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LIFE

Is life worth living? Yes, so long
As there is wrong to right,
Wall of the weak against the strong,
Or tyranny to fight;
Long as there lingers gloom to chase,
Or streaming tear to dry,
One kindred woe, one sorrowing face,
That smiles as we draw nigh;
Long as a tale of anguish swells
The heart, and lids grow wet,
And at the sound of Christmas bells
We pardon and forget;
So long as faith and freedom reigns
And loyal hope survives,
And gracious charity remains
To leaven lowly lives;
While there is one untrodden tract
For intellect or will,
And men are free to think and act,
Life is worth living still.

—English Illustrated Magazine.

enough to provide all the literature that can be used to good advantage, collections may be taken at the week night meetings. The members who live too far from the church to attend the meetings may be invited to contribute to this fund.

Care should be taken to see that when literature is ordered, plans are laid to pay for it promptly. Debt is death to aggressive work. It can be avoided by careful planning and prompt collection of all accounts and pledges.

Let us not forget the souls around us, but let us provide literature to help to carry the truth to them that is so precious to us. As much of this literature as possible should be sold, because people value more what they buy than what is given them. But there will always be a demand for quantities of literature for free distribution, in order to reach those who will not or can not buy. Let us give as many as possible the opportunity of accepting salvation from the Lord.

E. M. GRAHAM.

THE FINANCIAL SUPPORT OF THE HOME MISSIONARY WORK

The church is primarily a missionary organization, called out by the Lord to act as his agency for saving other souls.

There are two ways by which the members should support this work of gathering the lost, one by their personal efforts to give the message of salvation to others, and the other by their money.

In many churches very little consideration has been given to the financial support of the home missionary work. The foreign missions, the local conference work, the church expenses, are all planned for in a very definite way, but the home missionary work is left largely to the individual efforts of the members.

For many years a number of churches have followed the plan which was adopted as a basis of support for this home missionary work in the early days of the work, that of devoting the offering taken on the fourth Sabbath to the home missionary work. This is an excellent plan, as it gives a definite and regular income, upon which the church officers can depend for providing some necessary supplies.

Members should be encouraged to sell certain kinds of literature and turn in all or part of the profits to help to pay for the literature for free distribution. In this way this work may be made partially self-supporting. It cannot be expected to be wholly so.

If the fourth Sabbath offerings and the profits on sales turned in by the members do not prove to be

THE TEMPERANCE MOVEMENT

Western Canada, like most of the countries of the world today, is stirred with a powerful and ever-growing spirit of temperance as regards the abolition of the liquor traffic.

Mr. Rowell, M.P.P. of Ontario, and leader of the opposition there, said at a great Temperance Convention lately at Toronto: "We are living in stirring times. It is a great thing to be alive today and to see what our eyes are seeing, sad as those sights may be. But of all the momentous events of this year aside from the great war itself, I believe the most momentous of all is the judgment which civilization has pronounced against the liquor traffic."

Yes, the world is stirred today. I find that in my journeys I need to keep in constant touch with the daily papers, so many and great changes are suddenly taking place.

Saskatchewan, it seems, will banish the bar from July 1st. Alberta is to take a vote of the people on July 21 to abolish the sale of liquor. In Manitoba the leader of the government himself is campaigning for local option, and British Columbia is waging a steady warfare against the sale of liquor, not to mention a stirring agitation in Ontario, and other of our eastern provinces.

All classes are interested. One man said to me: "This is the subject of street talk today among those who usually are indifferent to such topics."

These things being so, the question comes to us: "What are we doing?" "How are we keeping along?" We do not care to help in sending our boys to the war in Europe or sending tobacco to the soldiers, but we do love temperance, we hate the drink, we sorrow for those under its power and for the suffering mothers and children.

We have light on temperance that the world needs. One man said to me, "I shall vote for prohibition because they charge so much for beer." We can help such men to have a better motive. We need to let our light shine.

We can continue to circulate the *Temperance Instructor*; also the new book, *Under the Shadow of the Bottle*, which is the best exposure of the dangers of the liquor traffic I have seen. This book sells readily to young and old. Now is the time to get around and scatter these. Much has been done but much more remains to be done. We ought also to do our part in helping in the organization work, acting on committees, etc. The next two months are very important in Alberta. The liquor people are working hard now. We have the best prospects for success, but we must keep the question agitated until election day. Workers are urgently needed right now.

There are many earnest temperance advocates, well known over the country. I go to them as much as possible, and they welcome and entertain me. They are stirred about this question. How many of us are known in our districts as active and whole-hearted temperance workers?

