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Special.

Take notice that Bro. T. L. Fowler is now Corresponding Secretary of the Co-operation, that consequently all communications relative to the work of the Co-operation, and all subscriptions and contributions to its funds are to be sent to him, and that his address is 386 Adelaide St., London, Ont.

Our Premium Picture.

The Premium Picture of "Pioneer Preachers" is meeting with great favor, as was expected. Some friends are complaining, however, we hear. Old subscribers, who are a little in arrears, have always paid for the EVANGELIST, and intend to do so, feel that they should have had a picture sent them as well as those who were paid up when the picture was issued. We acknowledge we did not feel altogether comfortable with regard to the discrimination against such old "stand-bys," but we did not see how it could be helped. We had to draw the line somewhere. And we thought the best we could do was to send the picture to all who were paid up, and promise it to all who would pay up. And we are glad to say that a goodly number of pictures have been sent to those who have paid up arrears and renewed since the last number of the paper was issued.

And our offer still holds good, of course, so that none need be disappointed. Also all new subscribers will receive the Premium Picture and a copy of the Annual Meeting number of the EVANGELIST. Will our friends kindly make this known? We should have many added to our list on this offer.

"If it Only Were."

In the May number of the *Protestant Churchman*, Bishop Campbell of the Reformed Episcopal Church of Canada, asks the question: "Is the Reformed Episcopal Church necessary?" Our lively contemporary, the CANADIAN EVANGELIST, of Hamilton, answers the question thus: "No, Mr. Campbell, it is not; the only necessary Church is the undeformed Church of Christ." Would it not be well if some of the numerous churches around us, including that of our friend of the EVANGELIST, which calls itself "the Disciples," we believe, were to take to heart this truism of our Hamilton contemporary and join the undeformed Church?

So says the *Catholic Record* of London, Ont. And we must allow that our reply to Mr. Campbell's question is not badly turned. Nevertheless we are bound to say that the Roman Catholic Church does not appear to us as the undeformed Church of Christ. When we compare it with the New Testament we find several deformities. The Church of Christ we read of in the New Testament has no Pope, no Cardinals, no Archbishops, no

special priests, no monks, no nuns, no confessional, no infant baptism; it did not forbid to marry nor command to abstain from meats; nor did it in the communion withhold the cup from anyone to whom it offered the bread. All these things, as we understand it, the Roman Catholic Church has or does, and therefore to our vision it is a deformed church, and we cannot accept the invitation to join it. If it were the undeformed Church of Christ, we should be happy to have a place in its fold.

So far as the people known as "Disciples of Christ" are concerned, we beg to inform our friend, the *Record*, that their object is to establish undeformed churches of Christ—churches which shall in doctrine and in practice faithfully represent the churches of the New Testament. And they urge that all deformities should be cut off and laid aside, "that nothing should be a test of fellowship, or a condition of membership in a church of Christ for which we have not a 'Thus saith the Lord,' in express precept or approved precedent," and when they apply that good rule to the Roman Catholic Church they find it faulty in many respects, and so are compelled to remain outside of its fellowship.

A Criticism.

BOWMANVILLE, July 3, 1894.

MR. EDITOR:

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER: I notice what you say in your issue of June 15 and July 1, regarding your appeal to the brethren, in the name of truth and righteousness, in the name of freedom and fairness, in the name of the golden rule and the gospel of love, to help snow under the P. P. A. or C. P. A. Now, sir, I do not wish to intrude politics into the church paper, but I cannot help saying that I do not think you know whereof you speak, unless you have been initiated into the order, and, if so, what then? You must be breaking your pledge. I try to govern my conduct by the Golden Rule and the Gospel of Love, and I do my little endeavor to make of men one brotherhood, with special privileges to none, be they who they may, and I do believe no one should usurp the power of the State, neither should the State support any one church, let the claim be never so extravagant. Without offence, but in peace and good-will, I remain,

Yours, etc., JAMES WIGHT.

With reference to the above we beg to say that we do not think Bro. Wight has got us in a corner when he intimates that either we did not know what we were writing about, or else we had been initiated into the P. P. A. and had broken our pledge. We have not been initiated into the P. P. A., but we do know something about that society, and of that something we have an opinion. For instance we have it from the highest authority in the P. P. A. in the country that it is the purpose of the organization to drive Sir John Thompson from the Premiership of the Dominion because he is a Roman Catholic. Now when we know that much about the P. P. A. we know enough to be able to form an opinion concerning that association. We strongly object to any such society that declares its purpose to take from any of our Roman Catholic fellow citizens the rights they enjoy in common with us under our constitution. If Romanism needs to be withstood, let it be done in a lawful, but not in an unlawful way.

