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NOTES BY THE WAY

Two thousand years ago the most important highway into the Eternal City was the Appian Way. This road was constructed about 312 B. C., by Censor Appius Claudius, from whom it took its name. While the Roman empire was in the height of its glory the Appian Way was the greatest of all the public roads, and the empire had no equal in the construction of these great highways.

Rome's mightiest armies, numbering millions of men, led by Julius Caesar, Horatius, Titus, and Constantine, marched over this thoroughfare into the world's capital. No pains or effort had been spared to make this highway into the eternal city attractive. On the right hand and on the left were tombs of the wealthy, made most attractive in their construction. Besides these, numerous temples, gardens and pleasant foliage, helped to make the Appian Way the most noted road in the world.

The gateway into the city was called Porta Capona. Near by this gate stood the temple of Mars. It was here that Cicero was received in triumph by the senate and the people of Rome upon his return from Thessalonica, where he had been

banished in 57 B. C. It was over this road that Paul came into Rome, on his long journey from Jerusalem, as a prisoner to appear at Nero's court, by whom he was condemned and finally executed.

The fine palaces and costly buildings that beautified this highway have been leveled to the ground and small hovels have taken their place, these being inhabited by very poor people who subsist largely by begging from the travelers who visit and pass over this ancient landmark. As we went out some four miles on this historic road, that is now a mournful, silent witness of the curse of sin, I saw in Bible history Paul on his way to Rome, tramping over this road in chains. I could see the brethren who lived in Rome assembled and selecting a party to go out as far as the "Three Taverns" to meet Paul. In doing this they acknowledged that they were not ashamed of his chains. They also identified themselves with Paul as disciples of Christ, and thus exposed themselves to imprisonment and even death. This faith and courage manifested by those in Rome, who had previously accepted the gospel by Paul's labor, gave Paul new courage to endure afflictions

for Christ. See Acts 28:14-16.

Upon reaching Rome Paul was held a prisoner for more than three years before his final trial and execution by Nero. For some time he was kept in guard in Nero's palace. It was in this place that Paul was enabled to reach the entire household of Caesar, which numbered several thousand. It was from the cell in Nero's palace that Paul wrote his letter to the Philippian brethren. In this he says, "My bonds in Christ [for Christ] are manifest [declared] in all the palace." [Margin Caesar's court.] Phil. 1:13. Please read what Paul says in Phil. 1:12-18. Paul preached to all in season and out of season the man Christ Jesus as the only Saviour of men. It is evident that many of Caesar's household had received the gospel from Paul. This is made clear by Paul's statement in closing the letter to the Philippian church. "The brethren which are with me greet you, all the saints salute you; chiefly they that are of Caesar's household." Phil. 4:21, 22.

The acceptance of Christ by many of the soldiers and members of Nero's household had led to much discussion and controversy over Paul's God and the apostle's imprisonment. In Phil.

1:15-18 Paul evidently refers to the jest and ridicule many were making of Christ. One of Paul's keepers had drawn a rough painting or cartoon on the walls of Paul's cell in ridicule of his God. This picture painted Paul's God as part man and part beast. It had the body of a man and the head of an ass. This soldier in ridicule of Paul's God had combined in his cartoon an old pagan tradition, that the Jews worshiped an ass with Paul's "man Christ Jesus." The origin of the tradition that the Jews worshiped an ass, came from the circumstance that once on the plains of Egypt the Jews had followed a herd of asses till they brought them to a place of water. After this the pagans charged the Jews with worshipping the ass. So in contempt and ridicule one of Paul's keepers placed this picture on the wall of his cell and underneath it wrote, "This is the God of Alexander." Alexander is supposed to have been one of the soldiers or ministers of Caesar's household who had accepted Paul's God. All this ridicule only gave the apostle more opportunity to present the claims of Christ. This gives interest to Paul's words, "Some indeed preach Christ even of envy and strife; and some also of good will. The one preach Christ of contention not sincerely, supposing to add affliction to my bonds. But the other of love, knowing that I am set for the defense of the gospel. What then? Notwithstanding, every way, whether in pretense or in truth, Christ is preached, and I therein do rejoice, yea, and will rejoice." All such efforts of ridicule was a means of publishing more widely the gospel, and in this the apostle rejoiced.