When canvassing for our papers and books on temperance, we should make ourselves acquainted with the particular question in our own province, the situation and conditions, and what is proposed.

Our papers and books are appreciated. A station agent said to me, "I am glad you came. I saw the *Instructor* in the jeweller's store, but he would not let me have his."

In engaging in this work we are helping in giving the third angel's message. May God help us all to be light-bearers.

R. E. ROBINSON.

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CAMP MEETING AT SASKATOON

Doubtless many in Saskatchewan are thinking and talking about camp meeting, wondering when and where it is going to be held. The date appointed this year is June 24 to July 4, and the place selected is Saskatoon. From the expressions that have come to us regarding this year's meeting, we look for a large gathering.

Saskatoon may seem a long way to the north to some, and so it is. But it must be remembered that for several years past we have had our camp meetings fairly well south, and the brethren living in the northern part of the province will appreciate this plan

to have a change this year. In fact, considering our work at the present time, Saskatoon is quite central, and is also a good railroad point.

The camp meetings this year everywhere are going to be very important gatherings owing to the serious times which have overtaken the world. God will have much light for his people, and we hope that no ordinary condition will prevent our brethren and sisters in Saskatchewan from attending our conference in this field. Heaven will give many blessings to those who are willing to make a sacrifice to come to these annual gatherings. It is sincerely hoped that every church will be fully represented at the conference this year.

It is not too early to mention the election of delegates. Each church is entitled to one delegate without regard to numbers, which shall be the elder, if there is one, and one additional delegate for every five of its members. To illustrate: If there is a church of twenty-two members, it will be entitled to five delegates—one without reference to the number of members, and then one additional delegate for every five of its members.

Orders for tents should be sent in as soon as convenient. The tent rentals will be as they were last year—10x12, \$3.50; 12x14, \$5.00. More detailed information regarding these and other matters pertaining to camp meeting and conference, will be sent later to all our people in Saskatchewan.

Let each one pray for the success of this meeting. There will not be many more such gatherings on this earth, and every soul that belongs to this movement should seek to know fully his standing with God, so that we will be permitted to meet with all the redeemed in the kingdom of heaven.

A. C. GILBERT.

CHURCH ORGANIZATION IN REGINA

April 24th we organized the Seventh-day Adventist church in Regina. Elder A. C. Gilbert officiated. Twenty-two candidates presented themselves for membership and were accepted. A good spirit was manifested. All present expressed their willingness to make any sacrifice to meet the mind of God and lead souls to accept the invitation to the marriage supper of the Lamb.

We now feel that we have gained a foothold in Regina, and that we shall soon have a strong church in the city. In fact we have ten more already keeping the Sabbath, and still others who are getting interested.

When you kneel at your family altar, remember that we have forty thousand people to work for in Regina, and we need your prayers.

M. MACKINTOSH.

AMONG THE WORKERS

The last few weeks I have been enjoying some visits with a few of the workers. It is very encouraging to see the fruitful results of the earnest labor of our ministers. Over sixty persons have accepted the truth since the first of the year. Brother W. A. Clemensen and family are now located in the city of North Battleford, where they will labor for a time finishing the work started by Elder and Sister Rider.

A church of twenty-two members has been organized in Regina, and ten of these are keeping the Sabbath for the first time, having been brought into the truth as the result of the labors of Elder Mackintosh. There are others deeply interested in the truth, and will doubtless yield in full obedience to the claims of God in a short time.

Good reports are coming in from the churches throughout the conference. It is hoped that every church member is doing something to carry the message of salvation to their fellow men. Let us keep the good work going, and increase its scope more and more until the earth is lightened with the glory of God, and Jesus comes to take his children home.

A. C. GILBERT.

LOREBURN

I have been at Loreburn for the past month, delivering seed grain to the farmers, and spent four Sabbaths in April with two isolated German families there, Brethren Klam and Heindricks.

These families conduct Sabbath-school and Young People's meetings in their homes. There was also a Sister Miller who attended their meetings. Sister Heindricks superintended the Sabbath school work and the attention was all that could be expected. They use the regular lesson quarterly, and the song service in English was excellent.

The Young People's Society was worthy of notice. Miss Mary Klam, aged 15 years, was the leader, and the program was long but splendidly given. It was surprising to hear them sing hymns, repeat Scripture, and recite poetry from our denominational papers and magazines. These children speak German at home, but they have been at school and are quite well advanced in the English language.

I think some of these young people should have the privilege of taking a term in the academy to fit them for doing further work, either at home or abroad. Some people in Loreburn also have ears to listen to Bible truth.

GEORGE RICE.

