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THE YEAR 1909

AS we enter upon the threshold of a new year, to one who reads aright the signs of the times and understands the meaning, a feeling not of fear, but of great responsibility and earnestness, and a consecrated desire born of the Spirit of God must rest upon him, drawing him nearer to the Lord with the one object, to have such a close connection with God that He may be the mainspring of every thought, and word, and act of his life.

The year that has just passed has been an eventful one, in many respects the most eventful in the closing

scenes of earth's history. One who but glances over the daily papers, can see the wonderful increase of sin. Graft is the order of the day. Occasionally a man is brought to justice, but where one is convicted a hundred are plying their dishonest schemes. Murder and suicide among all classes from children to aged people, is an every day occurrence. The precious gift of life is esteemed of but little value.

Disasters everywhere are a daily occurrence. The horrible mine disasters during the past year have been heart rending. Single disasters have counted their victims by the hundreds, leaving widows and orphans to the mercy of a cold, covetous world.

The terrible earthquake in Italy that marked the closing days of the old year, sending without a moment's warning, three hundred thousand souls into untimely graves, evidences that the spirit of God is being withdrawn from the world, and that the angels of mercy are about to let go the winds of strife, and that the sealing work is nearly completed. Read carefully Rev. 7:1-4.

We felt that the San Francisco disaster was terrible beyond description, when only five thousand persons lost their lives; but it was only a drop and pales into insignificance when compared with the downfall of cities in southern Italy. In San Francisco most of the dead were restored to their friends for burial; but here, to stay, in a measure, the pestilence that will surely come by the decaying bodies, it has been necessary to dig trenches and without trying to identify the bodies, throw them into these trenches promiscuously, and bury them. The scene is heartrending and horrible beyond description. Still men are rushing on, eager for this world's goods that must all soon perish. Is it not time that

every soul who has a knowledge of present truth began to plan all his affairs in view of the coming judgment, and devote his time to the giving of this message?

The trouble between labor and capital has almost reached a climax. There is a wide-spread feeling of anarchy all over the United States to-day, over the decision rendered ten days ago, to put in prison three leading labor leaders for terms ranging from six months to a year. Mr. Gompers is sentenced for one year. The fulfillment of James 5, is one of the pending events; and the terrible trouble between capital and labor is about to burst forth.

Great activity has marked the efforts of those who are endeavoring to unite church and state. The conventions held during the closing weeks of the old year, showed a remarkable gain in influence and strength. It is only a question of a few short months or years and the work will be accomplished. I can only mention a few of these things, but in view of the fast fulfilling prophecy, what should the coming year 1909 mean to every Seventh-day Adventist in Indiana? It seems to me that only one answer can be given. It should mean a consecration to the work and a zeal never before known in the experience of all our people. What an advance could be made if the experience of the midnight cry of 1844 should take possession of all the people.

The year 1909 is before us. Will we unitedly take hold to make the progress of the message what God desires. Plans should be laid at our coming conference for advance moves in warning the cities of Indiana, and in carrying the message to every hamlet. We should awake as never before to the present situation and lay broader plans than ever before, and enlist every man, woman, and child in service in some branch of the Master's work.

Let the rank and file of all our brethren and sisters in Indiana pray from now until our coming conference, that wisdom may be given in laying plans for the work, and that God's spirit may overshadow the meeting, and that His workers may go from that meeting with an experience never before known, to labor with a zeal and power that will result in bringing into the fold a great harvest of souls. May the year 1909 be the best year in our experience. It will be the aim of the REPORTER to give a "certain sound" and warn the people of dangers, and to give the progress of the work in Indiana even more perfectly than in the past. May God add greatly His blessing and presence in power for service.

W. J. STONE.

ORGANIZATION—IS IT DANGEROUS?

GENERALLY a man believes in an organization of which he is the head. But it sometimes happens that when an individual is not at the head that he does not see much light in the organization. When it is run down to the last analysis, we find that this was the trouble with Lucifer, when, back a long time ago, he rebelled against the government of heaven. There is no doubt that if the Creator had placed him at the head, the rebellion would have been stayed; but of course only to break out later.

It is time that the subject of organization was agitated, for among us there has been much said which tends to disorganization. A number of tracts have been written and sent out attacking our organization, telling us it is a bad thing, and hindering the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. They have been widely circulated. One man told me about buying one hundred twenty-five dollars' worth of one-cent stamps at one time to send out these seeds of rebellion. And this was not the end. More stamps were bought. And they are still being bought. Then, too, these tracts do not all come from one place in the earth. There are others. The tracts are not all alike either; some are more dangerous than others. But though sugar-coated, they all contain poison.

