

Western Canadian Tidings

"BEHOLD I BRING YOU GOOD TIDINGS"

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FISHERS OF MEN

"And Jesus said unto them, Come ye after me, and I will make you to become fishers of men."—Mark 1: 17.

The original word which is translated into fishers means one who is a fisherman by trade, whose regular daily business it is to catch fish. It does not mean one who fishes occasionally as a pastime or sport. This gives special significance to the words of Jesus, for they say to each one of us, "Follow me, and I will bring about such a change in you that your chief business will be the winning of other souls for Christ." Jesus' promise to make us to become fishers of men depends upon our following him. If we follow, he will do his part.

On the other hand. If those who profess to be believers of Christ find that they have no particular interest in seeking for souls to win to Christ, what then? Should it not be evident to them that they cannot be really following him? His word is sure, His promise cannot fail. The only possible failure is in those who claim to be His followers. If then, there is in us no compelling power to drive us forth to seek to do something to lead others to Christ, should not that cause us to seek most earnestly to find out wherein we are failing to follow Christ?

There are some who have become fishers of men, they do have a strong desire to do something to lead souls to a knowledge of Christ, but they do not know just how to start fishing. All fish cannot be caught with the same bait. So souls cannot all be reached by the same method. For this reason the Lord has given us in our home missionary work, a number of different ways of presenting the message. Some people can use one of these to good advantage, and others accomplish more by some other method. But there is, among these various lines of work, something that everyone can do, and many can use several of these methods.

To help those who do not know how to start their soul-winning work, some leaflets are being published. There are now ready for use the following: "The Best Method for Winning Souls" (Personal Work), price ½ cent; "The Use of Tracts," ½ cent; "How to Use Periodicals in the Soul-Winning Campaign," ½ cent; "Small Books as Soul-Winners," ½ cent; "Magazines, Their Place in God's Work," ½ cent; and "Missionary Correspondence," ½ cent. Others will be issued shortly, dealing with other methods of work.

These leaflets contain directions for the use of some kinds of bait in soul-winning work. After studying

these, the members who have a sincere love for souls, can set themselves to work. The Lord is blessing the efforts of those who are following these methods of fishing, but he needs more fishers.

EDITH M. GRAHAM.

WESTERN CANADIAN UNION GOAL

Our young people of the Western Canadian Union Conference are the most valuable asset of the work. To them is given the privilege of carrying, in a large measure, the gospel to these more sparsely settled parts. Indeed it would seem that the aggressive movement of our work will be very limited but for the fact that our young people, who by their early christian experience are endeavoring to open up new fields for further work in evangelizing lines. Through them the canvassing work which is the right arm of our message has been conducted. Moreover, many of our youth are in demand for foreign fields, furthermore our sphere is not alone in the evangelizing work but also in bringing together and establishing the children of our believers in the Truth. Our consecrated youth can perhaps do more for the unconverted youth of our ranks than can others more talented, through their influence more are led to follow the precepts of our great Pattern. By their consecrated life they may be as they have been a savor unto life everlasting. We believe that this is the earnest endeavor of each one of our honest youth. Through them much good has been accomplished and we must lengthen our ropes and strengthen our stakes that we may have a measure for our ropes.

We will give the proportion as regards the work of our young people in our denomination. It would seem that with this new year we should feel to take new courage in our work, knowing that the coming of the Redeemer draweth nigh, even at the door. That we might have a definite work to do, we are suggesting the work of our various conferences. It has been sent to us by our leader. This is based upon the work of all our young people of America. We must take hold and lift and do our part. It is necessary to ask for one Standard of Attainment Certificate for each 1½ members of our young people, in order to reach our goal for this year—one convert for each 6¼ of our young people, one to read the Bible through for each 6¼, and one reading course certificate for each 4 1-6.

Having our work thus allotted to us, at least having the goal set for our work, I am sure that we will set ourselves to the accomplishing of our goal. I herewith give the goal for the Western Canadian Union, which I trust will be largely self explanatory.

WESTERN CANADIAN UNION GOALS, 1916

	No. Sr.	Y.P. Jr.	Att. Sr.	Members Jr.	Y.P. Sr.	Conv. Jr.	B.Y. Sr.	B.Y. Jr.	R. Sr.	C. Jr.	Missions, Sr.	Missions, Jr.	Total
Alberta—													
1916....	178	85	14	7	28	14	28	14	50	21	\$550.00	\$85.00	\$ 6.35
1915....	170	55	15	..	30	..	30	..	45	..	562.50	....	562.50
British Columbia—													
1916....	117	13	9	1	18	2	18	2	27	3	293.00	13.00	306.00
1915....	110	..	7	..	14	..	24	..	21	..	275.00	....	275.00
Manitoba—													
1916....	58	..	5	..	10	..	10	..	15	..	145.00	....	145.00
1915....	77	..	5	..	10	..	10	..	15	..	192.50	....	192.50
Saskatchewan—													
1916....	27	15	2	1	4	2	4	2	6	3	68.00	15.00	83.00
1915....	27	15	3	..	6	..	6	..	9	..	105.00	....	105.00
1916	380	113	30	9	60	18	60	18	90	27	951	113	1064
Sr. and Jr. Combined.....							493	39	78	78	117		1,064
1915							454	30	60	60	90		1,135

