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"BEHOLD I BRING YOU GOOD TIDINGS"

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## TRUE GIVING

"He gives no gift who gives to me  
Things rich and rare,  
Unless within the gift he give  
Of self some share.

"He gives no gift who gives to me  
Silver or gold,  
If but to make his own heart glad;  
Such gift is cold.

"He gives me gifts most rich and rare  
Who gives to me,  
Out of the riches of his heart,  
True sympathy.

"He gives best gifts who, giving naught  
Of worldly store,  
Gives me his friendship, love and trust.  
I ask no more."

—Laura Harvey.

## THE WEEK OF PRAYER

December 7-14, the date set for the Week of Prayer, will soon be here. This season will be observed by our people all over the world. It is hoped that we who live in Western Canada will not be behind in doing our part to make it a time of great benefit and blessing. It is needless to say to a people believing as we do, that this will be a very important occasion. Since the beginning of this great movement, there has not been a time when conditions were so grave as now.

Every indication points to the terrible conflict of which the prophets have spoken, and which is to culminate in the battle of armageddon. Nothing but divine intervention can stay the tide that now threatens the tranquility of the world. Now, while the mercy of God still lingers, and probation yet remains, how appropriate that the people of God unite in a week of prayer.

All have been busy during the past summer trying to make the best of the warm weather to mature and save the crops. Every energy has been employed, every hour has been full of work, and in the midst of the blessings of a bountiful harvest, how easy it is to forget the Giver. How natural for the human heart

while gathering up these temporal blessings, to become so absorbed as to grow cold in its devotion to the One from whom all these blessings flow.

In this season of toil and rush we are so likely to use too little time to pray. It is rush, rush. The time has been so filled that some have not taken time to daily call the family together for prayer. The boys and girls may have become discouraged. The wife and mother may have become tired and perhaps irritable and unhappy. The husband and father may feel that things are not moving on well. Somehow things may seem to go wrong. The children are not as they should be. They chafe under home discipline, and life has become a weary routine. The cars are short for shipping grain. The frost or drouth or hail has injured the crops. Some member of the family is sick. So many things seem to make the wheels go heavily, and it seems that you are not able to carry this burden.

You need to stop to pray. It is too much for you to endure all this in your own strength. You need to come apart and rest awhile. It is dangerous to go on in such uncertainty, there is so much involved. Your soul is in the conflict, and your future depends on the way you relate yourself to this conflict. Touch the hem of His garment and things will go better. Jesus can speak to the troubled soul, and give him peace. "Come unto Me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest."

O, how many hearts are longing for rest, and now comes this season, set apart for the help of every such one. Is it possible that there may be some persons among us who do not realize the need of such a season as this? Will cares and business be allowed to occupy our time, and we not get the blessing we need? Will we give this week of December 7-14 to the work of seeking help from the Lord for ourselves and our families? Let us also remember our missionaries and especially in those countries where they are surrounded by bloodshed, famine and pestilence.

It is hoped that all who read these lines, will begin

at once to plan for the week of prayer. Determine that you will join in this season with the people of the Lord, for the help needed to finish the work entrusted to us to do, and to be ready ourselves for the solemn crisis which every one must meet individually a little hence.

It is a wonderful thing to think of a human heart making a date with God for communion in prayer with Him, but to think of a people scattered all over the world agreeing on a set time to pray together to the Lord for strength to serve Him, is a sight which must cause the admiration of the Heavenly universe, and that must touch the heart of God.

Let us, in Western Canada, give good heed to this week of prayer.

H. S. SHAW.

### HOW SHALL WE LABOR FOR THE JEWISH PEOPLE

The question, "How to Work for the Jews," is one that is frequently asked of those who have charge of the Jewish work. It is true that it seems quite a problem to bring this message to the lost sheep of Israel; but we believe that every day and every week there are new evidences arising to show that the angels of God are at work, and opening the way before us to bring the gospel of God to these people.

