

VOL. 3

KEENE, TEXAS, MONDAY, JANUARY 4, 1904.

NO. I.

Another Sign.

NOTHER sign that probation is fast closing, and that we are nearing the end of all things occurred last week in Chicago. The Iroquois Opera house, located in the heart of Chicago, and supposed to be absolutely fireproof, took fire and was destroyed. An explosion of gas greatly intensified the fire, and it burned with such rapidity that a terrible panic occurred in the midst of the performance which was going on at that time. Although it was supposed that there were ample exits from the building al.nost six hundred people were burned to d_a.h. Most of those were women and children who were unable to make their escape from the building. Several hundred others were may have a part. missing or very badly injured.

par of our country since the great generation puts into the hands of Galveston flood, and the people were every believer the grandest opportunistunned by the force of it. Who can- ty to engage in the most important not see in this a fulfillment of what work ever committed to this world. the Lord has recently told us that But it is not spasmodic effort; that ac-"the judgments of the Lord are complishes but little in any line. already in the Land?" When any The servants of God must now put people turn their backs upon the truth on the whole armor, and press the of God and it is clearly seen that no battle to the very gates. Every indiuse can be made of them in the work vidual who loves God's truth, and of proclaiming this last message of who understands it for this time, has warning the protecting hand of God a definite specific work to do, and is withdrawn from around them and this he will continue in until it is acthey are given over to destruction, complished; it will be the one great Every one of us should ask ourselve ambition of his life. And he who the question, Am I of any use in the misses the opportunity Lord's work? If we are not, we are loses all. liable to be swallowed up in the destruction we shall see on every hand, in all seriousness, and begin at once If we are doing God's will the prom- to make plans for earnest, systematic ises of the ninety-first Psalm are ours effort during 1904. The Lord will to believe.

Systematic Effort For 1904.

very reading of these things fill you dollars. with a burning desire to have a part the regions beyond? You may not be self, but you may have your representhis work according to your ability a quarter of a million dollars. and your willingness. The Lord has be finished. Upon some he has placed the burden to go, while upon others he extends the privilege of assisting those who do go. Thus all

The giving of the closing gospel Such a disaster has not visited any message to all the world in this eventually

Let every one consider these facts certainly bless all such work. A good way to do this is to adopt and faithfully carry out the ten-cent-a-week plan of contributions to foreign mis-O YOU READ from week to week sions. Many rich experiences have the stirring reports from our come to those who have adopted this missionaries in foreign fields? Have plan; and the amount received by the tributions will be welcomed.

you noticed with what zeal and Misson Board during the year just earnestness the message has been ex- closing, from this source alone, has tended into all lands? Does not the amounted to almost twenty thousand

Now, at the beginning of the new in this great closing work? Would year, is a splendid opportunity for you not even like for every member others to join this company of systemof your family to have a personal ex- atic givers. We wish every Seventhperience in sending this gospel into day Adventist might be induced to see the great importance of this work. able to go to the distant fields your- If they did, the carrying of the message to all lands would be blessed. tative there; you may have a part in with an additional fund of more than

Let your good resolves for 1904 inset his hand to this work, and it will clude this one of our weekly offerings, and the Lord will surely bless the efforts. W. T. BLAND.

Ass't Treas., Mission Board, 222 N. Capital St., Washington, D. C.

VOLUME III.

ITH this issue begins volume three of the RECORD. How well it has served the purpose for. which it was intended in the past will be left for our readers to determine. There are quite a number of improvements in the paper we would like to see, if its circulation would warrant, and the editors are hopeful that it can be made so interesting and profitable that its lists will be largely increased. We are certain that the coming of the Lord, for which we are all looking, is hastening on, and our whole aim for the coming year will be to have its columns filled with matter that will lead the people of God to more diligence in preparing for that great event. It should reflect the work being done in our field, and to this end we ask the hearty co-operation of all our laborers. It should be understood that it is a conference paper, and its columns are open at all times to anyone, but the matter sent in should be of such a character as will edify and encourage the people. All such con-

A Year in Arkansas.

Q UFFERING from an overwrought condition of the nervous system, for which a change of climate and rest were advised, December 25, 1902 I stepped from the cars at Belleville, Yell county, Arkansas, and proceeded from thence twelve miles to the top of Huckleberry mountain, hoping there to regain my lost strength. Here as my strength would permit, I exercised myself in cutting wood, very slowly but surely, to improve. possible.