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CARBERRY

The work in this place is progressing nicely. The enemy of souls is working with his usual vigor to hinder the Lord's plan in saving souls and to bring God's people and his truth into disrepute, but in the language of one of old we can say, "We can do nothing against the truth but for the truth."

After holding meetings in the Salvation Army Barracks for two months, we were informed that the building was wanted and we would have to vacate, though we had the promise from the leading Salvationist that we could have the use of the building until they needed it for themselves.

The Lord opened a home for us and we were cordially invited to use it for our meetings without any Your cannot afford to lose one such privilege."

charges attached. We felt that this was an opening of Divine Providence and we accepted the offer so freely made. May our meetings be to this home what the ark of God was to the household of Obed-edom.

Sabbath morning, with Elder Chapman to assist, the company who were rejoicing in their new found faith, gathered at the home of Brother John Fitzsimmons, where we buried nine willing souls in a watery grave, and we shall continue to pray that each one who took this step may live a new life, and show to their companions and associates that they are dead to the world, but alive unto God. The organization of the church was effected with a complete set of officers, and then the solemn ordinances of the Lord's house were participated in by those present. To most of them this was a new experience.

We might mention here, that several from Brandon were with us at this meeting, one of them being baptized and later joined the church at that place. We were so glad to have these people visit us at this time and enjoy the blessings of God together once more.

We will never forget our pleasant stay in Carberry and shall look forward to the day when, if these soldiers prove loyal, a large church will be found here holding up the banner of King Emmanuel and be a beacon light to this part of Manitoba.

V. W. ROBB.

CAMP MEETING

Anciently the Lord instructed his people to assemble three times a year for his worship. To these holy convocations they came, bringing their tithes, sin offerings and their offerings of gratitude to the house of God. They met to recount God's mercies, to make known his wonderful works and to praise and thank his name.

Again in the days of Christ these feasts were attended by vast multitudes of people from all lands.

We read from the testimonies that "the Lord saw that these gatherings were necessary for the spiritual life of his people. They needed to turn away from their worldly cares, to commune with God, and to contemplate unseen realities."

"If the children of Israel needed the benefit of these holy convocations in their time, how much more do we need them in these last days of peril and conflict! And if the people of the world then needed the light which God had committed to his church, how much more do they need it now!"

It is important that the members of our churches should attend our camp meetings. The enemies of truth are many, and because our numbers are few we should present as strong a front as possible, and individually you need the benefits of the meeting.

Some will say, "It is expensive to travel, and it would be better for us to save the money and give it for the advancement of the work where it is so much needed." Do not reason this way. God calls upon you to take your place among the rank and file of his people. Strengthen the meeting all you possibly can by being present with your families.

Put forth extra exertion to attend the gatherings of God's people.

"Brethren and sisters, it would be far better for you to let your business suffer than to neglect the opportunity of hearing the message God has for you.

These yearly gatherings are always a refreshing to God's people. We are hoping and expecting that our camp meeting this year will have the largest attendance and be the best of any in the history of the conference.

Good help has been secured. Elder Enoch, who has spent ten years in India, will perhaps be remembered by some, as he has been in Manitoba before. He will have many interesting experiences to tell us. Elder Human, president of the Alberta conference will assist in the German meetings. These men added to the Union and local workers will give us the necessary help. The young people's department will have efficient help. Meetings will also be held for the children regularly each day.

The annual election of the conference officers with other important matters connected with the Lord's work will be considered.

Time is short and we have no assurance that we shall ever have another opportunity like this.

Beautiful grounds in the Assiniboine Park at Brandon have been secured. The usual rates for travel will be granted by the railroads. Particulars will be given later. Meals will be served at the dining tent on the cafeteria plan.

E. M. CHAPMAN.

TO THE CHILDREN

I know you are all working hard now that the warm weather has come, doing this and that to have money for mission work. "You in your small corner and I in mine." Just where our money will be used, we must decide at camp meeting, so dear children, put on your thinking cap and be ready to tell at that time where you would like it to go. Splendid letters have come to me which show how earnest all are, and how eager each one is to have a part in this great work. Many dollars are to come in and some will be from very small children.

We hope to have some good meetings when we come together in June. Plans are being made for every one to have a part in the program on Children's and Young People's Day, so let us all be on hand the first day, if possible.

Do not forget to ask God to help you to be good boys and girls every day, so Jesus will be pleased as he looks down on our dear band in Manitoba.

MRS. V. V. ROBB.

LAST DAY WARNING

"And take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting, and drunkenness and cares of this life, and so that day come upon you unawares." "Watch ye therefore, and pray always . . . so as to stand before the Son of Man."

