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THE NEW YEAR.

Not many more of these annual cycles will pass till we shall reach the end of the chain—the link which will carry us over into eternity. The world is rushing on in its mad race for wealth and power, heeding not the writing on the wall which points out to-day, as it did to Belshazzar, the speedy overthrow of all earthly kingdoms. This divine message is being sounded by a faithful few, and there is yet time to flee from the city of destruction, and to secure a home in the celestial city. Destruction has been determined upon the whole earth, and no power can stay the oncoming tide of evil that is about to burst upon a slumbering world. A few will believe and give the warning, as did Noah, and will hear the "well done;" but the masses will perish in the "devouring fire."

Brethren, what will be our record for 1902? Shall we go forward, daily and hourly forward? Shall we believe the word and do the work of God? Shall we crucify self day by day, and let the mind of Christ fully control us? Shall we minister Christ or self to the world? Shall we love our neighbor as ourselves? Shall we think and speak evil of no person? Shall we be Christians at home, in the church, on the farm—everywhere? Shall we day by day devise ways and means by which the truth may reach all classes of people? Shall we devote some time every day to the study of the Bible, to prayer, and if possible, to labor for our fellow men? Shall we be faithful in tithes and offerings? Shall we be faithful also and prompt at Sabbath school, and at the services of the church? Shall we expect a minister or the church elder to build us up and hold us up? or shall we abide in Christ, and honor Him by bearing much fruit? Shall we not *every one* be *far in advance* of our present standing at the beginning of 1903?

Brethren and sisters, we are all going to do something this year. We will represent Christ, or self; we will

shed light or darkness; we will gather or scatter; we will go forward or backward. What will be our record for this year? I hope the influence of the week of prayer will not fade from our minds, but that the light and blessing received may be shed in rich fragrance upon our fellow men.

May the Lord greatly bless every member of the Indiana conference during this year. I. J. HANKINS.

THE INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

We realize that this is no small undertaking, but as the Lord has said we should provide such a school for our children, we go forward, trusting His guidance. Even the location of the school is a matter too important to be left to human wisdom. It is to be hoped that the Lord may in some way clearly indicate just where the school should be located. If any have means to contribute toward the school work, we will gladly receive it. Those who pledged to this work at the Greenfield camp meeting will please remember that we shall soon need the money. Do not spend it for something else.

We would like the names of all the young people who expect to attend the Industrial school at its opening this coming autumn. This will help us in planning for buildings, teachers, etc. Send your name, age, and address soon to the undersigned.

I. J. HANKINS,

1311 Central ave. Indianapolis.

WHAT BRINGS POVERTY.

"It is not returning to God his own that makes men poor; it is withholding that tends to poverty." "The work of imparting that which he has received, will constitute every member of the church a laborer together with God." How can we get means to give? Listen to this: "If men and women as well, will become channels of blessing to other souls, the Lord will keep the channels supplied." Again, "The Lord calls upon His people to make offerings of self-denial. Let us give up some-

thing that we intended to purchase for personal comfort or pleasure." The progress of the message is more to the true, loving child of God than personal comfort or pleasure. When this is true, we will enjoy a little extra work in order to give ten or twenty-five cents a week for the message to be extended. The children will be glad to have a part in these weekly offerings. The Lord says, "Let us teach our children to deny self, and become the Lord's helping hands in dispensing His blessings." Parents cannot teach this if they do not know it in a personal experience. Shall we not show our children that we love God and his service more than we love self and self-service?

"Were there the same diligence and self-sacrifice manifested at the present stage of the work as at the beginning, we should see a hundred times more than is now accomplished."—Test., vol. 6. I. J. HANKINS.

A SURE PROMISE FOR 1902.

