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"BEHOLD I BRING YOU GOOD TIDINGS"

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## SURRENDERED

I asked of Fame if she would write  
My name upon her scroll so bright;  
She laughed, and said, "Ah, no indeed!"  
And passed me without further heed.

I asked of Love, one sunny day,  
If I might go with him to stay;  
And he, without the least endeavor,  
Answered promptly, "Never! Never!"

I asked of riches some small share,  
But heard him answer me, "Beware."  
Sadly I pondered, "Can it be  
There's naught for needy one like me?"

Fame, Love, nor Riches were for me;  
I faced alone grim Poverty:  
'Twas then I heard a voice most sweet,  
And laid my plans at Jesus' feet.

K. L. Davis.

## THE ROAD TO THE KINGDOM

The General and North American Division Conference Committees have just closed a two weeks' session at Washington, which in some respects was the most important meeting of the kind I have ever attended. Among other matters, the great interests of foreign missions received particular attention.

It is inspiring to see the work pushing into all parts of the earth as it is, because it means not only the salvation of the thousands of people who are now in darkness, but it is a sure sign also that the Lord is soon coming. "This gospel of the Kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations, and then shall the end come."—Matt. 24:14.

The work has been making a gradual growth year by year, and the year 1913 has been no exception to the rule. Our missionaries keep extending the borders of this great movement into hitherto unentered fields. The Mission Board, in stating the need of appropriations to these fields for 1914 for the support of the workers we already have there, also state that provision must be made to the amount of about \$25,000, for new workers who are to be sent to these fields in 1914.

Let the reader stop to consider what it means to carry forward aggressive work in so many needy fields, such as Central China Mission, South China Mission, Japan, Korea, Malaysian Mission, Bahamas Mission, East Brazil Mission, North Brazil Mission, Rio Espirito Santo Mission, Sao Paulo Mission, Bengal, Burma, North India, South India, West India, Mexico, South Africa, Alto Parana Mission, Bolivia Mission, Chili Conference, Ecuador Mission, Lake Titicaca Indian Mission, Peru Mission, Jamaica Conference, South Caribbean Conference, West Caribbean Conference, British Guinea Mission, Cuba Mission, East Caribbean Mission, Guatemala Mission, Haytien Mission, Porto Rican Mission, Venezuela Mission, etc.

It is significant to notice such expressions as "New Workers to Asiatic Field," "New Workers to Bahama Mission," "New Workers to Brazil," and India, Japan, Mexico, Philippines, South Africa, as well as in many other fields, in the list of places where new workers must be sent the coming year.

To sit in council regarding so vast a field of operations almost staggers the mind, but God has laid on this people the duty as well as the privilege to carry the gospel to all nations of the earth within the present generation of time.

Not only does it require money to support all these fields, but consecrated men and women must be found to answer these new calls. This may mean that son or daughter of yours or mine. Will we be willing to give them? This is a question of great importance to each one of us.

It will mean sacrifice, then sacrifice, and then sacrifice again. There will be no end of sacrifice this side the Kingdom of God. The road to heaven is paved with sacrifice. But listen: "Our God shall come, and shall not keep silence: a fire shall devour before Him, and it shall be very tempestuous round about Him. He shall call to the heavens from above, and to the earth, that He may judge His people. Gather my saints together unto me; THOSE THAT HAVE MADE A COVENANT WITH ME BY SACRIFICE."—Psalms 50:3-5.

H. S. SHAW.

### A RETROSPECTIVE VIEW

It was with high hopes that we went into the campaign of 1913 in the colporteur work. Our workers were well equipped as far as preparation was concerned and all felt confident that a good year was before them and success would crown their efforts.

Now the season is drawing to a close, and what are the results? As the season progressed the stringency in the money market was noticeable, and people were loath to invest and on every side the cry of hard times was raised, but our workers put forth earnest efforts to show the great necessity of possessing the books being handled; for they give a reason for these conditions, the uncertainty of the times, what we may expect in the near future and the great need of being prepared to meet the crisis just before us.

