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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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PERFECT SUBMISSION.

MRS. MAGGIE FAIRFIELD.

WHEN the shadows cross thy pathway,
As they oft in life will do ;
Think only that the dawn is breaking,
On a brighter day for you.

“ In this world ye shall have trials,”
Jesus said ; but be of cheer,
Let our Father's will be ours,
Though it cost us many a tear.

Let the rays of heavenly sunlight
Enter in this soul of ours,
And reflect its light on others,
In their dark and trying hours.

Not merely on the rich and haughty,
Let this Christian duty fall ;
But likewise on the poor and lowly,
Jesus died to save them all.

He would not that one should perish,
But all men through Him be saved ;
From the greatest to the smallest,
E'en the lowest and depraved.

Let us crown our blessed Jesus,
With the brightest gems we own ;
And each talent God has given us,
Use to elevate his throne.

And when time shall be no longer,
When in glory He appears,
He'll reward, and we'll adore Him,
Through the never-ending years.

THE CAMP-MEETING.

As many of the INDICATOR readers doubtless know, I attended the New England camp-meeting held at Leominster Park, Mass., beginning August 27. It was an unfavorable time for me to leave the State, being so near the time of our own camp-meeting ; but circumstances seemed to demand it, and as it turned out it was for the best.

When I reached the ground I was pleased to find Elder A. T. Jones there. One hundred tents were pitched in the plan of a city, and quite a number occupied. The location was

good, and the ground connected with electric cars to So. Lancaster and Clinton on the one side, and Leominster and Fitchburg on the other. Elder Jones and I did most of the preaching while we remained. Elders Porter, Fifield, and Professor Haughey were at the Maine camp-meeting. The attendance and interest seemed to be quite good. I had two good meetings with the young people, and was pleased to see the earnest spirit manifested. We formed several new acquaintances, and met a few old friends. Our stay was made comfortable and pleasant. At the close of the Sabbath morning sermon a call was made for those who desired prayers, and about eighty responded, and we had a good meeting.

We remained till Thursday afternoon, September 3, and on leaving, Elder Jones was permitted to accompany me to the New York meeting, Elder Porter having returned from the Maine meeting the night before. We reached our camp at Oswego Falls, Friday forenoon ; and was much pleased with the progress that had been made in the arrangements for our meeting. The ground was pleasantly laid out, and a larger number of our brethren and sisters present than I expected to see at this stage of the meeting ; but it did me much good to see the meeting open so encouragingly. My heart was filled with gratitude to God for the privilege of meeting and greeting so many whom I had at the time of my sickness given up all hopes of seeing again in this world.

The early morning hours were occupied by Elder Jones, who gave some valuable talks which will not soon be forgotten by those present. He also did much of the preaching, until Elders Porter and Fifield came Wednesday, when he went on to Battle Creek. From first to last there was a good spirit manifested on the ground. Each one seemed to desire the success of the meeting, and the sanctifying influence of God's spirit was felt, both by the

campers and those who came in from the outside ; and an excellent impression is left upon the people. It seemed evident that the Lord directed in the choice of subjects to be presented, and His spirit was manifested in the presentation.

The worker's meetings each morning were seasons of great profit. The business meetings of the Conference and Tract Society passed off pleasantly, and with a marked degree of unity. The reports of these will probably appear this week or next. The delegates were pleased to admit into the Conference four new churches, with an aggregate membership of seventy-six. The same officers were elected as last year.

During the past year we have not urged our brethren and sisters to give money, but have prayed that they might give themselves to the Lord ; and with gratitude to Him, and also to them, we can state that the money has come in in every time of need to meet the demands upon us, and we hope within a few days to settle with every laborer and still remain free from debt. At times the way has seemed closed up, but the Lord has said, "Go forward," and we can and do rejoice in his opening providences. The laborers are of good cheer and hopeful, and this is encouraging.

We are also much pleased with the general expression of confidence on the part of the delegates present at the meeting, and also in the letters that have come from brethren in different parts of the State. To all who have thus written I wish to say that while I am not able to answer all these letters, yet I feel very grateful for all the kind words sent.

