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A WARNING

IN the first issue of the REPORTER published this year we promised to keep our people informed regarding the vital issues of the day, and the dangers through which we are passing. Truly we are in the shaking time, and the church is to be "mightrily shaken;" but it will come forth from this experience clothed with greater power, and will then move forward in one solid body to victory.

The devil will make every attempt possible, from every source, to overthrow the work we are doing. The Lord has said in His Word that Satan will work "with all power, and signs, and lying wonders, and with all deceivableness of unrighteousness;" and unless we are on the

alert and obey the injunction, "Watch," he will come upon us as he did upon Eve, and in such a pleasing and innocent way that we will be deceived and led astray.

Just now there is being circulated a pamphlet of 77 pages emanating from Colorado, purporting to be laden with that which will bring the loud cry of the Third Angel's Message, and having the purest motives and only the best good of the denomination in view. Much scripture is quoted and misapplied, yet presented in such a smooth way that it is calculated to deceive the honest in heart, bringing them into great trial.

This book aims a deadly blow at organization, and its teachings if read will bring in the greatest Babel and confusion ever seen in any denomination. It would destroy every principle of truth held by us, setting aside the Spirit of Prophecy, yet at the same time professing faith in it; and by its subtle teaching many will be deceived. I tremble for those who may not be able to detect the cunning of the serpent in this finely spun theory, and who are liable to be led into his delusions.

This pamphlet, I understand, has been endorsed by those leading in the present apostasy, and is to be published and sent out by the thousands everywhere. Do not be deceived by its statements that it has no knowledge of, or connection with, the present apostasy, and even condemning some things in it. This makes it all the more deceptive. Shun it, my brethren and sisters, as you would any other ism of Satan, or anything that exalts itself against our organized work, which has been built up and fostered for fifty years under the Spirit of Prophecy.

Is it necessary for the rank and file of our people to read such literature in order to ascertain whether it teaches the truth? The first question for us to settle is, Have we been

taught the truth in that which we have believed and practised for the past fifty years? If so, then why should we spend our valuable time in reading something intended to weaken our faith and overthrow these fundamentals of our work? Would it not be better for us to take the advice of the great apostle to the Gentiles, as found in Galatians the first chapter? "There be some that trouble you, and would pervert the gospel of Christ. But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed. As we said before, so say I now again, If any man preach any other gospel unto you than that ye have received, let him be accursed." Gal. 1:7-9.

To make this truth stand out in all its importance the Lord repeats it, making it doubly sure. Again we read in Romans 16:17, 18, "Now I beseech you, brethren, mark them which cause divisions and offenses contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned; and avoid them. For they that are such serve not our Lord Jesus Christ; and by good words and fair speeches deceive the hearts of the simple." It may be necessary for a few of our leading brethren to read such literature in order to meet these deceptions, but it will be far better for the great majority of our brethren and sisters to spend their time studying the Bible and Testimonies, thus fortifying themselves against these attacks of Satan. It is sad and a lamentable fact that as the Lord told us years ago, some who have stood as light-bearers in this denomination, will apostatize, their light will become darkness; and, as the Lord has said, "How great is this darkness." But no matter how high a man has stood, the higher the greater the fall, and the greater his power and influence to deceive. Satan furnishes us a telling example. Let us learn the

lesson and shun his devices and his wonderful workings in the children of men. We are in the perils of the last days, and let us not stop and parley or converse with the serpent, but let us shun his words though they be smooth as oil and seemingly based upon Scripture, for he will deceive and in the end thrust us through the heart with his fiery dart. Give these deceptive writings no lodgment in your minds, but shun them as you would poison, for that is what they are. Hold fast to the truths as you have been taught; study them more fervently; ask God to keep you from these delusions that are arising on every hand. This is our only safety. Read carefully the articles now appearing in the *Review* on organization. Stand by the old landmarks, and you are safe, for the old ship will carry you safely through, and that very soon, to the haven of rest.

W. J. STONE.

"HOW MUCH OWEST THOU?"

"How much owest thou unto my lord?" This question was asked by an unfaithful steward of those indebted to his master; and it is a very pertinent question for each one of us to put to himself in this day and age of the world, with reference to the great obligations we are under to our Heavenly Father, that we may criticize ourselves whether or not we are faithful in our stewardship.

The truths of God, and especially the Third Angel's Message, have been brought to us at infinite cost; and has it ever occurred to the mind of the reader that a great honor has been paid him by the Deity, in singling him out from the teeming millions of the earth, and making him a depositary of such truths as will, if lived out, save his soul in the day of visitation? Whether we can realize this or not, it is a fact that God has been very courteous to the members of our faith, in entrusting to us the sacred responsibility of knowing these last-day truths and their stupendous import upon which hinges our salvation. What a comfort and consolation the knowledge of these things brings to us from day to day, as we see the world, claiming to be Christian and making outward demonstrations of vital piety within their church pale, in a very unsafe

attitude, because of open hostility to the direct commands of God.

