

But we *do* ask that much. The truth is, that with all the gifts our churches are making to new work in our cities, our Home work is having great increase, while our Foreign gifts remain nearly stationary. There *must* be a revival in Christian stewardship. Christ is not being satisfied with the offerings of His people. The tithes have not being brought into the storehouse, so that the windows of heaven have not been opened.

We are delighted to have Mr. Currie with us at this meeting, and to hear from his own lips what God has done among the Gentiles through him.

We thank God with much warmth, that He has led him safely through so many dangers of sea storms and land fevers and native treachery. Our churches are, so far as we know, a unit in love for this work and in confidence in him, and pray that he may be able to carry out his plan to return with recruited health next spring. I have some recent photographs of him which I can send to any one for twenty-five cents apiece.

We congratulate our sister society, the Woman's Board, on the completion of another year of successful work. They have found Miss Clarke, their missionary, to have fine qualifications for her work, and they have had a good financial year. We urge the ladies of all our churches to co-operate. We pray that they may be able for many years to work with us in sending the gospel to Africa. And we further recommend that a delegation go to Ottawa during their session to convey our greetings. (Rev. W. H. Watson and the secretary were appointed.)

During the year our treasurer has written many personal letters quite at length to the various churches urging an interest in our work, but many of them have not even received an acknowledgment.

We are dependent on the pastors to press the claims of our mission. Every pastor is an agent of our society to do all he possibly can to gather offerings to our work. We have no agents and no association representatives, though we hope that no association ever meets without a discussion of Foreign Missions.

Your directors believe in printers' ink, and have used some of it in scattering knowledge of our work among the churches. We shall continue to do this, and we have a printed letter from Mr. Lee to send back with you to the churches.

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