One would think that any person, with an ordinary equipment of mental machinery in working order,

could readily see the benefits and blessings of united effort, which can be secured only through organization. Disconnected fragments of a body can do nothing; but the whole body, living and moving, can do much. Disorganization means ruin. Imagine a railroad without any organization: You get on a train and ask the conductor when the train leaves. "Any time we get ready," he replies, "we have no system of time." You ask the engineer how fast he is to run, and when he passes the train moving in an opposite direction. He replies, "I do not know; we have no system or regulations on this road. I do not believe in any form of despotic government over me. I know how to run an engine without any instruction from anybody. I run as fast as I please and stop when I get ready. The train in the opposite direction does the same; the engineer starts when he gets ready, and runs without orders. It is none of my business what that train is doing, and it is none of the business of that train crew what I am doing. I do not know where the train is, or when we will meet it. This railroad has no 'head.' We do not believe in 'heads.' Every man does as he thinks best."

How would you like to be a passenger on such a train? Would you rest easy on the cushioned seat as the train flew over the track if you knew there was no system, order, or organization of any kind on the line?—Hardly. You would take some other route if there were one. If there were no other route, you would probably go on foot or stay at home. You would not jeopardize your life by riding where there was no system. There is scarcely less danger where there is a system if the employees of the road pay no attention to it.

If the church of God ever needed careful organization, it is at the present time. Satan with organized forces, is seeking to divide and scatter the people of God, and wreck the whole movement with which we are connected. All such efforts should be discountenanced no matter by whom they are advocated.

G. B. THOMPSON.

Pres. Columbian Union Conf.

"LET another man praise thee."

CHURCH CHARITY FUND

District No. 1, W. A. YOUNG

Indpls (23rd st.)	\$ 76 67
Indpls (E. Side)	18 50
Indpls (West Side)	1 00
Lebanon	61 00
Noblesville	7 50
Northfield	35 00
Middletown	96 95
Anderson	27 86
Muncie	20
New Hope	17 24
Hartford City	
Kokomo	
Frankton	
Elwood	
New London	26 47
Total	\$ 368 39

District No. 2, C. J. BUHALIS

Honey Creek	\$ 9 25
Idaville	19 72
Grass Creek	2 00
Denver	
Peru	7 02
La Fayette	12 00
Wab. Valley San.	71 00
Jefferson	
Olive Branch	
Michigan City	
Mt. Vernon	
Logansport	20 00
South Bend	48 50
Walkerton	9 00
North Liberty	5 50
Total	\$ 203 99

District No. 3, B. HAGLE

Wolcottville	\$ 24 60
Wolf Lake	19 79
Fort Wayne	
Huntington	
Rochester	91 00
Akron	31 00
Etna Green	22 50
Ligonier	53 24
Goshen	8 00
Inwood	
Barber's Mills	1 79
Marion	14 00
Michael	40 75
Jonesboro	8 04
Total	\$ 314 71

District No. 4, A. L. MILLER

Boggs town	\$ 143 92
Franklin	27 85
Seymour	38 35
Rocklane	14 00
Pleasant View	7 28
Waldron	16 00
New Marlon	17 00
Gum Corner	
Greenfield	25 54
Connorsville	
Kennard	17 00
Glenwood	
Sunman	50
Aurora	
Richmond	6 00
Total	\$ 313 44

District No. 5, VICTOR THOMPSON

Elnora	\$ 19 25
Terre Haute	3 00
Farmersburg	3 75
Patrickburg	22 75
Salem	60
Linton	25 00
Princeton	5 50
Mt. Zion	16 50
Oolite	
Unionville	15 00
Martinsville	29 57
Dana	44 12
Evansville	
Petersburg	
Total	\$ 185 04

Grand Total \$1,385 57

IMPORTANT CONVENTIONS

TWO LARGE and important conventions were held last month, one in Pittsburg, Dec. 1-3, and the other in Philadelphia, Dec. 2-8. To every Seventh-day Adventist and every lover of liberty, these conventions mean much and are most significant. It would be well for all to reread the reports of these two meetings given in the *Review* of December 17 and succeeding numbers. We draw largely from those reports for this article.

