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A LITTLE WORD OF COURAGE

The work in Western Canada moves forward. On every hand is seen the blessing of the Lord in behalf of his good cause. We have seen a greater harvest of souls thus far this year than for any equal length of time before since our work was started in this field.

Our ministers are full of courage. Openings for work present themselves faster than we are able to fill them. There is a spirit of inquiry taking hold of the people which is remarkable. "What do these things mean?" is the voice of many in the various parts of the field.

Many who but a short time ago were putting all their energies into the rush for wealth, have seen suddenly that what is real estate is not always real. The eyes are being cast about for something more lasting, —something which can endure the blast of the terrible.

Such great changes in so short a time cannot be without a meaning. There can be no intelligent doubt that we are nearing the time when "no man can work."

Our people have been anxious to see the truth go as rapidly as possible in the little space of time left for us, and many have been putting forth commendable efforts to reach their neighbors. Our colporteurs have taken many orders for our excellent books. These books must be delivered within the next few weeks. This is the critical time for making sure that these books are placed in the hands of the people. An order for one of our splendid books is a grand thing, for in securing an order the truth is necessarily brought to the attention; but to deliver the book opens the way for the purchaser to read the truth for himself, and place in his possession blessings of more worth than gold or gems.

Will not every colporteur throw his life into his work till the season is finished, and the orders which have been taken are delivered and these books placed in the hands of the people.

Let every brother and sister in this entire field bear all these interests to the throne of the Mighty One in prayer, that the work that is being done may accomplish great things for the people who are seeking truth throughout this field.

H. S. SHAW.

FROM JAMAICA

Many of our people will remember Brother and Sister Nathan Aalborg, formerly of Alberta, who were called during the year 1913 to labor in Jamaica, and will appreciate the following extracts from a personal letter from them:

"Our hearts are all bound up in Western Canada yet, although it is now two and one-half years since

received! The brethren and sisters have been very good to remember us all along.

"We have very much appreciated the *Tidings* and thank you for not forgetting us. It comes as a letter from our dear friends, and we do enjoy each copy as it comes.

"We have a fine company of workers in this Union, but there has been a lot of shifting about in these past two years. We have been moved twice, and now have been ordered to the country parts, to look after some far-out churches and hold some special meetings in inland and isolated towns.

"The mountains running all over Jamaica make it hard to get to all of our people from Kingston, where the president lives, so he has thought to send us to the west end of the island. We welcome a change into the mountains. We have secured a lovely old English home for a residence, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles from the railroad, 70 acres in the place, some fruit, fine pasture, garden, grass, lumber, etc.

"Our health is way down. We are tired, thin and worried, and a change into the cooler air of the hills will build us up. There is no fever up there. 'People only die of old age,' they tell us, so we want to try it. We are needed there very much, to build up our churches in that district. The people in Kingston dislike to have us leave, but it will be a good experience for them too.

"The work is onward here in Jamaica. We have held two very successful tent efforts this year in Kingston. A large company have been gathered out to obey God. The last of this month we will have a large baptismal service, a sort of a general meeting with some visiting ministers, and the baptism as a climax. The Kingston church has a very fine front in it, all repaired and improved last year.

"Our two years of work in Kingston have been good ones, and we are thankful for a small part in the work. Soon the work will all be finished, even here in Jamaica, and wherever we may be, let us be faithful until the glad finishing scenes, and then eternity with Jesus—blessed thought! Just as in Christ's time, there were many who believed on him secretly, so here we have many secret believers. We are praying that they will accept before it is too late.

"Conditions are very different here from those in the home land. We find poverty and ignorance here, superstition and vice, such as we never imagined before. But there are honest hearts, and we are trying to find them. The parable of the 'net' applies here very well indeed.

"We often say we wish some of our good friends

we left for Jamaica. Such good letters we have from Western Canada could follow us down here, but in some ways we do not wish them to have to come. Still Jamaica is one of the easiest of mission fields. Our health has been good all along except a gradual tiring out, from working constantly in the heat.

"Besides our regular church work, the tent efforts have been hard on us, and besides I (Mrs. Aalborg writing) have the Sabbath-school work of the conference, with 65 Sabbath-schools to look after, and treasurer for the Kingston church with its 500 members. These are heavy duties. The first year we were here we conducted the Treatment Rooms also, but now we have help in that line.