How much owest thou my Lord? If a soul were drowning, being carried swiftly away by the current of some swollen river, what efforts would we not put forth to throw out the life line to him, and risk life and limb to enable him to regain the shore. But this is only for his temporal life. How much more important and solemn becomes the fact when we look at it in view of the executive judgment of God concerning the second death.

As Paul saw himself a debtor to all classes of mankind to give them the truths of the gospel which pertained to that generation, so it must be upon every one who understands the dangerous times upon which we have entered, denominated as the "time of trouble," to give the warning, whether men will heed or whether they will forbear. From Ezekiel 3:18 we can see that the responsibility upon the church is a fearful one. As God has made the church a mouthpiece for Him, we owe it to our Lord to speak and not forbear, as a duty we cannot lightly lay aside. In fact, there is great danger to us regarding our own salvation, if we let this matter have no weight upon us, and we fail to give in this our time the word the Lord would proclaim through us.

Recent strange disasters on sea and land, and in the bowels of the earth, have clearly demonstrated that God is withdrawing His Spirit from the world, and that Satan is having opportunity to exert his power, as the Lord has foretold us through His servant. Another statement from the same source, given a few years ago, is that it will very soon be positively dangerous to travel either by sea or land. This, then, is the opportune moment for God's people who know his truth, to get in their work. Many are held by business and home duties to a circumscribed limit, who are in a place to satisfy the claims of the Lord upon them, because they can give of their means, to send men and women of ability and time, who cannot go at their own charges, to do their share of work for them.

One object which seems to be the call of duty for this hour is the making up of the \$150,000 Fund, that the

building operations begun in Washington may be finished, and that help may be rendered to Jamaica and Chili, the last two being places where the work started by us has been thrown into perplexity by the recent earthquakes. Surely the Lord would have us put forth strenuous endeavors to quickly make up the sum outlined by the General Conference, that we may be accounted faithful stewards of the manifold grace of God.

W. H. EDWARDS.

REPORT FROM ELDER REES

In the month of November I held a two weeks' meeting with the Idaville church. Twenty-four years prior to this meeting, in connection with Eld. Victor Thompson I preached the truth for the first time in Idaville. Quite a number accepted the truth we brought them, of which many are now sleeping, waiting the call to life which will soon come to them. There are still a goodly number left there that love the truth, of whom is our good brother, John M. Ellis, whose help in the meetings was very much appreciated. The Lord's Spirit was manifest in all the meetings, and much prejudice was broken down, held by those who are not connected with us.

When the \$150,000 Fund was presented they subscribed to it willingly, and a large share of it was paid. Our meeting was conducive of much good.

I spent Sabbath and Sunday, Nov. 10, 11, with the Boggstown church, speaking once while there to the school. My sermons were well received by both church and school. It was my first visit to the Academy; I was much encouraged myself to see the students so happy and contented.

From here I attended the Conference, and at its close went immediately to the Grass Creek church, remaining with them one week. Here I found their numbers greatly diminished by death and by removals, yet there are quite a number of excellent souls left there that continue to rejoice in the truth and the thought of the Saviour's soon return to the earth to raise the sleeping saints, and to change the living to immortality, and we all rejoiced and said, "Hasten on, thou glad day."

One brother who had been some-

what estranged from his brethren and the church for five years was restored to confidence and love. Nothing can do this but the power and Spirit of God that works in the heart by love. I presented the necessity of our raising our part of the \$150,000 Fund, and almost all responded nobly, paying quite a little of their quota at that time, and the rest will be sure. All did what they could to make the meeting a success, and they were not disappointed.

From Grass Creek, I was, by a misunderstanding called to Ligonier. However, the meetings were not lost as the Lord blessed the few meetings held.

From here I went to Barbers Mills, Dec. 7, where I held some very interesting meetings for two weeks. They were very hungry for meetings as there had been but few preaching services there for a long time. I found that many of their members had moved to other parts leaving their number very much depleted, yet they are doing all they can to hold up the light, and I am glad to say that they have the confidence of the people. Brother Jesse Dunn is their elder, and filled a very profitable place in the meetings held. I found a nice little church school there; one brother bearing all the expenses except the boarding of the teacher; another attends to that. In this way they can support a school, and in this way they are setting a good example to others. From this school we baptized five, all of whom united with the church. This was a source of great encouragement to the church.

