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"The Field and Workers," The Bible Student Vol. 1, No. 1 (January 1904): 3.

Bro. A. Foster, who has been labouring for some time among the churches in Manitoba, has gone South for the winter. He is expected to return and resume work in the Territories in the Spring.

"Publisher's Desk," The Bible Student Vol. 1, No. 2 (February 1904): 3.

Our subscription list is growing. Bro. John Saunders, Carman, Man., heads the list with 20 subscribers. Bro. Chas. W. Petch comes second with 16, and Bro. Madison Wright, third with 15 subscribers. Many others are working well, but we are a long way from having the required number to pay expenses of printing the paper for a year. Please help the list grow.

G. W. Tovell, "The Field and Workers," *The Bible Student* Vol. 1, No. 3 (March 1904): 1. Winnipeg, Man. – On Tuesday evening, the 16th inst., we had a business meeting of the church here. Nearly all the members were present. The chief subject under consideration was as to the best means of overcoming the present scarcity of evangelists in the western county. And as a step in the right direction it was decided to offer to help a student to take a thorough course in the Beamsville Bible School, with the understanding that, during vacation and also after taking the complete course, he spend as much time as possible Evangelizing [sic] in this county. – G.W. Tovell.

"The Field and Workers," *The Bible Student* Vol. 1, No. 5 (May 1904): 3.

It is rumored that the disciples of Christ at Carman, Man., will hold a June meeting this year. It is also rumored that Bro. W. D. Campbell, of Toronto, Ont., will be chief speaker upon that occasion.

Hugh Rogers, "Encouraging Letters," *The Bible Student* Vol. 1, No. 5 (May 1904): 3. Almassipi, Man., March 28, 1904.

The Student is better than I expected. I wish I could send you fifty names. It is just what we were in need of. I commend the writers for their short, but good, articles. Yours for the truth,

HUGH ROGERS.

Wm. Johnson, "Encouraging Letters," *The Bible Student* Vol. 1, No. 5 (May 1904): 3. Austin, Man., Feb 21, 1904.

Dear Bro. Evans:

With profound joy and gratitude I write these few lines, thanking you for the sample copy of The Bible Student [sic] you sent me. May it prove to be a medium through which much good may be accomplished in building up the saints in the faith and converting sinners, and may the kingdom of the Lord be advanced. May the God of all mercy and goodness spare you in a long and useful life with all your co-operators, is my sincere prayer.

Never did anything come to me that delighted me more. Well may Bro. Neal say that he voiced the sentiments of the brotherhood in congratulating you and your associates on the general make-up of the most welcome and imposing little sheet yet published, and I may add the most important and greatly needed advocate in the defence of the truth among the brotherhood. We have not had such a journal in Canada since the days of the "Gospel Messenger." Every brother and sister should consider it a privilege to subscribe for The Bible Student [sic] – a privilege which no one should let go by. I herewith place my name on your list for 1904.

**********Wishing you and your co-laborers every success. I desire to remain your brother in Christ.

WM. JOHNSON.

O. H. Tallman, "Manitoba Letter," *The Bible Student* Vol. 1, No. 6 (June 1904): [4]. WINNIPEG, MAN., MAY 12, 1904. -We are anxiously looking forward for the 2nd of June, when Bro. W. D. Campbell, of Toronto, will begin a June meeting at Carman, Man. Many of the brethren in Winnipeg expect to attend the meeting at Carman and we also hope to have Bro. Campbell with the church here in the city for a week or two.

Bro. Bert Brodie, of Battleford, N.W.T, formerly of Toronto, spent Sunday, April 24, with us. We were all glad to see him and listen to his words of encouragement. Bro. Brodie was on his way home from Langdon, N. D., where he spent the winter, and where he found eight families of Christians not meeting for worship on the Lord's day; but when he left those eight families were meeting regularly, and earnestly contending for the faith which was once for all delivered unto the saints. Who knows the possibilities of an earnest, active, Christian life.

O. H. TALLMAN.

Chas. W. Petch, "On the Wing," The Bible Student Vol. 1, No. 8 (August 1904): 3.

After attending the June meeting at Fenwick, which was the most edifying in all my experience, I left Selkirk and made a flying visit to my home. I preached there on Friday evening, the 10th of June. On Lord's day I visited the church at Cape Rich and found them still "striving together for the faith of the gospel." In the afternoon I had the pleasure of hearing one of my school-mates, Bro. John Lewis, of Nashville, deliver an impressive discourse to an attentive congregation in a tent west of Meaford. At night I spoke at Meaford from the stand, before which I confessed the Christ and beneath which I was "buried with him in baptism," and raised with him to walk in newness of life. On Monday evening I enjoyed sitting at the feet of an old veteran of the cross, Bro. G. B. Hancock, while he delivered in his clear, logical and forceable manner a soul-stirring discourse on "The Second Coming of Christ and the Judgment of the World." The next day I left on the "Homeseekers excursion" for Manitoba, leaving my wife and family at Griersville. On Friday I reached Carman and listened with pleasure and profit to Bro. W. D. Campbell, of Toronto, speaking on the subject of "Repentance." On June 19th I began work with the church at Cypress River. Of this work and the condition of the church I will give a report later. In hope of eternal life I am "striving for the faith of the gospel."

Cypress River, Man.

John Saunders, "The Carman Meeting," *The Bible Student* Vol. 1, No. 8 (August 1904): 3. On the first Lord's day in June Bro. W. D. Campbell, of Toronto, was with the church at Carman, Man., for the first time, and preached at the three services that day.

Owing to Bro. Campbell's severe hoarseness the meetings were not continued till the second Lord's day in June. On this day quite a number of visiting brethren were with us, including Bros. Tallman, Tovell, Whitelaw, Forrester, Ward and others from Winnipeg; also Bro. Kennedy from Toronto and Bro. Jas. Stewart from Cypress. The meetings closed the last Lord's day in June. The result of the preaching was six baptized, one reclaimed, and the church awakened to more activity in the Master's service. There was also one baptism just before the meeting started.

The attention and attendance were good throughout, several times the building was crowded. All were delighted with Bro. Campbell's preaching. Carman has never heard better. His pleasing manner and marvellous ways of showing God's great truths endeared him to all of us.

May God bless our brother in his grand work, and some time in the near future may he be guided back to Carman.

Carman, Man.

O. H. Tallman, "Winnipeg News," *The Bible Student* Vol. 1, No. 8 (August 1904): 3. Bro. W. D. Campbell, of Toronto, spent four hours in this city on the afternoon of June 27th, while on his way home from Carman, Man., and during this short stay with us he witnessed one confession and baptism.

Chas. W. Petch, "Manitoba News," *The Bible Student* Vol. 1, No. 9 (September 1904): 3. On June 19th I began a meeting with the church at Cypress River. After preaching a few nights in a private house, we procured the use of a large hall. But certain circumstances and prejudices, cause by previous events, resulted in a small attendance, and the meeting was closed at the end of eight days.

I then went to Pine Creek, north of Austin, and preached eighteen discourses in a school-house, resulting in strengthening and encouraging the five brethren there and sowing the seed in a new field. From thence I returned to Cyprus River, and began another meeting at Grange, about five miles from Cypress River. This continued with increasing interest for twelve days. One lady, the mother of a family, obeyed her Lord and Master, and two others expressed a desire to do likewise in the future. While there, I was called upon to preach a funeral discourse, which resulted in drawing more to the last meeting, on July 31st. I left the few brethren at Cypress more encouraged and determined to fight on for the cause of our Blessed Lord. They expressed a desire for me to go and labor with them for a few years, which I trust I may be able to do. I greatly enjoyed visiting these brethren in destitute places, and I was myself much edified in helping them. We should always remember that, "Those who are strong out to support the weak, and not to please ourselves."

On Aug. 2nd I came to Carman, and spoke at the cottage prayer-meeting on the 4th. I visited the brethren at Rosebank on the 5th and preached to them at Miami. On Lord's day I spoke twice at Carman and once at Almasippi, I enjoyed visiting these brethren, as I found them still "contending for the faith." I may return to Ontario this week.

None can realize the vastness of the field of labor in this broad western land of ours, until they have travelled through it. There are disciples scattered here and there, one or two in a place, who ought to be cared for and where churches ought to be established. These fields will never be cultivated unless the churches get more of the missionary spirit in them

and encourage laborers to go into these prairie lands, break up the new soil, and plant the precious seeds of truth. Are we all going to sit idly by and let the sects and every kind of human organization gain the confidence of the people and poison their minds with the "doctrines of men?" May God stir us up to realize our duty along this line as we have never realized it before. Let me suggest also that all who can, contribute some money to The Bible Student [sic], that it may at least clear expenses, and let the paper be sent free to the poor in every community where there is a church or where poor are known who will read it. Let more be scattered everywhere by the brethren who are travelling. Send something to the paper and get some copies for free distribution.

Griersville, Ont.

O. H. Tallman, "Winnipeg Letter," *The Bible Student* Vol. 1, No. 9 (September 1904): 3. Bro. and Sister John Saunders, of Carman, Man., spent Lord's day, Aug. 14th, in the city, and following the example of Paul and his travelling brethren, they met with the church to worship God. Bro. Saunders gave us a very profitable exhortation, his subject being "the trials of Paul."

We congratulate Bro. and Sister Simpkins on the arrival of a young son, Friday, July 22nd.

Bro. Gordon Tovell and Sister Hilda McLean announce their wedding for Wednesday, Aug. 17th. The best wishes of the church are extended to this happy couple. By the time this is in the hands of the readers, we expect the arrival of Sister Smith and Sister Place, of Blackburn, England. Bro. Place and Brother Smith have been out from England about four months and their wives will be a very welcome addition to our number. Winnipeg, Man.

"Editorial Notes," The Bible Student Vol. 1, No. 12 (December 1904): 2.

We are glad to learn through Bro. Luton Moore, who has recently returned from Manitoba, that the Bible Student [sic] has a host of friends in the great Northwest. We cannot please everybody – we never tried to. Out of all our subscribers we have only heard of two disgruntled ones, and we doubt not that these two would have some fault to find with the Christ if He were on earth.

Chas. W. Petch, "An Opportunity," *The Bible Student* Vol. 2, No. 4 (April 1905): 3.

"And let us not be weary in well-doing; for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not. So then, let us work that which is good toward all men, and especially toward them that are of the household of the faith." (Gal. vi. 9,10).

While appeals for help may be many, yet we should not turn a deaf ear to any, while we are able to render assistance. Bro. Samuel Johnson, of Austin, Manitoba, met with an accident while working with a steam saw, and is left unable to work for some time. As the few brethren there (Bro. Wm. Johnson and family) are unable to help him any financially, he and his children, who are depending on his work, will be in want.

Bro. S. Johnson is a babe in Christ, having been baptized by Bro. Wm. Johnson in September of 1903. He has been a faithful member of the small band at Austin since then, and is worthy of help. Let us all remember that, "Whoso hath the world's goods, and beholdeth his brother in need, and shutteth up his compassion from him, how doth the love of God abide in him?" Brethren, send a contribution to this brother in care of Bro. Wm.

Johnson, Sec. 14, R. 12, T. 12, Austin, Man., and thus "show to him the proof of your love." CHAS. W. PETCH, St. Catharines, Ont.

O. H. Tallman, "Winnipeg Letter," *The Bible Student* Vol. 2, No. 5 (May 1905): 3.

It is just four years to-day since three of us boys first met in our own private room to worship God in this great western city. Since then the Lord's table has been spread each Lord's day, and a few disciples of our Lord and Saviour have assembled as in the days of Paul, to break bread. With the help of God and Christian sympathy and fellowship this little band has steadily been increasing. Eight have been baptized into Christ, many have settled here from other parts and some of our brethren in turn have moved on west to try their fortune and I trust to preach the word. At present we number thirty. Last summer, with the help of other churches we were enabled to buy a small house in which we meet to worship God. This house, 447 Ross ave.,[sic] though small, will do us for a short time. It will seat about one hundred and twenty people. Although the price has not all been raised. yet it is God's work and we believe He will see it through. Our Sunday School, not a separate organization, but simply a Bible study, is well attended. Since I came back to the city this spring the attendance has averaged above fifty, and the interest is steadily increasing. We hope to reach some of the parents through the children. I expected to labor with my own hands for support this summer as I have done heretofore, but the church will not hear of it. At a business meeting last Tuesday evening the brethren decided that the work here demanded my whole attention and accordingly have asked me to give my whole time to the spreading of the simple story of the cross in this busy western city. Everything looks well at present for a good summer's work, and we trust that the prayers of the brethren may be with us in this good work.

April 7, 1905.

O. H. Tallman, "The June Meeting at Carman, Man.," *The Bible Student* Vol. 2, No. 7 (July 1905): 1.

The second annual June meeting of the disciples of Christ in Manitoba, was held at Carman on Saturday, Sunday and Monday, June 10th, 11th and 12th, about one hundred brethren and friends being present. Although the meeting was somewhat smaller than expected, yet we had a very enjoyable and, we trust, profitable meeting. The Carman brethren received all visitors with true Christian love and fellowship so that all were deeply impressed with the spirit of the one common brotherhood.

On Saturday evening we assembled in the church house and listened to two earnest addresses, first by brother Dan Stewart, of Carman, who spoke on the "Fruits of the Spirit" reading ii. Peter, i., after which brother G.W. Tovell, of Winnipeg, gave a very practical talk on "Using our Talents," making very interesting references to the condition of the work in various parts of the province.

On Lord's day morning we assembled as the disciples of old to break bread, and after remembering our Lord and Saviour in this appointment, brother Dan Stewart gave us a very forceable [sic] talk on "Christian Union."

On Lord's day afternoon at 3 o'clock the writer spoke on Eph. vi, 10 and in the evening on "God's Law"; also on Monday evening on Matt. xxii, 42. On Monday afternoon a very pleasant time was enjoyed by old and young alike on the Carman pic-nic grounds just west of the town.

At this meeting there were present brethren from Winnipeg, Sperling, Rosebank, Almissippi and other points near Carman, and all seemed to be impressed with the necessity of such a meeting at least once a year. In this province brethren have settled from many different parts of the world, hence, in many respects, we are strangers, but when in this way we assemble around one common mercy seat, in love, we are drawn nearer to each other. We learn to know each other better and to love each other more and are enabled to work together better in this great vineyard for our master.

Winnipeg, Man.

O. H. Tallman, "Manitoba News," The Bible Student 2 (August 1905): 4.

Almasippi, July 10. – We began a meeting in this place on Lord's day, June 25, and up to date we have had two additions – one by baptism and one reclaimed. The interest and attendance has been quite encouraging, and we trust that the good seed has been sown in other hearts. Almasippi is simply a country post office, about twelve miles west of Carman, and the brethren here number about seventeen. We are holding the meeting in the schoolhouse.

At our regular meeting in Winnipeg on Lord's day, June 18, a young man made the good confession, and was baptized the following day.

Brother Wm. Forrester, of Toronto, is with us in the city now, and we all rejoice to have such an experienced soldier of the cross in our midst. We hope to keep him the rest of the summer. I expect to be at my regular work in Winnipeg next Lord's day, as this will likely be the last week of the meeting here.

O. H. TALLMAN.

Ben J. Elston, "Swan River, Man., Letter," *The Bible Student* Vol. 2, No. 9 (September 1905): 1.

DEAR BROTHER EVANS:-

The good feeling manifested by the Canadian brethren toward me makes me ashamed of myself. I try to love them for it, and serve, as best I may, both them and God. Brethren from Winnipeg and Carman have helped to emphasize to me the very great importance of pushing all available workers at once into these vast, new, north-western fields. Scattered disciples could be used to help make the wisest working centres. These, of whom there are not a few, should never tire of introducing new evangelists, nor cease to agitate the truth. All should cheerfully sacrifice to the fullest extent that the name of Jesus should be honoured and the perishing saved.

The passing years more clearly impress the necessity of being "steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord." I never felt the press of time as now. To come here meant to leave other work against the wish of earnest, pious hearts. Much as I wished to see and aid these dear and worthy disciples I should not have come had I known you were so nearly ready with Bro. Tallman. But I shall insist on his coming later, - and I trust not much later. I want this place to ring with the truth from loving hearts. But, Canadians, and all who may read this, these souls are no more precious than the souls of others who may be led to accept the faith! And can anything give us more joy than to sacrifice to give them the gospel. We indeed need our necessary food, raiment, shelter and (sometimes) rest. Beyond this not a cent should be wasted. Useless excursions, entertainments, delicacies to eat, drink and wear, foul tobacco in all its forms, till we reach the "living sacrifice" standard, should be cheerfully and promptly abandoned. Swell the

treasury of God's house, not some unsanctified, human society, whether, religious, political, fraternal or what not. Preach and talk a living, once-crucified Redeemer. Preach him as King, Judge, Prophet, Intercessor, Advocate. Extol His love and mercy. Insist on His righteousness. Thunder the prevalence and the consequences of sin. I find myself almost wishing I were a thousand. But, I am so feeble; the work is so great. Human hearts are so hard, their ears so dull, their eyes so blinded. May He have mercy on the world, and on the church as well. Particularly I crave His mercy. Pray for me. I am 1,300 miles from home. The trip has been inexpensive. The railroads were very kind. Brethren, train your sons for God. Rivet on their minds how all important is the faithful proclamation of the gospel. God bless the faithful; pity the rest. If God can use me here in this well-nigh illimitable, His will be done. The people are listening.

Ben J. Elston.

Aug. 7th, 1905.

"Editorial Notes and News Scraps," *The Bible Student* Vol. 2, No. 9 (September 1905): 2. Bro. Ben J. Elston reports one baptism as a result of his meeting in Swan River, Manitoba and two at Winnipeg. He speaks in high terms of Bros. Tallman and Tovell.

J. L. Saunders, "Carman Church News," *The Bible Student* Vol. 2, No. 9 (September 1905): 3.

We are now enjoying the association of Bro. W. Forrester, of Toronto. This beloved old brother has been with us three Lord's days and has given us some of the best exhortations we have ever heard.

Bro. Wilson Mallory, of Stevens Point, Wisconsin, has also been with us and preached several times. Bro. Mallory is a splendid speaker.

Some few weeks ago we had the pleasure of hearing Bro. Ora Tallman, of Winnipeg. He preached for us one Lord's day evening as there was no service at Almassippi that evening. Bro. Ora held a good meeting at Almasippi and he is also doing splendid work in Winnipeg. The work in the city is in a very promising condition.