"A bad hurricane swept Jamaica last week. Many people are now homeless, and fruit gone. Conditions will be bad here for awhile . . . Give our regards to all enquiring friends."

ACADEMY OPENING

In just two weeks after this issue of the *Tidings*, many of our young people of this Union will enroll in the Alberta Academy for another year of hard study.

I am glad to state that we are looking for a large attendance. Since coming to this field and taking up the work at the academy I have found through visiting and correspondence, many earnest and enthusiastic young people, who manifest a deep desire to help spread the message to those who know it not. I feel confident that this same spirit will prevail during the entire school year.

I have endeavored to get in touch with all the young people of this conference, but doubtless I have not been able to reach every one. To those whom I have not met I wish to say that we shall be glad to have you enroll with the others.

God has been good to us in this field and we should be pleased to welcome all our dear young people who have aspirations to fit themselves for better service in his cause. May God impress all who should be with us to come.

Remember the opening day, October 13. We will meet all trains during the opening days of the school, but would be glad to hear from all, informing us when you will arrive.

E. D. DIOK.

ENTHUSIASTICALLY BEGINNING THE INGATHERING CAMPAIGN

Our Harvest Ingathering work is starting off very encouragingly. In a letter from the Pacific Press, dated September 8, we are told that at least three conferences have already ordered more than twice as many papers as they used last year in the entire campaign.

One conference conceived the idea of presenting in each church the suggestion that every member, after carefully and prayerfully considering what he would be able to do, write on a slip of paper the goal he set for himself. Some chose one amount, some another. We believe this is an excellent plan. Everyone places for himself the mark he means to strive to reach, by

the blessing of the Lord. "Let every man be fully persuaded in his own mind," is the word of Scripture for it.

By the above mentioned date, more than 250,000 papers had been sent out. Orders are received by wire, some marked "rush."

There is a "sound of a going in the tops of the mulberry trees," and the indications are that this will be the best campaign yet in behalf of missions, as we go out among the people this autumn with the beautiful *Signs Missions Special*.

We hope all the church treasurers will be prompt in reporting, and in sending the Harvest Ingathering money received to your conference office, so that it shall reach there by the close of each month. As soon as the figures reach Washington from the union treasurers, a compiled statement by unions and conferences will be gotten out.

God's choicest blessing will rest upon all who, in love for the Master, and perishing souls in distant lands, go out in faithful service for him with the *Ingathering Signs* to solicit a gift in behalf of missions. Let us not fail to receive the blessing awaiting us.

T. E. BOWEN.

Washington, September 6.

THE PARABLE OF ENTERPRISE

Now there dwelt in the East a certain union conference book-man whose name was Enterprise, the son of Ambition, the son of Do-it-now, of the tribe of Great-faith. And his work it was to go to and fro throughout the country to arouse much interest among all the people and to select men, even young men and women of ability, and such as had consecration and hustle, and who had an understanding of the times and knew what ought to be done, that they might receive instruction and go forth to the inhabitants of the land and sell unto them publications of divers sort, such as books, both large and small, also magazines, papers, and whatsoever was issued to enlighten them concerning the times and the coming of the Great King.

Now it came to pass in the third month of the year, in the fourth week, and the third day of the week, that a large company of people were come together unto a certain place in the midst of the land, and hard by unto a city of many people. These were all gathered together by reason of a proclamation of Enterprise, who had appointed this assembly in order that he might have the better opportunity to instruct those who were to covenant together for the sale of the publications.

Moreover, it was arranged by the Elder, who was chosen to have charge of such matters, that those who were present and offered themselves willingly to be taught and to go forth into the work for the space of six months at the least, should be paid their fare and should be given freely their daily portion of meat and their lodging while attending the meeting.

Now among those who come from all parts of the land were these: Wide-awake, a goodly young man; Stick-to-it; Optimist; Persevere; Honest; Have-no-debt; the same being men and women of good report and such as had skill to do things, and were not easily discouraged. Also certain others whose names were Go-slow, Fearful, Doubtful-account, Take-it-easy, Dis-

content, and Slack-dress; these for the most part were a good-natured sort, and greatly enjoyed much conversation, but the heart of Enterprise was exceedingly stirred when he beheld them; for he feared lest they, by reason of some of their unseemly characteristics, might not put their necks strongly to the yoke, and so, by making a poor showing, might discourage some of their brethren whose hearts had been moved to dedicate themselves to the work.

