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DO YOU?

Whistle? and things go easy;
Your neighbor is cheered by it, too,
And up above
Is a record, in love,
Of the good that your merry notes do.

Smile? the response is quite certain;
Your brightness reflects from the face
Of the people you meet
In the car, on the street,
And gives to each one added grace.

"With what measure ye mete" is still current:
Then pause, 'mid the hurry and strife,
To do what is kind,
And through it you'll find
Recompense on the pathway of life.

—E. T. P.

ALBERTA CAMP MEETING

The Monday morning (July 1) praise service marked the close of the largest and best camp-meeting yet held in this field. While the weather during a portion of the meeting was not the most favorable, yet all enjoyed their stay and returned to their homes praising God for new light and power.

During the conference sessions, held each forenoon, not a discordant note was heard. Harmony of action seemed to characterize every move.

Three daily preaching services were held. These were at times well attended by friends from the city. We were much pleased to find so many not of our faith camped on the ground enjoying all the services. At the close of the morning service on Sabbath, nearly the whole camp seemed to be moved by a spirit of consecration,—some for the first time giving themselves to God, and testifying of His goodness. On Sunday twelve of these followed their Lord to the watery grave, and five others will be baptized in their home churches.

The conference sessions, which were held at 9:30 each day, were well attended, and great interest was shown in all the business, but the climax was

reached when the question of providing larger accommodations at the Academy was considered. In the midst of the discussion, it was suggested that we proceed to carry out the resolution by ascertaining how much could be raised by those present. Scarcely had the opportunity been given, when a brother arose and said he would give three hundred dollars. Another followed with five hundred dollars, then several with one hundred, some with fifty, a sister with three hundred, and thus it continued for nearly an hour. Slips were passed and it was found that nearly four thousand dollars had been given.

At a later meeting it was voted to raise four hundred dollars with which to purchase new tents. About one hundred and fifty dollars of this amount was raised during the meeting.

Valuable service was rendered by Elders G. B. Thompson, H. S. Shaw, G. F. Haffner, L. H. Christian, J. G. Walker and A. O. Burrill. The evening meetings were devoted to such subjects as would interest those attending from the city. Two morning services were conducted by Elder Thompson on the subjects of "Prayer," and "Receiving the Holy Spirit." Elders Shaw and Thompson gave some good instruction to parents at the morning meetings.

We were much pleased to have with us during the last four days of the meeting, Dr. E. P. Hawkins, of Montrose, Minnesota. Three public lectures were given on the importance of properly caring for the body, and obedience to the laws of nature. The doctor's services were much appreciated by all.

The co-operation of each and all, and the faithfulness of those placed in positions of responsibility, had much to do in bringing success in the meeting. The quietness and good behaviour of our young people was worthy of comment. A spirit of solemnity seemed to pervade the camp, and all strove to derive the most good possible.

C. A. BURMAN.

Manitoba Conference

Office Address, 290 Bannerman Ave., Winnipeg, Manitoba.

President, O. E. Sandnes; Secretary-Treasurer, B. L. Grundset; S. S. Secretary, Lizzie Nickel; Tract Society Secretary, B. L. Grundset; Field and Missionary Secretary, Robert Neuman; Educational Secretary, V. W. Robb.

MORDEN AND NORTH STAR

It has been my privilege to labor at North Star, Morden, and other places among the German people, and I am glad to report that the work among this people is making progress.

Last Sabbath a baptismal service was held in which two new Sabbath-keepers participated. They are rejoicing in this precious truth, and the church was blessed by receiving them into fellowship.

The church was well filled, and the Lord came very near, touching the hearts of many, as the word of God was preached. The members here are of good courage, and we hope that soon others will take their stand on the Lord's side. We are all hoping for a good camp-meeting and surely the Lord will not disappoint us.

H. J. DIRKSEN.

NOTICE

By action of the delegates in session at the Winnipeg camp-meeting, the conference committee are authorized to move the office of the conference and tract society, from Portage la Prairie to the city of Winnipeg. Our people throughout the province and elsewhere, will kindly bear this in mind, and hereafter address all correspondence intended for the Manitoba Tract Society, and the Manitoba Conference or its officers, to 290 Bannerman Avenue, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

MANITOBA NOTES

At this writing we are in the closing day of the Winnipeg camp-meeting. This has been one of the largest camp-meetings ever held in this province. A report will be given in the next issue of the paper.

