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AN IMPORTANT MEETING

I. J. HANKINS.

Many persons have inquired whether there will be a State meeting held this spring. Circumstances have not seemed to favor such a meeting until the present time; and even now we cannot expect a large attendance because of the shortness of the notice, also because we hope to hold other meetings of a local nature in different parts of the State.

This coming Sabbath, May 15 to 17, all within reasonable distance are invited to attend a meeting at the church in Boggstown. The brethren extend a hearty invitation, and will cheerfully entertain all who can come. We hope to see representatives from the more distant parts of the State, and a general rally from points nearer the place of meeting.

The interurban car running from Indianapolis to Shelbyville every hour, stops at Fairland, within three miles of Boggstown. Two trains run from Fairland to Boggstown daily, at 8:30 a. m. and 5:55 p. m. The train from Indianapolis which connects at Fairland for Boggstown leaves Indianapolis at 7:30 a. m. and 5:15 p. m. The fare to Boggstown by interurban is 40 cents, and by railway 60 cents.

We expect Elder W. J. Stone, our incoming president, to be with us, also Elder Wm. Covert and Miss DeGraw, besides several of our local workers.

I am sorry we could not give notice of this meeting sooner; yet we hope to have a good attendance. There are many important matters to be considered with reference to the future work in Indiana. A number of our laborers have been recommended by the General Conference to other fields. The writer is invited to return to South Africa; Elder A. L. Miller to labor in Ontario; Elder R. S. Donnell in Iowa; and Elder P. G. Stanley in Southern Illinois. As already stated, Elder W. J. Stone will take the presidency of this conference.

You will be glad to make the acquaintance of Bro. Stone at the Boggstown meeting, so please arrange at once to be present, and to spend a few days in worship together, and in considering the work which God has placed in our hands. I trust his meeting may be one of much profit and great blessing to the cause in Indiana. To this end let us all unite our earnest prayers. Do not forget the time—May 15th to May 17th. Services will begin Friday evening. Again we say, come.

THE CASH BASIS

At the General Conference meeting, recently held at Oakland, it was urged that our people everywhere should immediately reform in business affairs as well as in other lines. The lax way of buying books and supplies from the publishing houses and the State tract societies on credit is condemned, and we are reminded that it is displeasing in the sight of Heaven, and that

it separates those who make no progress in the matter of restitution from blessings that cannot be enjoyed by the careless and indifferent.

The Indiana Tract Society is carrying quite an array of names that are charged with amounts aggregating no less than \$1,000. Many of those owing much of this large amount make no effort to pay their portion of it. There are some instances where numerous statements have been treated with indifference because those who owe have gone out from us; but others still numbered with us are unconcerned until prodded with statements of account which, in most instances, accomplish nothing beyond calling forth an air of injured innocence.

It is difficult for the office to keep from coming in contact with the credit system in some form or other. Inasmuch as many canvassers have, in the past, asked for books on time, we find it no easy matter to refuse credit to new workers, who have found how we have done for others, who still owe the office for books.

We are determined, however, with the help of the Lord, to do our part in bringing about the needed reform in our field. We have had good counsel in the past from those at the head of the work in our conference; but the canvassing work must be considered and safe-guarded now as never before. We need the prayers and co-operation of all our brethren in the effort to build up the canvassing work in our midst. Let us encourage those who think of entering the field to take the prospectus and secure the orders, before asking for any days of grace in which to pay for the first order of books, rather than to ask the secretary for 100 pounds of books assorted, and on time, when as yet they have not proven themselves capable of doing work in the field. To do successful canvassing, one must learn to canvass. The canvasser should studiously avoid going in debt to the office for books.

Let no one conclude, from these remarks, that canvassers are the only ones owing the tract society on account. There are very many individual and tract society accounts on the ledger in the State Secretary's office which have not been settled for years.

A GOOD OPPORTUNITY

Doubtless there are many in different parts of the State who desire to learn more about the Industrial School. The meeting appointed at Boggstown next Sabbath will furnish a good opportunity to visit the grounds, and see what is being done there. I hope we may have a representation at this meeting from all the churches in the State. Bro. Boyd recently asked for plants, bulbs, seeds, etc., for the school. If you have anything in this line, bring it with you, as this will save the expense of carriage.

