

made 913 visits, reading the scriptures and conducting other devotional exercises at about half of the places so visited, and so meeting and conversing with about 1300 persons. He distributed, during these visits, more than 1000 tracts. He also aids in the conducting of cottage prayer meetings held weekly; visits the steamboats on their arrival; distributed tracts among the emigrants who pass through our city, and on Sabbath in the Park. He has also been enabled, by the liberality of some of the members, to relieve the wants of many of the deserving poor and strangers in our city. A very important work also engaged in, is that of caring for the souls of the sailors and lumbermen in our Harbour; the vessels are visited every Sabbath morning, tracts distributed, and portions of the Scripture read; a Bethel service, conducted alternately by the ministers of the various Evangelical churches in the city, is held on one of the steamboats in port during the season. The gaol and hospital are also visited, tracts distributed, and religious conversations held with the inmates. Three cottage prayer meetings are held in various parts of the city, and are well attended by the people in the district the average attendance of the whole being about two hundred. The membership now is about 325, and from the growing interest which is being taken in their meetings, they find their present rooms too small, and have taken larger and more commodious rooms on King St., next door (east) to the *Globe* office, which they hope to enter (P.V.) on the 1st November next. We earnestly pray that God's blessing may be poured out upon this association, and all similar organisations throughout the land; and that their efforts for the salvation of souls may be rewarded by many coming forward and acknowledging Christ as their Saviour, becoming zealous members, earnestly helping along the good work, and in their turn becoming missionaries among the young men of their acquaintance, striving to bring them to a knowledge of the truth as it is in Jesus.

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**U. C. Tract Society.**—Rev. Peter Ker, Wesleyan Methodist, of Drummondville, has been appointed Travelling Agent of the above Society, and has commenced his labours with much encouragement.

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**Primitive Methodist Theological Institute.**—This new school of the prophets, being opened a little while before that established in England by the Parent Conference, claims to be the earliest theological institution to commence operations in connection with Primitive Methodism. The introductory lecture was delivered by the Rev. T. Crompton, tutor, in the Alice Street Church, Toronto, on the 4th ult.; subject, "Theology; its preëminence, and the state of mind and heart necessary for its study." In closing, the lecturer met the objection sometimes made that institutions like the one commencing favored ministerial effeminacy, and said that any young man attending our Institute with the idea of a snug life, of not roughing it in the bush, or not grappling with sin in the slums of our towns, had better stay at home, and enter secular business; that he was not wanted there, inasmuch as the grand object of the Institute was by God's help, to send out thorough, solid men; men full of work, action, and fire, men to endure hardness as good soldiers. Then, exhorting the junior brethren and especially the students to be men of God, men of thought, and men of usefulness, he concluded by asking for the sake of the land, of the Church, and of God, the sympathies, the prayers, and the help of the entire people in behalf of the Institute. There are at present two students; it is expected there will soon be four or five. The lectures are open also to ministers and local preachers. The secular department of education is conducted at the Toronto Grammar school, of which Rev. Dr. Wickson is Rector.

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**A Canadian Regular Baptist Agent in England.**—Rev. W. Fraser, of Kincardine, Ontario, reports to the *Canadian Baptist* (Sept. 19) the results of his collecting tour in Britain. He had two objects in charge, the Woodstock Institute and Grande Ligne mission. For the first he had no success, for these reasons: the English Baptists are open communion; Rev. Dr. Davies, late of