In some cases at least perhaps it may be wise to raise the goal, however, I am sure it shall never be thought to be lowered. Shall we not as young people of the Western Canadian Union set ourselves to the accomplishing of this goal that we may bring many souls into the light of this Truth and thereby multiply the stars in our crown when rewarded by the Great Giver of Life with a crown that fadeth not away.

E. D. DICK.

Manitoba Conference

Office Address, 418 Lansdowne Avenue, Winnipeg, Manitoba. President, E. M. Chapman; Secretary-Treasurer, B. L. Grundset; Sabbath-school Secretary, Mrs. V. W. Robb; Educational Secretary, Geo. R. Soper; Missionary Volunteer Secretary, Mrs. Barbara Cowan; Tract Society and Home Missionary Secretary, B. L. Grundset; Religious Liberty Secretary, E. M. Chapman.

MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER ITEMS

The following are a few of the remarks made by Missionary Volunteers after reviewing a reading course:

"The lessons we may learn from Livingstone are, perseverance, gentleness, peace-making and keeping one's promise."

"I learned a lot of things about insects and flies from 'Friends & Foes.' I never knew before what helped a fly to walk on the ceiling. The study of this book should make us feel that we cannot worship God enough, for he has created so many wonderful things."

"Reading the 'Black Bearded Barbarian' has helped me to see God's great protecting care over His children, and also what can be accomplished by determination. Surely God hears the prayers of the righteous."

"Reading 'Things As They Are' has increased my desire to be a missionary and to go and tell the good tidings to those who know it not."

"These reviews certainly help to establish in a person's mind what he has read."

"The six words which tell the secret of Mrs. Judson's beautiful life are,—consecration, honesty, obedience, love, courage and faith."

"Through reading 'Desire of Ages' my conception of the patient endurance and kindness of Christ has become much greater, and his mission much more important to me. I feel it my duty, stronger than ever, to sacrifice my life for the good of others. I can see

more than ever the importance of studying Christ's life. I have a greater longing to be like Him."

We are thankful to know that the young people are learning such beautiful lessons from the books they are reading.

MRS. BARBARA COWAN.

MANITOBA NEWS NOTES

The members of the English Winnipeg church, both old and young, are selling the "Temperance Instructor" with good success.

Orders are coming in nicely for the "Temperance Instructor." We want all our people to do their part in the campaign against liquor.

After seeing a copy of the "Temperance Instructor" while travelling, a man from Deloraine gave us an order for ten copies. Everyone is pleased with the paper, except, of course, John Barleycorn and his agents.

Brother David Guldbrandson is holding an effort for the Icelandic people in Winnipeg. The attendance has not been very large, but the same persons attend each evening often bringing new ones with them. Let us remember this work at the throne of grace.

Elder E. M. Chapman spent a few days at Beausejour last week remaining over Sabbath. He reports the church there in a thriving condition, rejoicing in the message and working for the salvation of others. This company reports a new Sabbath-keeping family added each year to its organization, which is certainly encouraging.

ATTENTION

Kindly note these statements from *The Testimonies*, Vol. VI., p. 110, 111.

"In our work more attention should be given to the temperance reform . . . Especially does the temperance reform demand our attention and support. This evil must be more boldly met in the future than in the past. Careful attention must be given to those who are enslaved by evil habits. We must lead them to Christ.

"In other churches there are Christians who are standing in the defence of the principle of temperance. We should seek to come near these workers, and make a way for them to stand shoulder to shoulder with us.

"If we showed a zeal in proportion to the truths we are handling, we might be instrumental in rescuing *hundreds, yea thousands*, from RUIN. As we see men going where liquid poison is dealt out to destroy their reason, as we see their souls imperiled, what are WE doing to rescue them?"

Dear brethren and sisters, and especially young people of Manitoba, can we not take hold of this temperance work and not have the blood of "hundreds, yea thousands," upon our garments in the final time of reckoning?

The best number of the *Temperance Instructor* is ready and NOW should be scattered by thousands in this province, before the people vote at the polls in March, relative to banishing the bar. This surely demands our *attention* and SUPPORT, more so NOW than at any other time. We can save many souls and bring a blessing to ourselves. James 5:20.

