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The party, which consists of Pastors Stephen Jeffreys, George Jeffreys and E. C. Boulton, and Evangelists R. E. Darrugh and J. McWhirter, sailed from Southampton for Canada by the "Empress of Scotland" on Saturday, 21st June, 1924.

The Ottawa Campaign.

Ottawa, 28th July, 1924.

With the object of reaching as many centres as possible in the short time at our disposal, the party has now, as a temporary arrangement, divided into two groups. Therefore at the time of writing two campaigns are in progress, one at Ottawa and the other at Toronto We propose dealing first of all with the campaign at Ottawa.

The week's special services held in this City have been blessedly owned of God; upon them the Lord has set His seal in a truly Scriptural fashion. To commence, we were severely handicapped by the fact that considerable prejudice exists in this place against the Pentecostal Movement, the enemy succeeding in poisoning the minds of the people against what we have proved to be God's latest and last message to the Church. Consequently we saw that in order to prepare the ground for the reception of the full Gospel it would be necessary to deal with some of the doctrinal difficulties which seem to beset the path of those who are seeking the Holy Spirit. And so the whole of the week was devoted to the opening up of the Scriptures concerning the present Pentecostal outpouring of the Holy Spirit. We were much encouraged to see the number of

people who were ready to gather together to listen to a series of Bible studies of this character.

What a wonderful week it has been! How God has proved Himself to us again and again as we have believed His Word! Not only have the people been privileged to listen to Pentecostal teaching, but they have also witnessed that same truth translated into actual experience; their eyes have seen the supernatural confirmation and corroboration of that which has been preached unto them. As the Word of God was unfolded, so doubts and difficulties disappeared; step by step we'were led through the green pastures of the inspired Word; argument after argument against the Pentecostal position was carefully examined and answered; each so-called weakness in our teaching was submitted to a searching Scriptural test; the critical challenge of those who pronounce Pentecostal teaching as un-Scriptural was boldly met with an open Bible and an open mind. Many were completely convinced as a result of these meetings that God is indeed pouring out His Spirit in these days in exactly the same manner as at the beginning. Hallelujah! God has not withdrawn the Gifts of the Holy Spirit as some popular present-day Bible teachers assert; they are still bestowed upon believers and are to-day to be found in operation in the Church in various parts of the world.

During these special services we have witnessed wonderful scenes, demonstrating so clearly and conclusively the present-day power of the Word of God when proclaimed under the anoming of the Spirit. How beautiful it was to see a crowd of people swayed by the power of the Divine Spirit—swept into surrender—swept by the strong, swift current of a mighty movement of God into a place of freedom and fullness. Hardness yielding to the precious softening influences of the Spirit of God; people becoming as wax in the hands of the Lord, ready to accept all His perfect will at any cost. Pride and prejudice in its manifold phases melting beneath the scarching, sanctifying rays of those eyes which "are as a flame of fire." Here was God in the day of His power making His people willing to obey the truth when made plain to them.

One evening as the message was being given the Holy spirit fell upon the meeting in a marvellous manner; souls at once came under great conviction, and three received the baptism in the Holy Ghost as they sat in their seats; immediately they began to magnify the Lord in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance, and the place resounded with their glad exclamations of praise; it was a scene of indescribable and irrepressible jubilation; we witnessed a sweet exhibition of that precious spiritual intoxication with which so many of the Lord's people are familiar in these days. Who could remain unconvinced that this was the work of the Lord? To look upon those just filled and flooded with the Spirit's fullness—lit up with Shekinah glory of the Divine indwelling-temples possessed by the long promised Comforter. How easy to discern that this that was taking place before our eyes was indeed a literal fulfilment of Acts ii, 4, and Acts x, etc.

One splended and gratifying result of the Ottawa meetings was the healing and baptism of a young lady whose mind had been full of atheistic theories and who was prior to her conversion a professional teacher of dancing. (Her testimony appeared in this month's *Elim Evangel.**) God met her in one of the services, saturating her with the Latter Rain and filling her mouth with the praises of God.