The convention in Pittsburg was for the purpose of organizing a Lord's Day Alliance for the United States. Rev. T. Albert Moore, secretary of the Lord's Day Alliance of Canada was present and made several addresses, explaining the organization and workings of the Lord's Day Alliance and emphasizing the need of a similar organization in the United States. He told how a Canadian Sunday law had been secured and how the organization is endorsed by all (?) Protestant churches as well as the Catholic church.

Anyone on the ground could not fail to recognize that this organization was an important factor in securing the Dominion Sunday Law. For two years prior to 1907, the year in which the law was passed, the Lord's Day Alliance kept two secretaries, Rev. J. G. Shearer, and Rev. T. Albert Moore, constantly in the field, travelling from one end of the Dominion to the other, lecturing and educating the people, not only to favor but to demand a Sunday law. Success crowned their efforts. A similar organization for the United States was effected at the recent Pittsburg convention, and they are hoping to be as successful here as they were in Canada.

The attitude of the Lord's Day Alliance toward the observer of the Sabbath will be seen in the following quotations. When the Lord's Day bill was pending before the Dominion Parliament, in answer to a question put to Rev. J. G. Shearer relative to the exemption clause proposed for seventh day observers, he said, "To exempt Jews and Seventh-day Adventists from the proposed law would work out as it does in the American cities, that is to say, it would mean a 'wide open' Sunday." *Toronto Star*, April 27,

1906 Referring to the Seventh-day Adventists in defeating a certain Sunday-law bill, the editor of the *Lord's Day Advocate* says, "This is a fair specimen of the stupid, unreasoning, unscrupulous methods of these modern Pharisees."—*Canadian Union Messenger*, Apr. 19, 1906. Comments are unnecessary.

The Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America held its meeting in Philadelphia, Dec. 2-8, 1908. From the retiring president's address, Dr. Wm. H. Roberts, we quote:—

"It (the Federal Council) is not a body whose members are self-chosen, but one composed of delegates duly appointed by competent authority, and possessed of a representative character. This council stands officially for thirty denominations, eighteen million communicants, and a world-wide Christian work.

The church of Christ and the nations are vitally related to each other, and the welfare of the nation depends upon the fidelity of the church to its trust. The question of questions for a nation is its religion and that question this council will make an effort to answer in a Christian manner.

"We believe that the great Christian bodies of this country should stand together, lead in the discussion of, and give an impulse to, all great movements that make for righteousness. We believe that questions like those of marriage and divorce, Sabbath desecration, foreign immigration, modern industry, the moral and religious training of the young, indeed, all great questions in which the voice of the churches should be heard, demand the united and concerted action of the church of Christ to lead effectively in the thorough Christianization of the country."

In analyzing the address, it will be found that the solution to nearly all the reforms proposed is to be had through legislation. It is simply re-acting the "woman" sitting "upon a scarlet colored beast."

Regarding this convention, I quote from a recent letter received from Elder K. C. Russell:—

"At the Philadelphia meeting, the day they discussed the question of Sabbath observance, a resolution was formed by one of the members to the effect that Seventh-day Baptists who are members of their

Federation, should not be interfered with in their observance of the seventh day, which invoked working on Sunday. But this resolution was voted down by a large majority. It was plainly demonstrated that this Inner-Church Federation would never tolerate seventh-day Sabbath-keepers either inside or outside of its organization."

These things should certainly stir every lover of liberty. How we should improve the opportunities to enlighten the people upon the true principles of liberty! If it was necessary for the Lord's Day Alliance to have two secretaries continually in the field, should not the exponents of true liberty be equally wise and energetic? Both of these organizations oppose exemption clauses for seventh-day observers. The end is almost here.

Let all petitions against the Johnston Sunday bill be sent to the Congressman of your district, accompanied by an appropriate letter. Let us work while it is day; for the night cometh, when no man can work.

A. L. MILLER.



FINISHING THE THANKSGIVING INGATHERING WORK

THERE are two important items in the Thanksgiving Ingathering movement that should not be overlooked. First, all the money collected should be sent to the fields for which it has been given, just as promptly as possible. Each brother or sister who has any contribution on hand, should at once pass these to the church or conference treasurer. Then, all treasurers of churches and conferences should promptly send what comes to them to the general treasurer. It is hoped that none will be negligent on this point. All that has been gathered can reach the general treasury by the tenth of January, if all will act promptly.

