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"BEHOLD I BRING YOU GOOD TIDINGS"

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THE CROSS

Blest they who seek,
While in their youth,
With spirits meek,
The way of truth.

To them the sacred volume doth display
Christ as the only true and living way;
His precious blood on Calvary given,
To make them heirs of endless bliss in heaven.
And e'en on earth the child of God can trace
The glorious blessings of His Sovereign grace.

For them he bore
His Father's frown,
For them he wore
The thorny crown.
Nailed to the cross,
Endured its pain,
That His life's loss
Might be their gain.
Then haste to choose
The better part,
Nor dare refuse
The Lord your heart,
Lest He declare;
"I know you not,"
Then deep despair
Will be your lot!

REFLECTION

The past—where is it? It has fled.
The future? It may never come.
Our friends departed? With the dead;
Ourselves? Fast hastening to the tomb.
Its honors? Ocean's wreathing foam.
Where's peace? In trials meekly borne.
And joy? In heaven the Christian's home.

THE GOSPEL AND THE FOREIGNER

What can we do to bring the message of salvation to the foreigner in our midst is a question of much interest to us all.

We feel very keenly the lack of properly fitted workers who can speak the language of these many nationalities, but while this is a serious lack still I am glad that there are ways and means by which we can work and be a blessing and help to many in deed.

One of the first things to be done is to form a friendly acquaintance with these people. We should

remember that they are strangers in a new and strange country to them. They meet with strange customs and people whose language they cannot understand. Thus they will be rather shy and distant, and somewhat suspicious, therefore it becomes evident that the first thing to do is to show ourselves friendly and appreciative of their situation. This is often best done by watching for an opportunity to be of some help and service to them where this may be needed.

The first and most important qualification for a person to have for successful soul-winning work, whether they be foreigners or natives, is a heart filled with the love of Christ. A heart that is filled with sympathy and love for the unfortunate, and like the Master, ready to go out of his way to give help and comfort to the needy and those in trouble at any and every time, such will always find an opportunity for doing good. With such an one it is "The love of Christ constraineth me"; and it is wonderful what a winning power there is with an individual whose soul is filled with this love of Christ.

Another important qualification is that of tact, but this is largely supplied if we possess the first. To know how to make our approach acceptable, to say the right thing at the right time is very important. It is always out of place to enter into any kind of argument. That must always be avoided, as no good but much harm will result.

The immigrant and foreigner, being generally timid and shy, longs for some one to speak kindly and show an interest in his welfare. To a gentle, kind approach he is very responsive.

In a general way, the plan that has proved the most successful is that of a mission training school, with some one of experience to take charge and superintend the work. In connection with such a mission various lines of work can be carried on. While they may not know the native languages of these foreigners they must, nevertheless, make it a point to become acquainted with the habits and customs of these

foreigners in order to be able to know how to deal with them and to render the service so much needed.

A trained missionary nurse should be connected with such a mission, prepared to minister to those in need, look after the sick whether they be children or adults. There is a wide field for this line of work. Another line of work is the holding of evening classes teaching English. These foreigners are very desirous to learn English. Such classes give an excellent opportunity too, for acquaintances with many under most favorable conditions.

In connection with such a mission we should have a liberal supply of literature in these various foreign languages. We find these foreigners eager to read something in their own tongue.

Such a mission need not be confined to only one nation or language, but rather work for several at the same time. This plan has proved to be successful where it has been tried. That which is of first importance in such a work is to find the right class of individuals to head the mission. Persons with the needed experience and tact to know how to deal with all these different elements and temperaments, large-hearted, and generous, filled with love and sympathy for these people, and at the same time using good judgment and discretion.

This foreign field in our own country is a large and needy one. Yes, a neglected field. Are there not those on whom the Lord is laying a special burden for this line of work? There certainly must be, for it cannot be that this class of people shall continue to be neglected.

This is by no means a barren field. It has been demonstrated that where earnest and well directed efforts have been put forth they have been very successful. We plead that this line of missionary effort be made a subject of prayer, that God will lay the burden of this work upon such as He would have engaged in this work.

