

tion of the separate ecclesiastical organization. He would not refer to the cruel statements made by private individuals, but for public reasons he wished it to be distinctly understood that the movement did not originate in church troubles, nor did it create church disturbance. Without consulting church, pastor, deacons or committee, those who left resigned their membership, not even asking for letters of dismissal, and their resignation was accepted without a word of bitterness or strife. He also deemed it right to read a document which had been given him by the Rev. W. M. Peacock, of which the following is an exact copy:—

“We the undersigned, without desiring to reflect upon our former pastor or the church with which we have been connected, but desiring to further the interests of Christ’s cause and to build up a church in a destitute part of the city, have organized ourselves into a Congregational Church, &c.

“Signed on behalf of the Church,

“GEO. C. IFFEY.”

It was not his province to bring the statements which had been privately made by this party into accord with the position assumed in the document now read. The congregations, he said, were somewhat decreased by the movement just adverted to, but several families had been added. The prayer meetings were larger than ever, and the interest was very often marked. Friday evening adult Bible class had been organized, with 23 names on the roll. As to *membership*, he had to report that three had been removed by letter and one by death; besides the 23 whose names were taken off the list to form the separate organization; in all 27. But 15 had been received on profession and four by letter; so that the actual decrease was only eight.

The annual meeting of the Sabbath School was held on the following evening, an account of which will be furnished next month.

Since receiving the above, Mr. McKay informs us, that special services have been held for several weeks in this church and that a considerable number of hopeful conversions have taken place.

MANILLA.—During a recent visit to Manilla, we were rejoiced to learn that ninety-four persons have been received into the church, as the fruits of the revival there. More are expected to come in shortly. The impetus thus received is beginning to show itself in all the material interests of the congregation. A Finance Committee has been appointed to co-operate with the deacons, and no doubt is felt as to the church being able to support its pastor in future without Missionary aid. A student has been applied for to assist the pastor during the summer, in preaching and Sabbath School work. We hope the application will be successful, as Mr. McGregor’s health has suffered considerably by the extra labour of the past winter.

ST. CATHARINES.—The Congregational Social came off on Monday evening in the Broadway Hall. It was well attended, and afforded pleasure to all who were present. Rev. Mr. Burson occupied the chair. The singing was appreciated very much. It was all good, but the selections of Miss Hopkins especially were really excellent. The instrumental music was also artistically executed, and the literary contributions—the readings—Rev. Mr. Perrin’s in particular, were received in a manner which their merits deserved. The social was an agreeable one, resulting pleasantly to all concerned. The instrumental players, the readers, and the vocalists all and severally acquitted themselves satisfactorily. We have not space for the programme. At the close, votes of thanks were passed to the chairman, to those who aided in the entertainment, and to Mr. Andrews for the use of a piano. This is the second entertainment of the kind given by the members of the Congregational Church, which is to be congratulated on the possession of so much fine musical talent.

PINE GROVE.—The special services that have been held in Pine Grove for some weeks past, and in which the Pastor has been assisted by the Rev. Messrs. Salmon and Wood, have been attended with much blessing. Sixteen profess to have been brought to decision for Christ,