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THE SONG I HEARD IN THE NIGHT

I have no jewels, rich and rare,
That I may call mine own;
But my little children, if polished fair,
May shine in God's bright crown.

I hold no title to house or land—
Mine is a humble lot;
But the home prepared in the better land,
The heart of man knows not.

I have no promise of length of days—
My life is but a span;
But I have no fear, for in weary ways
God leads me by the hand.

And I know in heaven is waiting
A home; and a crown so bright,
To wear through endless ages
Where never comes the night.

And I need not fear the tempest,
With the haven just in sight,
So I'll sing with faith undaunted
This song I heard in the night.

—Mrs. I. M. Hober.

JOINT COUNCIL OF THE GENERAL CONFERENCE AND NORTH AMERICAN DIVISION COMMITTEES

The Fall Council of the General Conference Committee and the North American Division Conference Committee convened November 5, at Loma Linda, California, according to previous appointment, and is scheduled to continue until November 27.

All the local conference presidents are present from the conferences in North America, with the exception of a very few.

Questions to be considered at this meeting are so great and far-reaching that it was deemed advisable to invite the presidents of our local conferences as well as other leading men to convene with us at this time for counsel.

Many questions of importance are being discussed, one of which is the matter of organizing another Division Conference in the Far East, which will constitute more than half the population of the world. After much thought and consideration the council has voted unanimously to organize the Far East into such a conference, and now the matter of finding men for this new Division is a problem which is not easy to solve. The North American field must be stripped

of many of its laborers in order to meet the growing demands of the great fields in those heathen lands, where God is going out before His people and thousands are being converted to Him.

We have reached the time when we can no longer turn a deaf ear to the cries of the East. Nothing is plainer than the fact that we have reached the last opportunity for the finishing of the work. Eternity is dawning upon us. We are stirred beyond measure as we hear of the progress and see the great things that God is doing for His people in those benighted fields. Now is the time when every man and woman in this denomination should make a new consecration. Surely we have but little time left to finish the greatest work ever committed to the hands of men. We are made to exclaim, "O! God, who is sufficient for these tremendous problems!"

Now, as never before, every father and mother should dedicate their all to God,—sons, and daughters, and means. The sons and daughters will be thus saved through service, the means will be saved by having been invested in sending laborers into the harvest.

If ever I was thankful for any one thing more than another it is for the loyalty of our dear people in Western Canada. Of course our people are loyal all over the world; but somehow the way our people in our Union have put their shoulder to the wheel, and have shown such fortitude amid the vicissitudes of war and sorrow, has given me more courage and comfort than anything else that could have happened in my life. But what an important time we live in! How necessary that everything be laid upon the altar! It seems that I have never realized before as much as now, the great necessity of doing what we do, quickly.

As the great questions concerning these things come before this convention from day to day, one is held spell-bound with the stupendous proposition we have on our hands, amid such perils; but on the other hand there is a feeling of satisfaction, the equal of which I have never witnessed before, that God is making bare His arm to help His people through the last final struggle in the finishing of the work.

The council is very harmonious. It is certainly comforting to see such great questions discussed by so large a body of leading men, without a shadow of dissention, but every man is anxious to be in harmony and peace, that he may add his support and influence on the right side.

May the Lord bless His people, and help us to be true to Him. True in our tithes, true in our offerings, true with our talents, true with all that God has

committed to our trust. There cannot be much time left; everything points to the speedy finishing of this great task. Now is the time to take courage, for never before in the history of our work in Western Canada have we seen the movings of the power of the spirit as we see it now, in behalf of His workers. Over four hundred people have been baptized in Western Canada the first nine months of this year, and still the good work goes on. This goes beyond any record of soul-saving we have seen in our Union since the work was organized in Western Canada. Keep on praying, keep on laboring, and surely, as the harvest is given to those who faithfully sow the seed, so will there be a harvest of souls given to all who conscientiously sow the seed of truth in the spirit of sacrifice.

This council will continue the larger part of November. We expect to arrive home some time early in December.

H. S. SHAW.

"KINGS OF THE EAST"

Asia Awakening

Under the above heading there appears an article in the November *Signs of the Times*, Victoria, Australia, which discloses the trend of events in the Far East. Brother R. Hare, the writer, gives the following illuminating picture of the present situation:

"Occasionally magazine writers have called attention to what they denominate 'The Yellow Peril,' and statesmen have whispered among themselves about the danger of 'An Awakened Asia.' The question has forced itself upon the attention of national legislatures, and they have wondered if the millions of the East would ever strike a blow at Western civilization.

True, the danger has seemed remote, owing to the apparent dullness of the Orient mind, yet all the while the Bible has told about the "Kings of the East" gathering their forces, and of their way being prepared. Rev. 16:14. Men and nations have been slow to believe, but in the mysterious rearrangement of events the prophetic picture grows more distinct.