On my way to Middletown, Dec. 21, I stopped off at Marion, held a few meetings with the church, and assisted what I could in a convention for the Sabbath-school and young people that was being held there by Sister McMahan. All passed off very nicely, and the Lord's benediction rested upon all. From Marion I went to Middletown. Here I met many of the old brethren and sisters and their children whom we labored with and for more than a quarter of a century ago in and about Mechanicsburg, and although the weather was very inclement and the nights dark, yet the brethren showed commendable zeal in coming out to the meetings; and from the beginning to the close we had a feast

of good things. It was said that more came in from those not of our faith than had for many years. The last Sabbath of the meeting the quarterly meeting was held, and officers were elected from the floor. In their voting for their officers not one negative vote was cast. It was said by many that it was the most precious communion and quarterly meeting they had ever been privileged to attend; and at the close of this good meeting the Mechanicsburg church, which had ceased to meet at Mechanicsburg any more, voted to disband their church organization there, and asked, too, that their church membership be taken into the Middletown church. This was unanimously voted, and their church record was copied into the Middletown church book. This brings courage to both of the old churches. The tithe of both churches for 1906 was more than seven hundred dollars, and they assured me that their tithe the coming year will be one thousand dollars. We had, during this meeting, eight conversions,—four married men, two married women, and two girls. These all united with the church, and I have every reason to believe that they will make strong men and women in our last message to the world. May God's benediction rest upon them. Two united by letter, and thus the Middletown church launches out a strong church to stand as a beacon light before a perishing world.

From Middletown I came home to Kokomo to rest a few days. I held Quarterly meeting with them, and one young lady was baptized and united with the church. In a few days I will go to Washington to connect with the sanitarium work there.

In all the above meetings, I have had the co-operation of the brethren and sisters.

From the present outlook in the fulfillment of the last-day signs, we will have but little more time to work for souls, and I greatly desire that my work, through God, will develop gold, silver, and precious stones for the building of the Lord; and not hay, wood and stubble, only to be burned by the fires of the last days.

J. M. REES.

“He that diligently seeketh good procureth favor.”

TITHE REPORT FOR JANUARY

Akron.....	21 25
Angola.....	9 79
Anderson.....	58 15
Barbers Mills.....	90 04
Boggs town.....	81 95
Brookston.....	39 83
Connersville.....	40 09
Evansville.....	8 99
Elnora.....	18 75
Elwood.....	8 74
Ftna Green.....	72 09
Farmersburg.....	16 46
Fort Wayne.....	2 58
Franklin.....	2 75
Frankton.....	8 74
Grass Creek.....	72 09
Goshen.....	16 46
Glenwood.....	2 58
Greenfield.....	2 75
Gum Corner.....	79 80
Hartford City.....	67 79
Honey Creek.....	9 43
Huntington.....	16 00
Idaville.....	273 70
Indianapolis (23rd street).....	125 81
Indianapolis (East Side).....	5 95
Indianapolis (West Side).....	27 45
Individuals.....	18 09
Liwood.....	22 73
Jefferson.....	22 67
Jonesboro.....	41 67
Kennard.....	23 51
Kokomo.....	46 50
LaFayette.....	26 08
Lebanon.....	5 00
Ligonier.....	11 95
Linton.....	2 66
Logansport.....	68 27
Michaels.....	2 28
Mechanicsburg.....	195 80
Medaryville.....	22 40
Marion.....	10 37
Michigan City.....	22 80
Middletown.....	5 95
Mt. Vernon.....	9 95
Mt. Zion.....	22 26
Muncie.....	94
Martinsville.....	5 25
New London.....	16 61
Noblesville.....	14 15
Northfield.....	25 42
New Marion.....	5 00
North Liberty.....	23 00
New Hope.....	5 26
Olive Branch.....	1 58
Oliver Chapel.....	3 35
Oolitic.....	26 67
Patrickburg.....	3 84
Peru.....	1 30
Petersburg.....	4 71
Pleasant View.....	20 30
Princeton.....	7 44
Royal Center.....	10 00
Richmond.....	8 44
Rochester.....	7 50
Rocklane.....	7 50
Seymour.....	16 63
Salem.....	32 20
South Bend.....	899 57
South Milford.....	2730 12
Terre Haute.....	
Unionville.....	
Waldron.....	
Walkerton.....	
West Liberty.....	
Windfall.....	
Wolf Lake.....	
Total receipts.....	

THE Year Book for 1907 should be in every Adventist home. It contains a very clear exposition of the "Fundamental Principles of Seventh-Day Adventists" with Scriptural basis of each principle. If your neighbors and friends desire to know just exactly what we believe, you can do no better missionary work than to let them study this book. The price is 25 cents per copy, postage prepaid.

News and Notes

SISTER NIEHAUS reports two new Sabbath keepers among her readers recently. This is encouraging.

ELDER REES is holding a series of meetings at Wolf Lake during the institute now being held for our colporters.

BROTHER W. P. CUNNINGHAM, treasurer of the Middletown church, was a pleasant caller at the office last week.

ELDER STEELE is now holding a revival service at Unionville and reports a good interest and attendance when the weather is good.

We are glad for the many words of appreciation for the instruction coming through the REPORTER from week to week. We give in this issue a few of these expressions.

