

provoked an interesting discussion, in which the Revs. Johnston, Livingstone, Hyde and Mr. Ashdown took prominent parts. After partaking of the excellent tea provided for the association by the ladies of Zion Church the programme of the evening was proceeded with, in which the first item was the passing of a resolution memorializing the Ontario Government against the passage of the Ryerson bill for the abolition of the exemption of churches from taxation, if for no other reason on the ground of its partial character. The choir of the church rendered the anthem "Light of the World" in good style. Miss Morgan thrilled every heart with her solo, "The Last Milestone," and "Lo, My Shepherd is Divine," rendered in quartette by Misses Starr and Chorley and Messrs. Basey and Hynds, fully sustained the musical part of the programme. Two excellent addresses were delivered by the Rev. J. W. Goffin, Edgar, on the pulpit and the pew, and the Rev. N. Harris, Stouffville, on the subject of revivals.

The next meeting of the association will be in the Town of Stouffville on April 9. The Rev. Dr. Sims will preach at 10.30 a.m. In the afternoon papers will be read by Revs. J. P. Gerrie, B.A., and C. Duff, and discussed by the Association. In the evening addresses will be delivered by Revs. E. O. Grisbrook of Barrie, and S. Nicholls of Toronto, and Mr. J. C. Copp. Besides the above programme important matters of business may be looked for. We trust that this meeting outside the city will not be overlooked, but that it will in every respect command the interest hitherto manifested in the Association. The last meeting was one of great importance, not only owing to the resolutions passed but to the excellent spirit, influence and attendance of the evening gathering.

Our Stouffville friends are now having a season of special services: the Rev. Mr. Main is assisting the Rev. N. Harris, and in connection with the other churches and ministers of the town, a general revival is taking place. We expect, therefore, to visit a living church and town; and receive, as well as impart, good. In spite of some drawbacks, the meetings of this Association are doing good by way of unifying and strengthening the denomination in both country and city; and it will do even greater good if its friends will but have faith in God and one another, and go forward.

C. D.

KINGSTON FIRST.—The annual social meeting of the church and congregation was held on 14th February, and was largely attended. The ladies provided the refreshments; and a very pleasant and profitable evening was spent. The pastor, Dr. Jackson, the Rev. Mr. Shore, of Calvary Church, and Col. Twitchell, American Consul, gave addresses. The Rev. Mr. Black of Bethel Church

was prevented from being present by a marriage. Musical selections with songs and recitations greatly added to the interest of the programme. The annual reports were given, by the pastor in behalf of the church and congregation; Mr. James Hendry for the Sunday School; Mrs. Twitchell from the Ladies' Association; Mr. S. Hollister Jackson of the Y.P.S.C.E., and Miss Savage of the Mission Band.

The musical service of the church has been greatly improved by the choir under the able management of Mr. Arthur E. Fisher, Mus. Bac., A. C.O., the organist and leader. The influence of this has been felt by an increased attendance, especially at the evening service. The congregation however had suffered most serious losses during the year by deaths, and removals from the city.

The number added to the church fellowship was eight, two by letters and six on profession. Nine had been removed; four by death, four by letters, and one on revision of the roll; leaving the membership at the end of the year one hundred and forty-seven (147). The total income for the year 1893, aside from the building fund, was \$3,558, which equally met the expenditure. The Ladies' Association have the honor of making the first payment on the debt of \$3,800 incurred by rebuilding. All the societies in connection with the church are in a healthy and active condition; and unless all signs fail, the year entered upon will be one of the most successful in the history of the church.

The Sunday School Festival was held on the evening succeeding that of the church social; and the commodious Congregational Hall was packed with the children and their friends. Great pains had been taken by the officers and teachers to give a most enjoyable evening's entertainment; and in this they were most successful.

GRANBY, QUE.—The question has been asked, and naturally too, 'What has become of Granby Church?' It is at present feasting upon spiritual things under the pastorate of Rev. B. W. Day. During the summer months the pulpit was very acceptably supplied by student F. Day; when in November our present pastor came among us. The annual meeting was held at the usual time, in January, and was by no means discouraging as to results, notwithstanding there was a small deficit in report of finances. The different societies in connection with the church reported; all somewhat in advance of the previous year.

The Y. P. S. C. E. is gradually increasing in interest and attendance. An industrial branch, called the "C. E. Helpers" has been organized. They already have a membership of thirty young ladies, and are working with great prospects in