For many centuries China has been a comparatively quiet nation. With its 420,000,000 of people it has jogged along to the tune of 'two thousand years ago,' and the world has forgotten that China claims one-fourth of its population and one-tenth of its territory.

In 1637 Japan expelled the Jesuits and shut her gates against all the Western world. She sealed her imperial edicts with the blood of thousands, and then declared that both Christianity and the Christian's God were outlawed. For two hundred years that grim edict held its force and Japan maintained her isolation. But in 1854 America surprised the country into a treaty, and the following year sent Protestant missionaries to its people. It need not be told that Japan has surprised the world by the rapidity and development of her achievements. The Little Island Kingdom of the Orient has opened its eyes with a glance that has astonished the people and nations of the West.

India's millions are restless, and though under apparent subjection, they are far from being satisfied. For more than a year the Western world has been playing at a game of death. A struggle titanic and unequalled in history has been raging, and the millions of money spent, and the millions of men slain, the

crippling of industries and the turning back of the tide of national wealth-production have weakened the force and exhausted the resources of all the combatants. With that weakening the Turk, the barrier that has hitherto divided Western progress and Oriental conservatism is moving out of the way. For seventy long years that power has been drying up before the eyes of the world, and all the while the Book of God has been pointing out the change that would come in the East when it was taken out of the way. In the magazines of today we read of the 'last footprints of Islam.' The Bible writer speaks of that power 'coming to his end,' but both these statements correspond.

In no part of the East has conservatism held control so long and so securely as in China. But this is all changing now, and China is 'awakening' with all of the Orient. In a work entitled the 'Chinese' we read the following on page 203:

The modern military schools at Canton, Nanking and Peking turn out 300 officers a year, and Japanese schools add 700 Chinese military graduates a year, so that the provincial armies are rapidly being officered on the most approved lines.

Lord Charles Beresford in his book the 'Break Up of China' says, 'No one knows the real strength of the Chinese army, not even the Chinese Government itself.' In his trip through the empire he saw the efforts of a people rude in skill but determined to imitate all of Western progress in the line of war preparation. He tells of them having machinery for the manufacture of guns of every calibre up to the great fifty ton weapons. Already forty forts and batteries are lined along her coast and rivers, seven arsenal factories produce ammunition, and unseen armies are rapidly preparing for service.

In another large work, 'China in Transformation,' on page 24 we read:—

According to Abbie Huc, in his "Chinese Empire," it may not be impossible to find in China the elements for organizing the most formidable army in the world and for the creation of a navy.

But the plan upon which China and the other nations of the East is operating is the plan learned from the demonstrations in the West. In some of the volunteer corps in Shanghai the order of command is given in English, and the Western war-bugle has taken its place as the war-trumpet of the East.

All this may not mean much to the casual observer, but it must mean much to the thoughtful reader. The East is awakening and getting its kings ready for the battle of the coming Armageddon. More than 800,000,000 of people crowd into that Eastern world. Western civilization has often sneered at their backwardness, but the day of transformation has come, and the Western world will next have to deal with the kings of the East.

All this is unfolding under Orient skies, but men do not see in it what the Book of God reveals. Asia only waits for a leader who can organize its forces, then the world will see the last but one of the closing pictures in the world's history.

To the child of faith this should speak with words of promise and of power. It brings the coming of Christ into nearer and closer view. When the kings of the East take their place at Armageddon, Christ will come, and already the way is being prepared."

Recent press reports state that the Entente Powers have invited China to participate with them in the great world war, and there is a possibility that this mighty nation will lend her aid at least by manufacturing munitions of war. From the battlements of heaven the words have sounded, "Let the heathen be awakened" and lo, the Orient springs into life. Are we ready for the next act in the drama, the close of probation, the falling of the plagues and Armageddon?

F. L. H.

**THE HARVEST INGATHERING GOAL—
SHALL WE REACH IT?**

The \$100,000 goal is still before us unreached in our Harvest Ingathering work. For three years this same goal has been voted by the General and North American Division Conferences. Shall we really try this year to reach it? The nearest we have come to it yet is \$57,598.73. This goal is on the basis of \$1.54 for each church member. Really it would seem that each conference ought to raise this. And it might easily do so if each church would gather in its share. And that depends upon whether each church member fulfils his part.

October 31, the Maritime Conference, Eastern Canada, sent us a telegram saying they were already out on their portion of the goal.

According to reports sent by conference treasurers to the union conference treasurers, on December 31, last year, the Western Canadian Union stood as follows:—

	Share of \$100,000	Amount Raised	Due	Honor Roll
West Canadian Union.....	\$2008.16	\$1728.25	\$279.91	
Alberta	731.50	675.54	55.96	
British Columbia	560.56	293.65	266.91	
Manitoba	328.02	177.71	150.31	
Saskatchewan	388.08	581.35		\$193.27

Before the colder weather comes on is the most favorable time for work with the missions number of the *Signs*. Some people to whom we go will help. Others will not. But there is a real blessing in doing our duty, whether we feel like it or not. There is some work we must do for the Lord that we do not like to do. But shall we pick out only which pleases us? The Lord did not do that way. "He pleased not himself."

