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Application for entry as second-class matter at the Post Office at Harrisburg, Pa.
At last! at the end of my journeys and about to begin the work I have longed for so long.... We arrived here on the twenty-sixth of September and received a wonderful welcome. Lots of natives came from Logea for the occasion and I felt like an animal in the zoo being looked at!!! These dear natives are just as I always used to picture them—simple, sincere, and lovable—cheery faces everywhere. The place was wonderfully decorated and that evening when we sat down to dinner lots of boys and girls came to the house and sang perfectly while we were “tucking in”! It was their own idea.

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Late at night I went to bed very tired, to be awakened at 5:30 A.M. and asked to go and see a woman who had a baby at 3 A.M., and things had not gone well. So off I went—half dressed and very excited. In a few moments with very little trouble everything was put all right. The mother, with tears in her eyes thanked me, while I tried hard not to weep myself. The husband of that woman was as proud as “punch” that his wife should be the first woman attended by me!!! Thus the news of my arrival spread like lightning and this morning a large crowd came across the water and brought fruit and vegetables as gifts. Mr. Abel was called to thank them and after he expressed his thanks one of their leaders said that it was a present to me! So I had to learn there and then how to say “thank you” in their language. It was most overwhelming! What a wonderful spirit among these dear people!

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...The hospital is growing day by day and it thrills my heart to the uttermost. The matron’s bungalow site has been mapped out and we are planting trees down there, where my garden is going to be. I went on Sunday to that awful place at Samarai—the native hospital—and was very nearly sick on the spot. It is dreadful to think that those poor creatures have to be sick there. I do
realize how great the need of a hospital at Kwato has been. Fancy those dear clean Christian people going there for treatment! I know myself I would not.* * * *

Just now the matter of equipping the hospital is continually in our hearts and prayers. It is such a comfort to know that He knows how great this particular need is. I had a patient last week who suffered from bronchial pneumonia and was terribly ill with a temperature of 105 for two days. I never thought she would pull through, so at our noon prayer meeting we committed her to the Lord and waited for His power to raise her up again. I was giving her tepid sponging several times a day and on the third day her temperature went down to normal and gradually she got better. You can imagine our joy and praise. She was brought here from a village two miles away and cannot speak English, so we just smile at each other and our grins seem to express all our thoughts without words! I know one or two words of Suau which I don't omit to say every time I go to see her!!! Great amusement!!! I just love these people and working amongst them gives me great joy.* * * *

Another patient from Logea came yesterday with the two fingers of her right hand nearly chopped right off. I had work stopping the bleeding and stitching them up. At first she began to beg me not to cut them off! Apparently it was her idea of getting her hand "look better" for truly the fingers looked awful, but when I stopped the bleeding, and after seven stitches, the fingers began to look quite normal again, the poor soul was overjoyed. She is getting on well. It was the result of a quarrel. Her husband is known to have an awful temper. He took a chopper and went for her. Fortunately only her hand—it might have been her head! * * * *

I cannot say enough about the beauty of this place—especially the sunsets and moonlight nights. The other night we went for a walk along the sea and really it was like a fairyland. The silver sheen on the palm leaves lit up by the moon; hills rising above the sea with vivid silhouettes of trees on the horizon—birds singing all night, and various other night beings making extraordinary noises—it is impossible to explain in detail all you feel on a night like this. With this new country and its glorious surroundings one is reminded afresh of God's majesty and power.

V. Danilevitch.

Will You Help Supply These?

The missionary nurse is busy at Kwato and in the first two months treated two hundred cases. She is greatly handicapped by inadequate accommodations, equipment and supplies. Her operating and consulting office is a small "box room" where boxes and odds and ends have been stored. These were cleared out to make room for patients.

It was difficult to work without bandages, liniments, medicines, but a special gift was received and forwarded to meet the immediate need.