Now since the hour had not come when the meeting should open, there were many who spake one to another, and Optimist, who chanced to be sitting by Fearful, said unto him, "It is a fair day, my brother. How is thy courage and what plans hast thou for the future?"

"Well," said Fearful, "Enterprise has been urging me greatly to go forth with the publications, but truth to tell I am certain that only failure awaits me; indeed, when the matter was first suggested to me my knees smote together with fear at the very thought of undertaking it, though on account of much persuasion brought to bear upon me I yielded, and therefore am here."

"Cheer up, my friend," said Optimist. "It is a goodly work, and the Great King has promised to send his unseen messengers to accompany us in our journeys and to give us favor and good success. So the outlook seemeth good to me, and I do not intend to fail or be discouraged."

Now Enterprise, coming up the aisle, saw Slack-dress, Doubtful-account, and Go-slow conversing together; and, gazing upon them for a moment, he beheld that there was somewhat of disorder about their raiment, for upon each was a collar that showed much constant wear without washing; also their neckties were much soiled and their coats greatly needed brushing, and it was apparent that they had no skill in the use of the shoe-brush and blacking. Wherefore Enterprise was exceedingly grieved, saying unto himself, "Will not these fail to rightly represent the Great King? Will not the people get a wrong impression from them?" And he made a record of it in his notebook that at the proper time he might reprove them, and set forth before all the assembly the importance of wearing such garments as would cause them to properly represent the sacredness of the work which they were doing.

Now it came to pass that Hopeful, a valiant state agent, whose duty was to co-operate with Enterprise and to have charge of those workers that go forth with the publications in that section of the country where the meeting was held, coming in hastily, came to Enterprise, and said unto him, "Knowest thou that many upon whom I have bestowed much labor and who have pledged their word to attend this meeting have failed to come? Yea, in many towns and cities throughout the land there are tens and even scores who might do a most excellent work who refuse to bear burdens, saying, 'See ye not how much tithe and offerings we send in for the work?' Nevertheless they go not out to warn the people of the great judgments that are coming upon them."

"Thus it is everywhere," said Enterprise. "Nevertheless, we must not cease to labor patiently to arouse all, even those who have houses and lands and very much cattle and those who work in the market places,

yea, also women and children, to rally to the work and unite their efforts with those of ministers and church officers, for the Great King hath said that otherwise his work in the earth can never be finished."

So forthwith they opened the meeting, which continued to be held each day for the space of ten days, during which time diligent study was given to the instruction by Enterprise and Hopeful and some of the Elders of the people. And at the end of the days they all with one accord made a solemn covenant to engage faithfully in the work.

Now, among other things, the entire assembly agreed to labor not less than eight hours each day, and not to sell any small books till diligent effort had been made first to sell the large ones; also to salute no man by the way in order to avoid wasting much time in unnecessary conversation or discoursing beyond what was required to sell the publications.

And so ended the meeting, and each one gat him quickly to his appointed place where he might labor for the sale of the publications, for the King's business required haste.

Now the rest of the acts of Enterprise and all his might and the good that he accomplished, and his joy which he had at the success of the workers, and the sadness which came to him because of Doubtful-account, Take-it-easy, and Fearful, are they not written in the chronicles of his letter files?

Howbeit, though these things be written in a parable, they contain much truth and food for serious thought, and blessed is he that profiteth thereby.

H. C. HARTWELL.

THE SYSTEMATIC LENDING OF TRACTS

No plan for the distribution of literature has proved more successful than that of systematically lending our tracts. The plan is a very simple one. Two or three tracts are placed in an envelope on which is printed information to the effect that this is a free circulating library, that the tracts will be left for a week to be read, then called for, and others supplied in this place.

There are many advantages in this plan. It enables the members to call regularly week after week on their neighbors, and so to become acquainted with them. As the people read the tracts, they will begin to ask questions in regard to the points which interest them, and this will open the way for supplying other literature on these points or of making appointments for Bible readings.

This systematic house to house work also ensures that every house is visited and all are given an opportunity to receive a knowledge of the truth. It is an easy method of work, suited to the backward, the timid, and the inexperienced. It is an economical plan, for the packages of tracts may be used several times, as long as they keep clean.

These tract packages are now put up in very convenient form. There are 25 cent packages, containing one complete set of ten envelopes, each containing three tracts, carefully arranged in order so as to present first the points of truth the least likely to arouse prejudice, and gradually working up to those in which the test is more severe.