· As my strength returned, I began to feel a desire to get into the harness tention to treatment of my throat May we now hear from others? again and do something for the and lungs, but all I could do availed has been nearly a year since the most Master. mountain had been urging me ever to return to my unfinished work. My some have not been heard from at since my arrival to preach for them as condition continued to grow worse, all. Now, the Southwestern Union soon as I was able. Not yet being and December 24, 1903, just a year conference is looking for us to pay for able to hold a series of meetings, I lacking one day from the time I ar- these books, and the money is needed began speaking for them at stated rived in Arkansas, I left Hartford for the school. We trust that all will intervals. prejudice, much of which I succeeded Haskell at the sanitarium. He dis- work before it is too late. This will in removing. Many acknowledged that courages my returning to Arkansas enable us as a conference, of which all I spoke was true, but I soon found and says I must have a change of each one bears an individual responsithat in reform work "a prophet is not climate. With that and other favor-bility as a member, to receive the without honor save in his own country able conditions I am encouraged to blessing the Lord has in store for and among his own kin;" for we were believe I may yet become strong to those who cheerfully comply with His living among my wife's folks and labor for God in this closing work of commands. people who had known her from a His gospel. child and counted me also as "one of themselves." As soon as I could ar- Word which I have endeavored to will certainly follow in this state; for range matters at home after the Van scatter during my short stay in Ar- there are as many honest souls in Buren camp meeting, at which the kansas may some of it spring up and Arkansas as in other fields of the conference granted me license, think- bear fruit to the glory of God. Real- same size hungering for the Bread of ing myself strong enough to again izing the great need of work and Life. bear the burden of the work, I started workers in that field it is with regret given privileges. out to seek for souls who desired to that I bid adieu to Arkansas and of know the truth. Having previously necessity set my face westward. May CORD if it has expired. corresponded with the elder of the Lord of the harvest abundantly church at Ava, I first responded to bless those who remain to carry the ING FUND; only about six months to his earnest request to visit that place. truth to the people of Arkansas, and camp meeting. The Spirit of God came very near in give them much fruit for their labors. our meetings, confessions were made with tears, and some who had been cold and indifferent consecrated themselves again to the work of the Lord. A general forward step was taken which I trust has placed the feet of some on the Rock, Christ Jesus never of his time in delivering. He feels for "All the tithe is the Lord's; it is again to be removed. From there I that the Lord is wonderfully blessing holy unto the Lord;" "Ye have went to Neelly, to where one of the him. brethren of the Ava church had moved. The day after my arrival the the field have been received this week; storehouse * * * and prove me now announcement was made, and that presumably the holidays have caused herewith if I will not pour you out a night the first meeting held. interest and attendance was good from

until the last night I was there. But Miss May Henry is teaching. Satan was on the ground to work evil. Not being able to influence the minds a week's vacation. of the listeners sufficiently to accomplish his purpose, he attacked the Sabbath Schools will promptly send speaker, disabling my throat until I in their reports after quarterly meetwas scarcely able to speak during the ing, or the first Sabbath in January. last few nights. At the end of three weeks with the interest at its hight in their subscriptions for the Worker and in the midst of the testing truths so as not to miss the January number. of the message, I was compelled to We hope to hear from others. return home, promising to return when I was able. The house was well filled, and nearly all expressed their appreciation of my work among them WORK .- The Gravette church is plowing, etc; and I began, at first and desired me to return as soon as meeting with success in disposing of

Some of the people on the nothing, and I have not yet been able of the churches took their quota. and There was a great deal of for Keene, Texas to consult with Dr. rally and take hold of this God-given

B.-F. GOWDY.

Keene, Texas, December 29, 1903.

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

The a delay in the work.

BUTTERFIELD reports a school of

arkansas + Department. the first, and constantly increased eleven pupils under good progress.

THE Springdale school is enjoying

WE trust that all churches and

SEVERAL have responded and sent

The Please-Don't-Forgets.