The other item that should receive attention is the matter of seeing that all the copies of the Thanksgiving number of the *Reviews* are distributed. None of these copies should be allowed to lie on the shelves in either our homes or churches. They can do no good there. They have been printed at great cost of time, effort, and money, and every person to whom they have been sent should be faith-

ful and conscientious in seeing that they are placed in the hands of the people. We hope that all church officers will give attention to this.

This good missionary number of the *Review* is not out of date now, and will not be for weeks. It can be distributed now as well as during Thanksgiving week, and gifts can be solicited. But even if no gifts are asked for, all the copies printed should be distributed.

Many inquiries are being made regarding the amount received from this effort. It is impossible at this date to tell. We shall notify our people through the *Review*, and other papers, just as soon as we have received fairly complete returns. From the reports received thus far, we find that our experiences were exceedingly varied. Some collected very little, while others had excellent success. But the success of the movement does not depend chiefly on the amount of the gifts received. The circulation of seven hundred thousand copies of that good number of the *Review* will give the public a knowledge of the growth of this cause, which will be worth more than all the effort and sacrifice required to do the work. May the Lord add his blessing to what has been done.

A. G. DANIELLS.

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS

How MAY I do the Lord's will during 1909? This question many have asked themselves; permit us to make a few helpful suggestions.

First, make to the Lord a vow that you will faithfully pay tithes and offerings, that you will be honest with Him this year. As rapidly as you have tithe, pay it; thus avoiding the temptation to use it otherwise.

Second, use all your time to the glory of God, being especially careful that none of your business encroaches upon the sacred hours of the Sabbath. Arrange to devote a portion of the six-sevenths of time which the Lord gives you to missionary endeavor for the salvation of those within your sphere of influence.

Third, regularly read the *Review* and the *REPORTER*, thus keeping yourselves informed as to the progress of the message throughout the

world and in your home state. Resolve never to let your subscription for these two papers be discontinued. The Lord is pleased to have us take and read as many other denominational papers as our time will permit, the principal ones being *Liberty*, *Life and Health*, *The Signs of the Times* (both weekly and monthly editions), and *The Watchman* (during 1909 exclusively a monthly).

But can we keep these good resolutions; can we carry out these suggestions? The Lord will take pleasure in enabling every reader to live up to every vow that he makes. Take courage, brother, sister, and with the Lord's help, determine to do His will during this year 1909, remembering that day by day He will keep, He will give strength.

R. C. S.

EXTRACTS FROM THANKSGIVING REPORTS

"We have already collected \$14.00 or \$15.00, and are expecting other donations."—Tobias Hicks, Elder of the Mt. Zion Church.

"Having distributed the twenty-five *Reviews*, I received donations amounting to \$6.85; the highest donation was \$1.00, and the lowest 25 cents; from a few I did not get anything, but I know the paper will accomplish good. While I was out with my papers, I found a lady keeping the Sabbath. We had Sabbath-school last Sabbath. She reports several more who will attend next Sabbath, so I think we could have quite a little company here if a minister could come."—Mrs. Richard Ford, of Vincennes.

"I think our papers will bring \$15.00, and possibly \$20.00. I do not think one of our members ever canvassed before, but we praise the Lord for the experience."—N. Carahoot, Elder of Patricksburg Church.

"We are all of good courage and all have shown a good spirit and had a mind to work. We have disposed of about half of our papers. The largest donation from any one was \$2.00."—R. W. Leach, Elder of Peru Church.

"Surely the Lord blessed our efforts. We always prayed before we started, asking the Lord to help us, and to open the way before us, and He did. We received donations from persons that the other churches

here can not get money from, some from Catholics. We are so glad that we could do something to help. Inclosed find money order for \$10.30, and we pray that God will bless it on its mission, and the papers we have distributed.—J. P. and E. C. Arnbrecht.

THE COMING STATE CONFERENCE

We have already commenced soliciting lodging for the delegates and visitors at our coming conference. Thus far no one has refused lodging. I think we will have but little trouble in finding places for all who come.

We would be glad to have all who are coming as delegates or visitors write us as soon as possible, that we may know how many to prepare for, and have them located on their arrival. If they will please drop me a card, I will esteem it a great favor.

We shall spare no pains in trying to make it pleasant for all who attend.

D. S. HAMMOND,

Jonesboro, Ind.

ELNORA

ELDER VICTOR THOMPSON visited our church, holding the first meeting Thanksgiving eve.

We had an excellent meeting and quite a good attendance.

Friday evening was still better, but the rain kept some away Sabbath morning and evening. But take it all in all we had a precious meeting.