I am pleased to be able to say that their earnest efforts were rewarded. While the conditions were a little against us, the crops came out in fine shape and the quality is good. The prices are low but the people have responded well when the delivery came, and a larger per cent. of books have been delivered than ever before in the history of the book work in this union.

It will be interesting to know that the largest average sales per hour were made in the union last year. It was \$1.93 per hour. This year it will average over \$2.00. This with the large per cent. delivery makes it a very profitable year for the book work in Western Canada.

We are thankful to the Lord for this and believe that one great help to this end has been the earnest, faithful work done by our field men, they have worked hard this year and I know the colporteurs appreciate this very much. No small factor has been the good news letters sent out by our secretaries. As I have read these cheery, encouraging weekly messages of hope it seemed to me it would dissipate the worst attack of blues and enable the most discouraged book man to face about and again tackle some of those hard prospects with bright hopes of success, and you know "as a man thinketh so is he." We are thankful for the Lord's help and favor, for only by this could we have taken over \$35,000 worth of orders this year.

Now for the future we are glad to say it looks good. We have some six or more men who are selling their farms or quitting their trades and going into the book work for life. Some of our brightest students are planning to master every detail of the book business and make it their life work. Surely with such earnest consecration and careful preparation as this, combined with the blessing of God, and the opportunity we have in this new field, we will see great results.

As a body of leaders we are planning our work more carefully both as to books, territory and lan-

guages, so we should have greater results. May the dear Lord by his Spirit stir up many a "diamond in the rough" and give them no rest till they consecrate themselves to him for service. No one can tell what he can do before trying and if God by his spirit is speaking to you, obey the call and prepare for a part in his work.

W. L. MANFULL.

### HOW YOU CAN HELP

Is not the reading of trashy and obscene literature one of the greatest menaces of the home at the present time? It certainly is. Next to the drink habit, cheap, vulgar literature is sending more people, old and young, to destruction than any other evil. Many of the most gigantic crimes of the age can be traced directly to this source.

How can I help my friends and neighbors to battle against this great evil? By calling their attention to the disastrous effect this degrading literature is having on the life, the home, the nation, and directing their minds to good, pure and wholesome books.

Where can a good assortment of books be obtained that can conscientiously be recommended to the home? You can get them from your tract society office. Here is a list the society carries in stock: Advance Guard of Missions, Bible Child Life, Elo the Eagle, Gospel Primer No. 2, House We Live In, Making Home Happy, Mount of Blessing, Our Paradise Home, Story of Pitcairn Island, Uncle Ben's Cobblestones, Best Stories, Christ Our Saviour, Gospel Primer, His Glorious Appearing, Little Folks Bible Nature, Making Home Peaceful, New Testament Primer, Steps to Christ, and Those Bible Readings.

How can these books be shown to the people so as to demand their attention and cause them to purchase? The way is made very easy by the use of a prospectus or sample-holder prepared for this purpose. Over a thousand copies of this prospectus are now in the hands of the people. Workers from almost every class are using it and meeting with excellent success.

When is the best time of the year for the introduction of these books? There is a demand and a need for them at all times. The next four months will probably yield greater returns to the worker than any other time of the year.

What could one do who has but a few hours each day to give to work of this kind? This is just the class of individuals who are making a success of this kind of work. Ask your tract society secretary to send you a booklet entitled "Good Books for the Holidays." This will give you a number of reports from persons who have been spending their odd moments in this way.

Where can full information regarding the prospec-

tus, prices and discounts on the various books, be obtained? Your tract society secretary can tell you all about it. Ask him.

JAMES COCHRAN.

## British Columbia Conference

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### A VISIT TO TEXADA

Thursday morning, October 15, in company with Brother John Lowther, I took the boat at Union Steamship Wharf, Vancouver, for Van Anda, the only town on Texada Island. I have now been in British Columbia nearly four years and this was my first visit among the new Sabbath-keepers of that place. But the request came for baptism and I felt it my duty to go and give what help and encouragement I could to the brethren and sisters. I was pleased to have Brother Lowther accompany me, as he is acquainted on the island and respected wherever known.

