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LIFE

And is this life,—to eat, to sleep,
To sometimes laugh, to sometimes weep,
To work from dawn till set of sun,
Yet feel the work is but begun;
To know some joy, and more of pain,
To love and then to lose again?

Is this then life,—to daily toil,
To labor for the things which spoil,
To make a living or a name,
To win the world's applause or blame,
To do the same things o'er and o'er,—
Is this the whole life has in store?

Ah, life is not in all of this,
If through it all one thing we miss:
Apart from God a life is vain
And cometh soon to naught again;
But Him to trust means rest from strife,
And Him to know is endless life.

—PEARL WAGGONER.

MORE ABOUT THE TEMPERANCE WORK

While on my way to Waldheim, Saskatchewan, to attend the Colporteurs' Institute held at that place, Brother F. L. Hommel accompanied me as far as Edmonton, and we spent a day in the interest of the **Temperance Instructor** and temperance work. We called at the office of the Alberta Temperance and Moral Reform movement, and found the President and Field Secretary present.

Brother Hommel had sent them a copy of the **Instructor**, and also "Temperance Torchlights." They were very warm in their remarks as to the merits of both the paper and book. They said the book is fine for assisting local organizations in getting up programmes and also gives much valuable information that can be used in a general way. They consider the paper the best they have ever seen, and want copies for all their men who are lecturing out in the field.

In looking over the dates for their general meetings to be held in each of the municipalities in the province, we found that the date set for Lacombe was too late to give the students and workers at the school the benefit of the meeting, so the date was changed to May 24. This will give our people there an opportunity to participate in this rally. We trust there will be a hearty response to this move and that all will co-operate in this worthy movement.

On my way on the train I sold 20 copies of the **Instructor** and found that with many the temperance work is a live question. I met the Canadian Northern Railway office inspector and he recommended my work very highly, bought a paper and said he would like to see a copy of the paper in every home in the land.

Another man told me I should get in touch with the movement at Regina. I thanked him kindly, and told him that was just what I intended to do on my way to Winnipeg.

The temperance tide is rising and let every one of us do all we can to help this great cause, by the use of our temperance literature.

W. L. MANFULL.

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TWO WEEKS IN EASTERN BRITISH COLUMBIA

Tuesday, April 21, I started for the Okanagan to fulfill my promise to the Penticton brethren to be with them for quarterly meeting on the 25th. We experienced a refreshing from the Lord and souls renewed their consecration to God to live a new life from this onward. Three were baptized in the little Baptistry which is in the basement of the church,—Brother Ritzey, his wife and daughter. As the direct, pointed test questions were put to the candidates for baptism. We were pleased to hear the frank and decided answers given in the presence of the church. Surely it is good to have a thorough knowledge of this truth before attempting to unite in following in the church, and to be willing to walk in every ray of light the Lord may be pleased to shed across our pathway. The company at Penticton is of good courage and active in missionary work.

The Sabbath following my visit at Penticton was spent at Grandview, and with the brethren at Armstrong. In the forenoon I spoke to the German brethren in the country, and in the afternoon

we drove to Armstrong with Eld. Rottacker, and had service there. The English brethren from Grandview drove to Armstrong that day and the little church was well filled to the delight of the few Sabbath-keepers living in and near town.

Brother George Toombs is now located at Armstrong and does self-supporting work with books and magazines. He reports some interesting experiences.

I also had the pleasure of visiting Brother and Sister Potter on this trip. They are located at Vernon and doing what they can to prepare the way for an effort later on. He reports some interesting experiences with the **Temperance Instructor** with which he hopes to disarm some of the bitter prejudice that exists in that place. A strong effort will be made at camp-meeting time to get the people of the town out to hear the Message.

Two other side trips into the country filled up my time. One was to the home of Brother George Sterling, who lives about seven miles from Armstrong, and the other was to Brother A. D. Cook's home nine miles from Vernon. I enjoyed my visits with these families very much and found everyone of good courage.

J. G. WALKER.

THE OKANAGAN VALLEY

Having been invited to make the Okanagan District my field of labor, and having spent two months in this district, I take pleasure in reporting some of the experiences we have had during this time.

The first two weeks after the Union Conference were spent in the Church Institutes in the district, which were a great source of encouragement to both churches and laborers in this field.

It was then decided to hold the camp-meeting for this district at Vernon this year, and it seemed best for us to locate here to do preparatory work for this and other efforts later.