Notes.

At the recent examinations of Toronto University, the following young Disciples took honors: In

the fourth year, F. D. Fry; in the third year, R. L. McKinnon; in the second year, A. C. Gray, and in the first year, R. B. Page, and H. Trout.

We receive many expressions of interest in the EVANGELIST, and many good wishes for its prosperity. To all our friends we beg to say that we cannot publish it for less than a dollar a year, and that in order that it may be properly self-supporting, we need about 200 additional subscribers at that price. It should not be difficult to procure that many. Can't you add one to the list?

We need not commend Bro. Moffett's article to our readers; it commends itself. Note that he hopes the next meeting of the conference will not discuss the points of difference, but will rather enquire whether the differences are sufficient to keep us apart. That is the point, friends.

We are rapidly becoming metropolitan in Hamilton—Sunday street cars, Sunday R. R. cars and Sunday steamboats. And we have not heard that the livery stables are closed on Sundays, nor that private rigs and bicycles are allowed to rest on the Lord's day. The Telephone Exchange is open too on the first day of the week, and domestic servants at their posts as usual. Where is the "Christian Sabbath" going to at all? Will our Presbyterian friends say?

We have a quantity of copy on hand which we cannot find space for in this issue. Those expecting to see papers read at the Annual Meeting must be patient. We expect Bro. Geo Fowler to resume his notes on the 'C. E. Lessons, too. We find they are much missed.

In the death of Bro. B. W. Johnson, Co-editor of the *Christian Evangelist*, of St. Louis, Mo., our brotherhood has lost one of its ablest and best men. His praise is in all the papers of our people, which we take to be a significant and hopeful thing. It suggests that if such a spirit as Bro. Johnson exhibited, and such a course as he pursued, were more general, there would be more of "the unity of the spirit in the bond of peace" among us. He is reputed to have been one of the best scholars among the Disciples, and to read after him was to discover that he was one of those conservative men, who, according to our view, it is a blessing for a religious body to have in its fellowship in these days, when so many are apt to lose their heads by reason of the assumptions of some of the higher critics.

From Bro. Macklin.

Petrolia, June 27th, '94.

DEAR BRO. MUNRO:

Please publish the following collections at various churches:

Hillsburg.....	\$12 00
Toronto, Cecil St. sent by.....	18 35
Toronto Junc. (churches).....	10 16
Hamilton.....	5 68
Rainham Center.....	4 68
Guelph.....	5 80
Mrs. Stewart.....	5 00
Lobo Y. P. S. C. E.....	16 30
J. McKillop.....	1 00

\$78 97 which will be accounted for to A. McLean. Travelling expenses will be about \$18 or \$19, leaving \$60 balance for the work. Pretty good, as I did not come to collect money. Yours sincerely, W. E. MACKLIN.

Our Premium Picture.

WHAT OUR FRIENDS SAY ABOUT IT AND THE ANNUAL MEETING NUMBER.

"Thanks for the supplement. I shall have it framed."

"I am very much pleased with the picture, which came all right."

"Please find enclosed \$1.00 for your valuable paper. I am thankful for the picture."

"I received the Convention Number of the EVANGELIST and the picture with thanks. I think they are just fine. We enjoyed the convention very much. I was impressed with the discussions and with the reports of the committees. Also enjoyed the good preaching and the religious exercises, and the brotherly kindness manifested."

"I do not wonder that you have sent me your circular, 'Last call.' I guess I appear to have needed it. We do not want to do without the EVANGELIST, its fortnightly visit is like a long letter from home, every word of which is read. We want to have one of the pictures of 'The old Pioneers.' So please keep one for me."

"I thank you for the full report of the Annual Meeting, which I read quite through before laying the paper down. I also thank you for the picture sent. The likenesses are excellent, and should be on the walls of every Disciple household. Many a sermon old Elder Sinclair preached in my father's house, coming from Lobo on horseback, a distance of about twenty-five miles. Elder Sheppard also did not spare himself in the least, but underwent an amount of labor that would tire many a man of stronger physical frame. I often remember of my father's telling of his coming here many times by night or day, no difference which, before the M. C. R. went through."