We are glad to notice the liberal way in which our people have responded to the "missionary call" on the "thirteenth Sabbath." The amount already recorded is \$110.62, and this will be increased as the reports continue to come in.

Brother W. L. Manfull has left for Port Arthur, where he will visit the canvassers who are located in that city.

Do all the good you can
By all the means you can
In all the ways you can
In all the places you can
At all the times you can
To all the people you can
As long as ever you can.

—John Wesley's Rule.

British Columbia Conference

Office Address, 1708 Maple Street, Vancouver, B. C.

President, J. G. Walker; Secretary-Treasurer, Andrew Roedel; Educational Secretary, C. O. Smith; Religious Liberty Secretary, F. H. Conway; S. S. Secretary, Mrs. Birdie Conway; Missionary Volunteer Secretary, Lydia Stickle; Tract Society Secretary, Andrew Roedel; Field and Missionary Secretary, E. R. Potter; Assistant Field and Missionary Secretary, E. S. Horseman; Medical Missionary Secretary, F. H. Conway.

*CONDENSED REPORT OF CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

The ninth annual session of the British Columbia Conference was held in connection with the camp-meeting at Kamloops, the first meeting convening at 10.00 a.m., June 7. Nine meetings were held in all, the last being called on Sunday morning, June 16. At the first meeting, eight churches were represented by twelve delegates, and eight more delegates were seated as the meetings continued.

By vote of the delegates, the chair in counsel, was authorized to appoint the standing committees, and at the second meeting, Elder J. G. Walker reported the same as follows:

Committee on Plans: F. H. Conway, E. R. Potter, Andrew Roedel, Wm. Brown, Sr., Lydia Stickle, Birdie Conway, A. D. Cook, and G. B. Thompson.

Committee on Nominations: C. O. Smith, Wm. Manson, A. H. Nicholson, Daniel Reiswig, and Wm. Chipperfield.

Committee on Credentials and Licenses: H. S. Shaw, J. L. Wilson, Jacob Rottaeker.

Committee on Seating of Delegates: Jacob Rottaeker, Andrew Roedel.

The Committee on Nominations presented its final report at the eighth meeting, and the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, J. G. Walker; Secretary-Treasurer of conference and tract society, Andrew Roedel; field missionary secretary, E. R. Potter; sabbath-school secretary, Mrs. Birdie Conway; educational secretary, C. O. Smith; medical missionary secretary, F. H. Conway; religious liberty secretary, F. H. Conway; young people's secretary, Lydia Stickle; assistant field missionary secretary, E. S. Horseman; executive committee, J. G. Walker, F. H. Conway, J. L. Wilson, J. Rottaeker, G. W. Gibson, A. H. Nicholson, and A. D. Cook; School Board, the members of the executive committee and the principals of the two schools.

The report of the committee on credentials and licenses was carefully considered, and adopted as follows: For Credentials, J. G. Walker, J. L. Wilson, and F. H. Conway; for ministerial licenses, Jacob Rottaeker, and E. R. Potter; for missionary li-

*Compiled from Secretary's Report.

censes, C. O. Smith, Andrew Roedel, Henry Berg, John Lowther, C. E. Perry, Henry Pierce, George Toombs, Mrs. Birdie Conway, Lydia Stickle, Mrs. C. E. Perry, Florence Wilson, Emma Tamka, Winnifred Cour Barron, and Alice Pierce; all other names referred to the conference committee.

The committee on plans and resolutions reported twenty-nine items which were unanimously adopted as follows:

Whereas, The prospering hand of our God has ever been over His people and the work in our conference during the last year, as shown by the reports of all the departments of the cause in this province; and

Whereas, His protecting care and His mercy have been shown in a marked manner in the bestowal of all the blessings that go to make up this present life, and

Whereas, The presence of the Comforter is with us at this camp-meeting; therefore,

1. Resolved, That we render to our Heavenly Father the sincere gratitude of our hearts.

Whereas, The Lord has plainly indicated, and experience has shown, that our church schools of every grade are essential to the building up of this work; therefore,

2. We recommend, (a) That church schools be established and maintained wherever possible, and

(b) That a church school fund be created from which such schools may be aided as deemed necessary by the conference committee; such fund to be created by personal contributions and offerings from the second tithes.

