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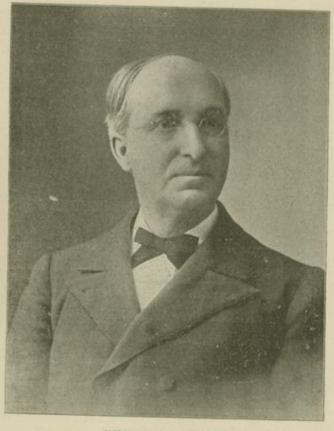
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REV. ISAAC DALE A Faithful Presiding Elder, South Bend District, 1897 1903.

INTRODUCTION.

The highest level- attainable by any church is that of soul saving. To save people is the greatest deed that is ever done among men. To overthrow wickedness and deliver those who are under its power is the business of every member of Christ's church. The faith in the hearts of our fathers, which led them, many years ago, to organize Knox Mission, illustrates their spirit of evangelism. They could have no rest in spirit while there

was a neglected place, one without the gospel, anywhere within their reach. We should be quickened by their example and rejoice to carry on to the greatest enlargement the work which they began in this community, and send the gospel also to the needy beyond in fields where the people are calling for help. May Knox Methodist Episcopal Church always be true to her mission and stand as the faithful defender of all that is true and pure and great in righteousness and happiness among al! the people!

Sincerely,

ISAAC DALE,

Presiding Elder So. Bend Dist.

South Bend, Aug. 1903

AUTHOR'S PREFACE. .

Our object in writing this little volume is to create a greater respect and zeal for the faith of our fathers," and to stimulate a noble church pride and loyalty. If this purpose be accomplished only in a limited degree the the mission of of this Booklet will not be in vain. We make no claim to completeness, but will be greatly disappointed to find the facts other than stated.

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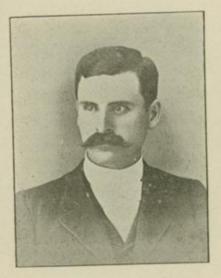
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PREFATORY REMARKS

By BISHOP JOYCE

My first circuit in Northwest Indiana Conference was Byron, and it was in Laporte county. Rev. Thomas C, Hackney was preacher in charge and the Presiding Elder. Rev. Thomas S. Webb, appointed me to be junior preacher. The circuit was afterward divided-one part named Rolling Prairie, and the other Laporte circuit. In going to Byron circuit, I went on horseback from Tippecanoe county, near Batrle Ground, and on my way to Laporte county I passed through the town of Knox. The time was in the month of Ocber, 1858. In those days Knox was surely a town of small proportions, and in appearance did not promise much. But it has grown and prospered, and the church, I am glad to know, has increased in its membership, and has

grown and matured in strength and in usefulness, and that it has won for itself a commanding position in the town and country about. The "Directory" which the pastor proposes to publish of the church, will clearly show its strength in the number of families that are identified with it, and the number of individuals who look to it for moral culture and for spiritual training, and for the building of strong christian character. I pray that great prosperity may attend this church in all its departments, during all the coming years, and that it will be known far and near as a great spiritual church, and that it will steadily gather multitudes of people to its altars and and to its membership by great revivals of religion, and the regenerating and all-saving and purifying power of the Holy Ghost.

ISAAC W. JOYCE.

Minneapolis, Minn., Aug, 1993.

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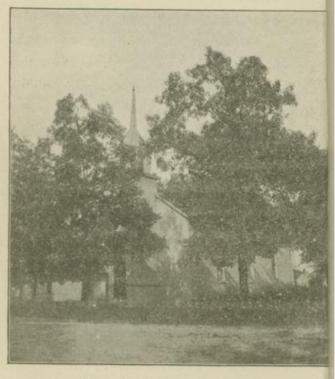
The town of Knox, situated on the south side of Yellow river in Center township, was laid out by Chas. S. Tibbets in 1850, the 30 acres of the original town plat being granted the county commissioners in consideration that a county seat would be built thereon. We are told this beautiful little town was named in honor of Col. Henry Knox, of revolutionary fame. It is said Col Knox had a voice of stentorian power. When Gen. Washington crossed the Delaware this

officer was of the greatest assistance from the fact that his orders could be heard from one side of the river to the other. May our town ever emulate his patriotic, courageous spirit and noble sentiment.

