

after being solemnly set apart for the service by their pastor's prayer, in couples visited every home connected with the congregation. Dr. Campbell reports the response of the people to be most hearty and the joy of the canvassers to be past telling. We gladly pass this on hoping it may help solve the financial and evangelistic problem of other churches in these difficult days.

Doing One's Bit at Home.

It is an inspiring sight to see such a battalion as the 72nd, to which Vancouver said farewell the other Sunday morning, and many another leave the homeland "to do their bit" at the call of Empire and civilization on the battle-smitten front of France and Flanders. May God bless and keep our soldier boys. We know they will give us abundant reason to be proud of them. But "they also serve who only stand and wait." The churches are being sadly depleted by the constant drain made upon their manhood by this all-devouring war. Like the horse leach's two daughters the cry of the army is Give! Give! One and all make the terrible sacrifice uncomplainingly but it creates a difficult situation for those whose duty it is to fight on shorthanded at home. The world's work must be done in war as well as peace. The regular interests and activities of the churches, home and foreign missions, social service, etc., are just as necessary for the conservation of civilization as is the successful prosecution of the war. Without the incitement of excitement and the spell of glory or hope of reward many a church member with brave face but bleeding heart does his daily duty in the work of the Kingdom for the reign of righteousness and lasting peace. When the full story of these times is written not a little of the credit for the better world that we hope to see will be due to those who did "their bit" at home.

Changes in Pastorates.

There is a tendency in the weaker churches to short pastorates. This month records the following changes: Rev. F. G. West leaves the Broadway West Baptist Church, where he has rendered excellent service in the way of organizing and consolidating a new cause, to take up the work at Nanaimo. Pastor W. H. Redman is laying down his work with the latter church to supply North Vancouver. Nanaimo has been a rather difficult pastorate the last two or three years and Mr. Redman has seen the church safely through a trying period. Other changes are being contemplated but are not yet consummated.

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April 30th is the closing day of the financial year for all Methodist churches in British Columbia, consequently there have been some