The Lord our God in looking down the stream of time saw the danger that would threaten to sweep the people of God to destruction, therefore sends us the warning in the words above. Being sure we are in the last days, these words apply to us.

Watch ye for the cares of this life. Some are too busy to gather the family together each day for a short Bible study and prayer. Others follow this daily program but make it very brief; it must be short as we are so busy,—so many cares.

This gives the idea that there are more important things than family worship. Yet, we read, "But seek

ye first the Kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things will be added unto you."

I believe with all my heart that the families who love this message and not only find time for family worship, but will also have seasons of secret prayer with their father, are the ones that will have strength to stand the trials and will have a home in the earth made new. The men and women of prayer in God's work are the ones that find time for prayer and the study of the Word.

Others are too busy to attend church on the Sabbath only occasionally, and are very seldom seen at prayer meeting. They acknowledge that they should attend regularly, but have been so busy during the week and found themselves too tired to come. Thus they are cheated out of great blessings.

We all find this influence at work in our lives, as we are living in what is termed "the fast age," and it is hurry, hurry all the time. I often fear that some of our dear people will be lost because of so many "cares of life." We must not permit ourselves to be overcome with this great danger, but call a halt, and take time to worship God.

If we have a family to raise, show the children that father and mother make it their duty to first worship God, and other, earthly things come afterward.

We surely do not want the sad words said to us: "Weighed in the balance and found wanting."

E. M. CHAPMAN.

REPORT OF SABBATH SCHOOLS Quarter Ending March 31, 1915

Name.	Members.	Regular.	13th Sab.	Total.
Austin	11	\$ 5.75	\$ 1.20	\$ 6.95
Beausejour	36	13.64	1.90	15.54
Bergland	7	2.00	1.25	3.25
Bradwardine	33	34.90	6.05	40.95
Brandon	7	15.40	6.00	21.40
Carberry	16	5.15	3.55	8.70
Giroux				
Katrimé	5	10.00	5.00	15.00
Killarney	12	1.42	1.56	2.93
Morden	40	16.15	1.65	17.80
Russell	32	16.26	10.59	26.85
Scandanavia	14	1.90	.25	2.15
Winnipeg (Eng.)	41	21.95	5.90	27.85
Winnipeg (Ger.)	15	23.95	6.30	30.25
Home Dept.	19	15.70	7.00	22.70
	288	\$184.17	\$58.20	\$242.37

In sending our report from Manitoba this quarter I am glad to say that another Sabbath School has been organized, one which will follow the plan laid out by the department, I am sure. We are so thankful for faithful members and the co-operation of the superintendents and secretaries. May each one be richly blessed of God and may we continue loyal until the end and meet around the great white throne.

I want to call your attention to our smaller schools, Brandon and Katrimé, and the splendid reports from them. They are the only ones in the province which come up to the fifteen-cents-a-week per member each quarter. They are in harmony with the plan of this denomination and we are very proud of them.

Our hearts have been cheered, too, as we have read some of the letters from isolated members who wanted to give more to this cause, but can not because of the hard times now existing. We know that the willing-

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ness manifested by them will not be overlooked by our Father, but will receive blessings for the sacrifices they may have made that the message of truth might be heralded to the world. MRS. V. W. ROBB.

MANITOBA NOTES

Camp meeting at Brandon, June 18-27. Let every one plan now to attend.

We were pleased to greet in Winnipeg last week Elder Shaw and Brother W. L. Manful. Elder Shaw took the services on the Sabbath.

Brother Fred Kingston, of Giroux, spent the last of the week in Winnipeg, receiving instructions in the canvassing work from Brother Manful, prior to going out into the field.

Brother Ogmundur Sigurdsson, of Winnipeg, is meeting with excellent success in the sale of books among the Icelandic people in the northern part of the province. In three days he took 50 orders for "Christ Our Saviour."

What are you doing to circulate the Signs? The number of Signs going into Manitoba has fallen off greatly the last few weeks. You cannot afford to be without the Signs in this momentous time. We shall be glad to receive your renewals.

A baptismal service was held at the Beausejour Church last Sunday by Elder Dirksen. When the church was organized on May 4, 1913, it had a membership of 14. May 4, 1915, it has a membership of 28. We are sure all will rejoice in the blessings that have attended the Beausejour Church.

We are sorry to learn that Brother L. F. Gretzinger, of Beausejour, was recently kicked by a horse, and has been very sick. At this writing he is recovering, and we hope soon that he will be able to be up. Let us remember Brother Gretzinger at this time in our devotions.

