

mated discussion followed the reading of the essays, which was participated in by a large number of the brethren.

The social, devotional and song services were much enjoyed, and formed a very conspicuous feature of the occasion.

On Lord's Day evening Bro. Gaff preached in the Baptist Church, and Bro. Bronshtuhl in the B. M. E. Church. The other churches of the town did not ask to have their pulpits filled. If they had, they could have been supplied with good preachers.

On Tuesday morning the young men present who have it in their hearts to become preachers of the Gospel were each called upon to make a few remarks. The number of them was probably a surprise to not a few in the meeting. There were R. W. Ballah, A. C. Gray, D. H. Stewart, Alex. McMillan, Amos Tovell, D. A. Sinclair, and D. Munro. These all made most speeches, and we are sure that all who saw and heard them must have felt proud and thankful that such a earnest, intelligent body of young men, giving such promise of ability as ready and effective speakers, is among us, and ready to give up the prospect of business or professional success that they may devote themselves to the work of the ministry. May the Lord bless them.

One of the most interesting discussions was on the motion to adopt the report of the Committee on Education. It was adopted, the President said, by the most hearty and most general vote of the entire convention. A copy of the report was given in last *Evangelist* we need but allude to its provisions here. There is good reason to hope that the Disciples throughout the Province will endorse and support the action of the Annual Meeting on this most important question. We have a first class University in Toronto, where all that is needed in the way of general education may be obtained. A competent man being procured to give special instruction in the Bible, our young men will not be going to the States to be educated.

The proposition to employ one of the ablest evangelists in the brotherhood for a length of time, with a view to his conducting series of meetings at central points met with great favor. In a few minutes \$868.00 of a guarantee fund was subscribed, the understanding being that the subscribers will be called upon whenever it is found impossible to raise the expenses of a meeting at the place where it is held. Additional subscriptions to this fund are solicited; those already received range from \$50.00 down to \$3.00. The Board hopes to be able to announce soon that one of the best preachers in America has been secured for this work.

All admired the new meeting-house in Owen Sound. We expect to have a picture of it for this number, and also a short description, so that those who were not there may have a good idea of its exterior and interior.

Many expressions of surprise were heard relative to the fine appearance and progressive character of the Town of Owen Sound. The trouble was most of the visitors had not time to "take in" all the sights. The next time the Annual Meeting is held in Owen Sound, it would be a grand scheme to charter one of the C.P.R. steamers for an afternoon; business would not need to be interrupted; a session might be held in the spacious cabin.

Owen Sound has excellent educa-

tional advantages. We presume the Public Schools are good. The Collegiate Institute is said to stand in the first class. Then there is the Northern Business College, of which our enterprising, indefatigable brother, C. A. Fleming, is the Principal. This is a well-equipped, well conducted, prosperous institution. Its motto is *Labor omnia vincit*, and everything and everybody about the establishment seems to indicate that the motto is not simply for ornament. Those of our people who want to give their sons a business education will do well to patronize the Northern Business College. Send to C. A. Fleming, Owen Sound, for a copy of the Announcement for 1890.

Sometimes we hear (though not so frequently as a few years ago), even from brethren, that the Disciples have no future in this country. To any of our own people who think or feel that way we would recommend attendance at one of our Annual Meetings. If the Disciples remain faithful to the pure, undiluted Gospel of Christ, and, with unswerving loyalty to the Master, push on his work, no question but the blessing of the Lord will rest upon them, and that, let us remember, is what insures a future to a people, and not ecclesiastical pomp and machinery, not present numbers and popular prestige. "Not by might nor by power: by my Spirit, saith the Lord."

It is feared that these notes will not be found complete and satisfactory, therefore: All we can say to our readers is, as some notices we have seen in certain stores read, "If you don't see what you want, ask for it." We shall give any information in our power with pleasure. It is highly proper and every way desirable that those who are interested in and supporting our Mission work should have full knowledge of everything pertaining to it. The *Evangelist* is at the service of the brethren and sisters for that which will further the work of the Lord in which they are engaged.

In and About Toronto.