The Jewish people are a reading people. They are a strong literary people. Perhaps there is a larger percentage of the Jews who are able to read than among any other foreign people. It is true that for many centuries the rabbies forbade the women to be taught to read. This was because the teachers had perverted the word of God. But we understand that, at the present time, in all the European countries, where the Jews have strong influence in their own settlements, the rabbis and teachers are allowing the girls to be taught the language from books. This means much, because, as a general rule, the Jews like to read.

The more our people are known among the Jews, the more friendly the Hebrews become to our people. It is different with the Jewish people in approaching them on vital points of the message than it is with other peoples. The subjects of the Sabbath, the Law, and the Diet Question, appeal to these sons of Abraham. They have lived in these principles all their lives, even though many of them at the present time do not carry them out. Therefore when the Jews find out a person is a Seventh-day Adventist, they at once become interested in him, and are willing to talk with him.

It is therefore apparent that our literature will have a great weight with these people, if we can get this reading matter in their hands. We know from

personal experience that this is true. We should therefore do all we can to have this reading matter put in the hands of these people.

There are a number of tracts already prepared in Yiddish, and in English, and we hope to have a greater assortment before long. Will you not, therefore, send to your conference tract society for a supply of literature for the Jews, and see that your friends and neighbors among these lost sheep of Israel have the chance of securing this precious truth?

We hope that all the readers will put forth special efforts to place the message of God in the hands of as many of their Jewish friends and neighbors as they can.

For the Jewish Department,

F. C. GILBERT.

### A BOOK DELIVERY EXPERIENCE

October 21, I left home to begin canvassing work in Southern Alberta with Lethbridge as the centre. The Dry Farming Congress was in progress, and I spent one day viewing the exhibits, which I found to be very fine. Surely the Lord has blessed Canada in the wonderful fertility of her soil and from a bookman's viewpoint we should take advantage of these prosperous times and endeavor to place our literature in every home in this country.

Wednesday morning October 23 as I was starting to my field to begin work, I called at the post office and received word that Brother Tall of Manitoba had the typhoid fever, taken as he was beginning his \$2,200 delivery of Daniel and Revelation, and asking me to come at once to help out on the situation.

So I left immediately for Austin, Manitoba. When I arrived I found that the fever had been broken, and he was recovering, and we began to plan our work at once, and by Monday he was able to go to the field and work with me in the delivery. Will say the Lord wonderfully blessed in our work, and we had many precious experiences. Many times I could see the special hand of the Lord in my work in the combination of circumstances that presented themselves.

Only a few orders were lost, and as a general thing the people were glad to receive the book. One incident I will relate: Brother Tall, during the summer, sold one book outright, after hard work in securing the order. On November 11, while we were going to a town farther south than this place, to deliver, we happened (shall I say happened,—no I do not think things happen with the Lord) to stop there for dinner and found the man very much interested in the book. In fact he was delighted, having read the book through, and studied parts of it closely. He said "what concerns me is that these things are all in the Bible, and people do not know them, and I would not

have known what is going to take place if I had not bought this book."

Another, a very intelligent lady said, "we are very much pleased with the book." Another said he had the book half read and liked the contents very much. Another said he was especially interested in the Eastern Question. And in fact as far as I was able to get in touch with those who had purchased the book and had time to read it, I did not find a single disappointed one. Surely the 560 copies of that book placed in the homes of the people by Brother Tall will yield an abundant harvest in the day of God.

While on my way out of the territory I had two very urgent calls to hold meetings. One man wanted me to come back to his place and help him organize a class in his house for home Bible study, saying if I would come, he would pay my expenses. The family promised to come to our annual camp-meeting, if held in the vicinity of Brandon. Truly it is good to work for the Lord.

