

From Stratford I went to *London*, where I was joined by Messrs. Allworth and Macallum, who, with Mr. Dickson, the pastor of the London church, constituted the deputation for the remainder of the week. The meeting was about an average one as to attendance, but its influence must be left to be judged of next year, for the people, following the example of the churches of Macedonia, and being "willing of themselves," had the collections all ready for us, and a noble sum. They amounted to \$90.

The cause in London is evidently recovering from its many reverses, and gaining strength and self-reliance under Mr. Dickson's ministry.

Next evening, dividing the deputation, two brethren went to *Watford*, while Brother Macallum and I went to *Robinson's School-house*—both of them preaching stations in connection with *Warwick*, at which place we all met again on the evening following. Attendance at all three meetings fair—collections good—perhaps I ought to say *very good*, considering the circumstances of most of the people in that neighbourhood. Total received to date, \$52 20.

The purpose of the Warwick people to build a new house of worship, several times delayed, seems now about to be fulfilled, a number of handsome subscriptions having been already pledged towards it. May their work be speedily and well done, and the promise of the Lord to Israel be realized in their experience, "From this day will I bless you."

Forest being vacant, the meeting there was small, and the subscriptions, as is usual in such cases, were much behind those of last year. There is a prospect however, of their obtaining a pastor before long, under whose ministry we hope to see the cause rapidly recovering from its present depressed condition.

Other brethren should have reported the meetings at Southwold, Plympton, and Tilbury. All the information I can give concerning them, is, that I have received from Southwold and Iona, \$32 47½, and from Tilbury, \$30 27.

At *Guelph* we were favoured with the assistance, in addition to the deputation, of the Rev. J. G. Manly, of Zion Church, Toronto, who added much to the interest and effectiveness of the meeting. He was accompanied also by an old friend, Mr. John Nasmith, of Toronto, who did good service by his words, as well as his deeds, both at Eramosa and Garafraxa, on subsequent evenings.

The absorbing thought at *Guelph* just now, is the new house of worship which they are about erecting. A chaste and beautiful plan has been adopted, new site secured, and the contracts let; and it was announced by the pastor as probable that the missionary meeting we were holding, would be the last to be held in the old chapel. Notwithstanding these efforts, however, and the heavy outlay they will involve, the subscriptions are already up to those of last year, and will probably slightly exceed them.

We found the friends at *Eramosa* somewhat alienated from the Society on account of the removal of their late pastor, the Rev. Chas. Duff, and because, as they allege, the moneys which they, in common with others, are contributing to its funds, are being used to unsettle ministers and carry them to the lower Provinces. We said what we could in explanation, and defence of the policy of the District Committee for that region, but the unfavourable impression still remains; and there is consequently a considerable falling off in the amount of their contributions this year.

The *Garafraxa* meeting was well attended and effective. There are few places we visit or think of with more interest. Their contributions, though never very large, are considerably in advance of last year. The church appears to be united and vigorous, and its pastor much beloved. It is a truly missionary church, in a most important sphere; and as they are now, by the change of a concession road, compelled to build a new house of worship; I hope they may receive all the help they need in doing so.

The next evening Brother Clarke and I attended a Soiree in the new chapel in the *Green Settlement*, the proceeds of which were to be given to the pastor, Rev. R. Brown. The house was crowded to excess, and the sum realized must have been quite a help to a poor "country parson;" but as the object of the meeting was only indirectly missionary in its character, I must leave some other pen to report particulars.