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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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## CONFLICT AND VICTORY.

BY EMMA L. PARDON.

THE struggle of my soul was fierce ;  
No light from heaven seemed to dawn  
Upon my weary, useless strife  
With my tormentor, frightful sin.  
Self reigned supreme in every thought—  
Self, passionate, tyrannical.  
With my own weapons of defense,  
I fought the evil all in vain ;  
My passions ruled and vanquished me.  
"Down, down, thou idol, self," I cried,  
"Make room for something good, and be  
Ashamed to vaunt thyself alway."  
Self laughed triumphant, knowing well  
How strong was self, how weak was I ;  
And Satan smiled with sweet content,  
"Where self rules reason, will, and heart,  
I've naught to fear," he mocking said.

In misery I groaned beneath  
My heavy load ; ashamed was I  
To plead for mercy from my Lord,  
So many times before, His help  
Had He extended at my cry :  
And yet I felt I *must* seek Him :  
Oh, Jesus, merciful, help me,  
A poor, vile sinner, or I die."

At my first cry, He came to me.  
"And didst thou think to conquer sin  
Without my help ? Now I am nigh,  
And bid thee, with my help indeed,  
To mortify this carnal self ;  
Now to the conflict, let it die."

"But oh, my Lord, I'm very weak,  
And almost faint with anguish sore ;  
Do thou, dear Lord, slay this bad self  
For me, and I will praise Thy name."

"Nay, but thy arm must strike the blow  
Against thy passions and self-love ;  
Thus will I see thy love for Me  
Is true ; now while I strengthen thee  
Arise to deadly combat, now !"  
Then, in His might, looking to Him  
The strife began ; 'twas brief indeed ;  
And soon with painful, dreadful cry,  
Down, down fell self ; then trusting Him,  
I beat it lower still, and saw  
That wicked self expire ; but ah !

The conflict had been sore, and I  
Was faint and weak. But oh, the smile  
Of His approval cheered my soul ;  
His everlasting love He threw  
Around me, like a robe of light ;  
He clothed me with His righteousness,  
And deigned to dwell within my heart.  
And so should self revive again,  
And seek again its lofty place,  
It cannot rule me, blessed thought !  
For Jesus *fills* me by His grace,  
And selfish passions find no place  
For their abode, within my breast.

## Field Reports.

### JEDDO, ROCHESTER, AND SYRACUSE.

ON my arrival at Rome, from Fulton, Monday, Nov. 18, I found a telegram awaiting me to be at Jeddo, Orleans Co., Tuesday forenoon, to attend the funeral of Minnie Thew. I left here at 2 : 21, Tuesday morning, only a little over an hour before the great mail-train accident which occurred about two miles west of Rome. When we pulled into Syracuse the mail train was just starting out, and I noticed some of the mail clerks dressing for their expected night of duty ; but alas, how often expectations in this life fail. I remember thinking of the grand sight, the ponderous amount of mail matter, and its probable value, etc., little thinking that just a few minutes and that sight would be changed into one of death and ruin. Several times I have been just a little ahead, or a little behind a wreck on the road ; but for some reason the Lord has not as yet allowed me to take the fatal car. I have great reason to be thankful for this. In taking my seat in the train I feel it a joyful privilege to place myself in the hands and care of my guardian angel, who is able to hold me up. I am coming more and more to feel that this is something which ought to be brought into our daily life. We are amid perils on the right hand and on the left, and none are safe one

moment unless "underneath" them "are the everlasting arms."

On my arrival at Rochester I found that I had about three hours to wait for my train to Middleport, and though still dark, I started for 423 Monroe Avenue, where I found Sister Dower and spent what time I could with her in talking over the situation in that city. Her report was quite encouraging. She said she was holding nine Bible-readings each week at present, and some seem to be considerably interested. The little company there who have accepted the truth are also of good courage.

When I reached Jeddo I found that the funeral had been postponed to Wednesday at one o'clock in the afternoon; but I put in quite full time in writing and calling from house to house. Discouragements and trials lie in the path of some; but the general expression seemed to be one of faith and confidence in the Lord. May the Lord give them all wisdom is my earnest prayer. I was pleased to find Brother J. U. Cottrell, and his mother, Sister R. F. Cottrell, in such good health. Brother Cottrell has of late been passing through a severe sickness; but we feel thankful that the Lord has spared him to his family and to the church.

Wednesday night I took the train again, and a little before midnight reached Syracuse, and as I realized that this would be the last opportunity for some time to talk with Brother Gilbert concerning the work in Syracuse, I went to his home and aroused him from sleep, and we spent the most of the remaining part of the night in earnest and careful counsel. He seems to think that the field is ripe for a good work to be done there.

Sabbath, Nov. 23, was spent with the Rome church. Notwithstanding it was a rainy day, we had a good attendance and a profitable Sabbath-school and meeting. Shortly after the Sabbath closed I went to Kirkville and spoke in the Union church. The attendance was small, owing partly to the unfavorable weather; but those present gave good attention to the word spoken. Elder Kinne has been holding a few meetings there at the request of several of the citizens, and we trust that good will be the result. I leave here Tuesday morning for Saratoga and Warren Counties.

