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THE CANVASSING WORK.

THE calling of the canvasser is as honorable as any other in the work of God, in the sight of Heaven. If he conscientiously pursues his calling, he will cultivate in himself that spirit of reliance which is an essential element in the character of those who become eminent in the cause of Christ. In proportion as he meets and overcomes difficulties so will he become strong. His influence is far-reaching by his work. If faithful in paying his tithes, he not only trains himself to be a self-supporting missionary, but he contributes to the support of other missionaries who enter the harvest field. In disposing of the publications, he furnishes employment to many of our poorer brethren and sisters, who in these times would otherwise find it difficult to obtain a livelihood. He is a pioneer missionary. The training he receives by his own work gives him an experience which is very essential for the troublous times upon which we are now entering.

His work fits him for almost any experience

which may be his lot, when the dark cloud of persecution shall have settled all over the land. He is prepared to follow the Saviour's injunction, "When they persecute you in one city, flee ye to another," and this without expense to any conference, or financial support from others. These considerations are all of minor importance, when compared to the good accomplished in the direct influence of saving souls, and the joy he will receive in the kingdom of God. The canvasser creates an impression upon the minds of those with whom he comes in contact, that will cause him to triumph in every place. It will either be a savor of life unto life or death unto death, according to the course of the individual thus impressed with divine truth. Hundreds will rise up in the Judgement and call him blessed for having first called their attention to the solemn truths for this time.—S. N. Haskell, in *Missionary Echo*.

Field Reports.

BUFFALO, (KENSINGTON).

THE good work begun here in a suburb of Buffalo is still onward. I began meetings here Feb. 7, and have now spoken twenty times. Besides that, I gave a few Bible readings. The attendance was good from the first. The people manifested a good interest, as shown by their regular attendance. Will close meetings to-night (Sunday). There is now a company of ten here who have fully accepted the truth; among these are five gentlemen. Some have entered the canvassing work already, and others will perhaps do so later on. There are about four who are yet on the point of decision, who I hope will sooner or later take a full stand.

It is encouraging to know how willingly this people embraced the truths as held by us as a

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people. Especial interest was manifested in the subjects, Spiritual Gifts and their relation to the remnant church, Bible Sanctification, Justification by Faith, and Health Reform. The Lord gave freedom in presenting these important truths in their true light, so that they not only had a good effect on our brethren and sisters, but outsiders were stirred.

Our Sabbath-school numbers fifteen. It does one good to see these precious souls who have all their lifetime transgressed the law of God in profaning his Sabbath come, with their Bibles under their arms, to worship God on the day which he sanctified for that purpose.

I had the privilege of meeting the Methodist minister of this place. He thought a good work had been done by our meetings, as shown by the change of life of some who never made a profession of religion; some were skeptics, others lived on carelessly, and one lady was a Catholic. When the truth came to them, tobacco, liquor, and other filthy habits were done away with; our books and periodicals took the place of novels and newspapers.

We hope an ordained minister will be sent here so that those who have decided to keep the commandments of God may follow their Saviour in baptism, thus showing the world that they are henceforth dead unto sin and live in newness of life.

I hope the Lord will open the way so that my next effort will be among the German people who are so largely represented in this State. Brethren and sisters, pray for this company here so that the God of peace will keep them and establish them more fully "in the present truth."

March 4.

J. P. LORENZ.

SYRACUSE.

ACCORDING to appointment I began meetings at 109 Harrison Place, Syracuse, Feb. 13, with a fair attendance. February 27 was the closing sermon which was preached by Elder Lane, making sixteen preaching services. Soon after beginning work here I took a severe cold, but kept on with my meetings by God's help and did some visiting. The last three days I think I am safe in saying I had the genuine gripe, which kept me in bed nearly half the time; but the Lord was good to me and gave me his

strength so I was enabled to stand before the people and fill all appointments.

