

CLOSE-FISTED CHURCHES.

To the Editor,—My subject is the College, "our College," and the "mighty dollar," now needed to level up its finances. Too many of our churches remind me of the stamp of close-fisted husbands who deal out a little to their wives or families, and groan hard and long over that little. My opinion is, that if the denomination has not sufficient loyalty to its principles, or enough common sense to know where its vital interests lie, it is about time to confess it too weak to exist. The College is one of the all-important citadels, which should not only be held, but fortified, and made more and more a tower of strength.

If the Toronto churches have a work to do along the lines taken up, let them carry it on; but not at the expense of the College. It is about time those who have neglected the College made an effort to remedy this defect in their church-life; and I for one, have confidence that they will set about it at once.

As for the other churches, we have a duty to perform, whether Toronto does hers or not; and we should attend to it *now*. We have a month for action. Will not some one with a *little loyalty* and enthusiasm, take hold of this matter in your church, and if it gave before, try hard to increase the offering; and if nothing was done, see to it that the reproach is removed?

Yours earnestly,
HENRY YEIGH.

Brantford, March 7th, 1892.

Woman's Board.

ANNUAL MEETING.

As our friends know, the cordial invitation of the Ottawa Auxiliary given last year was accepted, and we expect (D. V.) to hold our Annual Meeting in Ottawa, early in June. The Executive Committee is trying to make arrangements by which our delegates may share in the benefits of the reduced rates given to delegates to the Dominion W. C. T. U. Convention, to be held in Ottawa, but no definite announcement can be made this month. Full details will appear in next issue.

The executive would also like to call attention to the *Forms of Report* that will be sent to the secretaries of Auxiliaries and leaders of Mission Bands, asking that they be filed in and returned promptly according to directions.

Please address all letters for the Corresponding Secretary to Miss H. Wood, 455 Somerset St., Ottawa.

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Official Notices.

MR. CURRIE IN CANADA.

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Foreign Missionary Society was held in Montreal, on March 18th, at which it was decided to have Mr. Currie make a complete tour of the churches. The order of visitation has not been fully determined. Churches wishing to correspond with him, will find him at 90 Gerrard St. E., Toronto.

In the light of this plan a few facts should be plainly stated. Mr. Currie cannot be at every place on Sunday. Each church should make an offering to the African missionary work, in connection with his visit. Beside this, his expenses should be met by the church he visits.

The churches are \$300 behind their gifts up to the same period of last year. Special contributions to new work have, universally among our churches, reduced the gifts to current expenses. Next year, we shall need \$3,000; so that contributions should not be made to new work, until the churches have contributed 33 cents per member, to the regular funds of the Society, of which Mr. T. B. Macaulay is Treasurer, P. O. Box 2113, Montreal.

EDWARD M. HILL,
Sec. C. C. F. M. S.

Montreal, March 18, 1892.

CANADA CONGREGATIONAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The following amounts have been received for February: London First, S.S., \$20; Yarmouth, N. S., \$55; Miss Emily Bichan, Oake, S. Dakota, U. S., \$5; Dividend, Bank of Nova Scotia, \$144; Hamilton, \$30; Miss A. N. Armstrong, New York, \$5; A. Y. R., interest to G. R. M.F., \$27; Waterville, Que., Ladies' Missionary Society, \$8; Economy, N. S., \$10; Edgar, Ont., \$24.20.

SAMUEL N. JACKSON,
Kingston, February 29th, 1892. Treasurer.

COLLEGE CLOSING EXERCISES.

The College will bring its fifty-third session to a close with the usual public service, in the Assembly Hall, 58 McTavish Street, on Thursday, April the 7th, at 8 p.m. Addresses will be delivered by the three graduating students and others. All friends are invited. A collection will be taken up for the library.

Any persons who are looking forward to entering the College next session, should make application to me early. I shall be glad to send circulars and answer enquiries.

W. H. WARRINER, Sec.
7 Shuter St., Montreal, March 12th, 1892.