

length arisen. It has been comfortably fitted for the reception of pupils, and we can recommend the school for young women to all those who desire to give their daughters the advantages of a higher education.

Your Committee are glad to learn that in all the departments, a good degree of proficiency has been attained during the past year. There have been 70 in attendance at the College, about the same number in the Male Academy, and 60 at the Ladies' Seminary. The studies in these departments have been successfully pursued. Classes in Theology have been instructed, and the professors feel that more effort should be made to call the attention of the young men to this department?

In conclusion, your Committee would express regret that some officer of the Institutions is not present at this Association. It seems to us that, in order to keep the bond closely interwoven between the Institutions and the people, there should always be a representative at our denominational gatherings.

D. A. STEELE, *Chairman.*

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Report of Committee on Missions.

Your Committee on Missions beg to report their deep sense of our responsibility as a denomination in this regard: whatever success may have crowned our efforts hitherto, it is not yet time to stay our hand. From the day of Pentecost down through the centuries, the Baptist Church has been fired by missionary enthusiasm, and she has been weak or mighty in proportion as this sacred flame has burned dimly or brightly:—in other words Christ has to a large extent committed the propagation of the Gospel to His people, and the results have ever been proportioned to their efforts. His Word does not return unto Him void.

By a remarkable chain of Providences, God has led us to occupy the land of the Teloogos, a people without God, perishing in their idolatry. He has given us as missionaries, young men and women who grew up in our homes, were led to Jesus by the influences operating in our churches, and whose missionary zeal developed in, and by means of the religious atmosphere surrounding them. The offspring and representatives of our churches, their success or failure, their joy or sorrow is ours by the tenderest of sympathies. Hence our delight that God has shown them so much honor. Even during the first years of their labor, already schools have been gathered, extensive fields of labor surveyed, the most promising points of attack noted, and some souls won to Christ.

But now the sad tidings come that our dear sister Armstrong has been prostrated by disease, and that Bro. Armstrong must accompany her home. All of the many who love these highly honored