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'Tis not for man to trifle. Life is brief,
And sin is here.
Our age is but the falling of a leaf,
The dropping of a tear.
We have not time to sport away the hours.
We must all be earnest in a world like ours.

—Selected

REPORT OF THE BRITISH COLUMBIA CONFERENCE AND CAMP-MEETING

The eleventh annual session of the British Columbia Conference was held in connection with the camp-meeting at Kamloops, June 6-16. Recognizing the long distances to be covered to reach the place, we considered that the churches were quite well represented.

From the President's address all could see that the conference has been prospered, and that the Lord has blessed the efforts put forth by our laborers and people of British Columbia. Space will not permit the printing of the entire address, but from it we glean the following interesting information:—

"Nearly eighteen months have passed since we last met as a conference. Those months have been months of toil and privation, with temptations experienced and perhaps losses and failures sustained. But thanks be to God, victories have also been experienced. We are practically free from debt. There has been some enlargement, and souls have accepted the truth; and there have been victories unnumbered over a weakened faith made strong by whole-hearted surrender to the claims of the Third Angel's Message.

"In 1902 this province was cut off from Western Washington and organized into a conference. Previous to that time it had only been a mission field. There were then only two churches in the conference and a total of about seventy-five Sabbath-keepers, forty-eight of whom were on the coast, the rest east of the Cascades. There are now sixteen organized

churches listed, with a membership of 336. This enrollment with the sixty isolated ones, making a total of 396 in the province. In 1911, fifty-one persons were added to the membership, while thirty-one were dropped from the list.

"Since the last conference was held, four new church buildings have been erected, the value of which, including the lots, is about \$7,500. There are now twelve church buildings in the conference and they are all clear of debt.

"The Sabbath-schools of the province are steadily improving both in manner of operation, and in the material help they render to Foreign Missions. There are now twenty-seven schools in the conference, eighteen of which are church, and nine are home Sabbath-schools. The total membership of these Sabbath-schools is 383. A comparative statement of the Sabbath-school offerings shows that the gifts to missions from this source for the years 1908, 1909, 1910, and 1911 were respectively \$374.65, \$423.99, \$663.82, and \$795.47, thus showing a continual growth from year to year.

"The Tract Society is out of debt and in a healthy condition. Their greatest need now is for strong, consecrated young men and women to carry our literature to the homes of the people. Last year the book sales were \$3,977.97, the tract and magazine sales were \$1,640.58, total sales, \$5,618.55. In 1910 the total sales were \$4,729.29, a gain in 1911 of nearly \$900. There were sixteen canvassers in the field.

"The work of corresponding with those who have purchased books from our colporteurs has been followed with good results. Some very interesting letters have been received in reply, and there is reason to hope that some of these people will yet receive the truth.

"There are now four Young People's Societies in the conference, with a total membership of sixty-nine. Their donations last year amounted to \$116.40. Among the Societies organized, perhaps the best and most successful are those in which the older

members of the church take an active part. The young and inexperienced need the more ripened judgment of years in church association, and the closer the relationship can be made, the more evenly the cause will be developed. The Lord's admonition is to not crush the enthusiasm of our young people, but rather exercise a fostering care over this department which, if encouraged aright, must surely become a valuable auxiliary in the promotion of the message. Our policy should be to provide a place in the Lord's work for every young man and woman, as they become fitted for it. This will be an encouragement to those who desire to prepare themselves to devote their lives to the Master's service.

"A good interest has been shown in the temperance work. Since our last conference 7,535 copies of the Temperance Instructor have been distributed. 1,000 copies were sent out from the Academy to the teachers of the province. In some instances orders were solicited from Temperance Societies in other churches and with good results.

"The Manson Academy has carried on its work during the school year just closed, with an enrollment of thirty-two. The blessing of the Lord has attended the work and souls have given their hearts to God."

The conference plans to establish a school in the Okanagan Valley as soon as means are forthcoming from the sale of a part of the Pitt Meadows school property. The distance is so great between the coast district and the Okanagan and Kootenay districts, that it seems advisable to have a school in the east part of the province. The brethren at Grandview, six miles from Armstrong, have given land for a school site, and the conference has decided to locate this school there. No buildings will be erected till the money is in sight, as the brethren in British Columbia do not think it a wise thing to contract a debt.