We held four meetings while there, at the home of Sister DeGreek, three public and one for our Sabbath-keepers only. I am sure these meetings were a source of encouragement to all who attended.

Sabbath afternoon Sister DeGreek, who was not fully satisfied with her former baptism, was re-baptized in the salt waters of the gulf not many rods distant from the large boat landing. The day was chilly, the water cold and the rocky shore rather unsuitable for baptismal purposes, yet the Lord helped us to make the occasion a solemn and impressive one. We expect that soon others of the same place will be ready for baptism also. Thus by the instrumentality of our brethren and sisters and the agency of our books and papers, as well as the ministry of our laborers, the good work goes on and the message advances.

Texada is scarcely suitable for farming purposes, though there are a few sections with rich soil. It is rich in ore that is sprinkled with gold mixed with iron and silver, and heavily laden with copper. Of the latter I obtained some beautiful specimens of the bornite, the yellow and the peacock. There are a few lumber camps on the island and also some lime kilns, for Texada abounds in limestone rock of the purest kind.

While in the town I formed the acquaintance of Brother Lowther's people, and enjoyed the hospitality of his father and mother. The attention paid me was appreciated very much and I only hope that

here also some seeds of truth were dropped that will bear fruit for the Kingdom.

J. G. WALKER.

### NEWS FROM VANCOUVER

Elder Luther Warren, who conducted an extended effort here last Spring, began another campaign in Astley hall, corner of Venables street and Woodland drive on Sunday evening, October 19. The meeting was intended principally for the members and those recently interested.

Between 200 and 300 were present. It was arranged that meetings would be held on Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday evenings and that each Sabbath there would be a union Sabbath-school and service in the hall.

As a result of the recent effort here there are between twenty and thirty new Sabbath-keepers and many more who are interested and who are studying our books. A spirit of harmony prevails among the brethren, and all are working unitedly for souls in the campaign now on.

Elder Warren is in fairly good health and he is being assisted in the effort here by Elder A. O. Burrell, who is in charge of the church work in Vancouver, and a number of others who are giving valuable aid in various ways.

Brother E. S. Horsman, Brother Harold Toombs and Brother Fleming, who, during August and September, made a tour of Northern British Columbia and Alaska in the interest of our book work, have all returned and are helping in the effort here.

A school has been started in Vancouver, in the Kit-silano district, with Mrs. Bertha Conant as teacher. There is an enrollment of about fifteen pupils. A large, new, well-built house has been secured and fitted up for this purpose, and under the care of the chosen teacher good advancement may be expected of the pupils.

Brother William Chipperfield of the South Vancouver church has been in Penticton for some time. His presence here is missed and the brethren are hoping for his return soon. Active interest is being shown in all the churches in their respective localities and the message is going forward rapidly.

C. A. COLE.

### THE EVERGREEN BRANCH.

While to a certain extent the leaves on the Book Work Tree may fade and some drop off as Fall comes on, there is one branch that is evergreen. This is the Magazine Branch.

Sister Bryson has been doing splendid work with the sale of magazines here in Vancouver ever since last Spring. Starting with four hundred a month she has last month reached her highest mark—1,600.

And during this last month Sister Fleming also joined in the good work and sold 1,250 more.

When we think of \$285 worth of our message-filled magazines going into the hands of the people of the cities of Vancouver and Victoria, it is a source of great encouragement for this was done by only two workers and only in the business districts.

What an opportunity there is for many to take a few magazines each month and sell among our friends and neighbors. The children may have a part in this. And I would especially call attention to the Protestant Magazine.

The leaders of the Orange Order in British Columbia are very much pleased with the magazine and I can supply some good testimonials that may be of service in introducing it among your neighbors who may be members of that order. We have an opportunity in this matter that we should not lightly pass by.

E. R. POTTER.

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### ANOTHER CHURCH DEDICATED

At Beausejour, Manitoba, Sunday, October 26, the writer spoke on the coming of the Lord to a company of very interested listeners. There was a good representation from the English speaking citizens of the place.

