

RECEIPTS.

The following sums have been received for Co-operation work since last report.

Church, Musa	\$32.00
" Kilsyth	11.00
" Collingwood.....	10.00
" Hamilton.....	12.00
" Erin Village.....	4.25
" Pickering.....	18.00
" Warton.....	10.00
" Erin Centre.....	10.00
" Nottawasaga.....	10.00
John Thomson, Acton.....	10.00

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS.

A. Gordon, Florence.....	\$ 2.00
Church, Wainfleet.....	4.00
" Kilsyth.....	1.62
" West Lake.....	4.00

\$138.87

It will not be long now until the end of the current co-operation year. Several hundred dollars will be required before that time. Let every one do his duty and the work will prosper.
T. L. FOWLER, Cor.-Secy.

ONTARIO CHRISTIAN WOMAN'S BOARD OF MISSIONS.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The following sums have been received and paid, for Mission Work, by the O. C. W. B. M. since last report.

RECEIPTS.

Aux. at Warton.....	\$11.00
" Wainfleet.....	7.20
" Walkerton.....	15.35
" Collingwood.....	4.75
" Erin Village.....	9.00
" Lobo.....	8.00
" Blenheim.....	12.00
" Ridgetown.....	11.00
" Guelph.....	7.00
" Everton.....	10.00
" Toronto, Denison Ave.,	20.00
A Friend, Galt.....	1.00

PAYMENTS.

W. M. Crewson, Mission Work in Muskoka	\$25.00
Church in Collingwood, Mission Work	50.00
Church in Toronto, (Denison Ave.), for Building Fund.....	50.00

JENNIE FLEMING, Treasurer,
Kilsyth, Ont.

A WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT.

Under the title that stands above our Treasurer's report, permit me to say a few words. The financial statement just submitted by Sister Fleming, gives cause for courage and thankfulness.

Our sisters are doing all they promised, and more, and they are doing it freely and gladly. Our Treasurer's heart is made glad by the kind and encouraging letters that come to her with remittances. Our Cor.-Secy writes, "Nearly every mail brings some encouragement in our work," and my experience is like hers. For all these things we thank God and take courage, for we regard them as tokens of His presence and favor. We hope to be able to enlarge our work during the coming year, to give some aid to Foreign Missions while not neglecting those at home. To us the Master will say "According to your faith, so be it unto you."

At a meeting held a short time ago, a Baptist brother in speaking of their Mission work, said this: "We have always been enabled to accomplish more than we had undertaken, the Lord has always blessed our efforts beyond our expectations." Our Baptist brethren are not alone in this experience. In all ages it has been the universal testimony of those who have given themselves with all that God had given them, back to Him in loving service; nor need we wonder at this, when it is written, that "He is able to abundantly exceed all that we can ask or think." It is our part to place ourselves in position to receive the desired blessing, and then His hand is opened to pour out upon us such abundance of favor, such fulness of blessing as will outstrip our farthest thought. He gives according to His riches, and our capacity to receive and appropriate. Let us then, dear sisters, exert one another daily, and pray one for the other that our hearts may be enlarged in this work, our faith strengthened, our vision brightened and expanded, that so, instead of being timid and fearful to go forward we will be strong, and very courageous to "attempt great things for God."

But while we rejoice that so many are already united in this work we are very desirous that all our sisters throughout the Province should partake with us in the joy and blessedness of this service for the Master. Not that we would by any means imply that all who are not working with us are idle in the Master's vineyard, but having proved the greater strength and efficiency their is in union, for your sake as well as ours we

ask you to come with us. We need your aid and counsel, your sympathy and your prayers, and you need ours. It is our privilege dear sisters, to be filled with all the fulness of God.
S. M. BROWN.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.—A WORD FROM BROTHER McLEAN.

EDITORS ONTARIO EVANGELIST:

The day named for the March Collection is not far distant. The churches in the Dominion are expected to do their duty. They have not failed in the past: they will not fail now.