Two church schools were held in the conference during the past winter. One at Grandview and the other at Pitt Meadows. The total enrollment of the two schools was 44. Next year we hope to see more church schools in operation as there seems to be an increased demand. Surely our people ought to see the value of a christian education, and put forth earnest efforts to educate our youth and children for the cause of God. In these schools we have had a class of young men and women who give evidence of becoming good workers in the message, and there are others who are equally as promising who should be in training in our schools.

Concerning the support of the work in the con-

ference the President spoke as follows:—

"Our tithe last year increased \$2,513.86. With this advance we felt justified in trying to do without the help of the General Conference which for each of the last two years has appropriated \$1,000 to us. We were very closely pressed for means during the summer of 1911, and sometimes we thought we would have to cut down our force of laborers, but the Lord helped us and we received our monthly bread. We consider the Lord has blessed us for what we did at our last conference in contributing to the General Conference Sustentation Fund, and also to the special Foreign Mission Fund, each 5% of our tithe. This amount with our tithe to the Union takes 20% of our tithe for work outside the conference."

It is certainly encouraging to know that this conference has determined this year to launch out to support its own work without the help of the General Conference appropriation. The Lord will bless such steps of faith and courage. Not only does this conference purpose to support its own laborers, but it will give of its means to help the brethren in the fields beyond.

The following comparative figures show that during the years of 1908, 1909, 1910, and 1911, there was received in the conference the following amounts, respectively:—

Foreign Missions: \$600.52; \$936.29; \$2,073.20; and \$2,787.14.

Tithe: \$4,129.79; \$5,019.56; \$6,367.23 and \$8,881.09. Here is seen a regular annual gain in both tithes and offerings. Their contributions last year on the ten-cent-a-week fund were more than 14c. a member, and thus far this year the amount received rates them ahead of time on the fifteen-cent-a-week fund to missions. We feel sure that their quota will be sent in before the year closes.

The business of the conference session passed off without a jar. It was a pleasant thing to see these dear brethren confer together about their common interest relating to the cause of God. A list of recommendations were passed, the more important of which will doubtless appear in the next issue of this paper.

Elder J. G. Walker was again unanimously elected President of the conference. With him were elected a good strong committee, a Board for the Legal Association and a School Board. With these good brethren in the lead of the work, and under the blessing of God, the British Columbia conference has a bright prospect for another year before them.

There were present at the camp-meeting Elders G.

B. Thompson, and G. F. Haffner, and Doctors Holden and Reith, besides the home conference laborers. All labored hard and faithfully and the Lord blessed their labors. Nearly all who attended the meeting were either Christians before they came, or gave their hearts to God before returning to their homes.

Other mention will be made of this good meeting. May the Lord greatly bless His people in the British Columbia conference.

H. S. SHAW.

OUR MIDSUMMER OFFERING

The Midsummer occasion for remembering our missionaries whom we have sent out, in a substantial manner with prayer and offerings, is just before us—Sabbath, July 27.

We have much to encourage us in our efforts to give to the dark lands the message with which God has entrusted us. Among the last of the denominations to enter foreign fields, steady and even rapid progress has been made, until to-day we are operating in eighty-seven distinct mission fields, reckoned as nearly as possible as other mission boards count them. This is by far more than any other one denomination is doing. Since 1901, 810 missionaries have been sent on, not counting the children. While in the matter of giving to missions, by way of encouragement it might be mentioned that while the average per member contributed by all other religious bodies for 1910 in the United States was twenty-seven cents, Seventh-day Adventists gave \$6.57 per member on an average. But our work is different, and we ought to do much more than all the others put together.

And it must be remembered our responsibilities increase each year. New developments are taking place constantly, calling for additional help. China is pleading for more workers. In the province of Szechuen, containing 70,000,000 people, not the first sound of the message has been heard. Manchuria, waiting several months already at a loss, must have messengers "with a message," sent on to them without delay. Japan is calling for more workers. Three couples are asked for this year, and three the next, to enter upon language study for evangelistic service. Only one couple is ready to go. Korea needs help. They must establish headquarters without delay. The great island field of the East Indies is waiting. A superintendent and helpers are imperatively needed there, if anything like justice is done this important field. Calls for help in the West Indies—a man to superintend the work in Haiti, another to take important work in the East Caribbean Mission—have been before the Mission Board

several months already, with no one as yet to respond.

