

in the Tabernacle, Boston, four evenings in the week; with Bible reading at St. Paul's every afternoon, except Saturday, at 3 o'clock. Mr. R. returned to Toronto some days ago, and has been preaching and giving Bible readings in St. James' Cathedral before crowded and deeply attentive audiences.

The organ of the Old Catholics in Austria says the results of the legal recognition of them will be that "under the title 'Old Catholic Church,' we shall form a religious community independent, and released from our former ecclesiastical, though now Vaticanist-Jesuitical superiors,—which is endowed with the same rights and privileges, and enjoys the same protection of law as the Romish church and the other acknowledged religious communities. Old Catholics will now, under the protection of the law and after the pattern of the Old Catholic constitution, elect their parish clergy, hear Divine service in the mother tongue, regulate the business of their church congregations by a freely elected church council, take counsel in concert with other congregations respecting common business and reforms in periodical assemblies and synods," &c.

The Rev. Dr. A. N. Somerville has been as successful in his work in Sydney as he was in Melbourne. An Australian correspondent says: "The Exhibition building is the largest we have in Sydney for public gatherings. It is said to contain 10,000 persons, and I can tell you it cheered my heart as I looked round the vast space and saw it filled with the largest congregation that ever gathered together in the city to hear the gospel. Such a sight was never witnessed in Sydney before. Mr. W. F. Somerville, his son, has organized a capital band of singers. The veteran Evangelist had previously been holding a fortnight's revival meetings at Geelong, Australia, which contains twenty thousand inhabitants. An average of no less than two thousand people attended the meetings every day.

RELIGIOUS FREEDOM IN SWEDEN.—An extraordinary religious movement is taking place in Sweden, where a petition band of nearly 5,000 persons has been presented to the King, praying that "The use of the Holy Communion may be free, like the use of God's Word," or, in other words, that the celebration of the Communion may take place also out of the churches, and that the celebrants may be other than persons in holy orders. The Ecclesiastical Court at the Cathedral Chapter of Upsala, to whom the petition has been referred, has reported against such an innovation, which, in their opinion, "would eventually destroy the Church." The Government will probably refuse the prayer of the petitioners, and the consequence will be a serious split in the Swedish Church. It may, perhaps, not be generally known to English readers that until very lately there was no religious liberty in Sweden, Roman Catholics and Jews, for instance, being unable to exercise their religion publicly, the consequence being that even at present the total number of Jews in Sweden barely amounts to a thousand persons out of a population of nearly four million inhabitants, being, with the exception of Spain, the smallest proportion in Europe.—*Full Moll Gazette.*

MISS LEIGH'S CHRISTIAN HOMES FOR ENGLISH GIRLS IN PARIS.—At a meeting held very recently in Sheffield, presided over by the Archbishop of York, supported by the vicar and many clergymen, Miss Leigh, in a most eloquent and pathetic address, described the circumstances which led her to undertake the excellent work she is now carrying on. In 1861-62, she said she was a school girl finishing her education with a lady in Paris, and her interest was awakened in a young English girl, whom she induced to come and read the Bible with her on Sunday afternoons. She subsequently became interested in fourteen or fifteen girls, but was obliged to leave Paris soon after, and did not return until 1868. In that

year she wrote to some of the girls, signing the communications "One Who Cares for You," and invited them to come to the hotel where she was staying. She became acquainted with sixty-four girls in a very little time, and their tales of distress went to her heart. She found that they had no food on Sunday unless they worked on that day, and she provided them with refreshments on that day, so that they might discontinue their employment on the Sabbath. She again left Paris when the war broke out, and returned in 1872, when a Scotch girl gave her a franc enclosed in a piece of paper, on which was written, "A gift of faith and love for the Girls' Home in Paris." With that franc she took a room in the house, which has since been bought for 10,000*fr.*, as a Home for English Girls. She is now building a church for the English in that neighbourhood.—*Christian Herald.*

BAPTIST MISSIONARY CONVENTION OF ONTARIO.

APPOINTMENTS OF THE SECRETARY.

I purpose and expect, God willing, to visit the places hereinafter named, in the interests of our Home Missionary Convention, and will preach or deliver a Missionary address, on *week evenings* as the pastors or brethren may give notice. I hope the collectors will have done their work before the time of my visit, and I shall be happy to receive collections where the pastors think well to announce them. In the very many churches which I cannot visit, it is earnestly hoped that the pastors,—and where there are no pastors, the deacons will see that collectors are appointed to visit all the members and solicit their annual contributions, and when these are gathered in, remit them to the Treasurer. We are doing a great work in our own Province, and require the *co-operation and liberal support of all the churches.* If any changes are thought to be desirable in the following list, will those desiring such give me timely notice?

BOARD MEETING, HAMILTON, JAN. 16TH.