THE latest addition to the Sunday bills in the state legislature is one permitting baseball playing from 2 to 6 p. m. on Sunday afternoon. It is expected that the bill will be passed.

ELDERS YOUNG AND MILLER are holding a protracted meeting with the Denver church. They report an excellent interest with good prospects of a harvest of souls.

We publish again the tabulated report of the Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollar Fund. There is some gain, but shall we not make it much larger and finish this work?

We are glad to see the REPORTER list growing. No believer in Indiana can afford to be without it. Send 25 cents in stamps for a renewal or new subscription for one year.

THE bad weather has hindered the work of preparation at our sanitarium at La Fayette so they will not be ready to receive patients before March 10 or 15. We are sorry of this delay.

We publish in this issue the tithe report for January 1907. All will rejoice at this good report. Truly the Lord is making his people liberal and bestowing upon them much of his bounties.

J. THERESA THOMPSON is spending some time at her mother's home this winter, and while there is devoting much of her time to Bible work and distribution of literature. She reports some interest.

JESSIE DUNN writes that the husband of one of our sisters at Barber's Mills has recently decided to keep the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus. He was formerly a Catholic. So the good work goes on.

THE February *Life and Health* contains much that you and your neighbors should read. Send 30 cents in stamps to this office for 10 copies to distribute among your friends. The regular price per copy is five cents; per year, 50 cents.

DR. WORSTER announces that April 1st the Wabash Valley Sanitarium will open a new class for nurses. There will be room for several who wish to engage in this line of work. Address Wabash Valley Sanitarium, La Fayette, Ind.

ONE of our church elders writes: "I am glad to say that the election of officers went off without any friction. The articles in the REPORTER helped some to be more free from a party spirit. The REPORTER is surely full of good things."

MRS. ESTHER STONE, a member of the 23rd Street, Indianapolis, church, died week ago last Sunday. Her funeral was held at Portland, Ind., Tuesday following. Elder Stone accompanied the sorrowing relatives and conducted the services in the Methodist church of that place.

We were pleased to see Brother A. L. Chew, of Glenwood, in our office a short time ago. He assured us that Glenwood would do its full share, and possibly more in the work of raising the \$150,000 Fund just as soon as possible.

ELDER U. S. ANDERSON informs us that the New Hope church is keeping in mind the \$150,000 Fund, and will take part in raising it as soon as it has concluded paying some pressing obligations on the church building.

SISTER McMAHAN conducted a very profitable service for the young people of the 23rd St. Indianapolis church week ago Sabbath. A social meeting followed in which many of the older ones also expressed themselves as having been greatly benefited.

LAST week Brother A. A. Marshal called at our office and made a payment on the \$150,000 Fund, the

Salem church receiving its first credit on this fund. He assured us that as opportunity presented, he would make further donations to this worthy cause.

BROTHER R. C. SPOHR was with the Middletown church on the 2nd instant. Being Religious Liberty Day in all our churches, a profitable meeting devoted to this part of the work was held, and reports were made regarding religious liberty work in the state legislature.

THE East Side and 23rd Street churches of this city united in holding the Young People's Day services, Sabbath, January 26. The morning session was held at the East Side church, and the afternoon meeting at the 23rd Street church. Special music assisted in making the occasion enjoyable.

ORDERS for Wesson's Cooking Oil must be given for case lots if you wish it at the rate of \$1.00 a gallon; six gallons to the case. In smaller lots, we must charge \$1.25 per gallon on account of the present high price of oil and drayage that we are obliged to pay on it. Please accompany orders with cash.

BROTHER OLMSTEAD, who is being supported by the Indiana Conference in Africa, writes as follows: "The Lord has given us ten souls since coming here in July. Another sister decided last Friday to unite with the church, who has been keeping the Sabbath for some time. The work goes very slowly in this field. At present it is very hot, over one hundred in the shade."

SABBATH and Sunday, Jan. 26 and 27, Elder Stone and Elder Buhalts were with the Ligonier church. Elder Hagle also unexpectedly dropped in, and it was an enjoyable time for the Ligonier church. There was a desire that the meetings be continued, so Elders Buhalts and Hagle remained and at last report the church had been much revived, backsliders reclaimed, and a coming up on the part of many of the members.