Now the hospital is going up rapidly and it is hoped will soon be ready to receive the most important maternity and emergency cases. They will, however, be greatly handicapped without apparatus for the operating room and without equipment for the wards. We in America appreciate what a boon a well-equipped hospital is for those in physical distress. Would any friends like to make a special contribution to supply one or more of the following needs listed after consultation with the government medical officer at Samaria?

1. Operating Table ........................................ $60.00
2. Instrument Cabinets ................................ 220.00
3. Instrument Tables ..................................... 110.00
4. Sterilizers for dressings ......................... 140.00
5. Sterilizer for instruments .......................... 20.00
6. Surgical instruments ................................ 250.00
7. Bowls, dishes, stools, etc ........................... 250.00
8. Microscope and slides ............................. 150.00
9. Maternity beds and mattresses ................. 100.00
10. Fracture bed and mattress ...................... 70.00
    Extra supplies ....................................... 130.00

Approximate total .............................. $1,500.00

You may by some special gift help greatly to ease the labors of the missionaries and to minister to the physical and spiritual life of suffering Papuans.

Cottages for Married Couples

Married peoples cottages are being erected at Kwato and should be finished in about three weeks. The three supplied by a friend are replacing delapidated dwellings near the flagstaff. They are twenty feet apart so as to give the occupants the opportunity of continuing their interest in horticulture.
BUSY PAPUAN CHRISTIANS AT THE KWATO SAWMILL

Signs of Progress

Extracts from Mr. Abel's Report for Six Months Ending December, 1928

DURING July and August we were kept in Kwato owing to almost continuous bad weather. Since then, the outstations have been constantly visited. Miss Parkin has been to Koeabule; Mr. Cecil Abel has made his headquarters at Wagawaga and from there paid many visits to the stations along the coast. I have visited all the centers in turn.

In July we received one-third of the £1,000 the Papuan Church has pledged itself to contribute annually for three years towards the Plantation Purchase Fund. This amount was forwarded to England. This month (December) the second instalment is being forwarded in the same way.

This special effort of the Christians, calling for very real sacrifice, coincides with a considerable increase in the number of those seeking fellowship. During the six months 24 converts have been baptized, and 127 men and women have placed themselves under instruction as taneeco—seekers after the Way of Life.

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A very encouraging work has been done at Samarai during the past two or three years amongst the indentured work boys, and latterly most successfully by Daniela, the foreman of our printing office. Thirteen of the converts baptized during the past six months were youths from Samarai.

Schools have been maintained and pupils have made good progress at Kwato, Logea, Duabo, Koeabule, Wagawaga. We propose to extend our schools in the near future and are now erecting school buildings at Sariba, Gwavili, and Maivara. Both at Divinai and Labawai the natives have promised to build their own schools if we will settle teachers there. The Government Inspector visited Kwato and examined the schools. When he left he said that the best comment upon the Kwato educational system was in its results which were there for any one to see.

Technical training has been in the hands of Mr. Cecil Abel. A large number of youths have taken great interest in their classes, and especially in the practical work they have been doing in the workshops.

Three of our mechanics were sent in August to erect a new kitchen for the Resident Magistrate at Tufi, Cape Nelson, on the Northeast Coast. When the work was finished, the Magistrate wrote as follows:

".....The boys have done their work well; it has been a pleasure to have them here, and I am sorry to lose them. I could not wish to have better behaved lads about me. I wish them a bright and happy future."
Three of our youths were sent to Waigani to do work for the British New Guinea Development Company. Their manager, Mr. J. W. Matley, wrote as follows:

"...I have been very pleased with the way the boys have done their work here: it is most satisfactory. They are personally, too, most nice in their manner."

A new jetty and latrine has been erected at Samarai for the Government. Also a small house for Mr. Izod.

At Kwato one wing of the Mission House has been practically rebuilt. Through the generosity of a friend, we have also built three new houses for married natives which were greatly needed.

