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WE EXPECT SUCCESS.

Shall we have it? Yes, most assuredly, if we *all* follow the Lord's instructions. Nehemiah accomplished the Lord's work because *the people had a mind to work*. We may easily complete the Object Lesson work, if all will do their best. Do you say "There's no money in it, and I can't spare the time?" Well, there is self-denial in it; there is blessing in it; there is joy and peace in it; and there is salvation and precious souls in it. Yes, and there is money in it—not for your purse, but for the Lord's treasury. The man who has not time to sell four books doubtless considers his work more important than the Lord's. Well, he must settle that with the Lord.

Good reports are coming in, and more workers are falling into line. Sickness has hindered some. A sister from Huntington has sold 17 books; others are doing well, and expect to finish their quota soon.

Indianapolis is taking hold with encouraging success. A sister who thought she was too busy with other missionary work, and that Object Lessons was not in her line, finally concluded to take 8 books and see what she could do. Only a few hours, a part of two days, and the books were gone, and she came for a new supply, with interesting experiences to relate. She thinks the sale of Object Lessons does not interfere with other missionary work, but helps it.

A sister left a book with an influential Christian lady, who, at the second visit, expressed herself as perfectly delighted with it; she thinks it a book for everybody, without reference to church or creed. She asked for a few copies to sell to her friends. A brother in Fort Wayne explained to a lady the plan we have adopted in this work, and she at once took one book, and said she had many friends to whom she thought she could sell *her four*, and would do all she could. That is good. The work must be done, even if the Lord has

to use persons not of our faith to do it. Bro. Hadley writes that his district voted to sell its full quota. He and his wife have sold a dozen books in Elkhart, and expect to sell at least fifty in connection with other missionary work.

Our last missionary meeting in Indianapolis was filled with experiences, and not mere theories, which brought courage and hope to the faint-hearted. A sister in Angola, who has charge of her feeble mother, aged 93, sold three books to persons who came to call on them. Some who are now ill write that they will take their books later. Bro. Anderson, of Elwood, has collected \$18.90 up to date, and hopes soon to have the cash for 50 books. Five Sabbath keepers at Monticello have taken 18 books. Bro. Collins reports one brother who opposes this work. One sister who seemed almost crushed under the burden, found, after one day's work, that His yoke is easy, and His burden is light, and she now rejoices in the work. One brother declares that the experience of blessing is more precious to him than the promise of blessing. A sister who is moved to tears in showing the book took three orders in four visits.

Bro. Elliott hopes Lafayette may sell her quota before April 1. He says "I would not take anything for one day's experience." A brother 81 years of age sends for four books, and says he hopes to sell them, but if he cannot, he will send the cash for them. Of course he will sell them; the Lord will help him.

Bro. Daniels writes that the Pacific Union conference has pledged itself to begin a campaign at once, and not to let up till every dollar of the indebtedness of the Healdsburg and Walla Walla colleges, \$66,000, has been paid. Good! He further says, "I would rather not hold the Lake Union conference at all at this time than to have any interruption of the splendid work now being carried on in our conferences." Brethren, let there be no interruption in Indiana.

I. J. HANKINS.

LET THE WORK GO ON.

Some of the leaders of districts in the Object Lessons campaign will be absent for a few days only, attending the Lake Union conference in Chicago. It is expected, however, that those who remain will carry on the work just the same. Church elders, now is the time to prove yourselves. Our danger now will be to let this work drag and "fizzle out." What church elder will allow this to be so? What church will tolerate defeat by its indifference now? What true and loyal member of the church will suffer this work to fail in accomplishing all that God designs? Brethren, the Lord is testing his people. How will I stand? This is the question. The leaders will return to the work by the first Sabbath in April. Let there be no break nor decrease of interest or effort in the meantime. *Now* is the time to *finish* this work. It can be done; it must be done; it will be done, and easily done, if every one will be true and faithful.

