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WHAT PLANS ARE WE MAKING FOR THE FUTURE?

The population being scattered over such distances as we have here in Western Canada makes the matter of getting the truth to the people a perplexing question. Our territory extends from Port Arthur in Ontario to the north end of Vancouver Island, a distance of about two thousand miles from East to West. The actual territory of the four provinces and the part of Ontario within our union comprises about a million square miles. The population is only about 1,700,000, being an average of less than two to the square mile.

Our ministers are working hard holding meetings, giving Bible readings, and distributing literature from house to house. The Lord is blessing their labors, and honest souls are embracing the truth all over the field.

These workers are few, however, and are able to reach but a small portion of such a vast region over which the people are scattered. Here, the literature work furnishes great opportunity for those who desire to do something toward spreading the truth. Here is a work in which hundreds of our young people may engage as colporteurs, visiting from house to house, calling on the people and leaving Christian literature with them.

Last year we had 46 colporteurs thus engaged. These workers placed over \$34,000 worth of books, tracts and periodicals in the homes of the people in this union territory in 1912. What a sight to behold; our young people going from house to house inviting the people to read the greatest message ever given to mankind. Surely parents who have children thus employed have great reason for sincere gratitude to God.

We are nearing the opening of another season. Each local conference in the union is making plans to start as early as possible, and it seems that we have never

seen the outlook as favorable for our literature as this Spring. Now is the time for our young men to look the situation squarely in the face and ask themselves the question, What is my duty in this matter?

Some may have to remain at home this year to assist in the burdens of the farm, while the way may open for others to take to the field. Every person has a place and a duty in this cause. If his place is on the farm, that is where he ought to be, and the Lord will bless him there. If the field is his place, he ought to go there, and the Lord will bless him in the doing of his duty.

It is a serious thing to become indifferent regarding our duties in this cause. God gave to "every man his work." He did not give to every man identically the same work, but the Lord has a work to be finished in the world in this generation, and every one of His children has a part to act in it. The thing to do is to find out what that part is and get our faces and plans turned that way. There is no use for a man to go on planning to do one thing, when the Lord is planning some other work for him.

There is not the slightest doubt that the Lord has called some men to raise grain or stock or to engage in some other honest pursuit, thus to give means to support the cause. This must be so, and such of our brethren must know that they are as truly in the Lord's work as those called to the front.

It is also equally true that the Lord must have men in His church who are willing to leave home and friends to carry the message beyond their own immediate borders to those who have not heard. Some must go, and the question is, am I one of that number? If I am, I had better get my plans into line. I believe the Lord is impressing hearts that they ought to canvass this year. The question is not whether it is agreeable to our feelings or fancy to leave home and friends and go out among strangers; that is not the way to deal with the matter. "What wilt thou have me to do?" is the all-absorbing point.

"While the souls of men are dying,
 And the Master calls for you,
 Let none hear you idly saying,
 There is nothing I can do.
 Gladly take the task He gives you,
 Let His work your pleasure be,
 Answer quickly when He calleth,
 Here am I, O Lord, send me."

H. S. SHAW.

SACREDNESS OF PLEDGES

There seems to be in the minds of many people a failure to appreciate the sacredness of pledges made to the various funds and enterprises carried forward in our work. This condition has impressed itself upon us as we have found in different conference offices pledges long since overdue. Conference officials usually dislike to remind the makers of these pledges of their delinquency, yet it seems that more stress should be laid upon the responsibility before God to meet the obligations expressed on these slips of paper which are handed in at camp-meetings, and other important gatherings. On this point the word of God is very plain:

"When thou vowest a vow unto the Lord thy God, thou shalt not slack to pay it; for the Lord thy God will require it of thee; and it would be sin unto thee. That which is gone out of thy lips thou shalt keep and perform; even a freewill offering, according as thou hast vowed unto the Lord thy God, which thou hast promised with thy mouth." Deut. 23:21, 23. Note also Eccl. 5:4, 5.