3. We recommend, That our conference by-laws be so amended as to provide seven members on the conference committee.

Whereas, The primary object of young people's societies is the salvation and development of our youth by means of prayer, study, and personal missionary effort, and as, in order to develop the young people properly, they must have opportunity to put in use their skill and tact in making and executing plans, and in bearing their share of responsibility; we therefore,

4. Recommend, That in all our churches where there is a sufficient number of young people, a young people's missionary volunteer society be organized according to the plans of the Missionary Volunteer Department of the General Conference.

Whereas, There is a great lack among our people of a true understanding of the organization, plan, and work of the missionary volunteer department; therefore,

5. Resolved, That our conference workers and

church officers procure and carefully study the instruction leaflets on the young people's work issued by the General Conference.

6. We Further Recommend, (a) That the young people in our conference be encouraged to reach a standard of attainment, which shall require the passing of an examination in the history of our denomination and the cardinal points of our faith; and

(b) That the church elder, or some one appointed by the conference missionary volunteer secretary, shall conduct these examinations from a prepared list of questions furnished by the General Conference Department; and

(c) That these examination papers be sent to the conference missionary volunteer secretary, who shall grade the papers and issue, to those passing, a certificate of attainment.

Whereas, Our young people should be encouraged to read that which will strengthen them mentally and spiritually, and bind them by strong ties to the third angel's message; and

Whereas, The Youth's Instructor and the Missionary Volunteer Reading Course has a strong influence in securing these ends; therefore,

7. Resolved, That we recognize these two important factors as a great blessing to our young people and make effort to place this reading in the hands of every young person in our conference.

Whereas, Experience has shown that Spiritual benefits come from the observance of the morning devotional period; therefore,

8. We Recommend, That all our young people be encouraged to secure the Morning Watch Calendar and carefully observe the daily morning prayer and Bible study.

9. Resolved, That we favor the holding of Missionary Volunteer Conventions, for the advancement of this important work.

Whereas, Our work in the foreign fields is steadily progressing, thus requiring more means year by year to carry on this work; and

Whereas, The General Conference has recommended that our donations be increased from ten cents a week to fifteen cents a week; therefore,

10. Resolved, That we as a conference adopt the fifteen-cent-a-week plan as recommended.

Whereas, The Sabbath School Worker fills an educative place in our Sabbath-school work that is essential to its highest success; therefore,

11. Resolved, That we make earnest endeavor to encourage every Sabbath-keeping family in our conference to take the Sabbath School Worker.

Whereas, There are so many of our people who are unable to meet with others of like faith for Sabbath worship; therefore,

12. We Recommend, That all isolated Sabbath-keepers in this conference faithfully carry out the Home Department Sabbath-school, and make a report of the same to the conference Sabbath-school secretary, thus bringing the entire conference into a united and harmonious study of our Sabbath-school lessons.

Whereas, The Lord has said that we should watch for souls as they that must give account, and we have the statement in the Testimonies to the Sabbath-school teachers, "Never rest till every child in your class is brought to the saving knowledge of Christ," and realizing the need of more earnest personal study; therefore,

13. We Recommend, That all our teachers take the Sabbath-school Reading Course, comprised of the two books, "Testimonies on Sabbath School Work," and "Teacher's Pedagogy."

14. Resolved, That we encourage holding Sabbath-school Conventions to build up the various departments of the Sabbath-school work.

Whereas, There is a great need of a more thorough understanding of the principles of religious liberty; therefore,

15. We Recommend, (a) That all our people become readers of the Protestant Magazine and Liberty; and

(b) That we make earnest effort to get these magazines before the public by soliciting subscriptions wherever possible and by sending one or both of these free to lawmakers, ministers, school teachers, and other leading minds of our province; and

(c) That we join heartily in the campaign of circulating the Canadian number of the Signs of the Times.