God will bless our efforts. The greater the effort the greater the blessing. Order, immediately, as many as you can use, that you may be able to scatter them before March 14th.

Consider this a personal appeal. I take this means of speaking, since it will reach you all and save much writing and postage. This work will prosper if done with all our hearts. 2 Chron. 31:20, 21.

GEO. R. SOPER.

REVENUE STATEMENT

Manitoba Conference of S.D.A., December 31st, 1915

INCOME		
Tithe		\$4,710.22
Churches—		
Austin	\$487.60	
Branwardine	908.10	
Beausejour	189.83	
Brandon	210.18	
Conference	573.80	
Carberry	52.85	
Dauphin	10.00	
Morden	365.55	
Russell	438.05	
Scandinavia	77.42	
Winnipeg—English	855.64	
Winnipeg—Icelandic	168.59	
Winnipeg—German	372.61	
N. A. Division Appropriation.....		740.13
Local Funds Transfer.....		736.95
General Relief Funds.....	\$591.83	
Donations	145.12	
Interest		127.94
		\$6,315.24
EXPENSES		
Laborers' Salary and Expense		\$5,188.25
Salary	\$4,527.74	
Traveling Expense.....	361.32	
General Expense.....	310.04	
	5,199.10	
Less return from transfer	10.85	
	5,188.25	
Expense		417.04
General	103.23	
Tent and Camp Meeting....	92.04	
Heat and Light.....	45.92	
Rent	47.50	
Postage	42.70	
Literature Fund.....	40.16	
Committee Expense.....	24.25	
Stationery	16.11	
Exchange	5.13	
Depreciation		101.15
Camp Meeting Equipment...	70.77	
Personal Property	30.38	
Specific		989.14
Tithe to Missions.....	235.51	
Sustentation Fund.....	282.61	
Tithe to Union.....	471.02	
Western Canadian Tidings....		241.94
Total Expense.....		\$6,937.52
Expense Exceeds Income.....		622.28
		B. L. GRUNDSET, Treas.

BALANCE SHEET
MANITOBA CONFERENCE OF S.D.A.
December 31st, 1915

ASSETS		
Cash in Bank.....	\$3,767.34	
Bills Receivable.....	1,475.00	
Personal Accounts.....	27.22	
E. M. Chapman.....	\$ 3.71	
V. W. Robb.....	23.50	
Inventories		808.75
Camp Meeting Equipment..	519.10	
Furniture and Fixtures....	168.02	
Rent	87.50	
Stationery	24.13	
Fuel	10.00	
Total Assets.....		\$6,078.30

LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS

Local Trust Funds.....		\$3,584.10
School Fund.....	\$2,638.83	
School Fund (Interest).....	405.55	
Educational Fund.....	418.32	
Church School Fund.....	110.50	
Religious Liberty.....	10.90	
B. L. Grundset.....		59.32
		\$3,643.42

SURPLUS STATEMENT

Surplus—Jan. 1, 1915.....	\$3,057.16	
Less Loss for Year.....	622.28	
		2,434.88
		\$6,078.30
		B. L. GRUNDSET, Treas.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE MANITOBA TRACT SOCIETY
Year Ended December 31, 1915

RESOURCES

Cash in Bank.....	\$1,050.33
Accounts Receivable.....	893.31
Office Furniture Inventory.....	160.75
Merchandise Inventory.....	600.69
Postage Inventory.....	3.15
Stationery Inventory.....	35.00
Expense Inventory.....	2.50
Total	\$2,745.73

LIABILITIES AND PRESENT WORTH

Local Trust Funds.....	184.40
Stock—Present worth.....	2,561.33
Total	\$2,745.73

LOSS AND GAIN

Gain		
Interest	16.64	
Merchandise	563.23	
Total		579.87

Losses

Expense	92.26	
Exchange	7.23	
Freight and Express.....	41.39	
Heat and Light.....	2.00	
Institute Expenses.....	20.60	
Personal Property (Depreciation).....	18.55	
Colporteur's Car Fare.....	53.05	
Postage	72.03	
Colporteur's License.....	10.00	
Scholarships	19.99	
Stationery	30.22	
Sustentation Fund.....	38.90	
Doubtful Accounts.....	110.50	
		516.72

Net Gain..... **63.15**

STOCK

Present worth—January 1, 1915.....	\$2,498.18
Net Gain for Year 1915.....	63.15
Present worth—December 31, 1915.....	\$2,561.33
	B. L. GRUNDSET, Treas.

February 10th, 1916.

To Whom it may Concern:—

I have audited the accounts of the Manitoba Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, and the Manitoba Tract Society, for the year ended December 31, 1915.

