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### GOD'S WORD OF ENCOURAGEMENT TO WORKERS.

**They that sow in tears shall reap in joy.**

**He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him.—**  
Fs. cxxvi. 5, 6.

### OUR WORK AND WORKERS.

The monthly meeting of our workers was held on Thursday, 19th inst. It was a gathering of much spiritual profit. The relation by several members, of direct and timely answers to prayer in connection with the work, served greatly to stimulate reliance upon God for direction and success.

The tract committee reported for the past month:—tracts distributed, 3,861; hand bills at Horticultural Gardens, 1,796; invitation slips, 3,000; gospels, 6; visits to vessels, 80; hotels, 54; fire stations, 18; boat houses, 63; water-works, 2; meetings held on vessels, 3; personal conversations, 26; bulletins distributed, 3,500. The chairman stated that some who had in the early part of the season refused to accept the tracts, had latterly asked for, and read them. In one place the worker found a young man engaged in prayer, while his companions were amusing themselves by throwing boots and articles of clothing at him. He nevertheless proceeded in his devotions unmindful of the interruption and persecution. Such examples of faith and perseverance are rarely met with.

It was also reported that an increasing interest is manifest in the several meetings held in the building. Before closing the meeting, an earnest appeal

was made to the workers for more decided consecration to the work, and for united prayer during the month for a rich outpouring of the Spirit of power. Great things remain to be done, and we have a great God from whom to draw all the grace and strength required.

### HOME AGAIN.

Our esteemed president has once more reached his family in safety. A telegraphic message informs us that he expects to be in Toronto in time to attend the meeting of the executive, on Monday 30th inst. He will be cordially welcomed by all the brethren, by many of whom he has been oft remembered in prayer. We trust that at an early date he may find opportunity to give us an account of his visit to London, and of the great Sabbath School gathering which he attended as a delegate from the S. S. Association.

It will be learned with regret that Mr. W. J. B. Patterson, the general secretary for the last three years of the Liverpool Young Men's Christian Association has been compelled, in consequence of impaired health, largely induced by overwork and a changeable atmosphere, to resign his position in connection with that association.

Mr. Patterson is well known to many of the brethren in Toronto as an earnest Christian worker. He was for some years before his appointment to the Liverpool Association, a member of the General Committee of the Montreal Association, where he will again be cordially welcomed.

There is one way in which many of our friends can help us. Drop a card to us whenever you know of a young man coming to the city to reside, or introduce him to some of our members.