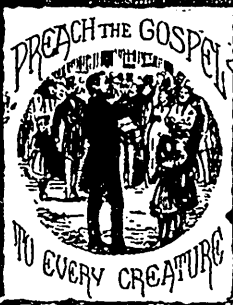


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A Year's Labours.



TWELVE months have passed since the "Toronto Mission Union" entered upon its work for the Master among the poor and neglected of our city. Faithfully and earnestly the band of united workers has gone forth sowing precious seed, and God has been graciously pleased to vouchsafe them (to some extent at least) a repetition of the blessing conferred upon Isaac, of whom it is written in Genesis xxvi.

12: "Isaac sowed in that land, and received in the same year an hundred fold: and the Lord blessed him." We are not quite prepared to say that this has not been literally the experience of the Mission Union. Certainly, the blessing has been there, and the evidences given would almost warrant the claim that "an hundred fold" has been the garnered grain.

We must admit, that when, at the recent Annual Business Meeting, we sat and heard report after report setting forth the work of the different departments, we were compelled to say, that while engaged in the work personally, we had no idea that such an amount of positive good was being accomplished, as was made apparent by the unpretending, yet comprehensive reports. We feel certain that when it is borne in mind that the Mission is being carried on almost entirely by voluntary labour (indeed, we might say altogether, for of the two Christian helpers whose time is devoted entirely to the work,—the one receives a mere trifle for her services, and the other, Mr. Goforth, has no promise whatever as to salary), the Christian public cannot fail to see that in the Mission Union we have the maximum of labour performed at the minimum of cost.

With this issue we publish a supplement containing the reports in full.