These are a few of the pressing calls now awaiting. But before any of these can be answered, the regular funds must be sent on each month to the mission fields. And during the summer months the mission treasury runs low.

We believe Sabbath, July 27, will prove to be a good day for missions, in that a liberal offering shall be brought to God's treasury upon this our Midsummer occasion.

T. E. BOWEN.

British Columbia Conference

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A SACRED DUTY

Our good camp-meeting and conference is now a matter of history, and truly marks a bright spot in the records of the conference. Something like a hundred were encamped upon the ground, some from Penticton, the farthest on the south and east, and others from Nanimo the farthest point west. The conference convened Friday June 7, at 10 o'clock, and continued a session a day till Sunday the 16th. On Friday June 14, two sessions were held.

All through these business meetings, as well as through the preaching services, the utmost harmony prevailed. It seemed to be the aim of all present to be right with God, and that always brings peace and unity. I am sure this conference will long be remembered in its manifestations of the Spirit of God, and the binding influence of the Third Angel's message.

The recommendations passed will appear in the "Tidings." I will not comment upon them here, save only to write that some of them are very important indeed. Especially so are the plans introduced to provide for the Christian training of our youth and children. It is to be hoped that all our brethren in British Columbia will make strenuous efforts, not only to educate their own sons and daughters, but to help in getting the children of others trained for God. We have a sacred duty in this matter, brethren and sisters, a duty that has been sadly neglected in our province thus far. Shall we not by voice, and pen, and influence, and means contribute to the advancement of this great work?

A church school teacher's fund has been established from which means may be drawn to help the small companies that are too poor to pay entirely

the wages of a teacher. Monthly or yearly pledges may be made to this fund, or gifts will be received. One brother at the conference gave \$500 and two others gave \$100 each. But this is only a beginning and gifts must continue to flow in in order to keep this work going on. Can you invest in anything more profitable than flesh and blood, or to save the lambskins of the conference? These pledges and donations should be sent to our treasurer, Andrew Roedel, 1708 Maple St., Vancouver, B.C.

Those who plan for a church school the coming year should correspond with Brother Chas. O. Smith, our educational secretary, office address. In council with the conference committee, Brother Smith will make the necessary arrangements. Brethren study the Bible on the training of our children, and read the Testimonies on the church schools and also Christian Education.

J. G. WALKER.

A VISIT TO MANSON ACADEMY

Although not many reports from the academy have been published during the winter, it has not been because there was nothing to report. A good work has been going on there during the term about to close. This was demonstrated in a meeting held in the chapel Sabbath afternoon, May 26.

Sister Conway occupied the first part of the meeting in presenting to all present the importance and work of our Sabbath-schools. It is there that many receive their first impulse to give their lives to the Lord and His work in the earth. It is also from there that means are continually coming to support the work in needy fields. We were reminded by Sister Conway that our Sabbath-schools have become millionaires—having deposited over a million dollars in the banks of heaven for missionary purposes since their organization about 30 years ago.

Brother Haughey then spoke on the dangers connected with the accepting of positions offered to our young people by the world. After the close of school many will be induced to follow some occupation that will lead away instead of nearer to the truth, and the work of God. In the testimony meeting that followed, a number of students expressed their appreciation of their teacher's efforts for them. When all those who would dedicate their lives anew to God's service on that day were asked to rise to their feet, every one present arose.

Sunday evening the Cantata, "The Nazarene" was rendered in the chapel, Sister Haughey directing the same. A good number of those not of our faith were present and enjoyed it very much. May God richly bless all those going forth from our school this year.

ANDREW ROEDEL.

ACADEMY NOTES

To indicate the spirit in the school I am giving below some of the replies given by the members of the Bible classes to the question, "What is the greatest impression you have received during the year's study?"

"The Lord will never forsake those who trust Him, and are determined like Moses to be used by the Lord."—Irene Smith.

"To live nearer to God and do His will. I have received a great blessing."—Ruth Wilson.