Knox was among the first towns in this part of the state. It stood well out on the frontier. Hunting and fishing was almost the sole occupation of the early settlers. As late as 185) a deer was killed near the crossing of what is now Lake and Main streets. Lake was then the south limit of the city. Along with the early settlers came the ever aggressive Methodist preacher with a message that revived the souls of men with enlightenment and method and Godliness. In 1852 the Northwest Indiana conference was organized at Terre Haute by Bishop O. C. Baker, who at the close of that conference read out as missionary to this field-Winamac and Knox,

Francis Cox, a young Irishman full of faith and hope, who zealously scught out the people and trained them in righteous living. The next year the Rev. N. L. Brakeman took up the work as "preacher in charge" and like men of his kind let pass no opportunity for searching out the faithful from among the "new-comers" and stirring up the minds of the worldly. They heard God say: them make me a sanctuary."-Exodus. This new field was so farmed out and husbanded amidst all the privations and sacrifices accompanying early pioneer life, that as early as 1857 God raised up men who wisely planned and worked to permanently establish Methdoism in these quarters. Out of the liberality of Chas. S. Tibbitts and wife, the class was able to secure a good lot, No. 59, of the old town site. This lot fronted west on Main street, and is the lot now occupied by Hartzler, Arnsdorff and Cooper & Dumas. Here was erected a large, substantial frame building, 32x60, the largest building and the only church edifice then in town. It is due to the credit of John S. Bender that the people of Knox were then favored with a church building. Rev. J. B. Adell was pastor at the time and assisted in superintending its construction. The house was completed and dedicated that same year by Rev. Reed. The deed required the trustees, Cannon, Collins, Jas. P. Fry, W. W. Collins, John S. Bender, and Jonathan Warner and their successors to build a meeting house and permit ministers of the Methodist Episcopal Church to expound the gospel and administer the discipline according to this meaning and purport of deed of the M. E. church.

Discipline: "Love of law and reverence for government made loyalty a principal of



THE SECOND CHURCH Erected in 1875 by some of the men now living in Knox.

Methodism."

In 1863 this building was sold to John S. Bender, who converted it into store rooms. From '63 to 75 the class was homeless, but was permitted to meet and worship in a small frame school house in the south part of town. "Methodism's fervor was no fitful fire, extinguished in the hour of its blazing. But a steady and increasing light. What Methodism gained was held, She put method and permanence in her work."

"For if Methodism could be condensed into a phrase it would be this: The union of the spiritual and the human, of the theoretical and the practical, of faith and of works." Equilibriem of enthusiasm and form is the condition of conservative progress. Enthusiasm creates, form preserves. Methodism was the realization of this necessary balance. Zeal for human rescue, systematized for prac-

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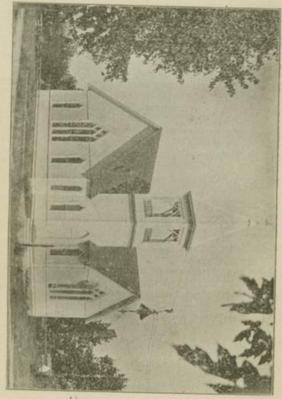


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tical ends is a debt the world owes to Method-Methodists have ever felt the spirit of their origin-Forward, Fullness, Faith-FULNESS. So on Jan. 4, 1875, William C. Richards and wite opened a way for the more permanent establishment of the class and the enlargement of its borders by deeding to the trustees, Samuel Beatty, Alex. H. Henderson, John T. Gaerty, W. B. Atkins, Jas. P. Fry, Geo. A. Crabb and David P. Favorite, and their successors in office to have and to hold the same unto guarantees and their successors forever, lots 7 and 8, in block 7. of Richards' addition to the town of Knox. These lots are on south-east corner of said block at the crossing of John and Bower streets. Hereon was erected a suitable frame building about 30x50. This was the home of the class for several years and many are the souls that found Christ at its altars, felt their sins forgiven, and from there went home to glory. But the old house became insufficient to the



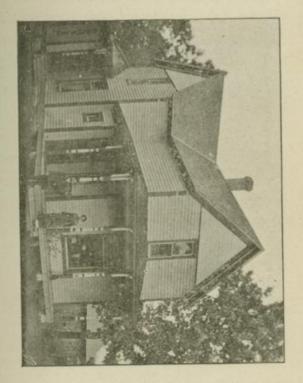
Erected in 1890-91.

needs of the class and was sold to the "Latter Day Saints" for \$100, who moved it to the east si le of Heaton streets, between New York and Delaware streets, where it is now occupied by them as a house of worship.

The present commodious and well arranged structure used by our people for worship was constructed during the pastorate and under the direction of the Rev. S.amuel W. Goss, in 1890 91. But no man deserves more credit in the building of this house and seeing it to a finish than Brother Jacob Bozarth, now of Okmulgee, I. T. He felt responsible to the utmost of his ability, both in money and labor. He assumed the obligation of the finances as if the property had been his own. When the building was completed he stood for a large portion of the indebtedness that the house of God might be dedicated free from all incumbrance. It was put up at a cost of \$1200. The dedicatory services were conducted by Rev. H. N. Ogden, then presiding elder of the South Bend district. Jacob Bozarth, S. Bertram, S. S. Bonar, Albert Collier and J. H. Armstrong, the trustees, received the new building to hold in keeping for the class. S. Bertram, Revs. Goss and Jacob Bozarth were the building committee of this house, on whose shoulders fell the immediate burdens of construction.



