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## GOD KNOWS THE BEST

Some time, when all life's lessons have been learned,  
And sun and stars forevermore have set,  
The things which our weak judgments here have spurned,  
The things o'er which we grieved with lashes wet;  
Will flash before us out of life's dark' night,  
As stars shine most in deeper tints of blue;  
And we shall see how all God's plans were right,  
And how what seemed reproof was love most true.

And we shall see how, while we frown and sigh,  
God's plans go on as best for you and me;  
How, when we called, he heeded not our cry,  
Because his wisdom to the end could see,  
And even as prudent parents disallow  
Too much of sweet to craving babyhood,  
So God, perhaps, is keeping from us now  
Life's sweetest things, because it seemeth good.

And if sometimes, commingled with life's wine,  
We find the wormwood, and rebel and shrink,  
Be sure a wiser hand than yours or mine  
Pours out this potion for our lips to drink.  
If we could push ajar the gates of life,  
And stand within, and all God's workings see,  
We could interpret all this doubt and strife  
And for each mystery could find a key.

But not today. Then be content, poor heart!  
God's plans, like lilies pure and white, unfold;  
We must not tear the close-shut leaves apart,  
Time will reveal the chalices of gold.  
And if through patient toil we reach the land  
Where tired feet with sandals loose may rest,  
When we shall clearly know and understand,  
I think that we will say, "God knew the best."  
—Selected.

## REAL ESTATE

When conditions surround us, which we cannot understand or explain, when that which we expected does not come, then it is that we are brought to consider what is really substantial. Amid the vicissitudes of life, the losses and gains, the joys and sorrows, there is a legacy which holds, which cannot be taken from us. It is our *hope in God*.

That which was called Real Estate a few years ago, does not now seem real. Since the sudden change came in the financial world many men who were rich, suddenly came poor, while yet they held their real estate. That which they held to be valuable in the days of financial prosperity, now in the crisis, ceases to have within it any real value to them.

All such values fluctuate with the financial winds, but our *hope and faith* in God is anchored too deep to break in the time of a crisis.

By some unexpected calamity, we may be prevented from reaping our bountiful fields of grain which seem almost within our very grasp. The war god may cause our fathers and sons and brothers to be slain, and bring

ruin and devastation to our temporal possessions, yet there is a firm, sweet consolation within the breast of him who trusts in God.

When facing famine and disappointment, Habakkuk the Prophet sang his glorious song: "Although the fig tree shall not blossom, neither shall fruit be in the vines; the labor of the olive shall fail, and the fields shall yield no meat; the flock shall be cut off from the fold, and there shall be no herd in the stalls: Yet I will rejoice in the Lord, I will joy in the God of my salvation." Heb. 3 :17-18.

Come what may, there is one thing to be happy about, it is our faith in Him who lives and loves. The Lord has so arranged it that we cannot be robbed of this heavenly boon. He that holds such a matchless treasure possesses an estate which is *real*.

"The chancellor of a Colorado college, while attending the World's Fair in Chicago in the Nineties, was wired home suddenly. A financial crisis had made his property of no value. He took some papers from a drawer with the words "Securities" written across the top. "But," said he, "it is not true; it secures nothing now."

These papers were worthless, because of the financial crash. Real Estate was not real. He felt sad and greatly undone. Everything was gone from him in a day. He sat down and reflected. He said: "Well, this Real Estate is gone, but my *faith in God* is still within my grasp; this is *Real Estate*."

A man met him on the street and said, "Chancellor, you lost everything in the crisis, did you not?" "No," he said, "the crisis struck my property, but it did not strike the Chancellor."

Here is the secret of real life. Every person in every walk and occupation of life, may possess it. Whether we are occupied on the farm, in the shop or in any other profession in life, there is no crisis that can take away our hope and faith in God.

H. S. SHAW.

## OUR PRESENT RESPONSIBILITY

Upon us rests the weighty responsibility of warning the world of its coming doom. This is a solemn duty, but we have entered into covenant relationship with God to be his agents, his channels for the outflowing of his spirit, the highest, mightiest influence in the universe. From every direction, from far and near, are coming the calls for help. Consequent upon the false teachings of centuries there are few who really know what is pending. From every quarter the inquiry is heard, "What do these things mean?" We have the answer in this great message.

The Lord is soon coming. If we believe it we cannot hold our peace. We must make the people know that we believe it by our consecrated lives, by our earnestness and our faith in God. We are not alone in the battle. The great controversy is waging, and is soon to close, "but God and Christ and the heavenly angels are working with intense activity to hold in check the fierceness of Satan's wrath that God's plan may not be thwarted."