"I realize now more than ever before what it means to obtain eternal life, and what we as God's people must give up. It is now time to prepare for His soon coming, or it may be too late."—Viola White.

"That I ought to become better acquainted with God's word, and to make it my daily guide."—Sarah Stickle.

"To study the testimonies more. I never thought it important enough to study these books before, but I can see now that they are not only interesting, but will help me to know when a thing is right or wrong. With the Lord's help I intend to read these oftener, and put what I find there for me, into practice."—Alice Pearse.

"To have faith and trust in the Lord that He may give us victories where we could never accomplish anything in our own strength."—Etta Brown.

"That if we are faithful and true to God, He will take care of us no matter where we are."—Lilly Sterling.

"That it is better to easily and readily forgive others as Joseph did, and that if we do our best, and do not disobey the Lord, He will guide us through life."—Edith Loveridge.

"The character that Christ manifested during His life on earth has impressed me most."—Clarence Musselman.

"That he who loves Christ the most will do the greatest amount of good, and that there is no limit to the usefulness of one, who by putting self aside makes room for the working of the Holy Spirit upon his heart."—Albert Bellechamber.

"I have been impressed most by the denial of Peter, and by this truth, 'Satan cannot control minds unless they are yielded to his control. Faith must let go its hold upon Christ before Satan can exercise his power upon us.'"—Lillian Ousley.

"That angels from the courts above will attend the steps of those who come and go at God's command."—Henry Pierce.

"The impressions left on my mind of the wonderful love of Jesus, I cannot forget, and I mean to give to others this truth, which is more precious to me than ever before."—Edith Lowther.

"My greatest impression is from the faithfulness of Moses and his sin which kept him out of the promised land. It has given me the lesson that though we may do many good things, yet one sin if left unconfessed will shut us out of the kingdom of heaven."
—Mabel Hoover.

"I am impressed that the more I learn the less I know in comparison with the great field that is opening before me."—George Toombs.

"I know not what the future has
Of marvel or surprise;
I only know that life and death
His mercy underlies."

—Lorna Cour Barron.

Brethren and Sisters, pray for both teachers and students as we go from the academy to the "Field Work University."

E. R. POTTER.

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THE MINISTRY OF HEALING CAMPAIGN

"Thy people shall be willing in the day of thy power." Psalms 110:3. In these words are held the secret of success to the cause of God at all times. To express another thought in the same verse, we may read it like this: The day of thy power will come, when thy people shall become willing.

When this message shall be preached with a loud cry, it will be because the people of God have become willing. It therefore rejoices our hearts to realize the willingness of our people to lay hold on the work suggested for the advancement of the cause of God in this Province. I speak now especially of the "Ministry of Healing," campaign.

It is certainly gratifying to see the willingness on the part of all to share in the building up of this most needy branch of the Lord's work.

I quote from Testimony, Vol. 6, p. 229, this statement: "The medical missionary work is as the right arm to the Third Angel's Message, which must be proclaimed to a fallen world." The medical work then is not the body of this message, but it should be a strong arm to rescue people from the pits of sin. The Lord desires us to make the right arm strong. There is need of just such an arm in this time of suffering and woe. It is possible for the people of God in Manitoba to extend such a helping hand. Through "Ministry of Healing" a fund may be raised whereby treatment rooms may be

started in some of our larger cities, which may be the means of rescuing men and women from sin and suffering. Let us all do our part.

O. E. SANDNES.

TO THE SABBATH-SCHOOLS

As your reports came to me at the close of last quarter, I assure you that they were all looked over with the deepest interest. As I compared the report with that for the same quarter of 1911, I noticed that there was a falling off in the membership and the average attendance. However, this may have been due to the severe winter and irregular attendance in consequence. So I believe that next quarter's report will be better in that respect. Of course an irregular attendance will always affect the offerings more or less. Still I believe the interest of our schools in missionary enterprises is deeper this year than last, since there was a gain of \$38.08 in the Sabbath-school offerings over that of the year before.