This blank, with an accompanying letter, has been sent to the church elders, and to many of the isolated Sabbath keepers throughout the State. We are hoping that every Sabbath keeper in Indiana will put his name on this blank, if for only one cent per week. This would amount to \$1,000 a year. But we ought to arrange ten cents per week, which would amount to \$10,000 a year. I know that most of us have other obligations, such as church debts, tract society accounts, etc.; but by economy we may be able to cancel such obligations and still help a little in the conference work. The Lord says He will co-operate with us and will open ways for us to earn money for His cause. I hope the church officers will see *every member* as soon as possible, and when you have all their names on this blank, please return it to me promptly. Let your weekly offering begin with the first week of 1902. Who will be first to report.

I. J. HANKINS.

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OBJECT LESSONS.

Read what is said of this book in Testimony 6, pages 468-478. "We do not need feverish excitement, but that courage which is born by genuine faith." As the ministers and Bible workers are called to other labors, let the members of our churches say to them, "Go forward with your appointed work, and we will continue to labor for the circulation of Object Lessons, and for the freedom of our schools." Let no one feel that this work should stop with the special effort of 1900 and 1901. The field is never exhausted, and this book should be sold for the help of our schools for years to come." Good! Courage, brethren. If you have some books still on hand, don't be discouraged, but be thankful that "the field is never exhausted."

We have heard good reports from some who still have a good supply of books. They say they will dispose of them. If there are any who find it impossible to do this, please report to the office. Don't cease your efforts because Christmas is past. The Lord will help you to sell this book in all seasons. Believe it. Try it. I. J. HANKINS.

A Word of Explanation.

I trust that those who have paid part or all on Object Lessons Invoice, to whom Bro. Chew sent notices, stating that our books showed their accounts for the book still unpaid, will not blame him for asking them again. I should have given him information from our general ledger instead of from our small register of names and invoices for this book.

While I am sorry that a number were disturbed with request to pay again, I am also glad that our ledger verifies nearly every claim made by the brethren, in their replies to the

duns. In a few instances, perplexing points have developed because of books lost in transit or because books for more than one society or a number of individuals were sent to one station, and possibly to one address to save charges. Some did not understand that we kept their accounts for Object Lessons separate from the regular individual account. So all things considered, there was much work resulting from the undertaking. The extra correspondence helps to get the situation well in hand, and so far we are able to account for all remittances; but I am sorry that it proved vexatious to subscribers in some instances.

W. C. McCUAIG.

Windfall and West Liberty.

I spent the week of prayer with the Windfall and West Liberty churches. Being only eight miles apart, I arranged the meetings so as to attend both places. Bro. E. Nash was with home church at Windfall, rendering valuable help. The brethren at this place have not much of this world's goods, but they wanted to help what they could; so when the offering was taken up, we had \$35.60 as a thank offering from this church. Our hearts were made glad as we saw these sisters and brethren give of their means to support the cause.

At West Liberty the Lord showered blessings down upon us in great measure. Our hearts were made glad as we saw little children give to the Lord. Though their gifts were small, yet the Lord will receive them gladly. The offerings amounted to \$24.40, making a total of \$60 from these two little churches.

May the Lord bless all our churches that this coming year shall bring a wonderful harvest of souls to the Lord through our donations. Dear brethren, pray for the work in this part of the State, that the Lord may give us power to proclaim the message for this time. J. J. FELLOW.

Patrickburg.

A report from Bro. Donnell and Lloyd came to late for the last issue, and unfortunately, it has been mislaid so it cannot appear in this issue.

The interest there continues, but with increasing opposition of late. A few have decided to obey the Lord; and others are in the "valley of decision." People generally admit the theory of truth, but have not faith to follow their convictions. The

brethren earnestly desire our prayers in behalf of the work in Patrickburg. I. J. H.

OBITUARY.

LUCAS—Killed by falling with a derrick at the Downing glass works, Greenfield, Dec. 19, 1901. Charles Clayton Lucas, son of William and Hannah Lucas, in the thirty-fourth year of his age. Deceased was married to Miss Josephine Creary March 27, 1894. He leaves a devoted wife, a mother and three brothers to mourn their loss. While a member of no church, he was kind, temperate and held in high esteem by all who knew him. Services conducted by the writer at the home of deceased on Sabbath, Dec. 21. S. G. HUNTINGTON.