Whereas, The Lord has plainly indicated, and experience has shown, the importance of reaching the men and women of influence with the present truth; and

Whereas, This work requires very careful and tactful measures; therefore,

16. We Recommend, (a) That our Temperance Instructor and the Protestant Magazine, be used freely in this work; and

(b) That the missionary correspondence with such persons be under the direction of the Missionary secretary; and

(c) That a fund be created by personal offerings to meet the expenses of such an effort, this fund to be known as the Missionary Correspondence fund.

17. We Recommend, the adoption of the plan of Colporteur's Licenses as passed at the Union Conference. (See recommendation 5 of Union Conference minutes.)

Whereas, The increased faithfulness of our people in this conference in the matter of paying their tithes and offerings has been a great help in carrying on the work during the past year and an encouragement to the workers; therefore,

18. We Recommend, That this conference in session, extend a vote of appreciation to all those who have been faithful in this respect, and at the same time urge such as have been withholding their means to come to the help of the cause, in order that a more aggressive work may be done in our large cities which will soon be closed to the message.

Whereas, Our church papers, the "Review and Herald," and the German "Arbieter" are a great agency in unifying and strengthening our people in this message; therefore,

19. We Recommend, (a) That a vigorous campaign be entered upon to place the "Review" in every home of our people in the conference; and

(b) That a fund be created in each church for the purpose of supplying the Review to such as are unable to pay for same; and

(c) That the families who read only the German or Scandinavian be supplied with the church paper in their language.

20. We Recommend, That the conference committee study the needs of the foreign work especially in our coast cities, and that they encourage that work as they deem best, and that the young people's societies of the conference be invited to contribute to the support of this work.

Whereas, The hope of the church lies in the missionary spirit; and

Whereas, The Spirit of Prophecy states plainly that the work of God will not be finished until the lay members rally to the work; and

Whereas, The printed page is one of the most effective evangelizing agencies; therefore,

21. We Recommend, (a) That our people give earnest study as to how they may bring the truth to those with whom they come in contact and make a free use of tracts, books, and papers, bearing the message for this time; and

(b) That our ministers and workers give instruction to our people along these lines, and lead in practical home missionary work.

Whereas, It is necessary for the best success of the work throughout our Western Canadian Union and our local conference to have a periodical to communicate with every family of our people; and

Whereas, The "Western Canadian Tidings," which has recently been launched to take the place of our local conference papers, meets this demand; therefore,

22. We Recommend, That it be sent to each family in this province, and as the cost will be fifty cents per year, we invite all our people to assist in meeting this expense by contributing to the "Tidings Fund."

Whereas, As a denomination, we stand for temperance firmly; and

Whereas, We have been instructed to co-operate with temperance organizations; and

Whereas, We are many times misunderstood by such organizations because temperance measures are frequently connected with Sunday observance measures; therefore,

23. We Recommend, That, for the purpose of setting our denomination in the true light before the temperance organizations, we adopt the following resolution, copy of which is to be sent to the various temperance societies of British Columbia:—

"Whereas, The liquor traffic is the greatest overshadowing curse of this and other lands, increasing the burden of taxation, multiplying widows and orphans, filling almshouses with paupers, our jails and various penal institutions with criminals, increasing disease, dethroning reason, filling our hospitals and insane asylums with mental wrecks; and

Whereas, The sale of alcoholic beverages tends to the destruction of the home, to the increase of poverty and dissipation, to destroy the morals and debauch the youth of both sex, to increase drunkenness, incite riot, robbery, and bloodshed, to increase ignorance, infidelity and lawlessness, and to multiply the ruin of the bodies and souls of its victims for time and for eternity; therefore,

Resolved, That we the Seventh-Day Adventists of British Columbia, assembled in annual conference at Kamloops, June 6-16, 1912, do hereby declare our opposition to the manufacture and sale of alcoholic beverages in every form, including the use of fermented wine at the communion table, also against the use of tobacco, and that we express our appreciation of and sympathy with the good work being done in the interests of temperance by the various temperance organizations in our province; and

That we urge our people to co-operate, so far as possible, with all proper efforts put forth for the abolition of the manufacture and sale of rum, and to stem the increasing tide of intemperance, which threatens the ruin of the home and the nation."

Whereas, It is of the highest importance that in our schools, the missionary spirit should be encouraged and kept alive; therefore,

24. We Recommend, (a) That the school board of our academy and intermediate schools so plan the work that a few days may be used during the year in active work with our magazines or books, by both teachers and students; and

(b) That, under the direction of the Missionary Secretary, missionary correspondence be carried on.