As no doubt you have noticed in the last copy of the "Worker," our Thirteenth Sabbath Offering amounted to \$37.35. This was very good when we consider that the average per Sabbath for the twelve Sabbaths was \$10.12, while on the thirteenth Sabbath you gave more than three and one-half times that which was given on any other Sabbath. That was splendid. And now we understand that the Sabbath-schools of the homeland lifted so nobly upon the thirteenth Sabbath last quarter that the work for the cities of India was made possible.

Upon the 29th of June another thirteenth Sabbath will be here again. What shall your answer be to this urgent call from one of the darkest spots of the dark continent? May the Lord help us to do as we would like to be done by, and attempt great things for our King.

MRS. O. E. SANDNES.

MANITOBA NEWS NOTES

Brother Manfull spent a few hours at the office last week on his way west.

Elder O. E. Sandness spent part of the week at Austin, returning to Winnipeg with his family the middle of the week.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. George McKelvy, June 13, a daughter. Both mother and child are doing nicely.

Brother A. H. Brigham passed through Portage the first of the week en route to his home at Mosinee, Wisconsin, where he will spend a couple of weeks, returning in time for the camp-meeting at Winnipeg.

Misses Pearl Clark and Carrie Borg arrived from the Academy at Bethel, Wisconsin, a short time ago, and are now actively engaged in the canvassing work in Port Arthur.

Elder and Mrs. Robb spent Sunday with an isolated sister at Hazelridge, and while there Elder Robb held a meeting with her neighbors who manifested much interest in the truth.

Our canvassers in Winnipeg are meeting with splendid success. Last week's work amounted to over \$4.00 an hour for the time worked. The magazine workers are selling as high as 100 papers a day. Are there not others who will take up this good work.

Married—Ramsay-McKelvy—Mr. John Ramsay and Miss Florence McKelvy were united in marriage at the home of the bride's parents at Katrime, Manitoba, June 12, at 1 o'clock. Elder O. E. Sandness performed the ceremony in the presence of a number of friends.

The bride was attended by her sister, Miss Annie, and the groom by his brother, Mr. William Ramsay. Many valuable and useful presents were received. A beautiful dinner was served after the ceremony.

Mr. and Mrs. Ramsay left the same evening for Portage la Prairie.

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THE PAST AND PRESENT

Whilst traveling with others from Lacombe for Strathcona to enjoy the blessing in store at the annual camp-meeting, I could not refrain from thinking of the time, some five years ago, when my wife and myself decided by God's help to endeavor to walk in the light which had been shown to us by the faithful workers in Edmonton. It certainly seemed like quite a step to take at the time, and it seemed too, that Satan was trying to put many obstacles in the way.

The work of God in Alberta was in its infancy at that time, and little did we realize that, what Satan suggested as weak and insignificant, the wonderful power of God was about to strengthen and build up. Consequently we looked for no great developments from such a small enterprise.

To-day, however, we can sincerely exclaim, "What hath God wrought?" From the earnest whole-hearted efforts put forth by those few workers, we see well organized churches, Sabbath-schools and schools besides well equipped treatment rooms in Calgary. Truly the hand of God can be seen leading in all the different lines of work, and especially is this true of the Educational department. The two large buildings of the Industrial Academy at Lacombe, during the past school year, were literally filled to overflowing with young men and women whose sole purpose and aim is to receive an effi-

cient training, and then go out into the world, and save perishing souls.

Now that we can see the message hastening not only in Alberta, but in all the world, we are reminded of the Saviour's words so often quoted, yet so faintly realized, "And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come." Let us give our lives unreservedly to Him and His service and share in that future life of eternal joy.

T. S. BOWETT.

PREPARING FOR SCHOOL

One young lady who came to the Academy a few weeks late last fall, claims that she was enabled to come by the plan she had for saving the necessary amount for her tuition and expenses.

For years she had been desiring to go to school. During this time she had been working as a family servant, at good wages, in one of the cities of Alberta, yet school time found her without the necessary means that would justify her in beginning a year in school.

At the close of the Alberta camp-meeting last year she determined to send a portion of each month's wages to the Academy and have it credited on her account. After beginning at that late date she was enabled to put in six months at the school, for which she paid cash, thus receiving the advantage of the cash discount, besides defraying all of her other expenses incident to school life. She left school last week determined to do the same thing again this year, and the management believe that she will accomplish her purpose. She has found out, as many others of our young people are finding out, that so long as they have easy access to their savings, those savings will leak away. Our schools stand ready to do this for any young person who so desires, and thus he may have a good deposit with which to begin school.

