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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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TWENTY-THIRD PSALM.

BY S. M. COBB.

THE Lord is my Shepherd no want shall I fear,
 I rest in green pastures, he still lingers near ;
 Beside the still waters he leads to his fold,
 And for his name's sake restoreth my soul.

Yea, though through the valley of death I should go,
 I'll fear not the evil imposed by the foe ;
 For thou, Lord, art with me, to comfort and bless,
 To cheer and encourage when lone and oppressed.

In love to correct me his rod he applies,
 And shields me from danger in blessings disguised :
 And then if in weakness I cannot proceed,
 I lean on his staff as in mercy I need.

I eat from his table, from his cup do I quaff ;
 I feed in green pastures, and lean on his staff ;
 In goodness and mercy my days shall be spent,
 I'll dwell in the house of my Lord with content.

NEW YORK TRACT SOCIETY PROCEEDINGS.

(Concluded.)

THE report of the Treasurer was then called for and given as follows :—

REPORT OF LABOR.

No. Members,	390
" Letters written,	498
" Letters received,	165
" Missionary visits,	262
" Bible readings held,	244
" Subscriptions for periodicals,	241
" Periodicals distributed,	13,783
" Pages of books and tracts loaned,	1,397
" Pages of books and tracts given away,	173
" Pages of books, tracts, and periodicals distributed,	138,434
" Pages of books, tracts, etc., furnished by librarians,	73,164
Value of books, tracts, etc., furnished members by librarians,	\$41.73

CASH STATEMENT.

Receipts.	
Balance on hand Sept. 1, 1895,	\$598.54
From Local Societies, donations,	95.91
From Local Societies, Sales,	203.53
Sales and account from agents,	11,371.02

First-day offerings,	429.43
International Religious Liberty Association,	20.50
South Lancaster Academy,	20.50
Haskell Home,	195.64
Annual offerings,	691.28
International Tract Society,	5.78
Donations,	1.99
Certificates of Deposit,	1,105.00
Foreign Missions,	688.93
Total,	\$15,428.05
Disbursements.	
Paid to Offices,	\$5,747.45
Other Firms,	702.65
State Agent,	822.23
Printer,	241.30
Loans and Deposits,	7,314.02
Property,	114.06
Labor,	27.33
Postage and Stationary,	96.14
Freight, Cartage, and Express.	50.34
Sundries,	62.51
Cash on hand Sept. 1, 1896,	250.02
Total,	\$15,428.05

BUSINESS STATEMENT.

	Losses.	Gains.
Merchandise,		\$1,546.21
Property,		209.15
Indicator,		114.18
Donations,		36.61
Paid Crawford claim,	\$300.00	
Interest,	24.93	
Expenses, (Postage, stationary, freight, cartage, express, etc.,	337.64	
Award State Agent, wages,	351.00	
Award State Agent, expenses,	81.56	
Award Printer, wages,	251.17	
Labor,	32.23	
Net Gain,	527.62	
	\$1,906.15	\$1,906.15

FINANCIAL REPORT.

	Resources.	Liabilities.
Merchandise per Inventory,	\$2,369.37	
Real Estate,	2,068.00	
Personal Property,	1,006.91	
Bills Receivable,	1,754.04	
Ledger Accounts,	7,475.00	
Cash,	250.02	
Due Publishing Houses,		\$675.82
Due Other Firms,		35.26
Due on Certificates of Deposit,		705.00

Loans and Deposits,	6,666.49	
Net Worth,	6,840.77	
	\$14,923.34	\$14,923.34

Respectfully submitted,

W. A. WILCOX, *Sec. and Treas.*

On motion the report was adopted as read.

The report of the Committee on Nominations was called for and submitted as follows:—

For President—A. E. Place.

Vice President—D. A. Ball.

Secretary and Treasurer—W. A. Wilcox.

State Agent—J. R. Calkins.

Auditor—P. Z. Kinne.

Respectfully submitted,

N. S. WASHBOND,
S. N. WALSWORTH, } *Committee.*
CHARLES H. COE. }

The report of the Committee was adopted by considering each name separately.

There being no further business to come before the Society, the meeting adjourned *sine die*.

A. E. PLACE, *Pres.*

W. A. WILCOX, *Sec. and Treas.*

Field Reports.

AMONG THE CHURCHES.