O. A. OLSEN.

FROM SOUTH AMERICA

(Concluded)

From Rio, one day's journey brought us to Santos, the greatest coffee market in the world. In the interior from Santos, at a place called Sao Bernardo, near Sao Paulo, is the headquarters for our work in Brazil, but the shortness of our stay did not permit us to visit the brethren there. Back of the city of Santos, there rises a high hill or mountain. On its summit is a small chapel dedicated to the memory of one of the Catholic saints. We climbed to the top of this mountain and visited the chapel. This saint, even though many years dead, is a most wonderful one. Many are the miracles which are said

to have been performed here. If we should accept the reports of the people, the sick have been healed, and cripples of all kinds made sound again. In the ante-room there are scores of wax fingers, arms, legs, faces, etc., left there as grateful gifts, in acknowledgment of the supposed miracles of this saint. It is by such things that the Roman church maintains its hold upon the minds of its followers.

Three days journey south from Santos, brought us to Montevideo, and the end of our journey. The coast line of eastern South America presents a marked contrast to the western shore. There, as one journeys along the coast, he can see the bold, rugged heights of the Andes, stretching from Panama to Punta Arenas, many of its summits being covered with everlasting snows. On this side the coast is largely flat, especially toward the southern part of the continent. And so the early discoverers were pleased to see a large hill or mountain near where this city was placed, and for this reason called the place Montevideo (I see a hill). We cast anchor in this pleasant harbor shortly after noon, and as soon as the boat was received, were taken ashore. The friends in the city, being misinformed as to the hour of the boat's arrival, were not at hand to meet us, but as we had the address of their house, we had no difficulty in finding the place, and when the people came back from their trip to the wharf, we were in their own house.

We were surely glad to get on shore again, after about four weeks tossing on the broad Atlantic. After a few day's search, we found a comfortable house, and were soon located and ready for work. As this letter is already too long, I will leave a description of the country until another time. We wish our Canadian brethren much of the rich blessing of God and great success in the work of the Master. We would be greatly pleased to hear from any of the brethren and sisters, who will take time to write to us. Yours in the Master's work.

F. L. PERRY.

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ALBERTA INDUSTRIAL ACADEMY

(Concluded)

CLASS WORK

Our teaching force has consisted of nine regular teachers and three assistants. In several instances these teachers have had to divide their classes, and

then there were some classes of over thirty members. The work of the Primary Department was in charge of Sister Selina Shelstad, and our new building, erected late last fall, has been filled to its full capacity.

Brother and Sister Adams have had the music work, and were tasked to their limit to provide instruction in this line for all who applied. The results were very satisfactory, and in our closing programmes we were pleased to have this department provide excellent numbers. One of these programmes was our first musical recital. Now that this department is on such a firm foundation we hope that more than ever will be accomplished here in preparing numbers of young people to assist with their musical talent in publishing this message to the world.

In the German Department eighteen native Germans were enrolled. The demands of this department together with the penmanship class taught by Professor Neufeld, kept him steadily employed.

The fact that our courses of study call for nine months work, but that our school year consisted of but eight and one-half months, has added materially to the work of the teachers, but we feel that this was overcome with a fair degree of success, and our students feel that the additional two weeks of vacation pay for the extra work required of them during the school year.

INDUSTRIES

We would not think of putting any other industry ahead of our farm. On this much of the student work is performed during the year. This branch of our school work has supplied us with our vegetables and feed for this year, and the prospects are good that it will do so again the coming year. Our crops consist of eleven acres of potatoes and garden, and about sixty-five acres of green feed.

Our broomshop is our latest venture in establishing industries. Four of our students took work here, and we have a record for making good brooms. We have supplied three stores in Lacombe, besides having shipped a few outside of Lacombe. There is an opportunity here for energetic young men to learn a trade that will assist them materially in paying their way through a school course.

We had a class in painting during the year, and our buildings are now painted, besides a large amount of the inside finishing having been stained and varnished.

This has been our first year with the two hour system of domestic work, now being universally adopted by our schools.

FINANCE

Finances have given us much concern this year. Money has been hard to get, and supplies for our

school have been very expensive. Consequently it has been a continual perplexity. When our brethren realize the amount of supplies it takes to feed a family of eighty or ninety members, they will appreciate a little the concern that it causes someone to do it, and to do it on the moderate amount charged to our students for their board, and out of which tuition, room rent, and fuel must come as well.

We regret that it is not possible to present a financial report at this time. This will be published as soon as it is possible to get it out. God has richly blessed us this year in every way, and we enter upon another year feeling that we are to have the same consideration from our Heavenly Father as in the past, and that our brethren are going to be with us in their prayers as they have in the months gone by.

