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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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FINANCIAL.

DURING the past three years the Tract Society and Conference have both been out of debt. During that time we have had a little money on hand. When it has accumulated we have deposited the surplus in the *Review* office, fearing that if the bank at Rome should fail, we would lose our money. It seems almost impossible to do business, and not deposit some money in the bank. The canvassers are all the time sending in money in payment of books. When we have a score or more in the field, as we do have during the summer months, they sell from \$200 to \$1000 worth of books a week, and sometimes even more. They deliver once in two or three months, and just before their delivery they order books, so it is no uncommon thing for the Tract Society to order \$1000 worth in a week. When these books are sold they send in the money, so that it is not an uncommon thing to receive from \$100 to \$500 a week when deliveries are being made, so that during the month the Tract Society will have for a few days from \$500 to \$1000 or more on hand. About the middle of each month the offices from whom we purchase our books will send us a statement of how much we owe them. When these bills arrive we have them cashed, which would take what money or the most of it that we have received during the month. By having our money deposited, the bank has cashed our checks and furnished all our drafts, which has been a saving of two or three dollars each month.

The tithe is sent in by the churches each quarter. During the first month of the quarter we receive several hundred dollars. We have about twenty that are working for the Conference. When one of them desires any money on wages they send to the President of the Conference, and the money is forwarded, and the amount is charged to him, to be taken from the

amount allowed him for wages during the year.

The tithes are on hand but a short time, as it is continually being paid in wages nearly as fast as it comes in. But there are weeks when but little is paid out, while during other weeks there are several hundred dollars paid out, and as any mail may bring requests for money we have to plan to have several hundred dollars on hand, or we could not furnish the workers with means, and the work would have to stop. During the first two weeks of the month of February we paid out some \$900. We did not pay out that amount during the entire months of January and March put together. We cannot regulate the amount that the laborers may want each month, and indeed they cannot, as circumstances may demand much more some months than at others, and this being true, you all can see that in both the Conference and Tract Society we have to keep several hundred dollars on hand to keep all running nicely. It will not do to have our business running at loose ends, for if we should it would be but a little time before we could not do business.

Both the Society and the Conference for years have deposited money in the Central National Bank at Rome. We have supposed that it was perfectly safe. The city and school board of Rome, and the county funds have been deposited there. During the hard times when many banks have failed it has stood, but on the 18th. of last December it failed. At the time of its failing the Conference had on deposit \$579.54, and the Tract Society \$1150.37. For some time it was supposed that the bank would be able to resume business and pay off its obligations, and therefore we thought it wise not to print to our friends the facts in the case, but time has seen the bank placed in the hands of a receiver. Its affairs have been, recently, partially adjusted. A few days since it paid its first dividend, amounting to thirty-five per cent., so that last week we received from it on

the Tract Society account \$402.74 ; and on the Conference account \$202.84 ; leaving still, our due, the sum of \$1013.44. It is expected that the bank will be able to still pay off its obligations to a greater or less extent, and if so, we shall in time receive more ; but it will be some time before this will be accomplished. Having our means thus unexpectedly locked up, we have not been able to pay off our bills as we should have done. But we have done well, so well, that at the present time we are but a few hundred dollars behind with our obligations, and yet the money that we had deposited in the *Review* office is untouched. We can get along just at present, but we feel very desirous to have enough on hand to pay off all laborers in the Conference at the end of the year, when the final settlement is made. So we hope that all will be faithful in the payment of tithes, and that those who are owing the Tract Society will make a special effort to pay it. I have stated the plain facts to you so that all may know the situation, and lift nobly as you have in the past. When I became connected with the work six years ago the Conference and the Tract Society were \$13,000 in debt. Now we are glad that all is in a good financial condition with some money on hand. And had it not been for the unfortunate failing of the bank we would have had money ahead. Shall we not receive a good liberal tithe from you this quarter? The Lord is in the work, and we praise his name.

S. H. LANE.

THE CANVASSERS' INSTITUTE.

DOUBTLESS before many receive this copy of the INDICATOR the work of the Institute will have commenced.

We have said but little through this paper about these meetings, principally because we have not expected or planned a large affair. The committee decided that it would not be best to call for an attendance of our canvassers as we have for two years past. There were several reasons for this. Among them we might mention that Elder Lane's call to another state, and special work in this Conference he wished accomplished before he should leave, made it doubtful about either of us being present but little during the meetings. The question of finance together with other points also had a bearing in bringing about the decision. Hence it was decided to make a call for only those who wish to prepare themselves to enter the field, and with such the Society will deal on the same basis as last year ; viz., pay the railroad fare. The board will doubtless be \$1.50 per week, including lodging.