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THE CAMP MEETING

"The camp meeting is one of the most important agencies in our work. They are to promote spiritual life among our people. The world in its wisdom knows not God. The world cannot see the beauty, the loveliness of divine truth. And in order that men may understand this, there must be a channel through which it shall come to the world. The church has been constituted that channel. Christ reveals himself to us, that we may reveal him to others. Through his people are to be manifested the riches and glory of his unspeakable gift. It is important that the members of our churches should attend our camp meetings. The enemies of truth are many; and because our numbers are few, we should present as strong a front as possible. Individually you need the benefits of the meeting, and God calls upon you to number one in the ranks of truth. Some will say, 'It is expensive to travel, and it would be better for us to save the money, and give it for the advancement of the work where it is so much needed.' Do not reason in this way; God calls upon you to take your place among the rank and file of his people. Strengthen the meeting all you possibly can by being present with your families. Put forth extra exertion to attend the gathering of God's people."

"Brethren and sisters, it would be far better for you to let your business suffer than to neglect the oppor-

tunity of hearing the message God has for you. Make no excuse that will keep you from gaining every spiritual advantage possible. You need every ray of light. You need to become qualified to give a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear. You cannot afford to lose one such privilege."—Test., vol. 6, 38-39. God has promised great things for his people. "He that is feeble among them at that day shall be as David; and the house of David shall be as God, as the angel of the Lord before them."—Zech. 12, 8.

Our camp meeting will be held this year at Vernon, and we urge all who can possibly attend the camp meeting to do so. The worker's meeting commences June 1, 1915, and the camp meeting proper, June 7, 1915. The rates secured cover both meetings and go into effect May 28, 1915. If one hundred (100) or more delegates hold Standard Certificates they will be returned to their original starting point free; if fifty (50) or more they will be returned to their original starting point at one-third of the one way first-class fare; if forty-nine (49) or less they will be returned to their starting point at two-thirds the one way first-class fare. Everyone should secure a one way first-class ticket from starting point and ask for a Standard Certificate for every ticket purchased for passage on the trains and boats operated by the Canadian Pacific Railway Company. If the Standard Certificate is not asked for and secured there will be no reduction in the return fare and all who do not hold these certificates will be obliged to pay full fare when returning from the meeting. These certificates will be furnished to you by the ticket agent from whom you purchase your ticket, so do not fail to ask for them.

J. B. GIDDINGS.

REPORT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA SABBATH SCHOOLS

Quarter Ending March 31, 1915

Honor Roll.	Members.	Offerings		
		Regular.	13th Sab.	Total.
West Vancouver.....	17	\$ 31.09	\$ 3.19	\$ 34.28
Manson	29	21.65	3.62	25.27
Naden Harbor.....	7	5.25	5.75	11.00
Clayburn	13	15.04	2.00	17.04
Straiton	6	8.25	3.00	11.25
Mission City.....	10	4.20	1.50	5.70
Cumberland	11	1.30	.50	1.80
Van Anda.....	8	1.45	.55	2.00
Firvale	26	6.01	4.25	10.26
Glenemma	25	12.05	4.25	16.30
Penticton	29	13.85	1.55	15.40
Grandview	94	45.20	14.60	59.80
Silver Creek.....	20	3.75	1.35	5.10
Nanaimo	50	28.82	3.30	32.12
Vancouver, Union Street..	67	27.80	3.18	30.98
Nelson	10	6.56	1.04	7.60
South Vancouver.....	26	35.25	15.35	50.60
Vernon	48	13.85	3.25	17.10
Vancouver, 42nd Avenue..	25	18.60	3.19	21.79
Midway	6	6.95	1.95	8.90
Home Department.....	12	.50	.50	1.00
Lumen	27	12.92	3.70	16.62
Little River.....	4	1.75	.25	2.00
Woden River.....	12	4.10	1.50	5.60
Molly Gibson.....	6	1.20	.25	1.45
*Victoria	26
*Armstrong	16
*Enderby	6
Totals: 27 schools.....	636	\$327.39	\$83.57	\$410.96

*No donations reported.

A visit with every Sabbath school in the conference—and not only one, but all can go, as we glance over this report. Now I wonder if you will see the same things that I see. In the schools which have reported first, I see wide-awake secretaries with a deep interest in their work; then I see some of the other secretaries just as interested in their work, but always delays have come in this quarter that could not be avoided, and so they did their best. I am so glad that the Lord asks us just to do our best.