Are we, my dear brethren and sisters, doing all we can at this time to give the message of truth to our friends and neighbors? We have unprecedented opportunities. The fields are white to harvest. It is easy to thresh out the grain when it is ripe. With our Harvest Ingathering *Signs*, with our truth-filled literature, shall we not go forth to give the light of truth to all who will hear. Let us not wait for someone else, but begin now. We must seek the Lord earnestly for the spirit of service, for a burden of heart for the lost; and then begin right at home and with our neighbors.

In working for our immediate neighbors our first introduction may be by some little unselfish ministry, such as giving something good out of our own gardens, flowers, plants or vegetables. It is wonderful what such little kindnesses will accomplish. Follow this up with a conversation on present day conditions. Pray for guidance, and then having read the literature ourselves, we can give it to them, and it will be fully appreciated and read in the light of these genuine Christian courtesies. If there are any who have never put forth an effort in a definite way to win souls, or to enlighten their friends and neighbors, let us urge that they begin now. All the heavenly angels are at the service of the humble, believing child of God.

The Harvest Ingathering campaign affords a most excellent opportunity to get acquainted with your neighbors. They will be delighted to learn of the growth of this great movement, as they surely must by reading the *Signs* Ingathering number. They will see that this work bears the impress of the divine. The third angel's message is depending on you. Determine by God's grace to do your duty. Set a definite goal and pray God to help you to reach it. As you work earnestly and faithfully you will meet with some glad surprises. Your heart will be greatly rejoiced. Do not think or talk of what you cannot do; but rather with your eyes fixed on your great Leader, say, "I can do all things through Christ who strengtheneth me; and I will do my best." F. W. PAAP.

### BROADVIEW SWEDISH SEMINARY

We desire to call the attention of our brethren to this important institution for the work among the two million Swedish people in North America. The blessing of the Lord has rested upon the school during the past year, and we have only a good report to bring.

The sacrifices made by the Swedish brethren, and the co-operation by all our brethren in this country, in establishing this school, is evidence that we not only believe that this message is to be preached to every nation, kindred, tongue and people, but that we are doing it. Before this or other schools were established for foreigners in this or any other country, the Servant of the Lord said: "I have sore heartaches, as I think of the work in Switzerland, Germany, Norway and Sweden." "Where there are one or two men

struggling to carry forward the different branches of the cause, there should be hundreds at work." "America has many institutions to give character to the work. Similar facilities should be furnished for England, Australia, Germany and Scandinavia." Vol. 6, p. 20. We believe that the establishing of these schools will not only give character to the work among the many foreigners in this country, but will result in strengthening the work in other places.

Last year fourteen states were represented by students, and scores of our young people have attended the Seminary and there received an inspiration to take up the work among their own people, thus helping to carry the Gospel to the world and finishing God's work.

This year we hope to see a much larger attendance than any year heretofore, and we desire to enlist the co-operation of not only our Swedish brethren, but also our American brethren and educators. The Broadview Swedish Seminary is for every state in the Union and for every Union Conference in the United States and Canada. Its mission is to supply workers for the whole field, and we hope all will help us in filling the school by encouraging all our Swedish young people from near and far to attend this Seminary. Fourteen grades are offered, and the regular Academic course.

For further information and catalogue, address the Broadview Swedish Seminary, La Grange, Illinois, R.F.D. 1, Box 20. G. E. NORD.

### A LIBERAL OFFER

The *Signs* weekly has had a "Question Corner," for more than thirty years. From its columns has been compiled a book called "Questions and Answers." It is divided into nineteen sections, and each section has a full index, so that it is an easy matter to find the many questions it contains. In it difficult Bible texts are made clear, apparent contradictions are harmonized, perplexing questions are answered.

This is a book which should be in every home and church library. The Pacific Press offers it as a premium with the weekly *Signs* on the following liberal terms:

All who subscribe for the Weekly *Signs* from now to the end of this year, and pay \$2.00 will receive the paper until the end of 1916, and a copy of "Questions and Answers."

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Five *Signs* for one year to one address, and one book will cost \$6.00.

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Five members in any church each ordering five copies, making a club of twenty-five copies in all, will each receive a copy of the book.

Heretofore the book has only been given with yearly subscriptions. Now members who subscribe by October 1 will get the paper for fifteen months and the book; if they subscribe by November 1, they will get the paper for fourteen months and a book; and if they subscribe by December 1, they will have the paper for thirteen months and a book. Therefore the sooner they subscribe, the more they will get for their \$2.00.

The club offers are also new and they give opportunities to many to get the book without paying anything more for their clubs of papers than they have always done. It simply requires a definite subscription for five copies of the paper for a year at the regular price of \$6.00 to obtain a copy of the book.