In the divine commentary on the case of Ananias and Sapphira, found in "Acts of the Apostles," page 74, we find the following: "God has made the proclamation of the gospel dependent upon the labors and gifts of His people. Voluntary offerings and the tithe constitute the revenue of the Lord's work. Of the means intrusted to man, God claims a certain portion,—a tenth. He leaves all free to say whether or not they will give more than this. But when the heart is stirred by the influence of the Holy Spirit, and a vow is made to give a certain amount, the one who vows has no longer a right to the consecrated portion. Promises of this kind made to men would be considered binding; are those not more binding that are made to God? Are promises tried in the court of conscience less binding than written agreements of men?"

When we realize the manifold goodness of God, and wish to express our appreciation of His mercies, He accepts our pledges for future payment of a specified sum into His treasury. We cannot lightly release ourselves from these obligations assumed under the influence of the Spirit of God.

It would be well when pledges and offerings are called for if the sacredness of these promises were more fully explained. No doubt many of the unredeemed pledges in our offices have been forgotten by their makers. But were the seriousness of these obligations more fully understood at the time of making, would we so soon forget them? May it not be that God is compelled to withhold many blessings from our households which He longs to grant, because we have been individually and collectively remiss in this matter of our pledges to the support of His work?

E. R. ALLEN.

WHO WILL HELP?

To assist our people in their tract work, three new 25-cent (postpaid) tract packages have recently been provided. These contain ideal assortments for those wishing to buy a smaller number than contained in the dollar package. Notice how these "Pocket" packages are made up by the following complete lists:

POCKET PACKAGE NO. 1

Miscellaneous

- 13 varieties; 24 tracts; 400 pages; price 25 cents, postpaid.
- 2 Topical Bible Studies..... (B. S. L. 185)
- 2 Spiritualism..... (B. S. L. 112)
- 2 The Temporal Millennium..... (B. S. L. 121)
- 2 Waymarks to the Holy City..... (B. S. L. 189)
- 2 Relation of the Law to the Gospel..... (B. S. L. 166)
- 2 How Esther Read Her Bible..... (A. G. L. 7)
- 2 Is Man Immortal?..... (A. G. L. 86)
- 2 New Testament Sabbath..... (B. S. L. 137)
- 2 The Seventh, or One Seventh..... (A. G. L. 39)
- 2 We Would See Jesus..... (B. S. L. 173)
- 2 Bible Baptism..... (A. G. L. 72)
- 1 Turkey and Its End..... (B. S. L. 207)
- 1 The Name..... (A. G. L. 72)

POCKET PACKAGE NO. 2

Prophecy and Coming of the Lord

- 6 varieties; 22 tracts; 400 pages; price 25 cents, postpaid.
- 5 We Would See Jesus..... (B. S. L. 173)
- 5 Signs of the End..... (B. S. L. 194)
- 5 Herald of His Coming..... (A. G. L. 85)
- 5 Waymarks to the Holy City..... (B. S. L. 189)
- 1 Turkey and Its End..... (B. S. L. 207)
- 1 Without Excuse..... (B. S. L. 146)

POCKET PACKAGE NO. 3

The Sabbath and the Law

- 7 varieties; 30 tracts; 400 pages; price 25 cents, postpaid.
- 5 Who Changed the Sabbath?..... (B. S. L. 187)
- 5 New Testament Sabbath..... (B. S. L. 137)
- 8 Which Day Do You Keep and Why?..... (A. G. L. 175)
- 2 Seal of God and Mark of Beast..... (B. S. L. 130)
- 4 Sunday in a Nutshell..... (A. G. L. 88)
- 3 Is Sunday the Sabbath..... (A. G. L. 76)
- 3 The Seventh, or One Seventh..... (A. G. L. 39)

These packages are now in stock at your tract society. Remember that tracts will carry the message to all classes of people. The Pocket packages will give you an ideal selection. Will you not use them liberally in reaching people with the truth?

Saskatchewan Conference

Office Address, Box 244, Regina, Saskatchewan.

President, A. C. Gilbert; Secretary-Treasurer, E. R. Allen; Religious Liberty Secretary, W. G. Forshaw; Tract Society Secretary E. R. Allen; Field and Missionary Volunteer Secretary, R. P. Mooney; Sabbath-school Secretary, Mrs. A. C. Gilbert; Educational Secretary, A. C. Gilbert.