Though these services were mainly for the enlightenment and edification of believers, yet quite a few souls gave themselves to Christ. The after-meetings were very powerful and precious, numbers flocking out to the front in response to the altar-call which was given at the close of each service. Many of those dear saints received a new vision of Jesus and rose and went forth to a life of deeper separation and closer union with their Lord. One special feature of the Ottawa meetings was the Young People's Rally held each evening at 7 p.m. and conducted by Mr. McWhirter.

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One morning we were requested to go and visit a sister who was confined to her house, and anoint her with oil in the name of the Lord. Whilst fulfilling the Word of God we were overjoyed to see this same sister receive the baptism of the Holy Spirit. Imagine her great joy at such an unexpected blessing coming from the hand of the Lord when not even seeking such a visitation of God. For a considerable time she spoke quite freely in other tongues—through her loosened hips there streamed a wonderful torrent of praise. How our hearts rejoiced with her in the precious personal Pentecost which she was receiving!

Jehovah Rophi Unchanged.

TORONTO, 4th August, 1924.

Like many of God's "great things," the campaign at Toronto had a very humble inception-with a hall that scats fully 1,300 people and a congregation of less than two hundred one might easily succumb to discouragement —but we have discovered that out of the thing which humanly speaking "is not," God can work the greatest wonder and gain the greatest glory. However small the nucleus, God is able to make it adequate to the need of the moment. From the commencement of this campaign it was evident that the hopes of the people ran high for a season of real victory. We found a few faithful praying people who had passed through many a trial of faith and yet who were prepared at the point of sacrifice to launch an enterprise which from some viewpoints appeared impossible of success. However, we have found that "little is much when God is in it" and that "through Christ we can do all things." The Lord delights to bring the impossible thing to pass for those who wholly trust Him, Lonouring their faith in the fulfilment of His Word in their midst.

During the early days of this campaign the Lord gave us many gracious tokens of His willingness to work in this place in an unprecedented way, teaching us to take our eyes off everything but His own unfailing assurance. Within a week nearly thirty souls had surrendered to

Christ, and many had been healed, amongst whom were several remarkable cases. For the encouragement of other sufferers let us cite one or more outstanding examples of Divine Healing which actually transpired during these services. In one instance a man came to be prayed with who was suffering from chronic deafness; in order to assist him to hear he used an ear-trumpet. After being anomted his hearing was completely restored: so perfect was his healing that when spoken to in a quiet manner, he wished to know whether his interrogator was



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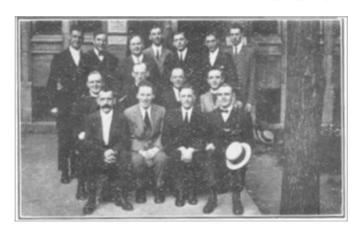
shouting in his ears. Hallelujah! Another striking case was that of a woman suffering with a floating kidney who was scarcely able to move. With great difficulty she managed to reach the front and was anointed in the name of the Lord, ere many minutes had elapsed she was on her teet literally leaping, dancing and praising the God Who had so completely cured her. Another notable miracle of Divine power was a boy brought by his mother, the victim of a bad form of mental trouble. This dear lad is now in

his right mind and giving God the glory for his wonderful deliverance.

What an answer all this is to that destructive Higher Criticism which denies the teaching and discredits the power of the Gospel and which divides the Church of Christ! What an adequate answer to the challenge of Modernism! What a complete substantiation and vindication of the claims of the Fundamentalist for the inspiration of the whole Bible! How one's heart rejoices to record such stirring scenes. Who is sufficient for these things but the Lord? The name of Jesus is the great and potent factor used in the achievement of these marvels of grace. His arm alone hath wrought these exploits! Many other wonderful cases of healing might be recounted, every evening signs followed the ministry of the Gospel.