The book is a valuable one. There are texts in the Bible about which our members are frequently questioned in their missionary work. In this book these are clearly explained. Other points often raised against this truth are dealt with. Every home missionary worker needs it. Let all our churches counsel together and get as much from this liberal offer as they can.

E. M. GRAHAM.

## Manitoba Conference

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### SWAN RIVER AND DAUPHIN

On account of haying and the wheat harvest, our already small audience in Swan River diminished, so it seemed impracticable to hold a company of workers there while the small interest which we had was being developed. After corresponding with the president, we decided to locate in Dauphin. Bro. Geo. Soper has located in Swan River and will make that his headquarters while looking after the work started in the country last spring by Elder Chapman, and at the same time will, we hope, be able to establish those who became interested in the truth while we were there. The Lord willing, we shall be glad to return this winter and assist Brother Soper in another series of meetings.

August 18th our company started for Dauphin, and were met at the depot by Mr. Wm. Harkness, the husband of the only Adventist in the city, and taken to his comfortable home. He assisted us in procuring a suitable place for our pavillion, and also in getting our freight on the ground, and in many ways he and his wife have done what they could to make our stay pleasant and profitable. We hope and pray that in the near future Mr. Harkness may take his stand fully for the Master, and with his wife labor for the salvation of their dear boys and others.

We began our meetings August 24th with a small audience, but were happily surprised to greet a larger one the next evening, and our attendance has averaged about the same till the wet weather came on. It has been raining a great deal and as a result our attendance has become small. Several have promised to keep the commandments and many others are deeply interested, and we hope and pray and labor to the end that many precious sheaves may be reaped from this part of God's vineyard. Our faithful co-worker, Brother Frank Finch, has been called back to his work on the C.N.R. We shall miss him very much, as we have been together for nearly a year, working for the salvation of souls. We shall pray that the Lord will make Brother Finch and his wife "shining lights" wherever they may be located.

We would be pleased to hear from anyone having friends living in Dauphin, who are favorable to the truth or whom you think would be glad to study the themes that has brought joy and peace to our souls.

V. W. ROBB.

### TO OUR YOUNG PEOPLE

I wish to thank the young people who have written such encouraging and enthusiastic letters recently. One young lady writes, "I have finished reading *Desire of Ages*, please send the review questions." To have read such a book carefully means a great deal to a young person living in these perilous times. May the example set by this young sister be followed by many.

A young man writes, "Although I have been busy, I have derived many good thoughts from taking the Reading Course." Another says, "We have read the first book of this year's course, and part of the second. They are excellent. Anyone, old or young, will be greatly benefitted by studying them. We are following the 'Bible Year,' too."

Are there not others who will begin a Reading Course? If so, please send me your names. May I also ask that all those who have not already sent in their reports do so, as our quarterly report must be made up soon.

MRS. BARBARA COWAN.

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### THE WORK AMONG THE CHURCHES

Since last camp meeting our workers have spent considerable time working with the different churches in the province. Elder J. L. Wilson, whose former field of labor was Calgary, was asked to go among the various churches and isolated believers. As a result he baptized quite a number of people and also organized two new churches, one at Clemens and the other at Bismark. The Lord has certainly blessed His servant, by bringing into the arms of Jesus many earnest souls. The efforts at Edmonton and Ponoka have resulted in a deep interest being created, and the way prepared for follow-up work.

Elder Adams, in connection with Brother Niergarth, was asked to visit the churches and scattered Sabbath-keepers in the southern part of the province. Here, too, a number of precious souls were baptized. One of the new places visited was Retlaw, where Brother Niergarth organized a Sabbath-school and where some were baptized. Brother George Polinkas, who has also been laboring in this district, tells of many interesting experiences in connection with his work among the people. As Brother Niergarth is leaving to attend the Washington (D.C.) Missionary College, it is planned to send another worker to this part of the field to follow up the work so nicely started.

Elder Reiswig was asked to visit Granum, where Brethren Beane, McCready and others had labored during the summer. He baptized eleven souls, and the writer baptized two more last Sabbath at the same place. There is still a deep interest at Granum.

Brother Neufeld and Brother Harder, spent the past few months in the south-east part of the province. They report a very good interest all over this part of the field. The former, after spending a few days with his family at Lacombe, will return to the south, while the latter will take up work in connection with the Academy.

Brethren J. K. Fish and E. R. Wilson, who recently conducted an effort at Bismark, relate many things of interest. A church was organized at this place.

Sister Ruby Rick, who has been asked to take up Bible work in Calgary in connection with Elder Hansen, reports a good interest among some of her readers.

Brethren A. P. Pond and Cal Smith have for some time been laboring at Bentley and vicinity. They tell of a good attendance at the meetings, in spite of the fact that many were busy harvesting.