W. L. MANFULL.

### A NEW DISEASE

We are living in a time when new and unheard of diseases are taking hold of the human family. Among the most recent are those of "appendicitis," "hook-worm," and "pellagra." There is another equally to be dreaded because of its fatal results. It is known under the name of "Moribus Sabbaticus," or a disease peculiar to church members.

The attack comes on suddenly every Sabbath. No symptoms are felt on Friday night; the patient sleeps well and wakes feeling well; eats a hearty breakfast, but about church time the attack comes on and continues until the services are over for the morning. Then the patient feels easy, and eats a hearty dinner. In the afternoon he feels much better and is able to take a walk, talk about politics and read the daily paper; he eats a hearty supper and retires early; sleeps well and wakes up in the morning refreshed and able to go to work and usually does not have any symptoms of the disease until the following Sabbath.

The peculiar features are as follows: It always attacks members of the church; it never makes its appearance except on the Sabbath, unless it is a slight attack on prayer meeting evening. The symptoms vary, but it never interferes with the sleep or appetite; it never lasts more than twenty-four hours; it generally attacks the head of the family; no physician is ever called; it always proves fatal at the end—to the soul; no remedy is known for it except prayer; religion is the only antidote; it is becoming more prevalent and is sweeping some every year to destruction.

CHARLES THOMPSON.

### THE ANNUAL OFFERING

As will be noticed in the first article of this issue, there are only a few fast-passing days before the 1912 week of prayer season, the last Sabbath of which is December 14. For nearly two months our people have put in earnest effort to gather funds from our friends and neighbors for missions, but at the close of the week of prayer, we, as a people, will offer our gifts for the extension of the Lord's work.

As we face the great demands made upon us to properly support the fields already opened and meet the urgent demands to supply the immense needs of other places, we cannot but believe that our people will rally to the call of this time with hearts willing to give as God has prospered. It is not too early for every one, old and young, to plan for Sabbath, December 14.

In 1910 this Union Conference forwarded as annual offerings from our people, \$865.14. Last year the amount given was \$1,756.26, or more than double that of the preceding year. Never in the history of this denomination has the needs been so great, and the signs which show our Saviour's coming near, have never fulfilled more rapidly than during the past few weeks. During this week of prayer shall we not "drink deep of the well of Salvation," and then at the close show our appreciation by returning to the Lord a goodly portion of His own.

A. H. B.

### British Columbia Conference

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### MORE PAPERS

Judging from a few letters coming to the office, some of our people are just getting nicely started in the Ingathering Campaign. One sister, who at first did not feel as though she could do very much, writes as follows: "I just received the Ingathering Signs yesterday, and disposed of them all in two hours. The people responded nobly. Please send me ten or twelve more as I believe that I can easily place them. Then I will send you all I have collected. I never enjoyed the work more than I did this time. I had a very happy experience. I truly believe the Lord helped me." This letter was from Sister Thomas Pasmore, who lives many miles from any of our churches.

Another isolated sister writes: "It is not much

settled here, but I do want a part in the work. Please send ten or fifteen papers." Let those who have not yet launched take courage from these good experiences. May we not relax our efforts until that One Thousand Dollars shall have been raised for needy fields beyond as the result of this year's campaign in the British Columbia Conference. When there are hundreds who take pleasure in devoting their lives to this work, we surely ought to gladly give of our time, efforts, and means to assist them in planting the standard of the cross in those heathen lands. A faithful record of all this is kept, and some day, if we remain faithful unto the end, we shall feel abundantly repaid.

ANDREW ROEDEL.

#### MANSON ACADEMY NOTES

Brother Freeman from Victoria called at the Academy last week and brought his daughters, Violet and Florence, who are now busy with their studies.

Miss Lillian Ousley and Miss Lillian Botting from Vernon came this week. We are glad to welcome Miss Ousley home again, and pleased to add new members to our family.

A number of students have been to Vancouver on a visit. While there they had the privilege of hearing Elder Warren.

Brother Andrew Roedel made the school a call. We enjoyed having him speak to us Sabbath on the "Importance of the Magazine Work."