R. A. UNDERWOOD.

P. S.—I secured a photograph

of this cartoon, which is still well preserved on the walls of Paul's place of confinement in Nero's palace.

R. A. U.

SABBATH SCHOOL CONVENTION

The Stanley, N. D., church held a Sabbath school convention August 24 and 25, at the usual meeting place. The brethren and sisters comprising this company, together with their families, number some fifty souls. Forty-six of this number attended the various sessions of the convention. A very enjoyable and profitable season was had, with the Lord's blessing.

Visiting friends, not of our faith, numbering twenty-five souls, were very much interested in the services, and expressed a hope that the occasion might be repeated.

Our program for this occasion was as follows: Regular Sabbath school services at the usual hour on Sabbath morning. After this service the first session of the convention was opened with song and prayer, followed by the reading of the first paper, "Objects of the Sabbath school." Discussion followed the reading of this paper, the central thought being the wide field offered by this branch of the service to lead the young, and the old also, into the ways of salvation.

"Duties of the Superintendent" was the subject of the next paper. A free discussion of this paper produced ample proof that this office is "no sinecure, and requires both consecration and self-abnegation on the part of the incumbent."

The next paper was upon the "Duties of the Secretary." "Aside from the clerical work of the secretary, the duties are auxiliary and may be of incalcul-

able benefit to the whole school."

"Duties of Sabbath School Members," was the next topic discussed. "All are under a common obligation to do all they can as afforded opportunity, according to each one's several ability."

"How Shall We Secure a More Thorough Study of the Lessons?" The discussion of this topic developed the thought that the "drawing out" process, coupled with energetic example on the part of the teacher, is essential to arouse interest in study.

"How Can We Increase Our Donations?" The dominant thought in this paper, well set with apt illustrations, will be found in Matt. 6:19-25.

"What Has the Sabbath School Done for Me?" The discussion of this theme developed a grand "testimony meeting," giving many and varied experiences helpful to all.

The Sunday session of the convention opened with the beautiful song, "The Dove of Peace," followed by prayer.

The first topic for discussion at this session was "Suggestions on Methods of Teaching." The example of our Lord, the Great Teacher, was here made applicable in our own lives. "Every circumstance, however trivial, properly applied, becomes an educating factor."

"What Can Our Sabbath School Do Toward Training Our Young People for Service?" "The Sabbath school may take the preliminary steps, which followed judiciously, by giving employment to young people in Sabbath school work or other departments of service, according to individual gifts, will produce a company of youth consecrated to God's service, and fit them for more advanced instruction and work."

"The Missionary Work Our Sabbath School Should Do at Home and Abroad." The discussion of this topic opened up a wide field of labor, in which it was demonstrated that everyone, from the "oldest to the youngest, would find opportunity for the exercise of their individual gifts, and offerings, however small, are acceptable to the Lord if they come from a willing heart."

The subject of the last paper on the program was, "How Shall We Save Our Children and Youth?" "Example is more powerful than precept, and if we would see our children, who are the 'Lord's heritage,' saved, we must pray more, love more, sacrifice more, walking in godliness before them, with a love that shall constrain them, even as the love of Christ constraineth us."

Interspersed with the reading and discussion of the different papers, were readings, recitations, quartets, duets, solos, instrumental music, children's songs, etc., by members of the Sabbath school, from the lisping little tot to the aged and infirm.

Truly it was a time of refreshing from the presence of the Lord. May its influence yield further blessings from the beloved Master to all who were in attendance, and through them to their friends in the REAPER family. J. B. COGSWELL.

CANVASSING AS AN EDUCATOR

I have seen a green, diffident, awkward college student, right from the farm, so completely changed by his experiences in book canvassing during the vacation following his freshman year that you would scarcely have recognized him. Confidence and self-assurance have taken the place of timidity and self-con-

sciousness. His canvassing tour had proved a tour of self-discovery. He had developed initiative, and the very discovery that he could sell something had increased his faith in himself.

Before he started out canvassing he was a very poor conversationalist, because of his great timidity and lack of experience; but when he returned to college in the autumn he talked very interestingly. His work had forced him to talk a great deal of the time, to state his opinions clearly and pointedly, and to try to be interesting and convincing.