Sister Pearl Rick spent a blessed time this summer in assisting Brethren Beane, McCready and Walshie in the effort at Granum. The Lord blessed her both spiritually and physically.

As the results of our labors since last camp meeting, one hundred and fifty souls have been baptized and two churches and several companies have been organized. The Lord has certainly blessed the humble labor of His children in this province, and we give Him all the glory.

Our canvassers in the province have met with fairly good success, and nearly everyone of them has remained right with the work. We hope to see a number of them resuming their studies at the Academy this year, so as to prepare themselves for better service for the coming year.

Brethren and sisters, are you making it a point to pray for the success of the message every day? If not, please stop a moment and consider whether you are doing your duty. Never enter upon a day's work without first offering an earnest prayer to God for the advancement of His cause in the earth. The Lord's treasury is empty at the present time, but we are of good courage, hoping that the brethren will all turn in a good honest tithe from their crops this year, so that the Conference may be in a position to support more laborers during the coming year.

H. H. HUMANN.

#### BISMARK, GADSBY

At the time we organized the church at Bismark it was stated that, "The Baptist minister will speak today at the Brooks school house against the Sabbath and in favor of Sunday-keeping." We felt very sorry that we had not heard it, so that we might have arranged to be present. But now it was too late. The Lord had arranged it otherwise. This Baptist minister sent word that he was sick and could not fulfill his appointment for two weeks. When the time came I was there, and listened very attentively to the speaker as he endeavored to show that God had abolished His law.

After the meeting was over arrangements were made for me to speak the next evening in defence of the law and the seventh-day Sabbath, which I was pleased to do. There was a full house, with two ministers present. They both tried to bring in confusion by asking questions having no bearing on the subject. The Lord gave the victory, however, and we thank Him for His help.

This effort made it possible to organize another Sabbath-school with a membership of thirty-three. Many of the Bismark brethren came over to these meetings, so that when we organized this new Sabbath-school we had over sixty present.

As this same minister had spoken in the town of Ponoka, it was thought best that I speak there also, but as the evening was stormy only fifty-three came out. An interest has been aroused in this locality.

Sabbath and Sunday, Oct. 23-24, I spent with the church at Gadsby. At this place I found a dear brother who was not clear on the subject of tithing. After showing him from the seventh chapter of Hebrews that we are now under the Melchisedec priesthood, and that the tithe is a recognition on our part that the earth is the Lord's and the fulness thereof, he said, "I will pay the tithe." We cannot afford to be dishonest in tithes and offerings. Neither can we withhold the same, for in so doing we are aiding the enemy who claims the earth, and are denying the right of Christ.

I am now at Edmonton, where I expect to hold a few meetings. Pray for the work. Let us also thank God for the success He has given His workers.

J. L. WILSON.

#### SEED SOWING

"So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth; it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please and it shall prosper."

Like the seed sown in the ground by the farmer, so it is with the word of God. Sometimes it stays long in the ground before sprouting, while at other times it springs up quickly.

There are many people who became acquainted with the message through our books years ago, but who have not yet yielded to the pleading of the "still small voice" to obey. Let our brethren and sisters who have been scattering literature for a long season not give up this good work because the seed sown does not spring up in what may seem to them a reasonable time. Remember that, even tho' it may take years before the is any sign of growth, the work is not in vain.

Twenty-one years ago, together with Brother Henriksen, I canvassed for "Prophecies of Jesus," and, strange to say, the family I am now staying with purchased a copy from my fellow-worker. This is how I found out. I handed the man of the house a tract called "Prophecies of the Last Days" and he remarked: "It is interesting to read this again; I have read the same in a book many years ago." Upon questioning him as to the name of the book, he said it was "Prophecies of Jesus" which he had purchased from a young Swede at such and such a time in Wales Co., North Dakota. I then informed him that he had obtained this from my fellow-worker, Brother Henriksen. He could not show me the book, as the children had destroyed it. I took the liberty of asking him and his wife if they did not believe the things contained in the book. "Yes," they said, "We do." Then, said I, "You ought to obey God and keep His commandments and prepare to meet Christ at His second coming." Just when I was leaving his wife said: "When you have your next camp-meeting I must attend."

"In the morning sow thy seed, and in the evening withhold not thine hand: for thou knowest not whether shall prosper, either this or that, or whether they both shall be alike good."

H. E. SHELSTAD.

## CALGARY

Bible work is surely one of the best ways of getting into close contact with the people and learning their real needs.

Through the kind help of the former workers here, I became acquainted with those who had shown some interest in the message under their efforts, and thus the way opened to continue teaching them the truth of God's Word. Some of them are keeping the Sabbath but they need more instruction.

