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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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NEW YORK TRACT SOCIETY PROCEEDINGS.

THE first meeting of the twenty-fourth annual session of the New York Tract Society was held at Auburn, N. Y., Sept. 6, 1895, at 9 A. M., President A. E. Place in the chair. Prayer was offered by Elder S. M. Cobb.

In his opening remarks, the President stated that the object of the meeting was merely for the purpose of organization, the appointment of committees, etc.; and suggested that for the purpose of saving time, it might be well to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last annual session, unless called for from the floor. On motion of Brother George Knapp it was voted to omit the reading of the minutes.

The appointment of the following committees was announced by the Chair:—

On Nominations.—W. A. Westworth, C. S. Coon, Cortland Green.

On Resolutions.—P. Z. Kinne, D. A. Ball, R. A. Underwood.

The Chair stated that he was not yet prepared to name the Auditing Committee.

The meeting adjourned to the call of the Chair.

SECOND MEETING.

The second meeting of the New York Tract Society was held Sept. 12, 1895, at 5 P. M., President Place in the chair. Prayer was offered by Elder D. A. Ball.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved, after which the report of the Secretary and Treasurer was called for, and submitted, as follows:—

REPORT OF LABOR.

No. Members,	412
" Reports returned,	458
" Letters written,	676
" Letters received,	221
" Missionary visits,	317
" Bible readings held,	170
" Subscriptions to periodicals,	56
" Periodicals distributed,	31,374

" Pages of books, tracts, etc. distributed,	193,225
" Pages of books, tracts, etc. furnished by the Librarians,	37,764
Value of books, tracts, etc. furnished members by Librarians,	\$65.20

CASH STATEMENT

Cash on hand July 1, 1894,	\$700.56
Received during the year as follows:—	
From Local Tract Societies,	254.78
Sales and on account, from agents,	15,397.71
First-day offerings,	470.83
Religious Liberty Association,	38.15
South Lancaster Academy,	640.40
Orphan's Home and Training School,	21.60
Foreign Missions,	181.80
Haskell Home,	86.22
Church Building Account,	7.00
Total,	\$17,799.05

Disbursements, as follows:—

Paid to Offices,	\$8,530.65
Other Firms,	1,496.85
State Agent,	404.66
Loans and Deposits,	6,023.36
Property,	75.17
Printer,	268.77
Freight and Cartage,	144.38
Postage and Stationary,	120.22
Labor,	19.59
Sundries,	116.86
Balance on hand Sept. 1, 1895,	598.54
Total,	\$17,799.05

BUSINESS STATEMENT.

	Losses.	Gains.
Merchandise.		\$2,560.92
Property,		.57
Indicator,		86.61
Sundry Items from Loss and Gain Account,	\$66.33	
Camp-meeting,	37.46	
Labor,	22.69	
Expense,	482.31	
Awards per estimate,	975.89	
Net Gain,	1,063.42	
	\$2,648.10	\$2,648.10

FINANCIAL REPORT.

	Resourses.	Liabilities.
Merchandise per Inventory,	\$1,632.25	
Real Estate,	2,500.00	
Property,	833.80	
Bills Receivable,	575.19	

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Accounts Receivable,	3,313.85	
Cash,	598.54	
Due to Pub. Houses, (S. D. A.)		\$880.94
Other Firms,		129.35
Loans and Deposits,		1,573.76
Net worth, Sept. 1, 1895,		6,869.58
	\$9,453.63	\$9,453.63

Respectfully submitted,

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

On motion of W. E. Lewis it was voted to adopt the report of the Treasurer.

The report of the Committee on Resolutions was then called for, and the following was submitted:—

Your Committee on Resolutions would respectfully submit the following report:—

Whereas, A special effort is being made to extend the circulation of the *Signs of the Times*; therefore,—

1. Resolved, That we, the members of this society, re-consecrate ourselves to the missionary work, resuming the circulation of tracts, pamphlets, and especially the *Signs of the Times*, securing subscriptions and the sale of this valuable periodical.

Whereas, The *American Sentinel* is a periodical eminently well calculated to meet the live issues of the day; therefore,—

2. Resolved, That we give it our hearty support, and make all reasonable efforts to extend its circulation.

Whereas, The periodical business is somewhat complicated in certain localities by doing its work through a local agent aside from their librarian; therefore,—

3. Resolved, That the office of local periodical agent be discontinued, and that the periodical business be transferred through the librarian of the local societies, and in places where there are no societies organized, that such societies be formed and librarians elected.