Our Annual Meeting has come and gone; but it has left a great deal behind it—new acquaintances, stronger friendships, greater enthusiasm in the Master's work, and a stronger determination to do His will. We all looked forward to the meeting with large expectations, and I am sure our most sanguine hopes were more than fulfilled; in fact, participation was pleasanter than anticipation, an exception to the general rule. The enthusiasm aroused is not dead, nor yet dying, but is living and growing, and will continue to grow so long as it continues to exercise itself, and so long as it continues to feed upon such viands (material, intellectual, spiritual), as were served to it in Owen Sound.

While the Convention was the best (the verdict of many) we have held for sometime, it was not at all inferior to those of the other denominations, but on the contrary, so far as my experience goes, it surpassed them in many respects, e.g., in the order of business, and in the freedom and thoroughness of discussion; this, however, is what we would expect regarding discussion, for it is a peculiarity of ours to accept nothing simply because "Sir Oracle" proclaims it as truth. The man who is afraid of discussion is one who is not sure of his position, or one who is not willing to acknowledge his error if he be in error, hence does not wish his position brought to the light of day.

Then our Convention differs in its object from that of the Assembly, Conferences, etc., of other bodies. They

meet together to make, to revise, etc., "Confessions of Faith," "Disciplines," "Church Manuals," etc., to excommunicate heretics, to decide what is orthodox or heterodox and many allied questions; with such our Convention has nothing to do. We are thoroughly independent as congregations and are not in subjection to any council. The Baptists also claim to be independent congregationally, but that independence only exists so long as conformity to Baptist rules endures; let a congregation cease to believe "total depravity of man," "final perseverance," or "election," (i.e., unless you are of the elect you cannot believe) and it ceases to be a "regular Baptist" church. Not long since a church was refused admission into the Baptist Association because it did not conform to "Baptist usage" in one particular point.

The Baptist Association of the Toronto district, which includes a number of rural congregations, met in West Toronto Junction on the 17th June. The attendance was good, but the time, one day, was too short to permit of the questions being discussed. The resolution recommending the Dominion Government to pass a prohibitory measure, after evoking a warm discussion, passed almost unanimously.

In the evening Dr. Newman gave an address on "Christian Education." He spoke very highly of the Baptist institutions in Ontario, and advised Baptists to patronize said schools. He also spoke of McMaster University, which will open next fall; he endeavored to impress upon Baptists the necessity of supporting said university by sending their children to it instead of sending them to other institutions, such as Toronto. I felt sorry for the Doctor when he was making the appeal; he must have done it as a duty—an unpleasant duty, too.

It is bad enough to have a sectarian school in which to teach theology, but one in which to teach Arts is absurd, especially when we have such a university as Toronto. McMaster left a large sum of money, but not nearly large enough to endow and equip such an institution as our needs to day require. Many of the Baptists are aware of this fact, and they are also aware of the fact that McMaster will always be overshadowed by Toronto, so much so that the best of their young men will continue to attend Toronto. Why should a young man leave Toronto, which has a large staff of professors and four or five hundred students in the Arts course, and go to McMaster, which will perhaps have two or three professors and ten or twelve students? Because he is a Baptist, and therefore should patronize a Baptist school, no matter what its deficiencies; or because Dr. Newman, but I am glad to know that there are many among the Baptists who think otherwise.

Literary Notes.

TWELVE TONS OF TRACTS.—During a vacation in the summer and autumn of 1889, spent by J. K. Hastings in London, he issued an illustrated edition of H. L. Hastings' "Lecture on the Inspiration of the Bible," which required twelve tons of paper to print it, and numbered more than five hundred thousand copies. This is in addition to a previous circulation of a million of copies of the same lecture in about a dozen different translations, in every quarter of the globe. Copies of this tract may be obtained of H. L. Hastings at 47 Cornhill, Boston, at five cents each, and persons bothered with skeptical doubts will do well to send twenty-five cents for an assortment of his Anti Infidel tracts, and read them and distribute them.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT.—Following in the line of the large English

publishers who have opened Agencies to the United States comes the announcement that the Religious Tract Society of London are also about to establish a Depository in this country. Mr. Fleming H. Revell (New York and Chicago) has been appointed sole Agent for the Society, and will supply both the wholesale and retail trade from both points. The publications of the Religious Tract Society are by no means confined to "Tracts." On the other hand they are among the largest publishers in Great Britain of fine illustrated Gift Books, Works of Travel, Science, Healthy Fiction, and popular Juveniles, as well as most valuable Theological and Devotional Volumes. Owing to the somewhat conservative policy of this Society in the past, their valuable issues have not been known in this country except to a very limited extent, but in literary worth and attractive style of production, they are second to none.