The \$1.00 packages contain four complete sets, and

the \$5.00 packages contain twenty-five complete sets. The prices of all these packages are below what it would cost to purchase the tracts and envelopes separately, and the \$5.00 packages give an additional reduction. They are, therefore, the best for our churches to buy, as this gives them a supply of these tract lending packages at a very inexpensive rate.

We hope that all our churches and companies will take up this tract lending work during the winter. It would be suitable work for Sabbath afternoons, if no other time is available. Especially should places where tent meetings are to be held be worked in this way, as it will prepare the way before the ministers, and sow the seed from which they may reap a harvest.

E. M. GRAHAM.

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AMONG THE CHURCHES

The work among the German people north of Maple Creek has resulted in the organization of two churches—one at Fox Valley and the other at Prussia. The one at Prussia was organized September 11.

Pastors Sulzle and Ziprick have been laboring together in the district since camp meeting. It was a pleasure for me to meet these laborers and assist them in the work of organizing this church with a membership of thirty-two. There are several more who will join soon.

The persons who united with this organization have an earnest desire to be true to God and are laying plans to further the cause of truth. May their efforts be abundantly blessed.

From this place we went to the home of Brother and Sister Bodey, who live thirty miles north of Kindersley. It did us much good to hold up the light of the third angel's message in their neighborhood.

The following Sabbath I was at Rouleau, and had another pleasant visit with the brethren and sisters there. Mrs. Gilbert, who has been visiting some of the churches and scattered Sabbath-keepers in the southern part of the province, was with me at Rouleau.

The Rouleau church is endeavoring to do what it can to show forth the blessings of the gospel. Satan is working in every place to cause coldness to come into the heart, and unless every member is watchful there is danger to the church.

At this writing I am at Swift Current, where I will spend Sabbath, September 25, with the little church here. The work at this place needs strengthening, and it is earnestly hoped that every member of this church will arise to his fullest responsibility in doing his duty both to the church and in missionary work for the saving of souls.

A. C. GILBERT.

SASKATCHEWAN NOTES

Elders Gilbert and Ziprick returned from Prussia last Tuesday, where a church of about thirty-five members was organized the previous Sabbath. Brother Ziprick will spend a few days with the church in Rosthern, after which he will go to Macrorie, where several persons are awaiting baptism. Elder Gilbert went south to Regina and Rouleau.

Sister Louise Unruh, who has been canvassing near Springwater, called at our office last week on the way to her home in Rosthern.

Sister Gilbert has been visiting some of our churches and isolated Sabbath-keepers in the interest of Sabbath-school work. She spent Sabbath, the 25th, with the church at Swift Current, after which she left for Calgary, where she will spend a little while with her relatives.

We are pleased to receive good reports from the work in Regina. Three families from the vicinity in which Elder Mackintosh has been holding meetings of late are attending the Sabbath services.

Our place of meeting in this city has been changed back to Nutana, where we have secured a nice hall on Victoria Ave., close to Main St., near the place where the tent effort was carried on. Besides our Sabbath services and prayer-meeting on Wednesday nights, Brother Forshaw is conducting public meetings on Sunday nights.

Orders for the Harvest Ingathering Signs are beginning to come in. We hope that all our people will take an active interest in this campaign. The papers can be had in the German, Danish and Swedish languages, besides the English. We shall be glad to receive your orders as early as possible.

Remember that we are nearing the end of another quarter, and that it is time to secure your Sabbath-school supplies for the coming quarter. Those who have not secured their lesson quarterlies will do well to order them at once. We have a supply at the office, and all orders will receive prompt attention.

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LIVING THE TRUTH

We are living in the time of the end. Slowly, but surely it is stealing upon us. Whether we believe or sense it does not affect it one particle. The end is near.

Thousands, including Seventh-day Adventists are now deciding their cases for eternity. Is our light shining? Are we living God's truth or a deception? Rev. 3:14-20. What does the world see as they look upon us? Many anxious souls are now inquiring for the truth. They know not which way to turn, for Satan is blinding them. We have the truth, as a denomination. Have we it as individuals?

"The Lord does not now work to bring many souls into the truth, because of the church-members who have never been converted, and those who once were converted but have backslidden." Test. Vol. 6, pp. 370-371. On the same pages we read: "If the church expects strength they must live the truth which God has given them." In this reference special mention is made to "health reform." We are told that it is as closely related to the third angel's message as the arm and hand to the body. In other words it is *part* of the message. Have we that part? It will take the whole message to save us.