During the second week of the Toronto Campaign the Annual Conference of the Eastern District of the Canadian Assemblies of God was held. We cannot forget the warm welcome which the Canadian Brethren gave us to their Conference. A happier, humbler or heartier company of Pentecostal leaders it would be difficult to find. morning and afternoon sessions of the Conference were chiefly devoted to business deliberations and the consideration of some of those problems which confront the Pentecostal pastor in his ministry. Many precious hours were thus spent in devout discussion and much profitable teaching was given by some of those who had graduated in the school of a rich experience in the Holy Ghost, and thus were qualified to instruct others who were only just commencing their pastoral duties. One was much impressed by the number of fine young men whose lives were wholly dedicated to the Lord's work, some of whom were able to give glowing reports of the work under their oversight. What a pleasure it was to mingle with these warmhearted Pentecostal brethren, some of them having spent years of sacrificial service and suffered much in their earnest endeavour to lay the foundation of the present substantial Pentecostal position in Canada. God has abundantly honoured their steadfast stand for the full Gospel, and to-day they represent a splendid body of assemblies, united in teaching and testimony, welded together in love and wielding a wide influence for God in this fair Dominion. We appreciated the beautiful combination of deep spirituality and sound common sense which was so pronounced in their gatherings—proving that the two are quite congruous. For this fervid, fearless, faithful band of Spirit-filled leaders we predict a future of great fruitfulness. Our hearts were deeply stirred as we sang a revised version of a popular chorus.—

Sweeter as the days go by, sweeter as the days go by, The Brethren's love is sweeter as the days go by.



A Group including those ordained at the Annual Conference at Toronto.

In connection with this Conference we were greatly impressed with its evangelical vision and missionary character. Upon these dear men and women of God has been laid a tremendous burden for those in the "regions beyond." Many of their number have already laid down their lives on the Mission Field, and others are preparing to go forth and take the place of those who have fallen on the field.

On the second Sunday morning of the Conference a special service was arranged for the ordination of several brethren who had been called by God to the work of the ministry and who moreover had already given unmistakable proofs of the genuineness of their call. Pastor Chambers, the Chairman of the Canadian Assemblies of God, presided, and Pastor George Jeffreys preached the

ordination sermon, which took the form of a dual charge to preachers and people. The candidates for ordination were earnestly entreated to avoid those things which tend to discredit and dishonour the ministry to which they were devoting their lives. To those ordained and to all who were privileged to attend this service, it must ever remain a very precious and hallowed memory. From commencement to close the meeting was enveloped and encircled in a Spirit-laden atmosphere; from heaven itself came those refreshing breezes of blessing which purify the soul and clarify the vision; again and again we were borne on the pinions of praise into the presence of the King. How sweetly the fragrance of the presence of the Lord filled the place as hands were laid upon these "chosen vessels" and they were set apart for the Master's service! Lives that had been laid upon the altar-burnt offerings which were proving and should yet prove in greater measure that "good and acceptable and perfect will of God." How the fire fell upon each as they were definitely committed to God. Not one who did not realise a new anointing, a fresh inflow of the Divine Spirit! One felt that these separated servants of the Lord were going forth to a future pregnant with possibility. May the hand of the Lord rest upon them in all their ministry for the extension of His Kingdom!

As we write, the meetings are increasing in power, and the results are growing greater each evening. The congregations have doubled and trebled and we are trusting that ere the campaign closes we shall have the hall packed with people. Already there are a crowd of those who have been saved and healed and baptised in the Holy Ghost, and the number is continually being swollen. Many are coming night after night under deep conviction, but they have not yet yielded to the call of Christ; we are expecting to see them surrender during the coming week. Never since the hall was opened seven years ago have such numbers assembled to hear the Word of God. It is evident from this that God is working and intends to enlarge the borders of His work in this City. It is beautiful to witness the joy of those who are being baptised in the Holy Spirit—their gladness is most contagious and quickly spreads over a

congregation until the whole assemblage is provoked to praise—just as fire is applied to one piece of tumber, then piece after piece ignites, causing a great blaze, so it is when the fire falls upon some of these dear waiting ones, it specially lays hold of all. The baptism of the Spirit seems to create what might be termed "a tropical temperature" in those who are thus immersed in the Hola Ghost.