The new hospital building for the Kwato district was commenced in September. Good progress has been made with the concrete foundations, etc. The upper story is now being erected. Miss Danilevitch, the nurse, arrived from London in September and we erected two temporary houses to serve as hospitals in the meantime. Over two hundred cases have been treated in the two months, including twelve bed cases. We thank God that after so long a time of waiting this very necessary work is at last open.

The new station at Divinai is much appreciated by the natives at the northeast end of our district. We are now applying for land there, and also for small areas at Maivara, Lahawai and Sariba for school sites.

A movement is on foot to erect a Desiccated Cocoanut Mill in Milne Bay. If this comes about, we shall sell our nuts to the new company instead of making copra. If we are no longer called upon to carry over 150 tons of copra per annum from Milne Bay to Samarai, we shall need a different style of vessel to the one we had thought of before this new project was mooted.

CHAS. W. ABEL.

Some Busy Days

TONIGHT is Sunday night, October 27th. A busy day over and the peace that reigns when all our crowd are abed, would be delightful were it not for the fact that the sound of torrential rains drowns everything, and therefore annuls the pleasure that any welcome silence at the end of the day might bring. We are right in the middle of a school term and are trying to cram in as much as possible in many directions before Christmas. The children are full of spirits, and, in rainy weather when they are all confined to various quarters of the house, there is quite a din reigning.

The hospital is going ahead wonderfully. We have planted a hibiscus hedge, some Australian wattle, some lovely forest palms and wysteria. All are doing well—a needless remark to make because in this country you simply stick things in the ground and forget them. The next thing you know the children bring in armfuls of flowers and say "This is what you planted the other day, don't you remember?" It is a wonderful country for growing things. I only hope the future patients will appreciate our efforts, though I don't suppose they will notice them.

The schools are flourishing. Great keenness is shown this term, both by boarders and village children. We have had some great disappointments lately with some of our older boys in the school, but we turn to other directions when we are apt to be discouraged and find much cause for thanksgiving, particularly amongst the villages and indentured laborers at Samarai. Some of the native boys have stuck to the job prayerfully and unceasingly and a number of men and women have been wonderfully converted as a result. One cheering little evidence here this week has been the extraordinary change in our most incorrigible cowboy. We had long meant to "sack" him as he was a really bad influence on the place but were waiting till we could find a suitable person to take his place. Suddenly he has blossomed forth and is the most willing soul on the place to everyone's amazement. A large increase in the quantity of milk extracted from the cows was the first indication. He has also been rushing around, carrying firewood and doing every odd job. "You must give me something to do in the evenings. I hate doing nothing" was his amazing request yesterday. I really must find out the cause of it all. I often feel that if we prayed more for these boys individually and worried less we should be surprised by results. Our reformed cowboy has been the subject of a lot of prayer, and this irrelevant digression is because I believe that you can help us so appreciably by remembering the needs of these lads before the One who knows and is able to do such marvels for us as we out here are so often seeing.

R. A.
HERE are some wonderful things for which to praise God and we long to have our friends join with us in this joyful privilege.

There has been splendid work at Waduno, and Samarai and Kihikihiuna, all done by personal evangelism of some of the native Christians. The new converts are so keen, the change in them is remarkable and very real. It is great to think that they have been won by their own countrymen.

We have had some disappointments in the school. Some of the older boys of whom we had hoped better things, seem to have turned out badly. The enemy of souls is at work. Paolo and Penneli have left us. They objected to being corrected for breaking laws. Kama went too. Penneli is a wanderer; he cannot get a job at Samarai and has no people to go to. Paolo has no home but Kwato; he went to Mr. Izod who sent him back. He is here now utterly miserable. The boys were all frightfully disgusted with him for making such a mess of things at Samarai and disgracing the name of Kwato.