We have constantly brought to our minds the fact that life is as a vapor. At the home of Bro. and Sister Hill on Aug. 4th, Sister Susan Jackson Mallory passed away at the age of 57 years. She was the wife of Bro. W. P. Mallory, who died a few months ago in Wisconsin. She was faithful until death and no doubt will receive a crown of life. The funeral was largely attended. The service was conducted by Bro. Forrester.

The church work here is very encouraging. The brethren are very faithful in attending to the institution of the Lord's house. We had almost a full house last Lord's day morning.

J. L. SAUNDERS.

(Glad to hear from you, Bro. S. Come again. Ed.)

Hugh Rogers, "Almasippi Notes," The Bible Student Vol. 2, No. 9 (September 1905): 4.

Our meeting began June 25, and closed July 13, with two additions – one reclaimed and one by confession and baptism. It causes our hearts to rejoice in that the Lord has given or added two to his army here to strive for His Word against the world and sectarianism.

Bro. O. H. Tallman conducted the meeting mentioned above, preaching eighteen discourses, and we have reason to congratulate our Bro. for his zeal and earnestness while

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among us. I feel sure that the heart of each Christian was stirred up to greater determination to do good.

Our Bro. visited much, studied hard, and preached well, and as he is only young in the field, we pray that he may go on in the good work and that his borders may be enlarged in the Master's service.

We have good meetings here, Sunday bible-class at 1.30, worship and speaking at 2.30 o'clock.

All members are quite faithful in attendance and each male member takes part in opening the meeting and speaking which is very encouraging.

O. H. Tallman, "Winnipeg News," The Bible Student Vol. 2, No. 10 (October 1905): 3.

We are glad to report three more additions to our small band in this great city of the west – two by baptism, and one good sister came from England and settled in our midst. Bro. Ben J. Elston, of Perryville, Ind., spoke six times to the brethren and friends here, on his way home from his Swan River meeting, and baptized the two mentioned above. The church also was much strengthened by his earnest exhortations and the work seems to be moving on in a very encouraging manner. We were very glad indeed to meet Bro. Elston and are looking forward to his return to this great labor field in November, and trust he will be able to remain, for the harvest is ready but the laborers are few.

We are now holding a tent meeting in the north end of the city, Lincoln Park. Although the attendance is not large yet the interest is good, and we trust the good seed is being sown in some honest hearts. Bro. Ozro E. Tallman is in the city for a short visit and addressed the meeting last night. On Monday he leaves for Davidson, N.W.T., where he will hold a meeting in a new field, Bro. C. Stevens being the only brother now living in the town

Bro. And Sister Tovell have just returned from a visit with brethren and friends in Ontario, and report a very pleasant time.

Bro. Wm. Forrester, of Toronto, who has been with us for nearly three months, will leave for his eastern home on Monday next. We will miss Bro. Forrester very much, but we all feel encouraged and strengthened by his presence and exhortations, and I am sure that through his influence we are now better able to do more effective work in the vineyard of our Master.

O. H. Tallman, "Winnipeg, Man., Letter," *The Bible Student* Vol. 2, No. 11 (November 1905): 3.

We are glad to report that two more have been buried with their Lord and Saviour by baptism into His death.

On Sept. 23rd I was called by telegram out to Cypress River, Man., to meet a Mormon Elder in discussion. He has been making quite a stir in that part of the country, but we could not agree as to the subject to be discussed so we had no debate. I wanted him to affirm that "The Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints was of God," but he would not unless I would add to it three other propositions, which would require nine

evenings of debate. As my time was limited on account of coming to Bowling Green, I asked him to put up his church for a two days' [sic] investigation, but he would not do it. Bowling, Green, Ky.

W. J. Boyer, "Letter From Winnipeg," *The Bible Student* Vol. 3, No. 2 (February 1906): 3.

Dear Brother Editor: - Enclosed please find list of a few Brethren and Sisters in the coming capital of the great North West, who desire to help on the good work of the Student [sic]. The appeal in your last issue could not be left unnoticed here and we have to do a little towards proving that. We trust to still further evidence our interest in the welfare of the paper.

We are hoping to see a great effort put forth in Canada to circulate a valuable paper which will be respected and looked up to for its skillful and straight handling of the truth, and which will too, at all times, echo the gracious invitations of the Christ to weary and sin-sick souls to find in Him their all.

"Nothing great is lightly won, Nothing won is lost, Every good deed nobly done, Will repay the cost."

With every good wish for success, I am, on behalf of the well wishers of the Student, in Winnipeg. Yours in the Service (1 John 1.7.)

J. L. Saunders, "Carman Church News," *The Bible Student* Vol. 3, No. 2 (February 1906): 3.

Before the end of this month we expect of have with us Bro. M. Watterworth, of Godrich (sic), Ont. We had the chance of getting five or six preaching brethren to come and work with the Church here but will have Bro. Watterworth for the present.

It has been Bro. Watterworth's desire for some time to come west and we will all be glad to have his assistance in the Masters work in this grand country.

Bro. and Sister John Mallory and Bro. Wm. Mallory late of Carman now live at Salmon Arm, B.C.

J. L. Saunders.

Wm. Johnson, "Austin, Man., Church News," *The Bible Student* Vol. 3, No. 2 (February 1906): 6.

We are sill in the battle amidst sectarian opposition. We are making no progress so far as numbers go. Being few in number – only five – and very poor in this world's goods, we are little noticed by the world. We rejoice, however in the friendly visits of The Bible Student [sic] and would not like to be without it as we feel we have kindred spirits talking to us in its pages. We pray God to long spare you as its Editor and keep you and sustain you with all the faithful writers and we hope to see the paper grow and become a power for God, Christ, and the Gospel.

WM. Johnson.

J. L. Saunders, "Obituary," *The Bible Student* Vol. 3, No. 2 (February 1906): 6.

Albert Austin Chantler died at Battleford, Sask. Nov. 20th, 1905. Death was caused by the return of appendicitis of which he had a previous attack. An operation for the trouble failed to be of any benefit. Brother Chantler was born in Bracebridge, Ont., May

9th, 1879, and was consequently in the bloom of manhood. For some years he lived at Meaford, Ont., but for the last few years has resided at Carman, Man. He had been away from Carman only a few weeks when he died. His remains were brought to Carman for interment.

Bro. Chantler was a model young man with a commendable christian [sic] character. He was loved and respected by all who knew him and the people of Carman were made very sad on account of his sudden death.

Our Bro. was well prepared to go to the great beyond, his nurse in the hospital said she never saw anyone face death so calmly. For a number of years, Bro. Chantler was our leader in the song service in the Church here where he is now greatly missed, for we all loved him much. Let each one of us strive to be faithful until death. Ethel Cox, of Beamsville Bible School, and Sister Annie Smart, of Toronto, attended the funeral also a number of the Winnipeg brethren.

J. L. Saunders.

J. L. Saunders, "Obituary," *The Bible Student* Vol. 3, No. 2 (February 1906): 6. James Stirling, died at Carman, Manitoba, Nov. 2nd, 1905.

Our beloved brother and elder has passed over the river and gone to his reward. We can hardly realize that we will not see him again in this life. He was a strong hearty man and was in good health till his last sickness. He was sick only a few days when pneumonia set in and caused his death. His funeral was one of the largest ever seen in Carman as he was loved and respected by all. The funeral service was conducted by Bro. G. W. Tovell, of Winnipeg, and the writer. Only two weeks before our brother's death he was called upon to conduct the funeral service of our beloved Bro. James Stewart, who died at Cypress.

Bro. Stirling was one of the founders of the congregation here and has always taken a very active part in the Lord's work. His death is by far the keenest blow the Carman Church has ever received. The brethren will miss very much his wise counsel and his grand exhortations of warning and encouragement. But in the midst of our great sorrow we rejoice, and are comforted with the thought that our loss is his gain.

Bro. Stirling was born in Quebec nearly seventy years ago. For some years he lived in St. Vincent, near Meaford, Ont. For 16 years he and his family have lived near Carman. Very truly it can be said of our brother, "Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord from henceforth, yea saith the Spirit that they may rest from their labours and their works do follow them."

J. L. Saunders.

J. L. Saunders, "Carman Church News," *The Bible Student* Vol. 3, No. 3 (March 1906): 3. Bro. and Sister Watterworth and little son arrived here safely on Jan. 22nd. They spent Lord's day, Jan. 21st, with the Winnipeg church, and enjoyed their visit there very much.

We are glad to have an evangelist with us once more. At the present time Bro. Watterworth is the only true gospel preacher that we know of in this great Canadian North-West. There are wonderful opportunities for the gospel preachers in this vast country, where people are coming in thousands from all over the world.

Bro. Watterworth is nicely settled in his new home, a short distance from the meeting-house. He started a series of meetings on Lord's day, Jan. 28th. These meetings are still in progress. We are delighted with the preaching; there is no chance for people to go to

sleep. God's revealed will is told in a clear and powerful manner. Good audiences attend the meetings.

The town of Carman is situated about 60 miles S. W. of Winnipeg. Our population is 1500. The church here is 17 years old. During that time we have had about 175 members in this district. At the present time we have about 100. About 80 have been baptized here.

Carman, Feb. 12th. J. L. Saunders.

J. L. Saunders, "Carman Church News," The Bible Student Vol. 3, No. 4 (April 1906): 7.

The Manitoba annual June meeting will be held at Carman on the 9th, 10th, and 11th of June. All brethren everywhere are cordially invited to attend, especially those in Manitoba. We would like to hear from all the brethren in Manitoba at this meeting. Those who cannot attend personally, we would like to hear from by letter, stating the condition of the Master's work in their locality. We have plenty of accommodation for all. Come and spend a profitable time together.

Bro. Watterworth preached one week for the Winnipeg brethren. He is now in a good meeting at Almasippi, with three additions so far.

Bro. Arthur Weston, of Winnipeg, has been spending a few days with the Carman brethren.

J. L. Saunders.

"Editorial Briefs and News Notes," The Bible Student Vol. 3, No. 8 (August 1906): 4.

Bro. M. Watterworth, of Carman, Man., has promised to act as one of our corresponding editors. We expect to hear from him regularly each month. A letter from him arrived too late for this issue. He reports the work in good condition at Carman.

J. L. S., "Carman Church News," *The Bible Student* Vol. 3, No. 8 (August 1906): 6.

The annual June meeting was held this year in Carman, June 9th to 15th. The largest gatherings were on Lord's day June 10th. At these three meetings large and attentive crowds filled the house. The Lords day services were conducted by Bros. Watterworth, Stewart, Tovell, Johnston and Saunders. We were delighted to have so many visiting brethren with us, including Bro. Wm. Johnston, of Austin, and about one half of the Winnipeg church. We enjoyed their association very much. During the whole week of services a very happy and profitable time was spent. May it be the Lord's will to spare our lives to see another gathering next year.

On Monday, June 11th, a church pic-nic was held in the Park, the weather was beautiful, we all had supper together under the trees, and spent a jolly afternoon. There were one hundred and twenty-five present.

On Saturday afternoon, June 9th, Bro. Watterworth baptized a man and his wife into the One Body, these brethren will be members of the Almasippi congregation. Bro. Watterworth is still doing good preaching, and doing a good work among us.

J. L. S.

M. Watterworth, "Manitoba Letter," *The Bible Student* Vol. 3, No. 9 (September 1906): 2.

The writer and family have spent a pleasant six months with the Carman Church. Our hearts have had cause to rejoice in seeing a few turn to the Lord, and we have been pleased and edified in the hearty worship of the church on the first day of the week.

The cause at Almasippi is progressing nicely. There is now a devoted little band of about eighteen there.

This part of the province promises to have a liberal representation at the Beamsville Bible School next session. In view of the needs of this promising field we trust that many others may be stirred to gain a more thorough knowledge of the divine way, and become qualified to tell intelligently, the simple story of salvation. The fields are ripe unto an abundant harvest, "but the labourers are few."

There was a pretty wedding at the home of Bro. and Sister Hill on July 25th, when Miss Verna L. B. York became the bride of Mr. Frank L. Constantine of Innisfail, Alberta. About seventy-five guests witnessed the ceremony. The many valuable presents are further tokens of the high esteem in which our sister is held in this part. She will be greatly missed by the church and the town. Both are very promising young persons and we bespeak for them a bright future.

We confidently believe that the plea for a return to primitive christianity [sic] will soon see brighter days. The sentiment in favor of union on the basis of the Bible is gaining ground among the masses, and to suggest the idea of being simply a Christian, a member of the church spoken of in the New Testament, and of following the instructions and ordinances set forth by Jesus and his apostles, opens to the inquiring mind the most beautiful landscape of religious thought and action, and when embraced places mankind upon the most dignified plans of operation. A long experience with religious constitutions framed by fallible men abundantly demonstrates the inadequacy of such works to unite the people of God. And if a tree is indeed "known by its fruit" such constitutions are admirably fitted for the malicious work of distracting, dividing and bewildering the followers of Christ. People never divide on the Bible, but when they get away from its holy teachings. When the word of God was the sole rule of faith and action there was one body, one spirit, one hope, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and one God (Eph. 4:4-7) for the Christian, and this being the divine arrangement. God having established no other, it remains the same. We have reason to look for the original peace and union and progress when the oracles of God again occupy the proper place in the estimation of the people. We shall hail with delight the welcome day when all men, professing to love Christ, will shake off the shackles of human tradition, and arise in the strength of truth, and truth only, to the great work of restoring the primitive order in all its simplicity and glory and dignity. So help us God.

W. J., "Field and Church Reports," *The Bible Student* Vol. 3, No. 10 (October 1906): 8.

Austin, Man., Sept. 14. – I thank God for so pure a gospel paper in Canada, and I pray the Lord to sustain you in keeping it pure and free from all worldly folly. I hope I shall soon be able to send you one more subscriber from this corner. I am glad to report that two precious souls made the good confession last Lord's day, and were baptized last Wednesday evening, the 12th inst. One was my second oldest son, aged 13. We hope soon to see more coming. To God be all the praise.

Your humble Bro., W. J.

M. Watterworth, "Manitoba Letter," *The Bible Student* Vol. 3, No. 11 (November 1906): 1,8.

We are drawing toward the close of another good harvest for the western country.

This country needs millions more inhabitants, and no doubt millions need this country, but the temporal things are by no means as urgent as the proclamation of the unadulterated gospel within our borders.

My brother C. C., the Lord willing, is to be with me in evangelistic work this winter. There are more open doors in our immediate surroundings than we can possibly enter.

The church worshipping on Ross Ave., Winnipeg has purchased a valuable lot on which to build a house. A more convenient church home will be of great value there. Bro. Tovell reports the audiences increasing. The work is thrifty.

Bro. Janes says truly that the Canadians "are not easily moved." Where we see an effect there must be a cause. Some have thought they found the cause in the climate which has a modulating influence on our nature. I doubt not this effect, but I believe that the solution is in the immutable order of seed-times preceding harvest. Jesus devoted three years of incessant labour accompanied by overwhelming evidences of his diving mission in addition to all the prophetic utterances and typical lessons of the Old Testament, to the laying of a suitable foundation in the mind of God's people for the reception of the gospel. It took time for the preaching of Luther to have its effect. The first three years work of Thomas and Alexander Campbell in advocating "Union on the Basis of the Bible" was accomplished with limited visible results, and the Brush Run Church enjoyed only a slow but steady growth. These all moved forward against the strenuous opposition of a wicked world, and only the great Judgment Day will reveal the good that has been accomplished. A very great percent of the people of Canada know absolutely nothing of how converts were inducted into the church or how congregational worship was conducted in the days of the Apostles. In beginning in a new place we, Canadians have to build from the bottom. It is the depth of folly to expect pleasing results by preaching two or three weeks and leaving the field. Such efforts often create quite an interest, some who have previously studied the Bible will obey the truth, a small nucleus is formed and left to struggle alone before it is sufficiently qualified to do its work successfully. Such was not the apostolic practice. Such is not the farmers [sic] way of sowing his seed. There is not, known to me, a single point, even in Canada where there has been well directed, faithful, persistent labour placed without a good harvest. Larger ingatherings are gained in the middle and western states because a large percent of the people know what we teach, and it is only a matter of obeying what they know is right. These states are now bearing fruits from the unselfish, persistent labours of men who learned not to "despise the day of small things." Let us not conclude that because Canadians "are not easily moved" Canada is not a worthy field. Canada has an honest, intelligent and thrifty population, and the man with the mind of Paul, who rejoiced to preach "not where Christ was named", will find here an Eden in which to feed his originality in proclaiming the primitive gospel to the people, for notwithstanding our intelligence and honesty many are they who belong to religious institutions which cannot, even if their further existence depended upon it, find their denomination, name or origin in the Bible.

Bro. Neal's meeting at Ice Lake must be gratifying to the Meaford Church and others concerned. I doubt not that if he should give us the history of the work there he would impress a lesson on *mission work in Canada*. By helping to build up adjoining communities we greatly strengthen ourselves.

The church at Carman lost a faithful member in the death of Bro. Angus D. McLennan on the 25^{th} ., of Sept.

J. L. Saunders, "Obituary," The Bible Student Vol. 3, No. 11 (November 1906): 8.

One of the oldest and most respected pioneers of the Carman district passed away to his great reward on Sept. 25th, in the person of Bro. Angus D. McLennan. He was in his 78th year. He had been in declining health for the past year and suffered more than any of us know, but bore it patiently.

Bro. McLennan was born in Nova Scotia in 1828. Early in life he settled near Kincardine, Ont., where he married Miss Margaret McLeod in 1856. In 1874 he came to Carman. Bro. McLennan obeyed the gospel about six years ago, being baptized by Bro. A. Foster. After obeying the Master our old brother made rapid strides in the way of attaining to that perfect manhood in Christ. For several years Bro. McLennan has taken great interest in Church work, and if not able to do much in a public way, never neglected giving of his means for the support of the Gospel. One thing in our brothers [sic] life is well worth mentioning and worthy of our imitation; when he found he was doing anything not in harmony of God's Word he quit it at once. He said he found that he could not partake of the cup of Christ and the cup of devils at the same time.

Let us all strive to be as well prepared to go, as was Bro. McLennan. The funeral was largely attended.

J. L. Saunders.

M. Watterworth, "Manitoba Letter," *The Bible Student* Vol. 4, No. 1 (January 1907): 5. Mrs. Watterworth has recovered from the fever. The great Author of all good is to be praised.

Three excellent persons learned the way of the Lord more perfectly and were baptized during the recent meeting conducted by the Carman church at Burnslay.

The "more convenient season" seldom comes, especially in this western country of "cold weather" and "busy seasons." Under these circumstances the force and wisdom of the injunction "Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness," is more clearly realized. We "must work while it is day." But, truly, "some began to make excuses."