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there was a division of judgment, The women who were the largst contributors, held the balance of power and voted for an east front on the north of the church.

"Not slothful in business, fervent in spirit serving the Lord."

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My Dear Brother: 1 cannot recall any, at least many, that would be of interest. I know I was there and tried to do some work for God and the people. It has about passed from my mind. I know some one got up a kind of a pun on the name of the place and my name:

"Winamac and Knox,

Francis Cox."

Oh, how I would love to be able to spend one more year in the ministry. The most glorious work the sun shines on. But my youth is gone: my strength is gone; but the desire is not gone. It is as strong as ever. Yes, more so, for I see more need of it. I see the soul as I hardly ever saw it. Men or angels or both cannot estimate the value of the soul. Go on, dear brother. Give the people a full gospel, a whole

gospel. I fear that there is a shrinkage in the measurement of the fullness of the requirements of God at the hand of the ministry. His responsibility of the members is beyond the knowledge of angels. I know this is a strong expression, but take time to look at it. I hope to see you at conference. It is likely it will be my last. I have been to all but one; then I was in the army. I trust you will have many souls for your labor.

Yours in Christ,

F. COX.

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By Dr. R. D. UTTER.

Dear Brother: Agreeably to your request I submit the following, which you are at liberty to use in whole or in part, or not at all, as it may suit your convenience or purpose. I was admitted as a probationary member of the Northwest Indiana Conference in the fall of 1862 at Lafayette. When the appointments were announced I found myself assigned to Knox. Up to that hour I had never heard of the place. and had no idea of its location. Being somewhat acquainted with the Rev. Dr. Aaron Wood, now deceased.' I made it a point to meet him at the door as the assembly dispersed, and inquire about my appointment. Had I been better acquainted with him I might have expected some characteristic answer, such as I received. "Doctor," I said, "will you please tell me where Knox is?" "Knox? Where Knox is? Oh, Knox is away up north on Yaller river; all swamps up there; no use there for a hoss; the only way you can travel your circuit is to catch a crane and ride him."

And that was all the information be deigned to give me. Distrusting my ability to manage a crane, or even to catch one, I returned whence I came, and bought me a "hoss." An uncle, who had been many years an itinerant, loaned me his saddle-bags in which I packed some clothes and a few books, and bidding adieu to my old time home about six miles north-west of Crawford-ville, I set out for Knox. Having some visiting to do enroute. I was two days ont when I reached Winamac. The next day after a lonesome ride, much of the way through a wild, weird looking country where, as it seemed to me, all manner of uncanny beasts might be expected to abound. I landed safe at my destination, and received a hearty welcome to the hospitable home of the Hon. John S. Bender, a genuine Methodist, and a man of excellent standing in the legal profession; a loyal patriot in the times that tried men's souls; always active in political life, but too independent to win official distinction. He removed to Plymouth many years ago, where he still resides. During my stay in Knox I had as good a home at his house as any boy could wish, without cost to me or the church. Neither himself nor Rachel, his estimable wife, shall ever cease to be held by me in grateful remembrance. The charge as I found it, had five appointments. At each of these there was a small class, to wit: Knox, Round Lake, North Judson, San Pierre and the Graves' school house some three miles west of San Pierre. In mid-year anoteer appointment was established further west, at the Walker school house. Owing chiefly to the liberality of Brother John S. Bender, Knox was favored

with a church building. None of the other appointments had as yet been able to find a man to build them a synagogue. My receipts during the year on salary account approximated one hundred dollars. A missionary appropriation of fifty dollars sufficed to meet the claims of the presiding elder. The classes increased in the course of the year from five to six; the membership from eighty or ninety to one hundred and fifteen or twenty. A private record, containing a list of members and numerous memoranda was lost years ago, and with nothing to refresh my memory, the only official members I can now venture to name were Brother John S. Bender at Knox, Dr. Glazebrook at San Pierre and Brother Deselms at Walker. One item in the lost record I can still recall. There was a good German woman at Round Lake, who, after bearing with my boyish preaching for some time, became impatient and relieved her mind to me one day in substantially the following words: "The people like you very well, but for myself I must say you do not know how to preach," a judgment I had sense enough to recognize as absolutely correct, but reminded her I was doing my best to learn etu ars artium, of which her intelligence and taste gave her so high an appreciation. After that it seemed to me she almost enjoyed my essays at preaching. Two successful revival meetings were held during the winter months. I became acquainted with many excellent people, and in short, I enjoyed the work. At the close of the year I was sent to Stockwell, and the Rev. R. H. Sanders, now of Laporte, became my successor at Knox.