LITERATURE SALES FOR 1912.

The entire literature sales for the denomination for 1912 amounts to over \$1,810,000. The stakes have been set for \$2,000,000 for this year.

"If, when Noah came out of the ark, 4,262 years ago, he had been hired at \$1 a day, and had been working ever since, he would still have to work 479 years, or until the year 2392 A. D., before his earnings would equal the amount of our sales for the single year 1912.

"If the apostle Paul had made a contract the day he was converted to work at \$2 a day, until he had earned that amount, he would have to continue 495 years yet, or until the year 2408 A. D.

"While all of this is true so far as the dollars and cents are concerned, that which makes this work precious in the sight of heaven, and which should enhance its value in our estimation, is the fact that this vast volume of literature is making deep and lasting impressions upon the hearts of men and women, and helping to get them ready to meet our soon-coming Lord. May this fact inspire us all to more earnest effort in the cause we love, so that we may not only make up that TWO MILLION IN 1913, but win a harvest of precious souls."

E. R. ALLEN.

SASKATCHEWAN NOTES

Elder A. C. Gilbert spent Sabbath and Sunday, the 22d and 23d, with the believers at Sunset.

Brother A. E. Iverson, of Minneapolis, Minnesota, arrived in Regina the 14th to do stenographic work in the conference office.

It is expected that Brother George Guerney, of Leslie, will soon move to McLean and join the company there. It is hoped that a church organization may soon be effected at that place.

There are in the province of Saskatchewan 56,147 Lutherans, 75,342 Anglicans, 70,325 Methodists, 18,371 Baptists, 96,564 Presbyterians, and 90,092 Roman Catholics.

Brother H. H. Hall, of the Pacific Press, spent Thursday, the 20th, with the workers at the Regina offices. The union treasurer's books were audited at this time. A stereopticon lecture given in Elder Gilbert's rooms was much appreciated by the workers. Brother R. P. Mooney came up from McLean to council with Brother Hall regarding the book work in this province.

There seems to be some confusion regarding the special offering for the Loma Linda Hospital, which was taken up

on March 15. Some have reported this as a Sabbath-school offering. This offering has no connection with the Sabbath-school, but is a special donation by the whole church. All offerings taken in our Sabbath-schools go to foreign missions. Let all take note of this distinction.

British Columbia Conference

Office Address, 1708 Maple Street, Vancouver, B. C.

President, J. G. Walker; Secretary-Treasurer, Andrew Roedel; Educational Secretary, C. O. Smith; Religious Liberty Secretary, F. H. Conway; S. S. Secretary, Mrs. Birdie Conway; Missionary Volunteer Secretary, Lydia Stickle; Tract Society Secretary, Andrew Roedel; Field and Missionary Secretary, E. R. Potter; Assistant Field and Missionary Secretary, E. S. Horseman; Medical Missionary Secretary, F. H. Conway.

CHURCH SCHOOLS ENCOURAGED.

At our last conference committee meeting held in December the matter of encouraging our church school work was discussed quite freely and the following plan formulated for the endorsement of our brethren and sisters throughout the conference.

In some churches the members are fully able to support their teacher, and wherever possible this is expected. However, there are companies where this is next to impossible, and there are families where there are a large number of children that must be left without school privileges unless they receive help. Our plan is to assist under those different circumstances and suggest the following proposition for the consideration of our brethren and sisters in British Columbia, who are interested in seeing our children get a Christian education.

We already pay a tithe of our income and this is devoted to the support of the ministry and sent in to our conference treasury. We suggest that to our individual tithe we add one-tenth and this be devoted to a church school fund to help support teachers in places where companies are unable, and which cannot have a church school without assistance. To illustrate: If we have \$10 to pay as tithe, we add \$1 more and ask to have this put in the church school fund. Again, if our tithe is \$20, we add \$2 and have this applied on the same fund.

If everyone in the conference will do this, we can help along this work very materially. Already some have begun to adopt the plan and little amounts are coming in to be devoted to this important branch of God's work.