One thing we would implore of our delegates as they go to their homes: urge our brethren to educate their children for this message. Then when once a child has really entered upon his school work, sacrifice everything to keep him there, rather than to take him out of school to drive a team in the field, or do some other service. The disappointment that comes to a really interested young person when once his studies are begun, to have to drop them and leave school unable to obtain his grades for the work done because it is not completed, cannot be realized by anyone who has not experienced it. Let us work to this end, praying God that He will be with both the students and the teachers in our school that only His will may be done.

J. I. BEARDSLEY.

PRAYER MEETING

“Where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.”

To lay aside the cares and duties of this world and come up into the mount of blessing and experience the sweet influence of the Saviour's presence is the mid-weekly privilege of the brethren and sisters in Rosedale. The purpose of these weekly gatherings is to seek God in prayer and lay before Him our requests and the needs of others, which by faith, we believe He will fill from the storehouse of heaven.

Last Tuesday evening we enjoyed a Bible study on “The Power of God's Word.” Though but little ground could be covered within the small compass of one hour, we were awakened to the fact that we are prone to forget what a Mighty Commander we have to aid us to overcome the temptations and obtain the victory over the sin which so easily besets us. By spending more time in the study of His Word of Power, we shall become armed with the Sword of the Spirit and against such a weapon as this the enemy cannot stand.

We are thankful indeed for the lessons we can learn on these weekly occasions, and for the spiritual uplift experienced.

T. S. BOWETT.

CALMAR

No doubt the readers of "Tidings" will expect to hear something from the place where I have been working. At the camp-meeting, it was decided that I should go west of Ludue to work. The majority of the settlers here are Swedish people and believe in the Millennial Dawn theory. I have been holding Bible readings and the people as a whole are very friendly.

It has been raining so much that it has been impossible to hold any meetings except on Sundays. Since coming here I have held nine meetings, forty-two Bible readings, and made seventy visits. I have also been working with our literature, and taken seventeen orders for Swedish and Norwegian papers, scattered fourteen hundred forty-eight pages of tracts, given away sixty papers, and sold a few books.

I can not say that there is any visible fruits of my work, although there are two families who are interested, and I hope to do more work with them later in the season. Am now preparing to start out in the Harvest Ingathering campaign. May the Lord bless us all and give success in gathering money for the support of His cause in the far off lands.

H. E. SHELSTAD.

ALBERTA NOTES

Elder Humann has returned home, after spending some days among the German speaking people of Edmonton and Ledue.

Professor J. I. Beardsley is paying a flying visit to southern Alberta in the interest of the school.

Brethren J. K. Fish and Alfred Pond arrived in Lacombe after having spent the summer in tent work. They will both attend the Academy this winter.

The home of Brother and Sister Charles Rick has been brightened by the arrival of a baby girl, Olive Aural. May this child prove to be a blessing to the circle.

Brother William Rick from Oregon called at the office this week. He is planning to settle in Alberta, and will send one of his children to the Academy this winter.

We are glad to report the good success Brethren L. T. Heaton and W. G. McCready are having in the southern part of the province. They report \$226 for the week ending September 20. The remainder of our colporteurs have started their delivery and some write of good success.

Two days have now passed since the time set for the beginning of the Harvest Ingathering Campaign. Before September 20 the Pacific Press received orders for 277,627 Harvest Ingathering Signs, and this has no doubt been greatly augmented by heavy orders sent in before the opening date. May the Lord grant His blessing as this work proceeds.

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TO FINISH THE WORK

Whenever the Lord has had an important work to be performed, He has by His Spirit operated upon the hearts of His people, giving them a willingness to sacrifice for Him. This is illustrated in the building of the tabernacle, and the re-building of the walls and temple of Jerusalem, and other movements. The same thought is strikingly brought out in a statement made several years ago by Dean Hodges of the Cambridge Divinity school. At a certain meeting in Boston he said: "There have been three notable periods in the history of the extension of the Christian religion—the time of the martyrs, the time of the monks, and the time of the Methodists. In each of these periods, religion spread phenomenally. The significance of each of these for our present purpose is that each of them was an era of lay activity. The Christian church was begun by laymen; the apostles were all laymen. It has ever since owed its best growth to the co-operation of laymen."