Whereas, The financial depression of the times requires economy in all branches of our work to insure success, and inasmuch as there is considerable loss to the cause by a failure on the part of many to do their periodical business through the librarians, and by renewals for a short period; therefore,—

4. Resolved, That as far as possible, the periodical business be done through the proper agent, and where that is impracticable the order for renewals be accompanied with cash (if possible) and for the longest time within the means of those making the order. Yearly subscriptions are recommended as far as possible.

P. Z. KINNE,
D. A. BALL,
R. A. UNDERWOOD. } Committee.

The report was adopted by considering each name separately. The meeting then adjourned to the call of the Chair.

THIRD MEETING.

The third meeting of the New York Tract Society was held Sept. 13, 1895, at 9 A. M.,

President A. E. Place in the chair. After prayer by J. B. Stow, the minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Chair named as members of the Auditing Committee in addition to the Conference Committee, the following:—

W. E. Lewis, E. Holcomb, C. S. Coon, J. A. Samson, E. S. Lane, Cortland Green.

The Committee on Nominations submitted the following report:—

Your Committee on Nominations respectfully submit the following report:—

For President---A. E. Place.

Vice-President---D. A. Ball.

Secretary and Treasurer---W. A. Wilcox.

State Agent---J. R. Calkins.

W. A. WESTWORTH,
C. S. COON,
C. D. GREEN. } Committee.

After considering each name separately, the report was adopted, and the nominees were declared elected.

The meeting adjourned *sine die*.

A. E. PLACE, *Pres.*

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

THE DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

We write this week to let our brethren and sisters in the State know that it has been decided to hold the conference for District No. 1, at Rome, N. Y., Nov. 4-10. Elder O. A. Olsen, the president of the General Conference, is expected to be present all through, and will have important matters to present. Plans for the work in the District will be considered.

We expect at least one preaching service each day.

WHO SHOULD COME.

“Whosoever will” let him or her come. We shall plan to care for all who decide to be present, on the same conditions as obtained at the Jersey City meeting; viz., \$2.50 per week for board and lodging.

We would be glad to hear from all who expect to come, as soon as consistent, as it will aid us in deciding about the amount of preparations to make. It would be well for our brethren and sisters in the State who attend to bring a straw tick and some bedding.

The Conference laborers will not be called to this meeting, except two or three members of the Conference Committee. Please do not for-

The Canvassing Work.

Report for the Week Ending Oct. 4.

Post-office.	County.	Agent.	Hrs.	Days.	Ords.	Value.	Miscel.	Del.	Val.
Bible Readings.									
Auburn,	Cayuga,	J. S. Fritts,	37	5	10	\$18.00			
Charlotte,	Monroe,	Horace Church,	41	5	12	18.25		34	55.00
Sidney,	Delaware,	C. W. Inskeep,	14	3	6	10.50			
Buffalo,	Erie,	Chas. H. Harris,	14	5	4	6.85	1.00	3	5.25
Syracuse,	Onondaga,	J. S. Delano,	9	3	7	18.25		1	2.25
Canajoharie,	Montgomery,	Wm. Seewald,	45					53	109.50
Great Controversy.									
Canajoharie,	Montgomery,	E. S. Popoff,	41	7	16	35.50	.25		
Miscellaneous sales,						1.25			
Totals,			201	28	55	\$103.60	\$1.25	101	\$172.00

get to send the names of those who expect to attend, to W. A. Wilcox, Rome, N. Y., as early as Oct. 20, if consistent.

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the same day at evening, in her chair, of heart disease. We all feel assured that Sister Scherff will be among those whom the Life Giver will call at the first resurrection.

J. P. LORENZ.

Field Reports.

THE GERMAN CHURCH.

AFTER my return from the camp-meeting, arrangements were made for baptism, and on Sabbath, Sept. 21, our brethren and sisters of the Ebenezer church met in the Maple Street Baptist Chapel, and witnessed the performance of this ordinance on two precious souls. Some, on account of sickness, were not able to go forward in this divine ordinance.