Nearly all reports were to the effect that Vernon, a city of nearly four thousand people, is the most prejudiced city in the valley. So in beginning work here, especially as it is the beginning of my ministerial work, I came here with a great longing to follow very closely and prayerfully the instructions God has given concerning the work in just such places.

I wish to say that I appreciate more than words can express the privilege of attending the Union Conference, and receiving the help especially for ministers and workers. For a long time the following words of counsel have made a deep impression on my mind, and I determined to follow it as closely as possible:

"When our laborers enter a new field, they should seek to become acquainted with the pastors of the several churches in the place. Much has been lost by neglecting to do this. If our ministers show themselves friendly and sociable, and do not act as though they were ashamed of the message they bear, it will have an excellent effect, and may give these pastors and their congregations favorable impressions of the truth.

"Our laborers should be very careful not to give the impression that they are wolves stealing in to get the sheep, but should let the ministers understand their position and the object of their mission—to call the attention of the people to the precious truths of God's Word. There are many of these which are dear to all Christians.

"Here 's common ground, upon which we can meet people of other denominations; and in becoming acquainted with them, we should dwell mostly upon topics in which all feel an interest, and which will not lead directly and pointedly to the subjects of disagreement."—*Gospel Workers*, p. 299.

The first call I made was on the Baptist minister, and laid before him the plan I had of circulating literature of an educational nature along the lines of temperance, leaving a copy of the **Instructor**, and a copy of **Ministry of Healing** for him to review so he might recommend them if he considered them worthy publications. I also left him a copy of the **Protestant Magazine**, which appealed to him at once.

In the course of our conversation he told me that he had been led just previous to that to give an address in his church to a full house on the subject of the "Second Coming of Christ."

This gave me a good opportunity to explain my church relationship and my interest in that subject. From that day to this he has been a very warm friend, and we have several times met for counsel and prayer together.

In meeting the Methodist minister, I had been warned that he was very prejudiced, but I pursued the same course with him, and he waxed very enthusiastic concerning the temperance campaign, and was much in favor of the work with the **Protestant Magazine**. When, in closing, I mentioned that I am a Seventh-Day Adventist, he seemed almost shocked to think that after all the good talk we had had together, he should find that I was an Adventist.

The next day he met me and said he had decided that I was trying a fine scheme to get him mixed up in the Adventist's work and through that get some of his members. I quietly asked him if he thought it was wrong for me, as a Seventh-Day Adventist, to take such an active part in the temperance work, and the cause of true Protestantism, incidentally calling his attention to the co-operation between the editor of the **Protestant Magazine** and the other leading ministers at Washington, D. C.

I then explained that the reason we take such an interest in the temperance work is because Seventh-day Adventists make both health and temperance principles a greater study than any other denomination. He admitted then that we were about right on the simple diet question, and that the copy of the **Protestant** I had loaned him had stirred him up to study more on that question.

As a result of this and other visits, he not only gave me a splendid recommendation for the **Temperance Instructor**, but asked for, and is now reading, **Rise and Progress of Seventh-Day Adventists**.

I may say that I have thus visited the seven pastors of the churches here, including the Catholic priest and Salvation Army officer, and in every case have had splendid visits on some line or other of our work, and left each one on friendly terms. The

W. C. T. U. of this city refused formerly to have anything to do with the **Temperance Instructor** because of the connection with the Seventh-Day Adventist people. Just last Thursday this society endorsed the paper by asking their President and Secretary to assist me in soliciting funds for its circulation in Vernon.

I have mentioned these experiences as samples of many, indicating that the Lord is working and is willing to help us break down prejudice as we follow his directions in all humility, as expressed by the following: "Only the work accomplished with much prayer and sanctified by the merits of Christ will in the end prove to have been efficient for good."

Brother George Toombs, who is now located at Armstrong, is having some splendid experiences along this line also, in introducing our literature.

E. R. POTTER.

Box 424, Vernon, B. C.

CAMP-MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rates have been secured from the Canadian Pacific Railway to both our camp-meetings, on the certificate plan. Those coming should be sure to get a certificate from the agent to present to the secretary on the camp ground. This, properly signed, will entitle the holder to the reduced return fare. The certificate will be good on all Canadian Pacific Railway lake and coast boats. If for any reason the agent does not have the blank form of certificate, take a receipt showing that the ticket has been purchased. Tickets can be secured as early as May 24 for the Coquitlam meetings as the Workers' meeting commences the 27th.