Grimsby	Thurs. Jan'y. 17th 7.30 p.m.
Beansville	Frid. " 18th 7.30 "
St. Catharines	Sab. " 20th a. m. or p. m.
Virgil	Mon. " 21st 7.30 p.m.
Queenston	Tues. " 22nd "
Drummondville	Wed. " 23rd "
Welland	Thurs. " 24th "
Fonthill	Frid. " 25th "
Port Colborne	Sab. " 27th a. m. or p. m.
1st Onondaga	Mon. " 28th 7.30 p.m.
2nd Onondaga	Tues. " 29th "
Drumbo	Wed. " 30th "
Walden	Thurs. " 31st "
Stratford	Sab. Feb. 3rd a. m. or p. m.
Acton	Tues. " 5th 7.30 p.m.
Georgetown	Wed. " 6th "
Hillsburg	Thurs. " 7th "
Erin	Frid. " 8th "
Ancaster	Sab. " 10th a. m. or p. m.
Union (gov. road)	" " 3 p.m.
Burford	Tues. " 12th 7.30 p.m.
Scotland	Wed. " 13th "
Waterford	Thurs. " 14th "
Bloomsburg	Frid. " 15th "
Simcoe	Sab. " 17th a. m.
Vittoria	" " 17 p.m.
Tyrrell	Mon. " 18th 7.30 p.m.
Villa Nova	Tues. " 19th "
Ward	Wed. " 20th "
Boston	Thurs. " 21st "
Burth	Frid. " 22nd "
Dundas	Sab. " 24th a. m. or p. m.

THOS. L. DAVIDSON,

Sec. Bapt. Miss. Con. of Ont.

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JARVIS STREET CHURCH (cor. Jarvis and Gerard Sts.)—Membership, 608. Pastor, Rev. J. H. Castle, D.D., 51 Carlton Street. Meetings: *Lord's Day*—Public Worship, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday School, 2.45 p.m. Prayer Meetings, 10 to 10.55 a.m., and after Evening Service. *Monday*—Pastor's Meeting for Inquirers at 7.30 p.m., in the Church Parlour. *Tuesday*—Teachers' Meeting, first of each month, at 8 p.m. *Wednesday*—Young Women's Meeting, at 7 p.m.; General Prayer and Conference Meeting, at 8 p.m. *Saturday*—Young Men's Prayer Meeting, at 8 p.m.

ALEXANDER STREET CHURCH (between Yonge and Church Sts.)—Membership, 252. Pastor, —. Meetings: *Lord's Day*—Public Worship, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday School, 3 p.m. Prayer Meeting, 10 a.m. *Monday*—Young People's Meeting, at 8 p.m. *Wednesday*—General Prayer Meeting, at 8 p.m.

YORKVILLE CHURCH (Yonge St., beyond Daynport Rd.)—Membership, 124. Pastor, Rev. Jos. D. King, 143 Bloor St. East (city side). Meetings: *Lord's Day*—Public Worship, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday School, 2.30 p.m. Prayer Meeting, 10.30 a.m. *Wednesday*—Prayer and Conference Meeting, at 8 p.m.

PARLIAMENT STREET CHURCH (between Spadina and Beech Sts.)—Membership, 221. Pastor, Rev. E. M. C. Botterill, 510 Ontario Street. Meetings: *Lord's Day*—Public Worship, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday School, 2.30 p.m. *Wednesday*—Prayer and Conference Meeting, at 8 p.m.

COLLEGE STREET CHURCH (cor. Lippincott St.)—Membership, 145. Pastor, Rev. S. A. Dyke, cor. College and Borden Sts. Meetings: *Lord's Day*—Public Worship, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday School, 3 p.m. *Wednesday*—Prayer and Conference Meeting, at 8 p.m.

QUEEN STREET CHURCH (cor. Victoria St.)—Membership, 94. Pastor, Rev. James W. Michell, 53 Victoria Street. Meetings: *Lord's Day*—Public Worship, 11 a.m. and 6.45 p.m. Sunday School, 3 p.m. *Wednesday*—Prayer and Conference Meeting, at 8 p.m. *Friday*—Prayer Meeting, at 8 p.m.

BRICK STREET MISSION (Temperance Hall) in connection with Jarvis Street Church. Missionary, C. W. Eede. Meetings: *Lord's Day*—Sunday School, 2.45 p.m. Public Service, 7 p.m. *Tuesday*—Prayer Meeting, 8 p.m.

LEWIS STREET MISSION (beyond the Don), under the supervision of Parliament St. Church. Meetings: *Lord's Day*—Sunday School, 2.30 p.m. Public Service, 6.30 p.m. *Thursday*—Public Service, 8 p.m.

* The Memberships are taken from the Minutes of the Toronto Association for 1877.

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FIRST CHURCH.—Rev. W. H. Porter, M.A., Pastor. *Lord's Day*—Services at 11 a.m. and 6.30 p.m. Communion twice a month. Sunday School, 3 p.m. *Tuesday*—Young People's Meeting, at 7.30 p.m. *Thursday*—Weekly Prayer Meeting, at 8 p.m.

TABERNACLE.—Rev. Robert Cameron, M.A., Pastor. *Lord's Day*—Services at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Lord's Supper at close of every morning service. Sunday School, 3 p.m. *Monday*—Cottage Prayer Meeting, 8 p.m. *Tuesday*—Learner's Meeting, 7.30 p.m. *Thursday*—Prayer Meeting, 7.30 p.m.

EAST WARD CHURCH.—Rev. John Alexander, Pastor. *Lord's Day*—Services at 11 a.m. and 6.30 p.m. Communion twice a month. Sunday School, 3 p.m. *Tuesday*—Bible Reading, 7.30 p.m. *Thursday*—Prayer Meeting, 7.30 p.m.