

tian Endeavor Society was held after evening service, Sabbath the 22nd. Mr. H. W. Frost, of the China Inland Mission, spoke of the needs of China.

The Endeavor Mission on Centre Street is assuming definite form. More workers are coming forward. The Saturday afternoon sewing class will also include lessons in arithmetic, writing and spelling. Some of the ladies of the church are helping the Endeavorers by providing clothes for the boys and girls so that they may attend Sabbath school regularly. And so this mission work, home and foreign, near and remote, goes on, prompted, we trust, by Him who has given to all mission workers a good authority—"Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren ye have done it unto me."

WINNIPEG, CENTRAL CHURCH.—A very marked improvement is noticeable in the attendance at the Bible class. Notwithstanding the cold weather the little folks of the infant class are regular in attendance. Special collections are being taken in the Bible class to purchase new books for the library. The annual meeting of the officers and teachers will be held within the next two weeks. A number of new scholars have been entered on the rolls during the past quarter.

The Christian Endeavor Society still continues to hold its weekly meetings, and although the attendance has not been large yet we have had some good meetings.

WINNIPEG, MAPLE STREET.—Mr. Gill, Secretary of the Y. M. C. A., kindly preached the morning of the 13th November, in the absence of the Pastor at Portage-la-Prairie. We are holding a short meeting after the evening service. The object of this is two-fold—to present the day's work to God in prayer, and, also, to give an opportunity for those who are impressed with the truth, and who desire to be God's, to take their stand before they drift out into the forgetful week. It is easier to be a Christian at some times than at other. An after meeting is one of the easier times. We are glad to know that the Central also is following this plan. There ought to be many conversions among us this winter.

WINNIPEG; MANITOBA ASSOCIATION.—The Association met at Winnipeg. Thirteen delegates were present; from four churches. Two official brethren from North Dakota were also present. The *Congregationalist* was reported; cost \$350. The most important resolution passed, was advocating the appointment of a Missionary Superintendent for Manitoba and the North-West. Rev. William Ewing was spoken of among the brethren,

as the right man for that position. The *Congregationalist*, from which we gleam the above, has reports from two churches in Winnipeg, from Brandon and from Vancouver. No word from Portage la Prairie or Wood Bay.

SHEFFIELD, N. B.—As an item of news I may say that my wife and I have been heartily received by the members and adherents of the church in Sheffield, and we are greatly encouraged in the work of the Lord down in this part of the eastern Provinces. A Y. P. S. C. E. has been started, and our meetings are well attended. I am trying to induce one or other of the members to write an article on our Endeavor Society for the *INDEPENDENT*, and I trust that you will receive something before long in relation to our work in this sphere of labor. Accept my hearty wishes for your prosperity, temporal and spiritual.—J. M. A. AUSTIN.

BOWMANVILLE—The Rev. Magee Pratt having resigned the pastorate of the Bowmanville church, with the view of closing his labors here with the end of the present year, he will be prepared to supply with a view to a call. And the church will be prepared to open negotiations with some pastor desiring settlement.—*Com.*

VANCOUVER, B. C.—Sunday, Dec. 13th, was our third anniversary. Three years ago our church was not. When we consider its marvellous growth, we have, indeed, something to be proud of, and thankful for. By way of variety, the subject at the prayer meeting on November 25th, was "An Hour with John Bunyan." It proved extremely interesting and instructive.

REV. JAMES R. ADAMS.—There was an inaccuracy in our notice of Student Adams, under the head of "St. Catharines," in our last. Mr. Adams did not return to Montreal, but went to Chicago on leaving St. Catharines. He is at present assistant pastor at Porter Memorial Congregational church.

MILTON, N. S.—Rev. R. K. Black has accepted an invitation to remain for one year with the church here, of which he was formerly the pastor for eleven years. Should Mrs. Black's health here in October last, it is to be hoped that their stay in Milton may be permanent.

MONTREAL, EMMANUEL.—Rev. W. Hanson Pulsford, pastor of this church, gave a lecture lately on "Charles Kingsley." The Montreal papers speak appreciatingly of the lecture as a masterly effort.