We invite all our brethren and sisters, married and unmarried, to co-operate. The support of this work should come upon all, and I am sure no investment brings us greater returns than that we invest in flesh and blood, to put it in training to help finish the message.

Church treasurers should send this along with the tithe and other donations, to our conference treasurer, stating plainly what it is for. Our isolated brethren, who send direct, should be careful to do the same.

Of course, brethren, you know that this is not compulsory, nor intended to be a tax. We simply invite you to co-operate. The children must be educated and this seems to us the most systematic plan we can adopt.

J. G. WALKER.

MANSON CHURCH SCHOOL.

It may be of interest to some to see a report of this church school. Our school term began September 18, with an enrollment of eleven, which has increased to seventeen, five of which are in the academy home. Our school room is on the first floor of the academy building, so we enjoy the privilege of visiting chapel occasionally.

As I look over the fast closing school year, I can truly say God has kept and blessed our little school. Our Wednesday morning missionary meetings have proven a help and inspiration to every pupil. There are few joys, I think, to compare with training and watching the development of children's minds, when so early in life they have the one aim, to be missionaries.

This work and responsibility has brought me nearer the great Teacher, and I ask an interest in your prayers that my example and work may meet His approval. I often think of and pray for the different teachers throughout this Union, and would be glad to see reports from each one before the school term closes.

MABEL HALLBERG.

BRITISH COLUMBIA NOTICE

One per cent. of our income devoted to the help of church schools in British Columbia. This is equal to a tenth of our tithe, and is to help in companies and families that cannot support a teacher. If you do not quite understand the plan, write to the president, J. G. Walker, Pitt Meadows, B. C.

Manitoba Conference

Office Address, 290 Bannerman Ave., Winnipeg, Manitoba.

President, O. E. Sandnes; Secretary-Treasurer, B. L. Grundset; S. S. Secretary, Lizzie Nickel; Tract Society Secretary, B. L. Grundset; Field and Missionary Secretary, Robert Neuman; Educational Secretary, V. W. Robb.

VISITS AMONG SCATTERED BELIEVERS.

It has been my privilege to visit several of our scattered believers. My first stop was at the home of Mr. W. Elmhurst, six miles south of Carberry. His family has not received any of our periodicals for the

last two years, and consequently had lost nearly all connection with us. They subscribed for *Signs of the Times* and the *Sabbath School Quarterly*, which they promised to study from Sabbath to Sabbath. I hope it may be possible for this brother and family to attend camp-meeting and thereby renew their consecration to God and connection with our people.

My next stop was at Brother and Sister McCreary's at Arden. My visit here was brief, because of other appointments, but it was a most pleasant one to me. Their whole interest is in this work, and their only burden seems to be the giving of the message to those around them. They have found some honest souls, who they expect will soon accept the message. May the Lord add His rich blessing to the faithful missionary endeavors of His people.

Since last October, when I visited Bergland, Ontario, I have planned on spending a few weeks with these believers, and hold a series of meetings for their neighbors. Accordingly I made my way there the latter part of February. When I reached there I found the people greatly taken up with logging. Some expressed the idea that people would be too busy to attend meetings. However, we announced meetings in the school house for Sundays, and in some home each night during the week. I was happily surprised to see how well the people turned out to the meeting. Some came for miles in the evening, after having worked hard in the woods all day. I enjoyed meeting with these people, and felt sorry when word reached me that I was needed at home because of my wife's illness. I had only been there five days, and held five meetings, besides a good many visits among the people. I was eighteen miles from the nearest railway station.

I filled my appointments for the evening, and cancelled all others, with the exception of the Sunday afternoon meeting in the school house, which I turned over to a Baptist minister. I held one meeting in his home, we had one joint meeting in another home, and he attended and assisted in most of my meetings.

We had a good meeting that last night, and a spirit of freedom and good will prevailed. In the morning I walked eighteen miles through the woods to the station and reached my train in good time. My wife has now improved in health so that she is able to be about her work as usual. For this and many other blessings we thank and praise our heavenly Father.

O. E. SANDNES.

REPORT OF LABOR.