The writer has, since coming west, come in contact with many good people who were active workers in churches (of course, not simply Churches of Christ) in the east, who when separated from former associations allowed their religious energies to relax, and in some cases refrained from religious exercises altogether. A very apparent weakness, no doubt, to some extent, the fruits of the exaltation of the few "Reverends" unscripturally so called, and the minimising of the great subject of individual effort in the service of God. Jesus said, "All ye are brethren." Christians are "bought with a price," and we owe to our selves, to our God, and to the world a huge debt which cannot be paid with anything less than an active, devoted life in the work and worship of the Lord. The child of God is a "living stone" built into the great church of God.

Four Christians, two of whom were baptized last summer, from the vicinity of Carman, are now located near Quill Lake, Sask., and are meeting to worship on the first day of the week, in the home of Bro. Frank A. Clark. The Master said, "Where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them," (Matt., 18:20). We could name several now large and influencial [sic] churches which began with as little and in some cases less numerical strength. "Blessed are they that do his commandments that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city" (Rev. 22:14).

"Miscellaneous Items," *The Bible Student* Vol. 4, No. 1 (January 1907): 6.

Sister M. Watterworth who has been confined to the hospital with a severe attack of typhoid fever is, we are glad to say, recovering.

M. Watterworth, "Church and Field Reports," *The Bible Student* Vol. 4, No. 2 (February 1907): 8.

The church at Carman closed a successful meeting at Barnslay recently. These excellent people learned the way of the Lord more perfectly and were baptized. -M. Watterworth.

Wm. Johnston, "Church and Field Reports," *The Bible Student* Vol. 4, No. 2 (February 1907): 8.

----, Man., Jan 28: - We came here five years ago last fall, being three in number, the only disciples in this part of Manitoba. We now number eight who meet each Lord's day at our home to worship God in accordance with His revealed will. – Wm. Johnston.

W. J. B., "From Winnipeg," *The Bible Student* Vol. 4, No. 4 (April 1907): 2. The evening of the 28th of February witnessed a farewell meeting at 447 Ross Avenue, the church having to vacate the premises.

A report of the work since April, 1901, was contributed by Bro. Gordon Tovel. Starting with four brethren, Ora and Ozra [sic] Tallman, Bro. Tovel and our deceased and beloved Austin Chantler, details of work, and necessitudes met up to the present, when the membership stands at about fifty, were given. Bro. Hedley Whitelaw interested all in a good six minute address, referring touchingly to old associates in Bathurst St., Church, Toronto, and his arrival in Winnipeg and that only two were present who were then meeting with the original few. Letters were then read from Bro. Hudson, Toronto, and Bro. J. Saunders, Carman. Bro. Tovel here remarked on the great and pressing need of a suitable worker in Winnipeg, the gateway city to the great north-west. The presiding Bro. exhorted all to more activity and self-sacrifice.

Refreshments partaken of, an impromptu program was given, in which Brethren Eatough, T. Atherton, F. Williams; Sisters G. Kennedy, M. Campbell and Miss Dorothy Marsh took part. The singing of "Jesus shall reign where'er the sun" will abide in our memories as a happy recollection.

W. J. B.

Gordon Tovell, "A Worthy Appeal," *The Bible Student* Vol. 4, No. 5 (May 1907): 3. 592 Young Street,

Winnipeg, Man., April 11, 1907

THE EDITOR, BIBLE STUDENT MEAFORD.

Dear Bro. Evans: - This spring we have arranged to build a church Home in this City and as our financial condition is weak we ask your assistance in this matter, by publishing this letter in The Bible Student [sic]. We believe that every community in Eastern Canada is vitally interested in our great West, and as Winnipeg is the metropolis of Western Canada so it should be, and is, the religious centre of this vast Territory.

In coming to this country nearly all spend a short time in Winnipeg. To strangers in a strange land, Christian fellowship is indeed welcome and its influence is not forgotten. It

means a strong restraining connecting link between the old home life and the strange newness of the Prairie with all its temptations and trials. The tide is flowing westward and a strong church here means much to all of us. The cost of building in this City is very high, our building and lot are costing us \$7000. We can raise half that amount locally.

Our new building will seat about 160 persons and will be complete with School room in basement, Baptistry, etc. We hope to have it completed by 1st July. Any contributions will be gratefully acknowledged on behalf of the church by your permission in columns of The Bible Student [sic] or by undersigned, here,

Yours Fraternally,

Gordon Tovell.

J. L. Saunders, "Carman June Meeting," The Bible Student Vol. 4, No. 5 (May 1907): 3.

The Annual June meeting of the Church of Christ in Manitoba will be held in Carman on the 1st, 2nd and 3rd of June. Bro. S. M. Jones of Beamsville, Ont. will be with us at this June gathering and will hold a protracted meeting in Carman immediately after June meeting.

Brethren at Winnipeg, Austin, Cypress, Calgary and other points will kindly remember the above dates and come if possible. The brethren at Carman will give you a hearty welcome. We have room for all and need your association in this 1907 June meeting.

J. L. Saunders.

M. Watterworth, "Manitoba Letter," The Bible Student Vol. 4, No. 5 (May 1907): 3.

The church of Christ in Carman looks forward to a pleasant and profitable June meeting when Bro. S. M. Jones is to be with us. It will begin Saturday June 1st.

The brethren in Winnipeg are aggressive in their steps toward the erection of a new house of worship.

The church here is arranging for the printing and publication of a series of sermons in tract form for liberal distribution. A sermon to appear each month. We are asking several able preachers and writers to assist us in supplying appropriate matter for the series. The aim is to begin and gradually lead up to a full presentation of the gospel in facts, commands, and promises. The brethren in Canada have long realized that owing to the religious education and temperament of Canadians, a large percent of the literature of our brethren across the lines, where circumstances are different from ours, is not appropriate for liberal distribution here. Sermons in tract form will greatly remove this difficulty, and if prudently arranged will do great good in preparing the way for the establishment of the churches in new localities. We expect to use about two thousand each month and purpose placing the matter more definitely before the churches of Canada in view of encouraging a similar work in the vicinity of each church.

Our elder, D. Stuart, recently returned from an extended trip through Alberta and British Columbia. He was detained and suffered a severe surgical operation in Victoria, but succeeded in visiting brethren at several points and gained a broader and deeper view of the great need of gospel preaching and training in the west. Bro. Stewart is deeply interested in mission work. Brethren let us arise in the strength of God and truth to the great work. Time is fleeting. Men and women are dying without having heard the primitive gospel. And we are drawing near to the coming of Jesus and the great judgment.

"Western Canada," The Bible Student Vol. 4, No. 5 (May 1907): 4.

Few fields are as inviting to the Evangelist as the broad prairies of Western Canada, and yet while thousands are annually pouring into this apparently limitless field to make homes and seek their fortunes in agricultural pursuits, the gospel preacher is conspicuously absent. So far as is known to the editor of this paper Bro. M. Watterworth, of Carman, Man. is the only preacher giving all his time to the preaching of the gospel in that whole region.

The faithful young preacher who will go now into that inviting field, take up a homestead and sow the seed of the kingdom as opportunity offers will in a few years time have the satisfaction of reaping a harvest and establishing a congregation in a hitherto badly neglected field. A score of such young preachers are needed now in that field. Thousands of acres of virgin soil lie ready to yield their strength to the young men who are not afraid of work, and there will be numberless opportunities for them to preach the gospel of Christ to their neighbors both far and near, and this is the only way that substantial work can be done.

Protracted meetings, in this field, of a few days or weeks duration accomplish but little if any good. The majority of people going to that country go there to make money and not to save their souls. It is hard to interest them in something they are not looking for, hence the necessity of faithful, patient and continuous work if they are ever reached and influenced by the gospel. The preacher who will preach and live the gospel among them and gradually educate the people to do their duty is the man most needed there now. We frequently receive calls from this and other fields for workers. Who will respond to the "Macedonian cry?"

Although we have several little bands who meet from house to house in that country there is, to our knowledge, but one church house in that whole territory – the one in Carman, Man. Winnipeg is building this summer and Calgary, Alta., contemplate building in the near future. Winnipeg is doing nobly to help itself, but needs more help and is worthy of it. Calgary must have help. When houses shall have been erected at these points they will be radiating centres and will become the base of supplies for further and more extensive action. Let us help them now and they will help others in return. Start now before the field is occupied by others.

Will Tucker, "Winnipeg," The Bible Student Vol. 4, No. 5 (May 1907): 8.

All who are interested in the work of the Church here will rejoice with us that on Sunday, March 31st in our meeting at North West Hall, two had been for some time regular attendants at our meetings, accepted the gospel invitation extended by Bro. Gordon Tovell, confessed the Saviour before men and were baptized into the family of God on Monday, April 1st. We pray that Bro. Allen and Sister Rigby, may be ever faithful, so that in the end they may receive at the hands of the King of kings the reward which he had promised – the Crown of Life.

On April 3rd Bro. Neal, of Meaford arrived here on his way home from Calgary. On the evening of the same day he addressed a meeting and gave a brief account of his work at Calgary. We are glad to know that God had blessed him and his labours and trust that the seed sown may indeed spring up and bring forth abundant fruit in due season. He may indeed rejoice in knowing that the promise is "My word *shall not* return to me void." On Sunday, April 7th, Bro. Neal preached at three services to fairly large numbers but,

although there were no visible results we believe his earnest and sincere appeals will not pass unheeded. We were all sorry that he could not stay longer with us, as his presence amongst us was indeed a time of blessing, and refreshing, so that it was indeed with some regret we wished him farewell and God-speed on his departure for Meaford.

Our secretary, Bro. Gordon Tovell, is at present away on a visit to the Coast. On the eve of his departure a few members of the Bible class presented him with a copy of Smith's Bible Dictionary on behalf of the class as a mark of esteem and appreciation of his work amongst us. We trust he may be benefited and strengthened by the change and that he may on his return take up his work with renewed vigor and strength.

We hope to have our new meeting house ready by the end of July, and Bro. Eatough, of Blackburn, Eng, is coming to labor with us. We pray that God will prepare him for the great work there is here to do, and we ask the prayers and fellowship of all the brethren in Canada that the work here may not stand still, that we may be able to go forward and do great things. Winnipeg is a large city and ever expanding. The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few. Will you help us in our efforts to accomplish the work of God in this place? Yours in Christ,

WILL TUCKER,

Recording Secretary.

John L. Saunders, "The Churches in Canada: A Brief History of the Church of Christ Worshipping at Carman, Man.," *The Bible Student* Vol. 4, No. 6 (June 1907): 1.

The Church of Christ at Carman, Man., first met to break bread at the home of Bro. G. W. Saunders in the Summer of 1889 with the following nine members: Bro's [sic] Jas. Sterling, Bro. York, G. W. Saunders, R. S. Williams, W. P. C. Saunders and Sister Saunders, Hill, Dunn and York. Bro's [sic] Sterling and York conducted the worship. Bro. R. S. Williams acted as treasurer.

After meeting in Bro. Saunders house for awhile services were held in the school house till the summer of 1890, when a hall was rented. During that summer Bro. Geo. Whitelaw came to Carman and assisted in the work. Bro. Roberts also was here and held a short meeting. In June our present house of worship was completed and Bro. J. A. Harding came and held a very successful meeting with about twenty additions. At the close of this meeting the membership was 45. In this same year our much respected elder Daniel Stewart joined us, and in all these years has labored faithfully with the church and is still an elder here. In the fall of 1893 Bro. Paul Hayes preached in Carman. Bro. Whitelaw died about this time. In the summer of 1894 Bro. E. A. Elam held a grand meeting with quite a number of additions. During the summer of 1895 Bro. Madison Wright did good work here. In the Spring of 1896 Bro. Howard Stirling and Bro. Lindsay were with us for awhile. In April 1897 Bro. J.A. Craig came and took up the work till July. On June 5th 1898 Bro. A. Foster came among us, and worked in connection with the church here most of the time till the fall of 1903. While Bro. Foster was here much good work was done, many were baptized, and given encouragement. In June 1904 Bro. W. D. Campbell held a splendid meeting and closed with ever increasing interest and several additions. On January 22, 1906 Bro. Maitland Watterworth and family came to reside among us for an indefinite time. We feel greatly blessed by having Bro. Watterworth with us. He is doing a good work and the church is increasing in numbers and in faith. Besides the names mentioned quite a number of young brethren outside of the congregation have assisted at

different times such as Bro's. [sic] Chas. Petch, O. H. Tallman, P. Crossley and W. Mallory.

Through the efforts of the church here, mission congregations have been established in the Carman district at Rosebank, Almasippi and Barnsley where Lords day worship is kept up by the faithful brethren at those points. The members that have been in connection with the Carman Church, including missions number 200. One hundred have been baptized here. The removals and deaths number 100, our membership numbering one hundred on June 1st 1907. The church has always been self supporting and continues to assist in home and foreign mission work.

While we appreciate the faithfulness of the Carman brethren and the labor of love of all the preaching brethren that have been here, we feel duty bound to mention the founder of the church in this country.

Bro. James Stirling,

our beloved senior elder who has now gone to his great reward, was the man who started the work here. He is the man who was never hindered by rain or snow, heat or cold from being at his post every Lord's day, to teach, encourage and build the brethren up in that most holy faith. In loosing [sic] our senior elder we lost a man with a kind disposition, a noble Christian character and a man of untiring efforts in spending and being spent in the service of our Great Master. The present faithful condition of the Church of Christ at Carman can, to a great extent, be attributed to the zeal of our deceased Bro. Stirling.

- John L. Saunders.

"Carman, Man. June Meeting," The Bible Student Vol. 4, No. 7 (July 1907): 1.

The June Meeting held at Carman this year was by far the most successful meeting of the kind ever held in this country. The Saturday night meeting was well attended and was a very profitable meeting. Quite a lengthy program was provided. Bro. Gordon Tovell, of Winnipeg, was chairman of the meeting. After the usual opening hymn and prayer, very impressive speeches, relative to the great work in this country, were given by Bros. Eatough, Tovell, Boyer and Whitelaw, of Winnipeg; Bro. S. M. Jones, of Beamsville; Bro. Wm. Johnston, of Austin; Bro. Bodie, of Barnsley, and Bros. Watterworth, Stewart, Rogers and C. Watterworth, of Carman.

Sunday's meetings were grand, our building was filled with loyal brethren from many parts of the Province. The association of so many brethren was a rare treat, the singing was good and the preaching better. Bro. S. M. Jones did the preaching at the three Sunday meetings, to a house full of anxious hearers. Winnipeg was well represented at our meeting also Almasippi and Barnsley. There were also a few from Austin, Cypress and Rosebank. We believe all had a very happy, profitable time at this June gathering.

The work at Carman is growing and at present the prospects for a fine protracted meeting are very bright. Ten additions at this writing (June 21).

"Workers Wanted," The Bible Student Vol. 4, No. 7 (July 1907): 4.

Never since the days of Campbell and Stone has the demand for workers in the great restoration movement been so great. From Eastern and Western Canada comes the cry for more preachers. The same plaintive wail – "come over and help us" comes from British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba on the west, and from New Brunswick and Nova Scotia on the east. The cry from isolated disciples and destitute fields is indeed

becoming distressing, and even from stronger congregations the call for evangelists is pressing and urgent.

In a letter to Bro. O.H. Tallman, Bro. G.W. Tovell, of Winnipeg, Man., says: "The question is very much more one of workers than one of finances. Do you not think it would be possible for you to do as good work in this country as in the South? And do you not think it possible to get back to this country in the *very near* future? The country needs you and we want you."

This speaks volumes for Bro. Tallman. He is wanted in Nova Scotia as well as the West. What shall he do? Bro. Harding is pressing the Tallman Bros. to stay in the College as teachers, but we want them in Canada and must have them in the not far distant future. Canada needs her own boys. We thank Bro. Harding for his kindness to them. We need more Hardings as presidents of Bible Colleges – men who will train and develope [sic] our young men into humble, true and faithful preachers of the primitive Gospel, free from egotism, dogmatism, arrogance and despotism. We need more Bible Schools, with true *Christian gentlemen* of the Harding type as presidents.

The Bible Student [sic], as a servant of the Church, stands ready to assist every loyal young preacher and every apostolic congregation to become acquainted with each other. Two places in Manitoba have recently written this office for us to send them preachers. We are trying to arrange with one of our Ontario boys to occupy these fields, and we will always do our utmost to put the congregations in touch with the best men available, men best suited, so far as we know, to the requirements of the field. Our preaching brethren would do well to keep this office posted as to their movements so that we can bring the preacher and the congregation requiring his services together.

It is the desire of the writer to visit the congregations throughout Manitoba and the Northwest generally, and thereby obtain a personal knowledge of the field. How soon circumstances will permit such a visit we do not know.

"Western Canada Again," The Bible Student Vol. 4, No. 7 (July 1907): 4.

Lord's Day morning (July 14) we had the pleasure of listening to a short speech by Bro. Gordon W. Tovell, of Winnipeg, Man., in which he informed us of the conditions and needs of the great Northwest. He referred encouragingly to the work done by Bro. Wright in British Columbia, even though Bro. Wright was unable to work himself just now. The families of Bro. Douglas in New Westminster and Bro. Saunders, now at Cloverdale, were still faithfully worshiping after the New Testament pattern, and Bro. Wright was making an effort to secure an evangelist to hold a meeting in that field.

The small congregations throughout Alberta and Manitoba, he assured us, were meeting regularly for worship, but more workers were badly needed there. Winnipeg and Calgary, Bro. Tovell considered, were important centres where strong congregations should be established. Calgary is a faithful little band, and greatly strengthened and built up by Bro. Neal last winter. They contemplate building in the near future. The church house at Winnipeg, Bro. Tovell informed us, would be completed next month; then the Winnipeg congregation are going to make an effort to place one or more evangelists in that field as soon as possible. Bro. Watterworth, he also said, was doing an excellent work at Carman.

The whole tenor of Bro. Tovell's speech indicated that the cause of Christ in the great Northwest was taking on new life, and that the prospects of New Testament

Christianity in that country is exceedingly bright. Bro. Tovell is one of the four of those sterling young men who started the cause in Winnipeg, and is still the chief leader in all its deliberations.

Winnipeg and Carman are fully awakened to the responsibilities and opportunities of the hour and are making efforts to extend the kingdom of Christ to the extent of their ability.

We trust the Calgary brethren will realize the responsibilities resting upon them and begin building *at once*. Sacrifice must be made by ourselves before we can claim assistance from others. The man who is able to give \$1000, towards the erection of a church building can not justify himself by giving \$10.00. A bright future lies before the church in Calgary if she grasps her opportunities.