This being a German church, the regular dedicatory service was given in that language by Elder H. J. Dirksen. Some of the thoughts in the sermon were of how carefully we should guard the house of God, and that we should come into the sanctuary with a prayer on our lips. The dedicatory prayer was offered by Elder Dirksen.

The building is twenty by thirty-six feet, nicely arranged, seated with chairs and supplied with a beautiful organ. The building and lot cost \$987.80, which is nearly all paid. The balance due is covered by pledges. A collection of \$14 was taken during the day.

The services were much enjoyed by all and we hope this will be a place where many will find the God of Jacob.

E. M. CHAPMAN.

### MANITOBA NOTES

Elder E. M. Chapman met with the Carberry believers last week.

Elder Robb has located at Brandon to follow up the

work begun during the summer. Brother Soper is also with him.

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

Brother George McKelvy spent last Sabbath with the church at Winnipeg.

Brother B. L. Grundset visited the church at Beausejour recently, attending the dedication services, Sunday, October 26.

Brother John McKelvy has sent us a good list of names for the new series of the Signs Weekly. This series will be especially good, and splendid for missionary work.

Sister D. H. Carmichael and Sister McAlpine have been working with the Home Workers' Books and within a few hours secured about thirty orders. Are there not others who would take a few orders for these splendid books between now and the new year?

Brother Herbert Vanderpant, who sent us his watch to be sold, was happily surprised when we wrote him that it was sold the day after being received, for \$15. The proceeds were turned over to the tithe fund, according to his request. It pays to be faithful with the Lord.

We are pleased to report that one more of our colporteurs, Carl Anderson, has been blessed in his canvassing work the past season in a way that enabled him to take out a scholarship for the Danish-Norwegian Seminary, where he has now gone.

Some good returns are coming in from the Harvest Gathering Campaign. How is it with our Manitoba brethren? Do we have papers still lying on the shelf, and a conviction in the heart because we have not done our part? It is not too late. The season's work is about finished so now is a good time. Let us press in and do what we can. Jesus is at the door and many of our friends and neighbors are still unwarned. Let us work while the day lasts.

We hope the Manitoba brethren will not forget our little conference in its efforts to be self-supporting. We are cheered at the office as the tithe comes in from faithful ones throughout the province. Have you rendered to the Lord his own? If not now is the time to step in. Come, brethren, let us give the Lord his full tithe and receive the bountiful blessing he has promised to our souls, and help the message along.

Word has come that a family is keeping the Sabbath near Otterbourne as a result of reading "Great Controversy," which was sold to them last summer by Brother Robert Neumann. Brother Neumann has just completed another successful delivery of books, and has gone to Clinton, Missouri, to again attend the German Seminary.

### OBITUARY

BIRCH—Mrs. Ellen Jane Birch, of Eden, Manitoba, died at the Neepawa hospital, October 17, 1913, aged 64 years and 6 months. She left to mourn their loss a husband, two sons and a daughter. The deceased accepted the truth as taught by Seventh-day Adventists, about eight years ago, and has since remained a firm believer in the third angel's message. She was laid to rest in the Kerfoot cemetery, about nine miles from Carberry, awaiting the call of the Life-giver.

JESSIE MCNAUGHTON.

"Keep your temper; no one else has any use for it."

## Saskatchewan Conference

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### REGINA

Upon invitation from Elder Gilbert we came to Saskatchewan last month, and we already feel much benefited by the change. The heat and drought was very trying on us the past summer in South Missouri, and though people around here seem to be dreading the coming winter, we expect to enjoy it.

A rest of one day in St. Paul and another in Winnipeg helped much to make the journey up here a pleasant one. We were met at the station by Brethren Brigham, Allen and Iverson, made to feel welcome in Canada and taken to the home of Brother Allen, where we stayed until we succeeded in renting a suitable house to move into. Our address is 1156 Angus Street, Regina, Sask.