God needs the help of every one just now whose heart he has touched with the love of this truth. He has work for you that you can do. Will you not persevere in your work with the *Missions Signs* this year until you know your conference has reached its portion of the \$100,000? Is this a too large amount to attempt to raise for God, when every field is open to us to give the message, and the Lord is holding, to some extent, the winds of strife for us to finish our work?

If you are out of papers write your conference secretary for more. Let us resolve within ourselves to do more this year in gathering funds for missions than ever before. "God loves a cheerful giver (and a cheerful worker too)".

T. E. BOWEN.

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CALGARY

The workers in Calgary are now wrestling with the tremendous problem of our city work. This means, in short, an effort to arrest the attention of the thousands who are seeking for rest and peace at the wrong fountain, and point them to the life-giving streams of God. The picture show, the saloon, the many false religions, and even Hindu philosophy all play a part in keeping men from the truth.

Many souls are facing starvation this winter because of lack of work. Thousands are enlisting for the dread struggle in Europe. Our hearts go out for these young men who, it seems, must be sacrificed upon the battlefield. One of these became interested in Elder Wilson's work in Edmonton and kept the Sabbath here last week. He seems very earnest in his search for truth.

Our church company are all lining up for service and it is hoped that our present effort at the Monarch theatre will bring us in touch with honest hearts who would like to enter the kingdom. The first services were fairly well attended. We hope to report a larger interest later, as our work becomes better known.

C. A. HANSEN.

TO OUR MISSIONARY VOLUNTEERS

Perhaps the Missionary Volunteers of Alberta are wondering whether they have a secretary, because I have been silent so long, in fact, I have not written at all. However, you know that before some kinds of storms there is a calm. The calm is now past, and while I do not expect to really storm, yet I wish to call to your mind a matter which perhaps some of our volunteers have overlooked.

Dear young friend, a real storm is about to break upon us. We have been warned repeatedly that we should be getting ready for the last great conflict. One way in which we may prepare is to place our all on the altar—ourselves, our time, our money, yes, our all.

Did you, at camp-meeting, make a pledge to the Young People's \$25,000 fund, thereby placing a certain sum of money on the altar? Have you paid that pledge? It is quite evident that some have not responded, for there are three hundred seventy-two dollars still to collect on these pledges. Your pledge may not be large but it will help to reduce that amount and at the same time greatly assist towards making up the one hundred thirty-thousand dollars which the Mission Board is behind.

I have been glad in the past to see the hearty cooperation among the young people in helping Alberta reach her goal. We must reach it this year and we can if each does his part. Will you not redeem your pledge at once, and thus help to spread our blessed truth? If possible, pay the money for same to your church treasurer.

May the Lord's richest blessings rest upon you and fill you with courage
HARRIET A. BEARDSLEY.

ALBERTA ACADEMY

We are glad to report through the columns of the Tidings that the work at the Alberta Academy is prospering. We have very much to be thankful for and can believe that God is pleased to bless us in our efforts here at the school.

At present we have an enrollment of 144 students who have come from these Western Provinces to equip themselves for service in the Master's cause. It is pleasing for the school to report that we have with us an earnest and determined class of students.

It perhaps will be of interest to the readers of the Tidings to know those who are with us. From the several provinces come the following students:

Alberta—Clinton Hubbard, Ruby Hubbard, S. M. Ryan, Sam Leiske, Edwin Leiske, Jacob Leiske, Samuel Schafer, Pearl Rick, Helen Jacobson, Ruth Wallace, Ethel Wallace, Chrystelle McClaffin, Della Mabley, May Knutson, Lydia Christensen, Junabelle McClaffin, Hilda Hansen, Margaret Wilson, Lillas Hayward, Arthur Neufeld, Lindy Beane, Berta Reiswaig, Lillie Humann, Florence Hamilton, Mrs. S. L. Hansen, Amy Henderson, Lucy Ritz, Earl Smith, Albert Reiswaig, Palmyra Bryhn, Adolph Bernhard, Daisy Tall, Marzella Hansen, Ida Neufeld, Hulda Neufeld, Rosy Humann, John Wilson, Elmer Tall, Paul Adams, Orville Scroggins Eddy Humann, Ivor Fish, Elmer Resiwig, Huldreich Humann, Julius Humann, Virgil Fish, Emmanuel Humann, Howard Hansen, R. M. Milne, Cecil Adams, Ralph Carpenter, Ruth Anderson, Evelyn Knoll, John R. Furman, Max Popow, Edwin Oldham, Allen Sargent, Clara Gibson, Nellie Shankel, Ellis Wallace, Myrtle Knutson, L. D. Sutherland, Lyle Vanbuskirk, Herman Hanson, A. P. Pond, and Lilly Vanbuskirk, Violet Vanbuskirk, Harvey Humann, Donald Pond, Arthur Middleton, Bessie Worhomeko, Helen Knutson, Stanley Shorp, Marion Shorp, Emil Reiswaig, Lizzie Dick, Ernest Hansen, Henry Humann, Martha Braunberger, Ida Braunberger, Johnie Braunberger, Jessie Humann, Sadie Gibson, L. A. Philpott, Minnie Broeder, Walter Carruthers, Fred Steeves, Geo. Shankel, Cecil Shankel, Mrs. S. M. Ryan, Allie Patterson, Bertha Brown, Worley Patterson, Josie Patterson, Ralph Patterson, Vickel Patterson, Joseph Wilson, Stephen Wilson, Glen Krebs, Rose Wagner, Susie Wagner, Jacob Lang, Henry Volker, Elwin Rick, Martha Huther, Albert Huther, Olivia Huther, Homel Huther, Bennie Huther, Leah Huther, Lora Huther, Daniel Huther, Clarence Hafner, J. W. Wagner, William Priestly, Leonard Ballkin.