His experiences had taught him a great deal about human nature. He had found that every person must be approached in a different way, from a different avenue; that what would convince one person might not have any influence upon another. So he had been forced to study people, to learn to read them, that he might be able to approach different types of men and women in different ways, each according to his peculiar temperament.

It is really remarkable how quickly a canvassing experience develops a spirit of self-reliance and manly independence. There is no leaning here, no depending upon the advice of others. The canvasser must stand or fall alone.

There is nothing that will bring out the initiative, the resourcefulness and inventiveness in a man quicker than canvassing. Like traveling, it grinds off the hard angles and the rough corners of those who have not had the advantages of society.

Canvassing gives a great opportunity for studying human nature, and there is no other education like this. It is a great thing to learn to read people, to develop sharp discrimination of

character, to be able to measure men, to weigh their motives.

The successful canvasser must be a great student of the approaches, the avenues to the mind, for no two people are reached in exactly the same way. One must be reached through cold, logical argument; another is reached by the influence of suggestion, by appealing to his emotions, his sentiment. Some are reached by an appeal to their pride, their personal vanity.

The canvasser must learn the susceptibilities of people, must find their approachable point, whatever it may be. He must learn the power of the first impression. He will soon discover that if he makes a bad impression at first, it will probably take him more time than he can get in the interview just to overcome this unfavorable impression, and to get back to where he started. He will learn that with some people it is next to impossible to erase the first bad impression. It clings tenaciously.

Any kind of salesmanship employment is especially desirable for those who have been reared in the country, or who have not had the advantages of mingling with all sorts and conditions of people.

If a certain amount of canvassing were obligatory in all our colleges and higher institutions of learning, I believe it would be a good thing for the students, because it would develop resourcefulness, and inventiveness; it would show them a side of their nature which a college course does not touch.

It is well known that many students who pay their way in college by canvassing develop a remarkable practical power which students whose expenses are paid by their parents do not develop. —*Success.*

ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY

Sabbath, October 5, is the day set apart in the United States to take a freewill offering in all our churches to assist the colored work in the South. I understand that our donations to this line of work last year fell short of the donations of the previous year by several thousand dollars. Various causes have doubtless led to this decrease which do not exist at the present time. We were making a strong effort then to enter upon the raising of the \$150,000 fund in the Northern Union Conference. This effort affected the revenues in all other lines more or less. Now Minnesota and North and South Dakota are practically out of this work, so far as trying to raise their proportion is concerned, although I hope and trust that all will continue to do something until the entire amount is raised.

But let us at this time make a good, liberal donation to assist the needy work of helping the ten millions or more of colored people in the South. That field is a needy field. We owe to this people the Third Angel's Message. Many, many years were they oppressed, kept in bondage and ignorance. The sad condition that exists among them at the present time is very largely due to the neglect of the Christian people of the United States for many years. It is high time we redeem the past, and do all in our power to quickly bring the light of the knowledge of the gospel to this people.

I trust that each conference, all the laborers in each conference, and the officers of each church, will feel a personal responsibility to bring before the brethren and sisters of the respective churches on Sabbath, October 5, the needs of the work

for the colored people. May God add his blessing to all the faithful efforts put forth to help our needy brethren.

I suggest that in each company of Sabbath-keepers the leader immediately give notice to the brethren, on the first Sabbath after reading this article, of the day on which this offering is to be taken, and request those who cannot be in attendance to send in their donation to the church treasurer, that this fund may be forwarded without delay.

R. A. UNDERWOOD.

THERE IS UNITY

Any great project in which the whole people are interested, and upon which all unite, comes as a call to unity. Such a call is that of the \$150,000 fund, and it is a wonderful truth perfectly understood by those who are largely acquainted with our people, that when a call is made, those who are in unity with the work make as one man a united response to that appeal.

The following is a very clear and pointed statement in regard to the importance of the \$150,000 fund:

"Let not the work on the Nashville Sanitarium, and the Takoma Park Sanitarium, be hindered for lack of means. Let not the work of rebuilding at Huntsville be made difficult and burdensome because the necessary means is withheld. Let not those who are struggling to build up the other enterprises, great and small, that are needing the promised aid, become disheartened because we are slow to unite in making up the fund that is asked for. Let all our people arise, and see what they can do. Let them show that there is unity and strength among Seventh-day Adventists."

