

### The Western Ontario District Meeting at St. Thomas.

The Disciples of Western Ontario met in convention at St. Thomas on the 3rd inst. There were representatives from nearly every church in the District. Several of the churches came in strong force, such as London, Aylmer, Aldborough and Lobo.

The first session opened at 2 p. m. Bro. R. N. Price was elected chairman, and Bro. R. W. Ballah, secretary.

The first hour was devoted to a general discussion of "Woman's special work in the church."

The Sunday-school work was introduced by receiving reports from all the Sunday-schools in the District. These reports, as a whole, were encouraging, but the St. Thomas and London reports were especially encouraging. This was followed by a good address on "The Ideal Sunday-school," by R. N. Price, and was followed by profitable discussion.

After devotional exercises in the evening, Bro. McCully read a very fine paper on "The Sunday-school Teacher." "New Fields and How to Occupy Them," was handled by Bro. George Munro in a way that indicated much thought along this line. Bro. Cunningham had charge of the "Question Drawer on Sunday-school Topics." A shower of questions came in. Over an hour was spent in answering them. There was a chance here for everyone to receive help from this department of church work. Miss Etta Saywell was present by request, and kindly favored the audience with two readings. This was out of the ordinary convention routine, but none the less appreciated on that account.

Friday morning found everybody in good spirits and ready for the business of the day. To report this day's proceedings in full would require more space than we could hope to receive. The interest which was good from the start became more intense as the meeting proceeded. "System in transferring church membership," was the first subject of the day. It was introduced by Bro. A. Sinclair. Bro. Sinclair has a way of making everybody understand just what he has in his mind. Bro. Ballah handled "Special evangelistic meetings" with the facility of an old evangelist. Bro. C. J. Lister next gave an address on "Holding new converts." This came from one with much experience, and was profitable. Bro. Ainsworth opened a discussion on "The funeral service," followed by discussion.

In the afternoon interesting reports were given from the Endeavor Societies,

Junior E. Societies and Mission Bands of the District. Miss Jennie Miller, of St. Thomas, read an interesting paper on the necessity of Junior work, and Miss Fena McVicar, of Glencoe, gave a practical and thoughtful paper on "The tithing system," in which she advocated the giving of at least one-tenth of the gross income to the Lord. This called forth a spirited discussion that brought out many phases of the question.

7:30 saw the church crowded. After devotional exercises, Bro. E. R. Black discussed "Weak churches and how to strengthen them," under three headings—"Cleanliness," "Good food," and "Exercise." Enthusiastic reports were then given of the Brantford Convention by a number of delegates. Much interest centered in the "Question drawer on C. E. work," in which the importance of the pledge and the value of the Endeavor movement as a helpful factor in church and Sunday-school work was clearly brought out. Bro. W. G. Charlton gave the closing address of the meeting on "Christian Endeavor and evangelization," paying a glowing tribute to the consecration of the young people in winning souls to Christ.

A very interesting feature of the meeting was the enthusiastic effort made by several of the churches to secure the Convention for the coming year. It was at last unanimously decided to hold the next meeting at Ridgeway.

The preachers of the District effected an organization in the interest of evangelistic work. John Campbell and T. L. Fowler were appointed a committee to look over the field.

W. G. Charlton was appointed District Evangelist.

The Bible College received its full share of attention. Its interests were advocated by all the speakers. The following resolution was unanimously and enthusiastically adopted by the Convention:

Whereas, the Bible College is being continued, and is now located in St. Thomas under the management of an independent board, therefore, be it resolved: First—That we record our approval of what has been done, and our gratitude that the school is being continued, and is now located in our midst. Second—That we take hold of this work in earnest, and that we pledge it our hearty moral and financial support. Third—That we do our utmost to assist the college board to secure the funds necessary to carry on and enlarge the school. COM.

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### The Pastor's Wife.

AN INTERESTING INTERVIEW WITH MRS. (REV.) F. B. STRATTON

Threatened with Paralysis—Weak, Emaciated and Unable to Stand Fatigue—Pink Pills Restore Her Health.

From the *Napanee Beaver*.

The Rev. F. B. Stratton, of Selby, is one of the best known ministers in Bay of Quinte conference, of which body he is president. During the two years Mr. Stratton has been stationed at Selby, both he and Mrs. Stratton have won hosts of friends among all classes for their unassuming and sincere Christian work. Some time ago Mrs. Stratton was attacked with partial paralysis, and her restoration having been attributed to the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, a reporter of the *Beaver* was sent to interview her. In reply to the reporter's question, Mrs. Stratton said that she had been greatly benefited by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and was perfectly willing to give her experience that those similarly afflicted might be benefitted.

Mrs. Stratton said that before moving to Selby she had been greatly troubled by a numbness coming over her sides and arms (partial paralysis) which, when she moved, felt as though hundreds of needles were sticking in the flesh. For over a year she had been troubled in this way, with occasionally a dizzy spell. She was becoming emaciated and easily fatigued and was unable to get sleep from this cause. The trouble seemed to be worse at night time. Mr. Stratton had become greatly alarmed at her bad state of health, and it was feared that complete paralysis would ensue, as Mrs. Stratton's mother, the late Mrs. Weaver, of Ingersoll, had been similarly stricken, at about the same age. Knowing a young lady in Trenton, where Mr. Stratton had been previously stationed, who had been cured by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, it was determined to give them a fair trial. When Mrs. Stratton began using the Pink Pills she was very thin and her system badly run down, but after taking the pills for a time, all symptoms of paralysis disappeared, and she found her health and strength renewed and her weight increased. Mr. Stratton is about fifty years of age, and a more healthy, robust, and younger looking lady is seldom seen at that age.

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Public worship, 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sunday-school at 3 p. m. Y. P. S. C. E. at 8:15 p. m.

Prayer-meeting, Wednesday evening at 8. Strangers and visitors to the city are always welcome.

GEO. MUNRO, Minister.

TORONTO.—Cecil Street (near Spadina Ave., W. J. Lhamon, 435 Euclid Ave., Minister.

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Sunday, 11 a. m., 7 p. m.; Sunday School, 3 p. m.; Junior Endeavor, 4.15 p. m.; Senior Endeavor, 8.15 p. m.

Wednesday, Prayer-meeting, 8 p. m.

Friday, Teachers' Meeting, 8 p. m.

All are cordially invited to these services.

ST. THOMAS.—Church, corner of Railway and Elizabeth streets.

#### Lord's Day Services.

Public worship, 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Mission Sunday-school, 9.30 a. m., Junior E. Society, 10.20 a. m. Sunday-school, 3 p. m. Wednesday evening Prayer-meeting, 8 p. m. C. E. Society, Friday, 8 p. m.

Strangers welcome to all services.

W. D. CUNNINGHAM, Pastor.

Residence, 43 Mitchell St.

LONDON.—Elizabeth Street Church.

#### Sunday Services:

10 a. m., Prayer Meeting, 11 a. m., Preaching Service, 2:30 p. m., Sunday-school, p. m., Preaching Service.

Monday, 8 p. m., C. E. Prayer Meeting, Tuesday, 8 p. m., Teachers' Meeting, Thursday, 8 p. m., Prayer Meeting, Saturday, 2:30 p. m., Mission Band.

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