

The St. John Christian says that, "Bro. H. Murray reports a good interest in Halifax, N. S. The brethren are looking for a site to build on."

Friends tried and true are falling on every hand. One very dear was John B. Wallace, of whose death Bro. Ford kindly informed us. We well remember when first we saw him, a blooming boy on a visit home from teaching in a neighboring settlement. He was eagerly asking his father's opinion on Bible questions which had been put to himself so that the cause of truth might not suffer at his hands. His honest anxiety to know and skillfully handle the word of truth kindled a feeling for him that only deepened on further acquaintance. It was in the midst of his family we last saw him, when a son had just started on the "narrow way" and a cheerful daughter was near home. That visit and our intercourse will not easily be forgotten. It was good to be with him anywhere, but there was no place like home. We learned that Bro. Wallace and family felt Edith's death very severely. We could not see how it could be otherwise. And this stroke, unexpected as it was, must fall on Sister Wallace and children with crushing weight. May her Husband and their Father be all in all to them in this time of need.—St. John Christian.

Programme for the Annual Meeting.

BOWMANVILLE, JUNE 2ND TO 6TH, 1892.
Thursday, June 2nd.

8 p.m.—Devotional Exercises; Appointment of Committees on Enrollment and Order of Business; Social Meeting.

7.30 p.m.—Song service.

8 p.m.—Preaching, Z. T. Sweeney.

Friday, June 3rd.

9 a.m.—Devotional Exercises.

9.30 to 11 a.m.—President's Address; Report of Board; Reports of Standing Committees, Education, Statistics, Obituaries.

11 to 12 a.m.—Address:—"The Prayer Meeting."—A. W. Conner; Discussion.

1.30 to 3 p.m.—Public Session of Ontario Christian Woman's Board of Missions.

3 to 4 p.m.—Address:—"Young People's Work."—E. B. Barnes; Discussion.

4 to 5.30 p.m.—Consideration of Reports of Committees; New Business. 8 p.m.—Lecture by Z. T. Sweeney; Subject, "Going up to Jerusalem."

Saturday, June 4th.

9 a.m.—Devotional Exercises.

9.30 to 10 a.m.—Business Session.

10 to 11 a.m.—Address:—"Our Attitude towards the Denominations."—T. L. Fowler; Discussion.

11 to 12 a.m.—Address:—"Church Finances;" Discussion.

1.30 to 4 p.m.—Sunday School Work.

(1) Annual Sunday School Report.

(2) "The Use and Abuse of Sunday School Helps."—A. O. Gray.

(3) "Opened doors."—Miss Clara Reid.

(4) "The Teacher's Opportunity."—Mrs. Wm. Angle.

(5) Question Drawer—James Lediard.

4 to 5.30 p.m.—Treasurer's Report and Unfinished Business.

7.30 p.m.—Song Service.

8 p.m.—Sermon by Z. T. Sweeney.

Sunday, June 5th.

9.45 a.m.—Young People's Meeting.

11 a.m.—Preaching—Z. T. Sweeney.

8 p.m.—Preaching and the Lord's Supper.

7.30 p.m.—Preaching—Z. T. Sweeney.

Monday, June 6th.

9 a.m.—Devotional Exercises.

9.30 a.m.—Unfinished Business; Social Meeting; Adjournment.

Church News.

St. Thomas.—The church building is being beautifully frescoed.

ERIN CENTRE, May 9.—One young man made the good confession yesterday morning.

ACTON, May 11th.—Another young man made the good confession to-night and will be baptized Sunday night. W. G. CHARLTON.

LONDON, May 9.—Six more have confessed the Saviour and have acknowledged his authority in the ordinance of baptism. T. L. FOWLER.

AYLMER, May 9.—We began a protracted meeting yesterday; Bro. E. R. Black is the preacher. All are highly pleased with his words. We expect to have a grand, good meeting. J. D. STEPHENS.

PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE.—An item of church news, informing us of the re-engagement of Bro. A. H. Finch at Portage la Prairie, has, we regret to say, been mislaid, or lost in the mails. We hope to have particulars for next issue.

MIMOSA, May 9.—The Sunday school here has begun under very favorable circumstances. As at Everton so here the special collection was announced and the amount received was a pleasant surprise, \$19.50, making a total for the year of \$40 as against \$9.18 last year. P. B.

WALKERTON.—On Sunday, May 1st, I changed appointments with Bro. George Fowler of Guelph. Our brethren at Walkerton were well pleased and highly edified by his scriptural and well-delivered discourses. I was glad to learn that Bro. Fowler is well appreciated in Guelph. E. S.