J. S. WASHBURN.

From the Field

Saskatchewan

THE GERMAN WORK IN REGINA

The REAPER family have already heard of the progress of the English work in the Saskatchewan Mission Field, but no doubt will be interested to learn something about the German work.

Brother Sulzle, of North Dakota, and the writer arrived at Regina in time for the camp meeting, July 1. At the close of the meeting we pitched our tents in the eastern part of the city, called Germantown.

The people seemed to be real anxious to have us locate in this vicinity, and they showed a deep interest from the very start. In fact they came to hear us before we had our tent ready for the meeting. The Lord certainly went before us and prepared the hearts of the people to hear this message. We have already sought out many honest souls, and the interest is steadily growing. There are none, as yet, who have wholly come to a decision, but there are several families who are studying the Scriptures for themselves.

Nearly all of the people are Catholics, and there are a few Lutherans. The Catholic priest has forbidden his people to come to the meetings. He told them that he could not forgive their sins if they continued to come, but they come just the same. Thank the Lord.

Aside from the meetings we do house-to-house work with the Family Bible Teacher. We find this a very successful way of reaching the hearts of the people.

I wish we could relate some of our interesting daily experiences, but space will not permit it this time. Suffice it to say, that the people are always very friendly, and always ready and anxious to receive the precious pages of truth that we bring them.

Our heart is in this work, and with God's help we will continue to win souls for him until this gospel is carried to every nation, kindred, tongue and people. Join with us in praying for the German work in this vast field.

BRUNO C. HAAK.

South Dakota

CHAMBERLAIN

I have been connected with the work in Chamberlain almost from its beginning, and have been a witness to the deep movings of the Spirit of God. I have realized more perhaps than ever before the power there is in the truth. It is not the power of angels that excel in strength, nor the power of pope, prelate or priest, but it is the power of God. The message is going with the loud cry of the Third Angel, and the honest-hearted ones are being labeled for the kingdom.

The meetings have been in progress for nearly two months with little decrease in attendance, and the interest is as good at the present writing as at any time in the past. Many are deciding for the truth. The tent effort will continue until September 15. We are all of good courage, and thank God for the salvation of souls and the advancement of his truth in this place.

R. E. HARTER.

THE MESSAGE IS CLOSING

The Lord has said, "In the last days I will pour out my

spirit upon all flesh," and we can see here in Chamberlain how God by his spirit is visiting the people, and turning their hearts toward his truth. Thirty-two persons have accepted this message and are keeping the Sabbath in Chamberlain. Five of these are visitors at the sanitarium. This institution is as a light in this place, and through its influence souls are turning to the Lord. Surely this line of the work is the right arm of the Third Angel's Message. We will have baptism and organize a church here next Sabbath. The Lord is working in a wonderful way. Let us follow his leading, and we will see souls saved in his kingdom. C. M. CLARK.

ALEXANDRIA

The fraudulent fellow, with club right foot and glib tongue, mentioned in the REAPER of September 3, has just turned up in Alexandria, S. D. He claimed to be a Seventh-day Adventist, and a member of Clear Lake, S. D., church. He mentioned the names of two elders of this conference with whom he said he was well acquainted, stating that they had visited his home at different times.

He told the same "horse and buggy" story, said he had been on the trail for a week, but finally had got the matter fixed up and would get his property back again. He said he was tired, worn out, hungry and without money, and if I would help a brother out, and loan him enough money to get home and get something to eat, he would feel very grateful and would return it in a couple of days.

The fellow told such a seemingly straight story, and seemed to be so much in need, that I gave him the money. Of course

I have heard nothing from him since. He gave his name as J. W. Martin. The man ought to be well advertised, that he may not be able to carry on his nefarious business of deceit among our people.

C. M. EXCELL.

[Our brethren should watch for this man, and place him in the hands of the civil authorities as soon as he appears.—ED.]