Since our arrival I have made two trips out of the city and spoken on two occasions to the Servian brethren of Regina, besides scattering some copies of the Signs, Watchman, etc., among the residents on the north side, where we expect to rent a hall and hold meetings in the near future. We are very much pleased with the outlook in general in this conference and expect to enjoy the work. The people receive our papers quite readily, and listen attentively as we talk to them of our plans for work in the city. Several have said they will be glad of the chance to attend meetings and hear what we believe. In fact have every reason to believe that God will give us a good church in Regina this winter.

M. MACKINTOSH.

### ONE MILLION DOLLARS FOR MISSIONS

A nicely arranged plan has come to my desk which I take delight in passing on to those who are engaged in the Harvest Ingathering Campaign for Missions. The main feature of this plan consists of an envelope on which the following words are printed:

"ONE MILLION DOLLARS FOR MISSIONS

"Freely Ye Have Received, Freely Give"

"The fall of 1913 presents another opportunity to share our abundant blessings with those less fortunate and who have never heard of the Saviour.

"The paper herewith presented to you reveals but a little of the precious work accomplished by past efforts.

"The bearer is duly authorized to solicit. If inclined to assist again this year, kindly place your gift within the envelope, as it will be called for.

"May God bless each donor.

E. R. ALLEN,

"Mission Sub-Treasurer, Box 244, Regina, Sask."

As you go to the homes of the people with the Harvest Ingathering "Review," give them a copy and at the same time hand them an envelope. After stating the purpose of your call, tell your friend that you will call again for the envelope. The following day, or the same afternoon, you will call and get the envelopes. You are sure to get something in almost every envelope.

What a nice plan this is, is it not? If you have hesitated in going out among the people because you felt timid, you need hesitate no longer; for this plan speaks, and does the work for you.

Let all our churches, companies and isolated Sabbath-keepers send for the envelopes they think they can use. Send your orders for papers, envelopes and other supplies to E. R. Allen, Box 244, Regina, Sask.

Our people have done very well in the Harvest Ingathering work this fall. God is blessing in a wonderful manner their efforts. Nearly three thousand papers have been ordered. However, we are sure that there are quite a number of our brethren and sisters who have not tried this work. Lack of time and courage have hindered in many cases. This plan suggested overcomes both obstacles.

The cause of Foreign Missions has grown to a mighty movement. Soon the work will all be done, and the privileges and opportunities to work for God will be past. Let us work while it is day, for soon the night cometh when no man can work.

A. C. GILBERT.

### TO THE WORKERS BAND

Dear Children—

I have been thinking about you so much and am wondering how you have been getting along in your work of earning some "missionary money," as we call it. I suppose the gardens are all harvested by this time, as it is getting late, and those of you who have chickens will sell them soon.

How I would like to talk with each of you about your work the past season. How much you have enjoyed working for Jesus, haven't you! We want to do our best, for you know how badly they need the money to support another teacher over in Africa. I am sure you have not forgotten the talk we had at camp-meeting and how we decided to raise \$60 to pay a native teacher his wage for a year. The sooner we can send it, the better it will be, you know, so let us not forget what our Workers Band is laboring for this year.

As long as I cannot talk to you, I wish I could hear from you. Cannot each one of you write me a letter, telling how you have been getting along and what your plans are? It would not take you very long and it would please me very much. I have heard from a few and would be glad to hear from all.

Jesus is good to us and we should be faithful and ask him to help us do just right. He is coming soon and it would be sad if any of our Band should have been so unfaithful that they would have to be left out of His Kingdom. Oh, no! May it never be. Let us follow the Lord closely and do just as he tells us; be obedient to our parents, patient and kind to our brothers and sisters, study our Bibles, and always learn our Sabbath-school lessons. Oh! there are so many ways by which we may show our love for Jesus. May the Lord help each one of you to be faithful and bless you in your work for him.

I will not write more this time and I will be pleased if I may have the pleasure of receiving a letter from you.

MRS. A. C. GILBERT.

