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GREETING

TO MY BRETHREN AND SISTERS IN INDIANA:

It is with much pleasure and great satisfaction, and with many praises to my Heavenly Father, that I am now located in your midst, at 2020 Ashland avenue, Indianapolis. I was sorry that I could not be present with those who assembled at the annual camp meeting and conference, and form their acquaintance, and enjoy the good meetings with them. But God ruled otherwise, and "we know that all things work together for good to those who love the Lord."

For three months I have been sick with malarial and typhoid fever. I have tried to learn the valuable lessons the Lord has had in this experience for me, and I can now thank God for the experiences, for I believe they were blessings in disguise. My health is now returning, and although still very weak, and only able to walk about a block, and much reduced in flesh, I can praise the Lord for his wonderful healing power day by day. Dr. Ross is doing all he can for my rapid recovery here at the Sanitarium. How I praise the Lord for these health principles, and the sanitariums that are being started here and there throughout the world. May they be so conducted that God's richest blessing may rest upon them. I trust that the brethren and sisters of Indiana will lend their influence and give encouragement to the one started here, and help build up an institution that will tell for God and his truth.

I shall at once take up the work of correspondence in the conference, and shall be glad to hear from any of my brethren and sisters and those engaged in active work. What can we do for you, or how can we assist you in bettering the condition of the work in your vicinity? We hope, this fall, to hold a few general meetings in different parts of the State, that we may become better acquainted with the brethren and work, and learn more of the needs of the field.

While recuperating my usual health and strength, I desire to visit and become acquainted with those forming the Indianapolis church. I met for the first time with the church last Sabbath, and we had an excellent meeting. A live missionary spirit seemed to prevail, and a desire to do more aggressive missionary work. My courage is good, never better. All things indicate that the Master's coming draweth nigh. Let us awake and warn our neighbors and all within our reach.

W. J. STONE.

AM I DOING MY WHOLE DUTY?

I wish that every brother and sister in the Indiana conference would ask himself this question as it relates to the matter of paying the Lord his tithe. It is not my design to write an article upon the subject of tithing at this time, but to state the real condition of matters as we find them for the month of August.

We find, on looking over the books, that we have paid to laborers about \$1,050, while there has come into the treasury in tithe to replenish this fund, only about \$700. You can all see that the conference could not long continue the number of laborers in the field that we now have, unless there is a different showing. Undoubtedly there are some good reasons why the tithe is short this month; but I firmly believe that if every Seventh-Day Adventist in this conference would ask himself the question that heads this article, "Am I doing my whole duty?" and say, "By the grace of God I will do it hereafter," and then carry it out, never in the history of the cause in Indiana would we ever see as small a tithe report as appears in this week's issue of the Reporter.

God is good. He is bountifully bestowing so abundantly of his blessings upon us; and do we appreciate them? God has promised many blessings to the faithful souls, and those who have proved him can testify to his faithfulness in fulfilling his promises. I shall have more to say in the future along this line, for I know that many are losing such rich blessings because of a neglect to do what God requires, which is so just and reasonable. May God helb us to not only be hearers of the word, but doers.

W. J. STONE,

President Indiana Conference.

AN IMPORTANT MATTER.

Sabbath, Sept. 19, has been set apart for the purpose of reading an article that will be sent to all our churches and companies in this conference for the services of that day. Let ministers, church elders and leaders of companies arrange for this reading, as it is of vital interest to the work in this State.

TENT AT GAS CITY.

Elders F. M. Roberts and J. S. Shrock write from Gas City, under date of August 26: We came here August 12, and the same day found a nice location for our tent, free, and near the street car line. We began meetings Saturday night, with a fair audience. Sunday night the tent was well filled with attentive listeners. Monday night at least 150 were present, and last night the tent was nicely filled with a fine class of people, all of whom seemed to be deeply interested in the presentation of the little horn power and its mark. We sold some tracts, and up to date our collections amount to \$6.65. We are of good courage. Pray for us.

We are glad to acknowledge receipt of subscriptions for the Reporter in the past few days from I. G. Bigelow, Mrs. Dollie Pepple, A. A. Thomas, G. W. Mann, Mrs. R. E. Moon and Lewis Sancerman. We hope to make the Reporter so interesting that scores of subscriptions will be received to report in each issue.

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ENTERED AS SECOND-CLASS MAIL MATTER.

