

STATE OF THE ACC'TS. NOV. 1, 1886.

EASTERN SECTION.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Receipts to Nov. 1st, 1886		\$5051.10
Balance due Treas. May 1st, 1886	\$ 710.04	
Expenditure to Nov. 1st, "	5134.46	5854.10

Balance due Treas. Nov. 1st, 1886 \$ 303.00

DAVSRING AND MISSION SCHOOLS.

Receipts to Nov. 1st, 1886		\$ 415.86
Balance due Treas. May 1st, 1886	\$1310.50	
Expenditure to Nov. 1st, "	1220.18	2530.77

Balance due Treasurer Nov. 1st 1886 \$2114.91

HOME MISSIONS.

Balance on hand May 1st, '86	\$ 32.05	
Receipts to Nov. 1st, 1886	1851.83	\$1833.88
Expenditure " " "		1934.04

Balance due Treasurer Nov. 1st 1886 \$ 50.16

AUGMENTATION FUND.

Balance on hand May 1st 1886	\$4740.79	
Receipts to Nov. 1st, "	738.59	5479.38
Expenditure " " "		1693.34

Balance on hand Nov. 1st, 1886 \$3586.04

COLLECTORS.

Receipts to Nov. 1st, 1886		\$4509.01
Balance due Treas. May 1st, 1886	\$7447.08	
Expenditure to Nov. 1st, 1886	5620.41	13076.49

Balance due Treasurer Nov. 1st, 1886 \$8507.48

COLLECT BURSARY.

Receipts to Nov. 1st, 1886	\$ 57.75	
Balance due Treas. May 1st, 1886		300.47

Balance due Treas. Nov. 1st, 1886 \$ 302.72

AGED AND INFIRM MINISTER'S FUND.

Balance on hand May 1st, 1886	\$ 713.02	
Receipts to Nov. 1st, 1886	385.14	1098.76
Expenditure to " " "		1015.03

Balance on hand Nov. 1st, 1886 \$ 83.73

FAREWELL MISSIONARY MEETING IN TRURO.

On Tuesday evening, Nov. 16th, a very pleasant meeting under the auspices of the W. F. M. S., Truro, was held in the hall of the First Presbyterian Church. The occasion was the departure of Miss Minnie Archibald of Truro, who goes as a teacher to Couva, Trinidad. Mr. J. F. Dustan presided. Messrs. T. Cummings, Isaac Baird, J. F. Blanchard, and E. Scott, took part in the exercises. A letter was read from Dr. McCulloch expressing his regret that through illness he could not be present, and his best wishes and prayers for a blessing on the teacher and her work. Mrs. Gunn gave Miss Archibald an address from the W. F. M. S. Mr. McKay gave her an address from the "Light Bearer's" Mission Band, while two little girls of the Band presented her with a pretty auto-

graph quilt. Mr. H. Tupper spoke on behalf of the Sabbath School of which she had long been a pupil and teacher. Mr. C. P. Blanchard, on Miss Archibald's behalf, returned her thanks for the kindly expressions and tokens of good will. The meeting was most interesting. She will go to her field all the more encouraged and cheered by the thought that so many are following her with prayers for her success, while the interest of those at home will be deepened, and their zeal for the work increased by having in the field one from among themselves.

The year with its opportunities is drawing to a close. What use have we made of it? Are we better and holier than when the year began, living nearer to Christ and growing more like Him? We are nearer Eternity. If Christians we are nearer heaven. Have we grown in fitness for that blessed place? Has character grown during the past year? Has it been moulded more after the image of Christ? Is there more of His spirit; more of patience, more of meekness, more of humility, more of earnest seeking after holiness in heart and life, more of pity for the perishing, more of earnest and self denying effort to save them? Men, women, and children get their photographs taken from time to time to mark the changes in growth, in appearance. What changes would our spiritual photographs shew for the past year? What increase in stature of character? What growing likeness to the true ideal of the perfect man in Christ Jesus?

The year with its opportunities of making others better is drawing to a close. How much better is the world for our having lived in it during the past year. How many have been influenced by us to lead better lives. How many sad hearts have we helped to comfort? How many rough, thorny, paths have we helped to make smooth? How many burdens in life have we lightened? How many hungry ones have we fed? How many naked have we helped to clothe? How many erring ones have we helped to guide into the straight and narrow way? How much better are we for having lived another year? How much better is the world for our having lived in it during another year?

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