If others than those mentioned feel that they can afford the time and expense, we shall wel-

come them most heartily. We believe the season will be a profitable one for all who attend.

Elder Kinne and the State Agent, Brother Calkins, will be present all through. We expect Elder Lane to be here three days at the beginning, and I expect to be present for one week at least.

We have arranged the following program, which we trust will be profitable not only to the canvasser, but to all who may come.

8:45-9:25 A. M. Prayer and social worship.

9:30-10:35 Canvassing Work.

10:45-12:00 M. Bible study.

1:00 P. M. Dinner.

2:00-3:15 Canvassing work.

3:30-4:30 Educational (language, etc.).

4:45-5:45 Religious liberty.

7:30 Preaching.

I hope the members of the Rome church will avail themselves of all the instruction given in these meetings, especially the Bible studies and the religious liberty principles.

A. E. PLACE.

Field Reports.

SOUTH DISTRICT, AND SACKETT LAKE.

WE closed services in South District school-house a few days ago. Through the blessing of God five have seen the necessity of obeying the truth for this time, and have started to build on a different and a sure foundation. Some have been able to meet with the Monticello company in Sabbath-school and meeting. Several in the District who were not able to attend the meetings are interested readers of our publications, and desire to purchase works which I have loaned them. Others are in the valley of decision. The donations have amounted to \$2.11, and the book sales to \$10. The wood and coal were also donated.

Thursday, Mrs. Wheeler and myself moved to Sackett Lake, and began meetings in the school-house Sunday forenoon with a fair attendance. Although the evening was dark and stormy the attendance was increased, and they listened attentively to the word spoken. Nearly all here know by hearsay something of our belief, and appear anxious to investigate further. Pray for us that the work may be done as God would have it.

W. W. WHEELER.

QUARTERLY MEETING APPOINTMENTS.

WE will make the following appointments for ministerial help at the quarterly meetings,

The Canvassing Work.

Report for the Week Ending March 29.

County.	Agent.	Hours.	Days.	Ords.	Value.	Miscel.	Deliv.	Value
Bible Readings.								
Monroe,	J. S. Fritts,	32	5	10	\$23.00			
Monroe,	O. E. Tuttle,	36	5	8	18.00	1.75		
Montgomery,	Wm. Seewald,	34	4	12	27.50	7.25	8	\$12.00
Steuben,	T. B. Harlan,	28	5	6	16.50	3.75	8	20.75
Erie,	J. S. Delano,	1	1	1	2.00			
Steuben,	Perry Tufts,	28	4	7	17.00	2.60		
Otsego,	J. R. Mc Alister,	22	3	5	11.50	1.00		
Great Controversy.								
Ulster,	J. E. Frazee,	24	4	20	51.75			
Otsego,	Fred G. Mc Alister,	19	3	6	17.25	1.65		
Patriarchs and Prophets.								
Broome,	J. Deeley,	29	5	5	10.25	10.00		
Miscellaneous sales,					28.00			
Totals,	10 Canvassers,	253	39	80	\$222.75	\$28.00	16	\$32.75

which we hope may be satisfactory and result in good to all,—

April 6, 7: S. H. Lane, Rome; D. A. Ball, Ellicottville; J. W. Raymond, Pulaski; C. O. Taylor, Buck's Bridge; F. Peabody, Steamburg; H. G. Thurston or W. W. Wheeler, Newburgh; J. B. Stow, Wellsville; J. P. Lorenz, West Valley; W. A. Westworth, Sinclairville.

April 13, 14: F. Peabody, Randolph; C. O. Taylor, Pierpont; W. A. Westworth, Blockville; J. B. Stow, Olean; J. P. Lorenz, Collins Center.
A. E. PLACE.

BOOKS CHEAP FOR CASH.

THE New York Tract Society has on hand a number of books which they will send post-paid, as follows,—

"Women of Mormonism;" this book shows the evils of that system of iniquity. Publisher's price, half morocco, \$2.75; our price, 85 cents.

"Interesting Facts for Busy People;" this book has a leatherette cover, and contains an album of the reigning monarchs of Europe, it is an interesting book. Publisher's price, 25 cents; our price, 12 cents.

"The Coming Conflict;" this is a discussion between two leading men of different denominations, on church and state. Publisher's price, \$1.00; our price, 50 cents.

"Thoughts on the Book of Revelation;" this is a commentary on the last book of the Bible. Former price, \$1.25; our price, 60 cents. Address New York Tract Society, Rome, N. Y.
J. R. CALKINS.