Saskatchewan—Susie Haynal, Ellie Alcock, Vera Alcock, Reinhold Schultz, Bennie Clark, Myrtle Fitchett, Rachael Miller, Anna Neufeld, Toby Unruh, Pearl Fauver, Christian Hoehn, Day Speed, Merl Speed, Leonard Light, Oliver Ross, William Brown.

Manitoba—Geo. Bellau, Robina Adams, Pearl Pangman, Rudolph Bauer, John Lieske.

British Columbia—Edward Roth, J. M. A. Lemarquand, Robert Kitto.

I am sure the readers of this paper will consider this quite a large family and appreciate that with it comes many cares. We believe that the school is going along in a very satisfactory manner. Among other things of interest the chief thing I might mention is the good spiritual atmosphere which prevails. Several students have recently been led to renew their consecration to the Lord's service, while others have started anew. We are sure that the prayers of our constituency in many cases are being answered. We trust you will not forget us in your daily devotion and bear us up before the throne of God, that your boys and girls may be fitted for His service here below and for a larger service in the earth made new. E. D. DICK.

ALBERTA NOTES

Elder C. K. Reiswaig spent Sabbath, November 13th, with the members of the Midnapore church. The following week he met with the German believers in Calgary.

Mr. Leonard Balchin, who has been working for Brother Wallace, of Stavely, the past season, called at the office while passing through the city en route to the Lacombe academy.

Brother Ralph E. Robinson, who is now delivering his orders for "Bible Readings" in the Lloydminster and Vermillion districts, writes that the Lord is blessing this phase of his work. He reports that it is going somewhat slow, but sure.

We were glad to greet recently at the office, the following members of the Rosebud church: Misses Martha and Lydia Lang; Mr. and Mrs. C. Braunberger, and Mr. J. Remboldt.

After making a successful delivery of "Daniel and Revelation" in the southern territory, Brother James Wagner reached Calgary on the 4th inst., and left the same night for Lacombe, to enter school. We were glad to visit for a few hours with this faithful worker, who has toiled diligently in the Master's vineyard the past season.

Mr. E. S. Stanley, of Lacombe, is now in the field, in the Big Valley district, taking orders for "Great Controversy," and has already sent in reports showing books ordered to the value of \$88.00. We rejoice with Brother Stanley in the measure of success attending his first efforts in this line of work.

The far-away Peace River district has not been without a worker during the past few weeks. Brother Wm. Tall, of Lacombe, has been engaged in canvassing for "Great Controversy" in that region of the north. He reports that the people in that country, though generally scattered over a large area of territory and often hard to locate, are glad to listen to the message of a soon-coming Saviour. It will be seen by looking through the colporteurs' report in another column that success has attended Brother Tall's efforts to reach precious souls by means of the printed paper. May the good seed thus sown spring up and bear fruit to the glory of God.

Brother D. A. Dobbs, of Edmonton, has been spending some days in the New Norway district delivering orders for "Great Controversy" taken by Brother Tall early in the fall. On account of the latter going north to enter the Peace River district, the work of placing the books in the homes has been entrusted to Brother Dobbs. Reports received from him indicate that this work is being successfully undertaken.

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TEMPERANCE WORK IN KELOWNA

This is a day of opportunity for our people in British Columbia to present principles of health and temperance.

The indications are that during the next few months the subject of temperance will be one of the chief topics of discussion in our province.

Why should not our people get articles in the local papers dealing with the question from our broader view of the question than is usually taken, and thus get some special truth before the people?

The editor of the local paper here at Kelowna seemed glad to get an article that I submitted to him as correspondence.

There are different ways in which we have a blessed opportunity of working. A little incident may illustrate one of the ways.

Shortly after we came to this settlement we found while out visiting, a woman whose husband was away to the war, alone with three sick children.

