

ON the same line the *Wesleyan* of the 27th ult. has the following: "Guysboro'.—Bro. Cassidy arrived for our missionary meeting in a perfect hurricane of wind and rain, in which he had travelled all day. Nevertheless a meeting was held, attended by about thirty persons. Collections and subscriptions amounted to over thirty dollars. All who braved the storm felt more than repaid by the treat afforded them. We only regret that the weather prevented a full house."

WE have secured a tract written by Mrs. Parker entitled, "What Shall the Watchword be? 'Conquest by Love.'" It is written especially in the interests of our own work, and will be found most helpful in arousing thought and the sense of personal responsibility regarding the great cause of missions. If our brethren will kindly let us know what number they can make use of, we will supply them free of cost.

THE General Missionary Society, the Woman's Missionary Society, and the Department of Epworth Leagues and Sunday Schools, are arranging a sixteen-page *Leaflet*, "Cycle of Prayer for Missions," containing subjects for prayer, embracing all covered by the Watch-cry of the Students' Volunteer Movement, "The Evangelization of the World in this Generation." It is expected the *Leaflet* will be ready before Christmas, and the price will not exceed five cents per copy. We are confidently expecting that our Sunday Schools and Epworth Leagues will make a specialty of this "Cycle of Prayer," and that the teachers and Vice-Presidents of the Missionary Department will endeavor to get each scholar of the class and member of the League to procure one. Gentle reminders, such as this, regarding our duty and privileges in Christ Jesus, are invaluable. Orders for the "Cycle of Prayer" will be promptly filled at the Mission Rooms. Send at once that you may begin with the year.

THE following cheering resolution was passed by the Executive of the Collier Street Epworth League of Christian Endeavor, Barrie: "Resolved, That our Society subscribe twenty-five dollars to the General Missionary Fund of the Methodist Church." This resolution was confirmed by the League. Thanks to our young friends at Barrie. The Board of the Missionary Society will try to merit the trust reposed in them by making the best possible use of the money. The course adopted by the Barrie League is far better than to stipulate to what person or department the money shall be devoted.

THE first week in January is observed throughout the Christian world as a time of special prayer, and in many places union meetings are held. The Secretary of the British Evangelical Alliance, in speaking of the results following the observation of this week of prayer, says: "It is not merely a coincidence that the great progress in Missionary work during the past thirty years is just the period during which the week of universal prayer has been spreading into all lands." We earnestly hope that the observation

of this week of prayer may not degenerate in spirit, and become only an empty form. Let the first days of the new year be a time for special waiting upon the Great Head of the Church, that He may pour out richly of His grace on all lands.

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## Editorial and Contributed.

### Report of General Board.

THE STENOGRAPHIC REPORT of General Board proceedings respecting Japan affairs has been carefully revised by the Editing Committee, and is being printed as rapidly as possible. It will make some 200 pages, the same size as the *OUTLOOK*, and will be sold at 30 cents a copy, postage paid. This is considerably under cost, hence there can be no discount. Postage stamps will be received as cash. Please order promptly as the edition is limited. Send direct to the Mission Rooms.

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### Death of Rev. Dr. Shaw.

MOST of our readers will have learned, by reports in the daily papers, of the accident which recently befel the Assistant Missionary Secretary, Rev. Dr. Shaw. When crossing Yonge Street, Toronto, on a bicycle, on the 15th ult., he was struck by a trolley, sustaining a severe blow on the head, causing concussion of the brain. Immediately after the accident Dr. Shaw was removed to the residence of his daughter, Mrs. Alexander Mills, and everything that medical skill and careful nursing could do to promote his recovery was done, but he steadily sank, and expired about half-past ten o'clock on the evening of the 3rd inst. We earnestly bespeak the prayers of the Church on behalf of the bereaved children. A more extended notice will be given in the January *OUTLOOK*.

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### Missionary Reports.

BY the time this number of the *OUTLOOK* reaches the hands of its subscribers, the Missionary Reports will have been shipped to the various Circuits, and the pastors have been notified by post-card. If any pastor has failed to receive his parcel let him write at once to the Mission Rooms. In shipping such a large number of packages it is quite possible that one here and there may go astray. When the reports are received let no time be lost in distributing copies to the parties entitled to receive them.

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### "Let Nothing Be Lost."

THERE are many houses and Sunday Schools where a great deal of valuable reading matter goes to waste, because the owners do not know what to do with it. Papers, magazines and books that have been read are thrown aside as so much waste paper, whereas if they were wisely distributed much good might be done, and a great deal of pleasure