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EDITORIAL NOTES.

THE YEAR BOOK FOR 1879.—The editors for the forthcoming Year Book are Dr. Buchan, Rev. Wm. Muir, and Bro. Thomas Bengough. They are hard at work, and publication may be looked for in good season. Now is the time for any suggestion to these brethren for the further improvement of this very important Annual.

MINUTES RECEIVED.—Since last acknowledgment we have received the Huron, Midland Counties, Elgin, Brant, Middlesex and Lambton, Ottawa, Western, and Niagara Association Minutes; and the Statistical tables, in MSS, of the Quebec churches included in the Danville Association. The donors will please accept our thanks.

THE PENTECOST IN INDIA.—In a note we have just received from Rev. JOHN CRAIG, he says of the wonderful work of grace that has been going on at Ongole, the field of the American Missionary, Mr. Clough:—

"Since the first of June last he (Mr. Clough) and his assistants have baptized over 9,000 people. You see God's hand is being felt after all. The famine has helped towards this work, I think. None were baptized until the Missionary had ceased to give relief to the people; so these are not what scoffers call 'famine converts,'—the same as we would designate by the 'loaves and fishes' title at home. These 9,000 have come when nothing more was to be had. On Nellore and Ramapatnam fields many have been baptized, but nothing like as many as on the Ongole field, I believe. Faith tells me that such harvests are in store for us also if we work hard and pray earnestly."

A CORDIAL RECOMMENDATION.—Through the courtesy of Rev. A. A. Cameron of Ottawa, we have received the minutes of the SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION in connection with the Ottawa Association of Baptist Churches. Our brethren were kind enough to adopt unanimously, the following resolution, which was moved by Rev. A. H. Munro, and seconded by Rev. A. A. Cameron:—

"That in the opinion of this Convention, the CHRISTIAN HELPER, published by Dr. H. E. Buchan, is a valuable and useful paper; admirably adapted for circulation among Sabbath School workers, and to aid them in the efficient performance of their duties; and we therefore, cordially recommend all Sabbath School teachers in this Convention to become subscribers to it."

Thank you, dear brethren of the Ottawa Baptist S. S. Convention. We want to make our paper *your paper*, and one that you will never be ashamed of. Now is the time to send in your orders for the *New Year*. See our advertisement.

THE REPORTER.—This is the title of a sixteen page magazine to be published by the Association in connection with Alexander street church in this city. The initial number will contain the masterly exposition by Rev. Joshua Denovan, the pastor, on "The Millennium," which excited so much discussion at the recent Ministerial Conference in Brantford. The paper is reprinted from the *Baptist*; and it is thought that the eloquent lecture in this convenient form, in connection with editorial notes of an interesting character, will be well received, even by those outside the Alexander street church. If there is sufficient demand for the magazine to warrant its continuance, its subsequent numbers will contain Mr. Denovan's sermons; specially reported and revised, and subscriptions will be taken for six months at 25 cents.

THE TYRO.—*Memorial Number*.—Just as we go to press the October number of the *Tyro* has come to hand. It is a specially valuable one on account of the articles it contains, bearing on the life and character, and the last hours, of the venerated Principal of the Canadian Literary Institute. Professor Wells furnishes in feeling words and polished language the first article "Robert A. Fyfe; the man and the Christian." This is followed by a simple and touching narrative of "The Last Hours" of the departed from the pen of his bereaved widow. Next follows a special adaptation of the "In Memoriam" poem which appeared in the *Canadian Baptist*. There is also other interesting reading matter, and the portrait of the good Doctor, for which latter the Editors of the *Tyro* fittingly acknowledge their indebtedness to the *Christian Helper*.

The Memorial Tyro may be had for 10 cents, by addressing, Mr. Geo. Sale, Business Editor, C. L. Institute, Woodstock. The first article it contains is worth far more than the money.

A USEFUL ASSOCIATION.—On the evening of Tuesday, October 1st, about forty members of Alexander street church in this city, met and organized a Mutual Improvement Association, in connection with the church. The objects are religious and intellectual advancement, the improvement of social relations, and the prosecution of Christian work. The means to be used are devotional meetings, discussions, readings, essays, music, lectures—scientific and literary—and every legitimate means that will promote and foster the work of the Alexander street church in all its departments, and increase knowledge of and interest in denominational doctrines and enterprises. Any person of good moral character may be proposed for membership at a regular meeting, and received at the following meeting if elected unanimously. The meetings will be held, commencing at 8 p. m. the first and third Friday of each month, except June, July, August and September. They are to be open to members only, but any member may introduce friends at any meeting. The following are the officers:—Honorary President, Rev. Joshua Denovan, *Pastor*; President, Alfred Reeve; Vice-President, George R. Morse; Recording Secretary, Chas. E. Lailey; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Denovan; Treasurer, Miss Morse; Editor, Thomas Bengough. These, together with Edward W. Moyle and Mrs. James Wright, constitute the Executive Committee. The opening meeting was held on the 18th inst., when the President delivered his inaugural address—an elegant and exhaustive paper. A manuscript journal for literary contributions from members, will be read at stated meetings by the Editor. It is also hoped that some permanent foundation may be laid for the regular publication—monthly, or perhaps oftener—of Rev. Mr. Denovan's sermons. It is believed there are many even outside the church and the city who know the preacher, who would be glad to have his sermons,—bold, vigorous, original, and thoroughly evangelical as they are,—in some permanent and convenient form.