Then I see in a large number of our Sabbath schools a special interest in the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering. Could we be there for six Sabbaths before the close of the quarter we would see the superintendent, or someone appointed by him, reading from the Thirteenth Sabbath Leaflet, carrying out the program outlined by the General Conference Sabbath School Department. Glance over the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering column in the report and you will see how this has been carried out in our Sabbath Schools.

We notice also the interest taken in the review of the lesson, because of the way in which it is presented; and then the helpful thoughts brought out in the lesson study that make it indeed a practical lesson for everyday life—seeing all this we say, “This Sabbath School takes the *Worker*.”

We pass into the Primary Department and note the careful training that is being given the little folks, the attention and interest seeming almost unusual; but it is all made plain when after the classes are over and the children have passed out with their teachers the superintendent of this division explains to us that the teachers and officers are all taking the Teachers' Training Course and the principles in “The Seven Laws of Teaching,” and helpful suggestions in “Testimonies on Sabbath School Work” are being applied in this school, and God is blessing the efforts put forth to secure a better preparation for training the young. And they tell us of such interesting and helpful teachers' meetings that they wonder how they ever managed the Sabbath School without them.

Of course, the little people of the Kindergarten Division have their Memory Verse Cards and their memory verses, too.

We were glad to be a few minutes early, for we were so interested in the Mission Clock, and how delighted we were to see the red hand ahead of the black hand; we also noticed the large Review Picture Roll and the beautiful picture seemed to tell the whole lesson story, making it so real to us and taking our thoughts away from all outside and bringing us very close to the life of our Saviour.

And what, ask you, is the result of all this? Our one object in the Sabbath School work is the salvation of souls, whether in the foreign lands or in the home land. We will never know in this world how the Lord has used our Sabbath School offerings to rescue souls from the darkness of heathenism, but in our own Sabbath Schools for this quarter just passed we have the report: Two converted, eleven baptized, a marked change in two more. Thus God has blessed in the work, and we desire his blessing to continue with our Sabbath School work, for without him we can do nothing.

BERTHA LOFSTAD.

MANSON ACADEMY NOTES

Miss Lofstad spent the week-end in Vancouver and New Westminster.

Misses Roma and Vera Crane were called home on account of the illness of their father.

Elder A. O. Burrill spent a few days at the academy recently, assisting the canvassers in their studies.

Viss Violet Crane, of New Westminster, visited her sisters at the academy and attended the Temperance Rally.

Miss Sarah Stickle visited the Misses Crane at their home in New Westminster during the early part of the week.

The result of the Temperance Rally was a good attendance from the village, temperance literature distributed, and twenty-six signers obtained to the temperance pledge.

Elder Warren, accompanied by Brother and Sister McMillan and Sister Walker, of Vancouver, made the academy a much-appreciated visit. Especially was Elder Warren's talk enjoyed by all present.

April 26 a school picnic was enjoyed by the students, faculty and visitors from Vancouver. The bountiful dinner served under the trees, the outdoor games and boating, all made the day one of restful pleasure in the busy school life of the academy.

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HOME MISSIONARY WORK IN ALBERTA

The Lord gave the word; and great was the company of those that published it.—Ps. 58, 11. This will be fulfilled by God's remnant people yet. The Lord is coming soon. His coming is delayed because of the inactivity of professing believers. The churches must get to work, every member, and every isolated Sabbath keeper must get to work for that neighbor of yours that you just know would accept the truth if you could get one of the ministers to come and preach and explain things.

My brother, my sister, this is not the work of a minister. This is why God called you to that place, that you might let your light shine. It will shine good too if you just let it.

“I have read of a man who, journeying on a winter's day through the deep, drifted snow, became benumbed by the cold which was almost imperceptibly stealing away his vital powers. And as he was nearly chilled to death by the severe cold, and about to give up the struggle for life, he heard the moans of a brother traveller, who was perishing with cold. His sympathy was aroused, and he determined to rescue him. He chafed the ice-clad limbs of the unfortunate man, and after considerable effort raised him to his feet; and as he could not stand, he bore him in sympathizing arms through the very drifts he had thought he could never succeed in getting through alone. And when he had borne his fellow-traveller to a place of safety, the truth flashed home to him that in saving his neighbor he had saved himself also.”

We must save our own souls—“work out our own salvation”—by striving to save others. If we are not careful to “watch unto prayer” “as they that must give an account,” that neighbor in whom we are so much interested may get into the kingdom and we be lost.

The thought comes to your mind: "I should write to Mr. M—— and send him a tract." We should watch for the leading of the Spirit. You are not the only one that had a thought. Mr. M—— also had a thought. Both hearts were moved by the Spirit at the one time. If you write the letter at once he will get it while his heart is tendered and softened, and the tract will do its good work. This is following the guidance of God's Spirit.

