

friends, wherever practicable, to try it. *Oshawa* has not made its returns, but it is a most reliable Auxiliary, and will not be behind hand in the good work. At *Bowmanville* most of the ministers were unavoidably from home, and we were without their usual warm advocacy. Rev. Mr. Cartwright, though ill, did good service, and was well appreciated by the audience. Returns about as last year. *Hampton* gave us a good meeting, and has done nobly this year. *Zion* is steadily pursuing its work, and keeping well up to the mark, just in advance of last year. *Kendal* is a small but efficient little Branch. After a good meeting I received \$17 70 as a free contribution between the Upper Canada and British and Foreign Bible Societies. *Orono* is not equal in its contributions to last year. After paying \$53, its purchase account, in full, it gives \$12 15 free contribution to the Upper Canada Bible Society. *Newtonville* is still vigorous and active in the good work. The purchase account being previously paid, I received \$60 free contribution, equally divided between the British and Foreign, Upper Canada and Montreal Bible Societies. *Newcastle Hill* as ever energetic and liberal. *Hope Township*.—This well managed Branch continues to work its field with the happiest results, never in better order than at present; contributions excellent, purchase account in full, \$42 46; a free contribution of \$30 to British and Foreign Bible Society; \$20 to Upper Canada Bible Society, and \$17 to Montreal Bible Society.

Port Hope, as always, gave us an excellent meeting, and is now as ever liberal in contributions and active in operations. *Coldsprings* had not completed its collections. I received \$17 free contribution to the Upper Canada Bible Society and trust more has been forwarded since I was there. *Baltimore* and *Fenella* are both doing very well. The heavy storm prevented their meeting at the proper season, but their liberal contributions were forwarded in due season. I had the pleasure of forming two new Branches, with encouraging prospects of usefulness, at *Campbelford*, an active and enterprising village, and at *Castleton*, which I trust will be found early bearing fruit. It was only after repeated efforts that our meeting could be held at *Cobourg*, but when it did take place, notwithstanding a disappointment as to one of the speakers expected from a distance, it was one of the best meetings of the season; returns as liberal as ever. In consequence of an entire blockade of the roads, I found it impossible to be present at the *Belleville* meeting, which, however, was duly held, and from which I doubt not we shall receive a good report. *Grafton* is now one of our best conducted Branches, and requires two or three meetings in the course of the year; has never done better than during this year. The lady collectors work with some adequate idea of the blessed work in which they are engaged, and our faithful friend, Rev. J. Smith, who has long acted as Secretary, keeps everything up to the mark. *Colborne* is doing well, as their returns will show in the report, and *Brighton* is worthy of a special tribute this year. Some two or three meetings have been held with happy results, and a good deal of vigor and energy has been displayed on the part of our excellent Secretary, and by the collectors, which I trust may encourage them even to a more successful effort for the ensuing year. *Percy* is another branch where our friends are active and liberal. The weather was against us on the night of meeting. I received nearly \$50 on purchase account. *Hastings* does not collect till after the meeting, but never neglects her duty in this respect, and will, I trust,