Kama came back this morning absolutely broken down and repentant. We praise the Lord for this. Both Kama and Paolo were made subjects of special prayer at the last Band meeting and we feel the Lord has heard and has once more given what we asked. Paolo is miserable but not repentant yet, but we believe the Holy Spirit is working. Pray for them.

The good work at Samarai and in the Bay continues. The people are responding everywhere to the Lord's invitation. The Duabo district is still dull and unresponsive. Merari spent a week's holiday there and visited many of the villages having meetings with the people. Do pray for a real awakening there. Merari is working on the hospital and enjoys being back at work. He is hill monitor and is most capable and fearless. He is not afraid to hear his own voice and sees that laws and regulations are carried out. We wish we had more like him. He celebrated his twenty-second birthday yesterday.

....We feel the wonderful movement in the Bay is God's special seal on this work. These poor people, who have been unresponsive so long are wearying of the paths of sin and are eagerly turning to Him for peace and joy and true satisfaction. Old and young alike are hearing His voice and turning from darkness to His marvellous light.

There is a boy staying with us now called Clem. I couldn't help marvelling yesterday as I heard him at the noonday prayer meeting, thanking God for his new found joy.
in Him. A month or two ago he came here sick of his old life. He had participated in every evil; he had worked for white men since he was a small boy and was tired of it all and longed to know the joy he heard Daniela tell of at the meetings in Samarai on Sundays. So he signed off and came here and asked if he might stay awhile. A short time after he was converted and three Sundays ago was baptized. He gave a wonderful testimony and told how God had taken every desire to do and think evil out of his heart and life and had given him a clean heart and everlasting life. He is still here—radiant with his new joy. He comes to my evening class and is trying very hard to learn to read. He is about 22 years of age and a very good-looking youth. C. W. A.

Letter from a Papuan Boy
Kwato, Samarai, Papua.
Nov. 8, 1928.

Dear Mrs. McDougall:

You don’t know how much I enjoyed seeing the postcard which you send to me... Oh, it encourage me very much.

Thank you so much for your help in God’s work in Papua I know you will never forget to pray for us... Oh when I think of some verses in the Bible where it says, “Your Father which is in heaven knoweth what things you have need of.” I know myself I am empty, and He knows what I want to do for Him on this place.

I am so sorry this is only a short letter, but I shall write to you by the next mail... Remember me to your husband. I hope to see you again some day... I shall never forget to write to you and pray for you.

Yours lovingly in Christ,

Merari Dickson.

The Future of Duabo

Duabo is a problem. I have been praying much about it all lately. It is such a lovely place and ideal for a school. There is room for garden lands, which make it possible for the children to have fresh vegetable foods. There is also room for good playing fields. Then it is healthy. But its one drawback is its inaccessibility. If we could get a horse track up there it would be a great boon. We have been speaking of moving the school else-
Missionary Camps for Out-Stations

When our missionaries go from the head-station at Kwato to the nineteen or twenty outstations to visit the field, to encourage the Papuan workers and examine candidates for baptism, they have no suitable place in which to lodge. There are only native houses which are not conducive to health or comfort.

Some small mission bungalows are very much needed at these different stations where Mr. and Mrs. Abel and other members of the staff can stay during these visits. The accompanying picture shows a suggested plan for bungalows which it is estimated can be built for about $200 each. Perhaps some friends of the mission would like the privilege of putting up one or more of these bungalows either as a memorial to some dear one or that they may have a definite part in this work of evangelizing New Guinea by helping to solve this problem.

We are convinced that such bungalows will add to the life and usefulness of the missionaries. Who can tell the number of Papuan inquirers who may find life in Christ as a result of such an investment. Will you pray that this need may be supplied and that the bungalows may be blessed as evangelizing centers?

Letter from a Papuan Girl

Kwato, Samarai, Papua,
November 4, 1928

Dear Mrs. McDougall:

I thank you very much for the nice photograph that you sent for all of us. We all very please to see your face again... Our school is going regularly, we started it on Oct. 19... We are studying the old history of England, and the geography of other countries... And we are working very hard with our arithmetics too.