A FAVORABLE report of the hearing given before the Criminal Code committee of the Legislature on the Barbers' Sunday bill, containing extracts of Brother Spohr's remarks before the committee, appeared in the principal daily papers (Continued on p. 1 of Supplement)

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Churches Assigned to Laborers

In Raising the Indiana Portion of the \$150,000 Fund
Showing amounts paid to Conference Treasurer to Feb. 7, 1907

	Mem. bers	Amt. to be Raised	Amt. Paid
J. M. REES.			
Honey Creek	21	\$63.	13 15
Idaville	23	69.	39 00
Royal Center	11	33.	20 00
Grass Creek	33	99.	52 00
Denver	24	72.	3 00
Peru	16	48	40
Lafayette	30	90.	30 35
New London	19	57.	14 15
Kokomo	55	165.	6 00
Jefferson	7	21.	16 00
Bunker Hill	.....	
Olive Branch	.....	
	239	\$717.	194 05
U. S. ANDERSON			
Marion	61	\$183.	28 30
Michael	33	99.	23 14
Jonesboro	47	141.	18 50
Hartford City	43	129.	27 00
West Liberty	.....		13 50
Windfall	14	42.	6 00
Elwood	12	36.	4 50
New Hope	23	69.	
Barber's Mills	25	75.	8 05
	258	\$774.	128 99
A. L. MILLER.			
Anderson	19	\$57.	29 60
Muncie	40	120.	23 65
Olivet Chapel	47	141.	25 00
Middletown	24	72.	19 00
Mechanicsburg	29	87.	25 62
Kennard	23	69.	33 75
Frankton	21	63.	7 00
	203	\$609.	163 62
J. H. NIEHAUS.			
Franklin	12	\$36	24 25
Martinsville	26	78.	10 25
	38	\$114.	34 50
A. W. BARTLETT.			
East Indpls	56	\$168.	70 75
Greenfield	17	51.	18 00
Noblesville	35	105.	18 00
	108	\$324.	106 75
B. HAGLE.			
Angola	5	\$15.	7 25
Auburn	6	18.	
South Milford	3	9.	8 50
Wolf Lake	90	270.	88 14
Fort Wayne	4	12.	4 00
Wabash	.....	
Huntington	7	21.	7 00
Rochester	30	90.	13 41
Akron	13	39.	8 00
Corunna	.....	
	158	\$474.	136 30
J. F. STEELE			
Rocklane	18	\$54.	6 40
Pleasant View	19	57.	21 05
Boggstown	83	249.	31 60
Waldron	28	84.	10 76
Unionville	17	51.	
	165	\$495.	69 81
C. J. BUHALTS.			
South Bend	25	\$75.	19 21
Goshen	.....		38 00
Ligonier	44	132.	61 75
North Liberty	34	102.	6 50
Walkerton	6	18.	9 50
Inwood	17	51.	11 00
Michigan City	3	9.	9 00
Etna Green	14	42.	15 50
Medaryville	23	69.	2 00
Mt. Vernon	25	75.	19 70
	191	\$573.	192 16
W. A. YOUNG.			
Indpls (23rd st.)	125	\$375.	127 42
Lebanon	11	33.	155 50
Northfield	17	51.	18 60
Richmond	10	30.	30 50
Connersville	40	120.	9 90
Glenwood	9	27.	
Homer	.....	
Maxwell	.....	
	212	\$636.	311 92
F. M. ROBERTS.			
Dana	32	\$96.	64 80
Terre Haute	32	96.	46 25
Farmersburg	53	159.	33 55
Patricksburg	18	54.	31 50
Salem	53	159.	9 00
Linton	13	39.	13 00
Elnora	29	87.	8 00
Princeton	19	57.	3 58
Mt. Zion	81	243.	25 87
	330	\$990.	235 55
R. W. LEACH.			
New Marlon	26	\$78.	18 25
Gum Corner	12	36.	9 20
Fredricksburg	.....	
Seymour	.....		13 05
Oolitic	19	57.	3 35
	57	\$171.	43 85
O. S. HADLEY.			
West Indpls.	28	\$84.	20 75
Logansport	24	72.	30 25
	52	\$156.	51 00
Isolated	.....		25 50
	2,011	\$6,033.	\$1694.00

NEWS AND NOTES

(Continued from page 4 of Reporter.)

of this city. Elder A. L. Miller was obliged to leave to hold meetings at Denver before the committee considered this bill. Final vote on this measure in the House of Representatives will probably be taken during the current week.

A CLUB of Signs in every church in Indiana! Will you help to make this a reality?

It will pay you to become a regular reader of the Signs of the Times, and to do all you can to have others enjoy the "Feast of Good Things" which the Signs has in store for its readers during 1907.

ELDER U. S. ANDERSON writes: "I am of good courage as I see the progress of the message. When I saw the pictures of our Sanitarium and grounds in the REPORTER, I said, Praise the Lord for this beautiful location, and may it be a place where the message will send forth its rays of light to many a poor sick soul. It seems as though the work was taking on new life everywhere. Some of the leading business men in Hartford City are deeply interested, and I expect to begin meetings there soon."

ATTENTION!

Not long ago our school family at Beechwood Academy rejoiced at the arrival of three new rocking chairs. These came, an unsolicited gift from brother J. W. Goodwin.

Among the teachers and students there is at present a strong effort being made to secure sufficient money to secure an organ for the Academy chapel. We are hoping the generosity of Brother Goodwin will provoke others to think of the needs of our school and that we may have many pleasant surprises in the near future.