How these historic facts should stir the hearts of all believers in the Third Angel's Message, which is in this generation to go to them which dwell on the earth, and every nation, and kindred, and tongue and people!—We have the most solemn message ever entrusted to mortals, and our zeal to give it should be correspondingly greater than that of those who bore God's messages in the years gone by. "If we are not willing to make special sacrifices in order to save souls that are ready to perish, how can we be counted worthy to enter into the city of God?" "The truth is soon to triumph gloriously, and all who now choose to be laborers together with God, will triumph with it. The time is short; the night cometh when no man can work." Test. Vol. 9, p. 103, 135.

Several years ago, there appeared in a Catholic journal this statement: "The tallest pulpit to-day is the printing press." And from the Spirit of Prophecy we read, "The distribution of our literature is one means by which the message is to be proclaimed. Let every believer scatter broadcast tracts, leaflets and books containing the message for this time." Here is where our lay members can help greatly in finishing the work.

ANDREW ROEDEL.

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SHALL MANITOBA BE SELF-SUPPORTING?

This question came before your conference committee to settle. It has been asked over and over again for a number of years. It is nine years since the Manitoba Conference was organized, and it has received help from the General Conference ever since. This year your committee voted unanimously to become self-supporting.

Inasmuch as this vote was taken without meeting together, it is a true index of the mind of the committee individually as well as a whole, and we have reason to believe that this meets the mind of all our people. Now it is for all of us to help carry this decision into effect. I believe however, that all will be glad to know that this step has been taken.

In 1911 Manitoba received \$1,500 from the General Conference. This year while we only asked for \$750, they have decided to give us \$1,000. Already words of appreciation have been received from the General Conference for this step that has been taken. At present the needs in foreign lands are so great, and the openings for new stations so many, that we do well to turn over to the foreign mission treasury all that can possibly be spared in the home field. We must do all in our power to extend the message in regions beyond.

I also believe that when an important step like this can be entered upon unanimously, it will not only prove a blessing, but be sure to succeed. I believe we will see a greater advance in missionary work in this field in the future, and more souls added to our numbers. There is a great work yet to be done in Manitoba, and my prayer to God is that He will raise up laborers for this portion of His vineyard. There are different lines of missionary work that can be successfully carried forward by our churches. In the early days of this message, both ministers and lay members worked for the salvation of souls and many accepted the message. I believe it would be pleasing to God, if each one of His people would aim to bring at least some soul into the blessed truth during the year. If that was done, our number would double from year to year. Would it be presumption to pray for such an increase among us? Most assuredly not. But, that prayer must be accompanied by earnest faithful labor for those around us.

Soon will the long fall and winter evenings give us a good chance to supply our friends and neighbors with our good books and papers. Some of our brethren and sisters could give regular bible readings on

the message, and others could hold cottage meetings in the homes or in their school house, and we would be surprised at the result. If we will pray over this matter the Lord will teach us just what line of missionary work to carry on.

Soon, very soon Jesus will come, and oh what a joy to have some souls saved in the kingdom by our efforts. Jesus can do more for us as we do more for Him. I shall be glad to hear from anyone who would like to take up some special line of work.

O. E. SANDNES.

FROM KATRIME

We have not been sending in items of news from Katrime very often, but we are all of good courage and mean to press forward. We are much interested in the good Sabbath-school lessons, and they are from the Word of God as a gospel feast,—not like the feast of Belshazzar that ended in ruin, but a feast that will end in eternal life.

We thank God for the great search light of truth that is shining upon our path, and have the blessed promise that it will "shine more and more unto the perfect day." We are exhorted to build up ourselves on "our most holy faith," and realize that it is more pleasant to build than to tear down. May we all work together in harmony until the message is given to every people, nation, kindred and tongue.

JOHN MCKELVY.

MANITOBA NOTES

Elder O. E. Sandnes spent last Sabbath with the brethren at Minaki.

Elder V. W. Robb closed his tent effort recently owing to the cold weather.

Brother Oscar Ziprick is spending a short time with his family at Russell.

Brother Robert Neumann is at present canvassing in the city of Winnipeg.

Brother Peter Hansen from Erickson spent a short time with us while in the city on business.

Elder H. J. Dirksen spent last Sabbath and Sunday with the church at Morden.

Brother and Sister Ramsay and son William were visitors at the home of Brother and Sister McNaughton of Brookdale recently.

Brother Frank Cramer, who has been connected with the tent effort here in the city, has gone to Katrime after the closing of the meetings.