I have verified the cash, the inventories, and other current assets as of December 31, 1915. Sufficient reserves have been made for probable losses on accounts receivable. Ample allowances have been made for depreciation on property. All known liabilities have been included in the accounts.

I hereby certify that in my opinion the accompanying Balance Sheet, and Profit and Loss Statement correctly represents the financial condition of the Conference and Tract Society as of December 31, 1915, and its operation for the year ended with that date.

F. L. HOMMEL,
W.C.U.C. Auditor,

Alberta Conference

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 Mooney; Sabbath-school Secretary, Mrs. H. Gertrude
 Rick; Tract Society Secretary, F. L. Hommel; Religious
 Liberty Secretary, J. L. Wilson.

EDMONTON

"Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with all thy might." This is the principle on which we are trying to work here, and the Lord is surely blessing us. Nearly the whole church is at work for the salvation of souls.

I well remember a little story that was told about a boy and his dog, which has made a lasting impression on my mind. I will relate it in order that others may benefit from the lesson in it. The boy hitched his dog to a little waggon and the dog went along splendidly until he came to a hill. Then he stopped and began to bark at everything he could see and much that he did not see. A gentleman came along and said, "My son, what is the matter with your dog?" "Nothing," said the boy. "Well, what is the cause of his barking so?" asked the gentleman. The boy quickly responded, "He has nothing to bark at, but he is barking *because he does not want to pull.*" Now, brethren, we all want to be pullers for all that one who "barks" can do is to make a noise to attract some one's attention.

Our brethren and sisters here are alive to the situation and are pushing forward the work. They are going from house to house with literature and as a result are finding many families who are interested in studying the message.

It is encouraging to note the faithfulness of our people in rendering to the Lord His own. I met a doctor a few days ago who said: "I suppose you people are suffering very much on account of the hard times?" I said, "No; our people believe that Jesus is soon coming and are therefore faithful to every requirement of God." He said, "What denomination do you represent?" After telling him, he said: "I know some of your people down east. They were great supporters of your church, and seemed to be very prosperous." He could not understand the reason for this, but I trust he will before long. It is a glorious thing to be connected with this message, and especially in these times, when everything seems to be failing but the word of God. May the Lord help us to be faithful to Him always.

J. L. WILSON.

CAYLEY

On January 14th the writer arrived at the above-named place and spent the following Sabbath with Brother Carruthers, who lives a few miles from town. I found Brother Carruthers and family of good courage ready to testify to the goodness and love of God. They have long looked forward to the time when their friends and neighbors would have an opportunity to hear the message of the soon-coming Saviour and kindred truths which are so dear to us as a people.

After studying the field and conditions, it was thought best to begin meetings in the town of Cayley. We secured the use of a hall and began meetings on the night of January 20th with about twenty-five in

attendance, some of whom had driven in from the country. On account of the severe cold and the shortage of fuel, it was necessary to postpone a few of the meetings, but at this writing we are continuing, and an interest seems manifest on the part of some. What the results will be when the testing truths are presented we cannot tell, but our trust is in God, who "giveth the increase," and we are praying that He will guide in the presenting of the Word that the seed sown may spring forth and bear fruit.

J. K. FISH.

ALBERTA NOTES

Brother W. O. Bates, of Didsbury, was a recent caller at the office.

Brother Fisher, of Clemens visited the office recently while passing through the city on his way home from Carstairs.

Pastor Humann met with the Calgary church on Sabbath the 5th inst. Since then he has visited Edmonton, Wainwright and Castor.

Brother R. P. Mooney, Conference Field Secretary, spent a few days at the office recently. Brother Mooney has been visiting several of our isolated believers, as well as some of the churches in the province. He reports some interesting missionary experiences in connection with his trip. We were especially glad to learn of the goodly degree of courage being enjoyed by our scattered brethren and sisters.

On Tuesday, the 8th, the members of the Calgary church with some of the new Sabbath-keepers and their friends assembled in the office building to spend an hour or so in social gathering. An excellent little program was rendered consisting of songs and recitations. In this the children performed a creditable part. Following this the time was spent in getting acquainted with one another and making new friends. All expressed themselves as having enjoyed a pleasant evening together.

ACADEMY NEWS NOTES

Miss Blanch Hippach will be staying at the home of Brother and Sister Courser for the winter. She is going to school.

Professor Dick made a flying trip to Red Deer on Wednesday to interview the customs officers in regard to some freight which was held in bond.

Miss Susie Haynal has recently become a member of our school home, having moved into the home yesterday from Brother Beane's, where she has been staying for a portion of the first semester.

A shipment for our library has recently come in. Fifty new books have been added. Our library is growing and we now have 552 volumes, and it is hoped that this number will be greatly increased in another year.