### IMPORTANT BOOKS FOR HOME AND SCHOOL

Our attention has been called to several important books bearing upon the vital subjects of Physiology and Sanitation. The following are the names of the books: "Primer of Physiology," by Ritchie; "Primer of Hygiene," by Ritchie-Caldwell; "Primer of Sanitation," by Ritchie.

As suggested by the titles they are written for beginners. They are interestingly written and adapted to the minds of young people. Books of this nature should find a welcome in every home and church school. All, both young and old, should be thoroughly informed in regard to principles developed in these books. The prices are as follows: Primer of Hygiene, 40c; Primer of Sanitation, 50c; Primer of Physiology, 60c. Orders will be filled by the Saskatchewan Tract Society, Box 244, Regina, Sask.

A. C. GILBERT.

### SASKATCHEWAN NOTES

It is planned to have a church school at McLean again this year in case a teacher can be secured. Some who were planning to go to Lacombe will remain to attend the school at home.

The Misses Eva and Katie Haynal have gone to Lacombe Academy. Word received indicates that about 100 students are enrolled at this time.

Brother Geo. Ross of McLean has been very ill since his return from the west and south. He seems some better at this writing, but is still confined to his bed.

Several of the colporteurs have finished their deliveries and gone to school or taken up other work for the winter. Brother E. F. Locker has two more weeks to finish his splendid delivery of German Practical Guide. He has averaged to date 95 per cent. of his orders.

Brother W. L. Manfull is assisting the Haynal brothers in their delivery in the southwest part of the province. We are unable to report how their deliveries are going, as we have received no reports.

The new book, "Mystery Unfolded," by Elder L. R. Conradi, can now be secured from the Tract Society in

the following languages: German, Polish, Russian and English. The price is \$1.75, with the usual discounts.

We are receiving some orders for the pocket edition of the book of Romans. Remember we have more of these at only 5 cents each. Just the thing to carry in the pocket and memorize the Sabbath-school texts while we are studying this book.

The new series of the Signs Weekly which begins the 11th of November promises to be the very best series planned by the publishers. The list of contributors insures a feast of good things. Now is the time to subscribe for your friends. In clubs of five or more sent to separate addresses, the price is 65 cents. Clubs of five or more sent to one address come at 60 cents each. The Signs is the cheapest and best missionary literature we know of. "The Signs does bring people into the truth."

Good reports are coming in from the Harvest Ingathering Campaign. One company secured about \$60 from 115 papers, and then ordered more. One brother and sister obtained nearly \$50 from twenty-five papers. The orders are still coming, and we have more than doubled our record for last year. The total number of orders to date being 2,782. There is no reason why we should cease our efforts for several weeks yet, so let the orders continue to come.

Only a few days ago we sent out a letter urging our people to assist in the circulation of the Temperance Instructor during the fall temperance campaigns. Just after this word went out we received notice that the edition of 1913 is exhausted, and no more papers can be secured until the end of January, 1914. We are very sorry to disappoint those who have sent in orders, but we appreciate greatly the spirit of willingness to co-operate in any plan for the circulation of our literature.

At the camp meeting we received a number of pledges to be paid in October and November. Some are meeting these obligations promptly. This is much appreciated by this conference and the Foreign Mission Board. We trust others who have pledged here will attend to their payment as soon as possible. We want to come up to the camp-meeting next year with every promise to the Lord fulfilled. We can then confidently claim his blessing for further victories. If you are in doubt as to the amount or time of payment of your pledge we shall be glad to look the matter up for you at any time.

The way that our magazines, "Signs of the Times" and "Watchman," are handling present day issues is giving the trumpet no uncertain sound. In the magazines the light of the Word of God is made to shed light upon the current topics of the daily papers. Why not pass on to our friends and neighbors this information which is so priceless to us? Everyone who can afford to do so should have a few copies of these magazines to hand out. No one need fear that they will not be read. A few days ago while making a deposit at the bank we pushed across to the receiving teller one of the blotters showing the beautiful cover page of the Signs. "Say," he said, "there are some good things in that paper about the war in the east. I found more in it than I expected to." It transpired that he had picked up a copy sold by a colporteur. Only last week we received a subscription to the Protestant Magazine from a business man in Saskatoon. He had purchased of Miss Ida Coles the series giving "The Convent Tragedy," and was so well pleased that he wants the paper each month. Why not, as often as possible, order a few and pass them out? The cost is but five cents each in orders of five or more.