"If these fall the pillared firmament is rottenness, And earth's base built on stubble." The needs of the work are greater than ever before. There are fifteen names on the pay roll more than there were a year ago. Three others are under appointment, and will be sent out soon. The Board is in correspondence with several more and hopes to secure their services.

At the last convention it was resolved to make an effort to raise \$100,000 this year. This was thought to be the very least sum we ought to expect from so great a brotherhood for Foreign Missions. This is not a large sum for 700,000 people to raise for a cause so worthy. Still it is nearly twice as much as was raised last year. The churches must double their offerings, or the amount proposed will not be raised.

We have everything to encourage us in our work. Each year hundreds of churches that once stood aloof begin to contribute. The missionary spirit is unquestionably extending itself in ever-widening and in ever-deepening circles. The opposition is constantly losing its effectiveness. The outlook was never so bright or so full of promise. May God help us all to do our whole duty. I shall expect generous offerings from the Canadian churches in response to the call for a collection in March.

Very truly,

A. McLEAN.

[The above was received too late for insertion in Feb. No. We trust that every church and every disciple will heed the appeal. Let Ontario do its part.—Editors.]

THE CHURCH IN BOWMANVILLE.

Under this heading I wish to say something about what we are doing and what we intend to do. My last to you was imperfect in one respect (so I was informed), nothing being said about myself. This time I will endeavor to remove that blemish.

We are exchanging pulpits with the Christians in Oshawa and Orono. The writer filling their pulpits, and their ministers filling ours. And so far as I can learn it is pleasing to both bodies. The object of those exchanges is to bring the Christians and Disciples nearer together with a view to a union. There is very little standing in the way. In fact the only barrier is that their church property is controlled by a central body called the Conference. This is not insurmountable, and ere long I hope to see Christians and Disciples one. Could not the EVANGELIST take this matter up and lead on to the consummation.

We are having four services each Lord's Day and three during the week as follows:

- (1) Young Men's Meeting at 10 a. m., Lord's Day, for prayer, praise and exhortation. The average attendance is 13.
- (2) Public service at 11.
- (3) Sunday School at 2 p. m. A half hour is devoted to a service of song followed by the regular course of Scripture instruction. The average attendance in the school is sixty-five. Collection, about fifty cents. The school is self-sustaining, and is this year well supplied with lesson helps and papers. We are contemplating a library, and have now a small fund for that purpose. A tea was given the school and church a few weeks ago and was quite a success.
- (4) Public Service at 7 p. m. The public services are fairly attended. The character of the sermons has been on the practical side of Christianity, containing expositions of Scripture, exhortations to holy living, prayer, praise, temperance and mission work all enforced by this solemn thought, "For now is our salvation nearer than when we first believed." (5) General Prayer-meeting every Thursday night at 7.30. The average attendance is about thirty-six. The brethren take their turn in leading. After the meeting is opened by the presiding brother in the usual way, those present fill up the hour with praise, prayer, exhortations. We are using Topics procured from New York. Could not the EVANGELIST get up suitable Topics for Prayer-meetings and keep our money in our own hands? Try.
- (6) Bible Class for the young and all who like to come on Friday night at 7.30. This class is under the efficient management and instruction of Bro. Gillilan. This is well attended and much appreciated by the class and the church.
- (7) Sisters' Prayer-meeting on Friday afternoons at 4. This has just recently started, and bids fair to be a great help to our work.

My notes are now too long, so I will leave what we intend doing for another time; and will close this by a personal reference. Besides taking my part in five of these meetings I superintend the Sunday School, teach the Bible Class in connection therewith, attend to several calls to speak at meetings in the other churches on special occasions, and impart Scripture instruction each Friday afternoon for half an hour to High and Common School Pupils. This with my own work of preparation, correspondence, visiting and marrying all who seek me for that purpose, and not less than seven subjects studied by me every week, my hands, head and heart are all well occupied.
Fraternally yours,
M. GUNN.

