

# The Indicator.

“ARISE, SHINE ; FOR THY LIGHT IS COME, AND THE GLORY OF THE LORD IS RISEN UPON THEE.”

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## AMONG THE CHURCHES.

MONDAY, Nov. 2, Brother Jenkins took me from his home near Nicholville to North Lawrence, where I took the train for Ogdensburg, and spent the night there with Brother James Hardie, Jr. I found him busily engaged in completing his new perfecting printing press; but I am pleased to note that he still takes a deep interest in the success of the third angel's message. My visit there was pleasant and profitable.

Tuesday I went to Bucks Bridge and called on all I could. It being election day it was thought best not to have a public meeting, and so a few came together at Brother S. T. Crosbie's for an evening visit. I should have appreciated seeing all the church, but I was so worn with my work that it was agreeable to me to have a quiet evening. At this place I delivered my first public sermon (so called) about fifteen years ago. Time has wrought changes in this church and in me since that time, and while we have not all made that advancement we might, yet God has been good to all, and I thank him that there are still some souls here who are seeking to hold up the light of truth. I took some orders for periodicals here and received some financial help for the Conference. I was pleased to meet Sister Carrie Todd there, who accepted the truth at DePeyster Corners while Brother M. C. Wilcox and I were there in tent work. She has for these fifteen years been walking almost alone, and facing opposition; but she has held "fast the rejoicing of the hope" till now, and the Lord is able to carry on the work till the day of Jesus Christ. He knows where the scattered ones live, and "He knoweth them that are His," and even to them "who walk in darkness and have no light" he says, "let them trust in the name of the Lord and stay upon their God;" for "I am with you alway."

Wednesday, Henry Crosbie took me to West

Pierpont to fill my appointment. It began raining before we reached our destination, and continued more or less during the evening, and the wind blew hard, but notwithstanding this a large congregation had assembled at the church to hear the word. Elders Taylor and Bristol were present. The Lord blessed in speaking and we had a good meeting. At the close we arranged for three meetings for Thursday. Fourteen years had passed since my last visit here, but I saw familiar faces and met with a warm welcome. From what I could see and learn the Lord is doing a good work for this church, and their numbers are being increased. It seemed necessary for me to leave there Friday morning, and Brother Weston took me about nine miles with his team to the station at Canton, reaching there before seven o'clock. I left Elder Bristol to carry on the meetings over Sabbath and Sunday, and they probably had the ordinances celebrated. After that he will engage in work in Franklin County.

I reached Rome Friday, having been away nearly five weeks. As I look back over this circuit of churches and companies just visited, I can say that in some ways this seems one of the best trips I have ever taken in the Empire State.

Notwithstanding the difficulties before us there seems to be a voice and heart of courage. As I have presented our needs in the Conference, I have been met with encouraging words from brethren and sisters, and a spirit to stand by the cause as best they can, and we know it will surely prevail. While I have all the way along been of good courage, these utterances have tended to increase it, and my thankfulness to the Lord who is truly leading and moulding his people to meet the closing crisis. While many will be lulled to sleep by Satan's power, some will be aroused and stand in God's strength, true to his great closing work in the earth.

On my arrival at Rome I found quite bundle of mail, and matters of importance awaiting me. My mail brought encouraging reports from different parts of the State. As a people we have many tokens of God's favor and great reason for thankfulness.

Sabbath, Nov. 7, I was permitted to speak to the Rome church. Just as I was about to enter the desk a telegram was handed me containing the sad news of the death of our beloved brother and faithful canvasser, J. S. DeLano. Another noble soul has closed the struggle with sin, and sleeps in the blessed hope.

A. E. PLACE.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE MEETING.

TUESDAY evening and Wednesday, Nov. 10, 11, the Conference Committee were in council at Rome. Several important matters demanded attention. The meetings were marked with a good spirit of union, and we feel sure that good will follow the decisions reached. It will be impossible for me to give in this report all the points considered or the decisions reached, but we will mention some now and leave others for another paper.

The subject of help for our churches during the week of prayer received some attention. On account of some of our ministers being held with local interests, also the fact that the General Conference have so fully arranged for readings each day during the time, also the period being only four days it was decided not to involve great expense in the matter of ministerial help. The following appointments were suggested,— That Elder Stow visit Sinclairville and Randolph; that Elder Ball visit Salamanca or Olean, or both as he may think best; that Elder Peabody spend the time at Nunda, and following that visit the interested ones in that vicinity before his return; that Elder Raymond spend a portion of the time with the church at Elmira; that Elder Ellis spend a part of the time at Buffalo if consistent; that Elder Whitney visit the Syracuse church; that Elder Kinne spend the time with the Williamstown church; Elders Cobb and Westworth will plan for Cortland, Lincklaen Center, or Norwich as the way opens for them at Binghamton, and they will decide definitely and make appointments in due time. If Elder Place can so ar-

range he will spend the time with some of the companies in the south-eastern part of the State.

We trust the laborers whose names appear in this list will give the matter thought as soon as possible and notify the respective companies as to the time they can be with them

THE "AMERICAN SENTINEL."

Inasmuch as the publishers of the *American Sentinel*, and the I. R. L. Association are making special efforts to get the *Sentinel* before members of state legislatures at the coming session, and whereas they have given us cost rates on the paper for the time and for this purpose, the Committee decided to take advantage of the opportunity, and provide our own statesmen with this important reading matter. Elder A. T. Jones will be connected with the editorial staff, and matter will be prepared especially for this class. The cost is about thirty dollars for three months subscription to be sent to each member of our State legislation under separate wrappers. Ten dollars of this amount has already been furnished. It was suggested that we ask our local tract and missionary societies to aid us in meeting the remaining twenty dollars of this expense, and I trust we may hear a hearty response to this suggestion. Extracts from Elder A. F. Ballenger's letters concerning this matter will appear in the *INDICATOR* as soon as space will permit, and we feel assured that all our brethren when they know the facts in the case will be glad to see this move carry.