SPITZER—Died near Middletown, Cordelia B. Spitzer, daughter of Benjamin F. and Mary A. Spitzer, aged 30 years, 4 months, 20 days. The deceased was a native of Virginia, and came to Indiana in 1893. She united with the Mechanicsburg church the same year, and lived a consistent Christian life until death. While in this State she lived with her sister, Mrs. Geo. Zirkle, at whose home she died, after an illness of nine weeks. She leaves a father, mother, three brothers and two sisters to mourn their loss. Funeral conducted by the writer in the Middletown church. S. G. HUNTINGTON.

BROWN—Died at Terre Haute, Dec. 23, of dropsy. H. W. Brown, aged 35 years. His sickness began to assert itself in September, and compelled him to take his bed in October, from which time he gradually grew worse. The funeral services were brief, but encouragement, was given by the writer to both mourners and visitors, to prepare to meet God.

EARNEST VINCE.

What More Can We Do?

We will mail to you Holman's Parallel Self-pronouncing Teachers' Bible, listed at \$6.00, postpaid, upon receipt of \$3.50—just two of these. Only one Holman, list price \$5.00; sent postpaid on receipt of \$2.85. Ten Holman Teachers' Bible, list price \$3.00; sent postpaid on receipt of \$1.75. Sale price on any of these 25 cents less where postage is not required. Only one Holman, list price \$5.00, minion type; sent on receipt of 3 25. A number of cheaper Holman at corresponding offers. All are limp covers. In sending the price describe the book wanted, and if it is sold, state next choice. Good Oxford, two version reference Bible, limp cover, brevier type, list price \$3.00 and \$4.00 at \$2.25 and \$2.85, postpaid respectively, cash with order. Indiana Præc. Society, S. D. A.

CANVASSERS' INSTITUTE.

If there is a sufficient number who would desire special instruction in the canvassing work, we will hold a short institute at this place, beginning January 20, 1902. Let me hear from all those desiring to engage in this line of work. We want those only who expect to give their whole time to canvassing. We want several good earnest devoted persons to prepared to sell our Health books. We will have the general canvassing agent to assist in giving instruction. Arrangements will be made to make the expenses light. Let all whose hearts stir them respond to the call of God for workers in this line. Write at once. F. L. Moody, State Agent, Boggsstown Ind.

Extracts from Canvassers' Letters.

"We have had good success considering everything. We have ordered \$80.25 worth of books. The Lord blessed us wonderfully in delivering books. Only one lady refused to take her book. We will continue our work after the holidays." Lizzie and Mattie Bailey, Logansport.

"I enjoy the work very much. I made several friendly calls, while delivering, and was treated kindly. When I started from home I wondered if I could make expenses. I took the Lord at his word. In Haggai 2: 8 He says, 'The silver is mine and the gold is mine.' In Luke 10: 7 He says, 'The laborer is worthy of his hire.' In Mark 10: 30 He says, 'But he shall receive an hundred-fold now in this time, houses, and brethren, and sisters, . . . with persecution.' I have proved the Lord. He has given me all of this but the persecution. I stayed with one sister, who was indeed a mother to me. She would not take any pay. She belongs to the Christian church. She said that if she received pay she would not be doing anything for the Lord." Mary J. Darby, Forest City.

One Man's Work.

"To me who am the least of all saints is this grace given."—Paul.

The words just quoted are a revelation of the source of the grace that we have enjoyed in doing this work. Indianapolis has had a steady canvass since Jan. 22, 1901, with the following results: Orders taken, 728, including subscription books, Bibles and periodicals; lost, 100. Five hundred families or more to whom the message has gone. Canvasses made

or exhibitions, 5,884, and in each the Sabbath and the coming of the Lord in this generation was clearly and positively stated. No expense to conference. Value of orders from January 22 to date, \$1,121.35. \$960 of which has been delivered, without loss to the conference, and tithes paid on my collections of the remainder. I am much encouraged to press on.