Co-operation Notes.

Standing Committees for 1890

On Obituaries.

Edmund Sheppard, R. N. Wheeler.

On Missions.

James Lediard, Andrew Yule, M. N. Stephens, S. Woolner, Geo. E. Williams.

On Education.

D. W. Clendenen, Geo. Munro, F. W. Baughman, O. A. Fleming, John Munro.

On Statistics.

J. W. Kilgour, D. A. Sinclair, C. C. Pomeroy, D. Munro, J. B. Lister.

On Sunday Schools.

C. A. Fleming, J. R. Gaff, C. Sinclair, J. B. Lister, R. Windatt, E. S. Kilgour, Miss L. Whitehead, Miss Clara Reid, Miss Sarah B. Thomson, J. W. Kilgour, Rec. Sec.

A. C. Gray and D. H. Stewart proceeded from Owen Sound to Muskoka, where as before announced they will spend the summer preaching. J. D. Stephens will go up about the first of July.

Any churches that would like to have students with them during the vacation are invited to communicate with the Cor. Sec.

After the meeting of the Board, July 1st, there will be some interesting things to lay before the brethren in these notes.

Church News.

OWEN SOUND.—Bro. Jas. Lediard remained here to conduct special services after the close of the Annual Meeting. There have been splendid meetings, and nine altogether have confessed their faith in the Saviour. C. A. Fleming.

MOSS.—Our meeting here opened most auspiciously yesterday (June 16th). Large congregations. In the afternoon the house literally packed, and about 30 persons could not get in—a most solemnly attentive audience. Morning discourse from Rom. xii. 1-2; afternoon, Heb. iv. 7. I am to preach at a new point near "Inwood," in the Presbyterian meeting house, next week. E. SHEPPARD.

WALKERTON.—The following items were clipped from the Walkerton local press:—

"Last Sunday, May 13th, Elder Sheppard and Rev. C. E. Stafford, in their respective churches, discussed the question of recognition of friends in the Heavenly world. Both were able sermons, one dwelling upon the rationale of mutual recognition in the social relations of the heavenly community, and his reasonings were logical and convincing. The other fortified the rationale with Scripture proofs. One of these sermons would form a natural complement of the other. We understand that Elder Sheppard intends next Sabbath afternoon to answer the question 'Why am I a Christian?'"

"Elder Sheppard preached a forcible sermon on 'Why am I a Christian?' on Sunday afternoon, May 26th. He showed in a clear logical style that to be a Christian was without doubt a reality. A gentleman who is some

what of a substantial skeptical turn of mind sent a book teaching Infidel doctrine to the elder during the week. Mr. Sheppard made several selections from it, and from them and other facts proved to a demonstration that Atheism had a very strong tendency to make man lower, while on the other hand Christianity had the very reverse for its aim."

Bro. Sheppard recently accepted a challenge to debate on Infidelity with Mr. Underwood. It is not known, however, whether the discussion will be held. If it be not it will not be Bro. Sheppard's fault.

TALES OF THE BIBLE, by J. W. McGarvey, A. M., Professor of Sacred History and Evidence in the College of the Bible, Kentucky University.

"This seems to me to be, for the general reader, the very best work on Palestine in existence. It may not equal certain treatises in their specialties, but it unites many kinds of excellence, and gives the intelligent reader what he wants. The author spent an unusually long time in the Bible lands, after careful preparation in previous years, and has combined his own observation with the results of recent explorations by others."—Prof. John A. Broadus, Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky.

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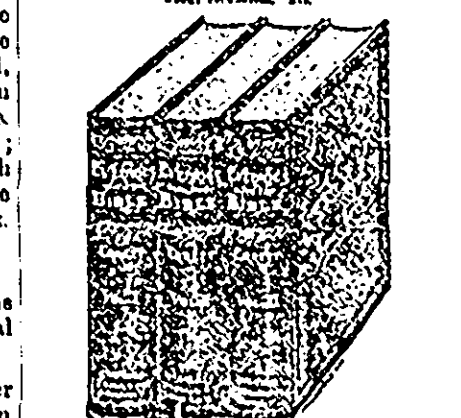
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