SPECIAL SPRING OFFER.

ON account of the unexpectedly great success of the offer we made for two weeks during the winter through the columns of the INDICATOR, we have decided to renew this offer for the month of April. Until April 30 we will ship a barrel of EUREKA HEALTH FLOUR by freight *prepaid* to any part of the State for only \$5.50.

If you are not already using this nutritious flour, now is the time to order. Do not use white flour longer, it has little food value, although its cost is nearly as great. Use EUREKA HEALTH; it makes better bread, is better for any use. Dyspeptics and growing children demand it; all need it. Send for circulars. Address N. Y. Health Food Co., sole agents for this State, Rome, N. Y.

DEAR INDICATOR: I am of good courage in the work of the Lord, and it gives me faith and hope every day. I wish more of our people would see this; how it would arouse them to work before it is too late. Do not let it be said by you, "The harvest is past and the summer is ended, and we are not saved;" how sad it will be. "Arise, shine; for thy light is come." Let all that name the name of Christ begin to work before it is too late, is my humble prayer. May all that read this be stirred to action. I love the Lord's work for it is a good one, my trust is in him.

WM. SEEWALD.

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APPOINTMENTS:

No PROVIDENCE preventing I will meet with churches as follows: Rome, Sabbath, April 6; Adams Center, Sunday, April 7, at 11.00 o'clock also at 7.30; Watertown, Tuesday evening, April 9; Dickinson Center, April 13, 14; Jamestown, Sabbath and Sunday, April 20, 21. At Dickinson Center the new meeting-house will be dedicated. We hope to see a general rally of the friends at this place. It is expected that Elder Place and Elder M. C. Wilcox will be present as well as Elder Cobb and Brother Bristol. These will be all the meetings I can hold before I leave for the State of Illinois, unless I hold one at Buffalo and aid Brethren Lorenz and Lesch in a few.

S. H. LANE.

NOTES.

This is the best time of year to commence canvassing.

Secretary Wilcox says business is coming in to the Depository quite well at present.

Brother Perry Tufts and family have moved into Steuben County. His post-office is Catawba.

Brethren Washbond and Kling will attend the canvassers' school. They intend to canvass this year.

Brother M. A. Vroman has returned from the Bat-

tle Creek Sanitarium, and after the Institute will go into Schoharie County.

Brother O. E. Tuttle has been canvassing in Rochester lately. He wants to go into the country as soon as the roads are passable.

Brethren O. F. Thompson and C. W. Inskeep will go into Delaware County. They are calculating on selling a good many books there.

Brother J. S. Fritts has been canvassing in Rochester the past winter. He finds times hard there, but still sells books containing the present truth.

Brother H. D. Church and wife have decided to work with us the coming summer. In one township last summer he delivered 155 Bible Readings.

The Rome Tract Society is calling for names of interested persons who will read the *Signs*, *Sentinel*, etc. The canvassers have sent in some good names in the past, please send in some more.

Obituary Notice.

JONES.—Died at Frankfort, N. Y., March 25, of heart-failure, Sister Ann Edwards, aged 70 years, wife of John Jones. Sister Jones was born in Ruthin, Wales, in the year 1825. When about twenty years of age she was converted and became a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. Forty-one years ago, and just before leaving her native land for America, she was united in marriage with John Jones, who proved to be a faithful husband and father to the time of his death two years ago. She began house-keeping in 1855 in the same house in which she died. There she has performed the duties of wife and mother for nearly half a century. During this time three sons and four daughters have been born to receive the cares and gladden the hearts of fond parents who were permitted to rear them to manhood and womanhood. They still live to mourn the loss of this day.

Three weeks ago last Friday Sister Jones was obliged to take her bed, and as she did so she made the remark that it was just two years to a day since her husband was taken sick. Her disease at first was La Grippe which soon developed into pneumonia. From this she rallied and seemed to be gaining encouragingly; but last Monday afternoon at four o'clock she suddenly died of heart failure. In 1875, through reading, our sister became acquainted with, and embraced, the doctrines taught by Seventh-day Adventists, and with her husband and children began the observance of the seventh day as the Sabbath of the Lord our God.

Through life she has endeavored to appreciate the true value of a Christian character, and impress it upon her family and neighbors. Those most intimately acquainted with her home life have most valued her as a loving mother, a kind neighbor, and a faithful Christian. The Christian's hope had been her rejoicing in long years of life, and it sustained her in the valley and shadow of death. The funeral was held from the house, Friday, March 29. Remarks by the writer.

A. E. PLACE.