Study this quality of faithfulness as presented in Heb. 3:1, 2, 5, 6, 12, 13. Are we holding the "beginning of our confidence steadfast," or are we casting it away, losing it, in the pleasures, or business, or the cares of the world? Study Heb. 10:35. Do we *keep* the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus? If so, we will *do our part* in this Object Lessons work, no matter how great the cross. The Lord knows whether we are of the "remnant" in reality or simply in name, and he wants us to know. Not every one that *saith* . . . but he that *doeth*, shall enter the kingdom. (Matt. 7:21). I. J. HANKINS.

A WRONG IMPRESSION.

Different ones have written that they expect to dispose of the 50 books sent. But let it be borne in mind that the 50 books sent are a part of the 2,000 first ordered, which constitute only one-fourth of Indiana's quota—8,000 books. Let none think of relaxing his efforts until we have sold our 8,000. *This campaign is not to end with April 1*, but to continue till the work is done. Who will gird on the armor anew, and work till the victory is won? We have enlisted for the war, and there is to be no discharge till the battle is over. Let every church dispose of its full quota and do it NOW. I. J. HANKINS.

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VICTORY OR DEFEAT?

Which shall it be? The Lord himself has planned the Object Lessons campaign, and he has called *all* his soldiers to service. Is it too testing a truth to declare that all who fail to respond to this call (unless from physical disability) prove themselves untrue to God? Have we made a covenant with God by sacrifice? A certain young man thought he had done this, but when tested, he refused to sell all and follow Christ. I have seen a few persons who refuse to try to sell four books in order to assist this grand missionary enterprise.

Brethren, I see more and more in this work as the days go by. I see in it a solution of great problems. It is easy now to see how the message may be given to the world in this generation. It reveals God's method of reviving the missionary spirit in his people. It awakens the sleepers, and shows them how to shine. It reveals the sad truth that darkness covers the earth, and gross darkness the people. It also shows how the character of God will be seen in the "remnant," making them the light of the world. It brings us in contact with persons who are seeking light and who desire to know the way of the Lord more perfectly. It shows us that in laying upon us the work of giving this last message, God requires no impossibility. It reveals selfishness, love of the world, and a lack of interest for our fellowmen which ought to lead to genuine repentance and a consecration for service far in advance of anything we have yet seen among this people.

Brethren, if there were hungry people in our neighborhood, and we would go from door to door with bread, would we not find them? Do we not find people who are hungry for the spiritual food in Object Les-

sons? Are they not glad that we called and supplied their need, and did it not bring a blessing to our own souls also, just as the Lord said it would? Shall we not continue the good work, then, bestowing and so receiving still greater blessings?

I. J. HANKINS.

IMPORTANT ACTION.

The resolution below was unanimously adopted at the recent meeting of the Conference committee, and it was voted to publish it in the Reporter:

WHEREAS, In times past some of the laborers in the Indiana Conference of Seventh-day Adventists have persistently remonstrated against the wishes of the conference, and refused to connect with the work where requested to labor; and

WHEREAS, The honor, dignity and high calling of the Conference must be maintained and respected; therefore be it

Resolved, That the laborers in the Indiana Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, when invited or called by either the home conference, the Lake Union conference, or General conference, to another field of labor or branch of the work, shall, unless able to present just and ample reasons to the satisfaction of not less than three-fourths of the executive board for contrary action, respond favorably, or else forfeit their papers as recognized laborers, surrender their official position, if holding any, and no longer be considered on the payroll of the Conference.

"I CAN'T CANVASS."

Of course *you* can't, for *you* can't do any good work. But, brother, stop a moment and consider. Why do you excuse yourself? It was the men who were called to the supper who excused themselves. Does your statement, "I can't canvass," reveal the fact that you have been impressed that you ought to canvass? If so, who impressed you? If it was the Lord, do you think he made a mistake? If He has called you to be an instrument in his hands, does he not know where he can use you to the best advantage?

If your own mind has been surrendered, and you are letting the mind of Christ be in you, will you ask to be excused from any work to which he may call you? Surely not!

Since there ought to be 100 men in the canvassing field where there is now one, it is evident that the Lord is calling men. Those who are called will know it, *do* know it. But won't the Lord excuse them? Ask Him. Sometimes we excuse ourselves from duty, and think the Lord excused us. Do not make this mistake. Christ said he could nothing; but he also said that the Father who dwelt in him did the work. If Christ dwells in us, he will use us as canvassers, if he chooses to do so, and if we are willing, and we will be willing. He does not use men against their will. I am writing to those whom God is calling. You know, brother, sister, if he is calling you. If he is, do not be afraid to say, "I am ready, Lord; use me as thou wilt." Who will respond to his convictions, and trust God for success? I. J. H.