Miss Bertha Gilbank, a graduate of our class of 1915 from our Academy, who is now at Walla Walla College, has been elected as assistant preceptress. We are very glad to hear of this, for we feel sure that students from our Academy are in demand.

A number of our students expect to attend Union Conference, which will soon be in session at Calgary, though we would wish the Union Conference might be held here, but on account of our large number we are afraid the accommodations would not be satisfactory.

The late arrivals of students for our school home are as follows: Almeada Willett, Ralph McConnaughty, Andrew Lemp, Richard Watchorn, Jessie Unwin, Francis Polychek, Nick Katenko, David Kindopp, Blanche Hippach, Mike Philbrick, Bertha Astleford, Bernice Clark.

Last wash day the smoke from the laundry stove that should have gone up the chimney came out into the room, making it very unpleasant. On account of this trouble it has been necessary to put on a sixteen foot addition to the chimney. It is hoped that this will avoid any further trouble.

The Academy now has an enrollment of 216. We are glad to have this encouraging enrollment. It has been necessary for three of our school family to go home at the close of the first semester on account of the pressing needs at home, those being Harry Ludlow, Glen Krebs, and Luther Hansen.

British Columbia Conference

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BRITISH COLUMBIA MEETING

During the Conference and Missionary Institute, the press of Vancouver has been very liberal in giving space to reports of our work and conference proceedings. A few extracts from articles which have appeared are given herewith:

"The fourteenth annual B.C. Conference of Seventh-day Adventists held their opening session this morning at their Union Street church.

"The President's address was one bringing good cheer and courage to the hearts of all the delegates. The membership of the conference has increased during the past year to a larger extent than ever before in the history of the cause in British Columbia."

The Sun, Feb. 2.

"In the evening the delegates and public listened with interest to an address given by Pastor H. S. Shaw. He dealt with fundamental principles upon which the S.D.A. denomination is founded." This appeared in the *Vancouver World* of Feb. 2nd, and was followed by a good statement of our relation to Christ and the Law of God.

Under the heading of "Favor Total Prohibition," the following appeared in the *Vancouver World* of Feb. 8th:

"The cause of temperance has received considerable attention at the Seventh-day Adventist Conference now proceeding in the city, and in harmony with their increasing interest, the following resolution has been passed:

"Whereas the fundamental principles of the Seventh-day Adventist denomination call for an uncompromising stand in favor of temperance, and

"Whereas intemperance is one of the great causes hindering the work of God in the hearts of men, and,

"Whereas a very large percentage of the suffering of mankind is directly traceable to intemperance, and,

"Whereas, the cause of temperance is one of the present-day issues in our good province:

"Therefore be it resolved: That as delegates of the Seventh-day Adventist churches of British Columbia assembled in annual conference, we re-affirm our desires to co-operate with every consistent effort in our province for total prohibition by voice and pen and vote, and by the widest possible dissemination of temperance literature."

"From the beginning of the movement being carried on by the Seventh-day Adventists the cause of temperance has always been given much consideration. One of the first writers on the fundamental principles of the Seventh-day Adventists, Joseph Bates, organized one of the first temperance societies in the United States. The Seventh-day Adventists of British Columbia have distributed thousands of their special temperance publication, "The Instructor Temperance Annual," and they purpose giving it a wider circulation this year than ever before." E. R. POTTER,

REVENUE STATEMENT

British Columbia Conference of S.D.A., Dec. 31, 1915

INCOME

Tithe	\$8,252.57	
Armstrong	\$ 164.10	
Conference	560.07	
Firvale	244.48	
Grandview	773.56	
Isolated	1,084.71	
Lumen	352.61	
Mission	37.80	
Manson	376.31	
Nanaimo	638.47	
Nelson	21.75	
Penticton	538.39	
Silver Creek	275.15	
Vancouver—		
42nd Ave.	542.80	
South	374.10	
Union	798.66	
West	945.25	
Vernon	355.26	
Victoria	169.10	
Donations		454.04
Total Income		\$8,706.61

EXPENSES

Expenses—Laborers' Salary, &c.	\$7,341.64	
Salary	\$6,145.67	
Traveling Expense	891.14	
General Expense	304.83	
Expenses		315.03
General	\$ 84.95	
Exchange	10.02	
Heat and Light	34.89	
Postage	67.58	
Rent	32.00	
Stationery	44.64	
Telephone	40.95	
Depreciation		59.22
Tents and Equipment	\$ 39.02	
Furniture and Fixtures	20.20	
Specific		1,729.87
Sustentation Fund	\$492.51	
Tithe to Missions	412.12	
Tithe to Union	825.24	
Western Canadian Tidings.....		219.32
Provision for Sustentation Fund.		2.64
Total Expense		\$9,667.72
Expense Exceeds Income....		\$ 961.11