"I was much pleased with the pictures of the Pioneers. The group stirs up almost hallowed recollections. I think it was a fine thought to present the fathers of the cause in Ontario to the readers of the EVANGELIST. I hope it will mark an era in the prosperity of the paper."

"THE CANADIAN EVANGELIST says that the Annual Meeting held at Hillsburg, Ont., June 7 to 11, was one of the largest and most successful June meetings of the 'Ontario Co-operation of Disciples' ever held, 'about 175 delegates and visitors being present from other churches throughout the province.' Almost the entire paper of June 15, which is enlarged to ten pages, is taken up with Convention matter, reports, addresses, etc. In addition there is a very handsome supplement containing pictures of five of the pioneer preachers among the Disciples of Christ in Ontario, viz., James Black, Dugald Sinclair, Alexander Anderson, James Kilgour and Edmund Sheppard. This supplement will doubtless be valued as a very precious souvenir by the Disciples in Ontario.—*Christian Evangelist.*

Married.

Church News.

HARWICH, July 9th.—Yesterday we had the pleasure of taking one confession at the morning services at Northwood, and another at the Harwich appointment in the afternoon. R. BULGIN.

INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE.—Bro. W. C. McDougall, of Guelph, is spending his vacation with the church at this place.

WELLANDPORT, ONT., July 3, '94.—Last Sunday was a red letter day for Winger church. We held a basket meeting. A large number came from near and afar. It was an overflow; more than could be seated. Seats were provided outside after preaching and breaking bread. A lunch was served at 2.30. An afternoon service; evening a full house. The writer did the preaching. We have had three additions since I came here, two by letter, one by obedience. We are having a good influence in this community. We have begun work on our new house, which will be pushed forward. Any brother or sister who would like to assist us in our work can send their gift to J. Forrester, Winger, Ont. J. H. MUNDY.

AYLMER, June 25th, 1894.—Two more baptisms in Dorchester since last report. Both Aylmer and Dorchester are more promising now. The work among the young is most encouraging. E. R. BLACK.

LONDON, July 9th.—Since last report two have been baptized. One—a young woman—took membership with the Methodists. The other—a promising young man—was received into the church yesterday morning. T. L. F.

MARSHVILLE.—Bro. Amos Tovell preached at Marshville, morning and evening, Lord's day, July 8th.

HILLSBURG, July 7th, 1894.—In consideration of the request of the churches at Erin Village and Erin Centre, Bro. Ballah has decided to continue his labors with us. M. MCKINNON, Hillsburg.

Co-operation Notes

BOARD OF MANAGERS.—Pres., Hugh Black, Rockwood; Vice-Pres., John Campbell, Erie Mills, St. Thomas; Rec. Sec., J. W. Kilgour, Guelph; Cor. Sec., T. L. Fowler, London; Treas., John McKinnon, Everton; J. H. H. Jury, Bowmanville; Thos. Whitehead, Walkerton; John Black, Rockwood; A. J. Thomson, Hillsburg; S. E. McKee, Erin; Geo. Munro, Hamilton.

All contributions to the funds of the Co-operation should be sent by Registered Letter or Post Office Order to T. L. Fowler, Cor. Sec., 386 Adelaide St., London, Ont.

FORM OF BEQUEST.

The following clause, if inserted in a duly executed will, may be used in making a bequest to the Co-operation:

"I give and bequeath to the Co-operation of Disciples of Christ in Ontario, the sum ofdollars, for the use and purposes of the said Co-operation."

Space does not allow us to state many principles of law involved in making a good and valid will; but if you cannot secure the services of a competent solicitor, observe strictly the following legal formalities as to execution in Ontario:

The testator must select two persons to witness his will, both of whom must be present at the same time and see him sign it, and the witnesses must each sign as witnesses in the sight and presence of the testator.

The attestation clause which they sign might contain a statement that this was done.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Church, Priceville.....	\$1 00
Mrs. F. D. McMillan.....	1 00
John Clark.....	1 00
Mrs. D. Clark.....	2 00

The only note here this time is that Bro. T. L. Fowler is duly installed as Cor. Sec., and that he may be expected to conduct this department hereafter. Remember his address, 386 Adelaide St., London, Ont. G. M.