

# The Indicator.

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

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## FAREWELL, ELDER LANE.

BY J. P. LORENZ.

[The following lines were written in memory of, and dedicated to Elder S. H. Lane, who has been the President of our Conference for the last six years, and now goes to Illinois to take the presidency of that Conference.]

'Tis sad to note the changes  
That come to mortals here  
In this sad world of parting,  
From those we love so dear.  
O how it grieves the spirit,  
And moistens every eye  
When one whom we love dearly,  
Must say to us, "Good-bye."

You've been to us, dear brother,  
Kind-hearted, good, and true;  
And many precious seasons  
Have we enjoyed with you.  
In all your undertakings,  
When troubles fierce did press,  
You bravely fought the battles,  
And met with good success.

For years the Lord hath prospered  
Your efforts in this field:  
For "courage" was your watchword,  
The Word of God your shield.  
When trials crossed your pathway,  
Your trust was in the Lord,  
And in the fiercest conflicts,  
You leaned on Jesus' word.

Though you have been a shepherd  
To us in every way,  
Yet we may not have always  
Been ready to obey:  
If so, we ask your pardon,  
And pray the Lord to give  
Us all his richest blessing,  
More perfectly to live.

Now as the Lord hath called you  
Some other place to fill,  
We bow with resignation  
To the Almighty's will,  
And cherish in our memories  
Our brother with the cane,  
Though now we all must bid you  
"Good-bye, dear Brother Lane."

## VALEDICTORY.

With this number I sever my regular connection with the INDICATOR. This is an unpleasant task, from the fact that the paper was established since I came to the State, and as it is an agent that has aided us in carrying on the good work in the State, and through which I have said many things to its readers, it is with some reluctance that I say to it, farewell. But changes come in this world, and I am very glad that the time is almost here when we shall be where changes come no more. And now, my dear brethren and sisters in all parts of the great Empire State, I feel to thank my Heavenly Father and each one of you for the success of the work that has been accomplished since I first came here.

I have been president of your Conference for six years. The time has passed rapidly, and now that it is gone it seems much like a dream, and yet the results of our labors will last in time and throughout all eternity, from the fact that the Lord has enabled us to bring the truth to many that will shine in the kingdom of God as long as eternity shall roll. I am thankful that the large debt that was hanging over the Conference and Tract Society, and hindering the progress of both, has been some three years since wiped out, and now both are in a fair way to accomplish much good. During the past two years we have had some money on hand. We thank you that you have given so liberally through the blessing of the Lord, as every dollar of tithes and donations you have paid have aided in the good work.

During the time we have been associated together in the work, new churches and ministers have been raised up. Meeting-houses have been purchased and built until the number in the State has been doubled, and the work carried to all parts. The churches, almost without an exception, are in harmony at the present

*Field Reports.*

ADAMS CENTER, WATERTOWN, DICKINSON CENTER, BUFFALO, AND JAMESTOWN.

time. Some are planning to build meeting-houses, so the work will not stop. I am very thankful that there has been nothing but harmony among the ministers and workers and in all the deliberations of the Conference committees that have served during the time. We have met and parted in love and good feeling. Our meetings have been profitable, and I recall the many social visits I have enjoyed around your firesides, and of the prayers we have in common offered to Him who has truly caused the lines to us to fall in pleasant places. The writer has made mistakes, but forgive and forget them, and look unto Jesus as your perfect pattern and not to men. I have learned to love you for your work's sake, and as I have thought of leaving I did not realize before that I was thoroughly wedded to the people and work of God in this State; but I am willing to go, as I know that where the Lord calls it is a pleasure to go. I know too that the Lord will bless in some other field as he has in this one, and even more so, from the fact that every setting sun brings us so much nearer the great consummation, and while the spirit of darkness and persecution is seizing the children of darkness, a stronger, Divine power is resting down upon the children of light.

I would have liked very much to have seen all in the State that I have not seen, and to have had the privilege of bidding them good-bye; but such a thing was impossible, so I will say to all such, farewell. May the Lord bless you; I know He does and will.

You have aided me by your prayers, influence, and means, and I fully believe that as you have, so you will aid my worthy successor, Elder Place. He needs and will appreciate your valuable influence and aid.