Mrs. Potter invited her with her children to our home, which she accepted with much appreciation. She stayed several days till the children were better, when she went home saying she had learned so many things that would be a help to her—one thing was how to get a good dinner without meat.

We found afterwards that she was a relative of the chairman of the Rutland school board and a man who has not attended any church for a long time. This

man with his Bible in hand has not missed a meeting during the five weeks' meetings at Rutland.

Last week Mrs. Potter attended by invitation a meeting of the W.C.T.U. in Kelowna at the home of a woman who had attended one of our Sabbath meetings in Kelowna.

She introduced Mrs. Potter as a Seventh Day Adventist, remarking that she also was of the same belief.

After last Sunday afternoon's meeting at Rutland we held another meeting at the home of Brother and Sister Roberts in Kelowna, with an attendance of several who show special interest. E. R. POTTER.

VISITING THE SICK

We have just returned from our usual Monday afternoon visit to the General Hospital and I am sure our readers will be glad to hear about it.

Sister Smeed and I have been taking papers and flowers to that institution since spring, and it fills my heart with joy to remember some of our experiences.

Last Monday Brother Swan was at the entrance waiting with a basket of beautiful flowers and some papers. When introduced to some of our interested patients he lost no time in making friends with them, with the result that on Sabbath he gave a Bible reading on Daniel 2, to a young man who has been confined to his bed with a broken back for three years. This afternoon he was eager to tell us about the reading and was so delighted and interested that our hearts rejoiced. Two other patients are to join in the next reading which is to be held shortly. Is not this encouraging? I am sure this young man will accept the truth and we ask you to pray for him earnestly.

Sister Smeed took the patients in the same ward twenty-two lovely pop-corn balls which, needless to say, were much appreciated. She also had an earnest talk with a poor palsied man who is drifting into Christian Science and the second chance delusion.

We then went to the tuberculosis ward. Brothers and sisters, you would breathe thankful prayers to our Heavenly Father for health and strength if you could see those poor souls. Scarcely a week passes without the death of two or three and sometimes as many as five and six are taken by this dread disease. It is pitiful to think that many of these pass away without the thought of a Saviour.

Today one young girl, a poor fallen bruised lamb, lost from the fold, having nearly every finger on both hands covered with sparkling rings, lay tossing in both mental and physical distress, with eternity looming before her, for she has but a short time to live. She broke down, cried and stretched out a poor hand to each of us when we rose from our knees after Sister MacMillan had offered a heart-touching prayer. But, Oh! the world is full of just such souls perishing for lack of someone to go into the mountains to find them. What are you doing, brothers and sisters? The following lines impressed me:

"You are only one, but still you are one,
And this call to the work is for you;
Though you can't do all there is to be done,
You can come to us, steadfast and true,

"To do your share of the wonderful work
The Master has laid at our feet;
And the heart-cheering sound of the words, 'Well Done,'
Will be yours when the work is complete."

We shall be thankful for any old copies of books, magazines or papers which the readers of the *Tidings* can spare. We have never had sufficient of these to supply all the patients at one time.

ROBERTA A. VASS.

BRITISH COLUMBIA NOTES

Encouraging reports have been received from Elder and Mrs. J. G. Walker, who are attending the Fall Council at Loma Linda, California. Great measures for the advancement of the message are being considered, and it surely becomes more than ever apparent that the kingdom of God is at the door.

Sister S. Locke and her four children have located in Vancouver. She formerly resided in Arrowhead, B.C. We are glad to welcome her to Vancouver.

The following named persons from British Columbia are attending the special course for Medical Evangelists being given at Loma Linda: C. A. Cole, E. Barton and wife, Mrs. L. C. Neff, Mrs. S. J. Willson, and Mrs. F. Walker. They write that they are having a profitable time and that the instruction is very good. These brethren and sisters are trying to improve the talents that the Lord has given them, so that they may enter the vineyard and do effective work.

Brother F. A. Johnson, of Firvale, was a caller at the office the other day. He is in Vancouver on business and will remain here for about a week or ten days. We were glad to see Brother Johnson and his report of the work in his part of the field is encouraging. He says that they have a fine church school and that Miss Sarah Stickle is liked by all and is giving excellent satisfaction.

During the month of October the Sabbath Schools of British Columbia gave to missions the sum of \$380.91. We think that this is very good. According to the figures given by the treasurer of the Western Canadian Union Conference, it is necessary for this conference to raise \$2,079.87 during the last three months of the year. The Harvest In-gathering funds will help in making up this amount and we believe if all give the energy and strength that should be given to this work that we will raise our quota without any difficulty. "And who then is willing to consecrate his service this day unto the Lord?"

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LABORING FOR THE MASTER

"Anywhere, dear Saviour, in Thy vineyard wide,
Where Thou bidst me labor, Lord, there would I abide."

