

The membership numbers 526 ; of these 142 were added during the past summer. The financial statement is as follows :

Total contributions from the fields	\$2,176.68
Total expense of the fields	3,369.61
Total cost to the Society	1,075.91
The Society's revenues from all sources	3,546.41

Old members of the Society will be glad to read so gratifying a report. It is still more gratifying to know that the Society is undertaking even greater things for the coming year. So hopeful is the outlook that already twenty-one appointments have been made, and three other fields are under consideration. In all probability, therefore, twenty-four fields in Ontario and the North-West, will be supplied by the Society's missionaries during the coming summer. Following is the list of appointments: North-West, and for six months;—J. F. Scott, to Carsdale; J. McNair, to Longlaketon; D. Spear, to Arizona; W. S. Heron, to Maskada; A. E. Hannahson, to Kinistino; H. S. McKitrick to Brookdale. In Ontario, and for six months:—P. McNab, to Buxton; J. D. Jeffrey to Warren; G. Loughheed, to Loring; W. Black, to Bethune; C. T. Tough, to Black River. In Ontario and for four months:—A. E. Henry, to Goulais Bay; G. L. Johnston, to Kagawong; J. Menzies to Squaw Island; J. Borland, to Encampment; J. S. Muldrew, to Frank's Bay; J. S. Scott to White Fish; W. R. McIntosh, to Kent Bridge; W. J. West to French River; C. R. Williamson to Franklin; J. Cranston, to Chisholm.

Some of these go to their fields, without having had much experience in mission work. Sermon preparation and pastoral work, will exhaust their resources and test their fidelity. There will be worry and disappointment and fatigue. But they are all of the right quality, and will enter upon their work with the enthusiasm of youth, and the earnestness of Christian zeal. It will not be too much for them to expect the sympathy and encouragement of neighboring pastors; and those who will have no neighbors, and who in the back woods must act for themselves, will find in the Superintendents "guide, philosopher and friend." It is no slight undertaking for some of these youthful missionaries. How much they need wisdom and fidelity, and the grace of Christ, only those who have experienced the heart-sinkings of first failure know. Most of all do they need a lofty sense of the sacredness of their work. O how sad it is to see a mission field that has been starved for six months, committed to the charge of a vain and frivolous youth; "the hungry sheep look up, and are not fed." But these young missionaries will go out this spring, answering to the high call of God, and by His blessing they shall come again with rejoicing.

To manage the Society's business during the coming year, a good executive committee has been elected. Wm. Gauld was elected President by acclamation. Mr. Gauld will give considerable attention to the Society's work during the summer. First Vice-President, W. H. Johnston; Second Vice-President, H. S. McKitrick; Recording Secretary W. R. McIntosh; Corresponding Secretary, J. S. Scott; Treasurer, D. M. Martin; Sec. of Committees, J. Menzies; Councillors, N. D. McKinnon, J. S. Muldrew, J. G. McKechnie, W. J. West, J. Borland.