At the close of my last report we had just finished a series of good meetings with the church at North Creek. This was Sunday night, and as we had an appointment at Schroon Lake, Essex County, for the next night, and expected to administer baptism there, it was necessary for us to start early Monday morning. Brother Rickert and wife took me to Brother Cowles' where we spent the night, and I had another good meeting till about midnight with Brother and Sister Cowles.

Brother and Sister Tyrel, Brother and Sister Jenks, Brother and Sister Rickert, also Sister Wheeler, who is teaching school in Brother Carr's district, accompanied me to Schroon Lake, where we arrived in time for dinner. We spent the entire afternoon making calls, and spoke to a good congregation in the evening. At this meeting we arranged for baptism to be administered at half past seven in the morning, that I might leave as early as possible for Keene Center. At the hour appointed nearly fifty persons were on the shore of the beautiful Schroon Lake where we led four more into the watery grave. They all came up rejoicing in sins forgiven, and the blessing of a new life.

May God grant that they may walk in it to the end. My own heart was too full for utterance, as I saw these for whom I had labored and prayed moving forward in this ordinance, and I greatly rejoiced that it was my privilege to lead them to the fulfilling of "righteousness."

Brother Lester Pratt was on hand to take me to Keene Center, and as soon as the baptism was over we said farewell once more to these dear friends, and with eyes dimmed with tears we started on our tedious journey across the mountains. Whatever the disadvantages and hardships we meet in this work we can always say that it is sweet to work for God, for "The Lord is good, and his mercy endureth forever."

A. E. PLACE.

NATURAL BRIDGE.

ON my way to this place, I called and spoke to a few in Watertown, Monday evening, Oct. 5. Since then meetings have been held here each evening during the week. The attendance of our people was quite good, and a few interested ones came in to listen.

Sabbath, five went forward in the ordinance of baptism. The weather was all that could be desired, and quite a number gathered to witness the ceremony. Good order was preserved and a favorable impression left. Brother Weller was with us during the meetings, and Sabbath, Brother and Sister Geer came in from Harrisville. We trust that those who now represent the truth here will remain faithful, and that others may yet be added to their number.

P. Z. KINNE.

DICKINSON CENTER.

AFTER an illness of about four weeks, I came to this place to spend a little time while gaining my health and strength. Since coming here we have seen an excellent spirit manifested and love for the truth and for one another seems to prevail. Sabbath and Sunday, Oct. 3, 4, the quarterly meeting was held and the ordinances were celebrated. In the social meeting nearly every one in the house took part, and the spirit of the Lord was present in rich measure. Brother Kingsley, the elder of the church, who has been absent for several months was present for the first time. We were glad to

The Canvassing Work.

Report for the Week Ending Oct. 16.

Township.	County.	Agent.	Hrs.	Days.	Ords.	Value.	Miscel.	Del.	Val.
Bible Readings.									
Ellery,	Chautauqua,	J. S. Fritts,	26	3				48	\$97.00
Hancock,	Delaware,	C. W. Inskeep,			3	6.00		1	2.00
Patriarchs and Prophets.									
Candor,	Tioga,	J. Deeley,		5	12	37.00	\$.25	5	11.50
Ladies' Guide.									
Jamestown,	Chautauqua,	W. S. Cleveland,	24	3	1	3.00		23	75.25
Miscellaneous sales,						.25			
Totals,		4 Canvassers,	50	11	16	\$46.25	\$.25	77	\$185.75

learn of the progress of those for whom we have labored in the past, and we trust that faithfulness may mark all their efforts and victory be their reward. The Sabbath-school collection for the Haskell Home was four dollars and sixteen cents.

H. L. BRISTOL.

FULTON AND ROOSEVELT.

It was decided by the Conference-Committee that I should remain in Fulton, and follow up the interest created by our excellent camp-meeting. Elder Cobb stopped with us one day and spoke, and then I continued the meetings until Oct. 8, speaking twenty-eight times. Three decided to keep the Sabbath, and one united with the church.

Oct. 10, 11 we spent with the church at Roosevelt in quarterly meeting. This was our first meeting with this church, and we enjoyed it very much. Two were baptized and united with the church. The church seems to be in a prosperous condition, and they may reasonably hope to see it thrive.

I am now at home for a time building an addition on our house. We had a good meeting in our church to-day with a fair outside attendance.

D. A. BALL.

WATERTOWN.