Our *Reviews* came too late to do much Thanksgiving week. I have disposed of some making an average of twenty-two cents per copy.

We intend by the help of the Lord "to push the battle to the gates."

I am of good courage in the Lord and am hoping for better days for the Elnora church.

Flo says to let the readers of the *REPORTER* know she has not been asleep since mamp-cheeting. She has sold 200 *Life and Health* besides donating two days (\$4.25) to the Sanitarium and she is just as happy as it is possible for a mortal to be. Pray for us.

MRS. ALLIE STAPLES.

"Let the aim be high and the endeavor will not be low."

THE \$25,000 FUND

For the Wabash Valley Seventh-Day Adventist Sanitarium

*C. D. W.	\$1,000 00	*White Anchor Laundry	50 00	*Thomas Hubbard	10 00
*A. Friend	1,000 00	*Glesner Johnson,	50 00	*Sarah J. Hunter	10 00
*E. Hayes	1,000 00	*Charles Grim	50 00	*E. M. Schnaible	10 00
		John S. Leach and wife	50 00	*E. R. Levering	10 00
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D. W. Albert and wife	100 00	*Mrs. G. W. Cooper	25 00	Clara B. Turner	5 00
*C. J. Ruhalts	100 00	*D. C. Horlacher	25 00	Adelia Wiser	5 00
*J. R. Minnick	100 00	*Rhoda Hamilton	25 00	Chas. Blackburn	5 00
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M. G. Pepple	100 00	R. G. Harrison	25 00	Milton Jones	2 00
G. A. Roberts	100 00	L. V. Hopkins and wife	25 00		
*R. R. Roberts and wife	100 00	Maggie E. Johnston	25 00	Cash, previously reported	894 85
N. C. Rogers	100 00	M. M. Kenny	25 00	Church Charity Fund	1,385 57
John F. Steele	100 00	*G. F. Knapp	25 00	Total	\$16,594 92
*C. L. Stone and wife	100 00	*John W. McBride	25 00	* A star preceding a name indicates that the amount has been paid in full.	
*Samuel J. Townsend	100 00	*J. W. Montgomery	25 00	❖ ❖	
*James D. Woodburn	100 00	*Mrs. Eliza C. Nordyke	25 00		
Joel Yeager	100 00	*Geo. D. Zirkle	25 00	THE RELIGIOUS LIBERTY OFFERING FOR 1909	
Roy Fattic and wife	100 00	*Katherine Nuding	25 00	THE Religious Liberty Department of the General Conference has only one annual offering with which to carry on its work. The time which has been set apart for the annual offering this year is Sabbath, Feb-ru- ary 6, 1909. We hope that all our people will bear this date in mind, and come prepared to contribute liberally to this annual offering.	
*W. C. Vore	100 00	John Possman and wife	25 00		
Nancy Wiser	100 00	*R. C. Spohr	25 00	The funds for carrying on the work of this department are now ex- hausted. All should plan to make their offering a liberal one this year in view of our present needs and the great demands upon us in effectively carrying on this im- portant line of work.	
*A. O. Beam	100 00	*H. E. Glick	25 00		
*Wm. G. Mitchel	100 00			More will be said upon this subject later. K. C. RUSSELL. Chairman R. L. Bureau.	
*G. H. Hull	100 00	*Henry J. Hershberger	20 00		
*H. B. Lyman	100 00	G. W. Mann	20 00	❖ ❖	
*Duncan Mfg. Co.	100 00	*Mrs. M. L. Moore	20 00		
*W. E. Barber	100 00	Mrs. Ethel Deem	20 00	LOWELL KNAPP and his mother visited the Academy on Sabbath evening, December 19, leaving on Sun- day. He returned to his school at Pleasant View and his mother started on her trip to Nashville, Tenn., where she will spend the win- ter with her other son, Louis Knapp.	
		*D. W. Ridgeway and wife	20 00		
		*Victor Thompson	20 00		
*A. Friend	75 00				
*Clara Strough	75 00	*A. Friend	15 00		
		Frank Dudley	15 00		
*E. A. Woodard	60 00	*E. M. S	15 00		
		*C. H. Ankney Co.	15 00		
Stephen Boze	50 00	*C. L. Haskins	13 00		
*Mrs. R. W. McMahan	50 00	*W. E. Vaughan	13 00		
*J. H. Niehaus and wife	50 00				
*Fannie M. Benson	50 00	Mrs. A. E. Barcus	12 00		
*George W. Boston	50 00	S. W. Burkhardt	12 00		
*P. J. Craig	50 00	*L. V. Hopkins	12 00		
L. F. Elliott	50 00				
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Mrs. A. M. Hand	50 00	*Robert W. Leach	10 00		
*Martha L. Outland	50 00	*Walter Nash	10 00		
		*Mrs. Lucy Miller	10 00		
		*A. A. and Martha Marshall	10 00		

NEWS AND NOTES

We extend to all our readers best wishes for a Happy New Year.