This is the language of my heart as I continue to go forth day by day with our magazines. As I remember all the precious souls whose hearts were touched as I told them something of the truth and the preciousness of the promises of God, my own soul is watered afresh, and I bear these dear ones up to the throne of grace. Surely we are in the days when the Lord is graciously fulfilling His promise to pour out His spirit upon all flesh. Some are responding as is evidenced by the emotion they cannot conceal when they are told of the coming of the Saviour and of His willingness to forgive them and prepare them for that great event.

After the Saskatchewan camp-meeting, I passed along the line from Yorkton to Winnipeg, and am now in the latter city working constantly. At Yorkton I had blessed experiences. People wept, and some there told me that they believed that the Lord had sent me to them. This was a great encouragement to me. Usually magazine workers are lonely souls, having no permanent home, nor do they enjoy the pleasure

of family association. Often, too, they are among strangers in cities where our people are not represented. Thus I was refreshed by the words spoken by these strangers. One lady at Yorkton said that she had been praying for God to send light to her; when I told her about the message she recognized it as that for which she had been looking.

I spent a few days in Minnedosa and found there some dear souls, whom, I am sure, will in time see eye to eye with us. Here I had some experiences which I cannot forget, which cause me to continue praying for the earnest souls in that place.

At present I am especially interested in a Jewish family in Winnipeg. They have all drifted away from Sabbath-keeping, but a daughter of seventeen desires to keep it and she is attending our meetings. I explained to her how the Old Testament prophesied of the Messiah, then turning to the New Testament pointed out the fulfillment. She immediately grasped this truth, and now weeps from time to time, as we talk together, to think that her own Jewish people were responsible for the Saviour's death. Her family are a great drawback to her, but I hope and earnestly pray that this jewel may become brighter and stand as a witness to her relatives. She loves to sing our hymns and reads her Bible—an English one which I presented her—continually. Please pray for this dear young girl. She has some exceptional talents and could be so helpful in our work. At present she is not keeping the Sabbath, as she is employed by her brother, who does not observe it. My prayer is that she may be led to renounce this position and stand as a witness for God. This she is strongly inclined to do.

MRS. E. B. GOODRICH.

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LOMA LINDA

The first meeting of the Council held at Loma Linda was conducted by Elder I. H. Evans, president of the North American Division Conference, Friday evening, November 5th.

His theme was the importance of freedom from all sin, purity of heart, as the only acceptable preparation for the reception of the Holy Spirit. He emphasized the solemn truth that the work of God in this earth will never be finished unless the people composing this denomination receive the baptism of the Holy Spirit for service.

This was the keynote sounded throughout the deliberations of this most important Council. The need of spirit-filled men and women at this time, was emphasized by Elder Daniells and other leading brethren. Now, they said, is the time to search carefully into our lives for the hindrances that prevent the entrance of God's Holy Spirit into the life in fullness.

All parts of the world were represented at this Council. Laborers bearing heavy responsibilities in foreign lands were there. As these leading brethren presented their reports, it thrilled the hearts of all present. These reports were the most interesting and the most encouraging that were ever read before any previous council.

Every report showed that God's Spirit was moving mightily on the hearts of men and women of all classes in every land and clime. All who heard these notes of progress felt that God was setting His hand in a most striking manner to finish the work of salvation.

We are living in most solemn times. The end is almost here. The great need of us all is to seek to be victorious over every form of sin, so that we may be filled with power and thus be enabled to do our share in the finishing of the work.

Every church member must be a living missionary for God. God is near to strengthen every soul who is willing to unite his whole soul and life, and every talent, with the Saviour in winning precious souls for the kingdom.

SUNSET

Since my last report I have visited the Sunset church. This church has been much troubled because of the presence there of a noted debater of the Latter Day Saints Church, who has been publicly challenging all comers.

Some of our brethren seemed to think that we ought to accept the challenge and prove that our form of organization was in harmony with the Scriptures and therefore constitutes the true church. But when it was made clear to them that it is not the form of organization that saves, but the love of God in the soul, they began to see things in a different light. Jesus Christ did not say: "By your form of organization shall all men know that ye are my disciples"; but—"A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another . . . By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another. See also John 17:20-23.

How often do I wish that all our people would realize that we are not saved because we belong to the Seventh-day Adventist Church, but because we love the Lord; and that we do not keep the commandments to be saved, but because we are saved by faith in the merits of Christ's blood.

On the third day after arriving at Sunset, I met the preacher in question at the home of one of our brethren. The result was that he went his way and left the field to me. I tried to show him that every man whose actions do not reveal that Jesus Christ is in him, is not of God. I also told him that the Lord Jesus never sent any man out to argue about the Scriptures or to tell stories to make another look ridiculous and throw mud as ungodly politicians. When he first broached the subject his chin quivered with anger and his opening words were an insult. This gave me a splendid opportunity to tell him many things which I trust will do him good. "Though I speak with the tongues of men, and of angels, and have not *charity* . . . though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries, and all knowledge . . . I am nothing."

