

"Arise, Shine ; for thy Light is Come, and the Glory of the Lord is Risen upon Thee."

### ROME, N. Y., MAY 8, 1895.

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CHRIST MANIFESTED IN CREATION.

Gop, the Father, in his wisdom, From his throne in Heaven above, Has revealed in Christ our Savior Mercy, pardon, peace, and love. Through his son, the Lord Jehovah Måde the heavens, earth, and sea, All that in them is was finishen Through his mighty 2 Let there be."

Thus the vast creation building, Now revolving on in space, Was established all in order: Everything just in its place. Light sprang forth in all its splendor. Darkness vanished from its way; As a token of these wonders God gave us the Sabbath-day.

\* Translated from the German by J. P. Lorenz.

### HERE AND THERE

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Ar the close of the services at Jamestown in connection with the dedication of the church there, I went to Mayville, at the head of Chautauqua Lake to visit the little company there. Several met in the evening at Brother A. B. Thews, and we had a profitable season together. Sister Tew and daughter were present from Westfield.

Tuesday night I spent with Brother and Sister Winkley at their home in Randolph. Wednesday I went to Salamanca, and according to appointment, spoke in the town hall to a good audience. Brother Ball has, evidently, a good interest there, and he will continue ten days or two weeks longer, and we hope to see still more fruits of the labor. He is putting in good time visiting in the homes, and he finds it of great benefit in increasing the attendance and interest. Brethren remember the work here. The brethren have ordered and distributed about five hundred of the special numbers of the American Sentinel. Thursday night I went to West Valley to have a counsel meeting with the brethren concerning the new church building. The trenches are dug and filled, and the stones are all on the ground, and before the reader sees this we expect the wall will be all done and ready for the timbers.

Friday night I reached Spring Brook, and was met by Brother Lorenz. An appointment had been made for me to speak in the Union church in the evening. About thirty were pres-Sabbath day we met again, and I spoke ent. on the subject of church organization, and at the close the covenant was read, and sixteen names were presented as charter members. Brother J. P. Lorenz as elected elder, Brother George Lesch, deacon and clerk, and Brother F. Peters, treasurer. At the close, Brother Lorenz was ordained. Brother Lesch had been ordained as deacon of the Buffalo church, and therefore we did not ordain him. All the services were very pleasant and harmonious indeed. This is our first German church in this State, and I was much pleased to be with them in the organization, and welcome them as my brethren, and I feel sure that when the Conference convenes, and their church shall present their request to be accepted into the sisterhood of churches in this Conference that they will receive a hearty welcome by the Conference. The Lord has other noble souls among the German people in this part of the State who will I believe soon join this little company in keeping the commandments of God and faith of Jesus.

Evening after the Sabbath I spoke in the church again on the history of the extremes on faith and works, and showed that the line of truth on this point is found in the third angel's message, which develops a balanced people having the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus. The Methodist minister was present, and at the close he wished ten minutes in which to speak to the people, as he said he differed with me in the position taken. He was allowed the time. He said that the ten commandments were the old covenant, and were done away, that the new covenant was the commandments of Jesus. That we are not to copy Jesus, but to hear his words. That if we followed in the steps of Christ we would be obliged to go up to Jerusalem two or three times each year, etc. That all that there is left of the ten commandments is the spirit; and many other things he said of which we have not time to write. When he had finished I read Psa. 40:6,7; John 5: 19;7:16;8:28;12:49,50; Matt. 7:21; 12:50; Luke 6:46; 1 Peter 2:21; 1 John 2:2-6; Rev. 14:12. Then followed pro's and con's till nearly eleven o'clock. Brother Lorenz read some extracts from the Methodist Episcopal church discipline, but the minister seemed unwilling to listen to his own church. The talk was of interest to the German brethren and sisters, and the only effect was to strengthen them in the truth. This same minister, when Brethren Lorenz and Lesch went there, was as friendly as any one could be till one of the best members of his church decided to keep the Sabbath, and then he turned right about face and has been doing all he can possibly to overthrow the work done by the brethren. In some cases he has spent from six to eight solid hours with a single family, but only to be met at the close with the statement that his efforts had made them more firm Seventh-day Adventists if possible than they were before. Brother Lesch is holding meetings about three miles from Spring Brook in a place called Blossom, and he says the Lutheran minister there has just preached a most scathing sermon against him and his work. The same spirit prevails near West Monroe, where Brother Ellis has been at work. May our prayers go up to God with earnestness in behalf of these brethren and the work in their hands, and while we pray let us remember that the foundation of God standeth sure.'