Miss Gruchy and Miss Duann from Vancouver visited the academy on Sunday. They seemed pleased with the school and are planning on entering as soon as possible.

We rejoice that prayer bands have been formed in our school. Three or four persons constitute a band with one of the members as leader. These meet at stated times to pray and plan for definite work. They are already bearing fruit for the Master.

We were favored last week by a visit from Elder Warren who has been conducting a tent effort in Seattle, Wash., during the past summer. His stay with us has been a very profitable one for the school and the church here. The Lord came very near to us, as themes of eternal importance were dwelt upon, and many who had not before stated their determination to walk the Christian life took their stand.

The Missionary Volunteers are active and extensive plans are being laid for work both for the people living in our district and also for the people throughout the conference. Last year a good work was done through missionary correspondence. The Protestant Magazine and the Temperance Instructor were sent out with good results to the ministers and school teachers of the province.

#### BRITISH COLUMBIA NOTES

Elder Walker spent a few days last week at Lacombe, Alberta, where a meeting of the Union Conference Committee was held.

Sister Stickle writes that her church school at Bella Coola is nicely started and that she enjoys her work very

much. The same is reported by Sister Matilda Tamka, who is teaching the flock of little ones at Nanaimo.

The conference secretary spent Sabbath and Sunday, November 9 and 10, with the school family at Pitt Meadows. A splendid spiritual atmosphere is reigning there. Nearly every student is standing on the Lord's side. Two took their stand at the Friday evening meeting. This brought much joy to the teachers.

Brother Horseman, who is now working in Seattle, writes us this week and we quote as follows from his letter: "I have had several remarkable experiences here. I met a lady worth two and a half million dollars a few days ago and she became intensely interested in 'Practical Guide' and 'Ministry of Healing,' and bought \$30 worth. Then we got into a Bible talk and she invited me up to study with her and her husband evenings. I have been there twice now, and they seem to be looking forward to each study. He wants the 'Eastern Question' next." "Oh, the good we all may do, while the days are going by!"

## Saskatchewan Conference

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#### SASKATCHEWAN NOTES

Mrs. A. A. Banks of Alberta has arrived in Swift Current to teach the church-school there.

The Conference Committee met for counsel in Regina on November 21, when important questions pertaining to our work for the next few months were discussed.

Miss Hazel Farnsworth of Sonningdale passed through Regina on the evening of November 20 en route to Rouleau to teach the church-school at that place.

Wednesday, November 13, eight Saskatchewan young people started for the Academy at Lacombe. The party consisted of four from Rouleau, one from Corinne and three from Gull Lake.

Now is the time to order your Lesson Quarterly for next quarter and also the Memory Verse Cards for the children. Orders will receive prompt attention if sent to the Saskatchewan Tract Society.

The latest call for a church-school teacher comes from the brethren at McLean. If they can secure a teacher they wish to begin their school about the first of December.

Remember, week of prayer, December 7-14, 1912. Readings for the week are being published in the Review and Herald this year. If you have not received a copy be sure to drop us a line and we will send you one by return mail.

Brother Linkert passed through Regina last week en route to Morse and vicinity to deliver his books. After delivery he plans to engage in canvassing again for a few weeks. Preventing providences have kept Brother Linkert from the field this season, but now as the way opens for renewed effort in his chosen work, let us remember our brother in prayer that the Lord will give abundant success.

Elders Shaw and Gilbert spent Sabbath and Sunday, November 23 and 24, with the brethren at Dundurn, where they organized a church. Under the leadership of Elder

J. V. Maas we hope to see increased missionary activity by the members of this newly organized company among the people of the vicinity and trust that a strong church may be built up around the little nucleus there.

Among the colporteurs who have recently finished their deliveries are Brethren Bush and Wilson. These two young men both came to our province from Wisconsin and, although they were unable to be here at the beginning of the season, they have improved the time and made good records. We wish for them every success and blessing as they take up school work for the winter to prepare themselves for greater usefulness in the Lord's work.