The work in this part of the field is onward. We are sowing the seed and praying that our heavenly Father will water it and in His own good time bring forth a bountiful yield. There are quite a number of the members of the church, young and old, who

are taking hold of the tract work and following it up, and are having rich experiences. Thus, by working for others, we receive a blessing for ourselves.

We are told by the Spirit of Prophecy that "There is earnest work for every pair of hands to do," and that "The Lord has a place for every one in His great plan." "God has a place for the one with just one talent, and if it is faithfully used will do the very work God designs that it should do." These words should encourage every one of us to greater activity in spreading this message which will soon triumph so gloriously.

February 24 I was called to Hazelridge to visit a sick lady who seemed anxious to learn more of this truth before she would have to pass through the valley of the shadow of death. I arrived only a couple of hours before death claimed her as its victim. I remained and conducted the funeral service at the home, which was largely attended, which indicated the esteem in which the deceased was held.

I enjoyed my visit among the people of this community very much, and I am trusting and praying that when God's people are made up that I shall meet with some true and loyal ones from this place.

I have many interested ones with whom I am studying the principles that underlie this great truth, and hope that ere long some of them will take the step that will identify them with the "remnant" church. Remember the work to be done in this great and growing city, as well as the feeble instruments that are endeavoring to do the work.

V. W. ROBB.

THE GERMAN WORK.

Sunday, the ninth of this month, we had baptism. A young couple who accepted the full message during the winter desired to be baptized, so it was my privilege to bury them in the icy tomb, the ice being about three feet thick.

The work in Beausejour is growing. That little company is doing a very good work, and there are some who are interested. We have reason to believe that some more will accept the truth. O, it is sweet to labor for Jesus, to win some dear souls for the kingdom.

H. J. DIRKSEN.

MANITOBA NOTES

Elder H. J. Dirksen held baptism last Sunday, when two more were baptized.

Sister Lizzie Nickel, who has been in the city for the last few weeks, returned to her home last Friday.

Seven hundred and ninety copies of the Temperance Instructor have so far been ordered. Shall we not receive many more for this splendid temperance magazine?

Brother L. F. Gretzinger was a visitor in Winnipeg last week, on his way to Morden, where he met with the church over Sabbath.

We were glad to greet Brother Emil Iverson at the office last week, while on his way from Minneapolis to Regina, where he will assist in the office work of the Saskatchewan Tract Society.

Brother Oscar Ziprick is remaining at Beausejour for a short time before going to Whitemouth, as there are several that are deeply interested in the truth, and he has hopes will accept.

Brother Meikle, who is selling magazines here in the city, has thus far ordered 3,850 copies since he began his work last December. This is a good report. Are there not others who would like to sell these truth laden magazines in their home towns, and thus have a part in giving the message for these last days?

Alberta Conference

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President, C. A. Burman; Secretary-Treasurer, U. Wissner; Educational Secretary, J. L. Beardsley; Missionary Volunteer Secretary, A. Pond; Field and Missionary Secretary, L. T. Heaton; Sabbath-school Secretary, Miss H. G. McCulloch; Medical Secretary, N. J. Aalborg; Tract Society Secretary, U. Wissner; Religious Liberty Secretary, W. A. Clemenson.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE MEETING.

On Tuesday, March 11, the members of the Alberta Conference Committee met in one of the class rooms of the academy, Elder H. S. Shaw of Regina being present. After an earnest season of prayer in which all took part, we entered upon the duties of the hour. The arrangements for the coming camp-meeting was the first matter to come before the committee. The following were selected as members of the camp-meeting committee: Charles Rick, Chairman; W. G. McCready, W. A. Clemenson, C. Armeneau, Alfred Pond and J. K. Fish. The question of location for our camp-meeting this season received no little attention. It was thought that inasmuch as the last season's meeting was in the northern part of the province it would be advisable to hold this meeting farther south. A committee consisting of C. A. Burman and H. Humann were selected to locate this meeting at some point between Lacombe and Calgary.

It was further decided that the regular camp-meeting, which is to be held July 7-13, be preceded by a five days workers' meeting, during which time the various methods of conducting gospel work will receive attention. The important matters to be brought before the conference will be considered by the heads of departments during the workers' meeting, thus enabling the conference proper to be held in as short a period of time as possible. On account of the General Conference this season, our regular camp-meeting period will be cut to one week's duration. Ample provision was made for help in the various lines of work upon the camp grounds. An announcement of this will appear later.