Sisters Clark and Borg, who have been canvassing in Fort William and Port Arthur this summer, are now working at Kenora.

Brother Harry Greenslade was a pleasant caller at the office on Wednesday en route to Austin, where he will help Brother Roberts with the fall work.

A. C. Hanson, Union College student, who has been canvassing in Saskatchewan this summer, was a pleasant caller at the office last week en route to College View.

Brother Sergius Burley, formerly of this conference, was recently united in marriage to Miss Tucker of South Lancaster, Mass. Mr. and Mrs. Burley will make their home at Harvey, North Dakota.

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EDUCATIONAL WORK

Christian education has for its object the restoration of the image of God in the soul. It is certainly a most worthy object, and one that all should endeavor to reach for themselves, and help to place it within the reach of as many others as possible.

We are gratified to see the interest taken by our people in this province in the educational work. Surely we have a solemn charge committed to us in seeing to it that our children are educated by teachers who are imbued with the spirit which vitalizes this Third Angel's Message. The children whose minds are developed in such an atmosphere, will grow to be strong representatives of God's truth, and many of them will be called to fill places of responsibility in connection with the work of the Lord.

The importance of the educational work carried on by this people cannot be overestimated. Ofttimes there is a tendency to underrate the value of this divinely established system which seeks the harmonious development of the individual, mentally, morally and physically. When we stop to think of the number of men and women who are now in the work in either the home or foreign land because of the burden and inspiration for soul-saving that they received in our schools, we will unceasingly thank our Heavenly Father for giving to His people such a plan of education.

In a time like this when the fundamentals of the Christian religion are being shaken and undermined, parents should make every provision possible for the Christian education of their children so that they will be confirmed in the Divine authorship and inspiration of the Holy Scriptures; and established in the belief that God is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him; that man originated with God by His own creative power; that man has no power of himself to rise above the impediments of sin; that Christ is the Son of God, "whose goings forth have been from of old, from the days of eternity"; that He to-day is in the sanctuary of Heaven interceding for the human race to turn from sin, and serve the living God. When these and many other great

present truths are instilled into the minds of our young people, they will be safe-guarded from the prevalent evils of skepticism advanced by learned men of the day.

There will be four church-schools and three or four family-schools in operation in this province this year. This fact is very encouraging, and we know that the sacrifice which underlies this effort will result in blessings, the influence of which will reach into eternity.

It is good to know that so many of our young men and women are going to the Alberta Academy, and we hope that there are yet others who contemplate going. We believe that only one purpose dominates these students, and that to get a preparation that will enable them to fill some humble place in God's great plan for the salvation of man.

Let us pray for the success of these several schools that the teachers may be thoroughly devoted to their labor and object, and that the pupils may gain the experience which will equip them for a life of useful service.

A. C. GILBERT.

WHERE ARE THE REAPERS?

Week ending September 20, 1911, Saskatchewan had ordered 875 Harvest Ingathering papers. This year for the same time we have ordered only 635 papers for the Campaign. From this you will see that we are short 240 copies in reaching last year's figure for the same period.

Now we hope that this rate of shortage will not continue until the close of the time allotted to the Campaign. With our increase in membership above that of last year we as a conference ought to go far beyond last year's record in the Harvest Ingathering. Let no person slacken their efforts this year, but plan to double, if possible, the work done in 1911.

Reports that come in from other conferences show wonderful results. Many have received from twenty-five cents to five dollars for one copy of the Harvest Ingathering Signs. Quite a number have secured eight and ten dollars. Some have received as high as one hundred dollars for a copy of this paper. When we go with hearts filled with zeal for the cause of Missions, and tell the people of the grand work that is being done by this denomination in the lands afar, they will give.

The past few weeks has been a busy time for our people in this province, and doubtless this has had something to do with the decrease in orders for Harvest Ingathering papers, but now as the time is not quite so strenuous we trust that every one will take hold of this Campaign with a renewed vigor and enthusiasm. A bountiful harvest of grain crops has been raised in this province this year, and therefore

shall we not rise up with the help of the Lord and gather in a rich "harvest" of means for the spread of the message of truth in the regions that now lie in heathen ignorance and darkness?

A. C. GILBERT.

SASKATCHEWAN NOTES

Brother Andrew Haynal of Rouleau was in the city on business last week.

Brother Milan Ostoics is again in Regina working among people of the Servian and other foreign languages.