"We talk and pray for the 'latter rain' or the outpouring of the Spirit. This is given to the obedient." Acts 5:32. Shall we not study to know God's will as we have never studied it before. When we forsake our ways He will pour out His spirit upon us and then will quickly come.

"If the churches expect strength they must live the truth." Brethren and sisters, let us live the truth. By

so doing we shall save ourselves and those around us.

Now, as never before God is working upon hearts. The message is advancing rapidly. Our eternal home is almost in sight. We cannot afford to hold onto sin and lose heaven. Shall we not forsake sin and serve God with all our hearts for the multitude of his mercies and loving kindness toward us in the past. How our hearts should praise Him for giving us a knowledge of His soon return, and of our need of a Saviour to redeem us from eternal death. When we get the victory over every besetment, then we will receive the latter rain, the work will advance, the message be given to the world, and Christ come. Hasten glad day.

"O, brother, be faithful! soon Jesus will come,
For whom we have waited so long:
O, soon we shall enter our glorious home,
And join in the conqueror's song.
O, brother, be faithful! for why shall we prove
Unfaithful to Him who hath shown
Such deep, such unbounded and infinite love—
Who died to redeem us His own."

GEORGE SOPER.

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COME AND HELP US

The last issue of the *Tidings* had nothing from British Columbia, not because the work has stopped and there was nothing to report, but because we were remiss in our duty of communicating.

All who are working, report an interest and have more than they can do. For my own part I feel distressed at times because we cannot begin to answer the calls that come to us from different parts of the field. "Come and help us," or "Can't you send someone to hold meetings," are the cries that continue to come. We cannot begin to answer these calls, our laborers are so few.

More have been baptized this year than any year since I came to the Conference. At least twenty have received baptism since January 1, and others are waiting for and desiring it. We hope to reach our goal of one hundred before the close of the year.

Our tract society has been fairly prosperous thus far this year and the debt is decreasing rapidly. We ask our friends who have accounts there to pay them as soon as possible. The plan is to pay the Publishing House and free ourselves from debt before January 1, 1916. We can do it with the Lord's blessing.

J. G. WALKER.

KELOWNA

Soon after locating near Kelowna last month we began visiting the people in this splendid farming district, and the call came for meetings in a school house at Woods Lake, half way between Vernon and Kelowna. Our first meeting was held September 12. The correspondent from that district, unknown to me, reported through the *Vernon News* concerning the meeting as follows:

"Evangelist Potter delivered the first of a series of lectures on the present war and ancient prophecy, to a large and attentive audience, on Sunday evening at

the school house. He showed how history has fulfilled the prophecy in Holy Writ, especially those in the book of Daniel. He purposes giving the second lecture, which will be on 'Turkey,' next Sunday afternoon."

Last Sunday afternoon the second meeting was held, which was well attended, two families driving twelve miles to the meeting.

After the meeting one of these families informed us that they had taken the matter up with the trustees of the very large Rutland school, about six miles from Kelowna, and had secured permission for us to give a series of lectures there.

Last Sunday afternoon one of the pastors of the district was present at the meeting. There are many encouraging indications in the work here and the evidence is increasing that we have been providentially led to this district. We are using a good deal of time in calling on the people in their homes, using the *Temperance Instructor* as an introductory method of getting acquainted. Of all the work, this personal work in the homes is the most encouraging.

E. R. POTTER.

MRS. E. R. POTTER.

VANCOUVER

When Elder Warren closed his work in this city twenty-nine were baptized and added to the church. Since then nine more have united with our churches in the city, having first shown their faith in a risen Saviour by following their Lord in baptism. The Holy Spirit is still working and others are preparing for this solemn ordinance.

On Sabbath, September 18, there was a union meeting of the churches, Elder Walker being present. His talk, dealing with the personal relationship we sustain one to another was very instructive and helpful. We appreciated his visit very much.

Sister McMillian is doing Bible work in the city and is having much to encourage her in her labors. Others who are deeply interested in the truth will be baptized as soon as it is felt that the proper stage of development has been reached. A. O. BURRILL.

HE ONLY FORGOT

We will have a struggle to get our church school work established on a permanent basis unless we all remember the plans inaugurated at our last Conference, that of paying 3 per cent. of our income to the Church School Fund. Some faithful souls are carrying out the plan and some means continue to come in. Unless there is closer attention to the matter, however, I fear the work will suffer.