I. THE "OBJECT LESSON" its books. The Little Rock church Upon arriving at home I gave at- has nearly disposed of its quota. It The same results that have followed in other states in the I trust that the good seed of the disposal of "Christ's Object Lessons" May we arouse to our God-

2. Your subscription to the RE-

3. THE TENT AND CAMP MEET-

4. THE FIRST-DAY OFFERINGS. or the ten-cent-a-week plan to carry the message to our brethren and sisters in the darkened lands across the water.

5. THE TITHE, though it does not BROTHER Pickney is spending most seem necessary to remind you of that; robbed me in tithes and offerings, No reports from the other parts of * * * bring ye all the tithe into the blessing."

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SOUTHWESTERN UNION RECORD:

+Texas Department.+

THE FIELD.

SANGER .- According to sappointment, Elder Lorenz and I went to Sanger December 25th to dedicate the new church building. Brother Henry Schmidt met us at the depot and took us to his pleasant home.

The little company of twenty-one members moved to Sanger about two vears ago. Each one is of good courage and diligent in missionary work. Their tithe and offerings to missions for the past year, amounted to \$692.55. Besides this the company has erected a fine little meeting house 20x30 and 12 ft high. This is all paid for and a surplus of \$4.07 in the treasury. They have a very good church school with an attendence of seventeen.

On Sabbath the 26th we had - coinmunion and an excellent testimony meeting following. On Sunday forenoon we had an election of officers and Brother Henry Schmidt was reelected to the eldership. He has served faithfully for several years. In the afternoon at 2:30 the church was dedicated. The neighbors, who are all Americans, and six families from Valley View were in attendence and the little church was packed to its utmost capacity of very attentive hearers.

It was planned that Elder Lorenz should speak in the evening in the German, but as there were friends who could not understand that, he was requested to speak in the English.

It seems to me that if a course of lectures could be held at this place or at Valley View quite a number would accept the truth.

O, what an influence those have who not only profess the truth but live it out in their lives. It is just as Paul says in writing to the Thessalonians, "So that ye were ensamples to them that believe in Macedonia and Achaia. For from you sounded out the word of the Lord not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but also in every place your faith to Godward is spread abroad; so that we need not to speak N. P. NELSON. anything."

the last day of the year, dear brethren some less. The Lord is blessing that as we desired. and sisters. I beg your pardon for church. the letters I have written, and the ap- Work has commence on the meet-

peals I have made to you during the ing house at Buffalo Gap. year; and I hope you will forgive me Cubley is there, and has charge of the for this also. Once more, let me ap- work, and is helping to build it. peal to you. Don't let your subscrip- have not collected as much moneytions to the RECORD, Signs and other during the month as I expected. member or interested friend who is debt. There is something on page not supplied with our papers, see that 100 in the "Testimonies," Volume such is supplied, even if you have to VI, which I wish you would all read. supply it yourself. Also write a good one letter.

love the truth, which we all profess sell a few good books, or 50 or 100 to believe, write to me accordingly, special Signs, and send me the Some of the members of my church profit? Please try it. have not written to me in a year,have not even answered my letters.

have been at home since the camp county, and I have promised to return remnant of the Roby church in a tent and fellow brethren. We dismissed six called meeting. members by letter and received three Write to me and help me build the in the same way. Brother Wilhelm house for the Lord at Buffalo Gap. was elected elder of the church aud will be ordained at our March meeting. We will then have two elders. Most of the members of the Roby and they enjoy it.

During the month now closing Ihave been to Buffalo Gap, Clyde, Santo, Madge, and Goldthwait. The just past we have had some things Coleman church at the Madge postoffice is alive, but not thoroughly the most pleasant for our work... Alawake. burdened with debt, and some over- street-car strike, and part of the time burdened with the cares of this life, were quarantined on account of yel-The colony is growing, and the school low fever. It made it much worse doing well. I was with them four stances; and we thought if this causes of prayer; and besides having the when these things become more gen-Dangers'' and "Our Needs," and I place, and to show them that their also tried to emphasize some points only safety is in Christ ! concerning "Our Duties." I believe, my labors were appreciated. I pre- Bible readings and visited the people sume that the tithe from that church in their homes. About six weeks ago for this quarter will far exceed any- we were forced to move to another thing that has ever been paid in West place of meeting. We rented a room Texas. converted, and joined the church last been holding several meetings each year, told me that his tithe for the week. quarter would be \$83.00. Others will church; as we can hold our prayer THE WESTERN DISTRICT.—This is pay \$20.00, some \$50.00, some more, meetings and other meetings as often

Brother T ٠A good papers run out without renew- tew of us will have to do more than ing. If you know of any isolated we have done or else we will be in Say brethren, cannot twenty-five of letter to such persons. Don't stop at you send, me a dollar, and fifty send me fifty cents each, and one hundred If you love me one bit, or if you twenty-five cents each? Cannot you

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From correspondance I have learned that there are some people in Nolan-The last week in November I was county who want to have the mesat home four days, the only time I sage. There is an interest in Mills meeting at Waco. I met with the to that county next summer with ,a

Brethren and sisters, pray for me.