A GREAT DAY IN BETHANY.

The memory of Lord's Day, Feb. 10th, 1889, will live in the minds of many who are now at Bethany, when other "pictures, that hang on memory's wall," shall have faded in the dim distant past.

On the previous evening, Brother McLean, of Cincinnati, lectured to a large assembly in Chapel Hall, upon "The London Missionary Conference," held in June 1888, to which he was sent as a delegate by the Church of Christ in America. For one and a half hours he held the audience, as it were, spell bound by his magic eloquence. Every heart was touched. On Lord's Day morning he preached a stirring missionary sermon from Rom 1:14. At 3:30 p. m. the regular students prayer meeting convened. Bro. McLean's presence brought an unusually large number out. The moderator, after reading Is. 60, and giving an earnest address, announced the general topic of "Missions." Short addresses were called for. One after another of the young men arose, their hearts filled with love to Christ, and in tears they spoke of the Blessed Redeemer, of His great mission, and of the burden of responsibility upon us to carry this good news to the nations. Such pathetic addresses, such expressions of sympathy, such commingling of spirits, such a sense of responsibility we have never witnessed nor do we expect to see its parallel. Strong men mingled their tears with women's; a flood of the deepest and purest emotion swept over the little congregation. After several had spoken a young man arose and suggested that Bethany try to support a missionary in the foreign field. It was taken up by another who had thought likewise and who offered a certain sum for the work. A second one said he would give the same, then another and another. A subscription paper was started and in twenty minutes \$690 was subscribed. Poor students with scarcely enough money to go through college gave pledges for amounts that would put to shame the gifts of large congregations. Brother McLean and our noble professors were in the front. It was a wonderful scene, a living example of the Gospel's power over men's hearts. Solicitations were continued that evening and since, until \$1000 has been pledged. There was true joy in Bethany that night. Our beloved President and Brother McLean's hearts were encouraged. The former remarked that Bethany had reached the highest notch it had touched in a quarter of a century, if not the highest it had ever reached.

Truly the missionary spirit has taken hold of old Bethany, and the missionary spirit is Christ's spirit.

Will not our churches in Ontario do more for this grand cause? The EVANGELIST thinks they can raise \$1,000. I am sure they can give \$10,000. If a church would grow let it give to the missionary cause. If it would die let it withhold its hand from sending the gospel to the lands in darkness. As well might we expect a tree to grow if we cut off its branches; as well seek to make our bodies healthy and strong by keeping the blood confined to the heart; as to expect to "grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord," without sending the life giving and life sustaining Gospel to "all the world." "The world for Christ," "Christ for the world," should be the peculiar motto of the Disciples of Christ. May God bless the dear brethren of Ontario and make of them a peculiar people zealous of good works.
E. R. BLACK.

APPEAL.

TO THE EDITORS OF THE ONTARIO EVANGELIST.

DEAR BROTHERS.—The Disciples at Guilds in the Township of Harwich, County of Kent, though few in number, have decided to build a house in which to worship our Lord and Master. By the assistance of our Heavenly Father we intend going on with the work at once, and we appeal through your paper to our brethren of the churches in Canada and the United States, and other friends desirous of seeing the word of God prosper in our land, to lend a helping hand either by subscription or ready cash, in large or small amounts. Brother E. Sheppard of Ridgetown, preaches for us once a month in Guild's School House and has good audiences. All funds or subscriptions for the erection of our Meeting House will be thankfully received. Please send money or subscriptions either to

DAVID CAUGHELL,
OR DUNCAN A. SINCLAIR,
Guilds, Ont.

Guilds, Feb. 25, '89.

OBITUARIES.

THOMSON.

On the 13th of February 1889, James, infant son of Peter and Annie Thomson, of Erin, aged two months and ten days.

