

# Western Canadian Tidings

"BEHOLD I BRING YOU GOOD TIDINGS"

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## BE KIND

"Let us help one another, my sister, my brother,  
To bear now our burden of pain;  
Let us speak the kind word, let no harsh word be heard;  
From conducts displeasing refrain.  
Oh the smile or the tear of sympathy dear,  
Sets with rainbows the storm-clouds of strife;  
And the 'soft answer' true will a mighty work do  
To bring sunshine and health to our life.  
Let us use heart and mind sweet devices to find  
To comfort, encourage, and bless;  
And do with our might kind acts that are right,  
And never, no never oppress!"

## OFFERINGS FOR THE COLORED WORK

Sabbath, March 6, has been suggested by the North American Division Conference as the date for taking an offering to aid the work among the colored in North America.

It is not necessary to call attention to the great importance of this work. The Spirit of the Lord has often spoke to Seventh-Day Adventists regarding our duty to carry the truth to the Negro race.

A great and good work is being done among them and many have been brought to the truth. It is hoped that a liberal response may be made by our people in Western Canada, to help along this worthy cause.

H. S. SHAW.

## IS SPRING COMING, OR HERE?

Already in some sections a few warm days have reminded us that spring is coming,—the time of sowing for the summer's harvest. But the seeding time is already here in the gardens of our lives, and those who neglect these precious days of opportunity will some day join in that bitter wail, "the harvest is past, the summer is ended and we are not saved."

One worker writes of a little group of young people who are endeavoring to improve the precious spring time of their lives. "There is a circle of us who are trying to learn all the Morning Watch verses to remember. Each day we repeat the verses already learned so as to impress them upon our minds. After repeating a verse each day for three months we will not be likely to forget it."

Can anyone tell us the value of these precious seeds of God's word embedded thus in the individual life? Is there any doubt that they will spring up and bear

fruit in the daily work, in times of sorrow or disappointment, when temptations assail, or when the soul is brought face to face with some decisive questions?

Now is the sowing time. The time will come when fair virgins and young men will faint for thirst while searching for the word of God and shall not find it. Amos 8:12, 13.

"Of all sad words of tongue or pen,

The saddest are these, 'It might have been.'"

Dear friends the Morning Watch calendar was prepared for one purpose only—to help you form the habit of daily Bible study and prayer. Are you forming the habit? If not send to your Tract Society for a copy of the calendar. Begin at once. Redeem the time.

M. E. KERN.

## A SERIOUS ACCIDENT

### Words of Encouragement

We have received a letter from Elder W. C. White, in which he relates an experience which his mother, Sister E. G. White has recently passed through. For many years the Lord has used Sister White in a marvelous way as a medium through which to impart special light and guidance to this denomination, and we know that our people in Western Canada will read with interest, Elder White's letter. For the benefit of those of our readers who do not receive the *Review and Herald*, we are quoting his letter in full:

"A serious accident befell mother Sabbath noon, February 13. As she was passing through the door into her large writing room, she tripped and fell. May Walling, her nurse, was near, and endeavored to help mother to her feet, but found that her left limb was injured. An x-ray examination at the sanitarium revealed a fracture of the femur.

"During the last year mother's general health has been as good as could be expected of eighty-one years of age. She has often said that at no other time in her life has she been so free from physical suffering, as during the last two or three years. While gradually showing more and more the feebleness of old age, she has freely walked up and down stairs without assistance, and has enjoyed her customary carriage ride every pleasant day.

"It was about five years ago that she discontinued her constant writing of letters and articles for the

papers. The last camp meeting she attended was the one held in Oakland, July 6-16, 1911. Since then she has spoken a few times at the St. Helena sanitarium chapel and at Pacific Union College; also a few times at Loma Linda and at the St. Helena church. As she gave up public speaking, her mind was more wholly directed to the work in her office, where her writings of former years were being gathered into form for publication.