OUR DUTY TO THE SCHOOL AT BERRIEN SPRINGS.

The following communication from Sister White relative to the work at Berrien Springs is so clear and full that you can all easily see the mind of the Lord concerning our responsibilities with reference to our district school. And now will we all respond to the earnest appeal, and finish the Object Lesson work before the holiday season expires. It can easily be done, if there is a general response to this earnest call which is sent us. May the Lord enable all to do what is herein recommended.

WM. COVERT.

My BRETHREN AND SISTERS;-Why is so little being done to sell "Christ's Object Lessons?" Have you become weary in well-doing? Let this work advance, for there is great need that it be carried steadily forward. The school at Berrien Springs needs the money that the sale of these books will bring. This school is making advancement as fast as possible, but it is in need of funds with which to erect buildings. The Lord is pleased with the way in which the school has been conducted, and with the education that is being given to the students gathered there. Will you not remember that in doing your best to bring in means for the advancement of this school you are co-operating with Him? There is much that needs to be done before the winter sets in. Buildings must be erected, and other lines of work carried forward.

Bro. Magan and Bro. Sutherland have worked with heart and soul to bring this school to its present stage of advancement, and the blessing of the Lord has attended their labors in a marked manner. I wish to say that my confidence in these men has not at all lessened. The Lord is not unmindful of the self-sacrifice and their labors of love. I have feared that they were in danger from trying to do more than they could do. I saw that they were in danger from overtaxing their strength in the effort to advance the work and to economize in the use of means. The lives of these men are precious in the sight of the Lord. He does not want them to overwork, and thus sacrifice their strength; for in the end this would mean great loss.

My brethren and sisters, I ask you in the name of the Lord to do all that you can to advance the work of the Berrien Springs school. I hope and pray that you will not become weary in well-doing. In carrying forward the work of selling "Christ's Object Lessons," you will receive a most precious blessing. As you show this book to your friends and neighbors, telling them of the instruction that it contains, and why you are trying to sell it, you will gain an experience that will reable you to do more successful work for the Master. As you take up this pleasing work—for such it will prove to all who take it up with faith and prayer—the peace of Christ will come into your hearts. The thought that you are doing a good work will fill you with joy and courage.

At one time the suggestion was made to me that it might be best, when the Relief of the Schools campaigu was finished, to make "Christ's Object Lessons" a regular subscription book. It was said that this book would have as ready a sale as any that could be produced. As I heard this suggestion, the thought came to me, "Here is an opportunity for me to get out of debt. Is not this the right thing for me to do?" I said that it might be right for me to do as the letter had suggested. Then I sent a prayer, "Lord, teach me to speak right words." Quickly the answer came. In an instant the light given at the first regarding "()) ject Lessons" flashed into my mind, and the instruction then given was repeated. I seemed to hear the words, "God signified that this book should be given to our schools, to be to them a continual blessing. Would you exchange his plan for human devising? This book is to be treated as a sacred offering made to God; and if his plan regarding it is unsellishly carried out, the result will be wholly satisfactory." I immediately said that I would not make any change in the handling of "Object Lessons" unless God gave me plain instruction that this should be done. As I said this, I felt the biessing of God resting upon me.

My brethren and sisters, as you go out to sell this book, the Lord Jesus and his holy angels will open the way before you. Success has attended the effort to sell the book in the past, because God's people have worked in co-operation with heavenly agencies; and success will attend the effort in the future, if our people will still carry forward the work. All will receive grace for grace, as they give what they can in time and influence to the circulation of "Christ's Object Lessons."

I leave these words with you, praying that the blessing of God may rest on the self-sacrificing workers at Berrien Springs, and upon all who continue in the work of canvassing for "Object Lessons." Time is short, and there is much to be done. Let all who can, old and young, men, women and children, take up this work. As they go forth, the Lord will open the way before them. The words that they speak will be as seeds sown in good ground. Many souls will be saved as a result of their willing service. And at last, when we join the royal family in the courts above, the Lord will open before us the good that has been accomplished by "Christ's Object Lessons. Mrs. E. G. White.

THREE OBEY THE CALL AT PERU.

A note from the tent company at Peru says: We have held meetings in the tent at this place for three weeks. Our attendance has been small all the while, but some have manifested some interest. Three have decided to obey, one of them a Methodist Episcopal minister. Others are interested, and we hope will soon take their stand with us for the truth.

