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DEAR

I have the honour to announce my appointment to the General Agency of the "Christian at Work Association" for this Province, and at the same time to ask for your active co-operation in the good cause, with the object of which I presume you to be already well acquainted.

The one at present claiming our attention is the vast amount of pernicious literature that, in the shape of weekly periodicals and magazines, as well as the thousands of vile novels, are like a flood overflowing our land, and we are sorry to be compelled to admit, is finding its way into nearly every Canadian home, even of those who profess the name of Jesus—ruining the morals of our sons, and associating our daughters with scenes of folly and the habits of vice, which in almost every instance is made as alluring as the author's ability will allow—the effects of which may be gathered from the able address of J. M. Talcott, of Providence, R. I., before the Y. M. C. A.'s convention at Poughkeepsie, N. Y., last July.

Mr. Talcott's twenty-six years of experience in connection with the reformatories and prison life make him an authority on the subject, and believing you to be deeply interested in this our common cause, we take the liberty to re-print it from the reports of the convention :