J. B. GIDDINGS, Treas.

BALANCE SHEET

British Columbia Conference of S.D.A., Dec. 31, 1915

ASSETS

Cash in Bank	\$189.37	
Accounts Receivable	322.57	
B. C. Association	\$ 288.43	
K. R. Hughey	6.94	
J. Rottecker	25.20	
Poor Fund	2.00	
Inventories		385.41
Tent and Camp Meeting.....	\$ 286.16	
Furniture and Fixtures.....	80.30	
Stationery	12.45	
Postage	6.50	
		\$ 897.35

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable—		
Laborers	\$ 572.63	
J. B. Giddings.....	\$ 18.81	
W. T. Hodgens.....	60.00	
Bertha Lofstad.....	11.10	
W. C. U. Conference.....	15.97	
E. R. Potter.....	63.85	
Lydia Stickle.....	70.19	
Geo. Toombs.....	40.00	
J. G. Walker.....	216.66	
C. E. Wood.....	76.05	
Credit Check Account.....	70.63	
Local Funds.....	138.79	
Canvassers' Fund.....	10.43	
Church School.....	25.70	
Educational Fund.....	52.66	
General Fund.....	50.00	
Sustentation Fund.....	2.64	
Surplus—Jan. 1, 1915.....	1,073.77	784.69
Loss for year.....	961.11	
		112.66
Surplus—December 31, 1915.....		897.35
		\$112.66
		J. B. GIDDINGS, Treas.

BALANCE SHEET

BRITISH COLUMBIA TRACT SOCIETY

December 31, 1915

ASSETS.

Cash in Bank.....	\$395.75	
Accounts receivable.....	869.92	\$1,265.67
Inventories—		
Office	26.95	
Fuel	6.25	
Furniture and fixtures.....	162.45	
Merchandise	808.72	
Postage	8.16	
Stationery	30.52	
		1,043.05
Total Assets.....		\$2,308.72
LIABILITIES.		
Accounts Payable.....	\$ 188.50	
	2,120.22	
GAINS.		
Merchandise	584.68	
LOSSES.		
Expenses	\$ 40.40	
Cartage	8.75	
Exchange	1.25	
Expense	15.55	
Freight	9.38	
Fuel	10.00	
Light	10.37	
Postage	95.80	
Rent	39.37	
Scholarship	4.06	
Sustentation	34.99	
Stationery	20.43	
Doubtful Accounts.....	172.27	
Depreciation (Furniture and Fixtures)...	31.10	
	493.72	
Gain for year.....	90.96	
Surplus—Jan. 1, 1915.....	2,029.26	
Surplus—Dec. 31, 1915.....		\$2,120.22
		J. B. GIDDINGS, Treas.

February 10th, 1916.

To Whom it may Concern:—

I have audited the accounts of the British Columbia Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, and the British Columbia Tract Society, for the year ended December 31st, 1915.

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I hereby certify that in my opinion the accompanying Balance Sheet, and Profit and Loss Statement correctly represents the financial condition of the Conference and Tract Society as of December 31, 1915, and its operation for the year ended with that date.

F. L. HOMMEL,
W.C.U.C. Auditor.

Saskatchewan Conference

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THINGS TO REMEMBER

The Western Canadian Union Conference will hold its biennial session in Calgary, Alberta, February 24 to March 2. It is earnestly hoped that many of our people in Saskatchewan can attend this gathering.

Those who attend must be sure to secure a Standard Form Certificate each time they purchase a ticket. This will enable each holder to return home free. The certificate may be purchased three days before, and are good until the third day after the Conference.

Much valuable instruction for all our people will be given at this meeting. Let every person who can possibly attend do so.

A. C. GILBERT.

BALANCE SHEET

SASKATCHEWAN CONFERENCE OF S.D.A.

December 31, 1915

ASSETS

Cash in Bank.....	\$8,756.38	
Accounts Receivable.....	846.86	
Laborers	\$ 589.31	
General Relief Fund.....	167.00	
W.C.U. Conference.....	90.55	
Inventories	2,152.55	
Tent and C.M. Equipment..	1,877.15	
Furniture and Fixtures....	241.17	
Stationery	34.23	
Total Assets.....		\$11,755.79

LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS

Credit Check Account.....	\$ 225.91	
Local Trust Funds.....	6,215.51	
School Building Fund.....	\$4,778.75	
General Fund.....	1,281.97	
Workers' Band.....	90.11	
Poor Fund.....	20.08	
Tent and C.M. (operating)..	15.76	
Religious Liberty.....	14.84	
Servian Fund.....	14.00	
Total Liabilities.....		6,441.42

SURPLUS STATEMENT

Surplus—Jan. 1, 1915.....	\$5,256.40	
Plus Gain for Year.....	57.97	
		5,314.37
Surplus—Dec. 31, 1915		\$11,755.79
		\$5,314.37
		U. WISSNER, Treas.