"Editorial Briefs," The Bible Student Vol. 4, No. 7 (July 1907): 4.

Winnipeg, with only about fifty members, has made arrangements to raise \$3,500 of her building fund. Building material and labour is extremely high out there. The house will cost them \$7,000. They need another \$1000 in cash *at once*. Surely this faithful little band *deserve* help when they are doing so much themselves. Send them something by next mail.

"Editorial Briefs," The Bible Student Vol. 4, No. 7 (July 1907): 4-5.

Bro. Jones closed his meeting at Carman, Man., with 16 baptisms. Good reports come from this field concerning the work done by Bro. M. Watterworth. [The rest of the report covers work in Ontario].

M. Watterworth, "Manitoba Letter," The Bible Student Vol. 4, No. 7 (July 1907): 5.

The annual June meeting at Carman, already reported by Bro. Saunders, was followed up by a protracted meeting which continued till Lord's Day evening, July 7th. Bro. Jones preached in his usual forceful style, and his work is greatly appreciated by all the brethren. The truth gained many victories during his stay with us. Sixteen souls responded to the Gospel call and were buried in baptism and one lady who had been baptized, abandoned sectarianism to be simply a Christian.

Our mission work at Barnsley is moving on nicely. The school teacher there and a man and his wife are among the sixteen baptized. Bro. Jones preached there to a full house on June 30^{th} .

A letter from Bro. Tucker, of Winnipeg, states that the church there expects to move into their new house sometime during the first part of August.

Brethren, let us think soberly, live uprightly, and labour ardently that the simple Gospel may accomplish the work it was designed to do.

We are pleased to note the frequent reference by our writers to the needs and opportunities in this western country. The opportune time is now upon us, and the work is much easier while the country is new. "Pray ye the Lord of the harvest that He may send more labourers into His harvest." July 8, 1907.

Will Tucker, "Winnipeg Letter," *The Bible Student* Vol. 4, No. 7 (July 1907): 7.

On Sunday, April 20th the hearts of the church were rejoiced and gladdened, and our faith stimulated and strengthened by the knowledge that God is still working with us and encouraging and blessing us in our labours. Again two young people accepted the gospel

invitation and confessed their faith in the Saviour before men. The baptism was conducted by Bro. Watterworth, of Carman, who in his address urgued [sic] upon all the necessity of study, prayer and faithfulness in the *new* life, that all may in the end receive the reward. We pray that Sister Daffors and Bro. Tangrill may be included in the number of those to whom the King will say come, ye blessed of my Father inherit the Kingdom prepared for you.

Again on Monday, March 6th, we had the pleasure of witnessing the baptism of two more, which makes an addition of six to our number in just a little over one month. We desire that Bro. Fagas and Sister McLean may find happiness in serving the Saviour here, and afterwards life everlasting.

At present our meetings are being held in the North West Hall, until our new meeting house is ready, which we hope will be in July. We are in need of all the help we can get both in the prayers and fellowship of the brethren, in order that the work of God may not be at a standstill in this great city, and that our hands may be strengthened in the good work.

Yours in the faith,

WILL TUCKER, Rec. Sec.

Wm. Johnson, "From Austin, Man.," *The Bible Student* Vol. 4, No. 8 (August 1907): 5.

Dear Bro. Evans: - There are three or four families living near Braggat, Man. I have been there a few times to speak for them. We are trying to get a school house to meet in and if we succeed, I will the Lord willing, continue to go there every other Lordsday. I have 18 miles to drive now, but if we get the schoolhouse I will only have 10 miles. They are a faithful little band and we hope to be able to keep them together. We expect help

from Carman next winter.

I am glad to see the interest you are taking personally in the great West. I am glad Bro. [Neal] was up here. He has the true idea of our need. It is not a protracted meeting we need, but a preacher who can spend two or three months in visiting and then finish his work with a good protracted meeting. In this way a great and good work can be done.

Regarding the little band meeting in my house, I am glad to tell you that we now number twelve who meet for worship every Lordsday. Yesterday another of my boys made the good confession and will, the Lord willing, be baptized on Wednesday next.

Success to *the Student*. It is getting better every time. God bless you, brother and spare you for many years to direct its pages in the way of truth is the prayer of your brother in Christ.

Wm. Johnson.

Aug. 12, 1907.

W. J. B., "Reception at Winnipeg," The Bible Student Vol. 4, No. 9 (September 1907): 1.

About thirty of the brethren and sisters met at the home of Bro. Wm. Simpkins, Burnell Street, on the evening of the 15th of August, to welcome to Winnipeg, Bro. Walter Eatough, late of Blackburn, England.

After a time of singing, short addresses were given by Brethren Tovel, Boyer, Atherton, J. W. Eatough and H. Whitelaw. Bro. Walter Eatough very suitably replied. Prayers were then offered by Brethren Tucker, Williams and J. W. Eatough.

The close was marked by a short social time, in which a cup of coffee cake and chocolates helped in no small manner to augment still further the spirit of brotherly love

and good will. We trust this happy time was an augury of bright useful and successful work in the Master's Vineyard in Winnipeg.

The little band in the gateway city to the Great North West, needs all the prayers and sympathy possible, of all the followers of the Master everywhere. -- W. J. B.

"Winnipeg Building Fund," The Bible Student Vol. 4, No. 9 (September 1907): 1.

Church	of Christ, Jura, Ontario	\$4.40
"	Griersville, "	5.00
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"	Beamsville "	5.00
"	St. Catherines "	30.00
"	Smithville "	11.00
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	England	50s.
"	Leveridge, England	10s.
"	Cowdenheath Scotland	20s.
"	Sangall, "	20s.
"	Cardendar "	10s.

M. Watterworth, "Manitoba Letter," The Bible Student Vol. 4, No. 10 (October 1907): 1.

The writer spent a pleasant and profitable time at the opening of the new house in Winnipeg on Sept. 8th, and addressed a full house in the evening. The brethren are happy in their new home and with the assistance of Bro. W. Eatough, they, by God's grace, will accomplish still greater things in the future.

There has been one baptism from the Barnslay mission since last report.

In addition to the regular work being done at Barnslay and Almasippi, and an occasional visit to Rosebank the church at Carman has started a mission at Stephenfield where a large audience of intelligent, attentive people is discoursed to each alternate Lord's Day.

After consulting several brethren in the West, and knowing the great need of primitive gospel work further West, the church at Carman at a meeting on Sept. 15th decided to invite another evangelist into the field, that the weak places may be strengthened and the cause established in new towns.

- G. W. Tovell, "Winnipeg, Man.," *The Bible Student* Vol. 4, No. 11 (November 1907): 3. Our meetings in our new house are very well attended and the work here looks quite promising. Our house is not fully completed yet. However, we hope to have all in good shape in a very short time now.

 G. W. Tovell.
- J. L. Saunders, "Manitoba Carman District," *The Bible Student* Vol. 5, No. 1 (January 1908): 5.

Church work in the Carman District for 1907 has been quite encouraging. During the year twenty have obeyed the truth and started in the work of the Master. Two or three protracted meetings have been held which we believe did much good. We have heard some grand preaching by Bros. S. M. Jones, M. Watterworth, W. Eatough and others. The brethren have been very faithful in attending the services of the Church and in giving to the Lord's work.

The Rosebank brethren continue to meet every Lord's Day, the work being carried on by Bros. Durant, Greer and McGregor. Bro. H. Rogers does good work by speaking for these disciples every second Lord's Day.

The work at Almasippi is still being looked after by Bro. Lawrenson, Huntley and Stirling. Bro. Watterworth preaches there twice a month. The Stephenfield mission is closed for the winter. The Barnsley meetings are well attended, the brethren there are nearly all new members and are substantial people. Bro. Watterworth has done good work at Barnsley and still preaches every other Lord's Day. He is assisted by Bros. Brodie, Miller, Roy Watterworth and others.

The Carman meetings are always splendid. We have three meetings on Sunday, a singing class, lead by Bro. S. Stirling, on Tuesday night, and a topic class on Thursday night. The following brethren take part in these services, Bros. Stewart, Rogers, M. Watterworth, C. Watterworth, Stirling, R. S. Williams, Montgomery, C. Williams and others.

All young men in the Church should be encouraged to take an active part in the meetings of the congregation. In this way material can be developed that will be very useful as elders and deacons in the years to come.

W. J. Boyer, "The Cause in Winnipeg," *The Bible Student* Vol. 5, No. 2 (February 1908): 1, 8.

On the 8th of September, 1907, the opening of this new Church House took place with a good audience in attendance. Bro. Watterworth, Evangelist, Carman, co-operating with Bro. Walter Eatough, Evangelist, helped in the preaching and opening exercises.

Amongst those present upon the occasion were Sister M. Summerville, Morden, Man.; Sis. James Sterling, enroute to Carman, returning from Ontario; Bro. C. Montgomery, Sisters Louie Malloray and May Stewart, Carman; Bro. A. Summerscales, Manitou, Man. Several strangers were present also, who beheld, for the first time, the

observance of the Lord's Supper as in New Testament times. We trust the seed sown on that day will yet spring up and fructify, bearing fruit unto eternal life.

The foundation of the present congregation was laid in the springtime, a season when we are forcibly [sic], and often beautifully reminded that all nature having died, lives again. April, 1901 is therefore memorable, I[t] marks the time when four young men, the charter members, met first in this city to remember the Lord in the breaking of bread, in a room in a boarding-house. Their names are Ozra [sic] E. Tallman, Gordon W. Tovel, Ora H. Tallman, and our deceased and beloved brother, Austin Chantler. In a short time the little gathering, of about eight, included in its members Sister Mrs. Langrill, [still] in Winnipeg, who had previously met with the brethren in Toronto.

The young men referred to, with true missionary spirit, commenced to preach about August, 1901, in Potter's Hall, Louise Bridge, a district now known as Elmwood. Sister G. W. Tovel (nee McLean) obeyed the Master in baptism, at these first efforts.

At the lapse of ten months having meantime moved to another hall, the membership reached twenty-five. About this time the Missionary Society of the Christian Church sent a preacher who held meetings in the city. A Christian Church was formed, absorbing in its formation five of the little company. Bro. Jones, Beamsville, Ont., by request, arrived about August, 1902. By his labours, in a tent, under uphill circumstances, four were added to the little band. The end of 1902 witnessed a move to the Northwest Hall. During the following year a number left Winnipeg leaving the membership at the beginning of 1904 about 16. It was now decided to write Bro. Ora H. Tallman, who had left Winnipeg, to return. He arrived in April. An interesting episode was the mutual efforts for union on the part of the two bodies of disciples. Two special meetings were held but nothing decisive was adopted other than each attended each others Bible Class. This was done for some time. A cottage on Ross Avenue was now purchased for \$1,550.00 and transformed into a Meeting House, Brethren Atherton, G. W. Tovel and Hedley Whitelaw acting as trustees. The small cause had the sympathy and support of some outside of Winnipeg, amongst them our deceased and highly esteemed Bro. James Stewart, of Cypress River, Man. His was a hospitable home to the travelling preacher, and kind was the look in those large expressive eyes, lit up, even in pain, with the Christian's hope.

The work at 447 Ross Avenue was pushed vigorously on, Bro. O. H. Tallman helping manfully. The memory of the gatherings for reading and talks during the bleak stormy winter of 1903-04, in the home of Sister Whitelaw and others of the brethren, is very dear. Mrs. Whitelaw is back again in the Queen City, but out here in the gateway city of the great North West, are those who miss her cheery counsel, and sympathetic word of encouragement.

A quarterly plan for preachers for evenings, and speakers for the morning meetings, also for presiding brethren, and Old and New Testament readers, was drawn up. This has been adhered to.

The spring of 1905 brought Bro. O. H. Tallman amongst us again to devote his whole time to [text illegible] at 447 Ross Avenue to support him. Bro. Tallman was indefatigable, and full of zeal, in the work of preaching and visiting. The result was several precious souls were added to the church. Bro. Ben Elston, of Indiana, about this time favored the church with a short visit. His addresses were much appreciated. Another visit we cannot forget, was that of Elder Forrester, of Toronto. His talks and exhortations, still linger in our minds. They did a great deal to strengthen and stimulate. Bro. Tallman left at start of

winter for Bowling Green Bible School to the regret of many. His successes since in the Master's work have been followed by some in the Canadian Northwest with deep interest. The following spring (1906) he was requested to revisit Winnipeg, but replied he could not return from urgent demands for work around him. The year 1906 saw the property on Ross Avenue disposed of, and after some vexatious delays, and anxiety, a site was located, whereon present edifice stands, on the fine thorofare [sic], Sherbrooke street.

In the space of time covered by this report several accessions to the church were made, of Brethren and Sisters, including some voluntary workers from churches in England and East Canada, also from one or two points in Manitoba. We might mention here that the church in Blackburn, England, which has contributed about twenty members.

The church welcomed last August, as already reported, Brother Walter Eatough and Sister Eatough, also of the church, Blackburn, England. Bro. Eatough has labored faithfully with us since. The work proceeds steadily, meetings, Bible classes and Lord's Day School as advertised. The building is neat, comfortable and bright, pleasing in style and getup, with seating capacity for about 150. This young church is striving hard to meet all claims, and is grateful to all churches, and brethren and sisters individually, who have kindly helped, both in Canada, the United States, and the British Isles. The membership now stands about 50. Taking a retrospective view, happy memories entwine themselves around the names of A. Weston, now of Calgary; A. Summerscales, Maniotou, Man., and Lynn Whitelaw, now of Toronto.

Travelling brethren or sisters are assured a hearty welcome at the Christians' Meeting House, Sherbrooke street [sic], Winnipeg.

W. J. Boyer, "Winnipeg News," The Bible Student Vol. 5, No. 4 (April 1908): 4.

The secret of success surely lies in obedience to God's commandments. It can only be accomplished by the prayerful and devoted. Men ought always to pray and not to faint, said Jesus, thus, the harvest will be reaped and the sheaves of grain gathered in. The grand work of sowing good seed is in process here. A hopeful feature is the renewed effort in the Lord's day School, and adult Bible class. Desirable results seemed unobtainable holding a morning school, especially in winter. Recently a change was made to the afternoon, resulting so far in larger attendance.

The school work began in Ross Avenue. Amongst those, in membership now closely identified with its difficulties and progress, from the start, we should record the names of G. W. Tovel, Bible Class Teacher, Hedley Whitelaw, a valuable worker, Sister Grace Kennedy, with her arduous work of training wee tots, and Fred Williams, whose class of boys gives evidence of attention and faithfulness.

The Church and School has suffered a distinct loss, by the departure of Sister Eva Thompson for Edmonton. The direct cause being the accidental death of a Brother. The girls of her class, the school, and church, miss her very much. To mark the appreciation of her worth, all three combined, to present her with a gold watch suitably engraved, accompanied by an address expressing sympathy with her, in her bereavement. Sister Florence Davies has taken over Sister Thompson's class. The good wishes of all go with her in the undertaking. We had the pleasure of welcoming to our mid-week meeting, March 18, Sister King, or Orangeville, Ont., enroute to Medicine Hat, Alberta.

W. J. Boyer.

M. Watterworth, "Carman Miscellaneous Letter," *The Bible Student* Vol. 5, No. 4 (April 1908): 5.

Bro. Felix G. Speck is with us now. He has been very successful in evangelistic work in some of the middle states, and is coming to Manitoba to locate among us. He began a meeting here March 8th.

The brethren here would like to know the names and addresses of all the isolated disciples in Manitoba and Saskatchewan. We desire, to assist in having the gospel preached in "regions beyond" and would prefer to direct our first efforts to the places where there are Christians [sic] who desire gospel preaching in their localities. If you are isolated or if you know of those who are, please write to D. Stewart, Box 18, Carman, Man.

It is gratifying to note the indications of the general determination in the churches of Christ in Canada to neither add nor take from the sacred institutions of the New Testament. It is clear also that the line is distinctly drawn between the "digressive Disciples" and us: and these troubles over "Federation" and "Higher Criticism", etc strengthen our resolutions to not begin to "go beyond the things which are written." When once we surrender to the dictates of human wisdom by incorporating in faith or work or worship one human tradition, having no recognised human standard to restrict our course, we are at sea without a chart and compass and left exposed to every human fad that man's wayward heart can divise [sic]. With the scripture examples and the history of ancient and modern digression before our minds together with the indication of the deep root the lessons have taken in our hearts, I do not think we have reason to fear a serious deterioration along these lines for a time. But have we looked upon the sin of omission as involving the same dangers and failures? Do we view it with the same suspicion and fear? Look, brethren, at what the word of the Lord enjoins in regard to teaching and preaching the truth. How many are the instances in life when loved ones, friends, and acquaintances have gone from us. We could have told them while they were here, or we could have had some other one tell them, the story of salvation, but we did not. We hesitated - we put it off- we left it too long and time's changeful course forever removed the last possible opportunity from us. And then, sometimes, with a sad heart, we asked God to forgive us. There is a grave danger of our failing, at last, to enter the eternal home because of what we will have left undone. It is a christians [sic] duty to "teach" to "preach the word." The Church of God is the "pillar and support of the truth."

Jesus said: "Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall set you free" (Jno., 8:32). And again: "Sanctify them through Thy truth, Thy Word is truth" (Jno. 17:17). It is evident that David in planning to bring home the Ark failed to ascertain the Lord's way (I Chro., 13:12). The new cart supplanted the divine order and the death of Uzza followed. David then left the ark and went home and having learned the true way proceeded according to the commandment and succeeded. Let us study to do the Lord's work in the Lord's way.

"Editorial Briefs," The Bible Student Vol. 5, No. 6 (June 1908): 4.

The adjustment of differences between Bro. S. M. Jones and the Editor of this paper has been accomplished through the mediation of Bro. J. L. Saunders and other Manitoba brethren. With more forbearance with each other we hope to work harmoniously in the future.

"Editorial Briefs," The Bible Student Vol. 5, No. 6 (June 1908): 4.

- Bro. G. W. Tovell, of Winnipeg, Man., has accepted a position on our staff as Associate Editor. Bro. Tovell is held in high esteem by all who know him; possesses excellent judgement and wields a strong influence for good in Western Canada. One of our preaching brethren said of him: "I regard his as a coming Lipscomb."
- W. Eatough, "Church News," *The Bible Student* Vol. 5, No. 6 (June 1908): 7.

 SHERBROOK ST., WINNIPEG, MAY 7 We rejoice to be able to report five immersions: three on April 8, one on May 3, and one on May 6. May the Lord keep these three brethren and two sisters faithful.