Toronto - A Retrospect.

Toronto, 11th August, 1924

Our hearts swell with grateful gladness to God as we survey the past three weeks spent in this great centre of Canadian commercial life—twenty-one days of triumph at Toronto! This would aptly portray that which transpired throughout this campaign. Triumph and difficulties of which the enemy sought to make a maximum of gain. And yet at the onset we knew that God being for us, He was more than all that could possibly be against us, that where from the human viewpoint there was no way, He would make a way, and as the days went by we saw our confidence confirmed and our faith strengthened by the abundant evidences of the Divine presence. Night after might the altar was thronged with thirsty souls, seeking satisfaction from Him who has promised to quench the burning inward craving of those who having tried the 'broken eisterns" and found their waters fail now turn to Him for succour and salvation. After each message one only had to move about amongst the seekers in order to discover the genumeness and thoroughness of that which had actually taken place. Those slain souls at the altar spoke eloquently of how effectively the Sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God, had been wielded by the servants of the Lord. Such stirring altar scenes furnished ample proof of the character of the ministry of the Lord's messengers; unsparing in their disclosure and denunciation of sin; unhesitating and uncompromising in their proclamation of a full-orbed Gospel, unveiling as they did the manifold glories of the Gospel as applied to the triple need of man for spirit, soul and body. How gladly and readily many of those listening sin-slaves drank in the sweet assurances of God's Word thus brought within their reach, and how eagerly they stretched forth their hands to receive the Divine gift and secure the Divine touch Whilst the scarching message laid bare many an ugly sin wound, yet with what skill and care the Great Physician poured in the oil of His forgiving love and bound up the wounds with the healing bands of His grace. Who can forget the melting scenes which attended the return of some prodigal or the restoration of some backsliding



The Party outside the Robert Street Church, Toronto.
(Next to Mr. Darragh is Pastor Ward and next to him Pastor Chambers)
believer! Afresh the "joy of salvation" commenced to

believer! Afresh the "joy of salvation" commenced to flow in channels which had been choked by the cares of this world or dammed up by some secret disobedience. The Spirit of the Lord was indeed busy, in some cases stripping off the veneer of religious profession, penetrating the cloak of pretension and revealing the true position and condition of those who merely possessed a "form of godliness" but who actually denied the power thereof, making them willing to capitulate upon God's terms.

How glorious thus to witness the wonderful old Gospel winning its way into the hearts of the people and

capturing them for Christ; surmounting insuperable difficulties; pulling down strongholds, casting down imaginations and every high thing that exalteth itself against . . . God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ; cleaving its course through the adamant resistance of the Enemy. What a privilege and pleasure to sit in a congregation who have come under the all-pervasive and persuasive spell of Christ's constraining presence; to see men and women throwing down the arms of rebellion and claiming the King's pardon, becoming the prisoners of the Lord. To watch their shackles fall of and see them emerging from thraldom to freedom is one of the most inspiring sights that mortal eyes may behold

On the last Sunday of the campaign at Toronto the afternoon service took the form of a Baptismal Service, when quite a number of behevers were immersed in the name of the Lord Jesus. It was a beautiful and fitting feature of the closing day of these splendid series of services. It is worthy of note that some of the candidates were both born and baptised during the same campaign, the same hands that led them to the Cross also led them down into the waters of baptism, there in figure to identify themselves with Christ in His death. It was beautiful to see these disciples of Jesus coming up out of the water with the glory of the new creation illumining their faces and overspreading them like a mantle the virtue of the resurrection life of Him Whom they were following.