How thankful each of us should be that we have been brought out of darkness into this marvelous light. As I talk to people about the message and study the plain truth with them, I hear all kinds of misleading ideas. Deceptions are multiplying. The great deceiver has so tactfully arranged his theories, mixing truth with error, that we find good Christians all taken up with these theories, honestly believing them to be truth. How much we need heavenly wisdom and tact to expose these errors and show them the true way!

One lady began keeping the Sabbath three weeks ago, simply through reading and the convictions of the Holy Spirit. She rejoices in a bright Christian experience.

Another one of God's precious jewels, who had been living up to all the light she had for many years, and witnessing for her Saviour among all who knew her, readily believed the Sabbath truth as soon as it was explained to her, and spoke as though she expected to obey it.

I am thankful for these opportunities of taking the true light into the homes, and I find that the more it is used the brighter it shines.

RUBY RICK.

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 THE HARVEST INGATHERING

The Harvest Ingathering time is at hand, and we all look forward to a large ingathering, both in money and souls. The Lord has blessed His people this year with a bountiful crop in this province, and He expects us to show our appreciation of His goodness.

All of our twenty-six churches ought to be laying definite plans for this work, giving every member an opportunity to obtain a real experience in this ingathering campaign. Let small companies be organized to go out to spread the good news of the coming of the Lord. Both old and young can take part in this. The Lord has had a good purpose in mind in giving us such a bountiful harvest, and if we do not use this to glorify Him, He will let His curse come upon us.

Before entering upon this important work, we need a preparation, and this can be obtained only by prayer and fasting. We need to see the importance of this work.

Orders for the papers should be sent to the Tract Society at once.

If you need any help along this line, please let us know and we shall do our best to give you the assistance you require. Our isolated believers can also take an active part in this work. Let us ask God to open the way for us to do a good work for Him in this ingathering campaign.

H. H. HUMANN.

## LEARNED TO LEAN

I am just on my way to school, where I shall take up work for another winter. I have had some rich experiences as a canvasser, in the field this summer. While my sales may not have come up to those of the other canvassers, yet I am indeed glad for the many lessons I have learned out on the firing line. I have learned to wholly lean on the arm of Jesus for my success. Every book that I sold was an answer to a prayer that was sent up to God before I entered the home. As I am now leaving the field, I pray God that these precious books, that I have placed in the homes of the people may create a desire for a deeper study of the Bible, and may finally lead to some fruit in the Heavenly Kingdom.

ADOLPH BERNHARD.

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 ALBERTA NOTES

Sister H. M. Sparlin, of Coronation, was a recent visitor at the office.

This is Harvest Ingathering time. Are YOU supplied with papers and prepared to do your part in the campaign? If not—why not?

Elder Humann spent Sabbath, the 9th, with the members of the Granum church. On the following Sunday evening he met with the German brethren of East Calgary.

Brother C. C. Neufeld, who has been laboring for some weeks in the Irvine and Walsh districts, called at the office on the 4th inst., before taking the train for Lacombe.

The location of the Academy primary department has been changed from the building just below the hill, to the Beardsley cottage. To this building an addition is being built, which will greatly facilitate the accommodating of the increased number of students taking work in this department.

On Sunday last we were pleased to greet Professor L. W. Cobb, late of Union College, College View, Nebraska, who called at the office en route to Lacombe. We welcome Professor Cobb to this field and wish him success as he takes up his duties as head of the English department in the Academy.

Arrangements have been made for Elder and Mrs. C. A. Hansen, now at Hughenden, to come to Calgary to engage in evangelistic work the coming winter. Elder Hansen, with his family, expects to arrive here about the 20th. We will indeed be glad to have the interest in Calgary followed up by these faithful workers.

Elder P. P. Adams, who recently visited the district west of Lacombe, where Brethren Pond and Cal Smith have been conducting meetings, reports that God is blessing the efforts of these workers in winning souls. Some families have taken their stand for the truth, and a deep interest has been awakened in the minds of others.

Professor J. L. Beane, teacher of mathematics at the Academy, visited the office on the 11th on his way to Lacombe. He was accompanied by Miss Helen Jacobson, of Granum, who will attend school this coming year. Other students who called at the office on their way to the Academy were Adolph Bernhard from Irvine, and George Belleau, of Winnipeg, Man.

Word has been received from Brother H. E. Shelstad, who has spent some weeks visiting believers in the province, that our Scandinavian brethren and sisters are making preparations for an active part in the Harvest Ingathering Campaign. They are losing no time in sending in their orders for copies of the special numbers of the "Sendebud" and "Tidens Tecken." We are glad to be able to supply these brethren with papers in their own language, and pray that as they sacrifice a little of their time in gathering in funds for the Master's cause, rich blessings may attend their efforts.

