

number of members and subscribers responded very willingly to the appeal for an increase in the amount of their contributions. A sustaining membership of several hundred members and subscribers, at \$5, \$10, and \$15, and amounts up to \$50 and \$100, would relieve the management of much anxiety, and the expenditure of much time and energy, and would ensure the efficiency of the work.

Personal and General:

On 24th October, Mr. F. J. Fedarb resigned the General Secretaryship after nine years of devoted and able service, to accept a position as Field Secretary in the work in England. Mr. Fedarb was presented by the members with a valuable gold locket, chain and watch, and Mrs. Fedarb was presented by the ladies of the Auxiliary and friends with a handsome clock.

Mr. Booth and Mr. Moore, of the International Committee, were visitors to the Association. Mr. Booth conducted several religious meetings and Bible Classes while here, and quite won the hearts, as well as the thanks of the members who met with him, being used as well of the Master in helping special cases. It is with feelings of sincere regret that the Board and Association must agree to accede to Mr. F. P. Bronson's request to be allowed to retire from the Board of Directors, and from the position of Treasurer, in both of which positions he has rendered the Association conspicuous service.

Quite a large contingent of members attended the Provincial Convention at Brockville in January. The thanks of the Association are due and are hereby tendered to Mr. Alex. Lumsden, M.P.P., and Mr. C. B. Powell, M.P.P., for services rendered the Association in regard to assisting in securing certain legislation, and also to Mr. Robert Stewart, who at considerable personal cost and inconvenience to his business, assisted in the same connection. The thanks of the Association are also due and are hereby tendered to the Ottawa Auxiliary of the British and Foreign Bible Society, for copies of the Bible supplied the Association; to the city newspapers, the Journal, Citizen and Free Press, for news, notes and kindly references to the work, and to the Rev. Norman McLeod, B.A., B.D., for the series of Bible Readings conducted by him with so much profit to a large number of the members and their friends.

A matter of great satisfaction to the Board and Association is the entirely happy relationship which exists between the Churches and the Association, and the more frequent use that is being made of the Association Building by the religious bodies.

Treasurer's Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for the year ending 30th April, 1899.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
To Balance on hand	50.99	By Salaries	\$2330.67
" Members' Fees and Subscriptions	2796.00	" Educational classes	298.15
" Subscriptions General Public	1208.50		