SOUTH DAKOTA NOTES

Many of our brethren who heard Elder Enoch at our camp meeting will be glad to know that the booklet, "Glimpses of the Carribbean," is now in print and can be procured for 25 cents. It is a missionary gem and should be in every Seventh-day Adventist home. Order of the South Dakota Tract Society, Sioux Falls, S. D., box 686. We have them in stock.

The Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul railroad has granted a rate of one fare for the round trip to Chamberlain for the dedication of the sanitarium, September 11. We are planning for a large attendance. All who come over this road should come September 10 and return the 12th.

Elder J. W. Christian has been visiting some of the churches in the conference in the interest of the sanitarium fund that we voted at our last conference meeting. The use of \$5,500 has been secured, and the balance will be in hand before this reaches the readers of the REAPER.

The sanitarium at Chamberlain will be dedicated September 11. A good program has been arranged, and the exercises will be held in the conference pavilion, which will be shipped there for that occasion. The railway has granted a rate of one fare for round trip.

Sister Lizzie Magnuson, one of the Elk Point teachers, is at home sick. We sincerely hope that she will not need to give up her work at the academy, as she is not only an excellent teacher but a real "mother" to the girls in attendance.

Nearly all of our tent efforts will close this week. At each place the work will be continued, as there are interested persons, and our laborers express themselves as confident of good results.

Elder Valentine Leer is at Tripp helping with the German effort in that place. A number of persons have taken their stand for the truth, and others are deeply interested.

Elder E. G. Hayes has reached Elk Point to connect with the academy. He reports everything as looking encouraging, and the crop fast being harvested.

Minnesota

ST. PAUL

Our tent season is ended for this year. We have held two efforts in St. Paul. They were seven blocks apart. We began our meetings July 10 at the first place, and closed that effort August 6. The second effort was begun August 8 and closed September 1. Our company of workers consisted of Elder A. W. Kuehl, Miss Alice Burghart, B. F. Bliss and myself. We distributed between 300 and 400 of the Family Bible Teacher from house to house daily, except Sabbath and Sunday. As a visible result three have thus far taken a decided stand for all the truth. These, with one other sister, who accepted the truth last winter, were baptized Sabbath, August 31, and united with the St. Paul church.

THE BOOK WORK

MINNESOTA—WEEK ENDING AUGUST 31

| Name | Book | Hrs | Ords | Value | Helps | Total | Del'd |
|-----------------|----------|-----|------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| M. Ruskjer | G. C. | 50 | 9 | 24 50 | 1 00 | 25 50 | 1 00 |
| B. O. Engen | H. M. | 37 | 10 | 17 50 | 3 37 | 20 87 | |
| C. J. Martinson | " | 46 | 8 | 14 00 | 3 00 | 17 00 | |
| H. Belle Hahn | " | 18 | 1 | 1 50 | 1 00 | 2 50 | 16 50 |
| Carrie Tufte | C. K. | 3 | 4 | 4 00 | | 4 00 | |
| Totals, | 5 agents | 154 | 32 | \$61 50 | \$ 8 37 | \$69 87 | \$17 50 |

SOUTH DAKOTA—WEEK ENDING AUGUST 31

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| C. D. Terwillegar | G. C. | 11 | 3 | 7 50 | 14 05 | 21 55 | |
| R. J. Woolsey | " | 12 | 1 | 2 50 | | 2 50 | |
| Ole Tronson | C. K. | 12 | 8 | 8 00 | | 8 00 | |
| Totals, | 3 agents | 35 | 12 | \$18 00 | \$14 05 | \$32 05 | |

SASKATCHEWAN—ONE WEEK ENDING AUGUST 24

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|---------------|-----------|-----|-----|----------|---------|----------|---------|
| R. P. Mooney | G. C. | 45 | 23 | 67 45 | 4 20 | 71 65 | |
| J. M. Rowse | " | 24 | 2 | 6 50 | | 6 50 | |
| W. G. Forshaw | " | 62 | 2 | 6 00 | 2 00 | 8 00 | |
| J. P. Hoffman | H. M. | 86 | 43 | 79 10 | | 79 10 | |
| Totals, | 4 agents | 219 | 70 | \$159 05 | \$6 20 | \$165 25 | |
| U. C. Totals | 12 agents | 415 | 114 | \$238 55 | \$28 62 | \$267 17 | \$17 50 |

I now leave the work here for a time to go among the churches. Elder Kuehl will have charge of the work in St. Paul, and will follow up the interest with visiting and Bible Readings. We have enjoyed much of God's blessing during our labors.