Brethren Manfull and Heaton appeared before the

committee in the interests of the book work. There was a determination on the part of each member of the committee and our bookmen that this year shall show a better record in this branch of the work than heretofore. There is no reason why Alberta should be behind her sister provinces in the amount of literature handled, and if each one will throw his life into this matter we shall see a great change the coming year. To this end the committee have laid their plans. It was decided to hold a four days' colporteurs' institute at the academy from April 27 to 30. This with the weekly band-meetings that have been conducted for the past three months will enable the agents to become familiar with their canvasses and prepare to do efficient work. The scholarship plan was adopted as in past years and the usual discount of three per cent allowed on car fare.

In planning for the coming summer's ministerial work, it was decided that, if possible, the camp-meeting be preceded by a series of meetings. Several of the young men now at the academy will be asked to unite with tent companies during the coming season and we look forward with bright hopes to a harvest of souls during the vacation. Let us work and pray to this end. Steps were taken to secure another forty-foot round tent for the conference use.

The sitting was a very pleasant one, the Spirit of God being present in all our deliberations, and every vote was unanimous, but, as we labored together for five days in conference and school work, we were forcibly reminded of the fact that this conference is rapidly growing and that God is doing a wonderful work in this field. We have no reason to be discouraged, for the hand of God is in this movement. May success attend all our efforts.

C. A. BURMAN.

GRANUM.

Early in January we started a series of public meetings in Granum. For two years this town has been calling for an effort of this kind, but only now could the call be answered. A good hall was secured, and from the first the people manifested a deep interest in the truths presented. Many of the influential people came to hear. The attendance never dropped lower than fifty, and usually as high as seventy or eighty. The local secretary of the Lord's Day Alliance came to a goodly number of meetings and asked very intelligent questions, afterwards expressing himself publicly as having been greatly benefited by the meetings.

All phases of our message were presented, and the truths of the Bible shone forth before the people in a convincing manner. When the testing truths were

presented, Satan became angry and used a minister to scatter disbelief and error. Canright's book was used to tear down the truth. No proof could be brought from the Bible, so they "brought forward false witnesses." In spite of this opposition, some honest souls decided to obey God. Others are planning to arrange their business so they can keep the Sabbath of the Lord.

We have sown the seeds of truth in many hearts, and at this early date it is hard to tell what will be the result. We trust a number will begin to obey the truth. The little company in Granum are of good courage. We pray God to bless them and add many to their company of those who decide to fully follow the Lord.

N. J. AALBORG.

EDMONTON.

The work is still onward. We find we have not built large enough to accommodate comfortably on some Sabbaths when the weather is favorable. The Young People's Society is developing some bright young minds for future service. Some are doing house to house work and have valuable experiences.

The Spirit of God is working on many hearts, and in varied ways. He is leading people to come in touch with this precious message. Some have to suffer for their faith. Surely there is no work under the sun that is more exalted than that of soul saving, and brings more joy with it than to see faces reflecting the light of the Sun of Righteousness.

There are plenty of omens that time is fast hastening to its close. Clouds are gathering rapidly, which foretell that the storm will soon burst upon us. A time in which only those who have their feet firmly planted on the Rock will be able to abide the shock of the storm. Now is the time we want to make use of every moment to get thoroughly acquainted with the Word. For when the time comes when His people will have to hasten from city to city, town to town, and village to village, it will be too late to prepare. The preparation has to be made before. Let us be awake.

H. A. NIERGARTH.

TREATMENT ROOMS AT THE ACADEMY.

For a long time the school management has felt the need of some place where the sick could receive attention and where those desiring treatments might secure the same. We have looked forward to the time when our means would allow the erection of a building which might be devoted to this work, but at the present this seems out of the question.

The school board at its last sitting gave no little study to this question, and as a result it was decided that neat, sanitary treatment rooms be fitted up in the basement of the new school building. It is thought that arrangements could be made for Turkish baths,

and a spray will be installed. A competent nurse will be placed in charge of these rooms, thus enabling those who are in need of treatments to secure the same results at home as may be obtained in a larger institution. It is hoped that, ere long, a room or two may be set apart for the convenience of those living at a distance who may desire to spend a few days at the academy, and, while there, take treatments.