Many letters have come to me from persons pledging themselves to pay this 3 per cent., but how easy it is to forget. One brother, I remember, when his attention was called to the matter said, "Brother Walker, I was at the Conference when this measure was passed. I endorsed and voted for it, being heartily in favor, but actually, I forgot all about it." This may be the case with others. But forgetfulness sometimes brings great loss to the cause of God, and surely if attention, and co-operation were ever needed it is now.

I appeal again to those who love the message in British Columbia to lend the helping hand to this good work so that the heavy burden may not need to fall upon the few.

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THE WORK AT GRANUM

The public effort which was begun in Granum on the 27th of May was closed August 28. Our hearts were rejoiced on that beautiful Sabbath day to see six precious souls, for whom we had worked and prayed so earnestly, buried with their Lord in the watery grave. That evening, they, with one other sister, were accepted as members of the Granum church.

were baptized were taken into the church, along with the five others who were accepted upon profession of faith. Our membership now numbers thirty-eight. Our meeting that day lasted about six hours with little intermission.

Although the workers have left Granum, the work has not stopped. Already there are more calling for baptism, and still others keeping the Sabbath who have not yet decided to be baptized.

We wish to express our thanks to the brethren and sisters throughout the province who have been praying for the work there. We believe that those who have been holding up our hands by prayer will share in the reward at the end. And again, we earnestly solicit your prayers for those who are still seeking the way of life.

PEARL RICK.



STUDENTS AND TEACHERS OF ALBERTA ACADEMY.

On the following Monday, Elder Reiswig, Brother Beane and the writer, left them all of good courage. Brother McCready stayed to follow up the interest, and was kept busy for two weeks, visiting the interested ones. On September 11, just two weeks from the former baptism, we had another spiritual feast. Elder Reiswig was with us on that day also, and there were members of the Granum church present from Claresholm and Stavely.

The Sabbath-school was held at one-thirty, following which Elder Reiswig spoke to us for an hour and a half. As soon as possible after the close of the sermon several well-loaded buggies proceeded two miles and a half to the place of baptism, on the banks of Willow Creek. Five more were baptized on this occasion. This was a time of rejoicing for all present. It had snowed a little the most of the forenoon, but several prayed earnestly that the sun might be shining brightly at the hour of baptism, and the Lord heard their cry. Although it was unusually cold for September, yet the warm rays of the sun made it more pleasant.

As soon as we returned from the river the regular quarterly meeting services were held. The five who

SCHULER—HILDA—IVA

After our visit at Walsh we started on a fifty mile trip by team to Schuler. Here we found three families who were keeping the Sabbath. One of these was not yet in harmony with us as a people. After visiting some in this neighborhood we went to Hilda. Here we held a meeting with a company of Sabbath-keepers who have not yet joined the organization. On Sunday we attended the evangelical meeting, where we were asked to conduct the services.

After visiting the Iva district, Brother Harder went back to Schuler, and I remained at Hilda. Since then we held meetings on Sabbath and Sunday and visited with the dear people during the week. The residents here are nearly all new settlers. The crop this year is very large. Everyone is so busy that it is difficult to get all done that we desire. Often we go to the fields and work with these busy souls. We have a promising field here. After the rush of the season is over, a series of meetings may bring good results.

Brother Harder is leaving for Beiseker, Calgary and Midnapore, to look after the prospective German students for the academy, after which he plans leaving for his home at Lacombe.

C. C. NEUFELD.

DETERMINATION

To those of our young people in the field who are subject to times of discouragement and are just about to give up, let me tell you of an incident which happened at our academy farm a few days ago.

Those who have been at the school remember the large lake lying west of the school buildings (Barnett Lake). Some, perhaps, know also of the school's having charge of the farm lying west of the lake.

It so happened that in the management of the farm work this summer, that we wished to transfer some stock to the farm west of the lake, among which was a very large cow.

We had no sooner gotten her there until she became determined to get back. No other way was open for her to return except to swim the lake. This she soon decided to do, and started. After swimming a short distance she tried to "let down" but found no bottom, so rose and continued on. The way seemed long for her, but after making two large circles in the center of the lake, crossed to the other side, a distance of about one-fourth mile, and was once more contented in her old pasture.