Brother R. P. Mooney passed through Regina Friday, September 27, en route for Rouleau. He planned to visit Brother Yakovenko, one of the colporteurs, before returning.

Among recent callers at the office was Brother D. L. Henkes, who passed through Regina last week on his way to Swift Current to deliver the books for which he has orders in that vicinity.

While at Sonningdale recently, Elder Gilbert organized a church of sixteen members. The following day six were baptized, making a total of twenty-two members at that place. There are others who plan to join this church in the near future.

The brethren at Swift Current expected to start their church building last week and the Rouleau church expect to be able to hold meetings in their new house of worship before the end of the month.

The brethren at McLean are now in connection with the government telephone system. This is a great convenience for Brother Mooney, enabling him to keep in closer touch with the colporteurs and their work.

If present plans materialize church schools will soon be in operation at Sonningdale, Rouleau, Fenwood and Swift Current, besides three family schools. We are glad to see the growing interest in the education of the children.

We were all painfully shocked recently to hear of the death of Brother T. M. Krainean's little boy Johnnie. The child was asleep in an upper room on the afternoon of September 21, when somehow a fire started in one corner of the room. Warned by the cries of the little one, the mother rushed to the room, which she found so filled with smoke that she was unable to find the child, for in its struggles it had thrown itself from the buggy where it had been sleeping. A neighbor who came to her assistance found the child on the floor but it was so badly burned that it passed away about two hours later.

The fire was extinguished without serious damage to the house, but Brother and Sister Krainean suffered the loss of a quantity of clothing which was hanging in the room. This dear family have the sincerest sympathy of all our brethren and sisters in this affliction.

OBITUARIES

HOLDEMAN—Brother Cornelius L. Holdeman was born near Goshen, Indiana, March 2, 1863, and died of peritonitis at his home near Ponoka, Alberta, September 1, 1912. The larger portion of his life was spent in his native land.

November 9, 1892, he was united in marriage to Miss Lillian Ham of Madison, South Dakota, who remains to mourn the loss of a beloved husband. At the age of twenty-

five he was converted, baptized and joined the Seventh-day Adventist church, of which he was ever after a faithful member. Brother Holdeman was zealous for the spread of this message, which was shown by his willingness to circulate our literature. Neighbors testify to his example as one worthy of imitation. He died with bright hopes of having a part in the first resurrection.

C. A. BURMAN.

LANG—On Sunday evening, August 25, at five o'clock, after an illness of four days, Mrs. Karoline Lang died at Beiseker, Alberta. Sister Lang was a daughter of Brother and Sister Schafer of British Columbia, born April 25, 1884. August 4, 1902, she was united in marriage to Emanuel Lang at Wilton, North Dakota, where they lived for two years before moving to Miltown, South Dakota, and later to Alberta. Through a life of much suffering she developed a sympathetic character and was a loving companion to her family, who mourn their loss. Words of comfort were spoken to a large audience by the writer from Psalms 73:1, 20-28; 22:2-9.

C. C. NEUFELD.

PALMER—Lester Belmont Palmer of Claresholm, Alberta, was born at Perham, Minnesota, May 20, 1895, and died September 3, 1912, in the hospital at Lethbridge. Lester had been sick for over one year, having suffered much, yet through it all he was very patient and grateful. He will be greatly missed by his many friends and school mates.

Lester was a child of God, a lover of good books, but especially of the Book of books, from which he received spiritual food, and as a result his faith and courage in God was good until the last.

A mother, father, three sisters and many relatives are left to mourn the loss of a loving son, brother and friend. He sleeps in Jesus awaiting the voice of the Life-giver. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer.

