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BRANCH SABBATH SCHOOLS

How often we hear young people express a desire to "go somewhere and do missionary work," forgetting the fact that the missionary work which they can best do is right where they are. The planning of active missionary work in the home, in the neighborhood, in the town or city where they live, is the first work to be considered by all who desire to become missionaries. The spirit of the Lord has pointed out an opportunity which many are passing by: "There is a most precious missionary field in the Sabbath school." By the organization of branch schools, thus spreading the truth to other homes, it has been proven that the Sabbath school work need not be confined to the members of our own church. Branch Sabbath school work is ideal work for young people. These schools are held for the children of those not of our faith, and can be conducted wherever a few children can be brought together. In one city one hundred and forty children were brought into various branch schools which were conducted almost wholly by young people of our church. The results of this work were most satisfactory.

Busy mothers have gathered the children of the neighborhood into their homes on Sabbath afternoons and taught them the Sabbath school lessons. The following from a sister who began the work with but few children will reveal the possibilities in this direction: "Our branch Sabbath school has gone far beyond anything we had looked for. Last Sabbath we had an attendance of forty-two. I am having some blessed experiences that give a deeper joy than anything the world can give. It means hard work, oh yes, for every Sabbath we have to go out and bring them in, but the Lord has richly rewarded our efforts. I am becoming acquainted with many of my neighbors whom I would probably not have met in any other way, and almost without exception they are warm friends. Some of the parents, men as well as women, say they are

coming to our Sabbath school. Of course I am glad to extend to them a hearty welcome. The school is held at my home Sabbath afternoon at four o'clock."

Does not that experience seem a complete fulfillment of the words: "Parents who can be approached in no other way are frequently reached through their children. Sabbath school teachers can instruct the children in the truth, and they will in turn take it into the home circle." Are there not many who wish to do missionary work who will try this plan? There are two young ladies in different locations in the south who are all alone in the truth, and they each have a fine school. The attendance of each averages fifteen children. What a wonderful factor in spreading the truth this branch Sabbath school work might be if it were taken up by every church, and as far as possible, in every home. These little schools would become centers of light reflecting truth to all who come within its influence. The light from such schools will form no small part of that great light which fills the whole earth with its glory.

The experience gained by the workers is of incalculable value. One of our ministers who became interested in the work in his home school says: "Nearly all the members of our regular school have something to do in branch Sabbath school work. Even the children seem to feel a responsibility in bringing others to the schools. I do not know of anything that we have taken hold of yet that has in it the possibility of developing workers that this work has."

We all rejoice because of the success of this work. It means the development of workers and the spreading of the message.

MRS. L. FLORA PLUMMER.

RESPONDING TO APPEALS

The elder of a large church in one of the central states writes that as they read the urgent appeals from the missionaries to the Mission Board, begging that new laborers be sent to

the needy fields, they feel burdened to do something that will show that they have a practical interest in the giving of the message in the dark continents beyond.

They have decided that the best way to really help would be to adopt the plan of giving regularly to the funds for this work, so that a strong effort has been made to encourage every member of the church to give something for missions each week. Since this has been undertaken, their weekly offerings have increased many-fold. The very first Sabbath that the envelopes were collected the offering was many times more than it had ever been before on Sabbath; and since that time, it has steadily increased. They expect to carry this out faithfully until every member will have some part in this work.

There are many other churches that have had such experiences in adopting the use of the envelopes. Let us hear from these. We would urge those who have not yet begun to use the envelopes to give them a trial. The Lord has told us through the spirit of prophecy that the home missionary work will be farther advanced in every way when a more liberal, self-denying, self-sacrificing spirit is manifested for the prosperity of foreign missions. He says further that we have not discerned that in helping to advance the work in foreign fields, we would be helping the work at home. So the way to hasten the coming of our Lord is to take hold heartily of the work in the regions beyond. One way to share in this glorious work is to provide liberally for its rapid extension to all parts of the world. MISSION BOARD.

Battle Creek, Mich.

THE SIGNS

Following are subscriptions for Indiana that expired on the 8th inst:

Mrs. L. V. Mann, Ft. Wayne, C. E. Kennedy, Richmond; Ralph Bonnell, Neidhurst; Gabriella Havens, Leach; C. H. Kennedy, Connersville; Maria Moore, Brookston.