Now to the point. Dear young people, we have an academy here that is immensely appreciated even by cattle, and should more unselfishly be enjoyed by our youth. If this finds you out in the field, and the prospects for your attending school seem unpromising, just take a lesson from this animal, and make the *impossible* possible.

Be determined to come. Though it seems hard, do not give up, and "let down." But rather shape your work to be in school the coming year. E. D. DICK.

"The Christian youth should be trained to bear responsibilities with brave heart and willing hand. He should learn to encounter the trials of life, with patience and fortitude to follow maxims of worth, and to confirm himself in habits that will enable him to win the victors' crown. There is no time more favorable in which to acknowledge the power of Christ's saving grace and to be controlled by the principles of divine law."

ANSWERING THE CALL

Brother L. T. Heaton former Field Secretary of Alberta, has accepted an invitation of the General Conference to look after the book work in the Hawaiian Islands, and sailed from Vancouver September 28.

The presence of Brother Heaton and family will bring new life and hope to the corps of workers already in the islands. Brother Conway has long been calling for help, and we are glad to see his hopes realized.

When it is remembered that Hazel and Bertha Edwards, formerly of Leduc, Alberta, and Brother and Sister Conway, of British Columbia, are already laboring in Honolulu, it will be seen that there are eight individuals who have left the Union for this needy field. May God bless these earnest souls as they labor to give the last message to those in lands afar.

F. L. HOMMEL.

REPORT OF FUNDS
January 1 — August 31

Church.	Tithe.	Home Funds.	20c-a-week Funds.	Total.
Alberta Conference..	\$ 1,939.10	\$114.80	\$1,198.80	\$ 3,252.70
Acme	138.05	....	58.37	196.42
Calgary	667.20	....	117.27	784.47
Clemens	22.20	....	51.55	73.75
Clive	304.55	....	74.80	379.35
Coronation	17.40	....	12.00	29.40
Didsbury	334.66	.50	111.35	446.51
Edmonton (English)	543.06	11.51	156.72	711.29
Edmonton (Scand.)	39.40	5.00	....	44.40
Gadsby	323.00	6.95	149.65	479.60
Granum	293.02	244.50	492.85	1,030.37
Hanna	14.00	4.00	25.15	43.15
Harmattan	211.76	....	76.11	287.87
Hawksdale	53.90	....	8.40	62.30
Irvine	51.25	9.75	66.00	127.00
Lacombe	1,536.92	193.50	536.95	2,267.37
Leduc (English)	353.65	....	43.65	397.30
Leduc (German)	129.35	38.25	149.35	316.95
Lewisville	366.05	81.00	115.50	562.55
Loyalist	23.00	....	51.60	74.60
Midnapore	599.15	6.00	186.67	791.82
Rosebud	1,548.30	129.05	345.65	2,023.00
Sedgewick	263.48	....	34.80	298.28
Vermilion Lakes....	348.30	12.50	107.40	468.20
Winnifred	198.90	2.70	36.00	237.60
	\$10,319.65	\$860.01	\$4,206.59	\$15,386.25

F. L. HOMMEL, Treasurer.

OBITUARY

WORKS—Died at Whitlea, September 17, 1915, Eliza Ann Works, beloved wife of Riley Works, mother of Brother A. J. Works. She was born in Scott County, Kentucky, January, 1837. Married in 1858. For the last four years she, with her husband have been living with their son, Brother Works. Although not fully accepting all points of the faith, yet she tried to keep the Sabbath. Her last days were filled with hope for the future. The writer had the privilege to be in her company frequently during her last days. Words of comfort were spoken from Rev. 14: 12-20.

H. A. NIERGARTH.

"Prayer is the medium by which we get in touch with God, and through which he produces music in our souls. But to have this music we must know how to *approach* Him, how to *address* Him, and, above all, how to *appropriate* Him. In this sense, prayer becomes an art; and this art is the secret of holy living and serving."



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"Prayer calms the mind, quiets the fears, subdues the passions, conquers habits, mollifies feelings, and is a general tonic for health and happiness. True prayer is self-discovery that the body is more than flesh and muscle, bone and blood; that it is something higher than to be pampered by appetite and animal cravings."

"No matter how polluted a person's mind may be, or how perverted his imagination, if he cultivates the habit of praying, his thoughts will naturally turn Godward, as the magnetic needle turns northward. These thoughts will be pure, sweet, lovely, and holy. Prayer and impurity are incompatible."