The people of the world recognize the value of small savings often repeated. Savings banks abound in all our cities and towns. Why should we not be as wise as the people of the world? Try it.

J. I. BEARDSLEY.

ALBERTA ACADEMY NOTES

Sholto Middleton has gone to Saskatchewan to work.

Brother H. E. Shelstad was a visitor for the closing exercises.

Sister Bertha Gillbank, our provincial Sabbath-school secretary, was among our guests for the closing days.

On Monday, June 10, most of the students left for their homes and the Academy hall is lonesome once more.

The closing programme of the year was given on the

evening of June 9, and consisted of lawn games, with music and recitations following.

Brother Meisner of Calgary was here a few days ago looking for a suitable location for two German families who desire to move from Calgary to this place to have their children in the school.

The closing programme of the church school was attended by the patrons and a few invited guests, there not being room in this department to accommodate a large company. The children did well, and were a credit to Sister Shelstad's untiring efforts during the year.

Thursday evening, May 30, the first musicale given by the Academy was held in East Hall, with a large and appreciative audience filling all available space in the dining-room, which had been cleared for the occasion. The success of those taking part reflects great credit upon Elder and Mrs. Adams in the efforts they have put forth during the last two years to prepare for this line of work.

Saturday evening, June 4, we were favored by a very interesting lecture by a lady who had been lecturing in Lacombe on life and customs in Palestine. She had with her a large number of articles used by those people today, and which were identical with those used in the days of the Bible. Several of our students dressed in the costumes of the different classes of those people. Her lecture made clear many texts of Scripture that without an understanding of the circumstances are very hard to understand.

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WHAT TO BRING.

Those who are planning to come to the camp-meeting would better send in their order for tents as soon as possible to Brother J. M. Rowse, Box 244, Regina, Saskatchewan. The rates are as follows:—12x14, \$4.00; 10x12, \$3.50. Each tent is supplied with a fly which makes much for the comfort of those who occupy them.

Bring an ample supply of bedding, such as quilts, blankets, strawticks, pillows, and other things which will help to make your tent look tidy. Bring as many of your neighbors and friends as you can. Bring a STANDARD CERTIFICATE with you from each place where you buy your ticket. Bring a good supply of faith which will reach far into the depths of God's store-house of blessings. Bring a humble spirit, a happy countenance, and a liberal heart. Bring a full measure of determination to stay from the beginning of the camp-meeting until it closes. If you will bring these things with you, God will faithfully fulfill His promise in bringing Heaven near to your soul, and bestow upon you "a blessing that there shall not be room enough to receive it."

A. C. GILBERT.

COME AND BRING THE CHILDREN

The camp-meeting is the place for the children as well as for those of mature years. Satan has his agencies hard at work to lead the young minds away from the right. How important it is that victory crown their efforts to overcome! Too much cannot be done to strengthen the inclinations to be a good child. They greatly enjoy getting new thoughts and ideas, as we well know.

Brethren and sisters, we all need more zeal, greater determination, a deeper christian experience. The children need all of these, too. What is the object of the camp-meeting if it is not to supply these needs?

Have you decided to come? If not, do so now. Tell the children why you and they are going. Tell them that you are going there to be blessed in order that you all might be a blessing.

Meetings for the children will be held both in English and German languages. A series of very appropriate lessons has been prepared, and we trust, with the help of the Lord, that they will be profitable to every child.

Let no small matter keep you away from the camp-meeting blessings; for you cannot estimate the value which they will be to you and yours as you travel in that straight path which will eventually bring us to the culmination of all high hopes, and permit us to meet together in that grand meeting on the sea of glass.

MRS. A. C. GILBERT.

SASKATCHEWAN NOTES

Remember the camp-meeting, July 11 to 21. And when you buy your ticket be sure to ask for the Standard Certificate.

Elder Sulzle passed through Regina the 19th, en route to the camp-meeting in North Dakota, where he went by special request from the president of that conference.

On Sunday, June 23, a church of fourteen members was organized at Swift Current. Others at this place are deeply interested and will doubtless take hold in the near future.