If properly conducted, these rooms will prove to be a great blessing to this institution, as well as to those who might avail themselves of this opportunity. These treatment rooms will not be in operation until the opening of the next school year.

C. A. BURMAN.

OBITUARY

GRAHM—Ethel Maud Graham, wife of Brother James Graham, was born on the 30th of April, 1887, at Clare, Michigan, and died at their home four miles southwest of Olds, Alberta, on the 22d of February, 1913, at the age of 25 years 9 months and 22 days. She leaves her husband, a little daughter 3 years and 10 months of age, her mother, a brother and a sister.

Sister Graham was at one time much opposed to present truth, but on becoming better acquainted with it she laid aside her prejudice and improved every opportunity for hearing it preached. Her attendance at the Union Conference meeting held at Didsbury last Spring was a great benefit to her and soon after she was baptized by Elder C. A. Burman and became a member of the Seventh-day Adventist church at Harmattan.

A goodly number of brethren and neighbors assembled at Brother Graham's home, where words of comfort were spoken by the writer on the "Blessed Hope." Our sister was laid away in the Olds cemetery, where she awaits the coming of the great Life-giver.

P. P. ADAMS.

ALBERTA ACADEMY NOTES.

Prof. J. L. Beane made a trip on business to Didsbury the last of the week.

Ralph McConnaughy has left school for the remainder of the year. He will work out this summer.

Susie Wagner of Trochu, Alberta, has returned to her home, having completed the first semester work for this year.

Brother W. A. Clemensen's sister, Mrs. Griffin, of British Columbia, is visiting her relatives here.

Glenn Duncan, a student from Champion, Alberta, has returned to his home to prepare for Spring work. He plans to be in school again next year.

Mr. Cameron, the Lacombe photographer, was out and took a picture of the school family last Thursday morning. We were glad to have the board with us for the occasion.

Brother W. L. Manfull spoke in chapel one morning recently, giving a partial report of the progress of his line of missionary work in various parts of the world, especially in foreign fields. He read a very interesting letter from Brother Peter Rick, now in India, formerly a student in the academy.

Brother L. T. Heaton made a trip to Edmonton last week to consult a specialist concerning his eyes. While

assisting to drill a well on his lot, a piece of steel struck one of his eyes. He was fortunate in having it removed and is now around with the eye unbandaged. He was successful in getting a good well at eighty feet.

During the last week the school board has been with us deliberating on plans for the coming year. Every member was present, and we were glad to have Elder Shaw with us at this time. He spoke once in chapel and also at the Friday evening meeting. He left here Saturday evening on his return to Regina, making a brief visit with his daughter in Calgary.

"Africa" was the subject of the last public meeting of the Missionary Volunteer Society. A letter was read from Brother F. E. Stafford, treasurer of China Union Conference, Shanghai, descriptive of the work there, and with it was included a photograph of the typewriter which the society at the academy sent to that field a few months ago, besides numerous photographs of Chinese scenes.

Brother H. H. Hall, of Mountain View, California, and Brother J. M. Rowse, of Calgary, arrived Monday afternoon, and gave a very interesting stereopticon lecture that evening on the progress of colporteur missions in foreign fields. The lecture was very interesting, showing the native colporteurs at work in South America, Mexico, India, and other countries under the leadership of English or American workers. Photographs were shown of Corranza and other Mexicans now in the public eye, who have purchased literature of our colporteurs.

Monday afternoon the friends of Elder and Mrs. N. J. Aalborg met in the chapel to say farewell. After a short social period, a spicy program was rendered by some of the students. Brother and Sister Aalborg have been in Alberta for five years, and have resided in Lacombe a portion of that time. In their travels in the province they have made many friends, who regret to see them leave. They start next month for Washington, D. C., where they will attend the quadrennial meeting of the General Conference, and then go on to the work they have chosen in the West Indies. At the close of the gathering, their friends presented them with a small purse as a token of their friendship.

