

and individual friends to purchase copies for distribution, which we offered to supply in quantities at \$5 per hundred, \$3 per hundred less than cost price. The amount received for reports exclusive of what has been received for single copies and counted with the collections is \$61 70.

Copies of the report were mailed to members of the League, clergymen and others, and the Agent was authorized to use his judgment in the free distribution of them where they were likely to do good and awaken an interest, which will we hope manifest itself next year in increased financial aid to the League. Two thousand copies of the address delivered at the last annual meeting, by Rev. Dr. Burns, on the Maine Law, and the same number of one on Prohibition, delivered by the Bishop of Ontario, at a meeting in Ottawa, have been distributed.

A communication reached us from the Ontario League, asking co-operation in the matter of circulating literature, especially *The Adviser*, a very excellent juvenile temperance paper published by the Scottish Temperance League. We did not feel at liberty to make any arrangements that would embarrass the operations of this League, but do most strongly urge the circulation of useful literature treating upon the principles of our work. It may be interesting in this connection, for you to know, that since its organization, the League has printed and circulated over 300,000 pages of such literature.

AGENCY AND PUBLIC MEETINGS.

This work has been entrusted to the Secretary of the League, who has addressed as many audiences as in former years. The labors of the Agent have been scattered over eighteen counties; he has also attended and addressed meetings of representative temperance bodies, and large gatherings held under the auspices of the various temperance organizations. A larger number of clergymen have taken part in the meetings than hitherto, and whilst in some localities the interest in the temperance cause has not been very satisfactory, there has been a manifest expression in its favor, and a disposition to recognize, sympathize with, and assist the League.

Whilst we deem the systematic visitation of the towns, villages, and central localities of the province by the Secretary, of indispensable importance to the work, we recommend that our successors in office endeavour to arrange with prominent and able friends of the cause, to accompany the agent to the most important centres of influence, that, by their united efforts, public attention may be more thoroughly directed, and public interest more decidedly aroused to the work in which the League is engaged.

The Rev. James McCaul, of Three Rivers, at our request, kindly accompanied the Secretary to the city of Quebec, where they met with great kindness and a very encouraging measure of success.

It is important that public temperance meetings be held annually, in the various school districts of the province, and we ask you to urge this matter upon all temperance organizations, that it may be done systematically and efficiently.