For the Vernon meeting tickets can be secured as early as June 1. The Workers' meeting commences the 3rd.

Those coming should bring bedding, with a straw tick. We may not be able to get springs at either meetings, or if at all, only a limited supply.

There will be a dining tent at both meetings so that those who do not wish to board themselves can purchase their meals.

Those desiring to tent should write and let us know early. For the Coquitlam meeting the orders should be sent to John W. Lowther, Pitt Meadows, and for the Vernon meeting to E. R. Potter, Vernon, B. C.

If orders for tents are sent in promptly it gives us a better chance to get things ready, and have the required number.

All the laborers on the coast should be at Coquitlam the morning of the 27th, and those in the East at Vernon on the 3rd of June.

The meetings last year were a great help. Let us pray that those of this year may prove a still greater blessing.

J. G. WALKER.

The principal harm of a mis'ake is in making it again. Every day, opportunities pass your door. Don't wait for them to come in and drag you out. Rush out and seize them.

SPECIAL MEETINGS

Special meetings will be held at each of the camp-meetings for Missionary Secretaries and Sabbath-school Superintendents and Secretaries. Some new plans and other matters of special interest to those officers will be brought up at this time, and we especially request every Missionary Secretary and Sabbath-school Superintendent and Secretary in the Coast District to be at the Coquitlam camp-meeting, June 2-7; and every Missionary Secretary (formerly Librarian) and Sabbath-school Superintendent and Secretary in the Okanagan District to be at the Vernon camp-meeting,

BERTHA LOFSTAD.

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CAMP MEETING

The time of our annual camp-meeting is approaching very rapidly, and doubtless many of the brethren and sisters throughout Saskatchewan have been looking for some information with reference to it.

We take pleasure in telling you that it is proposed to have the camp-meeting in the city of Regina, June 25 to July 5. We believe the place and date will be favorable to most of our people. It is a good railroad centre which will avoid much of the inconvenience of changing cars. The courtesy usually granted us of special railroad rates will be secured without difficulty, we hope.

Now, brethren and sisters we want you all to come, and we know that you want to come. So begin now to lay definite plans to be here. The Lord will open the way if you take it to him in prayer. None can afford to miss the privilege of these annual feasts provided by the Lord himself. Of course, it may be absolutely necessary for some to stay at home to take "care care of the stuff," but in this case the Lord will add his blessing to those who are willing to make this sacrifice for the Master.

We would appreciate very much if those who purpose coming to the meeting would send in their orders for tents as soon as possible. The reason that we would like them early is that we may run short of tents, and therefore we would want to have more made to supply the demand, and according to the number of orders we receive from you will depend how many new tents we will have to have manufactured. We have already placed an order for 20 new tents, but from what the brethren have said to us we look for a large gathering this year, and therefore these tents may not meet the demand.

The conference has two sizes of tents for family use:—10x12 at \$3.50; 12x14 at \$4.50. Every one should bring his bedding such as straw ticks, quilts,

pillows and other things to make your tent look neat and tidy. A letter will be written to each of you telling particulars with reference to the camp-meeting.

Let us each pray that this camp meeting will be abundantly blessed of God for the salvation of many souls, and for the spiritual uplift of his people.

A. C. GILBERT.

REGINA

Since the arrival of Spring, the work here has been going much better. People feel better these nice warm days, and they will talk pleasantly about the papers I give them, the object of my work, etc. When I tell them that we expect to erect a tent as soon as weather will permit, they seem pleased, and I hope for a good attendance at the meetings.

We have sold 500 copies of the **Temperance Instructor** on the north side of the city, and I am sure from the many expressions we hear that some good will result. A number of people bought extra copies to mail to friends in the old country.

Many of the people I meet came from places in Great Britain where I have visited, and that often opens the way for a conversation about God's message for today. This is a much slower way of working than we are accustomed to, however it is about the only way we can work the cities and carry the news to all the people.

We are using 200 copies of the **Signs of the Times** each week, besides other literature, and feel confident that some souls will be saved as a consequence. Pray for the work in Regina.

M. MACKINTOSH.

ROSTHERN

I am glad to report that the Lord has done a good work at Rosthern. Four years ago the seeds of Truth were sown at this place. It seemed fruitless at that time, but thank the Lord it was not in vain, for we are now seeing the results of the efforts.

About two months ago through serious illness in one family, the Lord came very near unto them and touched the hearts of the children, so that they sought him earnestly.

