

Several applications having been made by Missions for assistance towards procuring furniture, sums have been voted to them on condition that they raised certain sums specified by the Committee. Brantford and Woodstock Stations having, owing to incorrect data supplied to the Finance Committee last Conference, applied for additional pecuniary help, the Committee not having it in their power to amend the grants made by the Committee directed them to send their cases to the Finance Committee for consideration. The grants made by last conference to the Missions have been paid in full each quarter by the Committee. At each quarterly meeting the Committee have carefully examined the Mission Reports, and have given such instructions to the brethren labouring on the Missions as to circumstances required. The state of some of the Missions is such as to afford great encouragement, while that of others is not what the Committee could desire.

WM. ROWE, *Secretary.*

### Book Room Report.

The business of the Book Room, though not such as it would have been, had not the Book Steward, through illness, and the performance of other duties, been prevented from giving more of his attention and time to it, yet is such as to afford satisfaction. Very nearly, if not all, our Sabbath Schools purchase their books at our own Establishment, and find they can do so with as much benefit to themselves as if they purchased elsewhere. This branch of our business is one of importance, and, if properly looked after, will be alike profitable to the Schools and the Book Room. Presents of books have been made to some poor Schools; and a large parcel has been made up for a settlement in Manitoba, where a pious and energetic Brother from the Markham Circuit had, with the assistance of other friends, decided to organise a Sabbath School, there being none in the Settlement. The price of books having risen, your Book Steward took advantage of the market, and purchased a number of books before the price was raised. It is very desirable that larger premises were occupied by the Establishment, as a larger general business might be done; and certainly the health of the employees would be materially benefited. Our present premises are too contracted, and do not present a sufficiently attractive appearance. If the Connexion could purchase suitable premises, it would be a decided advantage, and would give permanence to the Establishment. It is to be hoped this matter will yet receive the serious attention of the Body, and such measures decided upon as will secure so desirable an object.

WM. ROWE, *Book Steward.*

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