

Association; Mr. Smith, on behalf of the Ladies' Aid Society; Mr. Wickson, Treasurer of the Church. The report in regard to Tract Distribution being called for, the Pastor explained that Mr. Greey, the Superintendent, had been prevented through sickness from preparing and presenting his report.

These reports, as well as the Chairman's address, were received with marked approval by the audience, and were interspersed with musical selections by members of the choir, under the leadership of Mr. Thomas Norman, accompanied on the piano by Mr. John G. Lawson, Organist of the Church. These selections embraced a solo by Miss Macdonald, "The Three Calls;" a solo by Mrs. Greenfield, "Earth and Heaven;" a piano fantasia by Miss Searl; and two anthems by the Choir, "I will lift up mine eyes" and "*Nunc Dimittis*."

During the proceedings, an intermission was allowed for social intercourse which was generally improved. A very pleasant meeting was brought to a close by singing the hymn, commencing

"Abide with me, fast falls the eventide;
The darkness thickens; Lord, with me abide,"

announced by the Rev. J. T. Byrne, followed with prayer by the Rev. Dr. Shand.

The following are the reports presented, the Secretary's report being placed first, as it embraces an historical sketch of the Church, forming thus an introduction to the others:

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

This Church was organized on the 23rd November, 1834, and was composed of seventeen members, including the first Minister of the Church, the Rev. William Merrefield, late of Brampton, in Cumberland, England. Of these original members only one is now living, having continued in fellowship with the Church ever since. Mr. Merrefield was succeeded by the Rev. John Roaf, late of Wolverhampton, England, who arrived in Toronto, in October, 1837, and accepted the pastorate on the 29th March, 1838. This position he filled for over seventeen years, and was succeeded on the 29th May, 1856, by the Rev. Thomas Scales Ellerby, formerly pastor of the British and American Congregational Church at St.