H. S. BROWNING.

Canvassers' Notes.

Miss Gunton has joined the company of canvassers at Logansport.

Bro. B. H. Welch is visiting his family in Battle Creek for a few days.

Bro. and Sr. J. S. Clark are canvassing with good success at Ridgeville.

Carefully read Bro. H. Browning's report for 1901 and "Go thou and do likewise."

Bro. and Sister Thos. F. Keener are doing good work with Great Controversy.

Shall we have one hundred canvassers in Indiana for 1902? Who will help to swell the number?

B. H. Welch and R. H. Hazelton will commence canvassing in Ft. Wayne soon after the holidays.

Are there not other sisters that will show the same confidence in God that Sister Mary J. Darby has?

Misses Ella and Carrie Applegate, of Boggsstown, will commence as regular canvassers soon after the holidays. F. L. MOODY, State Agent.

The May Pledges.

We are glad to report that some of the brethren are faithfully meeting the pledges made in Indianapolis last May. All these pledges are due this day, Jan. 1, 1902. I hope we may soon receive all that is due the cause, whether from individuals, churches, or tract societies. The Lord will bless us, if we are faithful to Him, and with pure motives do our best to advance His work. Let these pledges continue to come in.

I. J. H.

The Auditing Committee.

This committee will meet in Indianapolis January 8, at 10 a. m. to settle with the conference laborers. Let every one who has been in the employ of the conference during the past year, or any part of the year, send his report promptly to the secretary, A. L. Chew, Glenwood. Don't neglect this, but do it at once.

Many subscriptions expire with this issue. Please look for the mark on your paper, and renew at once.

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BRIEF MENTION.

The tithe report for December is held for next issue.

Are you organizing your young people into the Young People's Society of Seventh-day Adventists?

The Indianapolis church school numbers twenty-one pupils at present, and is getting along nicely.

Some of the young girls who were doing their first canvassing did better work than the men. Good!

Sister Nordyke, of Wolcott, Ind., visited Indianapolis during the week of prayer. She lived in the city thirteen years ago.

The Tract society is now obliged to pay postage on Sabbath school quarterlies. The rate is one cent for two quarterlies.

Do you want a Sabbath-school convention in your school this winter? If so, how much—enough to put time and study into the work?

Will all the church school teachers in the State please send name, address and place of labor to Mrs. Clara T. Miller, 1311 Central avenue, Indianapolis.

Bro. L. F. Elliott offers his printing outfit at a bargain; press and material together or separate. Send to him at 152 Hendricks ave., Michigan City, Ind., for particulars.

MARRIED—Edwards—McCoy.

On Christmas Eve, Elden S. Edwards and Minnie Z. McCoy were united in marriage by Elder Huntington at the home of the bride, in Howard county. It was a beautiful wedding, and many congratulations and well wishes were tendered. The Reporter also unites in wishing this happy couple a long and prosperous journey through life.

THE FORWARD MOVEMENT

A Revival of the Study and Practical Application of the Physical Side of Spiritual Truth in its Relation to the Second Advent of Our Lord.

"PREPARE YE THE WAY OF THE LORD."

During the council of the General Conference committee and other brethren assembled in Battle Creek, Oct. 23 to Nov. 3, it was believed by all that the time had come for a genuine revival of interest in the gospel of health among all our people. It has been a long time since there has been a general movement of this kind. It is true that these truths have been taught among us during these years, but their importance as an integral part of the gospel message has not always been appreciated, and in too many cases their practical application has been largely neglected. In the meantime a whole new generation has grown up, and many thousands have received the message. There has also been during these years a wonderful increase of light, so that to-day there is offered to this people a system of truth dealing with the principles which govern our physical well-being such as has not been committed to any other people since the days of Israel.

