

out hope in the world. It is the business of the City Missionary to visit this class of the people, and to urge their attention to those things which belong to their everlasting peace, ere they are forever hid from their eyes. The Society has been able to employ two Missionaries during the past year—one for the whole year, and another a few months. Though this agency is far less than is required to operate in so wide a field, they would humbly express their gratitude to God that he has been pleased to induce so many to come forward in aid of so important a work. To the Ladies Association they are indebted for the funds for carrying on the Mission. With unwearied zeal they have during the past year gone from house to house, and received subscriptions in support of the Society, while in addition a large sum was raised by a bazaar under their superintendence. While employed in their collections, the ladies had some pleasing evidence of the faithfulness of the Missionaries, having ascertained that their labours had in certain cases been remarkably blest in the reformation, and it was believed in the conversion of the parties. The Committee rejoice to state that the means which they have been able to employ have not been without fruit, which they would humbly attribute entirely to the gracious influence of the Spirit of God. In some cases of great poverty, reported by the Missionaries, relief has been given by private contributions, and the ladies found that in all those cases, the Missionaries' recommendations were fully warranted by the facts.

They would now notice certain interesting portions of the Missionaries' Reports, beginning with that of Mr. Stewart.

NOVEMBER 20.—Visited ten families in —— Street. One woman said that she had been a teacher for nine years in a Sabbath School in England, but having three young children to attend to, she rarely entered a place of public worship. This is only one of a numerous class of cases. Many in such circumstances are almost shut out from attending religious ordinances, while others make it an excuse for entire absence, when they might give at least partial attendance. A stronger argument for a City Mission could not be employed. The Missionary can be most beneficially employed in stirring up the attention of such to their spiritual interests, or in imparting that instruction and sympathy which they are prevented from receiving in the place of public worship.

JANUARY 5, 1852.—Visited eleven families. People in this street are much addicted to drinking—never read the Bible, and never hear it read, excepting when the Missionary calls; profess to respect it, although living habitually in open violation of its teachings. One man among them has been induced to attend the Missionary Prayer meeting.

JANUARY 6, 1852.—Street—One family reduced to misery by drunkenness, had not been in a Church for fifteen years. Six families in —— Street, all given to excessive drinking. Some not in Church for years, others not since they came to Toronto. Professed to belong to Church of England.

JANUARY 7.—Visited Hospital. One man T. much interested. Said he was no Christian, but had a desire to understand the truth, particularly the nature of the new