They desired help, so Brother Babienco visited them, and the Lord blessed his efforts. It was necessary, however, for him to return to his field. Brother Neufeld of Waldheim also visited them, and the Lord further blessed them while he was there. While Brother Neufeld was still there, I came, and we worked together for some time until it became necessary for Brother Neufeld to return home.

At present Brother Ziprick and myself are here, holding meetings every night, and the Lord is greatly blessing us. Up to the present time thirteen have taken their stand for God. Others are deeply interested and are in the valley of decision; but we have hopes of seeing them walk in the commandments of God in the near future.

Remember us and the work here in your prayers.

C. SUEZLE.

AN APPEAL

In view of the fact that we have to use much literature in connection with our work in the city of Regina, and the burden of paying for the same falls upon the Conference, unless we receive donations from other sources, we take this opportunity to appeal through the columns of the **Tidings** to our Brethren throughout the Conference to assist us in this matter. All those who wish to help pay for our club of **Signs** and other literature, will kindly send their donations to the Conference treasurer stating that it is for the "Regina Literature Fund." A liberal response will be greatly appreciated.

M. MACKINTOSH.

ELECTION OF DELEGATES TO THE SASKATCHEWAN CONFERENCE JUNE 25 TO JULY 5

We hope that all our churches will look after the election of delegates to the conference to be held in connection with the coming camp-meeting. This is very important and we trust that no church will overlook this. The elder of each church has this matter in charge.

According to the constitution of the Saskatchewan Conference the election of delegates must proceed as follows: "The church shall be entitled to be represented as follows: By one delegate without regard to numbers, who shall be the Elder if there is one; and one additional delegate for every five if its members."

To illustrate:—If a church is composed of twelve members it is entitled to three delegates—one without regard to membership, and one additional for every five members.

Let every church elder consider this matter at once lest it be overlooked, and be too late.

A. C. GILBERT.

REPORT OF SABBATH SCHOOL DEPARTMENT Quarter Ending March 31, 1914

Name—	Donations—			Total
	Mem.	Regular.	13th Sab.	
Carlton	22	\$27.50	\$ 5.55	\$ 33.05
Dundurn	21	14.25	10.90	25.15
East Regina	26	19.87	....	19.87
Edenwold	70	33.78	15.00	48.78
Fox Valley	44	11.12	8.00	19.12
Fenwood	44	11.75	5.20	16.95
Hillesden	9	5.71	4.30	10.01
Hanley	19	50.70	29.75	80.45
Happyland	24	8.05	....	8.05
McLean	27	32.80	9.40	42.20
McGee	7	3.10	.50	3.60
Queen Centre	30	13.50	7.00	20.50
Red Deer Lake	28	21.75	6.30	28.05
Rouleau	52	32.05	11.71	43.76
Regina	18	14.01	2.24	16.25
Sonningdale	26	23.33	4.33	27.66
Sunset	10	10.20	4.15	14.35
Swift Current	23	19.10	6.60	25.70
Waldheim	43	28.87	38.80	67.67
Home Department	128	95.39	76.57	171.96
Union Conference .....	..	29.14	....	29.14
Totals, 19 schools.....	701	\$505.97	\$246.30	\$752.27

The first report for 1914 is very encouraging to me, and I have passed it on to you with much pleasure. As you notice, we now have nineteen schools and two or three have lately been organized, so we hope to have their report next quarter. We thank the Lord for his prospering hand, and take courage.

You remember our financial goal for this year is \$3,000, which means that we must have an average donation of \$750 each quarter. You see by this report that we have a little more than this for the first quarter. This is a very good beginning and let us not slacken our pace, knowing the Lord will bless us when we are faithful and do what we can.

May the Lord bless you all and give you courage to do His will at all times.

Mrs. A. C. GILBERT.

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WITHOLDING FROM GOD

"Three is that withholdeth more than is meet, but it tendeth to poverty." Prov. 11:24.

There is a portion of every man's property which he is allowed to "withhold," or retain for the purpose of caring for the temporal needs of himself and family. But there is such a thing as "Withholding more than is meet." God has given specific instructions that the tithe must never be withheld. That does not belong to man. That is God's. Lev. 27:30. The man who meddles with it does so at his own risk. To do so "tends to poverty." Mal. 3:8-10.

