account	60	0	0
	£341	1	7

H. G. STITT, Treasurer.