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### REGINA

The readers of the *Tidings* will be glad to hear that we have had another baptismal service in Regina. In the Central Baptist church last Thursday evening (September 30) five souls were buried with their Lord in baptism.

At our business meeting last evening the clerk's report showed that we have now thirty-one members. The treasurer reported \$81.55 received in tithes and offerings for the month, not including money collected for local expenses. There are ten members working in the country who will get no money until the farmers have marketed their grain. We are quite confident that the Regina church will pay its way hereafter.

It has taken a long hard pull to reach this point. But with proper attention we feel that the church here will grow steadily stronger. Pray for the work in Regina.  
 M. MACKINTOSH.

### HERE AND THERE

Since we completed arrangements for moving to Saskatoon, it has been my privilege to visit some of the schools and isolated members in our conference.

Sabbath, September 11, we met with the McLean school and were pleased to find most of the members present. We had a good season together in the interest of the Sabbath-school work. It is encouraging to know that the members are desirous of hastening on the work of the Gospel with their lives, prayers, and means. Three or four of the members of this church have been in the field as colporteurs this past season.

From McLean we went to Gillmore to visit one of our isolated members. She has not been in the truth very long and, of course was happy to meet someone of like faith. Our stay with her seemed too short. Although her husband has not taken a definite stand for the truth, he believes it and is anxious to arrange his affairs so that he may be able to keep the Lord's Sabbath as he would like.

Mr. Gilbert joined us September 16, and the next day we went to Rouleau, where we met with the church on the Sabbath. Instruction in Sabbath-school work was given here through an interpreter, who translated into two languages.

Four different languages were represented in the class work. But all studied the same Bible and learned more of the Saviour who gave His life for all men of whatever nationality.

What a praise service it will be when the Lord's children from every nation and tongue come together in the kingdom of their Father, and join their voices in that grand song of deliverance. That will be music. We may speak and think of it. "But what must it be to be there."

After bidding farewell to the Rouleau church we went to the home of Brother and Sister Soeed, who are members of our Home Department, living near Truax. We found them of good courage and endeavoring to live the truth before those around them. They

look forward to the time when they will meet with God's people never to be separated.

Another farewell and we were again on our way, meeting Mr. Gilbert at Swift Current, where we spent the Thirteenth Sabbath with the church at that place. We were pleased also to meet Sister Carlson, one of our Home Department members from Gull Lake, who came down to spend the Sabbath. How these isolated ones do enjoy the privilege of meeting with a company of like believers.

We were glad to see arrangements made to pay for the Review Picture Roll until the middle of next year. The Memory Verse Cards were also given attention. We hope that all our schools will see that they are supplied with these valuable helps.

September 27, we arrived in Calgary, and in the dark hours of early morn a sad picture presented itself as the conclusion of a trip of several weeks. A train, carrying many, many soldiers, passed through Calgary bearing husbands, fathers, and sons from those who loved them. When it had gone, a woman, supported by a lady on one side and a boy of perhaps ten or twelve years on the other, went away weeping. Her husband was on that train.

No doubt the sad heart of that woman held many an anxious forboding for the future. Sad, indeed. But this is only one of the hundreds and thousands of hearts throughout the world which are even thus.

If ever the world needed the comfort and sympathy of the Christian it is now. As never before Christendom should arouse and by the faithful life, earnest prayer, and giving of means help to complete the gospel work and thus hasten the ushering in of God's kingdom of peace. May we all by God's grace do our best.

We plan to be here a few weeks before going on to Saskatoon. We hope to be able to visit other schools at some future time.  
 MRS. A. C. GILBERT.

### NOTICE

A few of the Sabbath schools are yet unheard from. Any secretary who has not yet reported will greatly assist us if they will do so without delay.

We are also anxious to hear from some of our Home Department members. If you have not sent your report for last quarter, this is a gentle reminder for you.

Some good returns are being received from both schools and isolated members, and we would regret very much having to leave any out when we compile our final report.  
 MRS. A. C. GILBERT.

### SASKATCHEWAN NOTES

Brother W. G. Forshaw is visiting our brethren at Tugaska at present. He will be there about a week.

Elder Mackintosh recently baptized five more believers in Regina. The work is getting a foothold in this city, and needs the prayers of our brethren and sisters.

Elder Gilbert made a flying trip to Battleford the other day and met with the Board of Trade there to counsel regarding school matters. He was accompanied by Brother Perry Finkle.

Plans will be laid by the executive committee for the work during the winter months. As far as possible we will have someone to assist our churches and companies during the week of prayer.

Among the visitors at our office last week were Sister E. W. Webster, Macrorie; Elder Ziprick, Brother Flaiz from

Lacombe, Sister Moody from Senlac, and Sisters Robina and Phemia Adams.