The sad news came to us recently that three of Brother Locker's children were ill with the scarlet fever and that they are now under quarantine. Brother Locker was just about to start out to deliver his books, so the blow seemed to fall hard. However, Brother Mooney is going to his aid and will doubtless be able to deliver most of his books for him. Our sympathies go out to Brother and Sister Locker in this affliction that has come to them and we trust that the Lord will spare the lives of their little ones.

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### THE EARTH MADE NEW

Famed poets tell of heaven—with a worthy fervor, too,  
But I tell in accents tender of the hoary earth made new;  
When the heavens fill with brightness at the coming of the  
King,  
And the angel choirs from glory their hallelujahs sing:  
When the desert plains of Eden once more with flowers  
bloom,  
While the vernal green of summer leaps lightly from its  
tomb.  
See o'er the landscape the horrid caverns filled;  
See arid piled up sand dunes by the hand of humans tilled;  
Each tree-top as it sways athwart the deep cerulean blue,  
Shakes from its living branches the drops of heavenly dew.  
And in the garden fair is placed the blessed tree to give  
The healing leaves and varying fruits that all may eat and  
live.  
Down through the changeless ages of bright unmeasured  
time,  
We dwell with saints and sages and all their throng sub-  
lime;  
Who fill the city beautiful with ringing anthems grand,  
While all the ransomed hosts of God walk on the glassy  
strand.

—J. M. Hogg.

### AN IMPORTANT RESOLUTION

Manitoba did not pass many resolutions at the last camp-meeting. We thought it would be just as well to pass fewer resolutions and put them into practise. The one concerning the Sabbath school worker's read-

ing course has been taken hold of in earnest throughout the province.

The other resolution reads as follows: "Resolved that all of Manitoba's Sabbath-schools as far as possible hold consecration services at intervals during the year." The main object of our Sabbath-schools should be the salvation of our children and youth. The Sabbath-school when rightly conducted is one of the best means of bringing souls to Christ, and one of God's great instrumentalities in bringing souls to a knowledge of the truth. But it is easy to get into the habit of learning the lesson just to recite without really obtaining the personal help that each lesson should bring.

We sometimes find schools that have been in existence for years without the record of one soul brought to a saving knowledge of the truth. And we may think of Sabbath-schools once attended by a large number of children and youth who went to the world as soon as they became old enough to work out. This is indeed a sad condition and by the help and grace of God it need not be so. Hundreds of bright boys and girls who to-day are drifting to perdition could have been successful workers in this cause if the right interest had been taken in them while they were young and enjoyed studying their Sabbath-school lessons.

The consecration services if taken hold of in earnest and carried out in the spirit and love of the Master, will bring inestimable results to this cause.

In Testimonies on Sabbath-school work page 41, we read: "Our Sabbath-schools are not what the Lord would have them to be, for there is altogether too much dependence placed upon form and machinery while the life giving power of God is not manifested for the salvation of souls for whom Christ died. This order of things must be changed if our Sabbath-schools meet the purpose for which they exist." And again on page 42: "Entire consecration of soul must be maintained as much by the teachers and superintendents of our Sabbath-schools as by the ministers in our pulpits, for all alike are engaged in the work of bringing souls to Christ. Each in his place is to work, as did Christ, in the spirit of love for the erring and impenitent. This is what Christ would see in the Sabbath-school work."

The best way to keep the young from going with the world is by instilling into their young minds a love for the truth of God and their Saviour who did so much for them. A regular study of the Sabbath-school lesson with our children week after week is of the greatest importance, but special seasons of consecration when all God's children seek Him for special victory, is also in accordance with the plan of God.