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THE INDUSTRIAL ACADEMY

B. F. MACHLAN.

It may interest the brethren throughout the State to know that there are a few earnest students digging about the roots of the little vine which the Lord has planted here at Boggstown. The Lord has watered, and the vine is growing. God has dealt kindly with teachers and students, and we praise his holy name for it. There has been a steady spiritual growth among our young people, and their prayer and society meetings are very precious seasons. All express their appreciation of industrial training, and set the seal of their approval upon it by co-operating with the teachers in performing the work in the home and on the farm in a happy, joyous manner. Some are engaged in the different lines of domestic work, others on the school building and on the farm. They are getting the instruction contained in 1 Thess. 4:11.

We have planted 100 pear trees, 100 fine cherry, 200 peach, and 25 apple trees; also 350 grape vines, 200 currant, 100 dewberry, 100 blackberry and 200 raspberry plants. Both trees and plants are fine stock, and we took great care in placing them in the ground. We are praying that God will bless the labor of our hands, and that they may grow and bear material fruit, and also may this school grow and bear spiritual fruit.

Do our young people in Indiana realize what a great privilege it is to be pioneers in this our industrial academy? We have room for more. Are there not some young men and young women who wish to avail themselves of the opportunity to prepare for the Master's work? Never was there such a demand for workers as now. God is calling for our young men and young women to prepare to labor in his vineyard. I wish to correspond with every young person in Indiana concerning this matter. Write me at once, and if you cannot attend the summer term, get ready for the fall term. After May 25 our address will be, Fairland, Ind., Rural Route No. 1.

DEACON AND TREASURER

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The duty of a deacon is to look after the needy in the church. The duty of the treasurer is to collect the funds, especially the tithe. These two officers should be men who will counsel together, seeing in their work they will be brought together often. All our people are honest, and when the treasurer goes his rounds to collect the tithes, and at some homes none is given him, his clearly indicated that the members who pay no tithes have not been earning anything, and inasmuch as our people are not a wealthy people, these members

in a little while will be in a needy condition. Hence the treasurer must call the attention of the deacon to their case, and the deacon in turn brings the matter before the church, and relief is sent to these individuals by his hands. Our deacons and treasurers in Indiana will have more to do than any other of the officers in our church. It is high time they were discharging their duties, for by this time many in our conference are very needy; we know this to be a fact, because some have not paid any tithe for some time. Some pay a little, while some have never paid any. Malachi 3:6-12 is the Lord's plan to relieve such needy ones.

REPORT OF TITHES FOR APRIL, 1903

Akron	\$1 10	LaFayette.....	\$12 25
Auburn	1 25	Linton.....	6 00
Angola.....	45 59	Mechanicsburg.....	29 65
Anderson.....	7 23	Marion.....	89 66
Barbers Mills.....	50 45	Mt. Zion.....	40 83
Boggstown.....	163 53	Muncie.....	105 27
Connersville.....	2 27	Mt. Vernon.....	28 17
Dana.....	9 16	North Liberty.....	41 62
Denver.....	55 54	New London.....	1 68
Evansville.....	3 32	Northfield.....	31 00
Elnora.....	18 50	Noblesville.....	2 69
Elwood.....	32 25	New Marion.....	11 56
Fort Wayne.....	66 60	Olive Branch.....	44 09
Frankton.....	49 60	Patrickburg.....	11 47
Franklin.....	14 62	Rochester.....	1 40
Greenfield.....	18 22	Salem.....	15 72
Grass Creek.....	11 15	South Milford.....	8 00
Hartford City.....	8 16	South Bend.....	23 00
Honey Creek.....	25 00	Terre Haute.....	60 00
Idaville.....	21 90	Waldron.....	10 71
Individuals.....	60 52	Walkerton.....	15 01
Indianapolis.....	153 03	Wolf Lake.....	83 30
Jonesboro.....	8 50	West Liberty.....	14 80
Kokomo.....	32 42	Waterloo.....	8 00
Kennard.....	10 87		

Total April receipts.....\$1,566 16

Total disbursements in April.....\$996 50

Tithe Fund Dr. to cash on May 1, 1903.....1,092 87

We make the following summary of receipts for the first quarters of 1902 and 1903:

1902.		1903.	
January receipts.....	\$2,104 81	January receipts.....	\$2,179 91
February receipts.....	772 59	February receipts.....	807 61
March receipts.....	1,078 46	March receipts.....	710 69
Total.....	\$3,955 86	Total.....	\$3,698 21

Decrease during last quarter, \$257 65.