"Until July, 1914, she spent much time reading the *Review and Herald* and the *Signs of the Times*, and in studying her manuscripts and planning for their publication. Then, as a result of a complication of difficulties, she gave up steady reading, and has preferred much of the time since to have us read to her.

"When I went to the General Conference Council last October, I thought to return home quickly, but was detained till my absence covered sixteen weeks. During these weeks, I received many cheering messages from Brother C. C. Crisler about mother's health and courage. December 2, 1914, he wrote:

"Today Sister White became reminiscent, which of late is rather out of the ordinary. She tried to recall the name of some brother of long ago who expressed discouragement over the prospect of the very large work that would need to be done before the world had been warned; and she said that another brother, one of large faith, turned to him, his face white with strong emotion, and said: 'My brother, would you permit such a prospect to bring discouragement? Do you know that God would have us press the battle to the gate? Do you know He would have us labor on, and on, knowing that victory lies ahead?'"

"Sister White says she feels continually the uplifting presence of the Spirit of God. She says she would not speak discouragingly, and yet she would not wish to convey the impression that no disappointments come to her. The enemy will bring us disappointments, but these need never bring discouragement. When disappointed, we are to labor on until triumph comes; and this is working by faith."

"His next letter contained the following: 'Sister White says that during the night season she hears voices, saying: 'Advance! Advance! Advance! Press the battle to the gate!'"

"She seems to apply this to the completion of the work of the Lord in all parts of the earth; also to the completion of important book work. She rejoices that you are able to make real progress in your efforts to advance the book work in the south, by perfecting that which has been nearly ready for some time.

"I believe the Lord would have us all take courage, and press forward steadily."

"Since the accident, mother's bed has been placed in her writing room, where she is surrounded by her familiar furniture and books.

"Sara McEnterfer, who most of the time for thirty years was her travelling companion and secretary, is with her; and so is May Walling, who was brought up in her home, and who has been her faithful nurse for about two years. Mrs. Hungerford, a trained nurse from the Sanitarium, is also with her.

"Twenty-four hours after the accident, Dr. Klingerman said: 'We find Sister White's condition very satisfactory this morning. The usual symptoms of shock are entirely absent and we feel that no complications will intervene to retard progress.' Thursday noon, he said, 'Sister White's condition continues to be satisfactory in every respect.'

"Mother often expresses thankfulness that her sufferings are no greater. And this morning, in speaking with Sister Minnie Hawkins Crisler regarding the goodness of the Lord, she said: 'I see light in His light. I have joy in His joy, and peace in His peace. I see mercy in His mercy, and love in His love.'"

"Humility is perpetual quietness of heart. It is to have no trouble. It is never to be fretted, or vexed, or irritated, or sore, or disappointed; it is to expect nothing, to wonder at nothing that is done to me, to feel nothing done against me. It is to be at rest when nobody praises me, and when I am blamed and despised. It is to have blessed home in myself where I can go in and shut the door and kneel to my Father in secret and am at peace, as in a deep sea of calmness when all around and above is trouble."

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#### OUR LITERATURE

*"Words of cheer from the battle field of life,  
Welcome tidings from the war.  
Glorious news from the grand and holy strife;  
Soon the conflict will be o'er."*

In looking over the present situation the above lines force themselves upon the mind. The privilege of knowing God's will and plans for this day and age places a tremendous responsibility upon us. We rejoice to know that on the part of many there is a determination to faithfully discharge this responsibility. "The world is to receive the light of truth through the evangelizing ministry of the word in our books and periodicals."—*Vol. 9, p. 61.* "The Lord gave the word; great was the company of those that published it." *Ps. 68:11.* Let our literature give the message as a witness to all the world." *Vol. 9, p. 61.* Seventh-Day Adventists have what the world needs. Yes, and they have what many hearts are longing for. Everywhere men's hearts are failing them for fear; their hearts are troubled. We have the healing balm for all such. God has given this light, this comfort, this key to us, that we might pass it on to others. In a special sense we have been set in the world as watchmen and light-bearers. To us has been intrusted the last warning for a perishing world. Our work is to proclaim the First, Second and Third Angels' Messages. There is no other work of so great importance. *See Vol. 7 p. 19.*