Brethren, let us study the thirteenth chapter of First Corinthians, for I feel that all who lack charity are not in the Latter Day Saints Church.

During the winter months the company at Sunset will be quite small. Some are going to visit their relatives to try to teach them the truth, and others who have been working there are going to their homes. All seemed to be benefited by the meetings held.

M. MACKINTOSH.

FINISHING THE WORK.

It is earnestly hoped that all our people in Saskatchewan are pushing forward as vigorously as possible their part of the Harvest Ingathering Campaign. To each soul comes the call to do what he can to secure an offering from interested friends for the great cause of Missions.

Some good reports are already coming in from those who have been out and done their portion. A few have gathered in large donations. Many of our brethren and sisters in Saskatchewan are going to be greatly blessed as they work with the Lord in this worthy endeavour.

The cause in all lands is moving forward so rapidly. It is wonderful to hear and see how God is leading the way. Now, right now, is the proper time for us to step in and help with our prayers and means to enable the work to go more quickly still, and then it will soon be finished.

The Harvest Ingathering Campaign is for the purpose of securing offerings from those outside of our faith, who would like to have a part in our work in foreign lands. If you place a copy of the Ingathering *Signs* in your neighbor's hands, he will be glad to give you something after you have told the purpose of your call and the object of the paper.

May the Lord abundantly bless our people as they shoulder their responsibility in helping to finish the work, and to hasten the coming of the Lord.

A. C. GILBERT.

TO THE WORKER'S BAND

DEAR CHILDREN:

Since my last letter to you I have been made so happy by receiving some messages from a few members of our Band. A letter from one of the girls did me so much good and I am sure you will enjoy a part of it too. She says, "When reading your letter in the *Tidings*, I remembered what you told us about how you enjoyed reading a letter from us as much as we did from you, so I take pleasure in writing you.

"I remember the good lessons we had while at camp-meeting and with Jesus' help, I am trying to follow in His steps up the stair-case.

"I often think about the Worker's Band and what we are working for. It seems so nice to work for the little children who Brother Enoch knows. I am helping father and mother all I can during my holidays and they are going to give me something. My little brother, three years old, planted six hills of potatoes all himself and brings in the wood, so mother is going to pay him and he will put in his mite with mine."

Now was not that a nice letter? And oh, how glad I was to know she was remembering the lessons we had at camp-meeting and was trying to follow Jesus. I hope all of you are trying to do this.

The mother of one of the boys wrote such a nice letter and I will tell you a part of what she said: "Enclosed you will find \$5.00 from ——. He is anxious and willing to help in any way he can and helps me sell magazines. When he is a little older he may do it himself.

"The way he helps most is by NOT spending so much on himself. He used to be fond of the picture shows, but never troubles to go any more. He is trying to please Jesus."

You remember, don't you, children, the lesson we had at camp-meeting which dealt with picture shows? It makes me so happy to know that this little boy has stopped going to them. How pleased Jesus is to see His little children giving up those things which are not good for them, and He is so anxious to see them overcome in everything.

It is so encouraging to see how interested the members of our Worker's Band are in helping to raise money for the teacher over in India, who is trying to teach those little children about Jesus. Some have already begun sending in their money. A letter the other day from one of our girls contained a nice amount from the five children of the family.

Wonder if there is anything our Band can be doing this winter to keep making a little for missions. If there is, you know it will all help.

And now I feel so anxious that all of you live near to Jesus and ask Him every day to help you to be real little Christians and missionaries. And as we work for missions we do not want to forget to pray for the work in foreign lands and especially for the missionaries. You know we can pray when we can do nothing else.

I hope you are learning the Sabbath-school lessons every week, not forgetting the memory verse, of course.

And may Jesus bless each of you and help you to do His will. Remember I am glad to hear from you at any time.

MRS. A. C. GILBERT.

SASKATCHEWAN NOTES

Norman and Willie Brown, and Oliver Ross were recent visitors at the office. They stopped here for a few hours on their way to Lacombe.

Brother Theodore Wick, who has been spending some time at Macrorie, passed through the city en route to Karluk, where he is homesteading.

Other visitors at the office were Brother Oscar Meilicke from Dundurn, and Brother O'Brien, who has now finished his delivery around Aylesbury.

Brother Luther Long and wife, and his sister Etta, who have been delivering books during the last few weeks, are now in Sunset, preparing to start for the school at Lacombe in the near future. They have done good work this summer canvassing for "Bible Readings" and we hope that the many books placed in different homes will lead some people to a knowledge of the truth.

A recent letter from Brother Leonard Light tells us that he has finished a successful delivery, and plans to spend the winter at Lacombe.

In a letter to the office, Elder Gilbert, writing from Loma Linda, says: "The council is proceeding in its work in a good spirit. Everything indicates a quick finishing of the work. Wonderful progress in all parts of the world is the report from every foreign worker." Thank the Lord for such cheering reports. He is in the movement, and His cause will soon triumph.