A. E. PLACE.

I HIRED the village hall of the trustees in this place at one dollar per week in which to hold a series of meetings. When the trustees met they decided not to let me have it, as our meetings would injure the Methodist cause. When the Methodist preacher heard that we were thinking of holding meetings here he started a series of meetings in his church, and used his influence to keep us out of the hall. I then went to the City Line in Falconer and hired an empty store, and fixed it up so that it is a very pleasant place for meetings. We held our first service Thursday, Nov. 14. The congregations have thus far averaged from twenty to ninety. Last evening I showed the frailty of the Sunday arguments, and at the close a man asked if he might speak. He said that "Christ was crucified Friday; that He was in the grave three days and three nights. Matt. 12:40. and that He was resurrected the first day of the week. Figuring from Friday three days and three nights would bring us to Monday, therefore Monday is the first day of the week, and Sunday is the seventh day, the Sabbath." He then asked for a vote of the congregation. I replied by proving that Christ made the Sabbath, and therefore kept the true one. That He kept the seventh day the same day that the Jews kept. That they have kept it ever since, and that they keep Saturday. Therefore Saturday was the seventh-day Sabbath that Christ kept, and consequently Sunday is the first day of the week, as every calendar of every nation in the world proves. Therefore if Christ was crucified Friday, the expression, "heart of the earth" in Matt. 12:40 could not mean the grave; but must mean the Roman power. I then took a vote. The congregation all voted in favor of the truth.

Sister Haskins of Denver, Colorado, a licensed missionary of that State, is with us and renders valuable aid in playing the organ and singing. We think there is a good interest to hear the truth. Let us pray and believe that it will increase.

J. B. STOW.

—CONFERENCE cash received Nov. 19-26: Wellsville, \$39.25; Syracuse, \$8.00; Fulton, \$15.00; Individuals, \$6.50.

## *The Canvassing Work.*

Report for the Week Ending Nov. 22.

Post-office.	County.	Agent.	Hrs.	Days.	Ords.	Value.	Miscel.	Del.	Val.
Bible Readings.									
Auburn,	Cayuga,	J. S. Fritts,	23	3	6	11.00			
North Parma,	Monroe,	Horace Church,	37	5	15	22.50	1.00	13	24.25
Middleburgh,	Schoharie,	M. A. Vroman,	22		11	23.50	.50		
Syracuse,	Onondaga,	J. S. Delano,	9	2	6	10.50		2	4.00
Sidney,	Delaware,	C. W. Inskeep,	32	5	11	26.00	.25		
Rome,	Oneida,	Mrs. C. K. Beaman,	10	2			.25		
Rome,	Oneida,	Chas. K. Beaman,	11	3	1	2.50	.50		
Ellicottville,	Cattaraugus,	Mrs. R. Scotland,	12	2		15.30			
Mexico,	Oswego,	Grace Osterhout,	17	4		9.30			
Great Controversy.									
Kingston,	Ulster,	J. E. Frazee,	43	6			2.50	73	168.00
Binghamton,	Broome,	I. Deeley,	36	4	3	6.00	.75		
Patriarchs and Prophets.									
Binghamton,	Broome,	J. Deeley,	28	4	10	22.75	2.75		
Rochester,	Monroe,	M. A. Millington,	51	9	8	17.00	3.50		
Miscellaneous sales,						36.60			
Totals,		13 Canvassers,	331	49	71	\$178.35	\$36.60	88	\$196.25

### NATURAL BRIDGE AND GEER'S CORNERS.

WE have continued to labor and follow up the work done during the tent season at Natural Bridge, since our return from camp-meeting. Our work has been placed at a disadvantage, as we were obliged to hold our meetings in a private house, consequently the number also has been limited. We have, however, tried to encourage and instruct those who have accepted the truth more fully, and now there seems to be somewhat of an increase in outside interest. We have of late secured the use of a building, which by fitting with seats, lights, etc., will make us a comfortable and commodious place of worship in a public place. We have strong faith that there are some others here who will soon obey the truth.

We are now in the midst of a series of meetings at Geer's Corners. There have been a few Sabbath-keepers in this vicinity for many years, and some of them were anxious that an effort be made here. At first the interest seemed quite small indeed, and we had about made up our minds to give it up; but the evening we intended to close we were convinced that a very few had some depth of interest in what had been said, so we decided to try again. The interest now is somewhat improved and seems to

be gradually increasing. Some seem to be deeply impressed in what has been presented; but the work is not sufficiently developed to judge what the result may be. We hope in God and in His mercy. The work is the Lord's and we leave the results with Him, praying earnestly for His power to be manifested in the hearts of these people. Brethren and sisters, we need your prayers for the work in this field.

The work may not from a financial standpoint be a success, as the past season has been one of very severe drouth, and as the soil is all very light and sandy, almost nothing grew; and what did was quickly devoured by the grasshoppers which swept down on every green thing. But while they are very poor, they are honest in heart, and many seem to love the truth, and still more believe it; but have not the courage to live out their convictions in the face of opposition. We hope soon to be able to report more definite results from this field.

H. L. BRISTOL.

### NOTICE.

LAST week I sent out to the canvassers an important circular letter. If any fail to receive it, let me know and I will send another. If

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