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IMPORTANT MEETINGS

Beginning at Indianapolis next Sabbath, November 1, meetings will be held as follows: Indianapolis, November 1 and 2; Oliver Chapel, November 3 and 4; Middleton, November 5 and 6; Kokomo, November 7 to 9. We desire to meet the Conference Committee at the first meeting to consider matters of special interest. Eld. Covert will be with me in all these meetings. We hope to see a full attendance. Bro. Stanley will arrange for the meetings at Olivet and Bro. Cummings at Middletown.

I. J. H.

WORK PROGRESSING

Bro. Miller, who has stood next to the head carpenter at Berrien springs all summer, is now in charge of the work at Boggstown. We have been slow in getting the work started, but we now see that we will save hundreds of dollars by having Bro. Miller's help. The school will go on with pretty fair accommodations. On the whole, it is evident that the Lord's hand has been over the work. We shall move forward with our buildings as fast as the money comes in. Every dollar will help. Let all remember the school. Let the young people come at once.

I. J. H.

THE INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL

Up to October 23 the entire amount of money received to carry on the work of erecting the Indiana Industrial School was \$737.40. The disbursements were \$682.77. Cash on hand October 23d, \$54.63.

From this it appears that this undertaking is now practically without means, while there is pledged and unpaid to the state treasury something near to \$2,800. Brethren, the condition is before us, and we should

awake to the fact that the new Industrial School needs money in addition to fresh air and scenery. God tells us that "slothfulness casteth into a deep sleep and an idle soul shall suffer hunger." Shall we take chances on a famine "of hearing the words of the Lord," or shall we be diligent in business and serve the Lord?

Let us behold the Master, discern the needs of his cause and become changed from the ways of men.

TWO MONTHS FREE

To all who are not now subscribers to The Sentinel of Christian Liberty, but whose subscriptions are sent in soon, the publishers offer to send free the November and December issues of this year. Thus you get a fourteen months' subscription for \$1.00.

Plans have been, and are being laid to make the 1903 Sentinel the best volume ever issued. Articles already in hand can be announced as follows:

A. T. Jones' series on "The Supremacy of the Papacy" will continue to and including the March, 1903, number with the study of the past Supremacy of the Papacy, and will continue then for two or three numbers on "The Working of the Papacy to-day toward Supremacy again; how she will gain it, and the consequences."

J. O. Corliss has contributed a series on the "Relation of the State to Sabbath Observance," which will continue for three or four numbers. This will be followed by another series in which will be drawn a contract between true and false governments, or the reign of God's government contrasted with that of man's."

G. B. Wheeler will have several articles on "Baptists and Religious Liberty." Other articles from his pen will also appear.

W. A. Colcord, recently returned from Australia, W. E. Cornell, C. P. Bollman, W. N. Glenn, and others will also contribute to the success of the 1903 volume of the Sentinel.

Subscription price, \$1.00 per year. Send your order to the Indiana Tract Society, 1311 Central Ave., Indianapolis, Ind.

THE PROVING OF ISRAEL

We acknowledge receipt of a copy of this little tract, written by Prof. Magan, bearing on the question of the Relief of the Schools. While it is not a new tract, it is one that we

have not had as yet for circulation. We will immediately secure a supply of them, and our intention is to see that they get a wide circulation among the brethren of our conference. We, at the office, are anxious to do some missionary work and we are sure in sending these out gratis, that it will revive the desire within us all to sell the remainder of the Object Lessons that have been apportioned to Indiana.

Brethren, can we find a better time than this to dispose of two books apiece? Is this a great feat? Do you feel that you are a grasshopper and do you fear the giants? If so, will you like Caleb be able to say that you have wholly followed the Lord? Can we ask for the reward feeling like the faithful servant of old, that we are entitled to it?

Furthermore, can we sell a few copies of Christ's Object Lessons by the first of January, 1903?

These are important questions and please remember that it is "a condition and not a theory that confronts us."

The Lord willing, we will give the little tract a wide circulation in our office correspondence and we trust that the Lord will bless the reading of it to those that receive it.

OBITUARY.