Elder W. A. Clemensen stayed with us over Sabbath on his way to visit the Swedish brethren at Hillesden and Stockholm. We were glad to have him with us again.

Elder O. Ziprick, who has been visiting the brethren at Earl Grey, Southey, Duff, Fenwood and Melville during the last few weeks, is spending a week in Russell, Man.

The undersigned would like to correspond with any of our brethren who are located near a church school, with a view to obtaining employment, and school privileges for two children.

Address: MRS. ALMA MOYER, Wetaskiwin, Alberta.

A Sabbath-keeping man would like to correspond with someone of like faith with a view of obtaining employment for winter and a comfortable home. Can manage small farm, store, and do carpentry. High wages not expected. References. Address: Thos Treasure, Rivers, Daly, Man.

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A very sad accident occurred at Granum last week, in which Peter Anderson, son of one of our brethren, was killed. Further details of the case will follow in the next issue.

Elder A. G. Daniels, speaking of his last trip around the world, says: "I have traveled fifty-five thousand miles, and at every stop met a Seventh-day Adventist." The work will be finished in this generation.

In his financial report for the year 1914, Brother H. E. Rogers speaks thus of the Western Canadian Union: "The liquid assets are over \$9,000.00 more than the liabilities. The increase in net worth for the year was \$8,912.01. Of this increase \$7,423.96 was due to donations received by certain institutions within the union. The percentage relation was changed from \$29.02 to \$24.73, or \$4.29 less of indebtedness on every \$100.00 of assets than for the preceding year." The report shows an excellent condition for the year.

The week of prayer is rapidly approaching. It will be a time when we can expect great things from God. The end is nearing, and shall we not draw near to our Father by putting away our sins, our faults, and everything not pleasing to Him. If we desire the blessing of heaven we must do this. As believers in the mighty Advent movement, let us earnestly pray that an abundant outpouring of the Holy Spirit may be received in every home. We need special strength to proclaim the message of Christ's soon return, and added grace to stand in the time of trouble which is just ahead.

We have been informed that "Mr. George E. Cornforth is giving in *Health and Temperance*, beginning with the December 1915 number, the most practical, the most instructive series of lessons, perhaps, on cooking and the combination of foods, that has ever been given this people. It is a series that should be read by the members of every S.D.A. family and circulated among their neighbors. If some have looked at the

health message as something of a reproach, let them make a careful study of Brother Cornforth' articles, and carry out the principles on their tables, and they will be delighted, not with the menu afforded, but with the results in improved health." Subscribe now through the Tract Society office. Thirteen issues for \$1.00.

The following interesting words come from Elder A. O. Burrill: "We are still working with the Harvest Ingathering *Signs*. Sister W. H. Vass, missionary secretary of the Union Street Church, goes out with the children once a week gathering means for foreign missions. Sister Smeed, of the Kitsalino Church, is also assisting. They have already collected over \$40.00. The 42nd Avenue Church has about \$18.00, and they are still working. At one of the churches the missionary secretary is devoting each second Sabbath morning to this phase of the work. Many interesting experiences are related of the work done in the homes and as a result all are encouraged and strengthened."

The statement of the mission fund receipts given below is of unusual interest. It will be observed that the Union has reached its goal of twenty cents per week per member, with a little margin over. For this we should be profoundly thankful. These figures are based on a membership of 1655. Two months still remain unreported. What shall their record be?

First Ten Months of 1915

	Memb.	Quota	Received	Short	Over
Alberta	606	\$ 5,260.08	\$ 5,453.07	\$	\$ 192.99
Brit. Col. ...	426	3,697.69	2,783.56	914.12	
Manitoba ...	228	1,979.04	1,418.49	560.55	
Saskatchewan	405	3,515.40	5,254.84		1,739.44
	1,655	\$14,452.20	\$14,909.96	\$1,474.67	\$1,932.43
			14,452.20		1,474.67
Net amount over			\$457.76		\$457.76

The total received for the first ten months of last year was \$12,146.70, thus there is a gain of \$2,763.26 over the corresponding period of 1914.

COLPORTEURS' REPORT

Manitoba—Week Ending October 15

	Book	Hrs.	Ord.	Mag.	Helps	Total
A. E. McGee.....	B.R.	49	18	....	\$10.20	\$ 77.20
O. Sigurdsson.....	C.O.S.	49	56	....	....	39.20
		88	74	....	\$10.20	\$116.40

Alberta—Five Weeks Ending November 13

	Book	Hrs.	Ord.	Mag.	Helps	Total
Wm. T. Tall.....	G.C.	212	61	....	\$32.25	\$267.75
E. S. Stanley	G.C.	119	22	....	....	88.00
		331	83	....	\$32.25	\$355.75
Four Agents		419	157	\$42.45	\$472.15
Previously reported						\$28,809.25
Total reported to date this year.....						\$29,281.40

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