F. A. DETAMORE.

BRAINERD

I had the privilege of meeting with the little company at Crow Wing Sabbath and Sunday, August 31 and September 1. We enjoyed some good meetings together and the Lord came very near.

Before leaving there I was called upon to preach a funeral sermon for the little son of Brother and Sister Newell. Clinton Newell was 3 years, 1 month and 8 days old. Words of comfort were spoken from Rom. 5:12. GEO. L. BUDD.

MINNESOTA NOTES

It has been demonstrated that fields which have been worked

over years ago are to-day as prolific in interest as fields newly entered. Elder Babcock preached two sermons at Zumbro Falls last week and found the people of the town showing as much interest in what was presented as though the same truths had never been heard there before. There has been an organized church at Zumbro Falls for years, and an effort will now be made to develop the interest and to build up the church.

The Sabbath school quarterlies for the fourth quarter of 1907 are in stock in the Minnesota Tract Society, and secretaries are requested to send in their orders early in order that the schools may be supplied in good time.

Elder S. E. Jackson closed his work at the Maplewood institute and has gone to the southern part of the state to work in connection with Elder Babcock and to visit the tent company at Stewartville.

Professor Sheldon and Elder

W. W. Ruble, with a number of church school teachers from Maplewood Academy, visited Minneapolis last week, incidentally taking in the Minnesota state fair.

Miss Blanche Postier, who has been taking the institute work at Maplewood Academy, started for Brainerd Thursday morning to take up church school work.

Brother A. V. Olson has connected with the tent company at Alexandria, and O. J. Nerlund has connected with the tent company at Warren.

THE report of the Sabbath School and Young People's Convention is now in stock in the Minnesota Tract Society.

PACIFIC PRESS NOTES

One mail last week brought orders to the office of the Pacific Press for between eight and ten tons of books. This is the largest order that has been received for years. It means forty large cases.

Up to August 1 this year the retail value of subscription book sales from the Mountain View office has been \$80,045.15. For the whole of last year they were \$74,217.12. In this we see a gain for the first seven months of 1907 of \$5,828.03 over the whole twelve months of 1906. The Pacific Press men expect to see last year's record doubled.

One of the business men of the Mountain View publishing house lately went into the country to buy a car load of lumber to make boxes to ship books to the workers in the field. Buying lumber by the carload to make boxes to ship books is certainly indicative of better business than the old fashioned habit of our publishing houses buying cast-off grocery boxes.

Another change in prices: The

Southern Publishing Association announces that the prices of Gospel Primer and New Testament Primer will be, after October 1, 35 cents for the board and 60 cents for the cloth. The prices on Coming King will be raised to \$1.50 for the plain and \$2.00 for the gilt book.

NOTICE

It is with pleasure that we announce the following small books and tracts that can now be procured in the Italian language.

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| Steps to Christ, cloth,..... | \$.50 |
| Steps to Christ, paper,..... | 25 |
| His Glorious Appearing,..... | 25 |
| Sufferings of Christ,..... | 06 |
| Sabbath of the Bible,..... | 04 |
| Day After Death,..... | 02 |
| Signs of the Times,..... | 02 |
| Catholic Doctrine,..... | 02 |

Are there not many of our readers who know where they can use some of this literature to advantage in bringing the knowledge of the Third Angel's Message to these people? Order through your tract society.

THE *Signs of the Times* will issue a World's Missions Special number, dated October 31, which will present the great work of missions. This will be a double number of thirty-two pages, beautifully illustrated, and will give much valuable information.

ELDER A. O. BURRILL, president of the Ontario conference, made a short call at the Union Conference office while passing through Minneapolis on Monday enroute to North Dakota to visit his son. Elder Burrill was accompanied by his wife and father.