Whereas, The secular press is an important avenue through which to reach the public, as shown by experience; therefore,

25. We Recommend, (a) That some person be selected to study and improve the opportunity of getting articles into the various papers of the province; and

(b) That such person seek the co-operation of our people to this end.

Whereas, We have had such a pleasant conference and association meeting in combination, therefore,

26. Resolved, That we have one general conference and camp-meeting next year, at a point west of Kamloops as the executive committee may arrange.

Whereas, The largest part of the population of our province is in the cities, and

Whereas, The Lord is sending urgent instruction to His people concerning the giving of the message in the large centers of population; therefore,

27. We Recommend, That the conference committee give prayerful consideration to the instruction of the Lord in this matter.

Whereas, There are various funds to be maintained for the support of the work in our home field, such funds including the tent and camp-meeting fund, educational, canvasser's, ministers and canvassers' tract, religious liberty, missionary correspondence, and poor fund; and

Whereas, With our home work we are not to forget the foreign fields; therefore,

28. We Recommend, That a general fund be raised, 20 per cent of which is to be applied to the foreign missionary fund, and the balance to be distributed among the various home funds as the conference committee deems best.

Whereas, Our present conference and tract society office will be available only for a short time on account of the probable sale of the Kitsilane property; therefore,

29. We Recommend, That a suitable location be purchased or rented by our conference committee for a conference and tract society office, the Association Board being instructed to use available funds for this purpose.

ANDREW ROEDEL, Secretary.

Saskatchewan Mission Field

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WALDHEIM

When I came to Waldheim to begin a course of meetings everything seemed dark, and there appeared to be no opening for the work. But the Lord was at work and in a few days an interest was manifested. The people began to come to the meetings, and the Lord worked upon their hearts making them willing to obey and follow in His footsteps.

Our meetings began May 25, and June 23 fourteen were baptized. Of these, eight were taken into the church. In all, twenty-two have begun to keep the Sabbath, one English, one Russian, and the others, German.

The baptismal service was held at the North Saskatchewan river, and was attended by a larger number of people than I have before seen at a service of this kind, hundreds being present, some coming many miles to witness a Seventh-day Adventist baptism. By being present they have received a living testimony for the blessed truth. Some of those who were baptized are well known, and have many friends who are now discussing the step they have taken, and various points of our faith.

I wish to mention one instance which is of special interest. The mother in a Lutheran family became interested and wished to be baptized. Her husband however, was bitterly opposed, threatening to whip her and then leave her alone with the children. But the Lord had different plans for him, and now he is a converted man. He was also baptized June 30, and now says that "he is the happiest man in the world."

The Lord has done great things for the people here at Waldheim, and we have had an opportunity of seeing His promises fulfilled. We trust Him to keep us strong in the truth and faithful in His work.

T. T. BARIENCO.

WESTERN CANADIAN TIDINGS

No doubt all have received a copy of the "Western Canadian Tidings" by this time, and are made glad as they read the reports of the progress of the work of God not only from their home field, but from each of the other conferences in this Western Canadian Union, of which Saskatchewan is a part.

We believe that the make-up and appearance, the purpose and help of this Union paper, will appeal to all of our brethren and sisters in Saskatchewan,

and that they are willing to assist in bearing the heavy expense that is involved in printing and mailing it to them. This paper takes the place of each of the local type-written papers which were issued once a month by the several conferences in the Union, and instead of coming to you once a month as the "Herald" did, and telling you only the news of God's work in Saskatchewan, it will come to you once every two weeks, bringing information concerning the work in all of Western Canada.

The subscription price is 50c. a year, and we hope that it will be convenient for each person who receives a copy to make a remittance of this amount to the Saskatchewan Tract Society, Box 244, Regina, Sask.

A. C. GILBERT.

SASKATCHEWAN NOTES

Elder C. Sulzle and wife spent Sabbath, July 6th, with the church at Rouleau where quarterly services were held.

Elder G. B. Thompson passed through Regina, Monday, July 1, en route to his home in Washington, D.C. Elder Thompson was just returning from a camp-meeting tour in British Columbia and Alberta.

