

westward. Dr. Sterling passed on to Orillia on Friday, brother Clemens to Barrie, where I joined him on Saturday, both of us proceeding to Beeton by the evening train. Bro. Annis had put his hand on Dr. S. to supply his pulpit the following day, Aug. 1, so he returned from Orillia for that purpose. After a comfortable night's rest at the home of Rev. W. P. Brown, I passed over to the commodious brick church and preached to a large congregation. It was the Quarterly service. Love Feast and Sacrament followed the preaching. Once more with the dear people of the Bond Head Circuit I enjoyed a season of much power and blessing. After a drive of some six miles to Tottenham, I again met a large gathering of people in the handsome church of this pleasant village. Bro. Hogg assisted in the service and brother Clemens enjoyed a pleasant reunion with his old friends. We were most hospitably entertained by brother Hambly, and next morning proceeded by train to Toronto to complete arrangements for our proposed trip to the province of Quebec.

EASTWARD, HO!

After two nights of pleasant and profitable re-union with beloved friends at Queen Street and St. Paul's Churches, Toronto, with Bro. Clemens and Sister Hall as associate workers, I turned eastward. Bro. Hathaway had joined us for the above services and returned to Wesley Park. We left Toronto at 2 p.m., Wednesday, Aug. 4, by steamer *Algerian*. Pleasant day and pleasant sailing. But weary and oppressed with a sense of loneliness in leaving home and friends, I took refuge in my state-room. One of the interesting episodes of the trip was an introduction to the Mexican Legation, accredited and *en route* to the Court of Spain. The military *attache* of the embassy could speak English freely, and told us he had renounced allegiance to the Church of Rome, but had not found rest in Christ. I gave him words of encouragement, and left my English Testament in his hands as a *souvenir* of our interview, and pray God to bless its perusal. The interpreter of the party was gentlemanly and frank; had not severed his connection with the National Church, but deprecated the influence of the Mexican clergy. Though not in mood for sight-seeing, I took in some of the points of the magnificent St. Lawrence route during the run of Thursday. The young people greatly enjoyed the trip, especially shooting

the rapids. Bro. Beaudry kindly met us on arriving. After a hurried tea we took charge of a service in our French Methodist Church. Attendance fair, representing both nationalities. Singing in French and English, address by myself, testimony prayer, all accompanied by a gracious sense of the Master's presence. Next day, by the kindness of Bro. Tees, we were favored with a drive over and around the historic Mt. Royal, with its superb panorama of landscape scenery sweeping away and away. Then up the towers of Notre Dame. All other visitors retiring, our party, before descending, bowed together in prayer and felt it good to wait on God. Another interesting service in our French church that evening. God bless and prosper Bro. Beaudry in the arduous undertaking into which he has thrown himself here. Next day was Saturday. After very cordial entertainment at the pleasant home of Mr. Geo. Young, our little Band boarded the G. T. train at 3 p.m., reaching our destination at Compton soon after nine o'clock. Bro. Porter was in waiting for us, and we were soon distributed to our several billets. Next morning we took part in the usual service in our church in the village. In the afternoon we were driven over to Martinville, a distance of some six miles, where, at this writing, Aug. 12, we are engaged in a campaign for one week, with showers of blessing already descending upon us. D. S.

HISTORY AND CONSTITUTION OF THE MICHIGAN STATE BAND OF THE M. E. CHURCH.

HISTORY.

The Michigan State Band of the M. E. Church was the outcome of a call for a meeting of all band workers of the State, at the National Camp-Meeting at Eaton Rapids.

The meeting was held on the 30th of June, at 1.30 p.m. as called, and after appointing a committee to draft constitution, adjourned to July 1st. On July 1st the constitution was adopted, officers were elected, and a large number of persons, ministers and laymen, from different parts of the State, united with the Band. The Michigan State Band follows the great Canadian Band movement under Rev. D. Savage, whereby within two years over twenty thousand souls have been added to the Methodist Church in Canada.

If the plans and object of this Band meet