"The venerable day of the sun" is in the hands of the great enemy, and he is doing all in his power to sustain it in the position before world that it has occupied for so many years; but the Sabbath is in the hands of the Lord our God, and he will soon cause it and the faithful ones who keep it to triumph gloriously. Now is the time for every lover of the present truth to present their bodies a living sacrifice to this cause. Let the hearts and the pocket-books be opened, and the prayer be, "Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?"

Brethren and sisters, let us thank the Lord that all the laborers in the New York Conference are of good courage, and that God is giving. them souls for their hire.

### A. E. PLACE.

### PULASKI AND ROOSEVELT.

I REACHED Pulaski April 4, and the first service was the union in marriage of Brother Willis G. Twitchell, of Salmon River, and Mrs. M. Viola Clifford, of Union Square, at the homestead residence. There was a goodly number of guests in attendance, and everything passed off as pleasantly as could be desired. May Heaven guide and keep our brother and sister in faithfulness unto each other and to the Lord to the end.

I came to Pulaski for a short series of meetings in the interest of the neighbors of Brethren Robinson (father of Elder Hiram Robinson) and Foster. This is a rural district, and owing to the busy season of the year the attendance has not been large, and yet there has been and is some interest, and the Lord has wrought for Yesterday (Sabbath) was a precious occa-118 Five of the youth responded to the call sion. to seek the Lord and for prayers, and one man took his stand to serve the Lord and live the There was a general gathering of our truth ' people this way, and it was a melting and refreshing occasion. We are to have baptism in a week from now, I introduce the Sabbath question to-day, and hope to reach others.

April 20, 21 I was with the Roosevelt church in quarterly meeting service. We had a real good meeting. Brother and Sister Ellis were with us Sabbath from their West Monroe field. There are some five or six there who desire baptism; but for certain reasons it was thought best to defer it a little. I am to visit them again May 11, 12, when it is expected baptism will be administered.

J. W. RAYMOND.

# SINCLAIRVILLE, BLOCKVILLE, AND PORTLAND.

I ATTENDED the quarterly meetings at Sinclairville and Blockville as appointed by the Conference, and enjoyed much of God's blessing. The Spirit of the Lord was near and all were blessed. The fact of the nearness of the end and our need of God's power seemed to impress all hearts. I am now holding meetings near Portland. In a few weeks I expect to go into the eastern part of the State and labor there with Brother Wheeler. Brethren, pray for the work here that fruit may appear. W. A. WESTWORTH.

-WE trust our contributors will not be discouraged if they do not see their reports as soon as they might expect. We assure you that they are appreciated, but as we have had a good many reports of late, it has been impossible to get them all into so small a paper.

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OUR MISSIONARY PAPER

AT the recent session of the General Conference, it was decided to reduce the price of the Signs of the Times to one dollar per year for single subscriptions after the first of May. This was done for the purpose of inducing our people to use the Signs in large quantities for missionary purposes, not only by the local tract societies, but by individuals throughout the denomination. We cannot all go out to canvass for books, but all may become missionaries, and help to spread the truth by working up clubs for the Signs, or by sending at our own expense one or more copies to individuals who cannot be induced to subscribe ; but who would be willing to read the paper if it was furnished to them. It is always better to sell the paper if possible, for the reason that people will, as a -rule, take more interest in that for which they have paid their money, than in something that has cost them nothing. On the same principle our interest in missionary work will increase in just the proportion that we invest our means therefor. Now in order that the reduced price

of this paper be maintained, it will be necessary to publish something like one hundred thousand copies to insure the publishers against loss financially. Let us each become interested in this work and help to swell the list of this excellent paper to the 100,000 mark, and in so doing make the reduction in the price of the paper permanent, and at the same time be cultivating the missionary spirit in ourselves. Brethren and sisters, let us try it, and the Lord will bless our efforts, and bless us as well.

