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"ARISE, SHINE ; FOR THY LIGHT IS COME, AND THE GLORY OF THE LORD IS RISEN UPON THEE."

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THE TWO WORDS.

ONCE a harsh word was said
That on an evil journey sped,
And like a sharp and cruel dart,
It pierced a fond and loving heart;
It turned a friend into a foe,
And everywhere brought pain and woe.

A kind word followed it one day—
Flew swiftly on its blessed way;
It healed the wound, it soothed the pain,
And friends of old were friends again;
It made the hate and anger cease,
And everywhere brought joy and peace.

But yet the harsh word left a trace
The kind word could not quite efface;
And though the heart its love regained,
It bore a scar that long remained;
Friends could forgive, but not forget,
Or lose the sense of keen regret.

O if we could but learn to know
How swift and sure one word can go,
How would we weigh with utmost care
Each thought before it sought the air,
And only speak the words that move
Like white-winged messengers of love!
—Selected.

PREPARATION FOR THE WORK.

JUNE 9 Elder W. W. Wheeler, who had been with me at Middletown and Slate Hill, and whose assistance was much appreciated, left me to return to his work at Summitville, and I went on my way to Albany and Bath-on-Hudson. A goodly number from these places are planning to attend school the coming year. May God's blessing rest upon them in their efforts to prepare themselves for places of usefulness in the cause of truth. Here I met Elder D. A. Ball from whom I received many helpful suggestions in regard to several places I contemplated visiting. Sabbath and Sunday, June 13, 14, I met according to appointment, with the brethren and sisters at E. Galway, and Monday evening with a small company at Galway. At these places much interest was shown

in our educational work, and some from this church are planning to avail themselves of the advantages offered at the Academy. From the friends at Rome I received a hearty welcome, and was especially glad to find Elder Place and wife so rapidly recovering from their long and severe illness. Elder Kinne rendered invaluable aid, both in counsel and personal effort. At least one from this church will doubtless attend the Academy this fall.

Sabbath, June 20, in company with Elder Kinne, I met with the large church at Syracuse in the forenoon, and, through the kindness of Elder W. A. Westworth, we were enabled to meet with the friends at South Onondaga in the afternoon. In both these places much interest was manifested in the preparation of our young people for work in the cause of God, and I trust some the coming year will avail themselves of the advantages offered at the Academy to secure such a preparation.

The work is fast closing up; prophecy is fast fulfilling. The great day of the Lord surely and speedily approacheth, though undiscerned and unheeded by many. But before the final crisis can come God's servants must all be sealed,—this gospel of the kingdom must be heralded in all the world and preached as a witness to every creature. But where are the laborers? "By thousands of voices all over the world, the warning will be given." These laborers must, it is evident, come largely from the ranks of our young people; and these must be trained for service. "Cultivated intellect is now needed in the cause of God; for novices cannot do the work acceptably." Study to show thyself approved unto God; a workman . . . rightly dividing the word of truth. Of all times in the history of the world God's workmen *now* must rightly divide the word of truth; for a people is to be developed to stand without fault before the throne of God. In order to become such laborers the divine in-

junction is, Study. To afford facilities for such study our schools have been established in the direct providence of God. Notice two points in this connection: 1. They are to study to show themselves approved unto God, not unto men. 2. Their study must be based on the Holy Scripture; for "all Scripture is given . . . that the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works." Therefore it appears from both these considerations that if our young people are to be trained to become successful laborers in God's cause, they must secure their preparation in the schools of God's appointment.

I wish again to express my appreciation of the interest that our brethren and sisters take in the welfare of the youth; and yet there is always room for improvement. Shall we not individually take time to seek out, and encourage by our words and if necessary by our means, deserving young people, that they may prepare themselves for work in the cause of the Master?

H. C. GILES.

June 22.

OUR PUBLICATIONS.

ALL who have carefully watched the reports from time to time in our periodicals have doubtless been impressed with the fact that many are accepting the truth through reading. I feel to endorse the words of Elder A. O. Tait in the *Review*, under date of June 16, 1896, as follows: "There is not a single line of work that is doing more for the advancement of the message than the circulation of our publications; and there is no line of our publications that is doing more than our *periodicals*; and there is no one of our periodicals that is bringing more people into the truth than the *Signs of the Times*."