Evening after the Sabbath we all met at the home of Brother Ehrlich at Elma, and celebrated the ordinances of the Lord's house. This was the first time that our German brethren and sisters were privileged to participate in a meeting of this character. The meeting was a solemn occasion and one long to be remembered. A social meeting was held in which all took part. The usual business matters were then tended to. \$86.72 was paid in tithe. Two committees were then appointed to look after the matter of building a church.

We all went home encouraged, and felt that it was good to thus meet with God's people; but were saddened when the news reached us of the sudden death of our dear Sister Scherff of Orchard Park. She went home Sunday morning from the quarterly meeting, and died

WILSON.

LAST Sabbath, Sept. 28, was a day long to be remembered by the brethren in Wilson. Many of the brethren from Olcott meet with them. A church of ten members was organized. Eight persons were taken to the lake, and buried with their Lord in baptism, in which we trust they arose to walk in newness of life. The Spirit of God was present attesting to the work.

We had many things to oppose, and it seemed that the enemy did all that was in his power to hinder the work. One sister was kept from going forward; we hope the Lord will bless and keep her till she can have an opportunity to obey her Lord. After the baptism we all met again at Brother King's to celebrate the ordinances. The Lord was very near to us in this meeting. Truly it was an affecting scene to see these brethren going forward to obey the Lord for the first time in the ordinance of humility. Some of those baptized had never witnessed a baptism before. The Lord is greatly blessing the brethren amid the severe opposition, and we see a very affecting spirit is taking hold of some who are sent to turn them back to their churches. Pray, brethren, that God will build up the work in our midst.

GEO. M. ELLIS.

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WEST VIEW.

I CAME to this place last Tuesday, secured the school-house, and have had meetings every evening since. The attendance during the week was good, there being present from forty to fifty every night, and last night there were one hundred or more present: the house was full, and they pay the best of attention. I asked them to bring their Bibles; but they do not, so I have to talk to them. Last evening the subject was "The Change of the Sabbath." They are very much interested, and are beginning to study their Bibles. I believe some will obey. The wood and lights are free. Last night the collection was \$3.40; some one put in a silver dollar. At the close of the meeting last night I sold fifty cents worth of tracts on the Sabbath question. Every one raised their hand when I asked them if they wanted the meetings continued this week; so of course I shall stay.

Brethren and sisters, work for Jesus to-day. God will be with you, only trust Him. He blesses me more than I can ask or think. I praise His name. Pray for the work here. I need your prayers.

MRS. LULU BENTLEY.

NEW PUBLICATIONS.

"The Speeches of Lincoln and Douglass," compiled by Elder A. T. Jones, is a book of 555 pages, neatly printed on laid paper, and bound in buckram. It is a valuable book and should be in every library. It will be sent post-paid on receipt of price, \$1.75.

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ROME CHURCH, NOTICE!

ALL who are prepared to care for one or more persons during the District Conference, Nov. 4-10, at the rates given in another column, please notify W. A. Wilcox, and give specifications as to how many, whether brethren or sisters, etc. A. E. PLACE.

APPOINTMENTS.

PROVIDENCE permitting I will hold quarterly meeting services as follows:—

Olean, Oct. 12, 13; Black Creek, Oct. 19, 20; Wellsville, Oct. 26, 27.

J. W. RAYMOND.

—If any have questions concerning the District Conference, please send to me at 326 Mohawk St., Rome, N. Y., or to W. A. Wilcox, 317 W. Bloomfield St., Rome, N. Y.

A. E. PLACE.

—CONFERENCE cash received Aug. 21 to Oct. 1: Norfolk, \$11.14; Rome, \$149.48; Lincklaen Center, \$73.13; Gouverneur, \$9.29; Buffalo, \$162.61; Fulton, \$6.25; Roosevelt, \$7.55; Dickinson Center, \$5.00; Monticello, \$17.20; Lancaster, \$4.57; Syracuse, \$90.67; Middle Grove, \$12.60; Jamestown, \$95.51; South Russell, \$62.14; Ellicottville, \$67.29; Auburn, \$4.85; Albany, \$11.25; West Valley, \$32.14; Wheeler, \$48.43; Mannsville, \$5.00; Individuals, \$130.56; Donations, \$69.94.

—ON account of the several reports of the camp-meeting it has been impossible to print all the reports, obituary notices, etc., that have been received; but they will receive attention as soon as possible.