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GIVING

BY J. S. WASHBURN.

The Lord Jesus said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." The joy of heaven is the joy of giving. Every good gift is poured out upon us that we may give to others. He who does not give will soon cease to receive, will stagnate and die. See that slimy pool, dead and breeding death and malaria. Why? Because it has no outlet. So is he that lives only to himself, who will not give to others, fearing that he himself shall have nothing. But turn from that loathsome death and decay to this gushing, singing mountain stream, clear as crystal. Why this wondrous difference? The mountain stream forever flows onward, outward. There is an inlet because there is an outlet; there is an inflow because there is an outflow. The stream flows in only as it flows out, and as rapidly. This is God's philosophy of giving and receiving. It is blessed to receive only as we give that which is received to others. The River of life flows ever outward from God to all creation, animate or inanimate, and is in all those who receive him a well of water springing up, flowing out to others. He who gives will receive; he who fears to give, fearing that he will not have enough for himself, will soon cease to receive. He who would have the heavenly riches must sell and give. The Lord sent Elijah to a poor widow who had just enough for one last meal for her son and herself. The prophet requested that she should make him "a little cake first, and bring it unto me, and after make for thee and thy son." And as long as she thus made the cause of God, in the person of Elijah, first, so long was there abundance to preserve her life and the life of her son, while all about her those who lived only for themselves were dying. Truly in this, the Elijah message, this miracle will be repeated for all who have the faith of Jesus. He who has freely received will freely give, and he himself will freely receive as he freely gives—he will receive all that God has for him, when he gives all he is and has for the cause of God.

OBJECT LESSON WORK.

BY I. J. HANKINS.

Reports have not yet been received concerning the two weeks' campaign, but I feel sure that a good work has been accomplished. It was not the design to close the work with this two weeks' effort; but that that period should be especially devoted to this work. I am hoping that all who can will continue their efforts in the sale of this book until the last one is disposed of.

I am anxious to get reports showing the status of the work at this time. I therefore ask the leaders in different districts to report to me at once. Also please send a duplicate of your report to Bro. McCuaig, at the

office. We would like to know, before the close of the General Conference, how the work stands in Indiana; so I hope you will co-operate in this, that we may have the desired information: Please do not neglect this, but send in your report as quickly as possible. Write me, care of Pacific Press Pub. Co., Oakland, Calif., during the Conference.

HOW TO GET IT

BY I. J. HANKINS.

Get what? Money. What for? Missionary work. When so many calls are coming, and so many opportunities present themselves for seed-sowing, how can we get the seed? It takes money to buy tracts and papers. The question is solved, however, with all who are able and willing to work.

The Life Boat, Signs, Sentinel, tracts, etc., all sell for more than double their cost. So the money for missionary work is in the work itself. For instance, 20 Life Boats will cost you 40 cents; you sell them at 5 cents each, and receive \$1; with this \$1 you buy 50 copies, and sell them for \$2.50; and so you continue. The money is in the work, and multiplies as the work increases.

If your society owes the State; if members owe the local society; if individuals have unpaid pledges; or if any one wishes to give a birthday offering, or 25 or 50 cents monthly to the Industrial Academy—for these or other purposes, the selling of papers and tracts offers a source of revenue. It does more. It puts into your hands an agency of light and blessing, enabling you to go about doing good. I can see within our reach great possibilities, as means by which we may co-operate with the Lord in quickly finishing his work.

The pioneers in this movement, the 1844 Adventists, are falling one by one. Elder Smith, who, for nearly three-score years, proclaimed this message by voice and pen, has just been laid away to rest till the Life-Giver comes. The adults who left Egypt over half a century ago have nearly all fallen in the wilderness. But there will be a few Calebs and Joshuas living and ready to be translated when the Lord shall come, a few who have wholly followed the Lord. The Lord is now proving his people. What is our standing, brethren?

NOTICE

We call attention to the collection to be taken for the Haskell Home, Sabbath, April 4. Let every church respond liberally on that day, for this worthy institution.

The Lesson Quarterlies for the second quarter are now in stock. Please send your orders for them to the Indiana Tract Society, 1311 Central avenue, Indianapolis. They are now 5 cents each, postpaid.

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OBJECT LESSONS

BY I. J. HANKINS.

Good reports have come from those who have been actively engaged in the campaign. Some have not sold many books, but have received blessings in calling on the people. Others have done well in selling and taking orders. We have not received full reports from the field; but it is evident, from facts presented, that our stock of books will be greatly reduced by this effort. Many have taken their quota and paid cash for them. If every church would do this, the State would be free. We could then send in the money, and the work on Emmanuel Missionary College could soon be completed.