In this spring Kwato is very beautiful, all the flowers are blooming everywhere, and the poinciana tree is covered with bright red blossoms. Oh I wish you were here to enjoy this springtide. I love to watch all the
flowers and birds, because they are like little messengers to me. Gyp, the dog, is well, and is willing to go with you for a walk, but he's very fat and lazy; that's why he never writes to you!... Hope you are well, and happy in Him.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, dear.

Your lovingly,

Elsie.

A Request for Prayer

"The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked.... I the Lord searcheth the heart." Jer. 17:9, 10.

Perhaps one of the most poignant disappointments I have met through all the long years of service in Papua is in the declension of my old native colleague Kago. For years in our early manhood Kago and I worked together among his people, and I found his cooperation and fellowship something for which to praise God continually. He is a man of high standing among his people, and because of this his witness was the more powerful. For over twenty-five years Kago was one of our staunchest friends, and a most undaunted worker. Then a combination of circumstances gave the devil his opportunity, and in the course of a few years the man, in his heart, and in his outward appearance, was changed almost beyond recognition. The two factors which combined to undermine Kago's faith were his long separation from any center where he could feed his spirit on the Bread of Life; and his widespread influence leading him to seek wealth in ways which easily grew to be dishonest.

Within the past few years Kago has entirely lost his eyesight. As he sits before me sometimes it seems as if the eyes of his heart were also fast closed, so that he sits in a double and utter darkness. We have prayed much with and for this man; he seeks our prayers. He follows me about, and stays where I stay, sometimes here, sometimes there, because he wants to get back to the position he has lost. And yet it seems as if he had lost forever the will to repent, and to seek through repentance the cleansing necessary to his renewal. Some would doubtless tell Kago that he has merely strayed; all he has to do is to come back. Such a message would not restore this wanderer to his Saviour, though it might appear to reinstate him as a member of the church. If he is to again rejoice in his Master's presence and work happily in His service there must first come the humbling of his heart: the full confession of his sin. "A broken and a contrite heart, O Lord, Thou wilt not despise."

It is easy to see how sin has hardened the heart of this man. Once so impressionable to good influences, he now seems unable to realize the truth he has hitherto preached to others.

Kago's story is an exceptional one so far as our experience goes in Papua. I tell it in order that our prayer-partners may have the opportunity of praying for him that in his present gloom he may realize his need, and come to Christ like one of old with the urgent plea—"Lord that I might receive my sight." C. W. A.

The School Work

The schools at Kwato are in a fine way just now. The whole work is properly organized and both Kwato and Logea children are really making progress. The village children are further on than previous village classes have ever been. The top Kwato classes are doing English, arithmetic up to money problems (the problems are apt to be serious ones with British coinage!), geography and as much world history as has affected them. It is opening many windows for them and is widening their limited horizon. Also, they are greatly enjoying it.

The cover of this issue of the Tidings is made from a design by Mr. Russell Abel. The border is Papuan.
Training Youth to Build

SINCE the beginning of the year, with the exception of an occasional visit to Kwato on mail days and other special occasions, I have been continuously out in Milne Bay. Until the beginning of April, I made my headquarters at Koeabule, as it was intended that I should reorganize the work on this station which has been somewhat neglected since Mr. Walker died and Miss Parkin had to take his place. My father and I designed an improved copra drier which is now very near its completion, and the work of clearing and fencing the rest of the plantation to accommodate our increasing herd of cattle was also commenced. But over and above the oversight of this work, I had under me about twenty-two lads who were receiving technical instruction in house-building, carpentry, boat-building, concrete work, blacksmithery and plumbing. Of course, I had with me two of our own expert native carpenters, Tiraka and Makura, and the blacksmith Aniderea, and to these three must be given all the credit for the progress the boys have made. I took over the theoretical part of the work which covered designing, draughtsmanship and a working knowledge of the rudiments and principles of house-building.