In some respects this has been the most precious series of meetings I have ever held in Syracuse. I think all the brethren and sisters felt greatly strengthened; and a favorable impression went out to others, and many new ones came in when the weather was favorable. Several have lately taken hold of the truth here as the result of Bible-reading work. \$16.25 were raised to pay interest on the property here. Let the good work go on is my prayer.

A. E. PLACE.

SYRACUSE N. Y. AND JERSEY CITY N. J.

ON Tuesday evening, Feb. 27, I held a meeting at Syracuse. There was a good attendance. The meetings just closed there, held by Elder Place, have been successful.

On Wednesday, Feb. 28, I met all the members of the Conference Committee at Rome with one exception. Our deliberations were harmonious, and will prove a blessing to the work in the State.

On Thursday night, March 1, in company with Elder Place and wife and Brother J. R. Calkins, I started for Jersey City, N. J., reaching there Friday morning. We found the District Conference in session. Elders Van Horn, A. T. Jones, and J. N. Loughborough were present. There are some thirty delegates from the Conferences composing the district. The meetings are held in the new meeting-house which our brethren have erected in Jersey City. Sunday night it was dedicated, Elder Van Horn preaching the sermon. There were some 450 present. The meetings close Sunday night.

S. H. LANE.

CANVASSERS' INSTITUTE.

THE Canvassers' Institute for the year 1894 will be held at Cleveland, Oswego Co. We have chosen the same place as we selected last year from the fact that there existed an interest there which should be strengthened. Cleveland is situated on the northern shore of Oneida Lake on the New York, Ontario, and Western R. R., some fifteen miles west of the city of Oneida.

This meeting is especially appointed for the benefit of our canvassers; but if any besides of

The Canvassing Work.

Report for the Week Ending March 2.

Place.	Agent.	Hours.	Days.	Orders.	Value.	Miscel.	Delivered.	Value.
Bible Readings.								
Schuyler,	Wm. Seewald	36	5	10	\$22.50	\$4.80		
Winfield,	Fred McAlister	19	3	3	6.50	1.65		
Ithaca,	J. S. Fritts	35	5	23	52.00		7	\$18.50
Hebron,	A. P. Bump	17	5	3	6.50	2.38		
Dix,	T. B. Harlan	31	4	7	17.75			
Watkins,	Mrs. T. B. Harlan	14	3	3	6.50			
Bennington,	O. E. Tuttle	27	3	1	2.50	1.00	5	12.00
Buffalo,	O. F. Thompson	4	3	2	6.25			
Sugartown,	Mrs. R. Scotland	40	4	6	14.50	.75		
Richmond,	Perry Tufts	16	4	5	13.00	10.35	77	188.50
Lincklaen,	C. S. Coon					5.69		
Parishville,	Edward Crossman	15	3	5	10.00	6.00		
Holley,	Alexander Gleason	40	3	13	45.00	28.00		
Olean,	N. W. Irish	36	4	5	11.50			
Batavia,	E. A. Bowe	1	1	1	1.00			
Great Controversy.								
Poughkeepsie,	J. E. Frazee	25	5	20	50.75			
Patriarchs and Prophets.								
Oxford,	J. Deeley	20	4	9	19.75	2.25	5	6.25
Miscellaneous sales,					62.87			
Totals, 17 Canvassers		376	59	116	\$348.87	\$62.87	94	\$225.25

our brethren and sisters desire to attend, we will insure them a profitable season. The traveling expenses of the canvassers will be paid each way. That is for those who decide to spend at least three months in the canvassing field after the Institute. The board will be \$1.50 per week. We occupy the same meeting-house we had last spring. We have secured an unoccupied store for a dining hall, and an adjoining house for living rooms. We earnestly request all to bring a straw tick and ample bedding for yourself, as the Society cannot furnish bedding. There will be a preaching service each evening. The forenoons will be devoted to the instruction of canvassers, and each afternoon there will be a class in Bible study and church history. We hope to see every canvasser present and many others. The Institute will continue some three weeks.

S. H. LANE.

TO THE CANVASSERS.

THE Tract Society has been to the trouble

and expense of arranging for a canvassers' school, believing it will be a means of helping the canvassers to go out and do better work, and make a success. This is for all. The Saviour told his disciples to come apart and rest awhile.