Teachers and Students of
Beechwood Academy.

Two sisters are selling nearly 100 Signs in the down-town district of Anderson on Saturday nights within two hours' time. Are there not those in every large city and town

in Indiana who will try this work? We can make special rates to those who will try. Write to the Missionary Secretary for particulars.

LOGANSPORT, TERRE HAUTE, AND JONESBORO

I WENT to Logansport January 11, and met with the little company there. They are quite faithful, tho laboring under some serious disadvantages. Officers have been chosen for the year, the deacon was ordained, and now, if all will pull together with a hearty good will, the cause there will rise and prosper.

We were at Terre Haute Jan. 15—17. The church seemed encouraged by the visit. An elder and deacon were ordained. Two were buried in baptism with their Lord and received into the church. If the company will walk in the light, their fellowship with God will be manifest and will have the promised result following.

Jonesboro was visited Jan. 18-20. The election of officers had been deferred until this time. These, too, at this place need to remember that a house divided against itself can not stand. One sister was accepted into full fellowship of the church upon profession of faith at the close of the Sunday morning service.

The attendance at all of these places was small on account of the extremely inclement weather, but those who attended throughout were rejoicing in the increasing power of the message. The \$150,000 Fund was set before the churches and all were impressed to rally to the help of this worthy work.

I was never so impressed with the story of the widow's two mites as when, after a talk on contributing to this fund, an aged widow with no resources, but who had from her penury paid \$3.00 on this fund, handed me a further donation. She works as a domestic at \$1.00 per week. Her heart was so stirred that she gave all of her last week's wages—all she had—to further this work. Are there not others who will be ready to put in "all their living" as was "this poor widow"?

W. A. YOUNG.

OOLITIC, NEW MARION, AND GUM CORNER

AT Oolitic owing to sickness and bad weather a few of the members and interested ones could not attend the meetings, so the congregations were not large, but there was a splendid interest and good attention. Some expressed themselves that the

meetings did good. There are calls for meetings not only at Oolitic but some other places near there. May the Lord answer the calls.

At New Marion, the roads being very bad and most of the members living eight or ten miles away they could not attend services. However we had two services on Sabbath, Dec. 22. I also visited three families that could not attend. All seemed to rejoice at the thought of having some one to visit them.

Sunday evening, Dec. 23, I was at Gum Corner. Roads and weather being so bad they thought I would not be there and commenced a Bible study. I remained there until Thursday. The Lord blessed us with good meetings. Being so near quarterly meeting time we decided to have it then for fear I could not return at the regular time. Three precious souls united with the church subject to baptism. While our little company there is small owing to the members moving away, yet the little spark that has been kindled has not gone out. They hold in their homes three regular meetings each week—Sabbath-school on the Sabbath, Bible Reading on Sunday night, and prayer meeting on Wednesday night. I am really proud of them because of the great interest manifested on the part of so few to be proficient in the Word. Their interest is as good as when I was with them regularly. In addition to the Sabbath-school they ask Bible questions to be answered the next Sabbath. They have a whole week to hunt the answer and find new questions. Thus they are reading their Bibles continually. May the Lord bless them abundantly.

At each of these churches the \$150,000 Fund was given a prominent place.

ROBERT W. LEACH.

HARVEST: INGATHERING AT MICHAELS

By request, I will send a report of the Ingathering of the Michaels church.

Our adult membership is not large owing to removals and deaths, and neither would our Sabbath-school be, if it were not for the attendance of children not of our faith. While the parents do not accept the Sabbath, the Lord seems to work particularly among the children and

young people. They love the Sabbath-school and Young People's meeting and the interest which is manifested is truly gratifying.

Last April the teachers of primary and intermediate classes gave each of the children five cents; this money they were to invest in something, and at the ingathering service which would be held in the fall, bring in the amounts for missions. A very few did not seem to know where to begin, and returned the money. But nearly all worked faithfully, and they themselves were surprised at the result. Sunday evening, December 16, the little church was filled with interested people. A nice program had been arranged, consisting of songs, Scripture reading, and recitations, which were well rendered.

At the close of the exercises, as the name of each child was called, they brought their offerings, and laid it on the desk, stating to what mission they wished it sent, which was pointed out on a large map back of the pulpit. China, Japan, Africa, India, South America, Florida, Greenland, and Isles of the sea, all were remembered by them. Some of them have already expressed themselves as wishing to become missionaries to these countries when they grow up.

When the money was counted it amounted to \$18.85. Some who could not be present, sent theirs later, until they now have \$23.40. No collection was taken from the audience. It was the children's meeting.

Other children have come and requested a nickel next summer, and they hope to swell the amount to \$50.00 or more. But how often sorrow comes and mars our sweetest hopes. One dear little girl, of six years, who had never been to Sabbath-school but twice, was working very earnestly to raise money for the mission, but long before the service was held, her little mission in life was finished. With twenty cents in her little purse she closed her eyes and fell asleep. How often the grim reaper gathers the "flowers as well as the bearded grain."

