

dom." This was discussed at considerable length.

The Rev. Enoch Barker gave notice that at the next meeting of the Association, he would present a resolution on "The Proper Work of the Association."

At 7.30 p.m. the Association met with the Church, the pastor, Rev. W. H. Allworth, in the chair. After the opening exercises, brief, pointed and pithy addresses were delivered by Rev. J. Wood on "*Be not weary in well-doing*;" Rev. W. H. Claris, "*Sowing and Reaping*;" Rev. M. D. Archer, "*Our Adoption*;" Rev. Wm. Hay, who had just celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of his settlement in Scotland (and of his connection with the Association also), spoke of the "*Lessons of Experience*;" Rev. E. J. Robinson, "*Praying without ceasing*;" Rev. T. Pullar, "*Barnabas, his character and work*;" Rev. W. H. Hen deBourek, "*Working for the Lord*."

After a vote of thanks to the friends in Paris, who kindly entertained the brethren and one sister, one of the best meetings of the Western Association of Ministers and Churches was brought to an end by singing and prayer.

The weather was very fine—a halcyon day—between the spells of rain. The attendance bore testimony to the lively appreciation the brethren have of the Association. All were present with a few exceptions, and some of these excused themselves officially. Bro. Salmon was engaged in a sacred and solemn duty. Brother Needham, having notified the pastor of Paris of his coming, was prevented by indisposition from carrying out his purpose. If we were to speak for ourselves, we would say every gathering becomes more precious—we cannot afford to lose one. Their memory is blessed. "Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!"

J. A. R. DICKSON,
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Toronto, 18th Oct., 1872.

MISSIONARY MEETINGS, E. D.—Rev. John Brown, of Lanark, writes:—At the call of the Local Secretary of this district, I visited, during the early part of this month, the churches at Cobourg, Coldsprings and Bellerive. The pro-

gramme required me to preach at Cobourg twice, on Sabbath, Oct. 7th, and hold missionary meetings on Monday evening; and on the two following evenings, at the other places named. These appointments I succeeded in filling, and, notwithstanding some hindrances, caused by the unpropitious weather and failures to secure, in some instances, local help to advocate the cause of missions, I felt that all these meetings were attended with a degree of success, at once gratifying for the present and hopeful for the future. At each of these places a collection was taken, and arrangements made for obtaining subscriptions, which may, in a month hence, be reported by another pen, seem amply justifying this hope.

MISSIONARY MEETINGS, C. D.—The deputation appointed to visit the churches at Newmarket, Rugby, Oro and Vespra, consisted of Revs. Messrs. Reikie and Jackson. They were accompanied and greatly assisted by the Rev. Mr. Manchec, late of England. The churches were visited and addressed on the evenings of the 21st, 22nd, 23rd and 24th of October. The following is a brief report of the meetings:—

NEWMARKET.—The pulpit here is supplied by the Rev. Alexander Shand, M.D., LL.B., who presided over the meeting. The attendance was very good. Most acceptable, fraternal and able assistance was rendered by the Revs. Messrs. Cusson and Bruce, the Methodist and Presbyterian ministers of the town. A collection was taken up, which amounted to \$4. Mesdames Bogart and Botsford, and Misses Cargill and Millard, were appointed to solicit subscriptions for the society, and their report will soon be made. Altogether the meeting at Newmarket was a good one.

RUGBY.—The pastor met the deputation at Orillia, and brought them to share the generous hospitality of his house. The meeting in the evening was not large. The people here don't seem to be "great" on going out at night. There were two leading reasons preventing many from being present who otherwise would have been there:—the absence of the light of the "parish lantern" for