"I should call on neighbor Jones today. I feel so impressed to do. Wish one of our ministers would come, and I would take him over. I have no ability to explain the Bible." Dear believer, this is just the way that God wants you to feel—that you are not able. God can do more through a humble consecrated soul than through one who feels they are able. Go at once, for God is working on neighbor Jones' heart right now. "Step in while the waters are troubled." It will be too late if you wait for the minister.

Let us work as never before. Now is the time to meet the people. Let us send in a good report. Try it and see how God will bless you. "A good report maketh the bones fat."—Prov. 15:30. We must let the enemy of souls know that we are alive and we are in the battle to win. God is in this movement. If necessary he will send every angel in heaven to your help. When we enter a home of a neighbor, let us walk conscious of the fact that all heaven is interested in the work we are doing. Let us step carefully because angels are there too. Time is a talent that every one has. Let us "watch for souls as they that must give account." Let us redeem the time.

R. P. MOONEY.

PROVOST

In our journey through life there are many things our eyes behold, and our hearts desire, but if we could get them, it would mean our ruin. There are other things that we do not naturally desire, even though they are from the Lord. He says, "I have made thee as a watchman unto the house of Israel; therefore hear the word of my mouth and give them warning from me."

This seems hard for us to do, even if God has promised to "supply all our need" and further he says, "Open thy mouth and I will fill it." "For I will give you a mouth and wisdom which all your adversaries shall not be able to gainsay nor resist."

As we know from "the sure word of prophecy," the persecution will come, why is it that we are so slow to obey, when God calls? Do we expect a better time? Will our foe be more easily convinced later on?

As I go from house to house trying to tell of the soon coming of Christ, and the necessity of obedience to God's requirements, I find much hatred, and enmity against the message and those who carry it. I believe we are nearer the time of great persecution than we expect.

Not long ago a man asked me regarding the destruction of the wicked. When I began to read from Revelation regarding it, he said that is a book that no one can understand, and told me to stop reading. I asked him if we could have a season of prayer, and he said, "No, I do not want to pray with you."

This man requested me to go home and not come among them any more. I told him that I have no home, and it is my duty to tell all I can of the things that are soon to take place on the earth. Brethren, we must do all we can for our neighbors and friends. We must talk with them, pray with them, loan and give them tracts, and send in our reports. In heaven there is kept a record of our work, and why should we not keep a record here?

Let us work as never before, and pray for one another.

H. E. SHELSTAD.

MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER REPORT FOR QUARTER ENDING MARCH 31

Letters written.....	334
Letters received.....	89
Missionary visits (personal work).....	64
Bible readings or cottage meetings held.....	24
Subscriptions taken for periodicals.....	4
Papers sold.....	525
Papers mailed, or given away.....	1,589
Books sold.....	5
Books lent or given away.....	32
Tracts sold.....	28
Tracts lent or given away.....	649
Hours of Christian Help work.....	258
Articles of clothing given away.....	31
Treatments given.....	31
Signers obtained to temperance pledge.....	53
Offerings for Foreign Missions through the Society	\$ 12.00
Offerings for Foreign Mission through S.S. and church	41.95
Offerings for Home Missions.....	24.85
Offerings for Local Society work.....	15.41
Tithe paid to Church Treasurers.....	234.75

A. P. POND.

ACADEMY NOTES

The Junior Class has been organized with a membership of 11.

A. P. Pond spent last Sabbath and Sunday with friends at Innisfail.

The beginning music students will give a program in the chapel on Sunday evening at 7.30.

Miss Phyllis Sargeant, who has charge of the Primary Department of the academy, spent the week-end at her home near Clive.

Miss Rose Unruh, the conference stenographer, has just returned from a visit in Saskatchewan. Her sister, who holds a like position in that conference, joined her, and together they surprised their parents.

Miss Phemia Adams, who has been doing dressmaking in Rosedale during the winter, has returned to her home in Saskatchewan. Her sister, Robina, will move into the dormitory for the remainder of the year.

Pastor P. P. Adams spent two chapel hours last week lecturing on Mormonism. Mr. Adams has spent some time in evangelistic work in Salt Lake City, Utah, and is an able expositor of the Mormon doctrine. He also gave a good description of the main buildings of the city.

Last Sabbath, May 1, being Young People's Day, the church service was given over to the missionary volunteers, who gave a short report of work done and of their aim for the coming year. The Missionary Volunteer Society is an organization of the Seventh Day Adventist young people of the world, with headquarters at Washington, D.C. The society was formed that they might have an organized system of missionary work. Each year a definite aim or goal is set. The 1915 goal for the North American Division is two thousand young people won to Christ, two thousand young people to read the Bible through, and \$2,500 to be raised for foreign missions.—"Western Globe," Lacombe, May 5, 1915.