"I call upon our brethren to cease their robbery of God. . . . The Lord sometimes opens the eyes blinded by selfishness, by simply reducing their income to the amount they are willing to give. Horses are found dead in the field or stable, houses or barns are destroyed by fire, or crops fail. In many cases God tests men with blessings, and if unfaithfulness is manifested in rendering to Him tithes and offerings, His blessing is withdrawn." Vol. 4, p. 484.

Some neglect to bring the tithe to the storehouse at the proper time thinking, "I will pay it later." Many a soul has been driven to discouragement over that road. Satan seldom says, "No never," to the performance of good deeds, but his plea is, "Wait, it will be more convenient later."

"Let no one when brought into a strait place, take money consecrated to religious purposes, and use it for his advantage, soothing his conscience by saying that he will repay it at some future time. . . . Let none feel at liberty to retain their tithe, to use according to their own judgment. They are not to use it for themselves in an emergency, nor to apply it as they see fit, even in what they may regard as the Lord's work." Vol. 9, p. 247.

Hoping to add a few dollars to their possessions, some will risk the possibility of losing all they have here and eternal life beyond. Withholding tends to poverty—poverty of soul and poverty for want of this world's goods. But "the liberal soul shall be made fat."

C. A. BURMAN.

PROHIBITION IN ALBERTA IS THE GOAL

On Sunday, April 26, the formal launching of the great prohibition movement in Alberta took place. Practically every minister in Edmonton, on this day, made strong appeals to their congregations to arise and aid the temperance forces in their efforts to rid the province of that dreadful curse, liquor. Thousands of people all through the province are becoming deeply stirred over this question and plan to throw themselves into this fight for the betterment of society, the home and the nation. That this people should take an active part in this great movement is seen from the following:—

"In our work more attention should be given to the temperance reform. . . This evil must be more boldly met in the future than it has been in the past. . . In other churches there are Christians who are standing in defence of the principles of temperance. We should seek to come near to these workers, and make a way for them to stand shoulder to shoulder with us. . . If the work of temperance were carried forward by us as it was thirty years ago . . . there would be a shaking among the people." Test. vol. 6, page 110.

It is the plan of the temperance organization to introduce a petition under the direct legislation act in the legislature this fall. Under this act any number of electors, forming not less than 20 per cent. of the total votes polled at the previous election, may present a petition to the legislature, asking for the enactment of any proposed act. The legislature on receiving such a petition for any act, may either pass an act without amendment, or any such amendments as do not constitute a substantial alteration. If the legislature desires to make any important amendments to the act it must be submitted to a vote of the electors, the writ for the election to issue not earlier than three months, nor later than ten months after the close of the session.

Preparations are now going forward for the presenting of the petition having the required number of signatures. As the total vote polled at the last election was in the neighborhood of 100,000, at least 20,000 names must be secured. If the act is submitted to the people, the vote will be taken about next July.

The legislature will probably meet again this year in September. If the house prorogues in October the vote on the temperance bill could not be taken before January, and should have to be taken before the following August. The work of securing signatures will be started in a few days. It is likely that the petition, the biggest ever presented to the legislature, will be about a quarter of a mile long. In connection with this movement there are five things for which we should work:

1. To circulate a large amount of temperance literature.
2. To obtain money from the public to pay for the literature.

3. To obtain signatures in favor of the proposed amendment to the above mentioned act.
4. To hold temperance meetings for the public.
5. To obtain signers to the temperance pladge.

So many of the public are interested in this temperance movement that it will be an easy matter to distribute literature and to raise funds. We shall make many strong friends by such a campaign as this. It will then be seen that we have something beside the Sabbath to present. Leaders are recognizing that we have a very high class of literature, and are looking to us to assist in this great movement.

F. L. HOMMELL.

MANVILLE AND DISTRICT

After the conference in Lacombe it was decided for me to take up work east of Edmonton, and for Brother Halsvick to go north of Edmonton, seeking for interests among the Scandinavian settlements.

We started out the first week in March. I reached Manville late in the evening, and the next morning walked about nine miles south to where there are a number of Norwegian families living.

Brother A. P. Rustad, who accepted this message over 20 years ago, under the labors of Brother Crowthers, in Grand Forks, N.D., lives at the place. I had not met him since the first year I canvassed—twenty years ago.

These people had become somewhat discouraged, but some of the children have begun to obey God's commandments, and a new spirit has taken hold of the father and mother. It was a blessing to meet with them once more. We organized a Sabbath school, and two of the young people are planning to attend the school next year. The Lord surely fulfils his promise to "send Elijah the prophet. . . . to turn the hearts of the children to their fathers."