Those to whom this great work has been intrusted are beginning to wake up. We praise God for the partial evidences of this soon to be seen *great awakening*. I have before me a very interesting comparative statement of work done by the various conferences in connection with the *Signs* weekly. We are steadily increasing, but there is no end of room in the front. Some are doing splendidly. What can we say or do to lead the large majority who are evidently inactive, to take hold? We have now a circulation of the *Signs*

weekly of something over 30,000. Let us make it 50,000. We can if we try. Nothing is so successful as success. Let this be secured by persevering effort, and the work will move forward.

Do you know, dear reader, that the people want our literature? I have before me a very interesting idea from the Minnesota Conference. "Dr. \_\_\_\_\_, pastor of the tabernacle of this city, conducts a Bible class every Friday evening. He has been giving some studies on the Armageddon question, and having learned of our tracts, called at the office and has already secured 500 for distribution to the different members of his class. He recommends them highly, as well as the tract, "Turkey and Its End." In the same city another very influential minister recommended to his congregation our tracts on Armageddon, saying that every person ought to distribute five or ten copies among their friends. This certainly is fine, and we hope our people everywhere will manifest the same interest, and will enter enthusiastically into this great soul-winning campaign. The Gospel of the Kingdom is the message for which the world is perishing; and this message is to be brought quite largely to the attention of the world through our literature.

F. W. PAAP.

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## Manitoba Conference

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### MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER ITEMS

We are glad to report two "Standard of Attainment" certificates for Manitoba, and we feel quite sure we shall have no difficulty in reaching our goal on this item, if all who have started out continue to work for it.

Some weeks ago the students and teachers, also one of the parents of the Rivers church school sent in their papers on Bible Doctrines. It was very encouraging to find that nearly every one passed. I cannot tell you how much I appreciated this effort, and hope many more will be encouraged to try. It is not such a difficult thing as some imagine. A little time and patient effort will accomplish much. You will doubtless be surprised yourself, at what you are able to do when once you set to work in earnest.

All who have the Morning Watch calendars have the outline Scripture texts given in the centre pages and you can use other helps, such as "Bible Readings" and Johnston's text book," etc. Now is the time to store the precious truths of God's word in our hearts against the day of famine. Read Amos 8:11.

We wish that all our people who can possibly do so would take up this study of the main points of our faith, and in this way encourage the young people. We are told that "a knowledge of the Scriptures is our only safeguard against the deceptions of Satan." Let us begin now to lay hold of these things as never before.

Mrs. E. M. CHAPMAN.

### THE MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER GOAL

The young people of Manitoba are invited to support the educational work in the Emmanuel Mission, Leriebe, Basutoland, Africa. I am wondering how many of our young people will esteem this a privilege? I feel sure you all will. When we think of the blessings we have and how God has saved us, I am sure you will all say, "Yes, we would like to do it and we will."

How many of us can give five cents a week? Perhaps some could give more than that and some perhaps would not be able to give even that much, but do you not think we could average five cents a week? Just think the good that may be done and the souls that God may save through this work.

Five cents a week amounts to \$2.50 a year. Shall we not make this our aim, even if we have to sacrifice, that the work in Africa may not be hindered by our falling short. God's work will soon be finished in the earth, whether we take a part in it or not. Let us press in, dear young people, and share in the overcomer's reward. God is calling yet.

Mrs. E. M. CHAPMAN.

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### MANITOBA NOTES

Brother W. O. Bates of Didsbury, Alberta, spent Sabbath and Sunday in Winnipeg, on his return home from a visit to relatives and friends in the States. Upon invitation he gave two interesting Bible studies in the church, concerning Armageddon. The Sunday evening service was well attended by quite a number from outside and many were stirred to study the prophecies.