I have noticed that the canvassers always start out with better courage after these meetings, and have done well; so we urge all to come, and ask the Lord to bless and help us all, that the meeting maybe a means of glorifying God. There are some others in the State who could do well in this work, and so we invite you too to join this company. We would like you all to come over the West Shore Railroad and also the Ontario and Western as far as consistent, as we expect to make arrangements for reduced fare on these roads. If any who do not understand the route or any other points will write me, I will be glad to give all the information I have.

J. R. CALKINS.

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CHURCH DEDICATION.

PROVIDENCE favoring, Elder Place and the writer will hold meetings with the South Russell, St. Lawrence Co., N. Y., church Sabbath and First-day, March 17, 18. On Sunday, March 18, the new meeting-house will be dedicated. We hope to see a general attendance from all the churches in the surrounding country. It will be well for those who attend to bring bedding and provisions as far as possible. Let all who attend by team bring grain and hay as it is convenient. Let there be a rally. Come praying that we may have a spiritual feast.

S. H. LANE.

DEAR INDICATOR: I am of good courage in the work. I have had some hard territory to work this week, but I thank God for it because it strengthened me in the soon coming of the Lord. At one place where I staid over night, they did not take a Bible Reading, and I thought it was a defeat; but it was not. I sold them a Marvel. In the evening I came to this house, and to my surprise they requested me to change the order from Marvel to Bible Readings, which I gladly did. I was anxious to get the truth in that house. I received an order for a speller besides. So the Lord was victorious in the end. Work on, fellow laborers, for the Lord is at hand to take us to that happy land. To the Lord be all the praise.

W. J. SEEWALD.

DEAR INDICATOR: A part of my time has been occupied with other business again, but I am glad to report a little work done for the Master. I have finished my township, and expect to begin German Flatts next. I found one lady deeply interested to learn, and the Lord gave me freedom to impart some of the plain principles of truth. The lady will begin to investigate right away. I am so glad for our good papers of which I shall send her some. I send them all out as fast as I read them, and may God bless the seed thus sown. I spent one day trying to dispose of some articles I had on hand for helps. Yours in hope,—

FRED McALISTER.

DEAR INDICATOR: I find the canvassing different in some respects than last summer, and my territory is so different. I believe I have been in as poor a part as I shall find, hope so at least. I am glad to see the good reports from my co-laborers, it encourages me knowing that what has been done can be done, and by the help of the Holy Spirit I mean to be faithful, persevere, seek, and find, and so be found at last among the over-comers. My father has been sick for some time so I could not be away as I would like to; he is some better now. I need the prayers of my brethren for help and grace.

A. P. BUMP.

DEAR INDICATOR: I have just started in the canvassing work; and while I realize that I have much to learn in this line of work, I also have the happy assurance

that the Lord will help me if I trust Him and work faithfully with Him. Even in my brief experience it appears encouraging; it is the Lord's work and cannot be otherwise.

MRS. R. SCOTLAND.

—We have recently ordered a quantity of "Rome's Challenge," and hope to see this tract circulated extensively all through the State. Let all take hold of this work. We know of nothing better calculated to awaken people to the real situation of things than this important number of the Religious Liberty Library. There is a chance for everyone to work here. We will supply these tracts in quantities at greatly reduced figures. Send \$1.00 and see the number of copies of "Rome's Challenge" it will bring. Loan the tract to your friends and neighbors, sell it and get money to buy more tracts. 50 per cent. discount to all who will order in quantities of 25 or more, adding postage.

—The *Worker's Bulletin* reports that the Iowa Conference has decided to place the tract "Our Answer" in every family in the state. The tracts will be mailed directly from the office of publication in Battle Creek.

—Conference cash received Feb. 25 to March 3: Rome, \$100.00; Syracuse, \$8.60; Roosevelt, \$1.00; Auburn, \$11.00; scattered brethren, \$2.00; from East Troupsburgh, \$1.15.

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