The few Scandinavian families that live here were very hospitable and many came out to the few Bible readings I held. Although there are some who are much opposed, they opened their doors to me for Bible studies.

Up to April 7, I took 21 orders for different denominational papers, gave away 1050 pages of tracts, and sold 435 pages. May the Lord water the seed sown, and many hearts turn to God.

H. E. SHELSTAD.

ALBERTA NOTES

Brother T. S. Bowett left for Calgary, May 4th, and returned on the 8th.

Elder C. A. Burman, who recently visited the believers at Neapolis, left on the 5th to visit the churches in Edmonton.

We are glad to welcome back to this field, Sister Edith Scoggins and children, who recently arrived from Kansas City, Mo. Sister Scoggins will be joined by her husband some time during the summer.

Brethren Halsvick and Shels'ad are making preparations to start meetings for the Scandinavians in the city of Edmonton in the near future. Let us pray for the success of this effort.

Elder Humann, who has been spending some days with the brethren at Beiseker, returned to Calgary on the 5th, from which place he has left for a visit with the German believers at Josephburg.

Elder J. L. Wilson, who has been holding some meetings in Leduc, has returned to Red Deer, where he expects to begin a series of lectures next Sunday, the 10th. Sister May Knutson, of Rosedale, will assist in this effort as a Bible-worker.

A little girl, whose parents are not of our faith, is doing a good work in Calgary by selling the temperance number of *Our Little Friend*. It was but a short time before she disposed of over twenty copies and she is quite enthusiastic over the prospects of selling more. Will not parents who read these lines send in an order for a few copies of this excellent children's temperance number, and give the children the pleasure afforded by selling them to their friends?

ACADEMY NOTES

A. T. Babienco has dropped his school work and left for his farm in Saskatchewan.

The Calendar Committee held their first meeting on Monday afternoon to prepare the new calendar for next year.

The Junior Class elected officers yesterday as follows: President, Archie Paterson; Secretary, Hazel Knutson, Treasurer, Earl Carle.

A new Bausch and Lomb compound microscope has been purchased by the Academy for use in the Science department. The instrument has two objectives; one a magnifying power of seventy-five times, and the other three hundred and twenty.

Plans are being made for several interesting programs to be given in connection with the closing of school the first week in June. These will be given by the Senior and Junior Classes, and the Music and Public Speaking Departments.

We have recently been favored with a visit from Sister R. S. Greaves, who has been one of our missionaries in Turkey and Greece for the past six years. Sister Greaves expects to leave America in a few months for Sierra Leone, on the west coast of Africa, where she will join Brother Greaves, who was recently appointed to that field.

On Sunday evening, May 3, an excellent program was rendered by the Public Reading Class and some members of the Music Department. Following is the program:
 Recitation—"Beautiful Snow".....S. M. Ryan
 Piano Solo—"Days of Yore" (Englemann)....Susie Haynal
 Recitation—"The Little Heathen".....Clara Gibson
 Organ Solo—"The Shepherd's Song".....Robina Adams
 Declamation—"David and Absalom".....A. T. Babienco
 Piano Solo—"Pure as Snow".....Lydia Christensen
 Recitation—"What the License Cost".....Lillian Swanson
 Violin Solo—"The Shepherd Boy".....A. T. Babienco
 Dialogue—"A Drunkard's Mother"

.....G. Belleau and Vera Alcock
 Chorus—"Hosanna to the Lord".....Academy Chorus

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THE MANITOBA CAMP MEETING

The camp meeting will be held at Morden, July 2-12. I visited Morden and met the city council the evening of the 4th, telling them the object of the meeting, and also asking for the free use of the park, and light for the two large preaching tents, which was freely granted.

The brethren at Morden are willing to do all in their power to help in any way possible. We are looking forward with earnestness praying for the success of this important gathering in Manitoba, and we hope our brethren will at once begin to plan to attend.

I hope no one will say "I cannot go." We are living on the verge of eternity; we do not know how many more camp meetings we will have. Surely there will not be many, for this work is being finished. We will have more to say about this matter later, giving railway connections for reaching the place from different points of the conference.

E. M. CHAPMAN.

GERMAN WORK IN MANITOBA

I returned from Portland the 8th of April. The four weeks I was home seemed very short, but I had to leave for my good field of labor—Manitoba.

We have had very good meetings at Winnipeg, and a few are very much interested. We believe that soon some dear souls will take their stand for the truth.