A. E. PLACE.

(To be continued.)

MIDDLETOWN.

WE have not reported through the columns of the *INDICATOR* since camp-meeting. From the camp-meeting we went to Cortland, where in company with Brother Whitney, we pitched a tent and began a series of meetings. Quite an interest was awakened in this place, and had the weather been such that we could have continued the meetings, we are confident that very favorable results would have been seen. As it is we shall have to await God's own time, when He will show the result of every work.

From Cortland we went to Rome, and there remained over the Sabbath, starting Monday morning for Newburgh. We stopped over a few hours in Albany reaching Newburgh at ten

## *The Canvassing Work.*

Report for the Week Ending Nov. 13.

Township.	County.	Agent.	Hrs.	Days.	Ords.	Value.	Miscel.	Del.	Val.
Bible Readings.									
Sherman,	Chautauqua,	J. S. Fritts,	30	4	5	\$9.00			
Hornellsville,	Steuben,	G. F. Evans,	32	5	7	17.75	\$1.70		
Walkil,	Orange,	Wm. Seewald,	24	4	7	13.50	2.05		
Great Controversy.									
Ellery,	Chautauqua,	Sarah C. Haskins,	9	3	1	4.50	2.50		
Christ Our Saviour.									
Candor,	Tioga,	J. Deeley,	32	4	16	14.75			
						6.25			
Totals,		5 Canvassers,	127	20	36	\$65.75	\$6.25		

p. m. Monday. We found Brother Wheeler waiting for us, he being desirous of seeing us before we completed our plans for the winter's work. After looking the field over carefully we have decided to spend a portion of the winter, at least, in this city. Of a population of about 15,000 only five are among the number "keeping the commandments of God, and having the testimony of Jesus Christ."

We desire the prayers of the brethren and sisters that we may do faithful work for this people.

MR. AND MRS. A. R. HYATT.

### THE INFLUENCE OF OUR BOOKS.

WE are receiving encouraging words from people who are reading our good books. A late number of the Christian Endeavor organ has an article by one Rev. Gamble in which he says that our literature is doing a good deal of harm, especially the book called "Great Controversy." This is encouraging because it comes from the opponents of the truth, and shows that they feel the effects of our work.

An encouraging letter comes just now from — County. The writer says:—

"I received your kind and welcome letter a few days ago, and was glad indeed to hear you are interested in my thoughts and feelings concerning these great and important questions. I agree with you in saying the prophecies are being fulfilled in a remarkable manner. I feel just like going and having a good thorough conversation with you about these things; but since I am not prepared for that, I will strive

to be content with giving you a few brief statement of facts during the past year.

"About a year ago my mother went to the house of our nearest neighbor who had just come to our neighborhood, to spend the afternoon. The conversation between them fell upon books and reading. This lady had heard I was very fond of reading, and as she had in her possession that noble book published by your society, entitled, 'Bible Readings for the Home Circle,' she sent it for me to read. As usual I began at the title page, then the introduction, and finding it unusually interesting I then went into the subject matter. I had only read a few questions when I found I was unarmed. I took down the Holy Bible and began to look up the references, and I really believe, my dear friend, that I read ten times as much of the Bible as of the book itself. I used a reference Bible, and each reference referred me to so many different passages of the Word of God that it was opened up to me as an entirely new volume.

"I had always loved the Word of God from a child, but had very little time to read, being a day laborer by occupation; but I had never known the depth of the Well of Life till I began to study that book.

"I hope this long letter will not weary you, but please allow me to ask you one question, do you believe there are certain persons endowed with special spiritual gifts? If so please name a few of those gifts, and perhaps I will relate my experience later on."

From another county in our State a Baptist

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minister writes an interesting letter in which he orders a book and says that he has "Bible Readings" and the "Glorious Appearing, and asks that an agent may be sent there immediately. My article is already long so I will not quote from this letter, but there may be something later.

Sister Brown writes from Madison County, and says that Brother Derby's work there last summer selling "Bible Readings" was not in vain as two persons have already commenced to keep the Sabbath from reading "Bible Readings that he sold there, and others are interested.

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A good chance to make some money before the holidays is now offered by the Tract Society. We have a book that formerly sold for \$1.25, and now we have cut the price making it less than half, or 60 cents, with the regular discounts to agents, to close them out. We have another book that sold for 75 cents which we will sell for 40 cents, with a good discount to agents. Send for a copy of each and see if you cannot sell a good many before Christmas. They are good books to sell. They are called respectively, "All Sorts," and "Cats and Dogs."

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Expecting to move by Dec. 1, we wish to quickly reduce our stock of rice, raisins, figs, dates, pearl barley, split peas, farina, rolled wheat, dried peaches, pears, plums, and apples, prunes, nectarines, apricots, Eureka Health Flour, graham flour, rye flour, lentils, nuts, lemons, macaroni, egg vermicelli, noodles, hominy grits, gluten flour, granola, zwieback, etc. Special bargains in matches, toilet soap, clothes-pins, corn starch, books, stands, and "kid" chairs, at half price. Sugar cheap. Write at once. Address N. Y. Health Food Co., Oxford, N. Y.

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