

more words of advice. Relieved 16 families, chiefly those of prisoners, which I have found while visiting. Found employment for 65, and boarding for 31. Given 290 meals and found lodgings for 101. Given 38 Bibles, and 62 New Testaments, also several Prayer Books, and 60 pairs of spectacles; 91 have signed the temperance pledge. Held 73 services in the Jail. I often visit the sick and dying in the General Hospital, and find some who have been in prison. I also visited the prison hospital during the time so many were suffering from typhoid fever; three poor fellows died, one of whom had given me a written testimony of his conversion a few months previous. Another had given his heart to God only about two weeks before. The third I could not learn any particulars of, only that he was fond of attending the S. S. A poor Indian also died of consumption, I believe, trusting in the Saviour. I visited him several times before he died; 69 have professed to have been converted in the Central Prison. I have received many interesting letters from prisoners who have left the city; the following extracts are from a few of them.

“One young man writes from Ottawa: ‘We have the family altar set up in our house since my return home, and we always remember you in our prayers. I am endeavouring to lead a new life. I am often tempted to do wrong, but I feel as if something draws me away. Do not forget me at your prayer-meetings. I have a hard trial to bear, but with God’s help I hope to stand it all. I often think of those in prison, and daily pray that the efforts put forth by you and the teachers may be crowned with success.’ Another writes from Leamington: ‘My son is quite a different man since his return home, and goes regular to church; he has also joined the temperance lodge.’ Another writes from Philadelphia: ‘I have the Bible you gave me, and God has helped me in a great many things; I pray that He will still keep me in the right way. Do not forget me at your meetings. I am going to see my aged mother for the last time, and to tell her what a friend I have found in Christ. I have not tasted one drop of liquor since I left Toronto.’ Another writes from Brantford: ‘I got a job at my trade for the winter the very day I got back. I firmly believe that God answered your prayer that day for me. I never was so glad for anything as for signing the pledge that day I came out of prison. I meet with many temptations, but I pray to God for strength to resist it, and He helps me. I earnestly hope