On returning from Natural Bridge, I spent some time in visiting two Sabbath-keepers a few miles out of the city, Sister Allen, of Rutland, and Sister Mereness, of Black River. These sisters have been observing the Sabbath

alone in their families for a few years, and appear firm, and rejoice in the truth.

Meetings were held Thursday and Friday evenings; also on the Sabbath, when those who were baptized at Natural Bridge were received into the church, until such time as a church can be organized there. Sister Allen, of Rutland, also united with the church. Owing to unfavorable circumstances the ordinances were not celebrated.

P. Z. KINNE.

UNION.

We pitched our tent and began labor in Union Sept. 24, with a fair interest and attendance; but as soon as the ministers of the place saw that their people were giving attention to the principles advocated in the tent, they turned their attention to the work of keeping them away. Our attendance dropped off until we only had from twelve to twenty to hear us. Then the cold heavy rain-storm that was so general, set in and lasted several days, the weather turning cold after the storm. Under these disadvantages, together with the lack of interest, we took down our tent, and returned to Binghamton to labor. But our labor there is not in vain inasmuch as two have decided it was their duty to obey the Lord, and we expect they will keep next Sabbath for the first. Several others are convinced, and we are hopeful for them. We shall visit them as often as we can, praying the Lord to lead them into the truth. Our post-office address is 140 Vestal Ave., Binghamton, N. Y.

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W. A. WESTWORTH.

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THE GENERAL CONFERENCE BULLETIN.

THE time is near for our next General Conference, and we are anxious that all our people shall inform themselves regarding the matters considered at these meetings. The *Bulletin* will be issued daily during the coming season. It will contain proceedings of all meetings. It will be sent postpaid to subscribers, in any country, for fifty cents. This will cover the subscription for the biennial term of the General Conference, including the extra numbers issued during the meetings.

The work of preparing the list requires great care, and from the fact that all the subscriptions are received and must be entered at about the same time, and in order to secure the full volume, orders should be sent in without delay. Address New York Tract Society, Rome, N. Y.

—Conference cash received Oct. 5–20: Norwich, \$20.81; Middle Grove, \$4.00; Olean, \$87.78; Binghamton, \$22.62; Gouverneur, \$10.00; Blockville, \$3.00; Cleveland, \$10.50; Rome, \$21.26; Middletown, \$28.25; Black Creek, \$17.53; Wilson, \$4.44; Syracuse, \$44.00; Jamestown, \$19.07; Ellicottville, \$111.61; Monticello, \$12.50; Buck's Bridge, \$7.00; Wellsville, \$98.59; Dickinson Center, \$21.75;

Randolph, \$51.13; Roosevelt, \$5.15; South Russell, \$4.00; West Monroe, \$14.22; North Creek, \$64.35; Schroon Lake, \$9.98; Norfolk, \$15.50; Individuals, \$44.20.

Items.

The General Conference Committee is now in session, and let us remember them at the throne of grace.

I have lately received word that my brother O. G. Place, M. D., has closed his work at Boulder, Colorado, and now is at Battle Creek to receive further orders.

A good report comes to us from Rochester that the work is gaining in that city. Several have lately begun keeping the Sabbath, and six are now awaiting baptism.

I have lately received word from Binghamton that the brethren and sisters there are talking strongly of putting up a new church building this fall. We wish them success.

Brother Ellis reports good progress on the new church building at Darien Center. He expects they will soon be ready for dedication. We look for this to be a means of establishing the work in this vicinity, and a help in the work of letting the light shine.

—There are few courts who condemn a criminal without a hearing; yet how often do we dismiss a friend unheard.

Obituary Notices.

GEER.—Sister Irena Geer died at her residence in the town of Pitcairn, St. Lawrence County, N. Y., Sept. 29, 1896, of heart disease, aged 80 years and 5 days. A husband and two sons (William Albert and Naaman) survive to cherish her memory. Irena Grainger was born in Herkimer County, N. Y., and united in matrimony with Richard S. Geer, Aug. 18, 1833. At the age of 16 or 18, she professed faith in Christ, and since that time has been His faithful follower; hence, we know that she rests with the assurance that "Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord from hence forth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them." For about twenty years she has been a devoted member of the S. D. Adventist church. The funeral services were held at the house Oct. 1, 1896, conducted by Rev. J. D. Russell. Text, Ps. 116: 15. A large number of sympathizing friends were present.

P. Z. KINNE.