

Missionary Board, the Ladies' Association, Young Ladies' Missionary Society, Society of Christian Endeavor, Young Men's Association, and the Finance Committee. The total income from all sources for the year, was \$5,518, and all liabilities were met. The small balance of mortgage on the church is \$6,500, while \$1,500 towards a new building is in the hands of the Young Men's Association and the Sunday-school. The pastor and a number of the members, and Rev. T. Hall gave short, encouraging addresses, after which all present partook of refreshments provided by the ladies, and one of the most delightful meetings it has been our privilege to enjoy was brought to a close. T. H.

TORONTO, MOUNT ZION.—The Mount Zion Congregational church, Broadview Avenue, has invited the dismissed members of the Western church to a social gathering to be held for the purpose of expressing their Christian sympathy with them in their recent troubles. The dismissed have signified their pleasure at, and appreciation of this kindness by accepting the same.

SOUTH CALEDON and Church Hill have secured a pastor. The Rev. W. MacCormack; who has kindly offered to take charge of this field as a missionary for one year, and try and build up the Church. It was so run down that we had decided to close the doors and go in with some other denomination. But God's ways are not our ways. May God's blessing rest upon his labors.

BRANTFORD.—The resignation of the pastor, Rev. George Fuller, has been accepted by the church, and Mr. Fuller, whose health is in a very unsatisfactory condition, is at present in the United States. We hope that this important church, which has always been a leading one in the denomination, will not be long without a pastor.

PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE, MAN.—Pilgrim Congregational Church Sunday School is in need of a library. If any of the sister schools have one whose usefulness has ceased to them, our children would be glad to receive it. Yours truly.

W. B. UNSWORTH, Sec.

LONDON.—We understand that Rev. H. D. Hunter, M.A., pastor of the London church, has received an invitation from an important church in the United States. We are not informed whether Mr. Hunter has yet reached a decision on the question.

GUELPH.—Rev. Robert Aylward, of Cobourg, has been invited by the Guelph Church to become their pastor. Mr. Aylward will probably accept the call.

WESTERN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

*To the Officers and Members of the
Congregational Church, Toronto.*

DEAR BRETHREN :

Whereas a petition, a copy of which is hereto attached, has by us been presented to the officers and members of the Western Congregational Church, Toronto, requesting them to call a mutual council of the Congregational Churches in the city of Toronto, for the purposes and in the manner set forth in clause numbered three in said petition.

And whereas the officers of the said the Western Congregational Church, without bringing the matter before the said Church at a business meeting thereof, have refused to call together the said mutual council, or to in any way recognize the rights of your petitioners as members of the said Western Congregational Church.

Now, therefore, in accordance with clause numbered three of said petition, we, the petitioners, whose names are thereunto subscribed, do hereby request that the "ex parte" council therein referred to, be called and convened as speedily as conveniently may be.

Will you, therefore, together with all the Congregational Churches in the city of Toronto—save and except the Western Congregational Church, which has refused to co-operate with us in this matter—kindly arrange for and send delegates to the said "ex parte" council in accordance with clause number three of said petition.

It is very desirable that the said council should hold its session or sessions in the evening and that a central locality shall be selected for the same.

Copies hereof have been sent to the Northern, Zion, Yorkville, Bond Street, Mount Zion and Parkdale Churches.

Any communication or communications with reference to the matter may be addressed to Mr. R. H. Flint, No. 50 Beverley Street, Toronto.

We trust that you will give this matter your early and careful consideration.

Toronto, Oct. 29th, 1889.

To the Officers and Members of the Western Congregational Church, Toronto :—

DEAR BRETHREN :—

The petition of the Undersigned respectfully sheweth,

1. That the greater number of your petitioners are members of the aforesaid Western Congregational Church, whose names have been irregularly, illegally and unjustifiably removed from the membership roll of the said the Western Congregational Church, and others of your petitioners are members in good and regular standing of said Church, who, although not having been thus dealt with, concur in and approve of the course of action now about to be taken.

2. That those of your petitioners who have severally and individually received epistles purporting to be letters of dismissal from the said Church, contend that, despite of and notwithstanding the communications so received by them as aforesaid, they are still members of the said Church in good and regular standing, inasmuch as the action taken to dismiss them from said membership was and is irregular, unjustifiable and illegal, having no basis nor precedent either in equity or in Congregational Church polity.

3. That this petition is presented in accordance with a resolution adopted at a meeting of your petitioners, held