Elder and Mrs. H. S. Shaw returned to Regina, Thursday, June 27, after attending the British Columbia and Alberta camp-meetings. Elder Shaw left immediately for the Manitoba camp-meeting at Winnipeg.

Elder and Mrs. C. J. Rider and Bro. W. G. Forshaw and wife passed through Regina, Wednesday the 3rd, en route to Bulyea to help in the preparations for camp-meeting. They bring encouraging reports of the work in Swift Current.

By the time this issue of the "Tidings" reaches its readers, many of our people through the province will be assembled on the camp-ground at Bulyea. Already the grounds are occupied by a happy company of workers who are making all necessary preparations to receive and make comfortable, those who will attend the camp-meeting.

Sunday, June 30, a cyclone swept through the central part of Regina, completely destroying everything in its path. Hundreds are left homeless, scores are wounded and many are dead. We are thankful to report that, through the great mercy of God, all of our people in the city and our office, were preserved from any harm. We were made to realize as never before the blessedness of the promises recorded in the Ninety-first Psalm.

Alberta Conference

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DISTRIBUTION OF LABORERS

The day following the breaking up of the camp-meeting at Stratheona the large tent was moved to a more central location just across Whyte Avenue from the new post office. Here Elder P. P. Adams

and Brother H. A. Niergarth will conduct a series of meetings. They will be assisted by J. K. Fish and Ruby Rick. The first meeting was held on Tuesday night.

Elder N. J. Aalborg will move to Calgary, where he will conduct meetings in the new thirty-five foot tent. He will be assisted by Alfred Pond and Bertha Gillbank.

Elder H. Humann will hold meetings in the country south of Irvin, where baptismal services are desired.

Brethren C. C. Neufeld and A. C. Harder will pitch a tent in the German district of South Edmonton.

Brother C. Armenean and wife will work in the country south of Bawlf, where some have recently began keeping the Sabbath.

Brother Walter Clemenson will work in the district of Didsbury and Harmattan.

We are pleased to see so large a corps of strong young laborers go forth to preach the message in Alberta. Let all pray that success may attend each effort and souls will enjoy eternity with God as a result of this season's work.

C. A. BURMAN.

STRATHCONA

The camp-meeting has come and gone. And with it the pleasant associations while we were assembled. Now it is left for us to finish, or at least continue what has been started during the meeting.

Elder P. P. Adams, Brother J. K. Fish, Sister Ruby Rick, and the writer are left to follow up the work. Brother William McCready will remain to canvas for "Practical Guide to Health," and Sister Ellen Randlet is selling our magazines.

We have already learned that the work here will mean a steady persistent effort. Indifference is gradually drawing its net over the inhabitants of this city. Our attendance thus far is quite small, but some are attending quite regularly, and it will need time to be able to decide what the results will be. With the help of God, we hope to see something accomplished. Pray for us and the work here.

H. A. NIERGARTH.

A NEW SCHOOL BUILDING

Immediately following the action of the conference to provide larger accommodations at the academy, the board met and decided on a new building the same size as the boys' dormitory. This will be used for chapel and recitation rooms. Prices on lumber are being secured and arrangements are being made to begin building at once.

C. A. BURMAN.

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED AT THE ALBERTA CAMP MEETING

Whereas, This has been a prosperous year in our conference, God having assisted materially in adding souls to our numbers and providing means, when many of our brethren have suffered financial reverses,

1. Resolved, That we unite in thanksgiving and praise to God for all these blessings and that we consecrate ourselves anew to His service.

Whereas, Out ten-cent magazines have proved to be a valuable addition to our regular denominational literature in developing a class of self-supporting missionary workers, and in assisting in a very practical way the solving of the great problem of bringing this truth before the world, particularly to the masses in our large cities; therefore,

2. We Recommend, That conference officials, tract society secretaries, and other leading brethren be urged to make an earnest and continuous effort to secure agents to sell these magazines in every city in the province and that we invite the local church officers to co-operate in this work.

Whereas, The Lord has blessed in the production and circulation of our foreign literature, and we behold openings of His wonderful providence in our field, especially among the Russian and Polish people; therefore,

3. Resolved, That we show our appreciation to God by stepping into these openings about us and doing our utmost to assist in the circulation of this literature.