The whole of the last day of the special services was a seemly climax to the campaign. The "best wine" had certainly been reserved for "the last, the great day of the feast." Hallelujah † The sanctuary resounded with the "song of the Lord," and the "glory of the Lord" filled the house, so much so that the priests at times found it difficult to minister; the people also united in psalm and song to make melody unto the Lord, realising that Jehovah had visited them with salvation; that having brought the tithes into the storehouse, the windows of heaven were now opened and upon them was falling in unexpected fullness the much-needed showers of refreshing from the presence of the Lord. How reluctant one felt to conclude

these services in view of the fact that no such marked manifestation of Divine power had been experienced in this place before, and yet how true it is that when we move at God's bidding, He assumes all responsibility for the work which we leave and will always make adequate provision for its continuance. We fain would have listened to the constraining cry of the Lord's people in this place and have tarried for a longer season in their midst, but other urgent, pressing calls demanded our attention, and so it is our's to basten to obey and follow where He, our Great Commander, leads.

At the invitation of Pastor Chambers, the writer had the pleasure of conducting the Sunday's services at Kitchener, Ontario. A day of delightful fellowship in service was spent with the Lord's people in this place. Here he found a gathering of God's Pentecostal people enjoying the "fullness of the blessing of the Gospel of Christ"; a group of saints pressing on to the possession of all that rich legacy of spiritual life in Christ. It was with great satisfaction that one discerned their Scriptural order and the steadfastness of their faith in God. The Lord was pleased to set His seal upon the day's meetings by leading two souls to Himself, whilst others received the baptism in the Holy Spirit and quite a tew received a new touch of power in their bodies.

As a sample of the blessed work of grace wrought in many a life during the Toronto campaign we venture to cull from a personal letter of a bright young man who accepted Christ in one of the services. "I am happy... and realise fully how great a blessing salvation is—to-day I have no desire to smoke—and this despite a habit that consumed forty or fifty (cigarettes) daily. I feel like singing all the time, and though at first I didn't want to be singing hymns before my friends, I find genuine joy in doing so now. I feel I want to be searching the New Testament continually. The things I wanted most to do last week are not at all attractive now—I praise God for a change of heart. We are establishing a very different household from the old regime—God has spoken and we are listening in."

Early Days at Winnipeg.

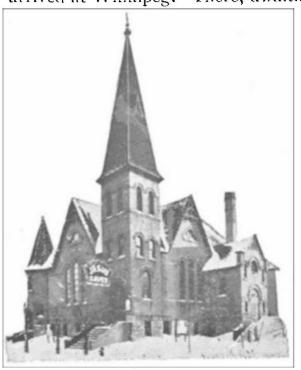
Winniped, 18th August, 1924.

Another glorious campaign, which will be stored in the archives of memory, has passed into lustory. It is the hour of midnight that we entrain for our 1,200 mile journey to Winnipeg, which is to be the scene of our next campaign. Though the hour is so late, yet this does not prevent a nice company of the Lord's people assembling on the Station platform to say goodbye to those who have brought such blessing to their lives. How loth they are to part with us! How anxious to spend the last few moments in praiseful fellowship! Many a precious exhortation is given, and many a significant hand grip exchanged! Ah, there goes the warning whistle of the guard! And on the night air rings out the cry, "All aboard!" A rush for the train, one last wave of the hand to those we are leaving behind and we are off on our forty hours' trip to the To Britishers the idea of two nights and a day in the train is somewhat novel, and quite naturally we are soon examining the little berth which we understand is to serve as our sleeping quarters during the long railway journey. We are not long in discovering that even a railway journey can offer facilities for many a fruitful and timely ministry to hungry souls travelling to eternity. Several beautiful opportunities of witnessing for the Master were seized, and who can tell the results of such quiet personal talks. "My Word shall not return unto Me void. "

What a vast stretch of country we passed through! Hour after hour speeding through interminable tracts of trees, studded with lovely lakes, like jewels set in a jungle of wild forestry. What a picturesque scene these lakes presented as the silver beams of the moon fell upon their placid waters, mirroring in their shining depths the glory of the midnight heavens! Here, too, could be seen at intervals portions of land which had been reclaimed by the hand of some enterprising settler, speaking to us of those dark, dreary and desolate lives which have been redeemed

and transformed by the grace of God. Now and then by the edge of some lake could be seen the smoke ascending from the camp fires of an Indian encampment. What a quaint picture! Gathered at the doors of the tents were the Indian braves with their Squaws! Remnants of the glory of a past period when the Indian was the proud possessor of this wild land! One could almost see them as they must have been a century ago in all the rugged splendour of their forest fastnesses. How one longed to preach Jesus to these dark-skinned forest dwellers who still linger in the darkness of paganism. Instinctively our thoughts turned to that saintly Apostle of the North American Indians, David Brainerd, and the wonderful work which God enabled him to do amongst these people