The new Temperance Instructor is now ready. Here is another opportunity to pass on a good thing. Who will volunteer? The temperance work is an important part of God's message today. Let us throw our every energy into the work of getting these papers before as many as possible. Does God impress you that you ought to do something? Just step in now and let Him use you. Eternity alone will reveal the results. Order of the tract society, TODAY.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Winnipeg church report a net gain of \$30.73 as a result of their work from the beginning of last year to February 1 of this year. The year started with \$2.64 in the treasury. Considering the fact that their meetings are held but once a fortnight and the attendance has never at any time been very great they feel quite encouraged. A new sewing machine has been purchased and the work table repaired for the sewing room. Two baptismal robes were made and after giving some little donation to other church funds, there is still a little on hand and some material to start another year. Let us not despise faithfulness in small things.

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### REGINA

We have rented Liberty Hall, on Albert Street, and are holding meetings five nights a week. The location is a good one. All street cars run within one block, and it is also convenient for those who walk, being near the centre of the English speaking portion of the city.

Quite a few are interested, and some are waiting for baptism. We hope in the near future to organize a good church here. We had enough interest to make a good church at the time the war started, but that calamity scattered them to the four winds. Now we expect that with the approach of Spring, a number will leave in quest of employment.

We have a number of young men studying the truth, who would like to work on farms among our brethren, where they could keep the Sabbath, and get some help spiritually. Any of our farmer brethren wanting help should write us before employing men who take no interest in God's truth. Some of these young men are used to farm work and would render good service.

M. MACKINTOSH

1167 Rae St., Regina, Sask.

### THE POWER OF GOD'S WORD

There is more power in a simple statement of Scripture than in a universe full of man's theories, of unnumbered publications of traditional nature, or the decisions of ecclesiastical bodies not founded on a "Thus saith the Lord."

There is more power in the simple, grand, authoritative declaration "The seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God," than in all the millions of sermons preached against it by puny man.

In order to uphold a false Sabbath, many props, many bolsters, many ingenious supports of various descriptions are required to cause the weak column to stand. But the grand, noble, solid, and majestic memorial of God's rearing—The Seventh Day Sabbath—requires no human support. It stands silent, invincible, convincing, convicting—yea even converting—for "the law of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul," and we know the Sabbath truth is one point of God's law.

Whoever dares to strike against that rock, is but like the foolish, powerless child who, desiring to have its own way knocks its head in anger against a stone. The stone will not be injured, but the child will suffer. Let us not strike at God's law, which is a Rock, but let us in penitence fall upon the Rock Jesus Christ and be broken indeed,—broken and contrite in spirit—lest that Rock fall on us and we be lost.

MRS. EDITH B. GOODRICH.

### SASKATCHEWAN NOTES

We have just received another shipment of "The World's Crisis" and expect to see them go as fast as the first lot. We are sure that this booklet will be the means of enlightening many minds as to the true significance of present conditions, and would therefore urge our brethren and sisters to do all they can to get them into the hands of as many people as possible.

Sister Lynn Stanchfield of Brooking is spending a few days in the city. She will be with us over Sabbath, and return on Monday to resume her duties as school teacher.

Elder Mackintosh is now holding meetings in the Liberty Hall in Regina every night except Thursday and Saturday nights. The interest is growing, and the meetings are being well attended.

Among the visitors to the office this week were Brother Christensen from Warmley; Brother Crooks from McLean; Brother Bohlman from Goodwater, and Brother and Sister Kajner from Vibank.

Brother Derinzy from the Sunset church, was a visitor in the city over Sabbath. Brother Brown from the same place called at the office one day last week. The work in their vicinity is progressing favorably.

Brother Maas left this week for Macrorre, where no less than twenty-five people were reported to be interested. Some of them have been keeping the Sabbath since the first of the year, and are very anxious to know the truth more fully.