EVERTON, May 9.—Sunday school has started off very nicely. Success is ours with Bro. H. Black at the head. May collection was announced and taken in due time. Amount raised \$64.05. We will contribute this year for Home Missions over \$200; for Foreign over \$100; and the sisters in their work \$35; a total of not less than \$350. P. B.

LENNEX.—The first public entertainment given by the Children's Mission Band of "Little Gleaners" took place on Tuesday evening, 3rd May.

The whole programme was arranged with the object in view of keeping the missionary idea before the mind of the people; we wanted to let the grown-up people know what the children are doing.

The house was well filled, and a collection of \$6.85 was taken up in aid of the children's work. Altogether they have raised over \$11.00 since last October. We have been using the mite-boxes for a couple of months and a couple of dollars extra realized from this source, thus showing that pennies saved make the dollars. B. S.

ACTON, May 9.—Our hearts were made glad last night because of two young men making the "good confession" before a goodly number of witnesses. Baptisms Wednesday evening. More expected soon. We are prospering. Everybody active and in earnest. We are gaining a little all the time and by faithful continuance in well-doing look forward to victory. Brethren, you do not know Acton's position and great needs. "The effectual, fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much." We are unceasing in our petitions. Will you not join

hands and hearts with us? Our collection for Foreign Missions was \$12.00 and for Home Missions \$9.00, beside which we added forty-two beautiful volumes to our Sunday school library. This is my first report for Acton but we have not been sleeping. I hope to have other favorable reports to make soon. W. G. CHARLTON.

Co-operation Notes.

CONTRIBUTIONS.	
A Brother.....	\$200 00
J. E. Farwell.....	25 00
James Lediard.....	5 00
Mrs. F. McMillan.....	1 00
Mrs. James Lediard.....	5 00
J. M. Hyatt.....	5 00
Mrs. O. McDonald.....	5 00
Miss Aenath Way.....	5 00

THE MAY COLLECTION.	
Church, St. Thomas.....	\$28 85
" Acton.....	8 00
" Walkerton.....	9 00
" Erin Centre.....	39 18
" Erin Village.....	18 77
" Toronto (Cecil St.).....	17 50
" Walkerton.....	11 40
" Mimosa.....	19 50
" Everton.....	64 05
" Guelph.....	10 45
" Orangeville.....	8 15
" Collingwood.....	7 50
" Aylmer.....	13 00
Y.P.S.C.E., Guelph.....	5 00
Church, Blenheim.....	2 50
" Stayner.....	7 47
" Welland.....	11 00
" Georgetown.....	2 00
" Aurora.....	10 00
S. S., St. Thomas.....	1 02

The Board is thankful for the response to the appeal for a special collection in May and takes it as an evidence of the confidence of the Disciples in the work supported by the Co-operation.

No doubt other churches will yet be heard from. The envelopes distributed allow the brethren to put their offerings for Home Missions on the plate from Sunday to Sunday without interfering with the regular collection.

It will be noticed that one brother is reported as giving \$200 for Home Missions. He prefers that his name should not be published and of course we defer to his wish. May we not present his example to our wealthy brethren as one worthy of imitation? The rich as well as others should give according to their ability.

A pleasing feature of this collection is that the Y.P.S.C.E., of Guelph, and the S. S., St. Thomas, have sent contributions, although no appeal was made to such societies at this time. It is the second offering for the St. Thomas S. S. this year. These spontaneous gifts are much appreciated.

The Board does not desire to seem to be pressing the friends of the work above measure, but it really is a matter of urgency that all unpaid subscriptions should be paid now. We are sure our friends will understand us and acquit us of the charge of being domineering or disagreeable.

A goodly number of brethren and sisters who usually aid the Co-operation have not yet done so this year. We would remind them that the obligations of the Co-operation are greater this year than ever before, and therefore the Home Mission work appeals more strongly than ever to their liberality.

Send all contributions to the Corresponding Secretary, Geo. Munro, Erin, Ont.

All contributing churches are entitled to send two delegates to the Annual Meeting, and contributing Sunday schools one delegate. We trust that all such will be fully represented. Geo. Munro, Cor. Sec.

By the Way.

WELLAND.—The work here was never in a better condition, from several points of view. The writer spoke for the brethren on May 1st and 8th. Special services commenced on the 11th. The church is losing three families by removal.

TONAWANDA, N. Y.—There are two churches in this place, and on Monday, 9th inst., work was started at Gratiwick, two miles from town. On Wednesday evening, 4th, Bro. Fannon baptized Mr. Morse who was the Methodist minister at this place, and now Bro. Morse is going to preach for the Disciples, so meetings were started at once. Our position was no new idea to Bro. Morse, but he had never met any people who advocated them, nor had he heard of them, till he met some of them in Tonawanda. He is an earnest man with force of character, who speaks in no uncertain sounds. The Tonawanda church will stand by the work. There are several prominent ex-Canadians in this town. Canada is large, but does not seem to have the holding power.