 W. EATOUGH.
- M. Watterworth, "Carman Letter," *The Bible Student* Vol. 5, No. 9 (September 1908): 2. Mr. Cowin, an elderly gentleman who has for many years been a resident of this destrict [sic], made the good confession at the Boyne school house on Friday evening and was baptized here last evening.

Bro. and Sister George Saunders have returned from their visit to Ont. They report a very profitable time spent at the Meaford and Beamsville June meetings, and were considerably impressed with the good fruits of the Bible School work. July 27, 1908.

M. Watterworth.

J. W. Eatough, "Winnipeg Letter: Why We, the Church of Christ, Exist as a Separate Body in This City," *The Bible Student* Vol. 5, No. 10 (October 1908): 1.

EXISTING as we do, a comparatively small body, as a separate organization in a city with so many spacious and beautiful church houses, their pulpits occupied by men noted for eloquence, learning and piety, their ritual, music and organization so very attractive seems to many as a waste, on our part, of energy, money and a certain amount of ability: and we would grant their judgment as correct and would deplore this waste if we existed only as a Sect among Sects.

But we believe that an examination of our status will show the necessity of our status will show the necessity of our existence, the reasonableness of our claims and the basic principle of true Church union. For, in contradistinction to other religious bodies, we do not hold any peculiar views in matters either of *faith or practice*. Allow me to briefly state our essential characteristics and to demonstrate the apparent paradoxical statement, that we are peculiar only in not having any peculiarity.

First then with regard to *name*: In name we own only "Church of Christ," a name common to all religious bodies; but all others, calling themselves as the case may be, Methodists, Lutherans, Congregationalists, Baptists, Latter Day Saints, etc., in taking any such name denote that they recognize in themselves some peculiar feature: as we do not have any peculiar feature to bring into prominence, we naturally cling to the old name "Church of Christ."

Second, with regard to *creed*: The theological systems that divide the christian [sic] world such as Calvinism, Armenianism, Universalism, the Nicene Creed and the Athanasian Creed, are all simply the outcome of long and profound thought and consideration; but the essential features of each and every one are: (a) That God is; (b). That Jesus is the Christ; (c). That the Bible is the Word of God. Now we consider that if these three points are accepted, as a means of pardon, it is not necessary to believe in Calvinism or any other "ism." The essential part is the gift of God's love in the person of

Jesus, as recorded in the Word; this is accepted by all: the differences are opinions on side questions which are not essentials. But we have no peculiar or pet theories on them, so we hold only to the Creed common to all.

Third, with regard to *baptism*, the great divided question in the opinion of our friends: We immerse penitent believers and no one says, that in so doing, we do wrong: some who practise other forms for baptism, try to justify themselves by claiming to be just as much in the right as we are. But all admit our position, so in this also, we take the common ground and continue to immerse believers, claiming that it is no peculiarity to do what is right and what is acknowledged by all to be right.

Fourth, with regard to the *breaking of bread*: None will say that we do wrong in attending to this institution on the first day of the week: but for reasons of expediency, convenience or because of fear, lest a too frequent partaking, etc. some consider that a monthly, quarterly or annual observance of this feast will suffice: not heeding the primitive example, they hold these peculiar views. But we are guided by the example left us and observe on every "first day of the week," the most profound act in christian [sic] worship.

Fifth, with regard to *church government*: the matter of Church government, whether by the Elders or Presbytery, by the congregation, by the Autocracy of a Pope or General, or by resolution in Synod or Conference, is the cause of much division and constitutes the peculiarity of one or another. But in this again we are free from peculiarity, for, accepting from each that which is obtained from the New Testament and leaving alone that which is peculiar, we stand for the organization of the Church with its government based on New Testament lines.

So in *name*, *faith* and *practice* Jesus stands the head: he alone rules. In Him our faith is centred; and when told that we are peculiar in not having instrumental music in our services, we can only ask that the reco[rd] be shewn where it was in use in the New Testament Church: when told that "New occasions teach new duties," we can only reply that the Church is Christ's and when He reveals that any modern method or expediency should be practised then, and not till then, dare we deviate one iota from the New Testament order: for in such adherence to God's revealed will, alone can true union of the Churches be perfected, God be honored, the Savior be obeyed and the people be saved. God hasten the day when

"Names and sects and parties shall fall And Jesus Christ be all in all."

M. Watterworth, "Carman Letter," *The Bible Student* Vol. 5, No. 11 (November 1908): 1.

The Church here has been pleased to welcome in her midst, during the last few weeks, several brethren from Ontario. Bro. Brown from Beamsville, and Bro. Golan from Toronto, each gave us an address; and Bro. Smart of Beamsville, assisted considerably by his earnest preaching; and Bro. J. D. C. Macmurchie who is still with us, has been doing some very acceptable preaching both in the regular meetings of the Church and at the mission points.

A noble young man, Bro. Harry Rogers of Winnipeg, was baptized here on Oct. 11th. He, in company with his friend, now Bro. W. H. Tucker, came to Carman more than two years ago, where they heard for the first time the plea for New Testament Christianity, untainted with human tradition.

The writer had the pleasure of assisting the Winnipeg brethren, in a short meeting beginning Sept., 19th. Am under promise to begin special meetings at Stephenfield on next Lord's Day the 25th of Oct., and to begin at Swan River at the close of this one.

I have recently begun a careful reading of Neander's church history. In the first pages of Vol., 1, A. R. Scobell gives a short memoir of the celebrated historian, and in speaking of his death says: "Many were deeply moved, and well might they joining with the world in mourning for one who has done more than any other person, to keep pure the religion of Christ in Germany."

The keeping pure of the Church of God, is a problem which has engaged many of the greatest minds of the Christian [era] era. It was this subject that bore so heavily on the apostle's heart, when he said, in speaking of his trials and labours, "Beside those things that are without, that which cometh upon me daily, the care of all the Churches" (2 Cor., 11:28). One like Neander, familiar with history, knows the ravages wrought by the introduction of foreign doctrines and practices. But theory and practice, seem so far apart sometimes. Many who would not hesitate to laud Neander and Luther, because of their work in showing up and removing human tradition, would refuse to preach and worship as did Peter and Paul and be content therewith. The religion of Christ always has been, is and ever will be pure, but our practice of it becomes very impure, when we add human names, human doctrines, human societies and theories.

Brethren we may think we have important cares, and indeed we have. The cares of the home and of the family are important. But the welfare of the Church of God, is certainly the greatest of all. The Church is Christ's body, Christ's family, Christ's building. It is the greatest mission of earth. If in all other things we gain, and lose in regard to the Church, our loss will be an eternal one.

M. Watterworth, "Manitoba Letter," *The Bible Student* Vol. 6, No. 1 (January 1909): 2. I am at this writing in the midst of an interesting meeting six miles south west of Swan River. The six brethren who reside here, have been meeting in their homes to worship the Lord, and are very desirous of having primitive christianity [sic] spread in the valley.

Since coming to Swan River, a telegram bore to us the sad news of the death of Sister George W. Saunders of Carman. Sister Saunders was one of the charter members of the Church at Carman, and her zeal for the truth with her meek and quiet spirit, did a great deal in wooing and winning many for the Saviour. She was much loved and will be greatly missed. "Be ye also ready."

Walter Eatough, "Church News: Winnipeg, Man.," *The Bible Student* Vol. 6, No. 1 (January 1909): 7.

Winnipeg, Man., - Plodding and perseverance are perhaps the two words that describe the work here. We have begun an interesting study of the life of Christ at our Wednesday evenings Bible Study. A short visit to Austin, Manitoba, found the brethren there holding the fort faithfully and making arrangements to have a protracted meeting held by Bro. Watterworth, or the writer. – Walter Eatough.

M. Watterworth, "Carman Letter," The Bible Student Vol. 6, No. 2 (February 1909): 5.

Snow and cold interfered with our meeting in Swan River district and we closed without visible results, after a little less than three weeks, promising, if God wills, to return in June. On our way home we stopped off at Dauphin, where Sister Wm. Mcfarlane resides. Dauphin is a growing town of three thousand people, and I have reason to believe that several would welcome the introduction of primitive christianity [sic] there.

We are now in the midst of an interesting meeting at Barnsley.

Our three years residence in Carman has been very pleasant. The church here has become more and more dear to us. We find ourselves greatly attached to the work, especially the church missions. In the three years only thirty-two persons have become obedient to the faith, but we have reason to think that the preaching and teaching of godly lives of the many who have taken part in the work has effected the sewing [sic] of the seed in many other honest hearts.

M. Watterworth, "A Change," The Bible Student Vol. 6, No. 3 (March 1909): 7.

Carman, Man., Feb. 19. – The writer's work, as evangelist with the church here, closes April 1st. We are planning to take up permanent residence in Alberta, where we hope, by God's grace, to enter some of the many "open doors," and help to build up primitive Christianity. The thought of leaving brethren and friends here brings feelings of loneliness, but the Master ordained that the "good news" be published in "other cities".

- M. Watterworth.

Mrs. A. C.,"Western Letters," *The Bible Student* Vol. 6, No. 4 (April 1909): 6. Dear Bro. and Sister Evans,

While looking at December number of The Bible Student [sic] I saw that Sister Evans helps with the work in the office. O how I long to be near some of the true children of God. How I wish we had some one to preach the gospel here. I have not heard a sermon since I attended the June meeting at Carman, where I heard Bro. Jones, a year ago last June. It seems that all the preachers are afraid of the great work in the West.

In the same number I noticed what the Nova Scotia brethren are doing, and I feel proud of the cause there, but we cannot boast of one preacher within fifty miles of us. It is hard for us to know what we might do if we had a chance. One thing I do know, is that there is the deed of a lot ready upon which to build a church house, besides all we are able to do to make a preacher comfortable.

Manitoba, December 1908. - Mrs. A.C.

[The above shows the need for workers in the Great North West, and should touch the heart of some preaching brother who is able to go to the rescue. The address of this sister will be given to a brother who is able and willing to enter this field. - Ed.]

"Western Canada: Introductory," *The Bible Student* Vol. 6, No. 5 (May 1909): 2.

For a time this page will be devoted particularly to advancing the cause in Western Canada; the aim will be to give prominence to the need and to the wonderful possibilities of this great land; an endeavor will also be made to bring western brethren into closer touch with each other, with the hope of giving encouragement to all and fresh impetus to "the great work."

Probably nearly all who have labored in this country have been impressed by the excellent opportunities offered, particularly in the newer districts untainted by

denominationalism. However, sufficient laborers have not been forthcoming, and yearly, good fields which might have been gained for Christ, have been lost. And now, if this condition of things is to be remeded [sic], if "Western Canada" page is to accomplish its purpose, all workers in the West must unite to this end; in this page make known the needs of your district, - some one may be able and willing to help; make known the success of the work, - all will be encouraged; forward your name and address, - some brother near to you may learn of a kindred spirit. And an appeal is also made to brethren in Ontario and Great Britain to forward the name and destination of any brother, or sister who may be leaving the home land to settle in this country. Brethren, let us cooperate in making this page a big success, doing all for the glory of God.

"Western Canada: Winnipeg Items," *The Bible Student* Vol. 6, No. 5 (May 1909): 2.

Bro. Edward Trout, of Toronto, spent Lordsday, April 11, with us. On the preceding Lordsday he was with the Calgary brethren. He speaks hopefully of the work there.

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The work in Winnipeg is progressing slowly; our Lordsday afternoon School is well attended and we trust that good results from this source will soon be apparent. The writer spent several days with Bro. Watterworth in his Stephenfield meeting.

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Sister Tyson from Hanlan, Man., recently spent a Lordsday with us; from her we heard of a number of members from Furness District, Eng., who are coming to settle in this country. Bro. Wilson, Kirby in Furness, is at present in the City and we trust that he will be enabled to remain with us.

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On Friday evening, April 16, several of the young people of the congregation surprised us by calling at our home. An enjoyable evening was spent. The occasion of baby's second birthday was not forgotten and suits of clothes, enough to last for a long time, were left to be discovered after the party had retired. We are surely grateful for the kindnesses which are being constantly shown us. - W.E.

J. D. C. M., "Western Canada: A Suggestion," *The Bible Student* Vol. 6, No. 5 (May 1909): 2.

Having been in the West only a short time, and having spent that time in Carman, Man., I am not in a position to say much about this great country; but I may say there are places which can be reached even from Carman, where the simple gospel of Jesus has never yet been proclaimed. At some of these places very little preaching of any kind has been heard; this fact is very encouraging and indeed to any who may be inclined to tell the story of Jesus and His love, for the way is comparatively free from religious bias and prejudice. Now in these places, two or three men could be kept busy, if the churches and men would work zealously in harmony. If such be the case even in the vicinity of Carman, what think you of the needs of the Great West?

-J. D. C. M.

J. L. S., "Western Canada: Field Reports: Carman," *The Bible Student* Vol. 6, No. 5 (May 1909): 2.

Bro. Watterworth has moved his family to Stephenfield, a few miles west of here so that he can look after the new congregation he has established. The work at Stephenfield

is cretainly encouraging and we expect that, under Bro. Watterworth's preaching, many more will be persuaded to obey the truth.

Bro. Macmurchie is still in the work here and is doing some good preaching. Our Tuesday evening house-to-house Bible Class is well attended, and our study in Revelation, on Thursday evenings, is very interesting and instructive.

We expect Bro. Roy Watterworth to take charge of the work at Rosebank for this summer; the brethren at this point are very faithful in meeting on Lordsday and they will appreciate Bro. Roy's assistance.

Quite a number of our people are sick, but nearly all are now well on the way to recovery. Our light afflictions are but for a moment; the Lord is very merciful. - J. L. S.

"Western Canada: Field Reports: Stephenfield," *The Bible Student* Vol. 6, No. 5 (May 1909): 2.

The following from one of the Stephenfield brethren, recently immersed, will be of interest to all. "After fifteen months, fortnightly Lordsday meetings and a special meeting of four weeks duration, our esteemed Bro. M. Watterworth has had the privilege of leading ten precious souls into the fold of Christ, receiving the confession and immersing nine at Carman on March 26th and 27th. We are thankful to believe that none of these have been persuaded to act upon the spur of the moment, but that all have given themselves ample time for reasoning before taking this all-important step; and we are convinced that all will stand firmly in the faith.

We are now settling ourselves as a church, to work and worship, and already we have arranged a Lordsday School and Bible Class, and in a neighboring village have hired a hall in which to hold a gospel service every Lordsday evening. Other points around here offer excellent opportunities and as Bro. Watterworth has come to live among us, we expect to broaden out in the near-future. We pray that the church now established may grow in grace and in numbers looking always to Christ, our Living Head.

"Western Canada: Field Reports: Austin," The Bible Student Vol. 6, No. 5 (May 1909): 2.

A Letter from Bro. Johnson of Austin, Man., reminds us forcefully that faithful work for the Master is not done without encountering many discouragements. "Take up thy cross," is yet a commandment of the Lord. We rejoice to know that these difficulties do not daunt, but are regarded as something to overcome, not to be overcome by. The brethren at Austin continue to remember the Savior "in His way," and are sowing the good seed as an opportunity offers. The promise is: "In due season we shall reap if we faint not."

M. Watterworth, "Church News: Stephenfield, Man.," *The Bible Student* Vol. 6, No. 5 (May 1909): 7.

Stephenfield, Man., April 12. – The work here which has been carried on for some time under the direction of the Carman church resulted in the recent baptism of nine persons and the formation of a promising little congregation. And the writer has postponed his going to Alberta, that he might give full time to this and other points in the district where the plea for a complete return to gospel work and worship has never been presented.

M. Watterworth.

M. W. "Western Canada: Field Reports: Stephenfield," *The Bible Student* Vol. 6, No. 6 (June 1909): 2.

The attendance here steadily increases and the interest is good; we often have sixty at a meeting.

The meetings on Lordsday evenings at Roseisle are also well attended. We have no reason to think that the people in this district are losing confidence in partyism, the desire for pure Christianity being more and more in evidence.

Bro. Morcom, 77 years of age, of Roseisle, was baptized at Carman on April 27. He worships with us at Stephenfield. – M. W.

J. L. S., "Western Canada: Field Reports: Carman," *The Bible Student* Vol. 6, No. 6 (June 1909): 2.

On Lordsday, April 25, Bro. Macmurchie preached twice to good audiences in a new field, twenty-three miles east of Carman; it means a long drive but looks to be a promising mission point.

On the same day Bro. Watterworth preached an excellent sermon in Carman at 11 a.m. He conducted the funeral service for our late Sister Perry in the afternoon and then drove about eighteen miles to Roseisle where he spoke to a good audience at night. Bro. Rogers took charge of the evening meeting at Carman.

The Barnsley brethren still meet in the school-house and are faithfully labouring away.

-- J. L. S.

M. Watterworth, "Obituary," *The Bible Student* Vol. 6, No. 2 (June 1909): 8. LAYCOCK.

Died in Carman Hospital on Wednesday, April 21, 1909, Bro. John Laycock in his 78th year. He became a Christian under the preaching of J. A. Harding, 17 years ago, and has been one of the few at Rosebank who have faithfully kept up the worship of God. He leaves behind, his aged companion and a family of seven besides grand-children. One by one we are crossing over. Let us prepare for the voyage.

— M. Watterworth.

"Western Canada: Notes," The Bible Student Vol. 6, No. 7 (July 1909): 2.

Bro. Whitelaw shipped our large tent from Winnipeg to Hamar, Sask. on June 15. The readers of "field notes" will rejoice to note the opening doors of opportunities.

"Western Canada: Field Reports: Almasippi," *The Bible Student* Vol. 6, No. 7 (July 1909): 2.

Our meeting is to continue (D. V.) until Lordsday June 20th. The interest is increasing, Bro. MacMurchie has done a good deal of visiting. When we consider the prejudice that there is here and also that the farmers are behind with their work, we must not expect too much.

"Western Canada: Field Reports: Morris River," *The Bible Student* Vol. 6, No. 7 (July 1909): 2.

Bro. Macmurchie expected to preach twice in the little school house here on June 13th. The last time he was here the building was crowded with interested people. A protracted meeting here is being arranged.

"Western Canada: Field Reports: Stephenfield," *The Bible Student* Vol. 6, No. 7 (July 1909): 2.

The work here is going on without material change, except a marked development in the devotion and activity of the brethren. We have arranged to begin a protracted meeting at Roseisle on June 17th. And by invitation of certain whom I know not I am (D. V.) to speak at Eldorado, another new point, on June 20th. We rejoice that God is opening the doors. Brethren pray for the work in these new fields.