Doubtless the present outward results are but very small compared with the great silent undeveloped work that is going on in the hearts of thousands who at the present time are investigating, or are "in the valley of decision."

O, then, what an important part our canvassers and missionary societies, and the individual missionaries are acting in the closing work of the message! The reward is just a little in advance of us. Yea, when the work is done in the right spirit there is "one hundred fold in this life." To those who have not al-

ready read it, I would call especial attention to an article in the *Review* of June 9, 1896, page 363, entitled, "Encouraging Results in Self-supporting Home Missionary Work." Do not fail to read it, and may it be a stimulus to us on this line.

The more our people as individuals, carefully read our publications and feel their value upon their own souls, the more we will appreciate their value for others. The Lord seems to be calling our attention now as never before to our publications, and especially our periodicals, that we may see their value to us in preparing us for the closing work, and to others in bringing them to the precious truth which we hold so dear.

A. E. PLACE.

(To be continued.)

THE "INDICATOR."

TO OUR SUBSCRIBERS: The pages of this little sheet are read with interest by all of you, and that is as it should be; and we are aware that in order to have this interest maintained, it will be necessary to have its columns filled with fresh original matter each week. To obtain this we would like to secure a number of regular contributors who would esteem it a privilege to furnish short articles of a practical character, all aglow with the spirit of the message; items of experience; brief notes of general interest, not in the line of gossip, but that which will add to the interest of our work.

Of course we depend upon our laborers in the field to supply much of the matter for the *INDICATOR*; but there are others among us that would be gaining an experience in the line of writing, and aid in building up the cause by contributing to the columns of the *INDICATOR*. To enable us to give appointments more publicity, we would like to issue the paper earlier in the week, so it would reach those remote from the office before the Sabbath. In order to do this it will be necessary to have copy on hand, and reports sent in the latter part of the week, ready for insertion the first of the following week. This will enable the printer to do his work without delay, and the readers to receive the papers earlier in the week. We trust that all will take an interest in this matter, and send us copy of the class above noted; but all should bear in mind that the capacity

The Canvassing Work.

Report for the Week Ending June 19.

Post-office.	County.	Agent.	Hrs.	Days.	Ords.	Value.	Miscel.	Del.	Val.
Bible Readings.									
Villanova,	Chautauqua,	J. S. Fritts,	39	5	14	\$25.00			
Sidney Center,	Delaware,	C. W. Inskeep,	30	5	16	35.25	\$7.25		
Utica,	Oneida,	Norman Kling,	24	5	4	11.75	3.25		
Independence,	Allegany,	G. F. Evans,	11	2	2	6.25	\$1.60		
Spencerport,	Monroe,	N. S. Washbond,	30	4	5	10.50	1.20		
Spencerport,	Monroe,	Mrs. N. S. Washbond,	22		2	4.00	.65		
Spencerport,	Monroe,	C. K. Beaman,	45	7			.25		
Spencerport,	Monroe,	Mrs. C. K. Beaman,	29	4	1	2.00	.25		
Utica,	Oneida,	E. J. Detlefs,	30		12	22.00			
Great Controversy.									
Galway,	Saratoga,	Wm. Seewald,	37	4	9	23.75	5.10		
Florida,	Montgomery,	E. S. Popoff,	30	5	14	32.25	1.10		
Patriarchs and Prophets.									
Oswego,	Tioga,	J. Deeley,	32	4	10	19.50	.25		
Rochester,	Monroe,	M. A. Millington,	30	5	7	16.25	.35		
The Stomach.									
Utica,	Oneida,	E. J. Detlefs,	9		8	12.00			
Home Hand Book.									
Adams,	Jefferson,	H. B. Damon,	10		1	5.50	3.65		
Miscellaneous sales,						24.90			
Totals,		14 Canvassers,	408	50	105	\$250.90	\$24.90		

of our paper is limited, and if your articles do not appear at once, or even at all, do not think that your efforts are not appreciated and cease to write; but send your contributions right along: this will give the printer a supply to select from, and give meat in due season. Do not wait till next week before sending in your copy, thinking that it would not appear before that time. If it is received in advance, it can be put in type before the issue is due and thus save time.