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### TIMELY COUNSEL

a beautiful harvest. The grain crop is good and hay

The farmers in Western Canada are rejoicing in is abundant. The cattle market is excellent. Dairy and poultry products are bringing the usual high prices; in short, a wave of prosperity is sweeping over the larger portion of this country. But these conditions do not prevail in all parts of the earth. The grain belt of the States is suffering from the results of a terrible drought during the past season, and in some sections farmers are compelled to leave their homes to seek feed and water for their stock.

To some this prosperous year will be an omen of good, and their optimistic vision will picture before them years of plenty, with no more droughts, frosts and the like, and building on this vision they will purchase more property, plunging in debt for the same, until there is no possible way of escape.

But will those who know the prophecies of Joel and other sacred writers take such a course as to cripple them for years to come? Before taking such a step would it not be wisdom to study carefully that instruction found in "Early Writings," a portion of which reads as follows:

"As I viewed souls dying for want of the present truth, and some who profess to believe the truth were letting them die, by withholding the necessary means to carry forward the work of God, the sight was too painful, and I begged of the angel to remove it from me. I saw that when the cause of God called for some of their property like the young man who came to Jesus, Matt. 19: 16-22, they went away sorrowful; and that soon the overflowing scourge would pass over and sweep their possessions all away, and then it would be too late to sacrifice earthly goods and lay up a treasure in heaven."

Many of our good brethren said that if ever they get loose so that they are in a position to do so, they would help advance the cause of God. One of the enemy's most successful plans is to keep the servants of God so handicapped by debts that they cannot place their means in the cause. "But they that will be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition. For the love of money is the root of all evil; which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith

and pierced themselves through with many sorrows." 1 Tim. 6: 9, 10. "But seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you. Matt. 6: 33.

C. A. BURMAN.

### ALBERTA NOTES

Brother Halsvick, who is in charge of the Scandinavian work in Edmonton, was a visitor at the office and academy on the 30th.

Elder Humann left yesterday, the 30th, for Midnapore. Before returning he expects to visit Comrey and Thelma.

Sisters Fish and McCullough went to Ponoka and Westkiwin last week and returned with \$48.60 for the Harvest Ingathering.

Brother Bowett returned from Vermilion Lakes and Edmonton the 30th, where he has been visiting old acquaintances, while on a business trip to these places.

### ACADEMY NOTES

Owing to the poor health of his mother, Cal Smith has decided to spend the winter at home.

At our regular Sabbath service last week, a rousing missionary meeting was held. As a part of the programme a number who had taken part in the Harvest Ingathering Campaign reported their experiences. These were certainly varied and interesting. As a result of this campaign the Lacombe church only lacks \$17 of its aim of \$150.

One morning last week the Sabbath-school officers were elected in chapel as follows: Superintendent, Earl Carle; Assistant, Roscoe Hippach; Secretary, Adolph Bernhard; Assistant, Ruth Wallace; Organist, Hazel Knutson; Superintendent of Primary School, Sister F. L. Hommel; Secretary, Myrtle Knutson.

The present enrollment of the academy including the primary department is 93. Five more are expected to enroll today (October 30). We are very glad that so many of our young people are being prospered in their determination to receive a preparation for this work. Others are expected next week and more the first of December.

Last week Brethren Beardsley and Burman made a business trip to Olds, Didsbury and Calgary. While at Olds they attended the administrator's sale of the property of Brother Peterson's estate. Brother Peterson had very wisely provided for the disposition of his property some time before his death, and as a result a considerable portion of it goes into the work of spreading this message.