At the last meeting of the Conference Committee it was finally decided to hold the camp-meeting at Saskatoon this summer. This will be welcome news to many, especially those from the northern part of the province. The date is June 25 to July 4.

Brother Ziprick has recently commenced a series of meetings at Langham. Brother D. D. Neufeld from Waldheim is with him, and we have learned indirectly that the meetings are being well attended. No doubt a more definite report will appear in an early issue of the Tidings.

We received good news this morning from one of our brethren at Fox Valley, where Brother Sulzle is now working. Several families have decided to keep God's commandments, and others are deeply interested. The members of the church there are actively engaged in home missionary work, and the Lord is blessing their efforts.

The work in this province is going most encouragingly. Good reports are coming in from many places, and we receive more calls for ministerial help than we can attend to. Brother Forshaw who has recently gone to Tugaska to follow up a live interest there writes as follows: "Brother Wm. Brown from McLean is here with me, and has well prepared the ground for work. I have plenty to do to keep me busy. I have received an urgent request for meetings in a school house eight miles southeast of here, also a call from fourteen miles north where a man and his wife have already begun to keep the Lord's Sabbath."

## British Columbia Conference

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### VANCOUVER

Today (February 13) there were fifty adults in attendance at our Sabbath meeting, who had begun Sabbath observance during the last two years and a half. There were fully twenty or twenty-five others who were present. Most of these have gone from the city. There are many others who are interested. Meetings are now held in three of our church buildings on three weekly occasions. This is the result of Elder Luther Warren's efforts and those of his assistants.

During this time about one hundred Sabbath keepers have moved out of this city, including their children. During much of the time Brother C. A. Cole has had reports of the meetings and the work in the different daily newspapers. Our sisters have sold, during this time, more than \$4,000 worth of our monthly magazines. Some months as many as 7,000 have been disposed of. Most of these have been placed in the hands of the citizens of Westminster and Vancouver.

The war has and is making minds awake to the fact that "the nations were (are) angry, and thy wrath has come, and the time of the dead, that they should be judged, and that thou shouldst give reward unto thy servants the prophets, and to them that fear thy name, small and great." It is a "time of trouble" to many thousands in this city.

A. O. BURRILL.

## MANSON ACADEMY NOTES

The academy family enjoyed a visit from Miss E. M. Warwick, who spent the week-end in Pitt Meadows visiting friends.

Miss Roma Crane of New Westminster recently enrolled as a student at the academy, where her sister and cousin are taking the commercial course.

Mrs. M. L. McJvanie, a former student of the academy, attended church in Pitt Meadows, Sabbath, February 20th.

Mrs. H. E. Giddings visited Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Giddings in Vancouver prior to their departure for California, where Mr. Giddings will attend the Bookmen's Convention.

Miss Bertha Lofstad and Miss Gertrude Beaty spent the week-end in Vancouver, Miss Lofstad in the interest of the Sabbath school work and Miss Beaty at her home.

Elder Walker spoke in the church at Pitt Meadows Sunday evening, February 21, on "The Eastern Question." A number not of our faith were present and were very much interested in the stirring facts brought out in the discourse.

Professor Frederick Griggs, Educational Secretary of the North American Division Conference, spent Friday evening and Sabbath, February 19 and 20, at the academy. His visit was greatly enjoyed and appreciated and the lessons he gave, most valuable. Friday evening he spoke to the young people from the 34th Psalm, emphasizing the thought in the first verse that blessing the Lord at all times means in every circumstance and under every condition. He dwelt especially on the 1st, 4th and 8th verses, but suggested the committing to memory of the entire Psalm as excellent for all.

Professor Griggs' study Sabbath afternoon on "The Love of God" led to deep thought and brought out much that was wonderful and precious to all God's children.

These studies will long be remembered by those who had the privilege of listening to them.