The 23rd of April I went to Beausejour. We have had very good meetings. The Lord came very near in the meeting. There were at the meetings some Baptists, Lutherans, and English speaking people. They took part in praying and bearing testimonies. Last Sunday we baptized six dear souls.

One man was so very much against the truth that he would not let his wife keep the Sabbath or be baptized. I went to see him, and he received me very kindly. I had a very good talk with him. I invited him to come to our meetings and he came. The word of God just melted his heart and he came to the river with his wife and was very kind to her.

In the evening we celebrated the Lord's Ordinances. The church was crowded with outside people and I think every one took part in bearing testimony. Then this man got up and gave his testimony. He confessed that he had been so foolish as to resist his wife and asked her for forgiveness. They are both nice, faithful people.

Yes, my brethren and sisters, we can see that Joel the second chapter and first verse and Isaiah 52:8 are being fulfilled. I am going to remain here a little longer. Let us all be faithful and do our part to win some souls. God will do his part, and then the work will go forward. Surely God is good to his people.

H. J. DIRKSEN.

TEMPERANCE CAMPAIGN

The following letter of encouragement in the circulation of the **Temperance Instructor** was recently received by Henry Dirksen of Morden from one of the most influential ministers of that district, in reply to the letters he sent out with sample copies of the **Temperance Instructor**:—

"Let me thank you for the copy of the **Temperance Instructor** which you so kindly sent me. It is as good as anything I have ever seen. For point and pithiness it is the best. I am not sure as yet what will be done in this district, but am expecting word from Winnipeg soon. Should a campaign be entered upon, I know of no better ammunition than the **Instructor**. When I learn something definite I will let you know."

It is a recognized fact that we have the best temperance literature in the world, and when this is so why should we not give it a wider circulation

than we are doing. Just now there is a splendid opportunity to circulate the **Temperance Instructor** in Manitoba owing to the great temperance movement now on throughout the entire province. Let us not allow this splendid opportunity slip by, but secure a goodly number of **Instructors** and work the territory about us.

Give the children a chance also to help the cause of temperance. **The Little Friend** has gotten out a beautiful double temperance number, and this is for the children. Its cover in three colors is most attractive and its sixteen pages are full of temperance stories and pictures that will make a lasting impression upon the minds of the youth. Use them freely.

Let us be faithful in distributing these temperance magazines for they will be the means in the hands of God to save many from the awful consequences of intemperance.

B. L. GRUNDSET.

REPORT OF MANITOBA SABBATH SCHOOLS
Quarter Ending March 31, 1914

Place—	Mem.	Offerings		
		Regular	13th Sab.	Total
Austin	12	\$ 3.15	\$1.45	\$ 4.60
Bradwardine	12	24.85	8.00	32.85
Bergland	9	6.60	2.20	8.80
Beausejour	33	10.86	3.70	14.56
Brandon	3	5.00	3.00	8.00
Katrimie	5	16.00	7.00	23.00
Morden	54	13.50	3.30	16.80
Russell	22	21.20	9.25	30.45
Scandinavia	12	4.05	.55	4.60
Winnipeg	40	31.35	9.45	40.80
Winnipeg (German)	14	17.26	5.47	22.73
Home Department—				
Arden	6	5.40	2.30	7.70
Austin	2	1.55	1.75	3.30
Carberry .....	..	..	..	..
Manitou	1	3.50	2.00	5.50
Wakopa	2	2.90	1.00	3.90
Lids'one	5	.95	.05	1.00
Totals	232	\$168.12	\$60.47	\$228.59

LIZZIE NICKEL,

Secretary.

MANITOBA NOTES

Camp-meeting at Morden, in a nice shady grove. Elder Robb has secured a church at Brandon to use in holding the two-weeks' series of meetings, which he and Elder Shaw will conduct.

Sister Sarah Chapman is visiting her son, Elder E. M. Chapman and family, for a few weeks.

Brother Soper writes that some are coming nine miles to services, and he expects to hold a Bible reading with the Methodist minister at Arden, on the Sabbath question.

Elder Chapman is in Brandon helping with the preparations for the meetings there. He expects to spend Sabbath at Carberry, and then return to Winnipeg to help prepare for the Colporteurs' Institute.

A number of people in Brandon express themselves as ready to join us as a people as soon as possible. Some jewels have been searched out here, and it is hoped that during the coming meetings something on the line of organization may be effected, and the work in this city put on a firm foundation. A nice class of people, some of the best church members in the city, have taken their stand. Elder Robb and wife have worked long and hard and are in touch with a large number of fine people.

