

reception was most cordial. The two brethren aforesaid headed the list, and the people followed, asking few, and in some cases, no questions; and in a short time, and without a meeting, it had reached the totally unexpected figure of \$1,700.

Sept. 18th. A good meeting at Sarnia, the circumstances of the day considered. A very hearty resolution was moved by a graduate—Mr. James A. McDowal—and seconded by the Hon. Senator Vidal; and next day the Sarnia list was rolled up to over \$1,100 in two or three hours. There is no more thoroughly Canadian town in all Canada than Sarnia, though it is divided only by the St. Clair river from the United States.

Sept. 20th. Kippen, another country congregation, and such beautiful farms! Enough to make an eastern farmer's mouth water. A furious rain-storm prevented most of the people from coming to the meeting; but I preached and lectured for three hours to those who came, greatly aided by Rev. E. D. MacLaren, B. D., who had been with me at Sarnia also. Left the list at \$500, quite sure that the Rev. H. Cameron will not let it stick at that figure.

Sept. 22th. Goderich. Such a blessed place! It is equal to Fergus. The Kirk and Free Kirk Congregations have blended into one indivisible congregation, and no one could now tell which was which. However, I would not advise congregations elsewhere to imitate Goderich, unless their ministers are exactly like Dr. Ure and Mr. Sieveright, and unless there are no "unreasonable and wicked men" in either congregation. See 2 Thes. 3-2. The result of the fusion has been church extension all round Goderich. I did not expect any money at Goderich, for the salt wells are abandoned, and other "peculiar circumstances" are heavy and incontrovertible; but we had a grand meeting, and the list went up to \$1,800 in a wonderfully short time. The graduates who spoke, Dr. McLean and Mr. Kay, made touching and beautiful references to Dr. Snodgrass and Professor McKernan.

Sept. 24th. Kincardine. The Presbytery was in Session, and Dr. Cochrane had come from Brantford to see the Court, on Home Mission thoughts intent; and it had been arranged that he was to address a joint meeting of the two Kincardine congregations in the evening on Home Missions, and that I was to follow him and talk Queen's College. When the meeting commenced, the Presbytery kindly adjourned from the session room to the basement to hear us. The presence of so very Reverend and distinguished an audience made us speak our best for two hours; but the production of the subscription list at the close reminded the fathers and brethren of their unfinished business in the session-room, and they rose in a body to attend to it. The rest of the audience mistook the movement, and rose also. I never saw a

basement with so many doors; and in a moment they were all crowded, and I was left standing beside my subscription list, supported only by Mr. Anderson and Mr. Murray and a little knot of sympathisers. As Mr. Murray remarked "after such a display of oratorical fire-works, it was fitting that there should be a grand dissolving view." That was the only meeting that was brought to a close without the benediction—Next day however, the Kincardine list was brought up to \$630, and all blame for the meeting's sudden dissolution was thrown on the Presbytery, although the Presbytery had none but thoughts of kindness toward us. None of us are likely to forget soon the moving scene that took place in Knox Church, Kincardine.

Sept. 26th. Last night Mr. John Mordy, who had been licensed yesterday by the Presbytery to preach the everlasting Gospel, drove me over to Pinkerton, twenty-four miles distant. After driving eight miles, a thunder-storm overtook us. We drove on through the dub and mire, the pitchy darkness of the night being ever and anon turned into moon-day glare by the lightning with which the heavens were almost continuously aflame. This evening, took Mr. Mordy's prayer-meeting. The attendance was good, but not as large as it would have been but for the Paisley fair being held in the neighborhood. Each month has its own obstacles. A little while ago it was the election. Now it is the ever recurring fair or show. After preaching, a Pinkerton list was opened and between two and three hundred dollars were subscribed.

Sept. 27th. This morning drove nine miles to Paisley, and arrived in time to take Mr. Straith's morning service, preparatory to the Communion. Preached again in the evening, and then addressed the people at the College.

Sept. 28th. To-day was introduced to a number of the Paisley people by Mr. Straith, and by the local treasurer, Mr. Bain, nephew of the Rev. Dr. Bain of Perth, and as warm a friend of Queen's College as I had found on my travels. Left the Paisley list in his hands, marking \$200.; and took the mid-day train for Port Elgin, where the Rev. Mr. Gourlay being absent in the country, Dr. Douglas, a graduate of Queen's, entertained me hospitably, put his name down for \$100. nomination, drove me to Southampton, and thence to Owen Sound.

Sept. 29th and 30th. Preached on Sunday in Division St. and Knox Churches, and on Monday morning held a meeting at an endowment. \$600 were subscribed, and a canvass during the rest of the day brought this up to \$1,250. This subscription, excellent as it is, will be considerably increased, as the local committee includes earnest and energetic graduates. Well done, Owen Sound!

October 1st. Held a meeting in the town-