"Western Canada: Field Reports: Winnipeg," *The Bible Student* Vol. 6, No. 7 (July 1909): 2

We expect the joy of baptizing one of our scholars, June 20th. May we succeed in stirring the other hesitators.

"Western Canada: Notes," The Bible Student Vol. 6, No. 8 (August 1909): 2.

Bro. Watterworth, at this writing, is in the meeting at Hamar, and we hope to report good news from this point in next issue.

We are sorry to hear that Bro. Madison Wright is still unable to undertake active work. He longs to again be proclaiming the loving message so much needed by the souls of men, and we pray that his desire may soon be realized.

The Lethbridge and Strathcona Letters reveal instances where pleasure and encouragement were given to two little, loyal congregations by additions from sister churches. All who come West should make every effort to get in touch with, and to keep in touch with other brethren, so that all may be encouraged and the work advanced. Write us: we may be able to help you find a neighbor brother.

"Western Canada: Notes," The Bible Student Vol. 6, No. 8 (August 1909): 2.

On July 18 we were pleased to have with us Bro. Cowin, of Toronto, Bro. J. Hammond, of Meaford, and Bro. Geo. Weston, of Calgary. Bro. Cowin preached for us in the evening.

On July 1 Sister Grace Kennedy was married to A. R. Coombe. We all join in wishing her full joy in her new home-life at Saskatoon. --W.E.

Winnipeg.

"Western Canada: Field Reports: Morris River," *The Bible Student* Vol. 6, No. 8 (August 1909): 2.

Our meetings are growing in interest continually. While Bro. Watterworth is away I shall fill his appointments at Stephenfield and Roseisle on every other Lordsday.

– J. D. C. M.

"Western Canada: Field Reports: Winnipeg," *The Bible Student* Vol. 6, No. 8 (August 1909): 2.

The last month has been one of rejoicing with us: on June the 19th we received the confession and baptized a scholar, the daughter of Bro. J. W. Eatough. The following Sunday Miss Christina Campbell of Cypress River, who has been visiting here for some time, came boldly forward to confess the Name that saves; her baptism was arranged for

and in the meantime Mrs. Fielding, a regular attendant at our services, decided to obey the Master and both were baptized at our mid-week meeting. -W.E.

"Western Canada: Field Reports: Stephenfield," *The Bible Student* Vol. 6, No. 9 (September 1909): 2.

The meetings here are growing in interest: a great improvement in the attendance over that of a year ago.

"Western Canada: Field Reports: Winnipeg," *The Bible Student* Vol. 6, No. 9 (September 1909): 2.

The topical talks at our midweek meetings are proving both profitable and enjoyable. Our annual pic-nic with all its delights and pleasures to the children, was successfully carried through on Thursday July 22. We were pleased to have with us so many of the parents and friends. The new Civic Park makes an ideal pic-nic ground. – W.E.

J. E. Hammond, "A Trip Among Western Churches," *The Bible Student* Vol. 6, No. 10 (October 1909): 1.

During the months of July and August Bro. Fred Cowin and the writer had the pleasure of a trip across Western Canada to the Pacific coast, returning through the United States. Advantage was taken of the special rates in effect, and plans were made to make short visits among the churches at many points along the railway. Bro Cowin had known several of the western brethren before they had left the British Isles, while the writer knew many who had gone from Ontario.

Our first visit was at Winnipeg, where we were entertained at the hospitable home of Bro. Gordon Tovell. It was our pleasure to meet for worship with the brethren of that city on Lordsday, July 18. Their meetinghouse is a very commodious building, being fashioned somewhat after that of Bathurst Street house in Toronto. The upper part, or auditorium, is used for worship and preaching, while the basement is conveniently arranged for Bible study in various classes. The congregation consists of brethren from the best countries in northern Europe and from Ontario. In fact there are representatives from nearly all the Teutonic countries, and in this one congregation we have a suggestion of the cosmopolitan nature of our great western city. The brethren are fully alive to the great opportunities which lie before them. Any member arriving in the city from elsewhere is soon given a welcome and an opportunity to work with the church. Bro. W. Eatough is faithfully doing the work of an evangelist and many other brethren of good ability and Bible knowledge are doing good work with the church.

A very encouraging feature here is the number of young people in the congregation. Many of these have come from the old country and are well educated along Bible and secular lines. Nearly every one has a knowledge of music and the singing problem presents no difficulty but is rather a delight. As in most Western towns, the male members predominate, and the visitors heart is gladdened to know that so many young men remain true to the Master even when away from home and kindred. Among these brethren one occasionally meets with a brother or sister who has been associated with, or is a descendant of some well known brother in Great Britain. It was our pleasure to meet a sister Davies, fifth generation of Charles Davies, a Welsh pioneer in the Reformatory movement in Wales. This brother, it is said, began preaching in Wales about the same time, and along

the same lines that Alexander Campbell preached in America, without knowing that one preached and presented the truth in the same manner as the other.

The Sunday afternoon Bible School under Bro. Tovell is well attended and work is done in a systematic way. Thoroughness seems to characterize the work and the effect is far reaching, as many pupils whose parents are not members, are attending and are being instructed in the way of the Lord.

Our next visit among the brethren was at Lethbridge, a live and rapidly growing town in Southern Alberta. Here we spent a short time at the home of Bro. Robt. Livingstone whom Bro. Cowin had known in Scotland. The church here consists for the most part of heads of families, people who have recently settled here and, generally speaking, like the new country. These brethren are working steadfastly and patiently in the Masters vineyard. All are anxious to be more useful and to have more results to show for their work. Results in temporal affairs often come quickly in the great growing West, and people might feel discouraged if results in spiritual work do not come as expected. At present the brethren meet in a hall, but they have purchased a good lot on which they hope to build a meeting house in due time. There is a good opening for a meeting at this point which would make a good central town in which to more firmly plant the cause in Southern Alberta. The attention of older churches is called to this and other places in the West, which would appreciate any assistance.

On Lordsday, July 25th, Bro. Cowin spoke for the Calgary church while the writer remained in Strathcona (South Edmonton). At Calgary, which is about 150 miles from Lethbridge and about 200 miles from Edmonton, the brethren have quite a creditable meeting house in a very good location. The congregation has several young men of ability who are full of optimism and enthusiasm regarding the work. Obstacles have been encountered, but these will bring out the enduring qualities, and truth stoutly supported will succeed at last. Some talk of more evangelistic work is now being heard, as the brethren feel that the fields are almost ripe, and this city would make a good central point for work in Central Alberta.

The congregation at Strathcona have built their place of worship in a part of the town down close to the North Saskatchewan river [sic] which is crossed by a ferry boat from Edmonton, or may be crossed by a longer roadway over a bridge. Their comfortable meeting house was built by the members themselves, who furnished much of the money, plans and labor. Bro. Black receives much credit from the brethren for making the work a success. The church here is very fortunate in having several members of ability who are willing to take their part in the work. Mention was made in last issue of The Bible Student [sic], of Bro. Hughes who recently arrived from England. Few churches have a singer of such marked ability as Bro. Hughes, and his coming to the Strathcona church should result in inspiring those who do not sing to give that part of the worship more attention.

Resuming our journey through the great Rockies we arrived in Vancouver after viewing one of God's great master-pieces for almost two continuous days. From this thriving commercial city we went by electric car to New Westminster, a run of forty-five minutes. Here Bro. Madison Wright labors among small numbers of scattered disciples. He is well known by many of the brethren, but it was our first meeting with our brother. We spent a pleasant evening with himself and family and were glad to learn that his health had improved. Bro. Wright has been doing a good work in parts of British Columbia though immediate results, as in all western provinces, might not be as large as he would desire. He

has aimed to get in touch with any isolated christians [sic] or any who have recently come to the province, and get them working for the Lord and keeping His appointments. When health permits he does evangelist work in different parts of the province and in the state of Washington. In most cases the churches among which he labors have very few members, so any assistance which might be rendered by churches farther east would materially help him and his work.

At Seattle we met brethren whom we had known before. The writer had procured, from The Bible Student [sic], a list of some members in Seattle. These he showed to Bro. Cowin, when to the latter's surprise he saw the name of Bro. A. B. Gardiner, whom he had known in Scotland. On arriving at Seattle we found our brother, with whom we spent the next day, after the Lordsday worship.

There is a loyal congregation here composed of members from the United States, Canada and Scotland. Brethren Walters once lived in our (Grey) county. With this church Bro. L. J. Keffer labors. Their building is quite neat and comfortable, and we look for a good work to be done by the Seattle church. Many brethren from Canada and different states of the Union have spent Lordsday in communion with the brethren here, while attending the Exposition, and doubtless feel with ourselves, how pleasant it is to find those "of like precious faith."

"Western Canada: Notes," The Bible Student Vol. 6, No. 10 (October 1909): 2.

Bro. and Sister Purcell, of Clachan, Ont., have just concluded a visit to Western Canada. They visited many of the churches and scattered brethren and report the outlook hopeful and many of the brethren ambitious to extend the work of the Master.

Bro. Carmichael of Calgary passed through Winnipeg on Sept. 16th, on his way home to Leicester, Eng. We are always sorry to see a promising young brother depart from a field where there is so much work to do.

"Western Canada: Field Reports: Winnipeg," *The Bible Student* Vol. 6, No. 10 (October 1909): 2.

We all rejoiced to hear the confession of one of our scholars, at our midweek meeting, Sep. 15th. Bro. Eatough has been giving a series of discourses on "The Prodigal Son," and we felt the fitness of the text "I will arise and go to my father." May many follow on the same homeward journey.

"Western Canada: Field Reports: Morris River," *The Bible Student* Vol. 6, No. 10 (October 1909): 2.

Bro. Macmurchie has been spending much time at this new preaching point. The work is giving satisfaction and encouragement to the workers. Another door has been found in this neighborhood and so far, the attendance has been very good. Bro. Macmurchie is counting on holding a meeting here sometime in the near future.

"Western Canada: Field Reports: Swan River," *The Bible Student* Vol. 6, No. 10 (October 1909): 2.

At this place the church meets at the home of Bro. D. B. McIntyre, about seven miles from the village, on the S. W. Quarter of 22 - 35-27 W. of 1. There are but four members: Bro. and Sister D. B. McIntyre, his father, and Bro. A. Purcell, but they meet regularly

every Lordsday morning, receiving strength from partaking of that spiritual feast so lovingly and thoughtfully left for us by our Lord. The writer had the pleasure of worshipping with these brethren on Sept. 12th. It is a case of holding the fort, trusting that in due time God will send the needed help to extend His kingdom in this part of our land.

"Western Canada: Notes," The Bible Student Vol. 6, No. 11 (November 1909): 2.

Regarding the work near Stephenfield, Bro. Watterworth says, "I am having many good conversations and I think we are moving towards another spiritual harvest." I would that we could always say that *our* conversations are tending to hasten the good work.

"Western Canada: Field Reports: Winnipeg," *The Bible Student* Vol. 6, No. 11 (November 1909): 2.

Of late our meetings have been encouraging. We had the joy of baptizing Sister Elsie Squair on Sep. 19 and also her Sister Mina, on Sep. 26. Our number has been increased by several members recently locating here.

M. W., "Western Canada: Field Reports: Stephenfield," *The Bible Student* Vol. 6, No. 11 (November 1909): 2.

The writer spoke Lordsday morning, Oct. 3, to the brethren at Rosebank. Bro. and Sister Elford and Bro. Noel, all from Griersville, make a valuable addition to the church there. Prospects for the future are better. It was also my pleasure to speak twice on Lordsday, Oct. 10, at Bro. Macmurchie's mission on Morris River. Our brother has done a fine work there in preparing the field for a future harvest. The power of the simple gospel is certainly being felt, and we must trust and pray that he may be able to continue the good work. In my absence Bro. John Saunders generally fills my place, and his addresses are much appreciated by the brethren and friends.

— M.W.

"Western Canada: Notes," The Bible Student Vol. 6, No. 12 (December 1909): 2.

We regret to hear that to hear that Bro. Macmurchie has left the West, and especially because he had to spend the last few weeks in the hospital. During his stay he has been diligently preaching at several points, especially at Morris River. A glad welcome awaits his return.

Bro. M. Watterworth spent a few days in the city, and reported baptizing Mrs. Hugo at Carman, Monday, Nov. 8.

M. Watterworth, "Western Canada: Carman Notes," *The Bible Student* Vol. 6, No. 12 (December 1909): 2.

The meetings at Stephenfield are well attended and the outlook is promising.

The church building here is undergoing important repairs.

The writer is at present in a position to give more time than ever, since coming to the West, to evangelistic work. If any desire a protracted meeting in the West, please write me, and it is quite possible that I shall be able to help.

-- M. Watterworth.

"Western Canada: Notes," *The Bible Student* Vol. 6, No. 12 (December 1909): 2. Married. – At Carman, Man., on the 20th ult., Bro. Geo. Saunders to Sister Mrs. Hugo, Bro. M. Watterworth officiating.

W. E., "Western Canada: Field Reports: Winnipeg," *The Bible Student* Vol. 6, No. 12 (December 1909): 2.

The workers in the Sunday Bible School noted with pleasure the fact that during the month we made our record attendance.

Our study of the epistle to the Galatians at our midweek meetings grew in interest, and it was profitable to note the spirit of Paul's contention for apostolic authority and a pure gospel.

-- W. E.

W. E. "Western Canada: Field Reports: Winnipeg," *The Bible Student* Vol. 7, No. 1 (January 1910): 2.

On Thursday, Dec. 16th, we had a very successful concert in connection with the school. An appeal to all the scholars to bring gifts for the poor was handsomely responded to. A large crowd enjoyed a lengthy programme.

— W.E.

"Western Canada: Field Reports: Austin," *The Bible Student* Vol. 7, No. 1 (January 1910): 2.

A very encouraging note has been received from here. The brethren hold the fort and would like to make an attack on the strongholds of sin for King Jesus.

"Western Canada: Field Reports: Isolated Members," *The Bible Student* Vol. 7, No. 1 (January 1910): 2.

We would be glad to hear from isolated brethren in the West, also to have the address of any known to any of our readers.

J. L. S., "Western Canada: Field Reports: Carman," *The Bible Student* Vol. 7, No. 2 (February 1910): [2].

Bro. M. Watterworth is in a meeting in Austin.

Sister Ella McIvor has gone to Vancouver to live.

The Stephenfield brethren meet from house to house just now.

Bro. and Sister Cutting sr., have been sick nearly all winter. Bro. Will Cutting is home from the West to help care for them.

The regular business meeting of the church was held on Jan. 12, when it was decided to try to get the best evangelist possible to locate at Carman or Winnipeg.

Bro. D. Stewart has been very sick with blood poisoning for some weeks; it will still be some time before he is around. We miss him in our meetings and trust that he will soon be well again. -J. L. S.

M. W., "Western Canada: Field Reports: Austin," *The Bible Student* Vol. 7, No. 2 (February 1910): [2].

The writer is at present assisting the faithful here, having been sent here by the churches at Carman and Winnipeg. Bro. Wm. Johnston and wife came here from Toronto a few years ago and, while working their farm for the temporal bread, have persistently held out the bread of eternal life to their family and neighbors. The result has been as ever – "In due season ye shall reap if ye faint not." There are now twelve souls here who worship according to the true order, and the work, while not elaborate in show, has strong

indications of a permanent foundation. The meetings since I came have been interesting and encouraging. -M. W.

"Western Canada: Field Reports: Winnipeg," *The Bible Student* Vol. 7, No. 2 (February 1910): [2].

We decided to make a stronger effort towards greater advancement in 1910.

On the first Sunday in the new year we had our record attendance at our Sunday school.

On Dec. 30 we held our final business meeting of the year; we decided to make every effort to get a suitable evangelist to come to labor in Winnipeg and vicinity.

On the evening of Jan. 10, the congregation met in the church building for a social evening; after a short programme, lunch was served and the remainder of the evening spent in conversation and social enjoyment. The general impression was that the evening had tended to increase the interest in the work and the good fellowship among the members.

"Editorial Briefs," The Bible Student Vol. 7, No. 2 (February 1910): 4.

Since moving to Meaford we have been favored by a visit from each of the following Western Canada brethren: J. Durant, T. Laycock, G. W. Tovell, C. Montgomery, and also from Bro. W. Saunders who recently moved here from Carman. All speak hopefully of the cause in the West, and highly of Bro. M. Watterworth's labours among them. We understand that Bro. W. Eatough has done a good work for the church in Winnipeg since he began his labours in that city. The West presents a splendid field for gospel labor, and we trust nothing may occur to discourage the workers. Let "Back to Jerusalem" be the watchword, and the fight continued until the victory is won.

W. J. "Western Canada: Field Reports: Austin," *The Bible Student* Vol. 7, No. 3 (March 1910): 2.

Bro. M. Watterworth arrived here on Jan. 9 and after a few days spent in visiting we began a meeting which lasted until the 30th. Our Bro. got an excellent hearing, there being a full house nearly every night; the old gospel story was told so truly that none could contradict, so kindly that none could take offence, and so plainly that four were constrained by the love of God to bow in obedience to His will. The brethren were also all greatly strengthened. We have now a membership of sixteen and still meet for worship in my house on Sec. 14-12-12, seven miles north west of Austin. We were sorry that our meeting could not have continued longer but Bro. Watterworth was called home by the illness of his wife; we hope to again have him with us in the near future. We would just say to any who are desirous of having a meeting, that you will make no mistake in sending for Bro. Watterworth no matter how humble your circumstances; our Bro. is a humble man, a kind and patient teacher.

— W. J.

G. W. T., "Western Canada: Field Reports: Winnipeg," *The Bible Student* Vol. 7, No. 3 (March 1910): 2.

On Jan. 26, our Bro. Hughes, having learned the way of the Lord more perfectly, was buried with him in baptism. We are thankful to the Father for the encouragement given to us in this way.

During the early part of Feb. I spent one Sunday in Spokane, Wash. There, there is a little body of faithful disciples struggling along much the same as in this city. Although an entire stranger, yet a brotherly welcome was given me and I was sorry that I could not stay longer and get better acquainted with these brethren. I spent the following Sunday in New Westminster, B.C., where seven or eight of us met with Bro. Wright to worship God. I was well pleased to find Bro. and Sister Wright and family in much better health than when I last saw him three years ago, but Bro. Wright is still far from being strong.

I was much impressed with the opportunities offered in Vancouver: it is growing very rapidly, a city of about 100,000 and yet we have not a meeting there. We must have quite a number of brethren in this place and it seems to me that an energetic worker could accomplish much for the Master.

-- G. W. T.

