

from being present, and also his pleasure at being spared to see the new church free of debt. Mr. M. D. Williams, one of the Finance Committee, replied, and paid a very high tribute to Mr. Windatt, and spoke of the great assistance he had rendered the committee in their work. Messrs. Gilfillan and McGill also spoke on the same line, and as a token of appreciation the letter was received by all standing.

Mr. Barnes, a former pastor, who was present, followed in a short speech, expressing his pleasure at being present, after which the benediction was pronounced and the happy meeting brought to a close.—*West Durham News.*

The College of the Disciples, St. Thomas, Ont.

It is known to our brethren that there is now in operation in St. Thomas, Ont., a college under the auspices of the Disciples of Christ, the objects of which are to fit young men and young women for usefulness in the church. As it is deemed desirable to secure the intelligent sympathy and hearty support of the brotherhood for the new enterprise, it has been thought well by the College Board to have prepared and distributed the following statement:

MANAGEMENT.

The College is under the control of a board composed of the following brethren: T. L. Fowler, president; John Campbell, vice-president; John A. McKillop, rec. sec.; Geo. Munro, fin. sec. and treas.; Dugald Brown, C. A. Fleming, W. D. Cunningham, W. Trott, R. N. Price.

LOCATION.

The city of St. Thomas is a favorable location for the College. It has the advantage of being the centre of a district containing a cluster of churches many of which need the assistance which a College can give. St. Thomas has a live active church, one of the largest in the Dominion. It is distinguished for its loyalty to the plea of the Disciples, for great activity in local church work, and for its hearty interest in missions at home and abroad.

INSTRUCTORS.

The College is under the care of Bro. T. L. Fowler as principal, assisted by Bro. W. D. Cunningham, pastor of the church in St. Thomas.

COURSES OF STUDY.

1. The Ministerial Course is intended for young men preparing for the work of the ministry, and includes the following branches of study: Outlines of the Bible, Old and New Testament History, Homiletics, Hermeneutics,

Hebrew and Greek, Evidences of Christianity, Church History, Inspiration, The History and Principles of the Current Reformation. There will also be given each term a course of lectures on the every-day work of the preacher, and on methods of church work. A purely English course will be arranged for those who do not wish to take Hebrew and Greek.

2. A course for those intending to work in the foreign field.

3. A Sunday-school and Endeavor Normal Course. Many of the most active and zealous workers in the churches feel the need of special preparation in order that they may be able to do more thorough work in the Sunday-school and in the Endeavor Society. This course is intended to meet the requirements of such, and it is believed that it will become very popular and very useful.

4. Special lectures. Courses of lectures by competent men are being arranged for and will be announced from time to time.

SUPPORT.

The college has been started with the conviction that such an institution is urgently needed, and with the confidence that properly conducted it will commend itself to the Disciples and receive their generous support. It depends upon the voluntary contributions of those interested in it, and an appeal is here made for liberal offerings for the current year's work. The estimated expenditure for the session of 1895-96 is \$625—Principal's salary, \$600; incidentals, \$25. There is no charge for rent, heat, light, etc. The church in St. Thomas very generously provides these free, and they are not inconsiderable, as there are evening classes as well as day ones.

FEES.

It is the desire of the Board to make the College free practically, and so for the present there is no charge save a nominal fee of one dollar a term for each student.

TIME.

The session begins October 1st, and is divided into two terms. The second term begins Jan. 7th, and the session closes March 31st.

PLACE.

The College is located in the school room of the Church of Christ, Railway street, St. Thomas.

THE ENROLLMENT

during the first term was fourteen. So far (Jan. 10th) this—the second—term, there are twenty enrolled, and others are expected. Of these twenty, six are taking the Ministerial Course, two the



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GENERAL REMARKS.

In addition to the facts presented in the foregoing paragraphs, it may be fitting here to make a few observations. That we have suffered in the past from the lack of such a College as is now being conducted in St. Thomas we all agree. It has long been a settled conviction among our most thoughtful brethren that at the earliest possible date a College should be inaugurated. Such a centre of influence, it was reasonably believed, could not fail to have a most beneficial effect upon the rising generation of Disciples. And the way in which the School is opening up and attracting to it young men and young women, shows that it is meeting a felt need among us.

We are familiar with the idea of having a College to train young men for the ministry. We, perhaps, have not thought so much of the importance of providing means for the preparation of missionaries. And possibly we have scarcely considered at all the benefit that would accrue to the churches if some of the workers in the Sunday-

schools and in the Endeavor Societies were to receive special instruction in the Bible and in the most approved methods of teaching it. The more we think of the Sunday-school and Endeavor Department of the College Course, the more we are impressed with its value and even necessity. Those who closely observe the workings of the Sunday-schools and Endeavor Societies, see that there is urgent need in them for a better handling of the Bible. Earnest teachers themselves feel their incapacity and lament it. It may be safely said that the future, so far as Christianity is concerned, is for the people who can and will deal truly with the Bible. We should be that people. Our principles, our record, our spirit, our watchwords, all call upon us to keep to the front in Bible knowledge.

And what is needed is not only a force of preachers who know their Bibles, but also Sunday-school teachers and Endeavor leaders who are mighty in the Scriptures. We should, therefore, like to see a large number of our young people arrange to take a course in the College in St. Thomas.

This circular letter is sent out to the churches and to brethren that they may be apprised of what is now being done at the College, that as many as possible may be induced to take advantage of its facilities, and that all may have an opportunity to aid in supporting it.

As intimated already, the College is started in a modest way, and it is proposed to carry it on at a moderate expense. The College Board, therefore, feels warranted in asking the Disciples in this country to give the College liberal financial support, and, what is scarcely less important, cordial sympathy in every other way.

It would be gratifying to receive contributions from every district and from every church in the province. And as the second term of the present session is now entered upon, the Board would esteem it a special kindness if offerings should be sent in very soon.

It is requested that all money and pledges for the College Fund be sent to the undersigned, who has been appointed Fin. Sec. and Treasurer.

Any further information will be cheerfully given; and those interested are invited to correspond with T. L. Fowler, principal, Box 1093, St. Thomas, Ont.

On behalf of the Board,
GEO. MUNRO.
North Barton Hall, Hamilton, Ont.

The body must be well nourished now, to prevent sickness. If your appetite is poor, take Hood's Sarsaparilla.