For some time some of our members have been conferring regarding the arrangement of the academy campus. At odd times, teams and men have been busy grading down the hill around the buildings and getting the grounds in good shape. Just what these people had been doing came to light at chapel last Tuesday morning, when Brother Burman presented to our astonished gaze a neat diagram of the grounds, showing prospective walks and roads, together with trees and flower beds. As soon as he had finished his work, the students took up the matter and nearly two hundred hours of work was offered to put these improvements into place. During the next three days over one hundred trees were set out, which we trust will be permitted to grow and continue the beauty which they have brought to us so suddenly. As Spring comes to us we hope to get in the gravel walks and the flower beds.

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### Western Canadian Union Conference Directory

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Elder H. S. Shaw spent Sunday and Monday of this week at the office in Regina, having returned from Washington, D.C., where he attended the Fall Council of the General and North American Division Conferences. He is now spending a few days at his home in Calgary.

A meeting of the Western Canadian Union Conference Committee has been appointed to convene in Calgary, Alberta, November 11, 12. This will be attended by the presidents of the conferences comprising the Union, and plans will be considered for the advancement of all branches of the work.

A unique plan for carrying on the Harvest Ingathering Campaign will be found outlined in an article, "A Million Dollars for Mission," by Elder Gilbert, in the Saskatchewan department. This method will doubtless appeal to many who have found it difficult to carry on the work in the regular way.

Excellent reports are continually coming from those who are engaging in the Harvest Ingathering Campaign. Before October 24 the Review and Herald had received orders from the conferences in this Union amounting to over five thousand more than was used in the entire campaign last year. This is certainly a good indication and cannot fail to bring definite results in raising funds for missions.

"From Eden to Eden" is something new in the way of tracts. It is different in size from our established tracts, being seven by nine and a half inches, which is the same as the page of the regular ten-cent magazines. The type is very large and easily read.

The front cover is a very beautiful one, with an engraving representing the new earth state, showing a child leading a lion and lamb. The last cover has a photograph of rocky Sinai, on which the Law was given. It is on the Sabbath question, and is gotten out in response to the following recommendation, passed at the last General Conference:

"Resolved, That we request our publishing houses to furnish a series of tracts with attractive covers, covering the principal features of our message, at prices which will enable them to give the colporteurs 60 per cent. discount, and that an effort be made to encourage the lay members in our churches to engage in the sale of our tracts."

It is Number 7 of a new series, to be called "Our Times Series," the remaining numbers of which will treat upon other important doctrinal points and will be published this winter. It contains sixteen pages: price 5 cents each, or \$2.50 a hundred, postpaid.

"'The Truth Emphatically Stated' is the title of a new tract on the Sabbath question, which contains a number of striking admissions by Catholic and Protestant leaders regarding the change from the seventh to the first day of the week. This will be a good tract to use in helping individuals to see the binding obligation of the Sabbath and the proper attitude of the Christian toward the whole law of God."

The paper on which this tract is printed is of such fine quality that 100 copies weigh over 3 pounds, requiring 27c postage. Coming as it does from the press of the Foreign Mission Seminary print shop, it is a credit to up-to-date printing, and commands attention.

### BRITISH COLUMBIA CONFERENCE

The twelfth annual session of the British Columbia Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held in the Manson church at Pitt Meadows, B. C., December 25-29, 1913. The first meeting will be at 7.30 p.m., December 25. The ratio of representation is one delegate for the church and an additional delegate for every ten members. At this time officers for the ensuing year will be elected, and such other business transacted as may be needful. It is hoped that a full delegation will be present as there are important matters that demand attention.

JOHN G. WALKER, President.  
 CHAS. O. SMITH, Secretary.

### BRITISH COLUMBIA CONFERENCE ASSOCIATION

The annual session of the British Columbia Conference Association of Seventh-day Adventists will be held in the Manson church at Pitt Meadows, B. C., in conjunction with the annual conference announced for December 25-29, 1913. The first meeting of the Association will be held Friday, December 26, at 11 o'clock a.m. Officers and Board of Trustees for the ensuing year will be elected, and such other business transacted as may properly come before the delegates.

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