I would suggest that the churches that are able to do so, pay for all books left on your hands April 1st. You can then take more time for selling them. Possibly one, or two, or three members could advance the money for the books, giving more time to sell them, and get back the money. A still better plan would be to keep at the work till it is finally completed.

Thank you, brethren, for your co-operation in this effort; but let us not lay off the armor till the last book is sold.

IT WILL PAY

The two sisters who are on a missionary tour to the Pacific coast sent in nearly \$200 above running expenses, the result of three weeks' work, selling papers.

Bro. and Sister Niehaus have started on a similar campaign, intending to pay their way to the General Conference by selling Life Boats and Signs. Let us pray for their success. Space forbids more than a mere mention of their work as far as St. Louis. They left Indianapolis on the 9th, after selling 100 Signs on the evening following the Sabbath. At Terre Haute they sold 40 Signs and 75 Life Boats. They were joined by Miss Nina Case and Miss Ford at St. Louis. From St. Louis the Chicago workers expect to go to Little Rock, while Bro. and Sister Niehaus intend to work Fort Worth, El Paso, Los Angeles, Pasadena, Santa Barbara, San Jose, and arrive at San Francisco about the first of April. Friends desiring to address them will please send letters in care of Pacific Press, Oakland, Calif.

NOTICE

The delegates are off to the General Conference, and will be gone till about April 20. Please address Elders I. J. Hankins and C. H. Bliss, Oakland, Calif., care of Pacific Press, till further notice.



BE IN EARNEST

BY J. E. DUNN.

"The Lord is in earnest with us."—Vol. 7, p. 90. "We must now be terribly in earnest."—Mrs. E. G. White, in R. and H. March 3, 1903. "The Lord calls for many more to engage in the canvassing work in the year 1903."—Test. tract. "Where there is one canvasser in the field, there should be one hundred."—Manual for Canvassers, page 7.

When one stops to weigh these statements and then to compare what is being done with what ought to be accomplished in circulating our books, he will find a desire in his heart to see more done. The Lord has always been in earnest with us; but now is the time for us to be terribly in earnest. Many realize that our corps of canvassers ought to be enlarged; but with this realization the majority, instead of seeking the Lord to open the way for them to enlist, "all with one consent began to make excuse." Among the excuses given, these are prominent: "I was not cut out for a canvasser;" "I can't canvass;" "I am not fitted for a canvasser;" "We cannot make a living canvassing, but we can work and help others stay in the work." etc. These are simply excuses—spoken, not because the one speaking is in earnest, but because he doesn't want to, yet hoping to lead others to think he is in earnest. If we were to suggest to the persons making such excuses that they were not fit for the work, or that they might make a home for canvassers, they would show at once that they did not thank us for such suggestions. These excuses are pagan ideas, pure and simple—justification of self. Excuses are no longer to be made, but "we must now be terribly in earnest."

When will our people, young and old, preachers and teachers, mechanics, business men, farmers, and all, become so much in earnest that they will give up every thing, even excuses, and connect with the work, to hasten the coming of the day of God? The work must be completed in this generation, and some people are going to be in earnest; and it might as well be you, my brother, my sister, as any one else. Earnestness, courage, perseverance, faith, determination, are gifts of God, and will be given when we submit to God, acknowledging that we haven't them of ourselves, but we need them in order to be efficient workers for him.

I am praying earnestly that God will put a spirit of earnestness into the hearts of a number of his people in this State, that we may see the book work built up in God's way. Brethren and sisters, won't you come, saying, "Here am I, send me?"

NORTH VERNON

BY J. S. SHROCK.

We have been here a little over four weeks. The first few days were spent in getting settled. Since, our time has been spent in selling Object Lessons. We find the people kind and easy of access. Thus far my wife and I have taken twenty-five orders and eight conditional; five of the books have been delivered.

We have held no meetings as yet, although some of the people have inquired whether we would not hold some meetings soon. Last Sabbath Sister Powell met with us, and we had Sabbath school. We have visited several of the churches, where we have been kindly received and invited to take part in the services. We hope to see a good work accomplished here and in the vicinity. North Vernon has about 3,500 inhabitants.

Jacob Arnbrecht, who never had any experience in canvassing for our literature, started out one day, and canvassed among the leading business men and others in the town of Francesville, for Object Lessons, and in less than one hour took orders and made cash sales for eight or nine books. It took but a few words to get them to take the book. All we need is courage, brethren and sisters, and trust in God. If you do not have material success in selling the book, you will truly have a spiritual blessing. Prove the Lord, and see if he will not do as he agrees.

College View, Neb., Feb. 7, 1903.