M. W., "Western Canada: Field Reports: Carman," *The Bible Student* Vol. 7, No. 5 (May 1910): 2.

The writer spent Lordsday, March 27 with the faithful few at Austin and the following at Morris River; there are a few at each of these points who seem to be receiving the good seed and we pray for the harvest.

It is cheering indeed to see the growing interest in the work in Carman; the worship is well attended, beneficial and appreciated. We hope for greater results this year than ever before; Bro. and Sister L. J. Jackson by God's grace, will come among us about the middle of May when we hope to begin a protracted meeting; we expect them to remain with us until fall. -M. W.

"Western Canada: Notes: Winnipeg," The Bible Student Vol. 7, No. 6 (June 1910): 2.

Winnipeg. – On Sunday, May 1, we had with us several visiting brethren among whom I might mention Bren. Allan, Allan and Hunter, from Newton Grange, Scotland. In the morning Bro. D. Allan gave us a very earnest and helpful address. On the following day they left for Lethbridge, Alta., where they are now located. We are glad to know of this increase in the workers in the Lethbridge congregation and we understand that Bren. Bruce from Calgary and A. Campbell from Toronto, are also located there now. Since the arrival of the reinforcements arrangements have been made for Sunday evening gospel services and we hope for great things in this promising field.

Bro. Jackson is expected to start a series of meetings in Carman early in June, and the brethren from the neighboring churches are invited to attend, particularly June 4, 5 & 6.

We are sorry to learn that Bro. John Saunders and family are completing arrangements for leaving Carman, with the intention of settling at the Coast. It is hard to estimate the loss to the work in Manitoba, but Manitoba's loss will be Vancouver's gain.

"Western Canada: Field Reports: Winnipeg," *The Bible Student* Vol. 7, No. 8 (August 1910): 2.

There is little of interest to report from this point. The work seems to be progressing slowly but steadily. During the past two months our number has been increased by the addition of several from the Old Country. On the first Lordsday in June about twenty from here met with the brethren at Carman; we all enjoyed the services of the day and were encouraged by the fellowship and hospitality of the Carman brethren. We were glad of the

opportunity to meet Bro. and Sister Jackson and we hope and trust that their efforts in Man. will be crowned with abundant success.

Gordon W. Tovell, "Western Canada: Winnipeg," *The Bible Student* Vol. 7, No. 10 (October 1910): 6.

Last Sunday was the anniversary of the opening of our church house. We had with us Bro. Wilson Mallory from Wisconsin: gave us good addresses morning and evening; one confession. He expects to be in Calgary on Wednesday evening, then to hold a meeting at Salmon Arm, B. C., and then visit Vancouver and Washington State. I believe Bro. Jackson is leaving Carman to-morrow for the south. Think he has done a good work there. I understand that Bro. Watterworth is going to take on the work there again.

Yours as ever, GORDON W. TOVELL.

"Western Canada: News Notes: Winnipeg," *The Bible Student* Vol. 7, No. 11 (November 1910): 6.

We are very pleased to learn of the return of Bro. and Sister Bailey and trust that they have returned with renewed health.

We are sorry to report the illness of Bro. J. H. Whitelaw from typhoid fever. We pray for his speedy recovery and for the welfare of his family during his illness.

The permanent address of Bro. J. L. Saunders recently of Carman, Man., is 1422 Eleventh Ave. W., Vancouver, B. C.

In recent letters from Lethbridge, Bro. McDonald states that a Lord's Day school has been started and that with the aid of Bro. Albert Campbell the work is making a little progress. They sorely miss the help of Bro. D. Allan, who had to return to Scotland.

Bro. A. Weston, writing from Calgary, says: "The brethren here had a grand time during the brief visit of our Bro. Mallory. We arranged a meeting for Wednesday night, Sept. 14, which meeting was well attended. A good interest was created, several strangers being present. We believe, if our Bro. could arrange a two or three weeks' [sic] meeting for this city, that the brethren would well support him, and that tremendous good could be accomplished. He is an able and experienced preacher and we wish him God-speed wherever the great work bids him go."

G. W. T., "Western Canada: Winnipeg," *The Bible Student* Vol. 7, No. 12 (December 1910): 6.

On Sunday evening, November 13th, we had the pleasure of witnessing the baptism of Bro. Lucas; our efforts here should be considerably strengthened by this addition to our number.

We expect Bro. Wilson Mallory, of Wisconsin, to be with us in a three weeks' [sic] meeting, beginning Nov. 27th. We ask your prayers that much may be accomplished in this meeting.

Early in November, I spent a day or two in Vancouver, and I was surprised and pleased to find the work there in such a promising condition; recent arrivals have increased their membership to over twenty, and with such brethren as J. L. Saunders, H. Osborne, W. E. Shelly, Ben Bales, etc. the work in the Coast City should, indeed, make great strides.

In passing through Calgary, I spent a few minutes in conversation with Bren. A. Weston and C. Bailey; they both spoke most encouragingly of the prospects in Calgary. We are, indeed, thankful to the Father, for the promising condition of the work in Western Canada.

Christmas time, the time of gladness and good cheer, will soon be here; most of us have brethren and friends in some of the isolated districts of the West; let us not be unmindful of such; a bright and cheery letter will not cost us much, but it may mean much to them in their separation from friends and brethren. G. W. T.

Wilson Mallory, "Western Canada: In Western Canada," *The Bible Student* Vol. 7, No. 12 (December 1910): 6.

Leaving Steven's Point, Wisconsin, at 7:30 a.m., on September 1st, I arrived in Winnipeg the next morning at 7:30. My sisters, Amy and Louie, met me at the depot. It was our first meeting in five years. I remained in Winnipeg till the next evening and then went to Carman, where I remained one week. On Lord's Day morning and evening, I was with the church at Carman, and in the afternoon at Almasippi.

Leaving Carman, September 10th, I spent Lord's Day, the 11th, with the church in Winnipeg. There were three services that day, the regular Lord's Day meeting in the forenoon, Bible school in the afternoon, and preaching service at night. All three meetings were well attended. I arrived in Calgary, Alta., on Tuesday evening. I spent two nights and one day there; was with the church in a meeting on Wednesday evening, which was well attended for a mid-week meeting.

After visiting relatives, I went to Vancouver, B. C. On Lord's Day, September 18th, we met for worship at the home of Bro. John Mallory.

I was with the church in Vancouver on Lord's Day morning and evening, September 25th. They have secured a hall, well located, for Lord's Day services.

From Vancouver, I went to Summit Park, near Anacortes, Washington, where, on Lord's Day, October 2nd, we began a meeting which continued till October 26th, when I was called home by telegram, on account of the serious illness of our youngest child. The meeting resulted in fourteen additions, which, considering the fact that there were only four members there when we began, we think this was a good meeting. This, with the exception of one funeral sermon, was the first preaching by any of our brethren, in that locality. Bro. Lovelace and wife, and Bro. Warren and wife, the four who called me there to preach, are from Wisconsin. At this writing, I am at home and the baby is improving nicely. I was to return by way of Vancouver, Calgary and Winnipeg, and assist in meetings at those places, but was prevented by being called home so soon, but I would like to give the "Student" readers my impressions of church work, and prospects for the spread of the gospel in Western Canada.

I speak first of the Carman church. I remember it in its infancy, and while, like all churches, it has had its ups and downs, it stands firm for the New Testament work and worship. The work at Rosebank, Almasippi, Stevenfield and other places in Manitoba testify to its missionary accomplishments. The work in Steven's Point, Marshfield, Unity, Stanley, Granton, and other places in Wisconsin, is partly a result of preaching done by one of its members of early days. The Carman church has been liberal in remunerating preachers who labored there, and has also sent to others. At Winnipeg, I was impressed with the zeal and earnestness manifested by the church in that rapidly growing city of

170,000. The members seemed to take a delight in all of the services, and it was plain that a good interest was being developed. The church in Winnipeg, with its talent, its neat and comfortable house of worship, is a monument to the faith of the few brethren who began regular work there a few years ago. Winnipeg has a cosmopolitan population, and it seems to me that the church there has bright prospects before it of increasing its membership, and establishing other congregations in the city and beyond.

At Calgary, all the members were strangers to me, but they received me very cordially, and here, as in Winnipeg, the church has the opportunity of becoming an Antioch for the surrounding country. Situated about midway between Winnipeg and Vancouver, in a city that bids fair to rival Winnipeg in the future, it ought to become a centre from which the gospel will be preached towards Winnipeg, on the one side, and Vancouver on the other. They have a neat chapel, and from my brief acquaintance with them, I think they are as loyal to the truth as any I have met. At Vancouver, there are but few, as yet, who are pleading for primitive purity and simplicity in the worship, but their number is gradually increasing, and the Carman church, in losing Bro. J. L. Saunders and family, has given the Vancouver church an impetus that it much needed. Now, with a loyal church in each of these great centres in Western Canada, we hope to see the day when it will take a long time to go from Winnipeg to Vancouver, and visit the churches on the way, because there will be so many of them. Western Canada, yet in its infancy, is a vast territory of unlimited possibilities, destined to be peopled with energetic men and women, and the Canadian brethren will do well to encourage and strengthen the work in those three cities, and from them the truth can be proclaimed in the towns and districts around, and the Word of God will have free course, and be glorified. May God bless the work and the workers in Western Canada.

M. W., "Western Canada: Carman Notes," *The Bible Student* Vol. 8, No. 1 (January 1911): 6

We are having good attendance at the regular services here this winter; and considering our winter weather and roads the interest at Stephenfield as manifested by the attendance, is encouraging.

One young person, of more than ordinary promise, was baptized here a few days ago. We trust and pray that others may follow the blessed example.

Our young people constitute a great trust which God has committed to us. "Bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord," says the Holy Spirit. The faithful life is abundantly rewarded even if nothing more were gained than the consolation of seeing some of our loved ones restrained thereby from the evil walks of life.

Family ties are, and ought to be, strong ties; "Family-reunions" are common and popular. The thoughts of home and loved ones in a distant land have fulfilled many hearts with holy aspirations and prompted many to determined action. But, Oh! The great, the last, the heavenly reunion! "For the Lord Himself, shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God; and the dead in Christ shall rise first; then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air; and so shall we ever be with the Lord." I Thess. 4:16-17.

Let us prepare ourselves for that happy day, and by so doing we shall do what we can to help our children, our friends, our neighbors and the world, to the enjoyment of its glory.

"Western Canada: Winnipeg Notes," The Bible Student Vol. 8, No. 1 (January 1911): 6.

The special services which began on Nov. 27 have resulted thus far in five confessions. The preaching has been good, the attendance has been good, and the church has been strengthened by the efforts of Bro. Mallory; we look for the future to reveal more of what has been accomplished in this meeting. Trusting God's promise that His word will not return to him void, we pray that He will indeed abundantly bless the seed sown.

We expect our meeting to close on Sunday evening, Dec. 18, although at any other season we would probably have prolonged it.

On the evening of Dec. 1st, at the home of Bro. Boyer, Winnipeg, Bro. Elliot Barnes, of Kelloe, Sask., was married to Sister Jeanie Russell, of Winnipeg. Bro. W. Eatough officiated. Bro. and Sister Barnes expect to reside at Kelloe.

"Western Canada: News Notes: Winnipeg," *The Bible Student* Vol. 8, No. 2 (February 1911): 6.

On the 9th inst. we had our quarterly business meeting for 1910, which meeting also partakes of the nature of an annual meeting. We made several changes in regard to our work, which we trust will tend to a greater growth during 1911. Probably the most important change was our decision to start a mission point in Elmwood, one of the outlying districts of our city. For the time being this mission point will be particularly under the charge of Bro. W. Eatough, and we pray that much good may be accomplished by it.

It was with a distinct sense of loss that we heard of the departure of our esteemed Brother Forrester. To a good many of us here he was personally known, and was known so favourably that our hope is that when it comes the time for us to depart this life, that we can leave behind us a memory which will be as helpful as is to us the memory of our late brother.

"Western Canada: Notes," The Bible Student Vol. 8, No. 3 (March 1911): 7.

We are glad to learn that Bro. A. Weston, who has been under the doctor's care for the past few weeks, is about able to again resume his usual duties.

Bro. D. W. Craig, of Sumas, Washington, preached morning and evening when in Vancouver on January 22^{nd} .

Bro. J. L. Saunders says, "I am convinced that Bro. Jelley is a first-class man for India."

The work in Winnipeg is progressing just about as usual. The Elmwood Mission, which was started on the first of this month, looks quite promising. We are already beginning to again experience the usual spring arrival and departure of brethren.

"Western Canada: Winnipeg," The Bible Student Vol. 8, No. 4(April 1911): 5.

Our meetings are going forward much as usual, and we are encouraged by the interest manifested in all our services.

During the month we have lost, through removal, several members among whom might be mentioned Bro. and Sister Arthur Summerscales and Sister Fannie Davies; and before the month is over we also expect that Bro. W. Knight and Bro. B. Knight will also

have to remove farther west; we feel these losses but are pleased to say that we have other brethren coming to locate here which will help make up for these removals.

Bro. Jelly says: "I cannot doubt that India is as ready for conversion at the present time as was the Roman Empire at the time of Christ's resurrection."

At the home of Mrs. Fleming, 528 Langside Street, Winnipeg, on February 28th, Bro. Arthur Summerscales and Sister Flora Davies were united in marriage; Bro. Walter Eatough performed the ceremony. Bro. and Sister Summerscales immediately took their departure for their new home in Vancouver. We extend to them our best wishes for a life of happiness and usefulness in their new home.

"Western Canada: News: Carman," The Bible Student Vol. 8, No. 5 (May 1911): 6.

We are enjoying the Lord's Day School with a slightly increased attendance.

With the early accession of Brother and Sister W. F. Cox to the work here, we hope to do a good work for the Master the coming summer.

Under the will of our deceased Sister Saunders, one thousand dollars was left to be devoted to purchasing a home for a resident evangelist, and the church has accordingly purchased an appropriate property in the "South End."

"They shall rest from their labours and their works do follow them." If each Christian thus remembered some phase of the Lord's work in his last will, the latter part of this comforting Scripture would have a broader application.

"Give and it shall be given unto you, good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over." "Cast thy bread upon the waters and thou shalt find it after many days." "The liberal soul shall be made fat." "It is more blessed to give than receive." "God loveth a cheerful giver." "God is able to make all grace to abound toward you, that you having all sufficiency in all things, may abound unto every good work." These plain passages of God's Word are only a very few of the great many which impress the necessity and blessedness of liberality.

Some graces adorn almost every professing Christian. Few are possessed of development in all the graces. Varied are the degrees of development among the rank and file of the various bodies. We are all inclined to extremes, so much so that well balanced Christians (i.e. Christians of uniform development in all the graces) are few in number. Even we who have embraced the cause of restoration have felt the pangs of weakness along some lines. While earnestly pleading for the gospel system of induction, and purity of worship we have evidently not given the required attention to some other things. The graces of liberality, missionary zeal, brotherly kindness, forbearance, and patience, are all subjects for solemn reflection and contain a world of spiritual food. The New Testament exhorts us to "put on the *whole* armour of God – and having done *all* to stand."

"Western Canada: News: Winnipeg," The Bible Student Vol. 8, No. 5 (May 1911): 6.

On the last Sunday in March we were glad to welcome to our number Bro. Wilson Lay; he made the good confession and was buried in baptism according to the Scriptures.

At our regular quarterly business meeting about the first of this month, we mapped out a very heavy summer's work for the church here: we realize that the need is great, that the time is opportune, and we feel that a great responsibility rests upon us.

G. W. J., "Western Canada: News: Winnipeg," *The Bible Student* Vol. 8, No. 6 (June 1911): 6.

On the evening of May 4th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. Piggot, James Taylor and Joan McKenzie, both recently from Edinburgh, Scotland, were united in marriage, Bro. W. Eatough officiating.

We expect to have Bro. Ora Tallman with us for four or five months this summer, beginning about June 1st. We very much appreciate the sacrifice made by the St. Catharines brethren in releasing him in order that he might come to Winnipeg.

During the past month Bro. W. F. Cox and family, from Beamsville, passed through the city on their way to Carmen. We also had the pleasure of a short visit with Brother and Sister J. Whitfield and Sister B. Hudson, from Wychwood, when passing through on their way to settle in Tisdale, Sask. We rejoice to see such workers settle in this country, and we wish them all prosperity and happiness in their new homes. – G. W. J.

M. W., "Western Canada: News: Carman," *The Bible Student* Vol. 8, No. 6 (June 1911): 6.
 Brother and Sister W. F. Cox and two little ones arrived safely in Carman on May 11th, and we hope with this important accession to do great good this summer.

Our June meeting this year is to be on the 24th, 25th, and 26th. Any visiting brethren shall receive a hearty welcome.

"The harvest truly is plenteous, but the workers are few," is surely true in regard to this Western country. The immense immigration to this great West means that, yearly, thousands upon thousands of precious souls separate from dear ones and previous church relations to cast their lots in a new country, under circumstances most favourable to the reception of primitive Christianity should be preached to them. A large percentage go into new districts where religious services are not regularly held, and perhaps, where different parties are struggling, but no party able to establish itself; and when a man enters their community with the truth, striving to be only, yet altogether, a Christian, and to teach the simple message of the glorious gospel, without mixture, and pleading for union on the basis of truth only, the beauty and simplicity of the position is apparent to them. – M. W.

"Western Canada: News: Winnipeg," The Bible Student Vol. 8, No. 7 (July 1911): 7.

Bro. O. H. Tallman arrived in Winnipeg, to begin work with the congregation, on June 3rd. The brethren hope that much success will result from his labours in this city. He is expected to remain about four months.

Bro. Andrew Waite, of Gateshead and other congregations in England and Scotland, called at Winnipeg for a few days on his westward journey. The church, which is mostly a congregation of young people, welcomed very heartily in their midst a brother of such ripe experiences as Brother Waite. He spent Lord's Day, June 4th, with the church. Our brother has gone to settle in Battleford, Sask.

"Western Canada: News: Obituary," The Bible Student Vol. 8, No. 7 (July 1911): 7.

Bro. William C. Cowan, of the Winnipeg congregation, passed away on Tuesday, May 23rd. He was one of the pioneer members of the churches in Manitoba. Owing to physical inability, our brother has not been able to attend the meetings of the church during the past few years.

M. Watterworth, "Western Canada: News: Carman Notes," *The Bible Student* Vol. 8, No. 7 (July 1911): 7.

Bro. Cox closed a two weeks' [sic] meeting at Stephenfield on Lord's Day, June 18th, and seven souls from Stephenfield and one of Carman were baptized here on the evening of that date.