Whereas, The school is in great need of another building to efficiently carry its work; therefore,

4. We Recommend, That steps be taken for the erection of the same.

In order for the missionary secretary to efficiently carry forward his work in giving a correct report, it is necessary for all to cooperate with him in rendering reports of all work done, at least once a month, therefore,

5. We Recommend, (a) That church librarians do all in their power to encourage missionary work in the church and the systematic form of reporting be adopted; and

(b) That all isolated members take an active part in this work, and send in monthly reports.

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"The thing to do is hope, not mope;
The thing to do is work, not shirk."

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THE REGINA CYCLONE.

On Sunday, June 30, there passed through the city of Regina, Saskatchewan, the most terrific cyclone that ever visited the Dominion of Canada. The awful disaster happened about 5 o'clock, p.m., the storm passing through the central part of the city from south to north.

Within two or three minutes from the time it started, the work was complete, and a strip averaging four or five blocks wide reaching through the entire city, was devastated. Hundreds of buildings were wrecked, and of these no less than fifty are beyond the possibility of repair.

The city is left in a mournful condition. The newspapers report about thirty dead, though it is believed that when the wreckage is cleared away, the death list will be increased. Scores are suffering from injuries received. Our hearts are made sad to see hundreds of our neighbours rendered homeless, and in many cases not only homeless, but bereft of loved ones who lost their lives on that fateful afternoon.

None of our company have suffered harm. The cyclone passed in front of our home, and left us untouched. We believe the Lord has shown special care over us. It is no less than miraculous, the way we have been led into the location we now occupy. We tried this Spring to find a house in the very part of the city which now lies in ruins, at the same time praying the Lord to overrule to His glory and our good. We were unable to find a suitable place, so decided to stay where we had been the past year. We had only closed the contract a few days before, and taken a year's lease for the house we now oc-

cupy. If our plan had been prospered, we would have been located in the center of the devastated district. We can but feel that God has in a special manner directed in our affairs that He might thus deliver us from danger which He saw ahead. We consecrate our lives anew to the service of Him who has done so much for us.

H. S. SHAW.

Let no one say that he is not called to some important work in connection with the giving of the message, for it is impossible for any honest, truth-filled believer to foresee to what he may be called at any time. He may be placed in situations where he will need strong discernment, power of expression, and a thoroughly trained mind. It is therefore for the honor of God, and the salvation of men, that educated workers should multiply among us. Every believer ought to be making the best use of his God-given opportunities to qualify himself for any emergency that may come to him in connection with the message the Lord has entrusted to him. Reading Christian Education will assist in this self-culture.

COLPORTEUR'S REPORT

For Week Ending June 21, 1912

Saskatchewan						
Name—	Book	Hrs.	Ex.	Ord.	Helps	Total
J. J. Strable	D.R.	49	60	20	12.00	103.00
M. E. Mulltux	D.R.	60	62	26	....	110.00
J. Linkert	D.R.	54	63	28	6.00	114.00
L. A. Philpott	B.R.	61	64	23	....	88.50
D. L. Henkes	G.C.	49	98	14	.65	58.65
E. G. Swanson	G.C.	48	37	11	....	43.50
George Brown	G.C.	57	28	9	....	39.50
		378	412	131	18.65	554.15
British Columbia.						
W. H. Covell (4 wk.)	P.G.	123	250	68	20.00	341.00
H. Newton (3 wk.)	B.R.	39	57	3	....	12.50
R. J. Elvin (3 wk.)	P.G.	27	100	17	....	86.00
*E. S. Horseman	P.G.	43	100	58	8.00	287.25
		232	507	146	28.00	726.75
*Manitoba.						
William Tall	D.R.	156	160	68	9.00	265.50
Robert Neuman	G.C.	124	83	68	....	248.00
Laura Neilson	P.G.	54	126	50	4.50	234.50
Della Jensen	H.M.	46	139	70	4.80	179.55
Thekla Roer	H.M.	47	122	53	4.15	125.15
		427	630	309	25.45	1,052.70
Sixteen Agents		1037	1549	586	72.10	2,333.60
Previously reported						4,913.10
Total this year						7,246.70

*Two weeks.