The Sabbath-school consecration service is not a new thing among this people. It is three years since

the first consecration services were held. As a result of these hundreds have been converted quarter by quarter. The report for last quarter shows that in this country four hundred and twenty were converted and also as many baptized. Shall we not begin now to plan for such services in our Sabbath-schools during the winter?

O. E. SANDNES.

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#### MANITOBA NOTES

William and Jeanie Ramsay were visitors at Brookdale recently.

Brother Frank Cramer, who has been at Katrime for some time, has returned to his home in Saskatchewan.

Brother H. J. Greenslade spent Sabbath at Winnipeg on his way from Austin to his home at Minaki.

Brother Oscar Ziprick was called home last week on account of his wife's illness. She is much improved at this writing.

Sister Barbara Dickson of Manitou, who has been visiting in the city for some time, returned to her home last Wednesday.

Nine have so far accepted the truth as a result of the effort among the Germans this summer. One of them, a young man, is planning to attend the Academy at Lacombe, Alberta, this winter.

Brother E. Bush, who has been canvassing in Saskatchewan this summer, called at the office on his way to his home near Portage, Wis.

Brother Robert Neuman left last week for the Clinton Seminary, after finishing a very successful delivery. Brother Neuman had orders for about \$1,500, and lost but a few books.

Elder O. E. Sandnes returned the latter part of last week from the Union Conference Committee meeting, and has been at home a few days before going to carberry, where he expects to hold meetings for some time.

We have received a sample copy of the new book, "The Man that Rum Made," which gives in a forceful way the evils of intemperance in all its forms. The first 32 pages are made up of a series of full page colored plates, illustrating the different downward steps leading to the drunkard's end. This is a book that should be in the hands of every young person as well as old. Contains 256 pages, cloth binding; 60 cents. Order from the Tract Society.

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#### ANOTHER SEASON OF PRAYER

Another year has rapidly passed into eternity, and we are nearing the annual week of prayer. Since our last prayer season more has been done to bring about an acknowledgement of that power known as the "beast," than in several preceding years. The storm

is gathering; now is the time to seek shelter.

During this time the powers of earth are doing their part to drive the Turks out of Europe, the angels are holding the four winds to give the people of God an opportunity to give the last warning message. There is no time to lose. The end will come suddenly and unexpectedly.

To warn this world during the present generation is, from a human standpoint, an impossibility. Only by the power of the Holy Spirit can this be accomplished, and the Holy Spirit comes in answer to prayer, when the soul is burdened for lost humanity. Hence our greatest need is the glimpse of a lost world and our relation to it. If this coming week of prayer accomplishes this for each one, it will be the best ever held. Through the articles prepared for the occasion, I trust that we all shall be able to see our needs and duty.

Daily meetings will be held in each place where believers can get together. Do not neglect this important occasion. As far as possible, conference workers will meet with the churches during this week, to assist in the services.

C. A. BURMAN.

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#### EDMONTON SOUTH

We are still of good courage, and hopeful of the near coming of our Lord. Our hope is increased by seeing the return of numbers who had become weary or discouraged. Wonderful have been the experiences since before last camp-meeting. From an attendance at Sabbath services of ten, we now have fifty.

The new church building 20 x 36 is not completed yet, but we have held three Sabbath services in it, and find that we have not built any too large for present attendance. And if indications for the future are not deceiving we will have a larger attendance.

The reclaiming of souls, and the decision on the part of those that have long been in the valley of decision, and the privilege of seeing others rejoice in the new found hope, is certainly a privilege above anything in this world. Pray for us that we may have much of the power of God in our work here, without which we would be helpless in this difficult field.

H. A. NIERGARTH.

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#### SIGNS OF HIS COMING

Momentous indeed is the time in which we are living, to-day being known as the most wonderful period of earth's history. The people acquainted with the message do not need to say "show me a sign of His coming, that it is near." We do not need to make a journey in order to locate a definite sign, but can follow the wisdom of the wise men of the East who, by

studying the Scriptures at home, discerned signs of the birth of a Saviour. Likewise can signs prophesied by holy men of old be witnessed all around us. Wherever man dwells to-day can be found the unbelievers, the scoffer, the disobedient child, the lover of self. Accounts of war, earthquakes, pestilences, etc., are daily coming to our doors, and it is safe to say that to-day in every home in the land there can be found definite evidence of the Saviour's return.