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## Alberta Conference

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### A SPECIAL MEETING FOR SCANDINAVIANS

A meeting for our Scandinavian brethren will be held at Brother L. O. Larson's home, Lewisville, March 25-28.

We would like to see as many as possible of our Danish-Norwegian and Swedish believers attend this meeting. Elder Humann has promised to be with us, and we feel certain that the Lord has great blessings in store for us.

It was decided that this meeting should be held at Lewisville as we, at present, have a growing interest in that vicinity, and expect by that time to have a number of new Sabbath-keepers with us.

Those coming from the North and South should take the train to Wetaskiwin and those from the East to Wetaskiwin or New Norway. As many as possible should come Thursday and the latest ones should be on the noon train Friday. Any one arriving too early or late at Wetaskiwin, can telephone to Brother Gothard Johnson, Lewisville. Every one should bring plenty of bedding with them.

Let all reading this notice pray God to make this meeting a spiritual awakening and feast.

LOUIS HALSVIÖK

## ACME

"My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me: And a stranger will they not follow, but will flee from him; for they know not the voice of strangers." The above has been the experience of the new company at Acme.

I have spent the last two weeks with Brother Fish helping him close up his work. During this time a very urgent call came for us to hold a few meetings in the town of Acme. The work that has been done here is about three or four miles from town.

We answered the call and held six meetings in town. The first three were well attended, having about one hundred and twenty-five present at each meeting. The others were not so well attended. Before our going to the town, the ministers of that place had made an arrangement with a Mr. Gamble, who advertises himself as a champion on the Sabbath question.

Mr. Gamble arrived according to appointment, and spoke in the Methodist church. To begin, he kindly told the congregation that he would allow no questions to be asked, as his nerves would not stand it. He said he had passed through an accident, after which, for a time, he had lost his mind. It was quite unnecessary to tell this, as the positions he took, were quite convincing of his mental condition.

He said that the Lord gave three decalogues and each one was different from the other; that the ten commandments spoken on Mount Sinai was not the law written on tables of stone. Of course those present who have any knowledge of God's word could see in a moment that he was very ignorant of the Scriptures, for Ex. 20:1-17, tells us what the Lord spoke. In Deut. 4:11-13 and Deut. 9:9,10, we are told what was written on the first tables of stone, that Moses broke (Deut. 9:17). In Deut. 10:15 the Lord tells what he wrote on the two tables of stone that Moses prepared. In each case it is the same law that was spoken on Mount Sinai. The Sabbath following the crucifixion is the same Sabbath that is found in Ex. 20:8-11, and Luke 23:56, which cannot possibly be the first day of the week, or Sunday, (Luke 24:1).

Mr. Gamble said that there must be six working days between each Sabbath. That is true of the weekly Sabbath, but can never be true of the yearly Sabbaths which come on set days of the month regardless of the day of the week. To illustrate: The fifteenth day of the first month was a Sabbath (Lev. 23:6-11). Then one hundred and sixty-six days later was another (Lev. 23:24); ten days later was another (verses 27-32); and five days later was another (verses 34-39). Those Sabbaths were besides the Sabbath of the Lord (verse 38).

We were told by Mr. Gamble that the Methodist bishops in the States had sent him to Canada as the champion against Saturday Sabbath keepers, and to instruct the Methodist ministers in their positions. The Methodist minister at Acme confessed that he had received light. Our brethren, though new converts, were quick to discern the foolishness of the Gamble theory. Some were not decided before this time, and took their stand with us.

We have nearly thirty new converts in this district, and many more are interested. The people around Acme are a very fine class of people and are not going to be deluded by the Gamble theory. A report of our work was sent to the Acme paper. It has not yet appeared, but no doubt it will when space will allow.

J. L. WILSON

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### OHATEN

January 18, Elder Hansen began a series of meetings in Brother Hamreen's home. In a few days the interest spread, so he was asked to hold some services in a school house three miles west. Those who have attended the meetings say that they have never seen the word of God in such light before.