The recital by members of the music and public speaking departments was held Tuesday, March 11, with a company filling both the chapel and library. The music and addresses, while entertaining, were instructive as well. Besides the visiting members of the board, those from a distance included Brother W. A. Beacock, of Edmonton, one of our former students. The following is the program:

Chorus, "Come, Weary Soul"; invocation, Elder C. A. Burman; address, "The Millenium," Elmer C. Clark; organ solo, Susie Haynal; address "Immortality," Roscoe M. Hippach; vocal solo, "The Fog Bell," Elder P. P. Adams; piano trio, "Gypsy Rondo," Misses Shelstad, Champagne and Anderson; address, "Our Solar Orb," Ellen Randlett; double male quartette, "The Wayside Cross," Messrs. Clemensen, Tall, Willson, J. Haynal, E. Clark, A. Pond, D. Losey, William Landeen; address, "How I Know I Am a Child of the King," A. D. Haynal; piano duet, "The Old Cloister Clock," Mrs. Adams and Miss Christensen; declamation, J. Haynal; piano and organ duet, "Hallelujah Chorus," Mrs. Adams and Miss Rick; song by chorus, "Hallelujah, Christ Is Risen"; benediction, Elder H. S. Shaw.

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Obstacles were made to determine the market value of success. Remember that when the tide is lowest it is just upon the point of returning.

Sabbath, May 3, has been appointed by the General Conference Committee for Missionary Volunteer Day. Our churches everywhere are asked to observe it. The program appears in the Review of April 17.

"No man can be happy without exercising the virtue of a cheerful industry or activity. No man can lay his claim to happiness without economy, without self command, and consequently without fortitude."

Success is not something to be wished for or hoped for—success must be carved from the opportunities that come your way. Not in dreaming, but in doing. lies your chance for success. Success is ambition plus a plan.

The texts of the Morning Watch Calendar this year have been printed in five different languages—English, Spanish, German, Japanese, Chinese and Korean. Thus it will be seen that we have a very interesting prayer circle. Let no one drop out.

"Work we all must, if we mean to bring out and perfect our nature. Even if we do not work with our hands, we must undergo equivalent toil in some other direction. No business or study which does not pro-

sent obstacles, tasking to the full the intellect and the will, is worthy of a man."

A letter recently received from Elder Evans tells us of two young people's societies in China. This means that the Missionary Volunteer work has now gained a foothold in the following places: North America, South America, Australia, Great Britain, Germany, Norway, Portugal, India, China, Japan, Korea, Bermuda, Philippine Islands, West Indies, Central America, and in several of the South Pacific Islands.

The General Conference Daily Bulletin will be a sixteen-page paper the size of the Review, and will contain daily reports of the proceedings of the coming session of the General Conference. There will be eighteen or twenty issues filled with just such things as our people will want to know about the conference and its work. Having the Bulletin will be next to being present at the conference. Price 50 cents through the tract societies.

"Outline Studies from the Testimonies" is the name of an eighty-four-page booklet by Prof. C. L. Taylor. It has a good index, and can not help being a very valuable help to the study of the Testimonies. There are 126 subjects covered by this outline, and by the use of the index one can instantly turn to references upon any subject. This booklet, which may be obtained of the tract societies, should be in the hands of every Seventh-day Adventist. The price is twenty-five cents, postpaid.

Why should I give money to save heathen abroad when there are heathen in our own country to save? Why should I give money to save those in other parts of the Union Conference when there are needy ones in my own Conference? Why should I give to those in other parts of the conference when there are needy in my own neighborhood? Why should I give to the needy in the neighborhood when my own church needs money? Why should I give to the church when my own family wants it? Why should I give to my family what I want myself? WHY? Because I am a Christian; not a heathen. Remember the thirteenth Sabbath offering to be taken Sabbath, March 29, for Korea and the Philippines.

BRITISH COLUMBIA NOTICE.

Word just received informs us that C. O. Smith will succeed Andrew Roedel in the British Columbia Conference and Tract Society Office. Our people living in that Conference will kindly take notice and direct their correspondence accordingly. Further information will no doubt be given in a later issue.