But the most cheering sign of all and one which is as certain as any is a people rescued from the world who are preparing for an inheritance in an everlasting dominion. A people who are being used of God to reflect His glory and love to a dying world. How do you and I stand to-day, in this closing hour of the world's history, in relationship to this people with whom we have taken our stand?

Do our hearts still burn with wonder and love when we hear the old, old story of the cross? Are our lives to-day being directed by the Spirit of God? To-day are we carrying a message of life to our friend struggling in the darkness of the world? To-day are we zealously studying the sacred page and in constant communion with the Author of truth, and does to-day find us having overcome the sin which has long been besetting us? If so, then indeed it is well with us and God is using us as a living sign of the end of this world and the glorious appearing of the Lord Jesus in the clouds of heaven. May God give us strength and grace to be this sign to-day.

T. S. BOWETT

**ALBERTA ACADEMY NOTES**

George Brown arrived today from Saskatchewan. Robert and Flossie Kitto from British Columbia came last evening. Almeda Willett's father visited her here yesterday.

Riley Ausmun arrived recently from Vernon, B. C., and we are pleased to have him in school again for we have made arrangements with him to do the inside painting work for the new building this winter.

Spelling classes have begun and this drill is being taken by all in school. Sight-singing and penmanship classes have been organized; the former has a membership of about 25, and the latter over 40. A chorus class is about to be formed.

The work of completing the new building is nicely progressing. The workmen are busy doing the finishing work on the third floor. Some of the rooms on this story are already in use, and in a day or two we will have the whole of this floor ready for classes.

School reopened last Thursday and at this writing we have an enrollment of over 75 in the academic department, besides 28 in the primary department. More students are expected in the near future. All students who were isolated have finished their respective periods of detention and are again enjoying their class work.

The German classes are about all organized and are making good progress. A number are taking German

work. New German students are expected daily. The recent cessation of work caused by sickness has not enabled us to cover as much ground in our studies as we otherwise would have done and those who for some cause are detained from attending should plan to arrive as early as possible, as by entering now they will find it an easy matter to catch up back work in this department.

**ALBERTA NOTES**

Word comes from Jamestown, N. D., that Sister Humann underwent a critical operation at that place on the 14th of this month.

Elder N. J. Aalborg is visiting scattered believers south of Winnifred. He reports an encouraging meeting with the Winnifred church on the 9th.

The auditing committee composed of the conference committee and three others will meet at Lacombe, December 3 and 4, for the purpose of auditing the laborers' accounts for the year 1912.

Do not neglect to study the special offers found on the second page of the "Review" of November 14. No one can afford to miss this opportunity to secure our message-filled papers and magazines at such low prices. Order now and secure a thirteen months' subscription.

**\*\*REPORT OF MANITOBA SABBATH SCHOOL DEPARTMENT**

Place—	Mem.	—Quarter Ended—	
		June 30	Sept. 30
Austin . . . . .	20	* \$	\$ 12.63
Bradwardine . . . . .	13	\$ 25.50	*
Russell . . . . .	53	25.60	*
Beausejour . . . . .	17	7.35	9.92
Katrine . . . . .	6	19.75	34.00
Morden . . . . .	53	26.79	17.52
Scandinavia . . . . .	9	3.35	3.95
Winnipeg . . . . .	49	36.51	28.97
Minaki . . . . .	4	8.85	6.56
Home Department—			
Carberry . . . . .	2	3.00	5.00
Arden . . . . .	6	3.50	3.50
Manitou . . . . .	1	5.40	3.50
Wakopa . . . . .	2	3.10	5.70
Waskada . . . . .	*	*	*
Harlington . . . . .	3	1.00	2.00
Portage la Prairie . . . . .	3	1.78	*
Austin . . . . .	1	.90	2.30
Camp-meeting, June 29 . . . . .		90.61	....
Camp-meeting, July 6 . . . . .		....	38.00
	242	\$262.99	\$173.55

The thirteenth Sabbath offering for June 29 was \$114.66; for September 28, \$29.55.