Six have started to obey, and others are deeply interested. With the help of the Spirit of God and the aid of the brethren we have hopes of a few more. A Sabbath school has been organized, and last Sabbath the attendance was 38.

We have truly appreciated the kindness and hospitality shown by Brother Hamreen's family.

H. E. SHELSTAD.

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### ANSWERED PRAYER

About three and one-half years ago the third angel's message found its way into our home, for which we have thanked our Lord many times. This truth seems to us the greatest blessing God ever poured out for any man.

As we began to study the message it came to us very plainly that we should give our children a Christian education. As our means was small we did not know how we could do this, but we found in God's Word that we are to ask for whatever we desire, believing that we shall have it.

So we united in prayer for the Lord to open the way for our children to receive a Christian education. We prayed for three years before we saw any signs of an answer. But last fall the Lord sent Sister Bowett to teach a church school in our neighborhood (Gadsby). So we know that God does answer prayer.

Besides our own children, we are keeping three other children and sending them to school. Sister Bowett is working hard, and I am sure God is blessing her efforts. We have fourteen students in our school.

A prayer meeting is held every Friday evening in our home, and on the Sabbath we meet at the home of Brother McCarty for Sabbath School and service. A number of us engaged in the Harvest Ingathering campaign and had some good experiences, and raised about \$11.00.

We find that constant prayer keeps a constant shower of blessings falling upon us. Daniel prayed three times a day. Do we do as much? In our home we have followed this plan, and find that we are receiving great strength as the result. Pray for us and the school at this place.

W. S. PATTERSON

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### ACADEMY NOTES

Georgia Middleton and Chester Rick have enrolled for the rest of the year.

Donald McDonnell has returned to his school work after enjoying a week's visit to his home near Bawlf.

Ernest Schafer, of Strathcona, has been visiting his brother Samuel, at the academy.

Owing to an attack of la grippe, Professor J. L. Beane was unable to attend to his classes for several days.

Elder P. P. Adams spent Sabbath and Sunday, Feb. 12 and 13, with the church in Edmonton.

Elder H. S. Shaw, of Calgary, spent a few weeks at the academy on Tuesday, the 23rd.

Ernfred Renschler, of Beiseker, spent the week-end visiting his brother, who is a student at the academy.

John Reith recently spent a few days at the academy. At present he is looking after his farm near Gull Lake.

Gertrude McCulloch and Opal and Pearl Fauver recently spent a few days with friends near Clive.

Elder C. K. Reiswig returned from Leduc to spend a few days at home. He will return to Leduc next Friday.

Mrs. David Engel, who has been visiting her brother, Elder J. L. Wilson, of Rosedale, has returned to her home in Lumby, B. C.

Hilbert Haffner and Luther Hansen have had to give up their school work for this year. Ellis Wallace has also gone to his home. All plan to return next year.

A very interesting and instructive program was given by the Public Reading Class recently. The principal items on the program were a dialogue in three scenes, entitled "A Bible Worker's Experience," and a tableau.

Sabbath afternoon, February 20, a temperance program was given by the Young People's Missionary Volunteer Society. Temperance songs, recitations and addresses on the subject made us realize more than ever the evil effects of the use of alcoholic liquors. We shall do all we can to bring prohibition into effect in our province.

Monday, Feb. 15, school work was suspended. A company of the young men and Elder C. A. Burman went four and a half miles east to cut wood on the two and a half acre tract purchased from Mr. Roberts. The company had an enjoyable day cutting and hauling logs. A big warm dinner was brought from the academy by Willie McCready and two of the lady teachers. It was rather amusing to see the company seated around a blazing fire, the three serving being kept busy handing out the food.

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### OBITUARY

**Astleford**—Julia Pearl, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Shields, of Viola, Idaho, was born in Washington Co., Kansas, December 14, 1880, and was accidentally killed near her home, Harmattan, Alberta, December 24, 1914.