DOES your church receive a club of the *Signs of the Times* weekly? If not, will you help to make up a club?

CHURCH clerks should promptly send to W. A. Young, our conference secretary, the names of the officers for 1909.

BEGIN the new year by subscribing for the *Review*, if you are not now receiving it, or by renewing your subscription, if that is necessary.

THE Thanksgiving Ingathering donations received up to January 1, amounted to \$850.61, and some churches report that other gifts are promised.

THE tithe received by the conference treasurer during 1908, was slightly in excess of that received in 1906, which was the best year in the history of the conference, up to that time.

THE article, "Important Conventions," by our Religious Liberty Secretary, A. L. Miller, is very timely. We trust that it may receive thoughtful consideration by all of our readers.

DURING the Week of Prayer, Elder Miller divided his time among the North Vernon, Seymour, and Oolitic churches, who considered the readings the best and most practical we have ever had, being exactly suited to present needs.

ELDER ALLEN MOON and Elder Victor Thompson were with the Elnora church the last Sabbath and Sunday of December. The election of church officers was held while they were there. They visited the Linton church next.

ANNUAL offerings to the amount of \$390.64 had been received by the conference treasurer, January 1. This sum is considerably less than that of the year preceding, but we trust that many more gifts to apply on this fund will yet be received. Your church treasurer will gladly forward additional offerings for you, or you may remit direct to our office.

REMEMBER that the next conference session is to be held at Jonesboro, Feb. 1-S. 1909.

PROF. AND MRS. BURTON CASTLE of Beechwood Academy spent a portion of the holiday vacation in Indianapolis.

AS MISSIONARY ammunition, the *Signs of the Times* is both effective and inexpensive. Ten cents a week will bring you five papers.

MISSSES ELIZABETH AND MARTHA BAILEY, respectively preceptress and matron of Beechwood Academy, spent the holidays at their home in Monon.

ANY of our churches desiring either a personal visit or correspondence from our missionary secretary to assist them in planning for greater activity in missionary work, should write to Brother Spohr, making their wants known.

THE address of our office and of all the conference officials will be found in the first column of the first page of each issue of the *REPORTER*. Matters regarding the work of any department should be addressed to the one in charge of that department. Money for all purposes should be sent to the treasurer.

MISS PEARL STILES has been successfully selling the weekly issue of *The Watchman* in the business section of this city for several weeks. We would be glad to have regular agents for all of our periodicals in every city and town in Indiana. Write R. C. Spohr for particulars, terms to agents, etc., care of this office.

THE January number of *Life and Health* comes to our table with improved appearance and increased size.—sixty-four pages filled with timely instruction for the preservation of health during the winter months. The valuable improvements make this magazine an easy seller. The publishers have very generously decided to give the agents the full benefit of the expensive improvements, continuing furnish the magazine in quantity for selling at the same price as before, four cents a copy when twenty-five or more are ordered at a time. Send us your order.

A LARGE audience of attentive listeners hears Brother Thomas Hubbard each evening in the Rock-lane church. The outlook is bright for several additions to the church there.

IT seemed like a great family reunion at Beechwood as we welcomed our students again, returning from their vacation. All report a pleasant time at home, and we are certain the days thus spent in rest and recreation are not lost.

AGAIN and again have persons been surprised at the readiness of their neighbors to buy copies of *Life and Health*. The valuable and pleasing improvements seen in the January number will make it a more ready seller than ever. If you have not tried it send in a trial order and convince yourself that *Life and Health* can be sold in your neighborhood. Five copies for twenty-five cents, or twenty-five copies for \$1.00.

WE trust our people and churches generally will cheerfully cooperate with the conference officials who are endeavoring to reduce to a minimum the losses which come through extending credit to individuals and societies, by remitting cash with every order for either books or periodicals. On account of the constant loss that comes to the conference by granting credit to those making purchases through our office, it has been decided to do a strictly cash business during the present year. Credit will be granted only to regular canvassers.



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