INDIANA INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

In our last committee meeting it was thought best not to decide definitely the location of our State school till after the Lake Union conference. In the meantime, if there are other propositions, gifts of land or money, let them be made known. Those who have pledged money to this school fund should have it in readiness any time.

Wolf Lake is still working to build up its school. Elder J. W. Covert is moving his family to that place, and will work for the school. They expect to hold on till success comes. To me, brethren, this is a most important matter, and I am anxious that the Lord shall direct every movement. I. J. HANKINS.

Denver, Rochester, Etc.

One hundred and fifty-three Object Lessons were sold in this district up to March 21 some of them to be delivered in April, and some in May. We have received in cash for books sold, \$65. Some are willing to sell many times their quota; others have sold their quota, and still others could not be induced to do anything. One aged sister who took 20 books, had sold 18 of them a week ago. A young sister at Inwood sold 18, another 8, a young man 6, while others have sold their quota, and intend to sell more. A sister at Denver sold 4, then got 3 more to sell. Some who have been successful, at first thought they could not possibly sell even one book. Sickness has been a serious drawback to the work in my district.

Not being able to canvass, and being financially unable to buy the books, the work of some has been deferred to a later date. As to the outlook, I have nothing discouraging to report. All we need is to be of good courage, and carry out what we said we would do, and our district may soon sing the song of jubilee.

J. M. ELLIS.

New Albany.

Sickness, hard times, the erection of a charity hospital, etc., have hindered my work somewhat; yet for a number of days I took from four to seven orders. Up to March 21 I delivered 22 Object Lessons, and taken orders for 50 more.

This work has given opportunity to become acquainted with many people, and God's message for to-day has entered hundreds of homes, opening the way for Bible study. Some are anxious to hear our views publicly presented, and promise to come if meetings are held. We found many sick and afflicted, some of whom were comforted by words of counsel, and others relieved of suffering by treatments we have given. The doors of one Catholic family were opened in this way. May God help us all to be faithful workers always; but especially let us finish the present work with more zeal than it was begun, that soon our Lord may say, "Well done."

I. G. BIGELOW.

Results of One Effort.

Bro. Moody came to our home a short time ago and talked about selling Object Lessons. I felt I could not sell books, but saw that this work was of God, and a test to us. By it we would show our confidence, or lack of confidence in God. I determined to make an effort, and told the Lord if any books were sold, He must sell them. The first one I canvassed took a book and paid me the cash. In a few hours I sold six books, and had such a precious experience. I praise the Lord for the privilege. Every member of our family took hold, and together we sold 15 books. We expect to continue till the work is done. Mrs. D. C. HORLACHER, Frankfort, Ind.

Boggs town.

The brethren here have taken hold of the work of selling Object Lessons and the Lord greatly blessed them. They spent one day at Franklin, and sold 30 books. They took their full quota of 200 books, and have already sold about half of them. They are greatly encouraged. Sabbath, March 1, the Lord came very near, in our meeting, and ten of our children and young people were converted to God. The brethren and sisters believe this is the result of their taking hold of

the work the Lord has given his people to do at this time.

Can We?.

"I can not make a living and sell books." This is what many are saying to-day. But, brethren, is it not only an excuse? Here is the report of some already in the field:

G. G. Davis, at Jefferson, 87 hours work; value of orders, \$44; wages per hour, 28 cents.

H. S. Browning, Indianapolis, for month of February, 160 hours; value of orders, \$105; wages per hour, 33½c.

REPORT OF TITHES FOR FEBRUARY

Over Draft Feb. 1, 1902.....		\$228 08
Anderson.....	\$7 80	
Counersville.....	7 64	
Denver.....	2 83	
Evansville.....	15 95	
Elnora.....	40 00	
Farmersburg.....	37 95	
Homer.....	3 00	
Honey Creek.....	5 00	
Idaville.....	10 00	
Individuals.....	98 73	
Indianapolis.....	68 44	
Jonesboro.....	21 00	
Kokomo.....	5 00	
Kennard.....	11 50	
LaFayette.....	36 42	
Lebanon.....	100 00	
Ligonier.....	4 50	
Logansport.....	11 10	
Mechanicsburg.....	163 30	
Marion.....	22 70	
Maxwell.....	20 27	
North Liberty.....	6 00	
Patricksburg.....	38 25	
Princeton.....	6 71	
South Milford.....	6 60	
Salem.....	31 51	
South Bend.....	13 85	
Terre Haute.....	27 12	
West Liberty.....	4 05	
Windfall.....	9 08	
Greenfield.....	2 14	
Waterloo.....	22 77	
Received during Feb.....	860 71	
Paid labors in Feb.....		1,267 96
Overdraft March 1, 1902.....	\$772 58	

CANVASSERS' REPORT.

BIBLE READINGS				
	Hrs.	Ord's	Val.	Helps.
R. H. Hazelton.....	94	24	\$54 25	16 25
S. G. Davis.....	51	13	29 40	1 00
H. S. Browning.....	5	11	49	78 00
MARVEL OF NATIONS.				
Lizzie Bailey.....	30	8	9 74	3 25
Mattie Bailey.....	34	11	13 00	2 00
Mary J Darby.....	48	9	7 50	
COMING KING.				
T. J. Clark.....	18	3	3 00	50
Fred Hall.....	8	1		
Ella VanHook.....	11	14	75	10 24
HEALTH BOOKS.				
S. S. Gfry.....	12	3	16 00	19 74
H. S. Browning.....	4	16	50	
MISCELLANEOUS.				
O O Martin.....	57	7	8 00	
Mrs Lizzie West.....			15 50	
Sarah Hinton.....	12	3		
Maggie Clark.....			4 16	

SUMMARY--No of canvassers, 16; No hours 423; orders, 104; value of orders, \$228 90; value of helps, \$131 00. Total value \$359 90. Average per hour, 36½ cents

Fiery spices create a thirst that the town pump cannot satisfy; thus the kitchen becomes a vestibule to the saloon, and the cook goes into partnership with the undertaker.

NOTES.

Elder W. A. Young's present home address is Scotland, Ontario, Canada.

The Midwinter Good Health can be had for 4 cents each. Please order at once.

Mrs. T. B. Creager writes that they have sold their home, and will soon remove from Sullivan.

The Indiana tithes for the year ending Dec. 31, 1901, was \$13,906.70; for the year 1900, \$12,050.99. Increase, \$1,855.71. Average per month, 1901, \$1,158.89.

Order your Lesson Quarterlies and be sure to include postage; 2 cents for three pamphlets; four will go for same amount; five and six for 3 cts. etc. Above this figure ½c for each additional quarterly.

Bro. H. C. Winslow, St. Joe Savings Bank building, South Bend, Ind., can use a great many of our periodicals. Send clean copies of Review, Signs, etc., by mail or express prepaid.

Remember that the semi-annual offering for Haskell and James White Homes is due April 5. Since the fire at the Sanitarium the homes are deprived of one source of help. Make contributions as liberal as possible.

OBITUARY.

CRASHER—Died of paralysis, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Charles Zirkle, near Mechanicsburg, Peter Crasher, in his 73d year. He was a member of the U. B. church. He leaves two daughters and many friends to mourn their loss. Services conducted at the house by the writer. Text, Ps. 89:48. S. G. HUNTINGTON.

One Experience.

I started out March 17 to sell Object Lessons. I was encouraged from the first in that Christ had promised to go with me, to uphold me, and to send angels ahead to prepare the people for the reception of the book. I left a book at the first house to be examined. I made two efforts, and sold seven books, selling one at every house I called except the first. All who have taken expressed a desire to help in placing the book in the hands of the people. LAURA BRADBURN, Indianapolis.

Buy your Kout of the Lane Bros. Food Co., at Kokomo, Ind., in 50-lb. cans for 12½ cents per pound.

A YEAR OF BIBLE STUDY.

