

recently removing to his new charge, at once got ready to conduct me to the place of meeting; and, light in hand, soon led the way to it. We found a good company and the pastor of the church waiting our coming. We were thankful to get there. Our meeting and its results were satisfactory. I cannot soon forget the great kindness of Mr. Haigh, who added an invitation to partake of the hospitality of his house, which I readily accepted. Next morning he took me in his own carriage to the station, as the mail carrier could not give me a seat in his vehicle.

*March 10.*—Formed a new Branch at Mount Albert. Held the meeting in the Wesleyan church, and was assisted by the ministers of the church. A collection was taken up, and a committee appointed. I left, after the meeting, by private conveyance, for Newmarket, which I reached about two o'clock next morning. I have seldom travelled on a darker night, or through muddier roads. It was a dreary journey indeed, but I had to undertake it if I would fulfil a *promise* to preach in Guelph on the next Sabbath.

*March 13.*—The last meeting I attended was that of the Richmond Hill Branch, in the Wesleyan church. The minister of the church, and the Presbyterian minister, who is the Secretary of the society here, greatly aided me. The attendance was good, and the proceeds shew an increase of about 40 per cent.

I was to have attended at Thornhill on the 15th March, but it rained in torrents, and it was postponed. I must endeavour to overtake it early in the next Bible Society year. Scarboro' meeting was attended by the ministers of the place, and a remittance, equal to last year's, forwarded to Toronto. The excellent Secretary of this Branch is devoted to its welfare, and manages it with great prudence and efficiency.

Norval Branch was kindly attended for me by the Rev. Mr. Ball, and presents an advanced income of 50 per cent. A new Branch—through the influence of the Rev. Mr. Vicars, has been formed during the year at Keswick. One hundred dollars have been contributed by that princely man Mr. Dodge, in order to confer the distinction of life membership on the Rev. Mr. Vicars, of the Church of England, and upon the Rev. Mr. Miller, of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Mr. Vicars is anxious that I should visit this Branch when Mr. Dodge will be able to attend—a privilege which I hope, ere long, to enjoy.

I was enabled to take up collections at each meeting, although in some instances, there was a little objection. Some contribute at the public meetings who could not otherwise be reached. The length of this report prevents me from adding some general observations. This I may do in the pages of some future *Recorder*. Total increase, 35 per cent. over that of last year.

I am, gentlemen,

Very faithfully yours,

Toronto, January 13, 1872.

JOHN GEMLEY, Secretary.

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The subjoined communication, from the faithful and untiring missionary, the Rev. Mr. Bone, exhibits the important character of the work in which he is engaged. The labourer is favoured with unwonted facilities for distributing the Word of God, not only among the sailors passing through the canal, but the immigrant who is moving westward to his new home. The date of Mr. Bone's letter shows how long it has been in our possession, but the delay has been entirely unavoidable. We wish we could find space for more of the many articles sent us. We feel confident that Mr. Bone's facts will impress every mind that reads them.