"Tis but a babe, 'tho' lightly say,
And bid me not to weep;
They know not of the mother love
Down in my heart so deep.
But tho' the tears I cannot stay,
I fret not nor regret;
I know that He who gave and took
Doth love both me and mine.
I thank Him, tho' my heart is sore,
I still can trust His love;
I praise Him for the hope I have
To meet my child above.

GEORGE MARTIN.

Brother Gerge Martin of Erin after a distressing illness of about five months was relieved by death on the morning of 16th ult., in the 60th year of his age. He was born in Worcestershire, England, in the year 1829 and came to this country when quite young.

He settled in the Township of Erin many years ago, when the country was new, and remained there up to the time of his death. He served his Township many years in a public capacity and merited the respect and gratitude of every one.

He was a man of good judgement, of more than ordinary intelligence, and of sterling worth. The large number of people who came through the snow drifts and blinding storm to follow his body to the city of the dead, testified to the high esteem in which he was held.

He was a member of the Church in Everton and was one of its most faithful supporters. There were few so evincing to a greater degree the spirit of the Master. He was faithful, humble and active. His sympathy and support could always be reckoned upon in every good undertaking. You always knew where to find him. The whole tenor of his life was on the side of, and in the interest of truth and righteousness. He was an ardent friend and advocate of missionary work. As a member of the Board of Co-operation for many years he did much by his good judgment and wise counsel to devise ways and means for the spread of the gospel in the Province.

His death is a great loss to the community, to the church, and to his family, but the example left us by his consistent, Christian life, is a rich legacy to us all. May the Lord sustain richly our bereaved sister and bless all the members of the family and help them to realize that their loss is his gain.
T. L. F.

HOWITT.

On the morning of the 16th Feby. 1889, at the residence of his son-in-law (Bro. Daniel Rusnell, of Uxbridge); the spirit of Brother James Howitt, passed away from earth's labors and trials, to the rest awaiting the people of God.

Brother Howitt and his wife became Disciples of Christ, in Scotland, and came to Canada in 1847. They first settled in Pickering, afterwards removing to Uxbridge Township, where they experienced the struggles and trials which are the portion of the early settler. Their family—a son and daughter—grew up and settled in the same locality. Being reared in the instructions and example of their parents, they and their parents, they and their families are true and devoted followers of the Saviour.

During these years Brother and Sister Howitt continued steadfast in the faith, and devoted to the Master's work. Sister H. was well read in history, a close observer of current affairs, an earnest student of the Bible, and possessing an unusual memory, she was an excellent conversationalist.

Brother H. was also an earnest devoted Christian, loved the Bible, the church, the fellowship of saints, and the service of the C. spa.

For many years he took an active part in the work, and services of the church, in Uxbridge, doing much of the speaking, until recent years.

They finally removed to Brougham, where in 1873, Sister Howitt was called from the scenes of earth, to enjoy the peace and rest beyond the river of death.

Brother Howitt continued his residence in Brougham until three months since, when he began to realize that the end of life's journey was nearing with its declining strength, and bodily weakness and consented to go and spend the winter with his daughter, where tender loving hands would minister to his needs. His stay was short. Health began to fail, daily he grew weaker, soon the end came to a life full of days.

He died in his 72nd year, full of faith and hope, resting trustfully upon the "pre-ous promises," and committing himself to the strength of the everlasting arms.

On the 18th Feby. sorrowing relatives and friends followed the body to the tomb, gathering to pay a last tribute of love, as that which is mortal, was laid away beside the partner of his life in the cemetery at the Christian Church in Brougham, to await the resurrection morn when Jesus comes.

"Blessed are the dead, who die in the Lord."
GEO. J. BARCLAY.

MARRIED.

TOLTON—THOMSON.—At the residence of the bride's father, Angus Thomson, Esq., Feb. 13th, 1889, by George Munro, Albert E. Tolton, to Mary C. Thomson, both of Erin.