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A. H. BRIGHAM - - - - - Editor

J. M. Rowse attended the Colporteurs' Institute at Hanley, Sask., returning to Calgary last week.

W. L. Manfull has gone to Manitoba, after closing the Colporteurs' Institute at Hanley, Saskatchewan.

Prof. E. C. Kellogg, president of Walla Walla College was a caller at the Union office recently. He had spent a few days at the Alberta Academy.

Elder H. S. Shaw returned this week from Manitoba and Saskatchewan, and left immediately for College Place, Washington, where he will assist in the Commencement exercises of Walla Walla College.

OUR INSTITUTES

Our first institute was held at Lacombe in connection with the school. About 25 were in regular attendance, and some six or seven, who have canvassed before, but were so busy with their studies that they could not attend.

We tried in our instruction to put special stress on the spiritual part of our work, and impress the great importance of relating ourselves to the Lord in such a way that he can give us his blessing and his Spirit to guide us in all we do.

We left Lacombe and came to Hanley, Saskatchewan, where we met at Brother Rowse's home. Fifteen colporteurs gathered here and the same spirit that was with us at Lacombe we found here also. Ten days were spent in the study of the Bible, and on principles of salesmanship. I do not believe I ever held a series of institutes in which there was a greater consecration and a more determined purpose to do all in their power to bring the blessed news of the soon coming Saviour home to the hearts of people with whom they come in contact.

May the Lord help us to do our part as he would have us. We are in a time when we can expect anything to take place. This must lead us close to the Lord and we must look to him for guidance in all we do. We are going out full of courage and believe the Lord will bless us in our work and give each one just the help we need.

W. L. MANFULL.

SISTER WHITE'S CONDITION

Sanitarium, California,

April 23, 1915.

Dear Editor:—

During the past two weeks there has been but very little change in mother's condition. She continues to

say that she has but little suffering, and when told of the messages of love from many friends, she says, "Tell them I am doing well."

Last Sabbath she was too weak for any conversation until evening. Then, when I told her of the blessing bestowed upon the meetings held at the Sanitarium by Elder Macguire, she said, "Thank the Lord for his blessing." When I asked if she was comfortable she said, "I am not suffering very much. I am thankful that things are as well as they are."

Sunday evening, April 18, mother was sitting in her big bay window, with a copy of *Desire of Ages* in her hands. I sat down beside her and spoke of the precious truths which the book contains, and of the good that is being accomplished by it and her other books are being circulated more and more. To this she replied:

"Keep it up, keep it up. Do not be discouraged. Do what you know to be right, though others may object.

"I want the truth to stand out in its beauty. I get terribly tired of nonentities. Let us not serve the devil in that way.

"I do not say that I am perfect, but I am trying to be perfect. I do not expect others to be perfect; and if I could not associate with my brethren and sisters who are not perfect, I do not know what I should do.

"I try to treat the matter the best that I can, and am thankful that I have a spirit of uplifting, and not a spirit of crushing down. Yet, I am going to make that appear just as much as possible. No one is perfect. If one were perfect, he would be prepared for heaven. As long as we are not perfect, we have a work to do to get ready to be perfect. We have a mighty Saviour."

In answer to the question if she had had a comfortable day, she said, "I cannot say that I have been uncomfortable. I am very thankful that the day has passed so pleasantly.

"I am going to keep my mind as much as ever I can on the prominent things of eternal life. They are not dwelt upon enough. I rejoice that I have that faith that takes hold of the promises of God, that works by love and sanctifies the soul. A sanctified soul will not blunder a great deal. It will not keep talking, talking, talking about what this one should do, and what that one should do. The Lord wants us each to do all we possibly can, and fight the good fight of faith. That is what I mean to do. I will not give up to a mind of despondency."

After prayer she said, "I try to keep my eyes fixed upon the blessings, fixed upon that to which I wish to be conformed. Let us think and talk more of the things that pertain to salvation. Thus we can be a help and a blessing to others."

Those who know her experience feel that the Lord is very merciful to mother, in that she suffers so little, and in that her courage and faith are steadfast,

Yours very truly,

W. C. WHITE.

CAMP MEETING DATES

British Columbia, Vernon.....	June 7 - 13
Manitoba, Brandon.....	June 18 - 27
Saskatchewan, Saskatoon.....	June 24 - July 4
Alberta, Lacombe.....	July 8 - 18