The last Sabbath on the ground was a day long to be remembered. The Lord's spirit began a special work upon the congregation in the early morning meeting, and the words of the Lord were realized, "Before they call I will answer." We had not expected to make any call in this meeting, but before the time had expired we knew that our faith had not grasped the blessing God had in store for His people. Without any urging we simply opened the way for those who desired prayers to come forward, and with very little hesitation over fifty arose and came forward. At the close of the forenoon preaching service another call was made for those who did not start in the early meeting, and this was responded to by over

sixty willing souls. If there is joy in heaven over one sinner who repenteth, what must have been their song that Sabbath day ?

The weather all through the meeting was all we could ask for, and the attendance from the villages and surrounding country was good. As we came to the close a general feeling of sadness seemed to be manifest that our precious feast must so soon close ; but the farewell word was, "This is the best camp-meeting yet."

We have full confidence that the year to come will give evidence that the Lord was in the councils of His people. Our prayer is that His power may lead us all to a still better performance of His will, and that we may see the work rapidly move forward to its final glorious triumph.

A. E. PLACE.

NEW YORK CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS.

THE first meeting of the thirty-fifth annual session of the New York Conference held at Oswego Falls, N. Y., convened Sept. 4, 1896, at 5 P. M. President A. E. Place occupied the chair. After prayer by Elder F. Wheeler, the roll of churches was called, and delegates representing nineteen churches responded. After a few remarks by the President the call for new churches was made, and the following names were presented :

First, the church at Albany, with nineteen members, by Elder D. A. Ball, who made some remarks on the growth of the church.

Second, the church at Binghamton, by Elder S. M. Cobb. This church has nineteen charter members, and a present attendance of from thirty-five to forty. The work at that place was referred to by Elder Cobb, and encouraging features were presented in connection with it.

Third, the Middletown church, with twenty-two members, was presented by Elder W. A. Westworth, remarks being made on the organization and growth.

These churches were received into the sisterhood of churches, and their delegates seated.

The work at Darien Center, under the supervision of Elder G. M. Ellis, was discussed by brethren Place, Gleason, Cobb, and Lorenz, and the admission of this church was deferred for future action.

The Canvassing Work.

Report for four Weeks Ending Sept. 18.

Township.	County.	Agent.	Hrs.	Days.	Ords.	Value.	Miscel.	Del.	Val.
Bible Readings.									
Westfield,	Chautauqua,	J. S. Fritts,	124	18	16	\$29.00		94	\$179.75
Hancock,	Delaware,	C. W. Inskip,						68	135.25
Dexter,	Jefferson,	H. M. Johnson,	45		44	87.25			
Porter,	Niagara,	Ralph B. Clapp,	22	3	1	2.50			
Rome,	Oneida,	F. G. McAlister,	1	1	1	3.00			
Newburgh,	Orange,	H. VanDuzer,		2	2	5.00	\$25.35		
Great Controversy.									
Clarksville,	Cattaraugus,	Mrs. A. Vincent,	60	8	8	20.25	5.00	2	5.50
Clarksville,	Cattaraugus,	Mrs. W. Huie,	84	12	5	11.75	3.55		
Ladies' Guide.									
Jamestown,	Chautauqua,	W. S. Cleveland,	96	14	15	55.50	6.00		101.00
North Evans,	Eric,	Mrs. Emily Smith,	36	9	6	18.50	.50		
Prophecies of Jesus.									
Lockport,	Niagara,	Roy F. Cottrell,	41	5	1	1.75	2.25	49	100.75
The Stomach.									
East Randolph,	Cattaraugus,	Nettie M. Hovey,	1	1	3	4.50			
Miscellaneous sales,						42.65			
Totals,		12 Canvassers,	510	73	102	\$281.65	\$42.65	213	\$522.25

On motion the Chair then appointed the following committees :—

On Nominations—N. S. Washbond, S. N. Walsworth, Charles Coe.

On Resolutions—J. W. Raymond, D. A. Ball, R. C. Porter.

On Credentials and Licenses—P. Z. Kinne, N. S. Washbond, J. W. Raymond.