In the council mentioned it was decided to conduct a special educational effort in behalf of the gospel of health for at least six months, beginning with January, 1902. This work has been placed under the direction of a general committee composed of the following persons: W. W. Prescott, chairman; J. H. Kellogg, W. A. Spicer, G. W. Thompson, A. J. Read, E. R. Palmer. The general scope and purpose of this effort are indicated by its name, "The Forward Movement: a Revival of the Study and Practical Application of the Physical Side of Spiritual Truth in its Relation to the Second Advent of our Lord." We hope to make this a real forward movement in Christian experience, based upon a study of the complete gospel for spirit, soul and body. We hope to set forth the right way of living, the pathway of an intelligent faith in the revelation of God's life, and thus to have the teaching positive rather than negative.

In order to carry out the design to make this movement a general one, the central committee has suggested the forming of local committees in the different parts of the field who

shall direct the work in their several districts. The central committee has also asked the co-operation of the editors of all our publications in the United States, and as far as practicable, in other countries, that space may be granted for articles by special writers, a large number of whom have been asked to contribute.

A book has also been written by Dr. J. H. Kellogg for use in this movement, of which further notice will be given through the various weekly publications. This book will contain twenty-six chapters, thus providing one chapter as the basis of a study for each week during the six months. The title of the book, "The Living Temple," suggests the general plan of the work; it will be ready about Feb. 1. Meantime there will appear in the different publications articles which will present some of the fundamental principles upon which the studies in "The Forward Movement" will be based.

The hearty co-operation of all the people is earnestly asked for, that this effort may prove to be the means of real and permanent blessing. More definite suggestions for organized efforts will be made later and through other channels.

The headquarters for this movement will be at the office of the General Conference, and any correspondence relating to it should be addressed to "The Forward Movement," 267 West Main street, Battle Creek, Mich.

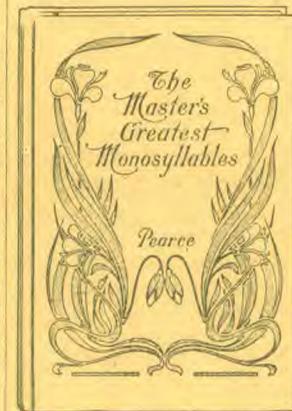
In behalf of the Central committee,
W. W. PRESCOTT, Chairman.

Missionary Work in a Dark City,

Chicago contains nearly two million inhabitants, or more people than the entire population of some of the larger States. Are you sufficiently interested in learning what God is doing for this great mass of humanity, to expend 25 cents for a year's subscription to the Life Boat? The December number contains an article by Dr. Kellogg on "The Beginning" and development of the Chicago Medical Missionary work: early "Experiences in the Chicago Medical Mission" are related by Dr. Kress, who now has charge of our Medical Missionary work in Australia: A thrilling article entitled, "Our First Missionary Work," by Dr. Rand; "Two Years and a half with the Chicago Medical Missionary Training School," is the title of an article by Dr. Paulson. In "The Out-

casts and the Prisoners," Mrs. W. S. Sadler relates some interesting experiences connected with the extensive prison correspondence which she has carried on for a number of years. "What Rescue Work Means," an article by Fannie Emmel, matron of our Life Boat Rest for girls, gives a clear description of the methods employed in directing back to the right path the feet of the erring and the outcast. This article alone is worth many times the price of the paper. "What can be done with the Fragments of Humanity" is the title of a strong article by H. L. Henderson, chaplain of the Indiana state prison, which shows what can be done for a prisoner behind the bars. "An Impressive Anniversary Service" contains the personal experience of a young woman who was not only marvelously saved, but who has been transformed into an earnest missionary worker. No one can read this article without having his faith in God strengthened. Another article relates how a single copy of the Life Boat led eventually to the deliverance of a drug fiend from the horrible bondage of drug slavery.

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