LIZZIE NICKEL.

\*No report received.

\*\* This report arrived too late to be included in Manitoba Department

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Mrs. E. G. White passed her eighty-fifth birthday yesterday, November 26, but is still actively engaged in the work to which the Lord has called her.

Up to November 15, 471,795 of the Ingathering Signs had been sent out by the Pacific Press. Two of the conferences in this Union have now ordered more papers than were used in last year's campaign, but we are still over 2,000 papers behind last year's record. There is still time for this work.

The Morning Watch Calendar for 1913 is now ready. It contains 365 precious Bible promises, blanks for reporting missionary work, and a Friday sunset table. In four years the circulation of this calendar has increased from 6,000 to 25,000. These facts declare clearly and loudly the value of this calendar, which may well be used by all our people, and especially the young.

Beginning with the first Sabbath in January, 1913, the Sabbath-schools will study the interesting and important topics in Old Testament history for a period of two years. These lessons on Creation, the Sabbath, Story of Eden, the Fall, and the promise of a Saviour, etc., are all of vital importance, especially at this time when higher criticism is being studied by the world, and when confidence in God's Word, especially that part of it with reference to creation, is being overthrown in the minds of such a large number of people. "Patriarchs and Prophets" and "Easy Steps in the Bible Story," will be used as helps in the study of these lessons.

The new book recommended by the council of auditors and by the General Conference Committee, for

the use of church treasurers, is now ready. The accounts are so arranged as to show at a glance the amount that has been received and disbursed from any fund. In the making of entries, a carbon copy may be made of the same, to be forwarded at the close of the month to the conference treasurer with the remittance. The book is in two sizes. Medium size, 75 cents; large size, intended for the large churches, \$1.00, post paid. Order from your conference tract society.

This denomination has been teaching for many years that the Turkish power was represented in the prophecy of the eleventh chapter of Daniel, and that the time would come when it would be compelled to retire from Europe into Asia. Of recent years, eminent statesmen have written much concerning the prospective departure of the Turkish nation. During the past few weeks, Turkey has been engaged in a war with the allied power of Greece, Servia, Bulgaria, and Montenegro, and these allies have been so continually victorious that the army of Bulgaria is at the very doors of Constantinople. All this has been done while the great nations of Europe that have heretofore supported the "sick man of the East" have disagreed as to what course to follow. The capital city—Constantinople—which for so many years has been looked upon with a jealous eye by the European nations, may now at any moment fall into the hands of the allied powers, and the event to which we have so long looked forward be accomplished. The irreducible minimum of the Balkan allies is now said to be "the end of Turkey in Europe," and the next scene of the great drama is well known to the faithful student of prophecy. Are you ready? "There is a world to be warned of the near approach of the end of all things."

### THE ONLY SAFE WAY

Three Indians once became converts to the temperance cause, although previously given to much drink. Some white men formed the resolution of trying their Indian sincerity. They placed a canteen of whisky in the Indian's path, and hid themselves in the bushes to observe the motions of the red men.

The first saw the flask in the pathway, and with an ugly "Ugh!" made a high step and passed on.

The second laughed, saying, "Me know you," and walked around the flask.

The last one drew his tomahawk and dashed the canteen to pieces, saying, "Ugh! You conquer me, now I conquer you."

There are three ways in which sin may be treated; the only safe way is its destruction. A flask untouched by you left unbroken may be the ruin of another life.—Ridge Revilo.