

introduce too rapidly new tunes. Older times were far better than the present in this respect. Modern changes are in nowise improvements, when they interfere with hearty singing on the part of the congregation.

Our last place of visitation, so far, is the village of Waterville. Here we were kindly received by the Rev. G. Purkis, the Congregational minister of the place. We addressed a meeting last evening, and took up a collection, but, like most collections, it was small. We hope the visit will enlist the sympathies and prayers of many in behalf of our mission. We were pleased to find our brother is to have a Donation visit shortly. We hope it may be ample and encouraging, and that this laborious brother may be blessed in all his labours in this missionary field.

In closing these jottings, we trust the good Editor will allow a remark or two. Amid the Conventions, of frequent occurrence, ought there not to be one to confer on *the best division of labour among the various sections of the Christian Church?* As we travel from place to place, we observe a *multiplicity of organizations*, many of them very small; and we cannot help thinking, that with all our wisdom, we are at fault in this respect. Money, time, talent and energy might be employed to greater advantage, were we to stand by great principles, make concessions on minor points, agree to differ on non-essentials, and work together for the interests of vital Christianity.

The manner in which appeals for help are met, has also struck our attention. Some, who have experienced slight reverses, *diminish* their benevolent contributions, but not their general expenditure. Some tell us "there are so many calls;" "they must be just before they are generous," &c. But does the Bible warrant these pleas? Justice and generosity should harmonize. The *money* calls are often exaggerated, and when it is true, how many are the calls we make upon the Lord? Does He tell us they are too many? Does He refuse to help? But I will not enlarge.

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MISSIONARY MEETINGS, ONTARIO WESTERN DISTRICT.

Monday, Jan. 18, 1869.	Stratford.....	} Rev. Messrs. Smith, McColl, Wood, Snider—at all but Stratford.
Tuesday, 19,	Listowel	
Wednesday, 20,	Molesworth	
Thursday, 21,	Howick	
Friday, 22,	Turnbury	
Monday, 18,	Guelph	} Rev. Messrs. W.F. Clarke, J. Brown, R. Brown.
Tuesday, 19,	Garafraxa	
Wednesday, 20,	Douglas.....	
Thursday, 21,	Green Settlement	
Friday, 22,	Eramosa	
Monday, Feb. 15, 1869,	Brantford	} Revds. Messrs. Allworth, Dickson, Wood.
Tuesday, 16,	Paris	
Wednesday, 17,	London	
Thursday, 18,	Southwold	
Friday, 19,	Westminster.....	
Monday, 22,	Watford	} Rev. Messrs. Dickson, Salmon.
Sabbath, 28,	Sarnia	
Sabbath, 21,	Tilbury	
Monday, 22,	Tilbury	

Rev. J. Salmon, B. A.

Rev. W. W. Smith.

Rev. Messrs. Smith, McColl.