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Editorial Notes.

WE have every reason to be greatly pleased with the kindly reception which has been accorded to the "ENDEAVORER" by our friends and patrons.

Our advertising columns have been readily filled and we number among our advertisers many of our church members and adherents, who have thus signified their desire to assist in making the undertaking a success. We trust these columns will receive special attention.

The number of regular subscribers is constantly increasing; we have on our mailing list names from Washington Ter., Troy, N. Y., Manitoba, London, Brampton and Morrisburg, and we expect to receive one subscription, at least, from each family connected with the "First Church." We trust those of our readers who are willing to identify themselves with the enterprise, will not wait for a more personal appeal but will send names and addresses to the Sec-Treas. of the Board.

Dr. Vincent and his co-laborers in the Chautauqua movement have encouraged the development of an idea concerning the use of the holiday season, which no longer designates a useless season but one that is helpful alike to mind and body. Throngs of eager people have found their way to Chautauqua during the past two months to drink of the fountain at its source. Others differently situated have agreed that it is better "to bear those ills we have than fly to others that we know not of;" of the latter class some very pleasant boating parties have been formed during the long July and August afternoons under the supervision of a true friend, teacher and trusty boatman. The various landing places on the Bay have been visited in turn, the time spent in exploring the ravines, botanizing geologizing and not the least important, enjoying picnic tea under spreading branches and among wild flowers.

One party has read "The Natural Law in the Spiritual World" and thus while they are studying the face of nature, are learning to associate with it more fully the laws of the spiritual world and the harmony that exists between them. So it is all over the world to-day. Moody endows a summer school at Northfield for Biblical study. At all the seaside resorts there are summer schools, and throngs of students from all occupations and professions, and with pride we note that the "First Church" contains numbers of young people who are working along the same line. It remains for us to garner what we have gleaned in the past two months that we may be the richer thereby all the coming year.

DO you know how to read? what an absurd question you will say, and yet a great many people do not really know how to read.

We read a book with great and noble thoughts in it; but do we let these thoughts find a home in our minds, and from there do they get into our hearts and show themselves out in our lives? If not we cannot receive the benefit to be derived from it. What inhabitants are to a country, thoughts are to the mind." Not long ago the site of our city was a vast wilderness, the woods were inhabited by the bear and the wolf, water-