NOTICE

Brother A. H. Brigham, who has been for some time secretary-treasurer, auditor and missionary secretary of the Western Canadian Union Conference, and editor of the *Western Canadian Tidings*, has been released from these official positions to accept a call to office work in Illinois. We bid Brother Brigham Godspeed in his new field.

Brother F. L. Hommel has been elected to these offices made vacant by Brother Brigham's resignation. All letters or communications intended for the above-named offices in the Western Canadian Union Conference, should therefore be directed to F. L. Hommel, 502 Seventeenth Avenue West, Calgary, Alberta.

If our correspondents will kindly make note of this change, it will greatly facilitate the prompt delivery of our mail.

H. S. SHAW.

FAREWELL

Having accepted a call to make the Southern Illinois Conference my future field of labor, it becomes my duty to lay down the work I have been carrying on here, and say farewell to friends and co-workers in this field.

For nearly six years I have been connected with the work in this Union Conference, and have enjoyed my stay and labors here.

I wish to thank all of our people and especially the workers, for your kindly forbearance with my seem-

ingly feeble efforts to serve your best interests. Your kindness shown me will always be remembered and appreciated. And now as Brother F. L. Hommel takes up the duties I have laid down, I trust that your prayers and co-operation will ever assist him in the arduous tasks he has undertaken. As I go from you, I desire to be remembered at the throne of our heavenly Father, and will always be pleased to be remembered by any of you at my new address, 304 West Allen Street, Springfield, Illinois.

A. H. BRIGHAM.

A NEW TEACHER AT THE ACADEMY

I am pleased to announce to the many students and friends of the academy that we have been able to secure Prof. L. W. Cobb, of College View, Nebraska, to take charge of the English department of our school.

Mr. Cobb is a man who is well qualified for his duties, he being a graduate of Union College, and having a Master of Arts degree from the University of Nebraska. Beside this, he has had several years' experience as teacher in the South Lancaster Academy. We feel quite fortunate in securing Mr. Cobb, and bespeak his success among us.

E. D. DICK.

FOR SALE

SANITARIUM COOKING OIL—In 40-lb. cans, \$5.15. In barrels of 390 lbs., 10½c. Address, Cotton Seed Oil Co., P.O. Box 1832, Winnipeg, Man., with cash.

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Suburban Home Bargain—Spokane tract at Orchard Ave. Handy to good 12th grade church school and electric line 7-room modern house; bath, sleeping porch, full basement 20 minutes' ride from center of city. Price \$2150. Must be sold at once. This is a snap! Write S. J. Abegg, R. No. 8, Spokane, Wash.

COLPORTEURS' REPORT

Alberta—Two Weeks ending September 18

Name.	Book	Hrs.	Ord.	Mag.	Helps	Totals
R. E. Robinson.....	B.R.	77	13	.....	.....	\$ 49.50
Fred Steeves.....	D.R.	86	17	.....	\$ 1.95	68.45
James Wagner.....	D.R.	123	26	.....	.....	107.00
George Shankel.....	D.R.	91	41	.....	2.00	156.00
		377	97	.....	\$ 3.95	\$ 380.95

Manitoba—Week ending September 4

Christian Hoehn....	B.R.	47	7	.....	.25	28.75
A. E. McGee.....	B.R.	47	14	.....	3.20	57.20
O. Sigurdsson.....	C.O.S.	43	35	.....	.....	24.50
		137	56	.....	\$ 3.45	\$ 110.45

Saskatchewan—Two Weeks ending September 11

George Brown.....	G.C.	11	7	.....	.....	\$ 27.50
Bennie Clark.....	D.R.	64	17	.....	.....	70.50
Mr. & Mrs. E. Clark	B.R.	36	5	.....	5.25	23.75
S. A. Crooks.....	P.P.	..	2	.....	.....	7.00
Opal Fauver.....	B.R.	14	2	.....	.....	8.00
Edward Hoehn.....	D.R.	80	21	.....	.....	78.50
P. O'Brien.....	B.R.	46	30	.....	7.50	140.50
Louise Unruh.....	B.R.	14	2	.....	.....	7.00
C. K. Wilson.....	G.C.	50	20	.....	1.00	78.00
Ida Coles.....	Mag.	14	368	\$36.80	.....	36.80
		329	474	\$36.80	\$13.75	\$ 477.55

Eighteen agents..... 843 627 \$36.80 \$21.15 \$ 968.95

Previously reported..... 26,361.15

Total reported to date this year..... \$27,330.10