SUSPENSION BRIDGE, N. Y.—Bro. Geo. O. Black is doing an excellent work here. We should have him in Canada. Two families from Welland are likely to join this congregation. The Canadian churches in the Niagara district seem to be feeders to the churches of New York State.

The following from the *Welland Tribune* will be good news to many:—

INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE.—The Disciples of Christ have engaged the Gospel hall on Courtwright street for a series of evangelistic services, to commence on Tuesday evening, May 10th. Song service at 7.30 and preaching at 8 o'clock. All are cordially invited to attend.

John Hall has completed the re-novating of the Gospel hall on Courtwright street, and it was opened last Thursday evening by a prayer service, which is to be continued regularly every Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. On Sunday morning a Sabbath school was commenced at 9.30 o'clock, which will be continued regularly at that hour.

The people of Buffalo are going to aid in this work, also Bro. R. B. Ray of Wainfleet and Bro. G. D. Weaver of Hamilton.

WAINFLEET.—Five confessions in the meeting at this place up to May 6th. Bro. Ray is continuing the meetings with good interest. He has done a grand work with this church. Few churches in the Province are doing more work this year than this church is cheerfully doing. D. MUNRO.

Educational.

The Committee on Education desires the students (Disciples, and studying for the ministry) who will be in attendance at Toronto University next October, and also any (preachers and others not in attendance at the University) who will attend the courses of lectures proposed to be given during the next academic year, to write before June 1st, 1892, to

JOHN MUNRO,
West Toronto Junction.

To the boys.—We want a smart, live boy, in every city, town and village in the Dominion to sell *Grip* for us every week in the year. There is money in it for such a boy, and the work can be done after school or on Saturday morning. It doesn't cost a cent to start, and if you make it go your sales furnish the capital. Write to the Grip Printing and Publishing Co. for particulars. Older readers can send us the name of a good boy and get *Grip* free.

Reduced Rates on Railways to Bowmanville.

We may safely leave it to our friends to select the best route to Bowmanville from respective homes. Bowmanville is on the Grand Trunk Railway, about forty-two miles east of Toronto. The Board of Managers of the Co-operation has made arrangements for reduced rates on the railways. If there be from fifty to 200 delegates, they will be returned for one-third single fare; if there be 300 delegates or over, they will be returned free. To secure the reduced rate the delegate must pay full fare on the way to Bowmanville, tell the agent he is going to the Disciples' Convention at Bowmanville, and ask the agent to give him a certificate stating that he has paid full fare one way. When this certificate is properly filled in and signed by the Secretary at the Convention the holder of it will be entitled to purchase a ticket at the Bowmanville station at the reduced rate. "No refund of fare will be made on any account whatever, because of failure of the delegates to obtain certificates or to observe the requirements of same." Those travelling over two or more railways will require to procure a certificate for each railway, in other words, with every ticket bought on the way to the meeting. "Certificates procured from the agent at starting point more than three (3) days prior to commencement of meeting or committee meeting (if any), and certificates presented more than three (3) days after date of close of meeting will not be honored for tickets for return trip." To accommodate the sisters it has been arranged to have the meeting date June 1st to 6th. So that the sisters may leave home three days prior to June 1st, and have the benefit of the reduced rates. By attending to the points here noted, delegates will have no trouble so far as reduced rates are concerned.

Obituaries.

STEVANSON.—At her home, 51 McKenzie Ave., Toronto, April 20th, 1892, Mrs. Martha J. Stevenson, wife of Wm. Stevenson, at the age of thirty-two years, eleven months and twenty days, after a protracted illness, passed peacefully away. Her body was taken to Aurora for interment. Sister Stevenson became a Disciple when fifteen years of age, and was married three years later. Until about two years ago she lived in Aurora; since leaving Aurora she has attended the church at Toronto Junction. In her death Bro. Stevenson has lost an industrious, faithful and loving wife, and her children (a daughter and two sons), a kind and indulgent mother. J. M.

The Annual Meeting.

BOWMANVILLE'S INVITATION.

We extend a cordial invitation to all our brethren and sisters to be present at the June meeting held with this church from Thursday, June 2, till Monday, the 6th. Persons west of Toronto will take the G. T. R. from that city; arriving here you will take any of the hacks in waiting and proceed to the church, where you will be received and assigned homes during your stay. Will all who intend coming kindly send me their names as soon as possible! E. B. BARNES.
Bowmanville, Ont.

Books.

Don't you want to read some of the good books that have been written of late by leading Disciples? Send to us for them and save yourself fifteen per cent. duty.