A man is known not only by the company he keeps, but also by the company he keeps out of.

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Wanted—Clean copies of our papers and magazines for use in missionary work. Address Mrs. A. T. Lovelidge, Vernon, B.C.

Have you made definite plans for attending camp-meeting this year? Notice the dates, places and special notices in this and succeeding issues, and begin to think about it **now**.

Brother E. R. Potter, who is laboring in eastern British Columbia, wishes to correspond with any of our people who have friends living in the Okanagan Valley. Address E. R. Potter, Vernon, B.C.

We have received calls for extra copies of the **Tidings** Vol. 3, No. 3, and our supply is exhausted. Any of our readers having copies to spare, will confer a favor by mailing same to this office.

Beginning with this issue, we will print a complete summary of all colporteur work being done in our territory. We trust all literature workers and secretaries will assist us in keeping this summary as nearly up-to-date as possible, by being prompt in mailing their reports.

We are glad to chronicle the arrival of a new periodical on our exchange table,—the **Asiatic Division Mission News**, which is published monthly at Shanghai, China, and edited by Mrs. R. C. Porter, wife of Elder R. C. Porter, who has charge of that field. The four pages of this new paper is filled with interesting and newsy reports from workers.

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We were made sad Sabbath, May 2, by a message from Washington, D.C., announcing the death of Mrs. G. B. Thompson, wife of Elder G. B. Thompson who is Secretary of the North American Division Conference. Elder Thompson is well known to nearly all of our readers, having attended a number of meetings in this Union. Mrs. Thompson was a sister of Mrs. H. S. Shaw, former Secretary-Treasurer of the Union, and wife of Elder Shaw. We are sure these sorrowing ones will have the heart-felt sympathy of our people throughout Western Canada, as elsewhere. Sister Thompson was laid to rest Monday, May 4, awaiting the call of our soon-coming Saviour, when all pain, sorrow and death will be forever ended.

COLPORTEURS' REPORT January 1 — May 2, 1914

Saskatchewan						
Name—	Book	Hrs.	Ord.	Mag.	Helps	Totals
Chas. Sissons.....G.C.	70	16				\$ 63.00
J. F. Ojala .....P.P.	24	8				35.00
	94	24				\$ 98.00
Manitoba						
Solomon Meikle..Mag.	...	2095		\$ 209.50	\$ 7.65	\$ 217.15
H. P. Parker...Mag.	...	550		55.00		55.00
Duncan Purdon..Mag.	...	100		10.00		10.00
Miss Wood .....Mag.	...	100		10.00		10.00
	...	2845		\$ 284.50	\$ 7.65	\$ 292.15
Alberta						
Riley Ausman ...P.G.	191	48				\$ 222.00
Wm. Bryson .....D.R.	16	9				33.50
	207	57				\$ 255.50
British Columbia						
F. P. Wright ....Mag.	...	178		\$ 17.80	\$ 2.25	\$ 20.05
F. P. Wright ....G.C.	14	3				12.50
Erna and Edeline Elsner .....B.F.	164	19		71.10		96.85
Mrs. J. Toombs...B.F.	25	24			2.25	41.75
A. E. Shantz....P.G.	19	9			4.00	41.00
B. Rippling on ...B.F.	10	10				14.00
Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Fleming..Mag.	...	5400		540.00		540.00
Mrs. W. H. Vass..Mag.	...	526		52.60		52.60
Mrs. F. Allen...Mag.	...	661		66.10		66.10
	232	6830		\$ 747.60	\$ 8.50	\$ 884.85
Seventeen Agents.....	533	9756		\$1,032.10	\$16.15	\$1,530.50
Home Workers' Books						
H. W. Hornfeck ..	40	19				\$20.50
Summary To Date This Year						
Subscription Book Sales						\$ 482.25
Helps						16.15
Magazines						1,032.10
Home Workers' Books						20.50

Total colporteur sales to date this year.....\$1,551.00
NOTE.—The above is a summary of the reports that have reached us to date. If there are other sales, they will be reported in succeeding issues as fast as the reports reach this office.

CAMP MEETINGS FOR 1914

British Columbia, Coquitlam	June 2-7
British Columbia, Vernon	June 9-14
Alberta, Red Deer	June 18-28
Saskatchewan, Regina	June 25 to July 5
Manitoba, Morden	July 2-12