We desire to make up our State club at the earliest possible moment, so let all send in their orders at once. The club rates are as follows, 2 to 4 copies, \$ 95; 5 40 9, .90; 10 to 14, .85; 15 to 19, .75; 19 to 24, .65; 25 to 49, .60; 50 copies, .55; 100 copies, .50. W. A. WILCOX, Sec.

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#### APPOINTMENTS.

THE Lord willing I will meet with the Ellicottville church Sabbath and Sunday, May 11, 12. I will come so as to have a meeting Friday night, May 10, if the church think best to make such an appointment.

May 17-19 I will meet with the church at Jeddo, Orleans County; May 24-26 I expect to be at West Monroe, Oswego County. On my way from Jeddo to West Monroe I expect to visit Rochester and Auburn, but will not make definite appointments yet. At our meetings at West Monroe I trust that so far as possible I may see all the old members of the West Monroe church present, and as many of our brethren and sisters in that vicinity as can consistently come. We hope to revive the organization, and see an encouraging addition to the number. Baptism will be administered during the meeting. I speak of this meeting thus early that you may begin to plan for it.

Brother W. A. Westworth will meet with the Randolph church Sabbath, May 11; Black Creek, 14, 15; Binghamton, 17–19. From there he will go on to join Brother Wheeler at Monticello, where they will labor together during the summer. A. E. PLACE.

### TO THE CANVASSERS.

TO MAKE the reports of all the canvassers

alike and equal, we adopted the following rule at the late canvassers<sup>\*</sup> institute in Rome,—

To reckon the time in hours from the time we get to the first house each day, to the time we leave the last house at night. Some canvassers are perhaps a half days' journey from the first house, in the morning, while others are only fifteen minutes'. So we cannot reckon from the time they leave their home.

Another point, you notice the report says hours worked. This means canvassing or delivering. If the canvassers will adopt this plan of reporting, then the reports will show fairer for all. A few canvassers still fail to get their reports in on time. J. R. CALKINS.

## Øbituary Aotice.

LINDSEY.—Died at Battle Creek, Mich., May 2, 1895, of pneumonia, in the 88th year of his age, our beloved Brother John M. Lindsey, of Newfane, Niagara County, N. Y. Brother Lindsey was born in New York City, in the year 1807, and when quite young he was converted and joined the Methodist Episcopal church. When about twenty years old he came to Newfane, where he resided till within a short time before his death. About 1840 he transferred his membership to the Weslevan church. In both of these churches he was regarded as an active member and a Christian, In-1852 or 3 he, with his wife, accepted present truth and united with the Seventh-day Adventist church. In 1890 they left the old farm where they had lived over half a century, and went to Battle Creek to live with their daughter Mrs. Martha Lamson. During that same year Sister Lindsey died, and he brought her to Newfane for burial, and again returned to Battle Creek. In the spring of 1892 he was prostrated with a shock of paralysis, but after a time he rallied and was around again, but in 1893 he had a second shock, from which he did not recover. One week ago he took a cold, which settled on his lungs causing pneumonia which resulted in his death last Thursday.

Brother Lindsey has been long and well known in this State as a lover of the present truth. His testimonies in his home church, and in our general meetings have warmed and thrilled many hearts. Age and infirmity did not weaken his faith or hope. At the time of the General Conference I visited him, and it was a precious visit to me. In the course of the conversation he said, "Brother Place, I'm most through with this. life, but I've got a glorious hope of a better one." He endured his last suffering with patience, and as long as he could speak he was often heard repeating the words of hymn 679 of the large hymnal. Last Thursday morning he peacefully fell asleep. Arrangements were made at once and he was brought to the home of his : son Brother Charles Lindsey, at Newfane, N. Y. - The funeral, which was well attended was held in the Uni-versalist church at Olcott, N. Y., Sabbath afternoon, May 4, after which he was laid away in the Olcott cemetery. Discourse by the writer.

A. E. PLACE.