Our June meeting is over. The attendance was not large, but the services were truly edifying. Bro. Cox spoke in the morning on "The Fruit Bearing Christian"; Bro. Walter Eatough in the afternoon on "The Life of Isaac," and in the evening Bro. O. H. Tallman spoke on "Christian Union." On Monday afternoon we gathered in the house of worship, it being too damp to meet in the park, for a social time, and after partaking of some natural bounties we sung a few hymns and finally "God Be With You Till We Meet Again," and after prayer most of the visiting brethren were escorted to the depot and departed.

M. WATTERWORTH.

M. Watterworth, "Western Canada: News," *The Bible Student* Vol. 8, No. 7 (July 1911): 7. Died at his home in Stephenfield, on June the 1st, our Bro. Chas. N. Louth, in his seventy-first year. Bro. Louth obeyed his Lord under the preaching of the writer a little more than two years ago, and died in the precious hope of eternal life. Bro. Cox conducted the funeral service and the interment took place on the 4th. M. WATTERWORTH.

G. W. T., "Western Canada: Winnipeg," *The Bible Student* Vol. 8, No. 9 (September 1911): 6.

Bro. Tallman's visit here is showing good results in increased interest in the work and increased attendance at the services. By the time this reaches the readers we expect to be in the midst of a three weeks' [sic] meeting, and we trust that it may indeed prove a time of harvest.

We expect that Western Canada will send a few pupils to the Maritime Bible College this fall; an exceedingly cheap railway rate has been arranged for from here. Any wishing to avail themselves should at once communicate with O. H. Tallman, 592 Young Street, Winnipeg.

During the past month we have had many visiting brethren not only from the Old Country and Eastern Canada, but also from Western Canada. We are always glad to get acquainted with our brethren. On August 10th we held our annual picnic and had a most enjoyable afternoon, about 225 being present. -- G. W. T.

M. W., "Western Canada: Carman Notes," *The Bible Student* Vol. 8, No. 10 (October 1911): 6.

The services here are being well attended. Notwithstanding the busy season nearly all the brethren assemble to worship each Lord's day morning, and a few non-members come to both morning and evening meetings.

-- M. W.

G. W. T., "Western Canada: Winnipeg," *The Bible Student* Vol. 8, No. 10 (October 1911): 6-7.

We have just concluded a three weeks meeting with Bro. Tallman: the teaching was excellent but the weather was not the best and sometimes the attendance was disappointing. During the meeting one was baptized, one was re-claimed and one, learning

the way of the Lord more perfectly, was united with us. Our hearts were rejoiced by these fruits and we still are looking for further results of this meeting. Bro. W. F. Cox, of Carman, preached in Bro. Tallman's place on evening of 15th.

Bro. A. E. Hudson, wife and family arrived here from Wychwood on the 17th, Sister Hudson leaving for Tisdale on the following day. We are glad to have the assistance in the work here of Bro. Hudson and his son.

Sister Jay and daughter, of Meaford, worshipped with us on Lord's day, September 17th.

The writer also had a short visit from Bro. H. Richardson, who was on his way from Hamar, Sask., to his home; he has spent the summer at Hamar teaching school and preaching, six obeying the gospel as a direct result of the work there.

Bro. Wilson Mallory, of Stevens Point, Wis., while on his way to hold a meeting in Calgary spent the evening of September 20th with us. We were all glad to see him again. After his Calgary meeting he purposes holding a meeting at Anacortes, in Washington State.

-- G. W. T.

At the home of the bride's parents at Austin, Man., on the evening of September 15th, Clare B. Williams, of Carman, and Barbara A. Johnson were united in marriage. O. H. Tallman officiating.

"Western Canada: Winnipeg Notes," *The Bible Student* Vol. 8, No. 11 (November 1911): 6

On September 23rd Bro. Tallman left here to resume his work in Nova Scotia. We were very sorry to part with him. The work here is in excellent condition and we have arranged with Bro. Neal and family, of Meaford, to come over and help us. Before this reaches the readers we expect that Bro. Neal will be with us, and we are counting on accomplishing much this winter.

On the last Sunday that Bro. Tallman spent with us one young sister obeyed her Lord in baptism.

Bro. W. Knight and his son Bert are again with us for the winter.

During October we lost two of our young sisters, Sister Lane and Sister Stewart, both finding it advisable to return to the east; we were loth to see them go and hope that they may soon be permitted to again unite their efforts with ours in this city.

G. W. T., "Western Canada: Winnipeg," *The Bible Student* Vol. 8, No. 12 (December 1911): 7.

Since last writing Bro. Neal has arrived to labor with us and we are much encouraged in our efforts here.

During the month two of our number, Bro. Thos. Barker and Bro. Templeton, have returned to Scotland. We are glad to have Sister McPhee back with us again. --G. W. T.

"Western Canada: News Items: Carman," *The Bible Student* Vol. 9, No. 2 (February 1912): 6.

Since coming to Carman I have noticed that the cause of the Lord has made a steady progress. Although we have not had many additions, yet we have seen a marked manifestation of the results of the good seed sown. The attendance is slowly improving,

more interest taken in the song service, more interest taken in social gatherings, more mutual love existing and more interest manifested in the prayer meetings. Since May Bro. O. H. Tallman and Bro. W. Mallory have visited the congregation. Bro. Tallman labouring with us a week, while Bro. Mallory only had one night at his disposal in which to speak to us of the things pertaining to the Kingdom of God. The efforts put forth by the Carman people during the past year have been quite successful in many respects, and I have reason to believe that they intend to continue the good work which they have begun. This characteristic was noticeably manifested in our business meeting in November. Arrangements were made to help with the new meeting house in Rosebank: arrangements were made to evangelize the surrounding country, for which we feel that we are responsible to some extent. We are mindful of the work in foreign fields as well as the work at home.

"Western Canada: News Items: Almasippi," *The Bible Student* Vol. 9, No. 2 (February 1912): 6.

The brethren at Almasippi, with whom I meet about twice a month, meet every Lord's Day to remember the words of our dying Saviour who said: "Do this in remembrance of me." They have a few members who are capable of exhorting the brethren and leading the services. They have lost a worthy member in the person of Bro. Lawrenson, who has recently moved to Carman. Their loss is Carman's gain. May the Lord bless these brethren.

"Western Canada: News Items: Stephenfield," *The Bible Student* Vol. 9, No. 2 (February 1912): 6.

The little band of brethren at Stephenfield continues faithful, and they are contemplating better things for the Lord in the future. Although their number was increased by seven accessions in June, during a short meeting held by the writer, yet they have lost a few members by death and removals, but I am pleased to state that they intend to keep house for the Lord.

"Western Canada: News Items: Rosebank," *The Bible Student* Vol. 9, No. 2 (February 1912): 6-7.

The Rosebank brethren, who are few in number but strong in the Lord, continue to meet every first day of the week to worship the only true and living God and His Son Jesus Christ. They are anticipating better things for the Lord during the prospective year, believing that they will be in a more favourable position after the new meeting house has been erected to reach those who are not interested in the present work. Owing to the present situation they certainly deserve credit for their steadfastness in the Lord's work.

The above items from Carman, Almasippi, Stephenfield and Rosebank were contained in a letter received from Bro. W. F. Cox, who last spring came from Bible School at Beamsville to labor in the Carman district.

"Western Canada: News Items: Winnipeg," *The Bible Student* Vol. 9, No. 2 (February 1912): 7.

During the past month we have experienced exceedingly cold weather and this has to a certain extent affected the attendance at our meetings.

On the evening of December 28th we had our annual treat for the children; the church house was well packed with friends of the little ones and a most enjoyable evening was spent.

Our annual business meeting was held on the evenings of January 8th and 15th. The work of the past year was reviewed and plans involving much time and labor were formed for the year.

In a recent letter Bro. John Mallory, of Deep Creek, B.C., says: "Bro. Wilson Mallory preached one night for us on his way to Vancouver. The audience was small but the scriptures presented left an impression on the minds of some that caused them to say that they had never heard the Bible explained and the Gospel proclaimed in that manner before and some have asked if we could not get him to come again. The Gospel in its purity and simplicity has never been preached in this locality, and when one single sermon left such an impression we feel duty found to have a meeting next summer. The people here are tired of the kind of teaching they have had in the past and want to know more about this new doctrine, "which is bringing many strange things to their ears." If someone is going to hold a meeting in Calgary and then going through to Vancouver, we will try to arrange for a meeting. The most suitable time would be the last part of June or early in July."

G. W. T., "Western Canada: News Notes: Winnipeg," *The Bible Student* Vol. 9, No. 5 (May 1912): 6.

During the month of March our numbers were increased by the addition of two, who had already been baptized, but having learned the way of the Lord more perfectly decided to unite with us. During the present month we have also had a good increase in the congregation by the arrival here from Meaford of Sister W. F. Neal and family and of Walter Neal and family, also of Sister Hudson and Sister Whitfield, the latter two being from Tisdale, Sask. We are also glad to welcome our Bro. Henry Good back from his trip to the Old Land.

During the present year our meetings have all been pretty well attended and the work is quite encouraging. At the present time cottage prayer meetings are being held each week in two outlying districts and we have just completed arrangements to rent a school room in one of these districts and to start a Sunday School and other meetings that may be deemed wise. With the assistance of Bro. Neal we have to give a good account of extension work this summer.

Recently the writer has enjoyed short visits from Bro. E. Clark while on his way home from Beamsville Bible College, and from Bro. McPhee on his way from the Maritime Bible College to spend the summer in the Carman district. -- G. W. T.

M. Watterworth, "Western Canada: News Notes: Carman Notes," *The Bible Student* Vol. 9, No. 5 (May 1912): 6.

The June meeting of disciples in Christ in the Carman district will be held at Carman on the 8^{th} , 9^{th} and 10^{th} of June. A hearty invitation to be with us is extended to all.

M. Watterworth Secretary.

We are having extra good attendance here at present and our Sunday School has almost doubled in the last two months.

There have been two additions here recently, one by baptism and the other from the Mennonites. Bro. Cox has also baptized one promising young man, who lives nearly forty miles to the north-west, where he recently held a meeting of three weeks' duration. Three other persons, who had already been baptized, became identified with us during the meeting and purpose extending the good work in their community.

Bro. McPhee arrived here from Nova Scotia on Friday and will undoubtedly prove a good assistance in the work.

M. W., "Western Canada: News Notes: Obituary," *The Bible Student* Vol. 9, No. 5 (May 1912): 6.

Died at his residence in Carman on April 3rd, Bro. Thos. Cutting, in his seventy-fifth year. Carman has lost a respected citizen, who will be greatly missed by the church, where he was a constant and appreciative attendant. A devoted companion and two sons mourn his departure. One by one we are crossing over.

-- M. W.

"Western Canada: Winnipeg Notes," The Bible Student Vol. 9, No. 6 (June 1912): 6.

During the past month the work here has been making steady progress; our Sunday School has reached the high water mark and our Church services have been well attended. At the beginning of last month a Sunday School and evening services were started west of the city in the Brooklands school, and the attendance both at Sunday School and at the Gospel Preaching has been exceedingly encouraging. This is quite a promising mission point, the locality being settled mostly with C. P. R. employees.

W. F. C., "Western Canada: Carman," *The Bible Student* Vol. 9, No. 8 (August 1912): 6. The work here is progressing slowly but surely. On Wednesday, June 19, two more persons (man and wife) expressed the desire to become members of the body of Christ: at the close of the prayer meeting one put the Lord on in baptism: the other had been baptized and desired to be known henceforth simply as a member of the Church of Christ.

-- W. F. C.

G. W. J., "Western Canada: Winnipeg," *The Bible Student* Vol. 9, No. 8 (August 1912): 6. During the past month we have been pleased to have worship with us visiting brethren from Meaford, Carman, Calgary and from the south.

Considering the summer weather, the attendance at all of our meetings has been very fair and we are now making an effort to increase the individual interest in the work and so prepare for better results in the fall. -G. W. J.

"Western Canada: Winnipeg News," *The Bible Student* Vol. 9, No. 11 (November 1912): 6.

Matters in the city here have been going along very well of late. During the past month we have had five baptisms, two being from Brooklands and three from Sherbrooke Street. We have also had several brethren from other parts come to locate here.

Yesterday I had a short visit from Bro. C. G. McPhee, who was a student in the Maritime Bible College last year; he has been in the West all this summer and has been working on a farm and doing what preaching he could. Last spring Bro. Cox of Carman, held a meeting at Hood School, being about 15 miles south of Portage La Prairie; the result

was that a little meeting of five or six members was started. Bro. McPhee held this meeting together all summer, and now that he is returning to school again, the worship is to be continued. Bro. C. P. Forge taking the active part. They meet for worship in the home of Bro. Forge, being about one mile east of Hood's School, at 10:30 each Lord's day.

W. F. Cox, "Western Canada: Married," *The Bible Student* Vol. 9, No. 11 (November 1912): 6.

On Sept. 23, 1912, after the clock had finished striking twelve, before witnesses, in the home of the writer, Bro. John Hanslip and Mabel Elsie Maude Clearwater, both of Roseisle, Man., were united in Holy matrimony. The nuptial couple will reside at Roseisle, Man.

W. F. Cox

G. W. T., "Western Canada: Winnipeg News," *The Bible Student* Vol. 9, No. 12 (December 1912): 6.

The work here seems to be progressing just about as usual; our meetings are all pretty well attended and the work in every feature seems promising. On the evening of the 25^{th} of last month the members gathered in the church house for a social evening; a short programme was rendered, tea was provided and the remainder of the evening spent in social intercourse. It was also the anniversary of the arrival of Bro. Neal to labour with us. -G. W. T.

"Western Canada: News Notes: Winnipeg News," *The Bible Student* Vol. 10, No. 3 (March 1913): 6.

The work is going on as usual and the outlook is hopeful. There were three baptisms on Lord's Day, February 16^{th} .

D. S., "Western Canada: News Notes: Carman News," *The Bible Student* Vol. 10, No. 5 (May 1913): 6.

Our meeting which started March 9th continued three weeks with a fair attendance. Bro. Cox gave us splendid addresses, and the Church was much edified, and quite a number interested who are not members. At the close two made the good confession and were baptized. We are glad to report the return of Brother and Sister McGregor, who spent the winter in Vancouver. Also the return of Brother C. Watterworth with his bride.

-- D. S.

Gordon W. Tovell, "Western Canada: News Notes: Winnipeg," *The Bible Student* Vol. 10, No. 5 (May 1913): 6.

We are arranging to hold a June meeting here on June 14, 15 and 16; a cordial invitation is extended to each and every member in Western Canada to spend these dates with us. Do not wait for a personal invitation; but rather, if convenient to do so, drop a line to the writer at 408 McIntryre Block, Winnipeg, signifying your expectation of being with us on these dates; arrangements will be made for entertaining you.

Bro. Tallman has definitely arranged to spend some considerable time, probably fifteen months, in Western Canada; we expect him to be present with us at the June meeting. In all probability the first part of his time will be spent in Alberta or British Columbia. In a recent letter Bro. Tallman asked the writer to arrange for the early part of

this trip, so until Bro. Tallman is established out here I will be pleased to give information to anyone regarding his work and plans, and will also be pleased to receive any contribution toward his support, while in Western Canada. Western Canada is very much in need of good evangelists and we have always deplored the difficulty in securing good evangelists for the work out here. Now that we have the opportunity of securing Bro. Tallman, let us give him hearty support, both in providing work for him to do and also in providing the necessary funds for his expenses.

We are glad to report one more addition by baptism on Sunday evening, April 13th.

GORDON W. TOVELL.

A. E. Hudson, "News Notes: Portage La Prairie," *The Bible Student* Vol. 10, No. 10 (October 1913): 5.

September 1913.

Sixty-five miles west of Winnipeg, with a population of nearly seven thousand, fine broad streets, well laid out beautiful homes. It was here we came across a lonely brother and sister Bro. and Sister Ernest Wallis, formerly of Knapp Hill, Surrey, England. Near these good people we sojourned along with Bro. Wm. Boyer, formerly of Ireland, and met with his beloved Scotch lady we enjoyed hearty, cheerful fellowship on two successive Lord's Days and the happy days between. On the last occasion seven of us broke bread. There were also present three children and a stranger looking on. It was a time long to be remembered. At the throne of grace we poured out our souls unto God who had thus far helped us. On every hand the harvest fields were white, and with the help of glorious weather many millions of bushels of grain have been safely garnered home.

Soon the spiritual side we enjoyed the privilege of speaking to ready listeners of the coming "Harvest Home" and the necessary preparation on our part.

A. E. Hudson.

"Western Canada: Marriage," *The Bible Student* Vol. 10, No. 10 (October 1913): 6.

Bro. Fred Williams and Sister Lucy Winder, both teachers at the Sunday School, Sherbrooke St., Winnipeg, were united on September 16th, 1913. W. Eatough officiating.

Gordon W. Tovell, "Western Canada: Work in the West," *The Bible Student* Vol. 10, No. 12 (December 1913): 6.

Brethren, are you interested in extension work in Western Canada? Bro. Ora H. Tallman, our only evangelist in the province of Alberta (and none in Saskatchewan or British Columbia) needs your encouragement and your assistance; consider the magnitude of the work; consider the personal sacrifice of the worker; consider our responsibility. As we claim to be brethren, let us quit ourselves like men and share this work and sacrifice with him. After three months' [sic] labour in Edmonton, he is now in Hanna, Alta., and expects to make Hanna his headquarters for some time. So far his expenses have been borne by a few; now he needs the assistance of all. Write him a letter of encouragement, supply him with names and addresses of isolated members, and also do what you can to contribute to his support, sending contributions to the writer, or, if desired, direct to Bro. Tallman. DO IT NOW.

408 McIntyre Block, Winnipeg.

D. S., "Western Canada: Carman News," *The Bible Student* Vol. 10, No. 12 (December 1913): 6.

Brother Cox is holding a series of meetings at Salterville School, three miles east of Carman. Started last Sunday night (Nov. 9) and continued each night through the week. His subjects are: Man: His Beginning, Training and End. The meetings are well attended, quite a number being quite interested. The meetings will continue each night for an indefinite time.

The weather is all that could be desired – beautiful moonlight and good roads. We hope and pray much good may be done during the meetings.

D. S., "Western Canada: Winnipeg News," *The Bible Student* Vol. 10, No. 12 (December 1913): 6.

A letter from Bro. Tovell states:

"I do not ever remember when we have had such a faithful attendance of members as we have had on the past few Sunday mornings. Our Sunday school is also growing nicely again and I think that we are in a fair way to create renewed interest in our midweek meeting; in fact, I think that the congregation here is in a good condition to accomplish a fine, hard winter's work."