DEATH OF A WORKER

News comes to this office of the death of a devoted medical missionary in Calgary, Alberta. This was Mrs. H. G. Gaunce,

formerly Miss Margaret Murphy, who was graduated from the Melrose Training School in 1903. Her husband was graduated the following year and they went to the Northwest to labor for the Master. It became necessary for her to go to the local hospital for an operation, and her strength was not sufficient for her to rally from the effects. She died August 10. Her health has not been good for some time, and it was on this account that they went to Alberta a year ago, hoping to find work and health there. Mrs. Nathan Aalborg was with her, and speaks of her bright Christian hope and experience. It is a sad experience for her husband, and we hope that he may have sufficient grace to meet it in divine strength. All the consolations of a Christian's hope are his in this time of affliction.

OBITUARY

FREDERICKSON—Vesta Emilie, the eldest child and daughter of Brother and Sister M. C. Frederickson, died at the home of her parents at Beresford, S. D., Aug. 30, 1907. She was born June 30, 1894, making her thirteen years and two months old at the time of her death. She was sick but a few days with pneumonia, which caused her death. She had been an invalid from the age of about eighteen months. Although an invalid, and having to be taken to school in a wheel chair, she enjoyed her class work and was loved by her teachers and classmates. She loved to sing of the love of Jesus and of her home in heaven. She leaves her parents, two sisters, one brother, with many relatives and friends to mourn the loss of their loved one, but they sorrow not as those who have no hope, for they expect to meet her in the glad morning of the resurrection. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer from Jer. 31:16, 17. E. G. HAYES.

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THE Hague Congress is endeavoring to federate the political world, the Christian Endeavor societies are working for the federation of the Protestant world, and the Catholic Federation is now using all the power at its command to bring about a federation of the Catholic world. These three forces will bring upon this world a condition of federation with which all of the people will be connected, with the exception of the little bands scattered over the world who are keeping the Sabbath and are looking for the coming of the Lord, and these will also be federated together. No doubt the different federations will adopt some button or card or other means of identifying its members, and the little band of Sabbath-keepers will also have that by which they may be identified. However there will be a difference between them, in that the members of the federated societies will wear their distin-

guishing mark in the lapel of the coat or carry the card in the pocket, while the other company, those whom the spirit of the Lord has federated together, will wear the mark in the forehead. One button or card may bear the inscription, "United Christian Endeavor Societies," another may have the "Federated Catholic Societies" upon it, while the little company will have the name of God in the forehead.

REPORTS from the three academies in the Northern Union territory indicate that the commencements this year will be made under most auspicious conditions. Professor Sheldon will direct the work at Maplewood Academy, in Minnesota; Professor Lawrence will have charge at the Sheyenne River Academy, at Harvey, North Dakota; and Professor E. G. Hayes will conduct the Elk Point Academy, at El Point, South Dakota. The number of applications that have been filed promise a large attendance at each place.

AN INVITATION has been received to attend the dedicatory services of the Chamberlain Sanitarium, at Chamberlain, S. D., Wednesday, September 11. This will be a most interesting occasion, as the people of Chamberlain are making quite a demonstration over the dedication of this institution. It is thought the governor of the state will be present with other leading citizens. An interesting program has been prepared. Elder R. A. Underwood will make the dedicatory address.

OUR Missionary Volunteer bands are urged to make an effort to circulate a large number of copies of the Temperance Number of *Life and Health*.

Seventh-day Adventists have lately been admonished to take a greater interest in the cause of temperance, and this number of *Life and Health*, being devoted entirely to the cause of temperance, may be made a splendid weapon in the hands of Missionary Volunteers to deal a telling blow to the greatest curse that has come upon the people of this world.

LAST year the management of the *Watchman* sold 165,000 copies of the special End of the World issue, and believing that the help received at that time will be available for another effort, they are planning for a special this year which will give the trumpet no uncertain sound. This will be well illustrated, and, it is said, will be a decided improvement upon last year's issue.

REPORTS from the tent meetings in the different conferences promise good returns for the efforts put forth this summer. From each tent company the report is that the work in the tents is closed, but that it will be followed up, as there are a number of interested persons at each place.

THE topic of the "Two Covenants" has become one of intense interest to those who are familiar with the discussion that has arisen concerning the subject, and Elder R. A. Underwood gave a very interesting discourse upon it at the church in Minneapolis last Sabbath.

THE annual collection appointed by the general conference to help the work for the colored people in the United States occurs this year on Sabbath, October 3.