N. J. ETHEREDGE. Buffalo Gap, December 31, 1903.

SAN ANTONIO.-As it has been church are paying an honest tithe, some time since we reported from this place, we thought a few lines might be of interest to the readers of the During the three months RECORD. here in the city that did, not make it. Some of the members are most the entire time we have had a taught by Brother N. V. Willess is for our work under these circumn glits and one cay during the week so much trouble, what will it be readings, I spoke to them on each eral. How we should labor now to occasion. I spoke mostly upon "Our warn others of what is about to take

> During this time we have held One young man who was near the center of the city and have This has been a help to the Some have become interested by this means, and we hope

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Southwestern Union Conference.

THE meeting of the Southwestern Union Couference will be held February 24 to March 2 at Keene, Texas. This will be a very important meeting and especially so, as it is the first meeting of this Union Conference after the separation which was brought about at Topeka, Kansas. Our organization will be completed at this time, and plans will be laid so as to place the medical missionary work and the school work on a more substantial basis than ever before.

Elder Daniels has promised to be with us at this time, and other help is also promised. We hope to see a full delegation from Texas, Oklahoma and Arkansas conferences. Arrangements have been made to accommodate free of charge all the delegates. Visiting friends will be cared for at as low charges as possible. N. P. NELSON.

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and were encouraged by them. the new year trusting that we may be thine own hand have we given thee." to come. other lady decided to obey the Lord wou'd be almost quadrupled. we hope to see her take her stand greater liberality. L. W. FELTER. Others are interested and are studying the Word of God to know what He would have them do.

We are of good courage and praise the Lord that we are permitted an humble place in in His work. Remember us and our work in your E. L. NEFF.

MRS. E. L. NEFF.

721 Wyoming St., San Antonio.

HOUSTON.—Another week of prayer attended. is a thing of the past, and I hope it was the best meeting ever attended. has been an occasion of great blessing. The amount of offerings was fair conto all believers in the advent message. sidering the failure of crop, etc. At this place the attendance was missionary spirit is taking hold of the testimony of those who did attend glad. was that they had been greatly bene- . We are now holding a meetingfitted. The offering, though not over nine mile north of Nacogdoches on large, we think did quite well, consid- the T. & N. O. R. R., where I ering the situation of many of the preached a few times in September. members. yet. One sister, who is at pre-ent in for the truth. Missouri, paid in \$10.00 there. hope the pily surprised by receiving much more Brother McClain renders good assistthan the \$50,000 a ked for. .

and his wife intend to come in next the Lord is soon coming. Sabbath, and others would if they help us to awake. victions.

to see them come out fully and accept offering experience that it may be a source of encouragement to other During the week of prayer we held churches. Before the first of last meetings each day, and all who were July we had been following the old able to attend enjoyed the meetings plan, and the offerings per quarter

The had been averaging \$3.95. A + + + at first Sabbath of the week of prayer time we adopted the envelope system. (December 12) we had baptism, when and our offering for the last two two dear souls followed their Lord in quarters has been \$27 55, an average this ordinance and united with us. of \$13.77, or an increase of nearly At our quarterly meeting also a i er \$10.00 per quarter. No one feels any was taken into the church. This at worse off for this increase, but feel couraged the little company here a to express ourselves in the language they saw others uniting with them to of David. "But who am I, and what hold up the light in this city. Our is my people, that we should be able quarterly meeting was a source of to offer so willingly after this sort? encouragement to all, and we begin for all things come of thee, and of the instruments in the hands of God If all churches would adopt this plan to lead others to Him during the year with the above results, the funds of During the past week an- the Mission Board from this source May in the observance of the Sabbath, and the Lord breathe upon us a spirit of