But the twenty cents will accomplish the purpose for which it was so tenderly cherished. Though "they rest from their labors, their works do follow them." While the

roses bloom, and the grasses wave over their last resting places, how glad we should all be, and how earnestly we should give all for the spread of this glad message till, "from Greenland's icy mountains to India's coral strand," all have heard this blessed truth, "And then shall the end come."

VICTORIA CEMER.



WHAT OUR CHILDREN ARE DOING

I AM sure that our brethren and sisters throughout the state will be glad to know of the work the children are doing in the raising of the \$150,000 Fund. I am glad the Lord recognizes the children in His plans for the advancement of His truth in the earth. More than 200 soliciting cards have been placed in the hands of the children of our church schools and Sabbath-schools. I shall be glad to send cards to any Sabbath-schools not supplied, if they desire to have them, and will let me know.

We are very anxious that the children and young people receive credit for their offerings, but since the money goes through the church treasurer, and is included with that of the church where they belong, we know of no other way but to publish the names, and amount of offerings, as reported to me.

Following are the amounts reported thus far:

Montezuma, country church-school,	\$7.00
Barber's Mills church school,	5.00
Princeton, " "58
Monon, " "	1.15

Mrs. R. W. McMahan.

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REPORT OF CONVENTION HELD AT MARION, DECEMBER 23, 1906

SISTER McMahan, the Conference Sabbath-school Secretary, called the convention to order at 10 A. M. It was organized with Elder J. M. Rees as chairman.

The varied interests of our Sabbath-schools and the essentials which go to make them a success were one by one taken up and considered from their various view-points.

Sister McMahan spoke at length on the object of our Sabbath-schools. They are one of the greatest instrumentalities in bringing souls to Christ and this is their primary object.

A paper was read by Sister Dilworth on "What our Sabbath Schools Should Be to Our Children."

They are the nursery where the children are brought up from early childhood and where the very act of the teacher is a model to them of what a Christian ought to be. The flock to-day is so small because the lambs of the fold have been neglected.

In the discussions which followed the main thing that brot out was the importance of the discipline of the children when they are very young.

The child's regard for the Sabbath-school in after years depends largely upon how lightly he was allowed to regard it when small, when his mother or father allowed him to run about on the floor and talk aloud, etc.

A general discussion followed on, "How I Teach the Sabbath-school Lesson to My Children." Sr. Turner led out in this discussion, and was followed by Sister Dilworth, Sister Bradburn, Elder Rees, and Sister Rader.

The following, while not representing a complete summary, might be gleaned from what was said:

1. Read the lesson to them carefully and interestingly.
2. Begin the Sabbath with prayer and a study of the Sabbath-school lesson for the children.
3. Simplify it so as to reach the least child.
4. Get the children together in the evening for a story. Tell them, in an interesting, entertaining way a part of the story of the Sabbath-school lesson, leaving off at the most interesting place,—the story to be continued the next evening. Then *continue* it the next evening. Be able to be depended upon.

Another general discussion followed the one on "How I study My Sabbath-school Lesson." It was led by Sister McMahan. She was followed by Sister Rader, Brother Overman, Brother Rader, D. S. Hammond, Brother Fattic, and Elder Rees.

The following Good Methods were suggested:—

1. Study a little each day.
2. Ask the Saviour's help.
3. Begin first part of the week.
4. Use helps provided such as *Sabbath-school Worker*, etc.
5. Take time early in the morning before the busy cares of the day take

their places in the mind.

6. Take central thought in the lesson and run the marginal reference from the verse upon which it is based.

7. Associate the different points with different things to be come across during the week that will serve as reminders of that particular part of the lesson.

Sister Turner's paper "The Truth Hammer" showed the development of a massive structure from a small beginning and then kept in repair by its use. Her paper closed with an appropriate poem.

After a paper and general discussion on "Reaping the Harvest by Personal Work" the convention adjourned for dinner.

The afternoon program opened with memory texts from the children.

The Young People's work was discussed by Grover Fattic, Elder Rees, and Mrs. McMahan.

Our young people today are "Hewers of wood and drawers of water for the Gentiles. This ought not to be. Some one is at fault. Our young people *are needed*. Calls come for them from our sanitariums and our schools to be in preparation for teachers, medical workers, stenographers, canvassers, bookkeepers, Bible workers, ministers, and other lines of usefulness to the Third Angel's Message instead of throwing their time away to the world's attractiveness and industries which are soon to pass away.

Recitation, by Pearl Michael.

"How Parents May Co-operate with Teachers," by Mrs. Cemer.

"How Teachers May Co-operate with Parents," by Sister Stewart.

Recitation, by Hazel Michael.

Recitation, by Delight Cemer.

Song by two little girls, and the convention adjourned.

