

## REPORTER'S FOLIO.

### PHILOSOPHICAL AND LITERARY SOCIETY.

**T**HIS Society held a meeting in Lecture Room No. 1 on Friday evening, February 7th. Mr. H. C. Sutherland occupied the chair. The attendance was small.

Mr. Chas. Vessot gave a French reading and Mr. Gourlay an English recitation.

The subject for debate was: "Resolved that the Confession of Faith should be revised." Messrs. A. McGregor and A. C. Reeves spoke on the affirmative side, and Messrs. R. McDougall and A. Russel on the negative. After listening to an animated discussion of the subject, the audience decided in favor of revision.

The Society held another meeting on the evening of February 21st, the President, Mr. Jas. Naismith, B.A., presiding. Mr. C. W. Whyte, B.A., presented a financial report of the JOURNAL. The report showed that the assets this year will fully cover the liabilities, but the debt incurred last year has not been wholly removed. Another item of business was the nomination of officers for the ensuing year.

On account of the excess of business the programme was necessarily short. It consisted of an essay by Mr. Pigeon, a French reading by Mr. Moyses Maynard, and a recitation by Mr. A. MacVicar. Mr. E. A. McKenzie acted as critic.

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### THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The second regular meeting for this term was held on Thursday evening, February 13th. The attendance was good. The principal item of business was a report from the St. Jean Baptiste school, presented by Mr. Charles. This school is under the auspices of the Society, and was opened on the 16th of January with Mrs. Charles as teacher. A night school has also been organized under the instruction of Mr. Charles. The regular attendance at the day school is twenty, at the night school seventeen.

Mr. W. T. D. Moss read a paper on "Our Indian Tribes in the North-West." He complained of the lack of interest taken in this work in comparison with foreign missionary enterprise. The heathen at home are too much neglected. Mr. N. A. McLeod followed with an interesting paper on the "History of mission work among the Indians," and Mr. R. Tener brought the meeting to a close by a sketch of the life of David Brainard.

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