The executive committee will meet with the school committee at Saskatoon next Tuesday. Definite plans regarding our conference school at Battleford will then be laid, of which our brethren will be informed in due course.

Orders for the Harvest Ingathering Signs are coming in daily. This campaign is not confined to the date set by the General Conference, and we hope that many of our people will continue the work among their neighbors after the busy season of threshing is over.

Elder Ziprick reports the baptism of fifteen souls south of Macrorie. We know our brethren rejoice with us in the progress of the work at that place, which is largely due to the missionary efforts put forth by our members there. We hope soon to be able to organize a church at this point.

## British Columbia Conference

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### WEDDING BELLS

On September 6th, a quiet little wedding, at which Elder J. G. Walker officiated, took place in Nanaimo, at the home of Mr. Warwick, when his daughter, Miss Ellen Warwick was united in marriage to Mr. Chas. O. Smith. The happy couple left the same evening for Seattle.

It will be remembered that Brother Smith rendered efficient service as our Conference and Tract Society secretary for some time. We are sure that all our people unite in wishing Brother and Sister Smith much happiness as they journey together through life, and success as they engage in further study in preparation for the Lord's service.

### 25,000 SOLD IN THREE WEEKS

In three weeks from the time the first copies of Dr. Magan's new book, "The Vatican and the War," were received from the bindery, the first edition of 25,000 was exhausted.

The book combines history with the unflinching word of prophecy in a most interesting and scholarly manner, giving a brief history of Rome and an accurate account of the events that have led up to the European war. It contains 128 pages, and is illustrated. Price of single copies, postpaid, paper cover, 25 cents; cloth, 50 cents. In lots of ten or more, the price of the paper cover is but 12½ cents each, and the cloth, 25 cents, plus transportation. Order of your tract society.

### ON THE WALLS OF THE SHOP

A lady one evening went into a cake-shop in a town in Japan to buy some cakes for her children. While waiting for her purchase she saw that the walls of the shop were papered with leaves from the Bible. This was so strange that she asked the old woman about it, who told her that one day, passing by a book-shop, she saw a pile of papers thrown away as useless. As her shop needed papering, she thought they were just the thing, and took some of them home, pasting them over the walls. One evening her grandson came in, and began reading aloud from the paper

on the wall. The old woman was so interested in what she heard that she listened eagerly, and got all who would to read it to her. One day a young man came who asked her if she understood it, and whether she was a Christian. She told him how much she enjoyed hearing it, but she did not understand it much; so he promised to take her to church the next day. After this she attended regularly, and became an earnest Christian. She now keeps a stock of tracts by her, and into every bag of little cakes she drops one. Is not this encouraging? All that good came out of leaves of the Bible which were considered of no use and thrown away.—*Friend of Missions.*

### COLPORTEURS' REPORT

Saskatchewan—Two Weeks Ending September 24						
	Book	Hrs.	Ord.	Mag.	Helps	Total
Opal Fauver	B.R.	24	3	.....	.....	\$ 12.50
Elmer B. Clark	B.R.	45	8	.....	\$4.25	35.25
Mrs. Ellen B. Clark	B.R.	23	18	.....	7.65	77.65
P. O'Brien	B.R.	55	36	.....	7.05	169.05
L. A. Philpott	P.G.	45	21	.....	.....	96.00
Louise Unruh	B.R.	24	3	.....	.....	11.50
C. K. Wilson	G.C.	85	36	.....	.60	145.60
Ida Coles	Mag.	26	225	\$22.35	.....	22.35
		327	350	\$22.35	\$19.55	\$569.90
Alberta—Two Weeks Ending October 2						
	Book	Hrs.	Ord.	Mag.	Helps	Total
Ralph E. Robinson	B.R.	105	27	.....	.....	\$98.50
Mrs. L. M. Ratliff	S.B.	21	100	.....	.....	25.00
Mrs. L. M. Ratliff	Mag	74	329	\$32.90	.....	32.90
William T. Tall	G.C.	29	13	.....	\$1.90	51.40
		229	469	\$32.90	\$1.90	\$207.80
Eleven agents		556	819	\$55.25	\$21.45	\$777.70
Previously reported						\$27,330.10
Total reported to date, this year						\$28,107.80

### REPORT OF SALES, CANADIAN BRANCH

September, 1915						
	Sub.	40%	Trade	Educ.	Tracts	Totals
Alberta	\$1,879.35	\$28.55	\$60.25	\$00.70	\$00.45	\$1,969.30
British Col.	850.10	80.45	75.10	17.30	4.55	1,027.50
Manitoba	2,159.40	16.15	20.35	.....	24.00	2,219.90
Sask.	7,289.40	17.20	14.10	.....	.63	7,321.35
	\$12,178.25	\$142.35	\$169.80	\$18.00	\$29.65	\$12,538.05
Total sales for September, 1915	\$12,538.05					
Total sales for September, 1914	7,635.61					
Gain for September						\$4,902.44
Gain for nine months						\$2,902.33

J. M. ROWSE.

### HEALTH AND TEMPERANCE

*Health and Temperance* is strictly the home magazine—the visiting physician to the family—looking after the practical side. The November number contains so many good things, among which are, Diseases that are known to originate in the mouth, Over-eating, Care of the children's teeth, Whooping cough, Wounds, Erysipelas, Mislabeled Medicines, etc.