Dear Brothers and Sisters:—We gave the prisoners in the Nebraska State prison three hundred Life Boats, and we were glad of the opportunity: We feel sure that the Lord will in some way repay us for them. The chaplain told us to shake hands with the prisoners and get acquainted with them. While I was talking with a couple of the men, one of them said, "If I had ever had a kind word spoken to me before, I would not have been in this place." The other man said, "Yes, that is the way with me; when I get out of here, I am going to do all I can to help you people. The Life Boat work is a good work. We get copies every little while. I have a farm yet, and some property; they are saving it until I get out, and then I am going to help you people all I can, and try to keep other fellows from getting in here."

Please send us another thousand Life Boats to Kansas City. This number of the Life Boat just melts away. Yours in the work, MARY —

Council Bluffs, Iowa.

Dear Friends:—The last two days I have taken subscriptions from merchants, saloon-keepers, store-keepers, lawyers, policemen, station-masters, dentists, tailors, mothers, fathers, boys and girls, bankers, proprietors of hotels and restaurants, farmers; agents, citizens, Irishmen, Germans, Frenchmen, and many others; in all manner of circumstances, through ear trumpets, speaking tubes, and all sorts of ways. We try to give everybody a chance. Yesterday, while we were in an office, a man said, "Yes, I would like to take a Life Boat, but I haven't a cent of money." He had met me at the door in a reckless sort of way; he had a cigar in his mouth, but he removed it as he dropped his head and said in a low tone, "I have been spending all the money I could get in the last few months. I have had a great deal of trouble; I have lost my wife and little child, and so I don't care much for anything any more." I replied, "Don't you know that if you live a good life here on this earth, and do what is right, you have the promise of meeting your loved ones on the other shore?" "That is so," he said. I gave him a Life Boat; he could not say anything, but swallowed to keep back the tears, and without raising his head he nodded "Thank

you." As I left him reading the paper, I asked God to direct his eye to some sentence or article, or scripture text which would help him to plant his feet upon the solid rock Christ Jesus, and I have faith to believe that God did. Your sister in His work. MARY —

Kokomo, Ind., Feb. 28, 1903.

I have examined the book, Christ's Object Lessons, and unhesitatingly recommend it as a valuable addition to any one's library. It is devoted to a study of the parables, and I feel sure it will prove helpful in arriving at an understanding or interpretation of these precious teachings. I most cordially recommend it to the public.—M. L. PEARSON, Pastor Pres. Church.

Milburg, Mich., Jan. 27, 1903.

After a careful examination of Ellen G. White's new book on the parables of our Lord, I cheerfully recommend it to the public. It is a gem of literature, and should be on every table.—C. E. RICHARDS, Pastor of the Church of Christ.

REPORT OF TITHES FOR FEBRUARY, 1903

Boggs town	\$57 21	Marion	\$10 00
Connorsville	9 22	Middletown	13 36
Dana	2 00	Mt. Vernon	11 25
Evansville	2 00	North Liberty	4 00
Grass Creek	56 65	New London	1 00
Etna Green	3 20	Northfield	40 00
Honey Creek	2 00	Salem	6 00
Huntington	22 42	South Bend	117 27
Idaville	1 00	Terre Haute	48 32
Individuals	56 54	West Liberty	18 00
Indianapolis	72 61	Windfall	5 75
Jonesboro	16 05	Elwood	11 27
LaFayette	45 86	Greenfield	28 94
Ligonier	7 95	Franklin	9 00
Michaels	69 05	Noblesville	16 53
Mechanicsburg	43 16		

Total February receipts.....\$807 61

Total disbursements in February.....\$1,179 38

Tithe Dr. to cash March 1, 1903.....1,129 66

On January 1, 1902, there was loaned to the tithe fund \$1,300. On March 15, 1903, we find that since that \$1,300 loan, the additional sum that has been drawn out for Conference laborers and second tithe amounts to \$1,588.05, making a total of \$2,888.05 that should be paid back to the various funds from the tithe. Something should be done to remedy this.

W. C. McCUAIG, Sec'y and Treas.

Mary E. Crawford, on behalf of the Winamac church, writes: "The Lord has blessed wonderfully in the sale of the fifty books that we received from the office about the first of March. They are nearly all ordered, and some sold for cash. We hope to sell our quota here." Along with this report, these brethren have ordered 40 more books.

In the next issue of the Reporter we hope to make a full showing of the pledges and donations to the Indiana Industrial School fund that have not been previously reported in these columns. Dear reader, may we not have the privilege of placing your name in that list?

WANTED.—A good S. D. A. single man to work on farm; must be experienced; \$20 per month for a bright man. Address at once LEE HORLACHER, Frankfort, Ind.

NOW IS THE TIME

BY I. J. HANKINS.

Soon the busy rush of spring and summer will be here. Evenings will be short, and people will have but little time to read. Just now, for two or three weeks, the weather will be unsettled, and at least some people will not be specially busy.