N. J. AALBORG.

COLPORTEUR'S REPORT
Week Ending September 14

| Manitoba | | | | | | |
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| Name. | Book. | Hrs. | Ex. | Ord. | Helps. | Total. |
| William Tall | D.R. | 57 | 74 | 21 | \$ 4.00 | \$ 85.50 |
| Robert Neuman . . . | G.C. | 36 | 50 | 15 | | 56.50 |
| | | 93 | 124 | 36 | \$ 4.00 | \$ 142.00 |
| Alberta | | | | | | |
| Ida Hanson | P.G. | 40 | 17 | 8 | | \$ 38.00 |
| W. G. McCready . . . | P.G. | 52 | 36 | 18 | | 78.00 |
| Geo. Polinkas | D.R. | 38 | 32 | 9 | | 32.50 |
| | | 130 | 85 | 35 | | \$ 148.50 |
| Saskatchewan | | | | | | |
| C. K. Wilson | G.C. | 43 | 54 | 25 | | \$ 95.50 |
| George Brown | G.C. | 14 | 7 | 4 | | 16.00 |
| E. F. Locker | G.C. | 28 | 19 | 9 | \$ 3.50 | 38.50 |
| Peter Paulson | G.C. | 23 | 19 | 5 | 6.00 | 25.50 |
| *Edward Bush | B.R. | 76 | 56 | 24 | | 114.25 |
| *L. A. Philpott | B.R. | 64 | 49 | 23 | 1.70 | 99.20 |
| | | 248 | 204 | 90 | \$11.20 | \$ 388.95 |
| Eleven Agents | | 471 | 413 | 161 | \$15.20 | \$ 679.45 |
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Many important questions were considered by the General Conference Committee at its fall council in Takoma Park, D.C., which closed last week. Our readers will be interested to learn that it has been decided to hold the next General Conference session at Washington, D.C., May 15 to June 8, 1913. We shall hope to have a report from the council for the next issue.

All readers of the Review and Herald (and all should be) are informed that Sabbath, October 5, has been set aside by the General Conference Committee as the time for the regular annual offering for the Negro Department to be used in its efforts in behalf of the colored people of the South. Very encouraging results have been attained in this branch of the work during the past year, at a cost to the General Conference of over \$35,000. This is indeed a worthy cause and should receive our hearty support.

The report of the Auditors' Convention which was held at Washington, D.C., May 21-26, is now ready for distribution. This report should prove beneficial to all our conference officers, members of conference committees, and those connected with institutions, as well as church treasurers and librarians. There are many things of value to all our workers. A careful study of this report on the part of officers and book-keepers will be a great help to them, and lessen the work of the auditor. In order to assist this line of work, the General Conference has promised to mail these reports at less than cost, and make up the deficit. The price is fifteen cents net.

Beautifully depicted on the front cover of the November Signs of the Times Magazine is a typical Thanksgiving picture, a real selling feature of this important number. Its contents, too, are most timely, appropriate for the season, and laden with messages of truth. A few of the leading articles are: "The Second Coming of Christ" by Prof. G. W. Rine; "In Everything Give Thanks," Mrs. L. D. Avery-Stuttle; "One Reason for Thankfulness Now"; "Modern Dietetic Ideas," by Dr. David Paulson; "God's Rule in the Kingdom of Men," C. L. Taylor; "The Desire of All Nations," Frank S. Weston; and "Everlasting Punishment." Write to your Tract Society.

From a report recently sent out by the Statistic Department of the General Conference, we glean the following facts concerning our work for the year 1911:

There was a membership of 108,975 who paid as tithe \$1,477,590.26; mission offerings, \$485,245.43; and all other funds \$400,252.60; making a total of \$2,363,088.29.

The 37 denominational publishing houses employed 645 persons, published 125 different periodicals, and printed literature in 71 languages with a total value of \$1,627,657.83. (Total value of one copy of each publication, \$525.)

There were 69 sanitariums with 2,404 employees, and total assets of \$3,792,421.35.

In the 702 primary schools, academies and colleges 23,541 students were enrolled, and 1,430 teachers employed.

The Sabbath-school Department reports 4,267 Sabbath-schools with 106,000 members whose contributions amounted to \$160,762.39.

There were 615 Missionary Volunteer societies having a membership of 14,013 and a total of \$17,989.72 contributed for missionary work.

There were 116 conferences, 93 mission fields, and 244 institutions, with a total denominational investment of \$12,399,004.71, and one-eleventh of the total membership was represented by 9,656 laborers.

OCTOBER NINE

This is the date set for the sixth opening of the Alberta Industrial Academy. Applications have been received from a large number who plan to enter at that time. More should apply than have. Let every one who plans to be in the academy this year, whether new student or old, write at once to the principal, stating when he expects to arrive at Lacombe. It means a great deal in your reception at the academy, if the management know before hand whether you are coming.

Should you arrive in Lacombe and do not find the team at the station to meet you, it is because your letter stating the time of your arrival has not been received. Should you arrive at the school home, and do not find a room awaiting you, it will very likely be for the same reason. Trusting to meet a large number of you next Tuesday, we are, Yours with best wishes,

ALBERTA INDUSTRIAL ACADEMY.