STILL AMONG THE PINES.-The work still moves on in East Texas. I came here in November, and Brother McClain and wife arrived just before the week of prayer. During the week of prayer I was with the company at Douglass while Brother Me-Clain remained with the Alto church. The Lord came near, and His blessings were received by all who Almost everyone said it А much better than last year, and the new one; here, and this make; us

We have sent in \$29.30, Some are already accepting the Saband expect a little more to come in bath, other are interested and inquiring We expect to remain We here till ome time in January. I ission Board may be hap-have several appointments ahead. ance. He gives his time gratis this Our quarterly meeting last Sabbath winter to the cause in East Texas. was well attended and much enjoyed This surely shows his faith and by all. We have received six into the burden for the work. I hope this church recently, two by letter from may encourage others to do likewise, San Antonio, and four upon pro- for we must have more workers. Oh, fession of faith. Another young man there are so many yet unwarned, and May God I wish to say to acted out their conscientious con- those who centributed to me tracts and papers that we are using them Now I want to give our first-day when we think they will accomplish great good. Remember us at the throne of grace.

J. N. SOMMERVILLE. Mahl.

Arkansas matter cont[®]d to next issue.

SOUTHWESTERN UNION RECORD.

THE FIELD.

PAUL'S VALLEY, I. T .- The work goes hard here, but it is accomplishing that whereunto it was intended.

Τť The church here is growing. was organized with thirteen members two months ago, and now has seventeen faithful ones. At the close of the week of prayer the writer baptized two adults, and the next Sunday two youths, sixteen and seventeen vears of age were buried in baptism. Others will follow soon.

This church for the quarter now ending has paid \$91.00 tithe. We have a church school of thirteen pupils taught by Brother Ray Hickman. It is doing nicely, and is gaining in numbers and influence. We have also a good Sabbath School of about thirty members; so we are of good courage in the work of the Lord. We greatly need a house of worship, and are plan-Who will help us? ning to build. S. P. Adams. Pray for us here.

DOXIE, OKLA .-- I came to Doxie November 2nd and began to work with the people. Soon after this I began public meetings with a good interest which lasted until the testing truths began to come and then the interest went down some, and cold weather set in and the people nearly all stopped coming. Those who were interested wished me to begin meetings in a school house near by which I did with good success.

Brother A. E. Field came to help me finish the work which was appreciated very much by all that heard him. He came the 21st of December and on the 22nd 'nine precious souls were buried with their Lord in baptism. Four others are keeping the Sabbath, besides two older ones who will be a help to the little company. We did not think best to organize a church just yet, but we appointed a leader and hope to go back in the near future and work for this dear people. We left them on the morning of the 23rd after celebrating the 'ordinances of the Lord's house the preceeding night, which was a blessing to all. We have hopes of a good church here. Pray for them. My courage in the work is good. WM. BRALEY.

Woodward, Okla.

nesday night with a small attendance spend the Sabbath with the company at first but gradually increasing until near Taloga. Had good meetings on Sunday night there were about one and one soul united with the church hundred out. This is a good field, at this place. The brethren here are and I believe there are souls here to trying hard to build a small house' of be saved. interested. I have not spoken on the work it will be much appreciated. If Sabbath question, yet there are a you conclude to donate to this worthy great many anxious to hear it pre- cause, send donations to Mr. William sented and say they are willing to Noss, Taloga, Oklahoma. obey whatever they see to be right.

few days. Pray for the work here. We want to say it is good to serve the Elm is located about three miles north Lord. We are so glad He has given of Gip. This is a Methodist communi- us a part in the Third Angel's Mesty, and they have been holding prayer sage. May the Lord bless all His meetings twice a week all the fall, workers. and are trying to hold them yet, but some want to stop them until our meeting closes, so I think we will draw the crowd, and the people will hear the truth any way.