SASKATCHEWAN CONFERENCE REVENUE ACCOUNT

December 31, 1915

INCOME

Tithe		\$14,971.31
Churches—		
Conference	\$6,345.99	
Dundurn	651.90	
Fenwood	409.40	
Fox Valley	385.10	
Hillesden	645.10	
McLean	725.75	
Macrorie	425.70	
Queen Centre	637.55	
East Regina	378.63	
Regina	475.19	
Rosthern	324.98	
Rouleau	1,505.05	
Sonningdale	282.10	
Sunset	499.98	
Swift Current	153.60	
Waldheim	1,090.94	
Prussia	34.35	
Donation	319.84	
Donation Tent Fund	40.00	
Donations to Y.P.T.F.	5.00	
		364.84
Interest		130.30
Total Income		\$15,466.45

EXPENSES

Laborers' salary, Expenses..		10,652.01
Salary	8,243.38	
Traveling expense	1,130.26	
General expense	1,013.94	
Appropriations	264.43	
Expense		1,004.03
General	542.41	
Exchange	14.50	
Committee expense	54.75	
Heat and Light	16.52	
Rent	101.91	
Postage	162.15	
Stationery	78.37	
Telephone and Telegraph ..	33.42	
Depreciation		341.60
Furniture	27.20	
Tent and Camp Meeting ..	314.40	
Specific		3,143.86
Tithe to Union	1,497.20	
Tithe to Missions	748.50	
Sustentation	898.16	
Western Canadian Tidings..		266.98
Total expense		\$15,408.48
Receipts exceed expense..		57.97

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE SASKATCHEWAN TRACT SOCIETY
Year Ended December 31, 1915

RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES

Resources	
Cash in Bank	\$1,578.23
Accounts Receivable	1,253.93
Real Estate	400.00
Inventories—	
Expense	\$ 18.68
Furniture	485.30
Merchandise	1,065.60
Stationery	60.08
	1,629.66
Liabilities and Present Worth	
Accounts Payable	78.91
Stock—Present worth	4,782.91
	4,861.82

LOSS AND GAIN

Merchandise		1,398.34
Gains		
Canvassers' Institute	190.45	
Fare to Bookman's Convention	25.00	
Bad Debts	174.62	
Exchange	1.95	
Expense	300.96	
Furniture, Depreciation	48.84	
Freight and Express	24.42	
Heat and Light	11.57	
Office Rent	129.00	
Postage	159.05	
Sustentation	121.90	
Scholarship	57.01	
Stationery	104.45	
Telephone and Telegraph	27.29	
Taxes	8.30	
Net Gain for year	13.53	
		1,398.34
Losses		
STOCK		
Present worth—Jan. 1, 1915...	4,769.38	
Net Gain for year	13.53	
Present worth—Dec. 31, 1915..		4,782.91

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REPORT OF TOTAL FUNDS RECEIVED DURING 1915

Church	Total	Tithe	Home Funds	20c a W'k Funds
Conference	\$10,531.10	\$ 6,345.99	\$ 681.07	\$3,505.04
Dundurn	2,764.45	651.90	794.00	1,318.55
Fenwood	676.31	409.40	23.50	243.41
Fox Valley	755.45	385.10	64.00	306.35
Hillesden	1,031.62	645.10	114.64	271.88
McLean	897.04	725.75	10.00	161.29
Macrorie	705.29	425.70	2.00	277.59
Queen Centre	850.85	637.55	4.00	209.30
East Regina	571.40	378.63	....	192.77
Regina	728.11	475.19	31.50	221.42
Rosthern	640.19	324.98	18.95	296.26
Rouleau	1,894.34	1,505.05	117.00	272.29
Sonningdale	494.24	282.10	2.00	210.14
Sunset	720.93	499.98	2.25	218.70
Swift Current	259.35	153.60	....	105.75
Waldheim	1,770.96	1,090.94	202.94	477.08
Prussia	106.30	34.35	71.95
Not specified	78.55	78.55
	\$25,476.48	\$14,971.31	\$2,067.85	\$8,337.32

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SASKATCHEWAN NOTES

Brother W. G. Forshaw, who is laboring in Southey, writes that on account of weather conditions it was found more satisfactory to discontinue public meetings and continue in house-to-house work.

