

removal to Winnipeg, he suddenly found he was not wanted. There is but one way of explaining the whole career of our Winnipeg pastor. He cares nothing for his denomination, the denomination to which under God, he owes everything. No collection for the College of which he is an *alumnus*—nothing for the missionary society under whose auspices he laboured for years—nothing for widows and orphans of deceased brethren—nothing for Indian missions, or any other enterprise of the Congregational Union of which he is a member. But we are told they made a collection for the Methodists, and intended to make one for the Presbyterians. The poor (?) Presbyterians must be much encouraged by this unusual instance of liberality, and we may hope that when these men come East they will speak more respectfully of the Winnipeg pastor and his teaching than they have done during the past two years.

The trouble with J. B. S. is simply this: the Canada Congregational Missionary Society was asked for \$600 to supplement his salary, but was unable to make *such* a grant, or any grant to a church able to pay more than double what most of its missionaries in the east receive, to a church able to spend \$2,000 on carpets and cushions, able to support one of the best organists in the Dominion, and the best choir in the city, and a church whose finances show larger giving last year than in any previous one of its history. Any one acquainted with missionary operations knows full well that to make a grant to such a church would be to lose the confidence of its supporters.

This may satisfy those who have been so puzzled over the letter of J. B. S., and I will continue my usual notes of visits to the churches.

BROCKVILLE

is the next in order. The congregations were about the same as when I was here twelve months before; Sunday school larger. The building has had additional repairs, and all paid for. If they obtain the man of their choice for the pastorate, the prospect is a speedy increase of the congregation. Student supply has answered fairly well up to the present, and the members speak highly of their services, but the time has come for a permanent settlement.

COBOURG.

We had enthusiastic missionary services in this place. The work of our church has become consolidated, and is progressing most favourably at present. The pastor's heart is cheered by inquirers, and additions to the membership.

COLDSPRINGS

still forms a part of Rev. H. Pedley's field, but with the development of the work in Cobourg, he is doing himself an injustice to continue his labours in this church too. It will certainly break down his health

before long. The past year, however, has been the most prosperous in the history of this church. The Lord has followed the labours of His servant with rich blessings, and large numbers have been added to the church. It should have the whole time of a pastor. Both these fields have done well for the funds of the Society.

NEW DURHAM

has made substantial progress since I was last on the field. A series of special services have resulted in a number deciding for Christ and the pastor expects to add a good many to the membership of the church. I spent a Sunday here, preaching in the forenoon in New Durham, afternoon in Hatchley, evening in Kelvin. The congregations were good in each place.

KELVIN

is suffering from the removal of several large and prominent families, but those who remain are still hopeful, and doing good work. I met with the New Durham friends at a special meeting to devise means for the purchase of a parsonage. It is impossible to rent a suitable residence. Arrangements have been made to purchase a house and small farm (six and a half acres). The friends here had last year relieved the Society of a part of the grant, and they intended to make a further reduction this year, but for the fact that they are trying to pay the balance of church debt, and make the purchase referred to. When the parsonage is completed, the New Durham property will be worth \$5,000. It is truly wonderful to mark the progress of this cause since Mr. Pedley took it in hand about four years ago.

SCOTLAND.

Found Mr. Hay enjoying good health, and working away as happily and successfully as he can. Owing to the extreme severity of the weather, the attendance was small at the missionary meeting.

BURFORD.

The same was true of this place, yet we had enthusiastic meetings, the Rev. Mr. Fuller, of Brantford, and the pastor giving valuable aid on both occasions. I could not help thinking that something should be done to relieve Mr. Hay of one of these churches. Burford and Scotland would afford sufficient work for one man, and I think Burford at any rate, should have the whole time of a pastor.

PARIS

I spent part of the Sunday, and held a missionary meeting on the following day. Mr. Fuller and the pastor taking part in the service. The congregations were good, considering the state of the weather. The work appears to be moving forward nicely in the church, and they promise to do more for the Missionary Society.