I shall occasionally report through the INDICATOR, and whenever I do so, I want every reader to understand that every sentence is a report personally to him. I would like much to write to you all as individuals, and I want here to thank those that have of late written to me personally letters that have done me good and which I shall always remember with much pleasure, and now in conclusion, let me make an appointment to meet you all on the glorified shore a few years hence. I expect to be there through the grace of God. Will you meet me?

S. H. LANE.

ON account of being so busy week before last I could not find time to write a report for the INDICATOR, so I will report for two weeks this time. On Sunday, April 7, I held two meetings at Adams Center. In the forenoon there was a good attendance of our people, and we all enjoyed the meeting very much. In the evening it was rainy, and the roads were very bad, so the attendance of our people was not so large, but some not of our people were present so we were greeted with a good attendance both times. The Lord is still blessing at Adams Center and I rejoice that some there love the truth, and are trying to live it out.

On Wednesday night I held a meeting with the church at Watertown. There was a good attendance, and we were much pleased to meet Brother Cortland Green and wife and son, who drove several miles, notwithstanding the bad roads.

Friday I met Elder Place at Dickinson Center. He preached that evening, and we continued the meetings two days, closing on Sunday night, April 14. The sermon dedicating the new meeting-house was preached Sunday afternoon. It rained all day, and at one time we thought that the attendance would be very poor, but in this we were agreeably disappointed. The house was well filled, and if but a few more came they could not have been seated. As Elder Place gave a fine description of the house two weeks ago, I will not mention it only to state that it is an ornament to the enterprising village in which it stands. After the sermon we raised toward the debt on the building the sum of \$150. The rest of the debt will be provided for. We are very thankful that the Lord has so abundantly blessed the work at Dickinson Center. The tent was pitched on the same plat of ground, September 2 of last year, on which now stands a new house with a nice congregation meeting there each Sabbath. This is the Lord's doings, and we praise his name that it is so.

On Wednesday, April 17, Elder Place and I went to Buffalo. We held two meetings at

## The Canvassing Work.

Report for the Week Ending April 26.

County.	Agent.	Hours.	Days.	Ords.	Value.	Miscel.	Deliv.	Value
Bible Readings.								
Cayuga,	J. S. Fritts,	37	5	11	\$23.50	\$1.75	1	\$2.25
Monroe,	O. E. Tuttle,	32	5	10	23.50	1.75	2	5.00
Erie,	J. S. Delano,	9	2	6	13.00		1	4.25
Chenango,	Clara B. Rider,			2	3.25			
Montgomery,	Wm. Seewald,	21	3	7	14.75	1.90		
Otsego,	J. R. Mc Alister,	34	4	5	11.00	.50		
Otsego,	James F. Wait,	35	4	11	21.75	1.50		
Lewis,	A. R. Hyatt,	32	4	16	36.00	3.25		
Lewis,	M. A. Vroman,	32	4	16	34.50	3.00		
Oneida,	Norman Kling,	38	5	3	6.75	.75		
Broome,	C. W. Inskeep,	26	5	8	16.00	1.00		
Steuben,	T. B. Harlan,	8	2				4	11.25
Great Controversy.								
Ulster,	J. E. Frazee,	26	5	49	126.75		1	2.75
Otsego,	Fred G. Mc Alister,	29	4	8	19.50	3.75		
Chenango.	E. S. Popoff,		1	1	2.25			
Chenango.	Mrs. F. W. Bartle,						3	8.75
Chenango,	Clara B. Rider,		2	2	4.25	.50		
Miscellaneous sales,					19.56			
Totals,	16 Canvassers,	359	55	155	\$376.31	\$19.56	12	\$34.25

Spring Brook, nine miles south of Buffalo. Thursday Elder Place baptized eight in the baptistry of a Baptist chapel on Maple Street in Buffalo. It was a solemn occasion, and one long to be remembered by all present.

Friday, April 19, we reached Jamestown. Sabbath forenoon we commenced the services of the day by holding an excellent Sabbath-school; It was very interesting, and we were surprised at the attendance. There were during the day nearly one hundred of our people out. They came in from Falconer, Sinclairville, Mayville, Westfield, Portland, Ellicottville, Salamanca, Steamburg, Conewango Valley, East Otto, and Randolph, N. Y., and from Warren, North Warren, and Stickney, Pa. We were much pleased to meet all these dear ones with whom we have labored before. We also met some who have embraced the truth recently and were very glad to see them rejoicing in it. The sermons of the day were appreciated.