Elder Ziprick, assisted by Brother D. D. Neufeld, has opened meetings at Aberdeen, Sask. These brethren report a good attendance, and hope to see fruit of their labor at this place. They ask an interest in your prayers.

At our last committee meeting a list of supplies was voted upon to be ordered at once for our Battleford Academy. We are sure that this will be good news to our friends, who have been waiting for some development at Battleford.

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An excellent street car service is in operation in Calgary, and this will be a great help to our people in reaching the place of meeting, which is located near the corner of Twelfth Avenue West and Eighth Street. The building is known as the MacDonald Hall. The Belt, the South Calgary and Sunalta cars all run past the building. Those coming from the C.P.R. depot and going direct to the hall can secure any one of these cars at the corner of Centre Street and Eighth Avenue. Those coming from the Grand Trunk depot should take an Elbow Park car, transferring to any one of the above-mentioned cars. To reach the place of meeting from the C.N.R. depot one should go to the corner of Seventeenth Avenue and First Street West and take a Belt Line car going west, which will run past the building.

We are glad to state that arrangements have been made to provide rooms for all who come to the conference. Let none postpone coming because they have failed to arrange beforehand for room accommodation. We are able to take care of all who will attend. Furnished rooms can be had for \$3.00 per week and upwards.

To those coming to conference a word regarding board will be in order. There are a number of good restaurants in the city, where meals may be had at quite reasonable rates. We will be glad to direct anyone to one of these places, where we feel sure that satisfactory service will be given.

"A Japanese colonel was captured within the Russian lines and condemned to be shot as a spy. He took from his pocket a large roll of bills and asked that they might be given to the Russian Red Cross Society, saying, 'I am a Christian and I wish thus to follow Christ in forgiving His enemies.' Not many of us are asked to 'show . . . the Father' by giving up our lives, as Christ did, but we are all asked to show Him through our devotion to His Word, consecration in his service, and complete abandonment in simple, trusting prayer."

ELDER DANIELLS AT PORTLAND, MAINE

About 1,800 people sat before Elder Daniells in Portland's beautiful civic hall one Sunday evening recently, to hear the first of three lectures that he gave in that city. So great was the interest in his subject, "Changing the World's Map," that the leading business men invited him to address them at a banquet the next evening at their club headquarters. Elder Daniells accepted the invitation, with the intention of speaking on the political, commercial and educational awakening in India and China. To his surprise, they expressed a preference for a repetition of his Sunday night's lecture. Two hundred or more were present, and to use the words of our informant, "not a man moved, not an eye seemed to shift during the speech."

Manuscript of this lecture and two others, "Miracles of Modern Missions" and "Preparedness and Armageddon" have been secured by the weekly *Signs of the Times* for publication. The first will appear about the first of March.

Our people will wish quantities of these special issues for distribution among neighbors and for mailing to friends and relatives. The publishers will be prepared to meet the big demand. The price will be two and one-half cents per copy in lots of five or more to one individual. Let your tract society know at once how many you can use.

REPORT OF SALES CANADIAN BRANCH PACIFIC PRESS PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION

January, 1916						
	Sub'n	H.W.	Trade	Educ.	Tracts	Total
Alberta	\$ 21.00	\$13.30	\$ 97.70	\$ 68.30	\$ 3.30	\$203.60
British Columbia	4.35	7.00	46.00	20.85	6.35	84.55
Manitoba	8.00	5.50	42.05	8.05	.50	64.10
Saskatchewan	117.20	2.80	37.90	3.55	1.00	162.45
	\$150.55	\$28.60	\$223.65	\$100.75	\$11.15	\$514.00

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT

January			
	1915	1916	Loss
Alberta	\$226.90	\$203.60	\$ 23.30
British Columbia	100.85	84.55	16.30
Manitoba	120.60	64.10	56.50
Saskatchewan	247.00	162.45	84.55
Totals	\$695.35	\$514.70	\$180.65

NOTICE

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FOR SALE—House of five rooms and garden of over two acres, close to Alberta Academy. Barn, having hay loft, 24 x 24. Two chicken houses, 14 x 16; six colony coops, and 250 yards of woven wire poultry fencing, five feet and six feet high. Well of good water. A good place for poultry and garden produce. Address: H. D. Middleton, Box 278, Lacombe.

FARM FOR SALE—Forty acres of land, one half-mile west across Barnet Lake from the Alberta Academy, and two miles from Lacombe. Twenty acres in cultivation, balance in pasture. All this land can be cultivated. A new one and one-half storey log house, containing four large rooms; also warm barn, chicken-house, granary and two small buildings, 10x12. Garden fenced with woven wire. Soft water well; good pump. This property is nicely located for those having children to attend the academy. A bargain if sold at once. Address E. L. Scoggins, Box 278, Lacombe, Alberta.