At this rate we will fall short of last year's receipts more than a thousand dollars. There is still time to reverse this showing for the current year. Shall we not do it?
W. C. McCuaig, Sec. and Treas.

THE BOOK WORK

State Agent Dunn was at Goshen the first of this week, to aid Bro. Austin Churchill in the canvassing work. Bro. Churchill has had the matter of canvassing under consideration for some time, and we believe that he enters the field with a determination to prove successful in persuading men and women to buy the truth.

Brother E. P. Holden reports success with Coming King at North Vernon. Indiana is a good field for our canvassers. What we need is more canvassers. Are there not many who have proven themselves to be good canvassers in the sale of Object Lessons who are ready to enter the field with a good seller, something like Coming King?

FEEDING ON ASHES.

Southern Watchman.

As I used to pass to and fro from the office of the Southern Watchman to my home, my path lay in sight of the city dumping grounds. Here all the refuse and ashes from a large city are deposited. I never cast my eyes toward that unsightly place without seeing a number of poor people overhauling the rubbish, dissecting each ill-smelling cart load, in order, if possible, to find something of value. In my heart I pitied these poor people thus reduced to search among dirt and ashes for things which could be at the best of only questionable value or use.

Over this pitiful scene I saw the great, grand blue sky, through which the glorious sun was running his majestic race. A little in the distance were beautiful trees with their waving branches, where the happy birds were flitting and singing their songs of joy and gladness. All this beauty and glory were near at hand, but these poor garbage pickers with bent forms and downcast eyes saw it not. They were feeding on ashes.

A company of young people are gathered for the evening, having the precious opportunity to encourage and inspire one another, to develop and strengthen their social, intellectual, and spiritual natures; but the entire time is spent in frivolous talk, trashy stories, idle games, and loud laughter. They are feeding on ashes.

In a church looking for the soon coming of Jesus to gather his people home, beyond temptation, sin, care and tears, in a church professing to bear a final message to a lost world as God's holy commandment-keeping ambassadors, we sometimes find gossiping, envy, backbiting and soul-devouring jealousy. They are feeding on ashes.

Surely here are themes to engage all our thought without resorting to trash or trifles. May God help us to gird up the loins of our mind, and be like unto men that wait for their Lord when he shall return from the wedding.

"During the time of the end the activity of Satan's servants will greatly increase. The activity of God's servants is to increase proportionately. Christian is to unite with Christian, church with church, in the accomplishment of God's work, and all are to be under the guidance of the Holy Spirit."—Testimony at the General Conference.

The annual meeting of the Seventh-Day Adventist Central Educational Association was held at Berrien Springs, Mich., beginning May 6. Elder and Mrs. Hankins were in attendance. The Lake Union Conference Committee also met at Berrien Springs, the same date.

Miss Florence Graham, of Wolf Lake, went through Indianapolis, May 5, to attend the summer term of school at the Boggstown Academy. Misses Beulah and Blanche White, from Indianapolis and Danville, Ind., respectively, have returned to their mother, at Boswell.

We are just informed that the Review and Herald Publishing Company is prepared to fill orders for Sister White's new book on "Education." This book will be \$1.25 postpaid; limp leather, gilt edge, postpaid, \$2.50.

REPORT OF CANVASSING WORK FOR THREE WEEKS, ENDING MAY 1, 1903.