Well, what of it? This is the time to push the sale of Object Lessons. Spend an evening with your neighbor, and show him the book. Take tracts and papers with you. If he will not buy, then loan him something to read. This leaves the door open for a later call, for further work. Many have sold books by leaving them a day or two for examination. The Lord has blessed the efforts put forth, and he will continue to bless us as we do the work he has assigned us.

BIRTHDAY OFFERINGS.

J. E. Dunn.....	\$0 71	E. Light.....	\$0 81
Hillard Snoden	13	Princeton ch. school..	49
Mr. Samuel.....	1 64	Carl Strickler	13
Fort Wayne.....	1 37		

The March Advocate will be placed in the hands of between 40,000 and 50,000 public school teachers. This large edition called for an unusual amount of work. The presses in the Advocate printing office have been running day and night. Some may not have received their papers as early in the month as they expected. Do not become worried, if this is the case, for every order will be filled, although the size of the edition necessitated some delay in mailing.

The publishers wish to express their hearty appreciation of the kindness of the friends of the Advocate and of Christian education, in this effort to spread the truth. We will be much better prepared to handle the next big edition, as we have just received a gift of a large press.

We are told that church members have not been awake to the truths that our larger books contain. They are now called upon to "work earnestly to circulate these books. Let no one think that he is at liberty to fold his hands and do nothing." Complaints will cease when earnest work begins.

WANTED—Young or single S. D. A. brother at \$20 per month, to work at hay-making, and at saw-mill or felling timber. Opportunities, too, for distributing tracts, which I will furnish free. M. D. KARR, Fair Oaks, Indiana.

It has been advised that our brethren everywhere hold a special prayer service on Sabbath, March 28, for the blessings of God to rest upon those assembled in General Conference at Oakland.

Volume 7, Testimonies, cloth, 75 cents. Every Seventh-day Adventist family needs this book.

Elder and Mrs. Hankins left Indianapolis for the General Conference at 11 a. m. Sunday.

Elder Bliss expects to start to the General Conference next Sunday.

REPORT OF CANVASSING WORK FOR FOUR WEEKS, ENDING MARCH 6, 1903.

NAME.	PLACED.	Hrs.	Ex.	D. O. A.	D. & R.	G. C.	C. K.	H. O. M.	H. H. B.	L. G. A.	Bib. R.	P. & P.	Orders	Value.	Value Helps.	Del.	Value.
H. S. Browning	Indianapolis	103	3	5	6	3	2	2	2	3	4	28	\$83 75	\$57 40	.....	\$32 50
B. H. Welch	Bluffton	77	3	5	6	3	2	2	2	3	4	40	74 00	30 65	.....	8 00
S. S. Daubenspeck	Bluffton	77	3	5	6	3	2	2	2	3	4	11	22 50	5 15	.....	1 15
Louis Saucerman	Vincennes	77	3	5	6	3	2	2	2	3	4	2	4 00	6 25	.....	.....
No. canvassers, 4	Totals	180	3	5	6	3	2	2	2	3	4	81	\$184 25	\$99 45	.....	\$41 65

We would be glad to get reports from several of the sisters who are putting in part of their time in the field. We know they are doing something, for we are getting orders from them quite often for books. Please report, and write us as to your experience. We are still sending out the Object Lessons. On account of muddy roads, we may be slow in selling the entire number. Let the good work keep right on. Have you read the four new tracts yet? If not, read them, and they will create within you a desire to have others read them. We are prepared to mail them to you at the rate of 72 cents per hundred. Send in your orders for these tracts at once.

UNEMPLOYED MEN AND WOMEN

It will pay you to read every word of the following unsolicited letter from one of our salesmen:—

BATTLE CREEK, MICH.
During the past few months I have been canvassing more or less in Battle Creek for the Magic Pocket Vaporizer, and have found that well-directed efforts meet with success. One prominent business man remarked, "It is the best selling thing I ever saw, because everybody wants it."

I find little difficulty in getting recommendations from influential people, having secured half a dozen testimonials from among the clergy of this city. The canvasser needs but little capital in selling this instrument, as deliveries are made as fast as opportunity affords, and in this way he will find his influence constantly increasing. A splendid opportunity is also afforded to do missionary work among the suffering, and the canvasser can make good wages besides.

I predict a large sale for the Magic Pocket Vaporizer. Wm. Arnold.

MAGIC POCKET VAPORIZER

Is the most effective means yet devised for applying healing remedies to the diseased mucous membrane found in catarrhal affections of the nose, throat, and lungs. Write the Modern Medicine Co., 242 Champion St., Battle Creek, Mich., to-day, and name your choice of territory.