The reports and letters from the colporteurs are full of courage. We know our people will rejoice to see this branch of the Lord's work prosper for it is the only means by which many of the people will ever be reached by this message.

Our readers will be glad to know that after lying almost at the point of death for over two weeks, Brother Haynal is slowly recovering. Hopes are now held out that, with careful nursing, he will soon be able to leave the hospital and go to his home once more.

A nice grassy plot of ground has been secured at Bul-yea for our camp-ground, and all necessary arrangements have been made. Workers will be on the ground next week to prepare the camp. Come, brother, sister and let us enjoy the blessings God will have for His people. Come and bring the children with you.

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At the time of going to press Elder H. S. Shaw and Elder G. B. Thompson, General Conference Field Secretary, are in attendance at the Alberta camp-meeting at Strathcona, but by the time this is being read they will doubtless be on their way east to the Manitoba camp-meeting to be held at Winnipeg.

In this issue of "Tidings" will be found a report of the first camp-meeting held in our union conference this season. We note with gladness that God's blessing was received in rich measure, and trust that the meetings in the other three provinces will prove equally profitable.

The mid-summer offering for missions—the offering usually taken on the first Sabbath in July—will not be taken this year until July 27. Appropriate readings are being prepared and will be sent to the churches and isolated ones in time for that date. Let our people all prepare to give liberally at that time for it is a time of the year when funds are badly needed by the mission treasury.

The Campaign Number of Christian Education for 1912 is the strongest educational publication we have ever published. It is especially designed for the youth, but it ought to be read by all parents, as well as the youth who are of school age. It sets forth the importance of an education. It presents many vital principles of great value to all classes of workers. It will be of much value to those who are not classed as workers. In fact Christian Education as a publication ought to be read by all of our people, because it represents one of the leading features of our denominational work.

DOES IT PAY?

That is the question our good old pioneer missionary paper—the Signs—is asking us. Certainly it pays to circulate the Signs. We have never before seen such evidence of the work the Signs is doing as a preacher of this great three-fold message. It is our "pioneer"; it is opening up fields and creating demands for workers wherever it is circulated. The Truth-for-To-day series to commence with the issue of July 2 should go to your friends and acquaintances. Will you see that it reaches them?

Single subscriptions for the series . . . 90c.

Five or more to separate addresses, each 65c.

Five or more to one address, each 60c.

Brother Hall, of the Pacific Press Publishing Association, writes: "Yes, these are busy days with us. Our shipments for May were seventeen tons as compared with ten tons for the same month of 1911. The valuations however, are not so great, as we are forwarding a great many tracts.

We just have an order from Hamburg, Germany, for 600 Patriarchs, German, and 200 Heralds of the Morning in the same language. We have another order to mail to our 'boys' in Spain 600 Home and Health, Spanish.

COLPORTEUR'S REPORT

For Two Weeks Ending June 14, 1912

*Manitoba

Name—	Book	Hrs.	Ex.	Ord.	Helps	Total
William Tall	D.R.	73	94	45	...	182.00
Robert Neuman	G.C.	65	..	23	4.50	85.00
Della Jensen	H.M.	14½	36	18	...	44.25
Thekla Roer	H.M.	14½	31	13	.85	32.60
		167	161	99	5.35	343.85

SASKATCHEWAN

D. L. Henkes	G.C.	110	102	34	10.05	143.05
A. C. Hanson	P.G.	54	71	20	...	92.00
J. J. Strahle	D.R.	114	159	72	.85	282.85
M. E. Mullinex	D.R.	114	141	56	...	234.00
J. Linkert	D.R.	112	146	67	7.65	273.15
L. A. Philpott	B.R.	27	28	5	...	22.50
		531	647	254	18.55	1,047.55

*Alberta

J. H. Bates	P.G.	49	59	9	3.30	44.30
Eleven Agents		747	867	263	27.20	1,435.70
Previously reported						3,477.40

Total this year 4,913.10

*Week ending June 7.

CAMP-MEETINGS FOR 1912

Alberta, Strathcona	June 20-30
Manitoba, Winnipeg	June 27 to July 7
Saskatchewan, Bulyea	July 11-21