In the afternoon we celebrated the ordinances. The Lord came very near. The social meeting was one long to be remembered. We were much pleased to meet with Brother J. B. Stow and Brother Westworth who are all

the time laboring to bring souls into the truth. Our Sunday forenoon meeting was a success. Elder Place gave a stirring discourse which was listened to with wrapt attention and it had its effect for good on all present. In the afternoon the dedication sermon was delivered by the writer. The house was well filled, and the best of attention was given. All seemed much interested. The collection was liberal, although I did not learn the exact amount. The house is heated by natural gas and lighted by electricity. Elders Place, Ball, Stow, and Westworth aided in the services. Immediately after the sermon I took the train for Buffalo, and soon, by steam and electricity, I found myself at the meeting hall on Breckenbridge Street. It was well filled with intelligent people. Fourteen had come from Tonawanda, a distance of ten miles. All seemed interested and the meeting was a success. Sister Cornell was present from South Wales. Six years ago last January when I commenced my labors in the State, I gave my first discourse at Buffalo, and to-night I closed my work in the State by a sermon in the same city. Oh! how good the Lord has been and still is.

S. H. LANE

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### SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCHES IN NEW YORK STATE.

(Concluded.)

At the close of the dedication services here at Jamestown, several of the brethren accompanied Elder Lane to the railroad depot, where he took the train for Buffalo. The good-byes were said, and the train bore him from us. He stood on the rear platform, and with hat and handkerchief we bade each other farewell till distance shut him from our view. I know that many prayers followed, and are still following him. Though our much loved brother is taken from us, Jesus says still, "Lo, I am with you always." With this precious promise we turn once more to take up the work and go forward. Because He is with us the Third Angel's Message will still move on in the old State of New York. Let every lover of this glorious present truth rally to the standard.

If God wants more churches built He will give us power to build them, and so in all the work that comes to our hands; but in all our building, let us each, by His grace, build a church in our own breasts that shall not be destroyed by the fires of the last days.

Our closing meeting here at Jamestown was held Sunday evening at half past seven. There was a good congregation, and an excellent spirit prevailed. At the close, though very weary, I

left the church with as happy a heart and as good courage as I have ever felt in the past, cheered with the words of the Lord, "My presence shall go with thee, and I will give thee rest."  
A. E. PLACE.

—CONFERENCE cash received March 19—April 22: Rome, \$29.81; Syracuse, \$25.73; West Bangor, \$17.05; Lincklaen Center, \$28.49; Albany company, \$3.00; North Creek, \$46.30; Wellsville, \$118.31; Ellicottville, \$91.65; Adams Center, \$70.55; Wheeler, \$22.28; Steamburg, \$11.71; Middle Grove, \$9.00; North Parma, \$5.00; Cortland, \$1.00; Watertown, \$21.00; Buck's Bridge, \$22.00; West Valley, \$22.50; Black Creek, \$58.67; Jeddo, \$21.10; Sinclairville, \$40.27.

### PRICES REDUCED.

THE cost of our subscription books have been reduced to hard times' prices. I have written to each of the canvassers, explaining the matter, and hope they will read the letter carefully and follow directions. I will also explain to any others who are interested.

The "Two Republics" can now be furnished in a good cloth binding for \$1.75. It has lately been revised and brought up to date, and new chapters have been added.

J. R. CALKINS.

—"If there is one work more important than another, it is that of getting our publications before the public, thus leading them to search the Scriptures."

### NOTES.

Now is the time to order clubs of the *Signs* for missionary purposes.

If you cannot order a hundred copies send in for smaller clubs. We will furnish clubs of five, ten, fifteen and upwards.

The canvassers generally, like the reduction in the prices of the subscription books.

Over 2000 copies of April 11 *Sentinel* have been used in the New York Conference.

Some of the old canvassers write that they intend to go to work again soon. We hope they will, there is plenty to do.

Murders and suicides seem to be the order of the day. One of Rome's best known business men has just ended his life.

Well, what is life? What is it for? To accumulate money? "If in this life only we have hope, we are of all men the most miserable.