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THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S CONFERENCE.

Thursday, August 6, was set apart for the young people's work at the Perucamp meeting. The forenoon was devoted to the young people's societies, and the afternoon and evening to the educational work.

I wish to speak especially of the young people's part in the work of the day. Fathers and mothers, and others in the congregation who have not before been keeping pace with the young people's work, listened with wrapt attention while the various phases of the movement were presented and discussed by the young people themselves. The plan and aim of the organization, the needs of our young people, and the various lines of missionary work in which they can engage, were set forth as fully as the time would permit. Many realized for the first time that there is indeed a definite call to our young people to have a definite part in preparing the way for the soon-coming Savior, and that "the movement truly is of God at this time, and to meet the call of the hour."

A very practical demonstration of what the young people can do was shown in their work of distributing tracts. The city was districted, and companies formed who went out in twos, carrying to each home a package of the late tracts. Many of these were sold, and many people interested. One company reported sixteen families in their territory desirous of knowing more of the truth. Through their efforts nearly every home in the city was reached. Only the judgment will reveal the results of the work begun at this meeting.

As our young people consecrate their lives to the service of God, and go forth to work for the salvation of souls, they have the assurance that "they are coworkers with the angels:" rather they are the human agencies through whom the angels accomplish their mission. Angels speak through their voices, and work by their hands. And the human workers, co-operating with heavenly agencies, have the benefit of their education and experience. As a means of education, what university course can equal this?

"With such an army of workers as our youth rightly trained might furnish, how soon the message of a crucified, risen, and soon-coming Savior might be carried to the world! How soon might the end come-the end of suffering and sorrow and sin."

CANVASSERS' REPORT.

But three canvassers report this week: F. N. Bartholomew, Chester, reports 4 orders for Bible Readings, value \$9.50, and helps \$35,95. Mollie Keener, Anderson, 2 Great Controversy, \$4.50, and helps 75c. F. G. Bernard, 4 Great Controversy, 7 Coming King, and 3 Bible Readings; value \$23.50, and helps \$8.50. Total value of orders \$37.50, and of helps \$45.20.

RELIEF OF THE SCHOOLS.

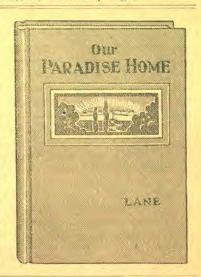
At a recent meeting of the members of the General Conference Committee a new committee on the relief of the schools was chosen. This committee consists of W. C. White, Prof. Frederick Griggs, W. T. Bland and W. A. Spicer. In the future our brethren and sisters having donations to send to the relief of the schools fund, or desiring to pay pledges which have been made

in the past, and which are not yet paid, will kindly send the same to the treasurer of the General Conference at 222 N. Capitol street, Washington, D. C., as all pledges and special records relative to this business have been transferred from my office to the new General Conference office at Washington.

All contributions to the Missionary Acre fund should still be sent to P. T. Magan, Berrien Springs, Mich.

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Elder S. H. Lane's new book, is now ready for the reader and the Ind. Tract Society is prepared to fill orders. Price, board cover 25 cts.; cloth 50 cents postpaid. It is a splendid work, and the book is nicely gotten up for the price. It is beautifully illustrated with original cuts especially prepared for the work. Order now.



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NEWS AND NOTES.

The address of Elder R. S. Donnell is now 602 Upper Fifth street, Evansville, Ind.

Sister Teeters, of LaGrange, is interested in the conference industrial school, and remembers it in a substantial way.

Bro. F. N. Bartholomew will soon more his family to a new place of residence. We are glad for the success he is having; he is selling a large number of Bibles.

Elder W. J. Stone and family are located at 2020 Ashland avenue, Indianapolis. They will be glad to have our brethren and sisters feel free to call and see them.

Albert Yazell is having some success with Bibles. We know of others that are doing good canvassing, and we are sorry they have not sent in a report for this issue.

The name of the Indiana Industrial School has been changed by the Educational Board, and it will hereafter be known as the Boggstown Manual Training Academy.

The tent work of Elders Huffman and P. G. Stanley, recently from this conference, at Peoria, Ill., resulted in the baptism of ten persons on Sunday; Aug. 22; others are keeping the Sabbath.

Sister E. M. Jackson, of Angola, sends in \$25 for herself and C. L. Haskins, pledges for the Review and Herald and the conference industrial school at Boggstown. So the good work goes on.