In five months, we have erected seven houses of varying dimensions as well as effecting numerous additions and improvements to other houses.

The small stone structure, the new drier I have already mentioned, includes a lot of difficult iron work and stone masonry. The water system which the plumbers installed required the erection of a 600-gallon tank on a 20-foot pedestal. This simple bit of engineering was instrumental in teaching and illustrating many useful points.

At the beginning of April, we crossed over to the opposite side of the Bay and took up our quarters near the mission store on a little spit called Bisimaka, facing Wagawaga village on the opposite side of a perfect harbour. This gave me an opportunity of reorganizing the Manawara plantation which comes right down to Bisimaka.

From here we have just returned to Kwato as the rains will make outdoor work increasingly difficult.

Thus, for the past two months, my time has been divided between Koeabule and Manawara, or Bisimaka, with a periodic visit up to Duabo. I think I must have crossed the Bay in every form of sea conveyance possible. The day I crossed in a dugout canoe, I shall often look back upon. I had a thirty-five-foot canoe and six pad-
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dlers. We left at noon on a beautiful day with a light wind blowing from the southeast. We were not more than a mile out to sea when the wind freshened and soon developed into a steady blow. In spite of the efforts of our cox, who managed this unwieldy craft with wonderful skill, we shipped sea after sea. There is no danger with these canoes unless you have the misfortune to get swamped by an unusually large wave. At the same time, the sea came in at times just a little faster than I could bail out. Spice was added to our experience by the fact that a large shark followed us for a short distance and annoyed us by rising too close to the surface of the water. It was a great trip and took us about three hours, paddling hard all the way. This experience has given me so much confidence in the "dugout" that a Maivara friend of mine is now making one for me to use in my trips round "the Bay."

But the reason why I have most valued this short stay near Wagawaga is the opportunity it has given me to get into touch with the unusual and very interesting folk who form its inhabitants. Besides Maivara, at the head of the Bay, Wagawara is the largest village in our parts. But, unlike Maivara, the Wagawara people show the keenest interest in us and our work and our message. Pray that a people who are so predisposed toward us may come still further and may know, by personal experience, the redeeming work of the Lord Jesus Christ in their lives. 

Cecil C. G. Abel.

The church here is responding wonderfully and all are bent on helping to raise our share of the Plantation Fund. One girl has started collecting curios to sell at Samarai on steamer days and there are working groups all round the Bay doing their part, mostly young boys and girls. The Christian people at Logea, who have always been a disappointment in their lack of liberality, have already collected a good sum of money. They have led the way. It is wonderful the blessing this has been to them. Having given so much, their keenness has increased accordingly. They now want to know what more they can do. Their attendance at the services has improved and, really, this gift has done a great thing for them spiritually.

The Bible story books are used a great deal in the different classes for the daily morning Bible story at the beginning of school and also to loan those who are sick and for Sunday afternoons. I wish you could look in on my veranda this afternoon! It would do your heart good. Thirty boys are sprawled out on the floor in every conceivable attitude—back, stomach, side, knees, head pillowed on another boy, or leaning up against the wall—each with a copy of Bible stories. They spend an hour or two thus, happy and harmonious, until they drop off to sleep. When they wake up, I have Bible class with them. Often, as they are lying around looking at the pictures in these books, one and another group will start humming a hymn or singing softly. You might hear three different ones going at once—yet there seems no discord. It sounded like a lot of bees humming......

What Kwato Stands For

This mission work is at present confined to about 100 miles of coast line, and operates amongst a population of 8,000 people. It is an intensive work. We believe that the Papuan, if given the opportunity is capable of becoming a vital Christian, a good citizen and a progressive man. We are making an attempt to give him an adequate opportunity and we believe our methods will, in the long run, be most fruitful. We concentrate in a section to produce strong leaders and capable teachers and from amongst them will come missionaries to the Papuans living in the vast neglected regions of the island. Work of this kind cannot be done in one generation: It may take two, or even three.