At last, travel stained but happy in the Lord, we arrived at Winnipeg. There, awaiting us, were those who



The
Wesley Church
where the
Winnipeg Campaign
was conducted

had come to give us a real Canadian welcome to their midst. A glance at the faces of dear Pastor Argue and Dr. Geddes was sufficient to assure us that we were once more in the presence of some real, warmhearted Pentecostal people, who were prepared to co-operate to the

fullest extent in the campaign which we had come to conduct. After a few days' respite we commenced our meetings in the Wesley Church, which is the home of the Pentecostal work in this City, a capacious building capable of seating about 1,700 people, splendidly situated and well equipped with every convenience for an aggressive Full Gospel Work. We must congratulate our Winnipeg brethren upon their acquisition of such a suitable building in which to worship Go.

From the very first service it was quite evident that we were in for a successful campaign. One could realise that the response which was being given to the introductory message of the mission augured well. Hearts beat high with expectation, and faith arose above everything in its vision of what the Lord was prepared to do. As the preacher repainted the picture of Elijah's thrilling triumph on Mount Carmel and graphically described the absolute overthrow of those who had presumed to challenge God's revealed will, we saw how impregnable is the position of those who fearlessly take their stand upon the living Word of God. To those who were privileged to listen to this message it came as a call to conflict and conquest. We had the joy of reaping the first fruits of this campaign at the close of the opening meeting, when several came for-ward and knelt at the altar rail, giving themselves to Christ. To introduce men and women to Jesus Christ! What a vocation! Why the angels must envy the sour-winner his privileges! Next to the joy of coming to Christ oneself there can be no greater joy than that of bringing someone else to Him. What a feast of fat things the Lord spread for His people during these days! Repeatedly in moving about amongst the congregation one would hear the exclamation, "How wonderful!" "Oh, how the Lord has fed my soul to-night!" "I had no idea that the Gospel contained so much!" "Surely this has been the very vestibule of heaven to my soul!" How beautiful to see souls thus coming into blessing! Bound ones getting free! Emptied ones being filled! Songless saints entering into the praise-life! Lukewarm believers catching the fire of a passionate love for Jesus! Impoverished lives being enriched and empowered! Joyless Christians simply flooded with the "joy of the Lord!" One is amazed at the amount of ignorance which prevails even amongst devout children of God concerning this wonderful latter-day outpouring of the Holy Spirit; how slowly they receive this gracious revelation of God's fullness of blessing.

We rejoice that during this campaign many of God's people have had their eyes opened to this "greater gospel" and realising their need are now found amongst those seeking the baptism of the Holy Ghost; each evening some of these waiting ones are being filled with the Spirit and entering into a new life of victory in Christ. The other evening the writer had the pleasure of pointing a dear little lad of about seven years of age to Christ. had come all alone to the altar and when dealt with it was found that both his parents were unsaved, but that he was eager to get right with God in order that they might be won for God. The heart of the Master must have been moved as this little lad and the writer of these lines knelt there side by side and together claimed those parents for Jesus. How often has that Scripture, "A little child shall lead them," had a literal fulfilment in these days. God grant that the desire of this child shall be given him ! In dealing with dear ones at the altar what a revelation one receives of the multifarious methods which the Enemy employs in order to keep souls in his power. What a stern struggle it is at times to bring a soul through to the birth even after they have come to the front! What careful, skilful handling some of these sad cases demand!

Again it has been necessary to divide the Party, and so two of our number have gone on another four hundred miles to conduct a campaign in Saskatchewan, where we hope, at the conclusion of the Winnipeg meetings, t rejoin them, from thence continuing our journey into California.

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