Not long ago I came across this sentence written by a very faithful laborer, and printed in one of our papers about three years ago: "I solemnly believe that if a person is so situated that he can study the lesson and attend the Sabbath school, and does not do so, he will never attain to such knowledge of God as will bring to him eternal life." At first thought it may seem as if that is a very extreme view to take; but the idea is certainly worthy of study. Of late it has seemed that a spirit of indifference to the Sabbath school has crept into the minds of many of our people, and in nearly all churches are those who entirely absent themselves from the Sabbath school, or are very irregular in their attendance. While our Sabbath schools need and should have the presence and help of every believer, the need is not wholly on one side. Those who are carelessly depriving themselves of this means of grace may be turning away from that which might be to them a "savour of life unto life."

The Sabbath school is the church organized and equipped for the systematic study of the word of God. There is no service that equals it in giving opportunity for individual study and training. The Spirit of the Lord has said: "The Sabbath school is an important branch of the missionary work, not only because it gives to young and old a knowledge of God's word, but because it awakens in them a love for its sacred truths, and a desire to study them for themselves; above all, it teaches them to regulate their lives by its holy teachings."

Can any one deliberately or carelessly turn away from the Sabbath school, and cut themselves off from its service and from the study of the lessons which are engaging the attention of a large number of the people of God, and not suffer material loss? Can we really estimate the possible loss? Can any portion of the Scripture become so familiar to us that we know all there is of God in any text, and that nothing more can be revealed to us by study? These are questions our people should consider.

We are now entering on the study of a new series of lessons. The arrangement of the lessons is new, and such as to encourage the most thorough Bible study. The subject of the

senior lessons, "Studies in the Gospel Message," should appeal to every adult person as worthy of their most careful attention. The youth's lessons are based upon the same series. The children are starting in upon a three years' study of Bible history, something after the manner of the lessons used in book form years ago. In all divisions of the Sabbath school the quarter beginning April 1 marks an important epoch in Bible study.

We appeal to every family and to every person in our ranks to study the Sabbath school lessons and connect with the Sabbath school work. If you are within reach of a school, let no trivial thing hinder your regular and prompt attendance. If you are isolated, send for a Lesson Quarterly and for the lesson papers for your children, and in the fear of God, unite in the study of the lessons. Let us have a year of *real Bible study*. And the study of that Word will surely be "the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth." Mrs. L. FLORA PLUMMER.

REMEMBER APRIL 5.

It is suggested that Sabbath, April 5th, be specially devoted to the study of medical missionary work and how to promote the great cause of health reform. We are not asked for contributions on that day, but that the needs of the work be considered, and then, in our own homes, we can plan for the support of the work.

The Missionary Acre fund should be kept in mind by every farmer. Set apart an acre or more for the Lord, and see how much you can raise for

his cause. Let the children have a part in this. If you have no land, you may give a portion of the proceeds from your poultry, or your best week's wages. Do something; don't forget it. Read again on this subject in Review of March 11. Let the church elders prepare something for April 5, and let us all be thinking how we can help the Medical Missionary College work. I. J. H.

WANTED—An S. D. A. Painter, or young man who wishes to learn the trade. A good proposition to one who can furnish a horse and wagon. S. H. WILLIAMSON, 602 S. Meridian street, Indianapolis.

WHO WILL RESPOND?—I will be glad to hear from some of our brethren in the country who will give homes to two boys aged 9 and 11. The case is urgent, as they must be placed somewhere by May 1, and among Sabbath keepers.

Also, if any one knows of one or two girls about 8 years old who need homes, I can supply them homes at once among our people. L. F. ELLIOTT, 1422 E. Main st., Lafayette, Ind.

FOR SALE—My printing outfit, consisting of a 5x8 self-inking, Model lever press, about 50 pounds good long primer Roman, and a few job faces of type, together with cases, leads, mechanical quoins, rules, etc., at a bargain for cash. L. F. ELLIOTT, 1422 E. Main st., Lafayette, Ind.

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H-O Breakfast Crisps, - -	9c	Raw Peanuts, per pound, -	5½c
Malted Grain-O, - - - -	10c	Roasted Peanuts, " - - -	10c
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