We are anxious that our brethren remember the office with their reports, so we may be able to publish the results of the work. Let us do all we can to encourage others to enlist for the field.

We are glad to see the subscriptions coming in for the Reporter. Sister Fannie Campbell, of Lebanon, thinks she cannot get along without the paper, and sends in 25 cents for the renewal of her subscription.

Bro. Glessner Johnson, of Barbers Mill, writes a good letter to the office, enclosing \$37.17 on pledges to different enterprises and tithe. We are glad to see the faithfulness manifested by our brethren in paying tithe and offerings.

Sister Hand writes from Plymouth, ordering some tracts with which to do missionary work. She gives a very interesting report of a visit with a Free Methodist who became much interested in points of present truth. She also enclosed money on pledge made for school.

Bro. J. E. Dunn was in the city for a short time last week. He will push the work of distributing our literature the coming year with greater zeal than ever. Let all our ministers do all they can to assist him, by seeking out and encouraging those who can to enter the work.

We are sorry to lose Bro. Welch from our list of canvassers. On account of Mrs. Welch having employment with the Review, they have moved to Washington, D. C. We hope there will be some one to take up the work where Bro. Welch has left off, and that as much success will attend the effort made.

The address of the Indiana Tract Society is now 626 East Eleventh street, Indianapolis, where it is very

pleasantly located. The Secretary will now be able to attend to business as usual. It has been difficult for a few weeks to give proper attention to correspondence at the office; but no doubt our brethren made allowance because of the extra work placed upon the office force for a short time.

We received a good letter from Sister M. M. Tucker, of LaGrange. While she did not have the privilege of attending our camp meeting at Peru, she has read the good reports in the Reporter, and is awake to the needs of the cause. She sends in her tithe and some money to assist our industrial school at Boggstown.

Elder Curtis came over from Boggstown a few days after the arrival of Elder Stone, and spent a short time in counsel with Elders Hankins and Stone regarding some features of the work. As soon as Elder Stone is strong enough a meeting of the conference committee will be called to consider plans proposed at the late conference, as also others that will assist in carrying forward the most aggressive work.

We are sending sample copies of the Reporter to quite a number who have not been subscribers in the past, hoping they would become interested in the contents of the paper, and send in their subscriptions. A few have responded, but we shall be glad to hear from scores of others. An earnest effort will be made to secure reports from all parts of the field and from all our laborers frequently, so that no Adventist in the Indiana conference can afford to be without the paper.

REPORT OF TITHES FOR AUGUST, 1903

Akron	84 00 1	Ligouier	\$15 50
Anderson.	85	Logansport	1.85
Barbers Mills	33 00	Mechaniesburg	19 40
Boggstown	11 00	Marion.	1 50
Denver	12 00	Middletown	28.21
Dana	5 00	Muneie	4 00
Evansville	0.87	New London	8 00
Einora	20 00	Northfield	3:00
Fort Wayne	28 68	Noblesville	10 47
Farmershurg	11 48	Patricksburg	83 00
Frankliu	5 00	Princeton	81
Grass Creek	100 90	Rochester	16 50
Etna Green	31 10	South Milford	4 75
Honey Creek	5.00	Wolf Lake	14 84
Idaville.	1.29	West Liberty	17 61
Individants	16 50	Windfall	51 50
Indianapolis	128 16	lilwood	12 94
Jonesboro	18 25	Michigan City	71
Kokomo	1 68	Greenfield	19 50
LaFayette	25 04	Waterioo	2 00
Lebanon	5 00	August receipts	\$731 84
Total August disbursements.			1.052 43
Overdraft August 31, 1903			

AN IMPOSTOR.

Bro. R. H. Sparks writes: A heavy-set man, about 45 or 50 years old, dark complexion, mustache, and is club-footed, giving his nams as Patterson, sometimes Robinson, says he is a Seventh-Day Adventist, claims to own a farm in Shelby county, and is out hunting a stolen team. He recently appeared in Lawrenceburg, and deceived two sisters who lately embraced the truth out of \$2 each. This same man was in Shelby county eleven years ago, and swindled the writer out of a small sum of money by a similar scheme, claiming them to own a farm in Wabash county. He also works other denominations by the same scheme. If any readers of the Reporter find this man operating in their midst, they should have him arrested at once.