NAME.	PLACE.	Hrs.	Ex.	D. of A.	D. & R.	G. C.	G. R.	H. of M.	H. H. B.	L. G. D.	B. I. D. R.	P. & F.	Orders	Value.	Value Helps.	Del.	Value.
B. H. Welch	Bluffton	4									7		7	\$14 00	\$5 75		\$27 00
Mollie Keener	Anderson	12				3							3	7 50	7 50		
H. S. Browning	Indianapolis									3	3	4	13	34 75	15 35		35 35
E. P. Holden	North Vernon			1	2									5 00			
V. B. Frost	Nashville														1 95		
No. canvassers,	Totals	16		1	2	3				3	10	4	23	\$61 25	\$23 80		\$62 35

Again we call attention to the matter of reporting. In this report for three weeks, one of the canvassers doing the best work has reported for only two weeks. The work has been so very light for some time, that we are anxious to have the report appear to the best possible advantage. We trust the brethren will be faithful in reporting, so that we may not be ashamed to have others look at a summary of our work. Those who are staying right at the work are having good sales. It is surprising that there are not more canvassers in the field. There are blessings for many in this work; who will reap them?

"Well shaken before taken." is a patent medicine rule, and of no value to the man of faith. That which the Great Physician offers to all mankind should be well taken, so that they may be rooted to the foundation that cannot be shaken.

Don't wait till campmeeting to buy your copy of Volume 7. It is at the State Tract Society office, and on receipt of 72 cents we will send you the cloth-bound book at once by mail. This is our rock-bottom figure with postage added.

Church school patrons who have had their church school teachers run accounts with the State Tract Society for school books for their children are earnestly requested to read the "Cash Basis" item in this issue.

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CHRIST'S OBJECT LESSONS

W. C. M'CUAIG.

The mere mention of these three words is quite suggestive. They remind us that this work is still unfinished, and especially is this the case in the Indiana field. The readers of the Reporter know that we made a special effort in March to finish the work in this conference, and a brief mention of the results of the work for the first four months of 1903 will be noted with interest. The cash receipts at the office up to April 30 were, in round figures, \$1,000. We deplore the fact that we are not able to present a better showing. We feel assured, however, that there are still funds in the hands of responsible parties, and that a great many orders were taken for future delivery. This, of course, relieves the situation to some extent; but it is evident that we are not moving fast enough to completely finish the work short of two and a half years from May 1, 1903. Shall it be inferred from this that we have arrived at the conclusion that the Lord "delayeth his coming"?

We hope that none will tire of the work now, and that all will ask the Lord for wisdom to help them in placing thousands of copies of Object Lessons in homes where an entrance has not been gained. Let the brethren of each church counsel together as to the best plans for winning our way into homes where the doors have not yet been opened to us. Why not parcel out the books among diligent members, with instructions to leave them for inspection in homes where parties are well able to buy? The books might be taken out in relays, with the understanding that no others will be let out until the first ones are sold, unless those letting them out feel that they are going into good hands and will guarantee the money or the books in every case. We must be willing to shoulder some of the responsibility in some way, and show a willingness to work, as well as to show our faith in the Lord that he will allow us to lose nothing in the effort. I would not suggest this as the best plan to put in operation, for it may be that some one can suggest something better.

In homes where books are left for inspection, let those who make the second call give the idea at once that we believe the book has won its way on its merits and that we are not expecting to take it away. We shall be glad to hear from our brethren with reference to any plans to advance the work for Object Lessons that will meet the approval of our Master.

INDIANA INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FUND

Donations and birthday offerings not previously reported: Elsie Snoden 17c; Mrs. Spohr 42c; collection H. S. Browning \$2.50; Mrs. E. Nordyke \$1; R. A. Craig and sisters \$3; from Angola \$10; Mollie Parker 39c; B. F., R. and I. Halstead \$2.10; Mrs. Frances Sandlin 50c; cents; Mary Smith 75 cents; Brother Whitsel 83 cents; Lissa Brown 43c; Atha Snoden 15c. Mrs. Haskius, Angola, \$20. The report of Industrial school donations is not lengthy this time; in fact it has not been very long at any time. This time, however, there is a fact that we read between the lines, and it is this: If each of our well-to-do brethren in this conference would do as well for the Industrial school as the two widowed sisters at Angola, the plant that the Lord has planted at Boggs-town would not need to continue begging for means. These two sisters are as faithful in forwarding tithes as they are sending in offerings. The Lord says that he gave his life for us, and it is astonishing how little the most of us are disposed to do for him.



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Wm. Arnold.

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