On the day of her death, Sister Astleford had taken the team, but had gone but a short distance when they became unmanageable, and she was thrown from the wagon. Her head struck a stump and the rear wheel of the wagon also ran over it.

Sister Astleford was a Sabbath-keeper from childhood. At an early age she united with the church. Though her time was occupied with the care of a large family, yet she found time to work for others. For some time she had been acting as church treasurer, and seldom was her place in the church vacant.

On the morning of her death, while busy with her work, she sang, "O, we see the gleams of the golden morning, piercing through this night of gloom; O, we see the gleams of the golden morning, that will burst the tomb." To her sorrowing husband it seems that these words bear a message. "The loved of earth who have long been parted, meet in that glad day; The tears of those who are broken-hearted shall be wiped away."

The memory of her faith and courage is an inspiration and a comfort. She was laid to rest in the hope of eternal life. Funeral services were conducted at the Adventist Church by Pastor A. C. Anderson, assisted by Mr. Wiper (Methodist). A devoted husband and seven children, besides a father, mother, three sisters and a grandmother are left to mourn, but they sorrow not as those who have no hope.

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The brief article by Prof. M. E. Kern in this issue is a timely one, setting forth as it does the importance of the Morning Watch Calendar. It might be added that the calendar may also be obtained in the German language, at the same price.

Brother W. L. Manfull left this week for Mountain View, California. He will attend the Bookmen's Convention at that place. He has been spending a few weeks at his home, Salmon Arm, B. C.

Elder H. S. Shaw returned last week from College View, Nebraska, where he has been in the interests of the educational work. After spending a day with the Alberta Conference Committee, he has gone to British Columbia to meet with the Executive Committee of that conference.

We are glad to notice that the subscription list to the *Signs of the Times* is beginning to grow in our Union. At the beginning of the campaign our list was the smallest of any Union, but we have now passed two Unions, and hope to keep on climbing. For forty years this journal has been telling its readers that conditions exactly like those now seen would come upon the world. Writers who have spent the best part of their lives in observation and study, and therefore qualified, during the coming year will give the Bible meaning of the big happenings daily chronicled in the secular press. Every few days the publishers learn of some who accept the truth partly or wholly through reading the *Signs of the Times*. This is evidence that the journal is doing a mighty work, and deserves our support.

Those who are acquainted with Elder and Mrs. Aalborg, formerly of Western Canada, will rejoice to learn that the Lord is blessing their present labors. It will be remembered that they are located in Kingston, Jamaica. The following is taken from the West Indian Messenger:

"In the evening of December 27, there was a baptismal service here in the Kingston church, at which twenty per-

sons were buried with Christ in baptism, many of whom were young people. This brings the total number of baptized this year up to sixty persons. We are glad for this good record and trust the Lord will greatly bless these new believers and make them a strength to this cause in Kingston. The work is onward in all the world, and we wish to advance with it in every department of our work, and help finish the work of the gospel in this part of the Lord's vineyard."

### THE 1915 YEAR BOOK

The Year Book for 1915 is now ready for distribution. This issue contains a complete directory of all our conferences, missions, and institutions connected with the denomination. It gives the names and addresses of about five thousand persons connected with this cause in an official capacity, and states the class of work in which each is engaged. In addition to the information contained in former issues, the current issue presents a survey of the field for 1914, prepared especially for this work by those in charge of each division or union. This survey outlines the plans and policies followed in the various fields for carrying forward the work; it designates the chief centres of our work, its present development, and the outlook for the future. Many interesting incidents are presented regarding the progress of this cause during the past year. This publication will prove very helpful to all classes of our workers, and is almost indispensable to all officials. Price, 50 cents, postpaid. Address your tract society.

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I would like to communicate with a Seventh-day Adventist farmer who requires the services of a good farm hand. I have a wife and four children, and would like a permanent place. Am accustomed to hard work, and understand farming. Address W. T. Rogers, 1708 Maple Street, Vancouver, B.C.

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