Lucetta Derringer was born one mile east of Corret, Ind., January 8, 1847, and died October 5, 1902, aged 55 years, 8 months and 27 days. She was married to Alonzo J. Carter April 17, 1864, to whom were born eleven children—eight boys and three girls, all living. She united with the Seventh-day Adventist Church at New Marion, November 10, 1900. She was faithful in keeping the commandments of God. She had a great burden for her children that they might accept the truth. She suffered a long time but bore it with much patience to the last, commending her spirit to God, and died with a confident hope of a part in the first resurrection. She leaves a father, husband, eleven children, one sister and a host of friends to mourn their loss. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer.

PETER SAILOR.

Elder Bartlett, of LaFayette, and M. Bessie DeGraw, of Berrien Springs, visited at 1311 this week.

-- BOOK WORK --

DEAR BRETHREN: While going about here and there I did not think I was taking in very much in the way of orders, but when counting up deliveries and orders I found a total of \$85.25 for orders and \$31.50 for deliveries and more in the future. It reminds me of my experience last Sunday gathering walnuts. There were four of us in all, and after many water hauls and twenty miles of travel we found one tree, and it was just about dark and everybody got a bushel. And so it is at the close of the day when the reward is earned the Lord pays his servants.

H. S. BROWNING.

NAME.	PLACE.	Hrs.	Exp.	D. of A.	D. & R.	G. C.	C. K.	H. of M.	H. H. B.	L. G. d.	Bib. R.	P. & P.	Ord. d.	Value.	Value Helps.	Del.	Value.
H. S. Browning	Indianapolis	72		1	4	1		2	2	6	3	2	18	\$53.25	\$26.00		\$31.50
R. H. Hazelton	Ft. Wayne	48									17		17	40.25	7.50		
G. G. Davis	Amboy	56									3		15	18.75	22.05		
Thos. Hubbard	Amboy	56				7							15	36.00	7.00		
V. B. Frost	Nashville												3	8.25	6.00		
Mollie E. Keener	Anderson					3		3					3	3.75	8.40		
Lizzie Richmond	Tangier							3			20		3	37.50	12.15		101.00
B. H. Welch	Spencer	32															
													83	\$203.75	\$80.14		\$132.50

* Report for 2 weeks, ending Oct. 20.

Sr. Cora Yazell called on a neighbor lady one afternoon, taking a catalogue of our publications with her, and after showing her through, took her order for the following: Youth's instructor, one year, 75c; By Land and Sea, \$2.25; Best Stories, 50c; Making Home Happy, 50c; Gospel Primer, 40c.

Amboy, Ind.

I am so thankful that the Lord ever permitted me to have a part in the canvassing work. He has been with me and has given me several victories, although I have some trials. I am trusting in and believing Romans 8:28. The other morning I called on a poor woman who is suffering with cancer in the eye. As I talked with her she said, "You seem quite young to give up all pleasure, and devote your life to helping others." Upon this I referred her to the text which says, "We rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory." What an unspeakable joy to be a co-worker with God.

G. G. DAVIS.

REPORTS FROM THE FIELD

Patrickburg.

The quarterly meeting was held on Sabbath, October 4th. Twelve believers were present and all were of good courage. On Sunday one aged brother was baptised and is rejoicing in the Lord and His truth.

We also held services at night after the Sabbath and on Sunday night. The Sunday night meeting was quite well attended. The word was well received and we hope that there will be some good fruit appear. We tried to impress man's need of salvation and God's willingness and ability to save the most needy. The Savior in His goodness and mercy gave much freedom in speaking, for which we praise His name. R. M. HARRISON.

Bedford.

I came to this place October 20th, and was glad to find that Dr. Leach and his sister and mother had preceded me and were busily engaged in fitting up treatment rooms. I think their sanitarium will be a great help in establishing the work here. I consider Bedford quite an important place. We have a population of seven thousand; the stone quarries furnish employment for something over one thousand men at \$2.50 per

day. The Bible work seems to be opening up nicely and I hope to see a good work accomplished here. I need more literature than I am able to buy. I could use a hundred copies a week of Signs and Reviews to a good advantage, and tracts in abundance. I will close my article with an appeal to those who may have such literature to please send it to me, post paid, and I will assure you that it shall be faithfully used. I am of good courage in the Lord.