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Field Reports.

MEXICO.

THROUGH the INDICATOR let me say that since we came to this place, we have not heard a true gospel sermon preached, nor exhortation given. We have not learned that the warning of the third angel's message has ever been sounded here by any of God's messengers. The people are courteous and kind, but are swayed by the influence of worldly pride and fashion, and filled with lust after wealth and the applause of men; but I thank the good

Lord that there is one Sabbath keeping family living in their midst, and may God help us to honor him and his holy rest day to the finish, and that in convincing humility and love.

We are cheered as we learn of the faithfulness of the brethren and sisters at Dickinson Center (our home). A letter from a good and faithful sister of that church informs us that in a recent Sabbath service after Sabbath-school there were eight fervent prayers offered, and twenty-one stirring exhortations given, and that God's presence is with them. Thank the Lord.

That the presence of the Lord may continue to guide Brother Jenkins, their present leader, into all faithfulness and knowledge that he may be instrumental in doing much good; and that He may bless Brother Bates, the deacon of the church, and all other officers, and finally all the church members and church interests, is the prayer of your unworthy and absent brother and sister.

S. AND L. KINGSLEY.

—“Bear ye one another's burdens.”

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NORFOLK.

WE commenced meetings in the tent here the evening of the 6th. It has been quite cool, yet our congregations have been good. We are pleasantly situated on an island in the Racquet River. The people are friendly and appear interested, and we trust we may have wisdom to instruct them in the way of the Lord.

F. PEABODY,
H. L. BRISTOL.

ALDEN.

THE congregation was unusually large last Sabbath. We had arranged for the ordinance of baptism, which was administered to nine persons. Four have united with us on profession of faith, and two were reclaimed, making fifteen persons in all who have united with the church since we began the meetings. The church has great reason to rejoice in the Lord because he has so greatly blessed them. Our meetings are growing in interest.

As we see the people come with interest in the great truths of God's word, and as they turn to the Lord we are led to greatly rejoice. Many persons are interested deeply, and we hope to see them take their stand for God and his truth. Our baptism was a very affecting

scene. Old men of the world could not refrain from weeping, because of the presence of God with us. We desire to see the good work go on, so we have concluded to remain till the interest is developed, the Conference having excused us from the tent work. Will the brethren and sisters pray for the people and for us that God will fit us for the work.

GEO. M. ELLIS.

APPOINTMENTS.

No providence preventing Professor Giles will meet with the Pulaski church July 4, 5, where Brother Raymond may appoint.

The regular quarterly meeting of the Rome church will be held Sabbath and Sunday, July 4, 5.
W. E. LEWIS.

—“When faith and hope fail, as they sometimes do, we must try charity, which is love in action.”

Obituary Notices.

HARPER.—Blythe Harper died at his home near Charlotte Center, Chautauqua County, N. Y., June 10, 1896. Brother Harper was born in Ireland, August 1, 1824. When fourteen years of age he came to this country. He was married April 19, 1849, to Miss Lois Mitchell of Chautauqua County, who survives him. He with his wife accepted of the Sabbath truth under the labors of Elder S. Thurston several years ago, and have since lived consistent Christians. Brother Harper was a member of the Seventh-day Adventist church of Sinclairville, N. Y. He leaves two sons and one daughter. The funeral was held in the Methodist church at Charlotte Center, Sabbath, June 19. A large congregation of relatives and friends were present. Sermon by the writer from Job 14 : 14.

J. B. SROW.

HUGHY.—Died at the home of Brother James S. Fox, in Williamstown, N. Y., June 9, 1896, Lucy A. Hughy, of pulmonary consumption, aged 71 years, 5 months, and 5 days. Sister Hughy was born in Deerfield, Oneida County, N. Y. She united with the Methodist church early in life, and continued an active member till about fifteen years ago, when she embraced the present truth. The universal testimony is, that she was an exemplary Christian; and we believe rests in hope. After a short discourse by the writer, June 12, interment was made at Deerfield.

P. Z. KINNE.