

O. Fortin, J. M. Gibson, and Rev. Dr. Duryea, of Brooklyn, N. Y., and printed statements, showing the character of the work done by the Association,—and its financial position, were freely circulated.

Entering upon the regular business of the winter,—the services of our valued friend, Dr. Dawson, were, on invitation, placed at our disposal, for a course of Sabbath afternoon Lectures. During the greater part of the season, the attendance was quite large, and the “natural illustrations of spiritual things in the New Testament,” proved a valuable study to all who availed themselves of the opportunity to attend.

Through the kindness of the Rev. Dr. MacVicar, your Committee were also enabled to establish a Tuesday evening Bible Class for the study of the “International Course of S.S. Lessons,” and these were appreciated by many Sabbath school workers, and others.

Of the devotional meetings of the Association, probably that held on Saturday evenings, deserves the greatest prominence, inasmuch as it is strictly the YOUNG MEN’S evening. One would perhaps be quite accurate in saying, that during no other year of the Association’s existence, has there been such a decided interest in spiritual things manifest amongst the young men. The attendance at this service has always been good,—and, especially since the spring-time, has for the most part filled the reading-room. The meetings are always deeply religious, and the exercises brief and pointed.

In the month of May, a Sabbath evening prayer meeting was commenced, being held at half past eight o’clock,—after the Churches had dismissed. In this, as in the Saturday night meeting, the services of the Street Invitation Committee have been found an incalculable benefit, as they have been enabled to arrest the attention of passers by, and direct their steps into this meeting. Prayers and earnest addresses, directed to the conversion of souls, have frequently been blessed to perishing ones, and led them to find peace in Christ. This meeting continues intensely interesting,—only two Sabbaths ago, a large number being unable to gain admission.

In the month of June, we were favored with a brief visit from Mr. Hind Smith, of Manchester, England, who, by his aptitude in conducting