To secure the end we have in view, we lay first stress upon the Gospel: the Bible is taught daily, and thoroughly. Second: we stress education, not merely book-learning, but true training for service. Thirdly, we add technical training, enabling these people to find a new life full of interest to replace the life they have been obliged to discard through contact with a more advanced race. Their physical needs will be met by medical assistance and the hospital.

Our church is always kept alive to its responsibilities for the evangelization of Papua and also for the Lord's work in other fields. We cannot doubt that if we are ready, and willing, the Lord will honor us, by calling us out to minister to the heathen in other parts of New Guinea.
Fifty Years in Port Moresby
The Capital of Papua
By J. B. Clark

PORT MORESBY has been singularly fortunate in that it had as the men who stayed longest and therefore counted most in its growth, Lawes the founder, and Lawrence the builder; two men whose brilliance and genius lay in visualizing a plan, and working for it with plauding perseverance. They were not afraid of the humdrum so long as it led towards the goal they aimed for; and that goal was—a Papuan Church, financed and ministered to by Papuans, and influencing for Christ the whole life of the community.

It is fifty years since Lawes settled at Port Moresby, in a new, untried, savage country. We who live in it today can hardly realize the conditions to which he and his brave wife went. It is amazing, therefore, to read that in 1881, after barely seven years' work, he baptized the first converts; but still more amazing that, in 1883, only nine years after the commencement of the work, five men were ordained to the work of the ministry, and, with their wives, were sent out to various parts of the field. Between them these five men have given over 150 years of service to God and the Society, and one of them, Maulu Gaudi, is still at work. Dr. Lawes has lost no time in putting the Papuans to work at saving their fellow-countrymen. These were the first of a Papuan ministry, the forerunners of a long list, the germ of a scheme now the desire of the whole Papuan mission—one strong central institute for training the native ministry.

Between Lawes and Lawrence came a succession of men who did grand work, but none of whom stayed very long at Port Moresby. Lawrence came to the district when things were at a low ebb—few students were coming forward for the ministry, and the churches were fighting what seemed to be a losing battle. But his steadiness and solid work in God's grace pulled up the churches, gave them vigor and enthusiasm so that when through ill-health, he was compelled to leave, the tide was rising fast, and continued for some years after he had gone.

He insisted on the need for volunteers for the ministry, but during his time in Papua was denied the joy of sending many to the College. Yet, no sooner had he left the country, than seven volunteered and came in for training. Through the six years since, the succession then begun has kept up, and the students are mostly men who have been working for white men for varying wages, but have exchanged their wealth for poverty because they felt the call of God to the ministry.

As a result of this succession of trained men through the years, our Port Moresby District now has none but Papuans in the pastorate, and is, therefore, not dependent on the South Sea Churches for its ministry—a wonderful stride, surely, when one remembers that it is only fifty years since the first preaching of the gospel in the district.

A further sign of Christian progress may be seen in the fact that one of the men, leaving Vatorata fully trained, volunteered for work in the Gulf of Papua, and with him are working nine married couples of untrained evangelists from our district, many of whom, also, have given up good salaries to be missionaries on a pittance. One of them was actually offered, while he was volunteering as much a month to work for a trading company as he gets now for a whole year from the mission, but his answer was, "I have worked long enough for money. Now I am going to work for God. I have got something, and I must give it out."