Auditing Board—F. H. Hicks, Alex. Gleason, O. L. Stillman, S. N. Walsworth, W. E. Lewis, E. Holcomb, to act in connection with the Conference Committee.

The meeting then adjourned to the call of Chair.

A. E. PLACE, *Pres.*
W. A. WESTWORTH, *Sec'y.*

THE "AMERICAN SENTINEL." ITS MISSION.

We trust all will read the following extract carefully, and then let us as individuals consider what our duty is in the matter :

"God employs various agencies in preparing his people to stand in the great crisis before us. . . He arouses the watchman and sends them forth with messages of warning, of reproof, and of instruction, that the people may be enlightened. The *Sentinel* has been. in

God's order, one of the voices sounding the alarm, that the people might hear, and realize their danger, and do the work required at the present time. The Lord intends that his people shall heed whatever he sends them. When light is presented, it is their duty, not only to receive it, but to pass it along, adding their influence in its favor, that its full force may be felt in the church and the world. The *Sentinel* is like a trumpet giving a certain sound ; and all our people should read it carefully, and then send it to some relative or friend, thus putting to the best use the light that God has given them. . . Those who profess to believe present truth have not been influenced by these danger signals as they should have been. Had our brethren used the *Sentinel* as it was their privilege to do, and had all been united in recommending it in every conference and in every church, as God would have them do ; had the attention of our people been called to this work, which was so essential to be done for this time ; had they appreciated the light which God permitted to shine upon them in warnings, in counsels, and in the delineation of events that are taking place, we should not now, as a people, be so far behind in making preparations

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for the work. . . Let every worker for God comprehend the situation, and place the *Sentinel* before our churches, explaining its contents, and urging home the facts and warnings it contains. May the Lord help all to redeem the time."—*Testimony 33*, pp. 239-244.

OCTOBER COLLECTION.

TO THE FRIENDS OF THE ORPHAN AND HOMELESS CHILDREN : You will kindly bear in mind that the first Sabbath in October is set apart by the General Conference as the time for a collection to aid in the maintenance of the Haskell Orphan Home.

No more important duty or privilege comes to us than to care for the poor and needy. Our Heavenly Father has given us a bountiful harvest in all parts of the land. Let us show our gratitude by remembering the poor.

We are caring for nearly one hundred children, and the funds for maintenance are exhausted. All the contributions for this day, both of Church and Sabbath-school, should go to this fund. Will S. S. superintendents and church leaders call special attention to this notice. Send all remittances to L. McCoy, Battle Creek, Michigan.

—Experience is the most valuable tutor.

KIRKVILLE.

Since camp-meeting the writer has spent the time at home recuperating from the fatigue of the meeting.

Notwithstanding the heavy rain last Sabbath, quite a goodly number gathered at our house in Kirkville for meeting. Among the number where four who enjoyed their first opportunity of the kind with S. D. Adventists, having recently embraced the truth. The Spirit of the Lord was present to soften our hearts, and some were too full to express their feelings. At the close of the meeting, five willing souls were buried with their Lord in baptism, and united with the Syracuse church.

P. Z. KINNE.

APPOINTMENTS.

Sabbath, September 26, I expect to be with the church at Rome, and hope to see a general attendance. If the quarterly meeting is held at that time, notice will appear in this paper to that effect.

I expect to meet with the Syracuse church Sabbath and Sunday, October 3, 4, for quarterly meeting. We expect also to administer baptism in connection with that meeting.

A. E. PLACE.

No providence preventing Elder P. Z. Kinne will be with the Adams Center church Sabbath and Sunday, October 3, 4, for quarterly meeting. Following that meeting he will visit the company at Natural Bridge and administer baptism. Let this appointment be circulated.

A. E. PLACE.

No providence preventing I will be with the Newburgh church Sabbath and Sunday, September 26, 27. Let there be a full attendance.

W. W. WHEELER.

No providence preventing the regular quarterly meeting of the Rome church will be held Sabbath and Sunday, September 26, 27. Elder Place will be present. Let there be a full attendance.

W. E. LEWIS.

—A man's truest index of character is his treatment of his subordinates.