*Health and Temperance* does not create prejudice and is the "opening edge" for all missionary work. The long evenings are here and people want reading matter. Send to your tract society for fifty copies for two dollars, or a less number at five cents each. The November number is ready.

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The campaign in behalf of the good old "Review" is succeeding wonderfully well. Our goal for the Union as set by the publishers is 627. The total subscription list at present is 544, or 83 short of the goal. Saskatchewan has gone beyond the mark. With a little more effort we shall accomplish our object. No family can afford to be without this able "Minister" in the home.

At the present time there is a great activity in the homes of thousands of Adventists' families. Parents who by stern sacrifice have saved a few dollars to send their children away to school are saying farewell to those who are more precious to them than gold. Our educational institutions are opening their doors to receive these youth and to instruct them in the ways of righteousness. We invite the parent who is still undecided which course to pursue, and the wavering young man to ponder the following: "The greatest want of the world is men,—men who will not be bought or sold; men who in their inmost souls are true and honest; men whose conscience is as true to duty as the needle to the pole; men who will stand for the right though the heavens fall."

The words of Mordecai to Esther are for every daughter today, "Who knoweth whether thou art come to the kingdom for such a time as this." "It is impossible for anyone to foresee to what he may be called. He may be placed in situations where he will need quick discernment and well-balanced arguments, and therefore it is for the honor of Christ that well-educated workers should be multiplied among us; they will be better able to communicate the truth in a clear, intelligent way, and the truth should be presented in a way that will be as free as possible from defects."

Elder H. S. Shaw left Calgary on Monday, the 11th, to attend the Saskatchewan Conference Executive and School Committee Meeting which convenes in Saskatoon on the twelfth.

The believers in the Union contributed \$1,278.63 toward the support of foreign missions during the month of September. Of this amount \$1,123.00 came from the Sabbath-schools. Certainly this department is a mighty soul-saving agency. We cannot estimate the value of our gifts. If this money was instrumental in redeeming but one wayward son of Adam, your sacrifice was worth while.

The tithe for the same month amounted to \$2,590.70. This is considerably below the average, but when it is recalled that harvesting is only just over and threshing delayed in many parts of the field because of insufficient machinery, bad weather, etc., the falling away can be accounted for. We are not remiss in our duties, or indifferent to the needs of the cause. Time will demonstrate our loyalty.

Many felt at the outbreak of the war there would be a falling away in our publication sales, owing to the great depression in the financial market and the disturbing of society in general. That this is not the case will be seen from the following: From January 1 to September 30, 1914, the total sales in the Pacific Press territory amounted to \$171,925.05, while for the same period during 1915 the sales reached a total value of \$215,598.35. This is a gain of \$43,673.30. The promise is that "The sales of our literature shall increase until the end." We can depend upon the promise. How gratifying it is to be a falling off in the sale of our publications, owing succeed.

### WHAT SIMPLE READING DID

An Oxford man who was conducting a most profitable work for students in connection with the government college at Allahabad, told of a Hindu student with whom he had been privately reading the Bible for over a year. He had not mentioned to the student the subject of his personal acceptance of Christianity. He had noticed, however, certain changes in the student's life. At the beginning of the second year of study he asked his Hindu scholar what impression he had gained from his reading. He answered: "The influence I have gained is not one of thought merely; it has changed my life and my life-work."—*Selected.*

An Indian chief who had been converted from heathenism was exceedingly fervent in his prayers and praises during worship, and extremely generous in his kindness and gifts to the missionary and his work. The missionary at length asked the Indian why he was so jubilant in his devotions, and so lavish in his gifts. The convert made this pathetic reply: "Ah! you have never been in the darkness!"—*The Sunday School Chronicle.*

### OBITUARY

KLEINFELD—Sister Edith Kleinfeld was born in Prussia, Ger., Sept. 23, 1847, died in the General Hospital, in Vancouver, B.C., Sept. 15, 1915, of blood poisoning from a broken leg. She was a member of the Leduc, Alta., S.D.A. church and remained faithful to the end. Only a husband is left to mourn her loss. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer on the funeral occasion.

A. O. BURRILL.

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