ISAAC BAKER.

came to Taloga November 9, and be- age many others to take hold of this gan meetings with poor attendance. work. Worked on but it seemed that every- forth last spring that the canvassing thing united to keep the people away work was to be revived, and was it from the meetings-protracted meet- not fulfilled in those who had faith to ings, dances, literaries, and so on un- step out on the promises of God? til the attendance was very poor. Af- Now in the coming year is not God's ter making forty-one visits, preaching message to be heralded to the world twenty-six sermons, I concluded the with more power then ever before? Is best to close meetings. Brother J. B. earth is lightened with its glory? Hampton was with us a part of the time at this place.

prayer I concluded to go to Adding- is to enlist helpers from the common ton and meet with the brethren where people. we held meetings last summer. found three families, who began keep- plow, from the vineyard, and from ing the Sabbath at that time, had other branches of work, and sent moved away. I spoke on the tithing forth by the Master to give His mesand spirit of prophecy, and all seemed sage. Many have had but little opto enjoy the meetings very much. I portunity for education, but Christ wish I could have stayed longer.

counties for the week of prayer. Met vineyard. If they put their hearts with the Ruth company three days. into the work, He will fit them to Had good meetings. The church labor for Him.-Education. elected a new elder. Some promisoutside people were in attendance.

ELM, OKLAHOMA.—I began meet- met with the brethren, where the Lord calls them to do.

Oklahoma : Department. ings at Elm, Oklahoma on last Wed- Lord blessed us. We then went to Some seem to be deeply worship. If anyone can assist in this

> We then started for Meno, where Brother Rafferty will join me in a we now are, ready to begin meetings. MINNIE SVP.

The Canvassing Work.

C HIS year has been filled with blessings for the canvassers. They have been especially blessed in TALOGA AND ADDINGTON.-We their deliveries, which should encour-The Word of the Lord went town had heard enough to condemn not the coming of the King one year. them and as no interest to speak of nearer? Is not the loud cry to be prowas manifested I concluded it was claimed with increasing power till the

"In this closing work of the gospel there is a vast field to be occupied, As I had a week before the week of and more than ever before the work-Both the youth and those We of older years will be called from the sees in them qualifications that will We came back to Custer and Dewey enable them to take their place in His

To prepare common workers for ed to change their ways; in fact, we God's service, we will have a canvashad very good meetings here. We sers institute beginning March 10. then went to Gyp for two services. The place has not been decided upon There we also had good meetings. yet, but we will let you, know soon. The last night a goodly number of I hope to see this institute well attended by earnest men and women We then came back to Putnam and who are willing to do whatever the We can use

at least fifty canvassers in the Indian Important Notice. Territory, and the New Country is just ready to be entered with the message. Who is ready to go?

JAMES BUTKA.

Keene Sanilarium Notes.

THE junior nurses received the beginning freshman class in the Sanitarium parlors Sunday night. A pleasant time was enjoyed and the new comers were made to feel at home in the Sanitarium family.

MRS. Bos, of Port Arthur, and Judge Hardin, of Liberty, are fast regaining their health.

MRS. Gass, of west Texas, has returned to her home much improved.

Four operations were on the Sani- have any school books charged. tarium books for last week.

MISS Elsie Smith has returned to her home.

MRS. Z. Mallory, of Huntsville, Tenn:, has improved so much that she is able to walk about again.

Kecne Local Items.

MR. Claude McCutchen and Miss Edna Aycock were quietly married last Thursday morning at the residence of Elder W. A. McCutchen. and immediately left for Boulder, Colorado, where they will enter the class for nurses.

MISS Inez Patterson is at home with her parents after spending several months in eastern Texas.

The Fruit and Truck Growers met last Tuesday night and after discussing the buying of seed for the coming season, a committee composed of C. N. Woodward, J. W. Kirkpatrick, J. T. Moore, J. D. Casey, and T. T. Stevenson was elected to draw up a petition asking the Santa Fe Railway to put in a switch at the Keene depot, and arrange with some one in Keene to sell tickets for that road, and to handle freight for this point.

A motion prevailed to call a meeting next Tuesday night in conjunction with the Keene Canning Company, and the Secretary was instructed to invite Mr Peeler, Industrial Agent of the "Katy" system to meet with them, and talk over the crop situation for the coming season. Quite a start was made toward making up a car of Irish seed potatoes.

Is your Record subscription out?

TO THE PATRONS OF THE CHURCH SCHOOL AND ACADEMY.

As an accomodation to the patrons of the church school and Academy some of the school books, but in view of the fact that many of these books are sold without any profit above the actual cost of handling we find it necessary to require that the terms of some others are very slow, and this delay makes extra work and expense to the office. Hereafter the terms will be spot CASH to all. None are excepted. So please do not ask to

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