It was attended by members from Jonesboro, Michael, and Anderson, and special music was furnished by the Jonesboro Quartette.

All felt well paid for the time spent in the convention and a new zeal went with all present, and a renewed determination to advance this all-important training department.

J. M. Rees, *Chairman*,

G. R. Fattic, *Secretary*.

"The preparation of the heart in man, and the answer of the tongue, is from the LORD."

OUR YOUTH AND OUR WORK

C. L. STONE.

It is a thrilling thought that we have the responsibility of carrying the last warning message to the world. With this wonderful light given to us as a people, there seems quite a responsibility, the gravity of which has seldom been placed upon any people.

We have labored on for half a century, trying one method and another, with greater or less success for our efforts. The Lord has said some very plain things of laborers' responsibilities, methods of work, who should work, and how our work should be regarded. It is evident that we have not taken the Lord's plans in all things, but in the face of all our negligence the message seems to be going fairly rapidly.

The Lord has told us: "From whatever viewpoint you begin to study the future of our denominational work, you can not fail to come to the conclusion that we shall never warn the world in this generation through the ordinary methods of preaching in halls, tents, and churches. And as we study Christ's parables regarding the work of carrying the invitation to the supper, we must conclude that it is house-to-house work, carried forward largely by those who are strong and active.

"It is largely by distribution of literature that the message must be carried to all the world. And who are so well fitted to do this work as our youth?

"The work of distributing our literature must be broadened, ennobled, and made glorious in the eyes of our people. And our children must be trained to do this work, so that they will do it intelligently, joyfully, and successfully. This can be accomplished by our schools, and only by our schools. The work must begin in our church schools, and be carried forward in all our intermediate schools and our colleges."

This instruction is plain indeed; just one way to train the workers, just one way to do the work. The succeeding lines in this communication say, "How can this be made a success? Just as every other branch is made a success,—by the teachers becoming enthusiastic leaders in the work to be done."

Here, it seems to me, is the key of success for our work in the future. Some one must take the responsibility of training the youth for active service, and efficient service in the Master's vineyard.

(To be concluded in next issue.)

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TO THE REPORTER

I NOTICED "expired" marked on my last REPORTER, but you can't get rid of me in that way. We may be out of Indiana for a season but not out of the world, and we desire the REPORTER to follow us. While we are interested here in Pennsylvania, yet we have not lost our interest in Indiana. So you will find enclosed twenty-five cents for the REPORTER another year.

We rejoice in the prosperity of God's work in Indiana, and do not feel at all jealous to see Indiana ahead on the Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollar Fund. My address is 222 Shaffer Ave., DuBois, Pa. We will be glad to hear from any of our dear ones in Indiana. I. G. BIGELOW.

"SEEST thou a man diligent in his business? he shall stand before kings; he shall not stand before mean men." Prov. 22:28.

"A FALSE balance is abomination to the Lord; but a just weight is his delight."—Prov. 11:1.

OBITUARY

QUICK.—Sarah E., wife of Jacob Quick, died at Peru, Ind., Dec. 12, 1906, aged 66 years, 2 months, and 27 days. After a Christian experience for five years in the Baptist church, she heard Eld. Bartlett in a series of meetings at Deedsville and then accepted all of the great three-fold message of these last days. The words of the Psalmist and of the Beloved John seem to give an epitome of her Christian experience—"O how love I thy law! it is my meditation all the day." "Even so, [quickly] come, Lord Jesus." A husband, five children, and sister and brothers survive.

Words of comfort were spoken to a large congregation composed of relatives and former neighbors, by the writer. Interment was made at Denver, her former home.

W. A. YOUNG.

SCARLETT.—Died at her home in Wolf Lake, Ind., Jan. 8, 1907, of internal cancer, Sadie E. Scarlett, aged 53 years, 1 month, and 18 days.

Sister Scarlett accepted present truth through the preaching and labors of Elder S. H. Lane in 1880 and united with the S. D. A. church in Wolf Lake and remained a faithful member until death.

Through the last four years she has suffered intensely, but bore it all with patience. She desired to live longer so as to be with her family but would say, "the Lord's will be done." She leaves a husband, two sons, and one daughter to mourn their loss.

The funeral was held in the church where she had been a member for more than 26 years. The house was filled with sympathizing friends and sorrowing relatives who listened to words of comfort from John 11:25. Elder Byron Hagle assisted the writer in the services.

JOHN W. COVERT.

JOHNSON.—Vera Mable, youngest daughter of Glessner and Rachel Johnson, died at their home nine miles west of Bluffton, Ind. Sabbath night Nov. 24, 1906, of malnutrition. Age 2 years, and 9 days.

This is the first time their family circle has been broken, but she was laid to rest to await the call of the Life-giver, when, it is hoped, they will make an unbroken family in the kingdom of God.

Services were conducted by the writer. J. E. DUNN.