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Our Epworth League is picking up after the falling off during the summer months. At our election of officers, held at our last meeting, Miss E. Haywood was elected president, and we hope to have a prosperous League during the winter.

The Sunday school is in a flourishing condition. We have a large attendance, averaging about ninety. Last Sunday we had one hundred and five present. It is wonderful how the attendance increases at Christmas time. We have a faithful and able superintendent in Mrs. Banks.

On Sunday, November 26th, we had a good song service. Our pastor, Rev. W. Hicks, took his place in the choir and assisted greatly. His solo, "Rest for the Weary," was sung in a fine impressive style. Mr. Wm. McKay, a local preacher and ex-member of the Manitoba Conference, delivered a short, impressive address.

After the song service, instead of usual League meeting, we had a meeting to discuss some definite method of raising money for "The Twentieth Century Fund." We appointed a committee, consisting of representatives from the different boards, to decide upon some definite plan of action.

Our pastor has commenced a series of sermons on Old Testament characters. We have had two able and instructive addresses on Abraham and Isaac. He intends to continue this series of sermons during the winter, taking the characters in chronological order.

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PORT SIMPSON.

Rev. S. S. Osterhout, Ph. D., writes:

I have been delighted with the "Recorder." It seems to improve with each number. I suppose it might be improved still more were it not for the fact that it is a great deal easier to read than to furnish reading.

I have just returned from an extended trip up the Skeena preaching the everlasting gospel, administering the ordinances of the church and distributing preliminary to the thank offering for the 20th century. We have made a handsome start in Port Simpson towards the latter, between \$250 and \$300 in sight. One faithful old chiefess of the church struck the right cord when in giving her \$20 offering she said, "with this I give my poor body and soul to Him who has

spared me to see the closing of the century, nearly the whole of which I have passed through, under His guidance and blessing."

We were pained last week with the sudden death of one of our native storekeepers, a victim of the intoxicating cup, hurled into eternity in the prime of life, and that too without the necessary preparation. Sadness beclouds our village and nowhere in the horizon do we discern a gleam of light. License after license is imposed upon us, wholesale, retail and bottle, and so the darkness thickens, the maelstrom expands and souls are sacrificed to the greed of the inhuman and the revenue of our land. In return not a word of comfort nor a tear of sympathy nor a hand of help comes to the weeping widow, the helpless children or the father with heavy head. Shall we enter the new century unavenged of this dread traffic.

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GOLDEN.

Rev. J. P. Westman, Pastor.

The Circuit correspondent writes under date of October 20th. (The communication was wrongly directed and therefore did not appear sooner.)

In perusing your excellent paper I notice items of interest regarding the work of our church in the advancement of our Master's Kingdom in other parts of the province. But in vain have I looked for any news from Golden. There is an old adage which says "No news is good news." However this may apply in a general way, it is very true in

relation to this mission, during the last four months. On the first Sunday in July our present pastor, Rev. J. P. Westman, came among us, and from the first service success has attended his efforts to advance Christ's Kingdom in our midst. Though none have publicly announced their conversion, yet many who had not attended any church for a long time are now regular attendants, and others have had their spiritual life renewed. Not only has there been success spiritually, but also financially. The collections so far are more than double the same period last year; our church is now free from debt, and has a nice credit balance in general fund.

Our church anniversary was held on the 15th and 16th inst. Rev. S. J. Thompson of Revelstoke was to have preached at both services on Sunday, but owing to defective train service the exchange had to be cancelled, the pastor taking his own work most acceptably. On Monday evening Columbia Hall was beautifully decorated, and crowded with an enthusiastic audience to celebrate the annual tea and concert. Rev. Mr. Thompson ably filled the position of chairman, and also gave a short address on "Love Courtship and Marriage." The balance of the programme was varied. Mrs. Ward, of Vancouver; Mrs. Robbins and Kay, Misses Devlin, Sinclair and Wel's, and Messrs. Evans, Pilowright, Westman, Fallis, Field, Longmore and Robinson taking part. The proceeds amounted to over \$80. "Praise God from whom all blessings flow."

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