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"The History of a Man is His Character."

Sow a thought and reap a motive; Sow a motive, reap an action; Sow an action, reap a habit; Sow your habits, reap your destiny, For character is destiny.

Our Sunday School has steadily grown with the town and the times until the enrollment has reached 150 with twenty-one officers and teachers. It is working some of the formative and aggressive features used by leading Sunday school workers—yet withal we are conscious of many short comings and sad misgivings. But the love of Christ con-



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strains us" to be taithful, hoping for better days and a great awakening on all lines.

Following are some of our superinten-

dents:
David Miller
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Thos. F. Spelman
Jacob Bozarth
Wm. Guyatt.

James Nichols
S. S. Bonar
C. C. Jones
Isaac Templin
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OUR PRESENT OFFICERS AND TEACHERS.

"He woo instructs a child is as if he created it." Therefore "Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus."



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"Be not weary in well doing."

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Maggie Lytle
Anna Short
Mary Carter
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PRIMARY DEPARTMENT.

OUR CRADLE ROLL.

"And they brought little children to him."

Over a year ago we instituted in our primary department of the Sunday school what is known as the Cradle Roll, where the names of infant children are enrolled whom the parents desire to be brought up in the Sunday School, and early made acquainted with gospel teachings and life. Following is the list of our Cradle Roll:

"These little ones are the Master's jewels."

Olive M. Dunfee
Stewart G. Gorrell
M. Gerald Hermance
Laura E. Smith
Alice E. Long
George L. Farnsley
Pearl Smith
Ruth Daseke
Margaret G. Wise
Charles E. Solliday
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Dean K. Courtright Margaret O. Lockridge Evelyn R. Cooper Mabel E. Wiegner Walter W. Short

Ruth Heiny
Thomas Talbert
Naomi R. Johnson
Ruby G. Short
Letha F. Rockhill

"Jesus loves me This I know, For the Bible Tells me so.

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THE EPWORTH LEAGUE.

"Study to show thyself approved unto God." — 2 Tim. 2; 15.

"He that winneth souls is wise."-Proverbs.

Our Epworth League, Goss Chapter, No. 1618, was organized in 1894 and it has proven to be one of the most vital and helpful forces of the church for winning and leading the youth to Christ. The league is well officered and working along all lines laid out by the General Cabinet and in conformity with district and state work.

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President Orla Pontious.
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2nd Vice President Mrs. Belle Row Berry.
3rd Vice President Mrs. Anna M. Short.
4th Vice President J. L. Marvir.
Secretary Mattie Hostetter
Treasurer Harlan McCormick
Organist Mattie Kline.
Assistant Organist Bertha Short.

THE JUNIOR LEAGUE.

"Train up a child in the way it should go."-Solomon.

The Junior Epworth League was organized soon after the Senior League but owing to frequent changing of leaders its course has been uneven and consequenty the work not so marked and telling would otherwise have been. Somehow it is hard to find a proper person who can give the needed time and strength to train and help the children.

The last officers of League were:

Superintendent......Mrs. Addison DeCoudres.

Treasurer......Herbert Laramore.

Organists.....Mrs. Berry and Olive Coffin.

CAPTAINS.

Vernon Stevenson,
Glenna Cooper,
Florence Brown,
Lelah Wilhelm,
Verna Lohse,
Florence Hermance,
Fred Cooper.

Anna Stevenson,
Agnes Beauchamp,
Ava Henderson,
Francis DeCoudres,
Bessie Shell,
Rex White,

LIEUTENANTS.

Sarah Carter, Ida Bacon,
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Junior League meets 2:30 p. m., Sunday.

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CHURCH SOCIETIES.

"Full of good works and alms deeds."

The Ladies Aid Society was the first society organized and has proven itself in deed an aid to the class.

President Mrs. Guyatt.

Vice President Mrs. Talbert.

Secretary Mrs. White.

Treasurer Mrs. Carter.

The Ladies and Pastor's Union was organized later by Bro. Dale, presiding elder. These too are proving themselves of much value to the church.

CHURCH COMMITTEES.

"Here am a send me."

ON MISSIONS.

Mrs. Alice Gorrell, Miss Mattie Hostetter,

Herman Beauchamp, Miss Rowena Slidinger.

ON CHURCH EXTENSION.

Mrs. Anna McCormick. - Mrs. Kate McCormick,

Mrs. Ollie Koffel, Mrs. Seegrist,

Mrs. Anna M. Daniels.

ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Wm. Guyatt, Mrs. Lizzie Wiegner,

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Mrs. Grace Dolson

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Mrs. Hannah Lee.

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Agnes Good,

Estella White.

ON EDUCATION.

J. Walter Dunn,

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