

SPECIAL.

In addition to the regular meetings reported, the workers held special prayer meetings on Christmas and New Year's Days

LECTURES AND CLASSES

In accordance with a resolution adopted by the Board, the *paid* Lecture Course has been abandoned. The work of the Committee has therefore been prosecuted less pretentiously than in former years; but perhaps none the less satisfactorily on that account.

The Members Course proved a thoroughly good one and the attendance very satisfactory. There were in all 9 Lectures delivered (with one exception) by friends resident in Toronto.

CLASSES.

It cannot be claimed that the work of the classes has been satisfactory. The attendance has been generally small and fluctuating, and it is an open question whether time or attention should be devoted to this work.

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The circle formed last year has been a boon to many of the Young Men, a goodly number of whom have taken an active interest in the reading and course of study prescribed.

EMPLOYMENT.

The past year has been marked by an unusually large number of applicants for employment, and it may safely be said that two-thirds were young men without any real qualifications for such employment as Canada offers.

Notwithstanding the scanty of labor and the unfitness of the majority of applicants the Committee was enabled to place a few of the more promising in permanent positions, while a large number of temporary situations have been secured.

Beyond the help thus rendered, words of cheer and counsel have been spoken, and we have reason to believe that *permanent* spiritual benefits have resulted from such intercourse with these Young Strangers.

MEMBERSHIP.

While the membership list does not present such an array of names as in

some former years, the Committee is led to believe that at no previous date was there a more thorough *working* membership. At the same time it cannot but be desired that the list should increase, and working, as the Association does, for the *spiritual* welfare of Young Men, that increase should come from the ranks of the Christian Young Men of Toronto. A Sustaining Membership plan has been adopted, and it is expected will be vigorously carried out by the new committee.

BOARDING HOUSE.

No department of the work has been more largely owned of God than that among the young men in boarding houses. The Committee has never lacked its full number of earnest, devoted workers: and it is with devout gratitude to God that they report the following work for the year:

Visits to Boarding Houses.....	14,514
" Hotels	1,220
" Fire Halls.....	390
" Police Stations	193
" Car Stables	412
" Factories.....	7
" Public Library, West Branch.....	29
Young Men spoken to.....	2,299
BULLETINS distributed.....	77,298
Tracts, &c.....	68,400
New Year's Packets.....	1,696

Referring to this latter item, we may explain that for the past three years it has been our custom to prepare a package of literature specially printed for the purpose of distribution among young men in boarding houses. It contains a New Year's card—copy of BULLETIN for that date—a small book—and such special matter as might be thought best. The whole is placed in a large envelope neatly printed. We have received evidences of blessing resulting from reading the papers distributed last New Year's Day.

RECEPTION.

The Workers of this committee have been in attendance each evening to receive strangers and welcome them to our Rooms. The work has been regularly carried on, and many testimonies have been given as to the faithfulness of those on the committee.