Another possible outlet for the missionary spirit may open up in the Koiari district. This is a very mountainous part, about thirty to fifty miles inland from Port Moresby, the seat of government. It has been left by the mission because our hands were full with the more populous coastal villages, where more people could be reached in less time. But the Koiari tribes are now killing each other to extermination, not by open fighting, but by secret murder. The young women will not marry a man till he can wear the murderer's head-dress. Hence the persistence of the custom, and on a tramp round those villages a year ago, my wife and I could feel the atmosphere of fear in which the villagers lived. The Government magistrate confessed to me during a con-
conversation, "We have done all we can to stop their secret murdering, and have failed. You missionaries only can do it." And, now that the Board have sanctioned this forward movement, we hope on our return to Papua this year to send three volunteers amongst those unenlightened head-hunters.

Another ideal held by both Lawes and Lawrence has almost been reached. Most of the churches are entirely self-supporting. Only a few of the weaker ones need help.

But, because they are generous, it must not be thought that they give out of their plenty. Most of the people of the Port Moresby district live very near the border-line of starvation. For the greater part of the year, one meal a day is all that adolescents and adults enjoy. Tiny children are well and often fed, but even the scholars in the upper classes of the schools are rationed to one meal in the afternoon to serve for the twenty-four hours, and although they are so sparing, there comes the season of the year when food is finished and life is difficult. In spite of this, they have given that the work amongst them may be self-supporting.

Both Lawes and Lawrence emphasized the educational side of the work, and to us, when we first came to Port Moresby six years ago, it was somewhat of a revelation to see people keen for education—parents desiring it for their children, and young people begging for evening classes. At Boku, the parents had asked us for the payment they thought due to them because their children had attended our school! In the Port Moresby district villages they brought money if only they could have a teacher lest their "children grow up in the old dark ways."

We give thanks to God that these once benighted tribes now realize their need, and rejoice that increase of staff will open up new channels of service, so that the lives of our people will be lifted up towards "the pattern of the perfect man in Christ Jesus."

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**ANNUAL REPORT OF TREASURER**

New Guinea Evangelization Society, Inc.

_January 1, to December 31, 1928_

**Receipts**

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**Payments (In America)**

| Cable to Kwato                     | $14.07  |
| Postage and Stationery             | 60.49   |
| Safe Deposit Box and Supplies      | 49.77   |
| "Tidings"—Plates, Printing and Postage | 482.90 |
|                                   | 613.93  |

**(To Field)**

| Education and Evangelism           | $3,500.00 |
| Salaries of Missionaries           | 2,875.12  |
| Outfit and Travel to the Field     | 1,424.04  |
| Missionary Travel and Emergency Fund | 828.13 |
|                                   | 8,577.29  |
|                                   | $9,241.22 |
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| Profit on Sale of Investments     | 128.50  |
| Interest on Investments Sold      | 14.00   |
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| Contributions                     | 3,610.00 |
| Contributions (Special Hospital Supplies) | 500.00 |
| Dividend on Mother Lode (Special)   | 288.00   |
| Interest on Bank Balances and Investments | 850.39 |
|                                   | 1,138.39 |

|                                   | $17,401.41 |
New Guinea Tidings

Report of Treasurer—Continued—Hospital Account

Payments
Transferred to Kwato ................................................................. $6,615.77
Paid to Kwato—Mother Lode Dividend .................................. 180.00
Transferred to England for Hospital Supplies .................. 1,000.00
Special Hospital Supplies in Kwato ............................. 500.00 8,295.77

Cash on hand in America December 31, 1928 .......................... $2,531.14
Mother Lode Dividend due Kwato .................................. 108.00
Investments on hand ..................................................... 6,466.50 9,105.64

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Contributions ........................................................................... 5,576.00
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Special Dormitory Fund for Kwato .................................. $1,000.00
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Respectfully submitted,
Walter McDougall, Treasurer.

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KWATO DISTRICT

SHOWING OUT-STATIONS OF THE MISSION

MILNE BAY

Applicable to General Fund .......... $10,269.80
Applicable to Plantations ........... 5,676.00
Applicable to Hospital and Supplies 4,110.00
Applicable to Dormitory ............. 1,000.00
Applicable to F. B. Pierson Memorial 1,000.00

$22,055.80