

Donations of documents on the Preservation of Public Morals, &c., from Mr. Linton, of Perth, and a pamphlet of great value, entitled "Sunday Theatres, Sacred Concerts, and Beer Gardens," from the Sabbath Committee of New York, have been received and duly acknowledged. The very interesting Twenty-Ninth Annual Report of the Society for Promoting the Due Observance of the Lord's Day has also been received, with another valuable paper from its esteemed Secretary.

A letter was addressed to the Mayor early in the year, representing violations of the Sabbath still occurring from idle boys loitering about the streets, &c., and requesting that the police might put a stop to such violations.

A memorial by the committee was transmitted to the Commander of the Forces, Lieut.-General Sir W. F. Williams, concerning the desecration of the Sabbath by a company of the Royal Canadian Rifles embarking at Kingston for Toronto on the Lord's Day, and respectfully urging upon His Excellency that in future no embarkation of troops should be permitted upon the Sabbath, except necessitated by the exigencies of the public service. To this memorial a prompt and very gratifying reply was received from the Military Secretary, stating that "had His Excellency been aware he would not have permitted the embarkation to have taken place, nor will he permit it to occur again unless the exigencies of the service should require it."

An important and propitious event has occurred this year—the visit of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales to this Province and the neighboring Republic. It was determined by the Committee that a loyal and affectionate Address should be presented to him. This was done at Toronto at the Prince's levee, 8th September, by the Secretary, delegated by the Committee to perform that honorable and pleasing duty; and that officer should be doing violence to his own feelings if he did not bear his humble testimony to the peculiar gentleness, dignity and courteousness of deportment of "Britain's hope," which cannot fail to win all hearts. May he be "blessed with all spiritual blessings in heavenly things in Christ Jesus." The thanks of His Royal Highness were conveyed to the President by letter from the Duke of Newcastle.

A friendly correspondence has been resumed with the Secretary of the Lord's Day Observance Society of London, which it is hoped will be a source of pleasure and profit to both institutions. A letter of sympathy has also been addressed to the Secretary of the Sabbath Alliance at Geelong, Victoria, expressing a desire to correspond, which we hope will in due time meet with a favorable response.

The fact that his Honor Judge Mackenzie has caused the proclamation of Her Gracious Majesty Queen Victoria, with reference to the proper observance of the Sabbath, to be read in this city at the opening of the Quarter Sessions, ought not to be overlooked by us. It seems strange that this admirable production should not have appeared in the Government