S. S. DAVIS.

WORD FROM CHINA

The following note from a recent letter from Mrs. J. N. Anderson of Hong Kong, China, gives just a little glimpse of the every-day life of the Chinaman, and of the conditions which appeal to our workers in that field: "Poor people! how I pity them in their poverty and darkness and superstition. To pass down the street at dusk, after the day's work is done and the evening meal of rice is over, and see them sitting about or lying on their backs on a bit of rush matting anywhere they can locate to catch a breeze, beside two or three sticks of burning incense, chanting prayers to Josh, is so touching. They seem so earnest in their worship of 'they know not what.' One man who himself has become a Christian, but whose wife is still a heathen, says she often spends almost a whole night in religious exercises. When a member of the family is ill she waits to implore or propitiate Josh, or in times of prosperity to thank him."

And there are 400,000,000 of these benighted souls! At every tick of your watch one passes into eternity, without God and without hope. Four workers are there and two are now enroute, but scores are needed. Pray ye the Lord of the harvest to send forth laborers. ESTELLA HOUSER.

Mission Board Office.

MARRIED

Rupert C. Spohr and Miss Daisy E. Larimore were married October 16th at the home of the bride's parents in this city. Elder A. L. Miller officiated. Mr. and Mrs. Spohr now reside in Battle Creek, Mich., where the former has charge of the work in the law office of Judge Arthur. Reporter extends congratulations.

OPENING OF THE SCHOOL

Prof. Machlan and Sr. Kinner are on hand, and are busy cleaning and arranging the cottages preparatory to the opening of the school on Wednesday. We have secured a house with rooms suitable for class work and recitations; another for ladies dormitory and general dining hall; and another for boys dormitory. Prof. Machlan and family will live in the cottage with the boys. Surely the Lord has favored the temporary school. Mrs. Hankins and I just came from Boggstown. A few students had arrived and others are coming, and all are helping in the arrangements. Our teachers are pleased with the present outlook and are full of hope and courage. A good brother from South Bend sent us 24 quarts of nice canned fruit. A brother from Parr is sending a lot of onions. Several from Boggstown have donated provisions. We hope that every church in Indiana will aid our school in this way during the winter.

Miss De Graw is expected at the opening, and will speak to the public Wednesday evening. Before this paper reaches you, the school will be in active operation. Let all pray and work for its success. I. J. H.

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S. S. OFFICERS ATTENTION

Some still do not know that we no longer require the payment of postage on the lesson quarterlies. The postmaster at Indianapolis has rec-

ognized our right to pound rates on them, so please remember this, and also tell your church librarian to remember it; or if there are any others that you have allowed to send for the quarterlies, please instruct any such ones and have them save the extra postage that was required for several months on account of the postal rulings of last year.

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Several items were received too late for this issue of the Reporter. Look for them next issue.

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EDWIN BARNES, A. C. M. (Battle Creek College.)

Its wearing qualities, inside and outside, are unequalled. It is happily devotional rather than sensational, and for this reason commends itself to all who are aiming at lasting results while working for others in school or field. Medical missionaries can not find a better book as an aid in their work. Bill to me nine copies of the 50c binding for use in our home.

J. H. KELLOGG, M. D.

I do not hesitate to say that the new book, "Christ in Song," is the best singing book, for all kinds of religious services, ever published, being admirably adapted for the Sabbath and prayer meetings, for Sabbath-schools and tent meetings, for missionary meetings, for the old and for the young. The small price brings it within the reach of all.

ELDER L. A. HOOPES. (Sec. S. D. A. Gen. Conf.)

We have carefully examined the new song book, and are much pleased with it. We shall use it in our school work, and have already sold a large number of copies to the students. We have also carefully examined it with reference to its helpfulness in church schools, and find that it contains many excellent hymns and songs specially adapted to children and youth. Shall recommend it to all our church schools as the best book obtainable for their use, and encourage its circulation elsewhere as far as our influence goes. It is just what we have been needing for a long time—a cheap book with a good variety of hymns and songs.

PROF. E. A. SUTHERLAND. (Pres. Battle Creek College.)

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ELDER A. T. JONES. (Editor Review and Herald.)

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