

MR. R. W. SAWTELL, Treasurer of the Board of Trustees, has been presented by the Board with a beautiful silver tea service, valued at about a hundred dollars; and Mr. Wm. Pavey, also a member of the Board of Trustees, received at the same time a present of equal value. The presents were intended as a recognition of their valuable services to the Board, especially with reference to the purchase of the Burtch farm for the purpose of enlarging the Institute grounds, and also in disposing again of those parts which were not required for College purposes.

THE subject of Baptism,—its subjects and mode, is at present receiving special attention from the ministers of the various denominations in town. The discussion has been mainly carried on between Rev. C. Goodspeed (Baptist), and Rev. W. T. McMullen (Presbyterian). The cause of truth has an able defender in Mr. Goodspeed.

THE Baptist Church here has been enjoying a very refreshing time for several months past. Nearly one hundred have been added to the Church since Mr. Goodspeed became its pastor last September, and the interest still continues.

Local Items.

QUITE a change has taken place in the faculty since last term. As was noticed in the last number of the TYRO, Mr. G. Clift has left us and is now in England. His place is filled by Mr. S. J. Taylor, who has gained many friends since he became a teacher in the Institute. Prof. S. J. McKee, on account of ill health, was compelled to give up teaching about the middle of the term. We have been pleased to welcome as a substitute a former teacher, Mr. J. Bates, who has, at a considerable sacrifice of his own interests, left his studies in Toronto University in compliance with the request of the Trustees of the Institute.

The students were favored with the privilege of listening to a lecture from G. W. Ross, M.P., on a very interesting subject, viz: "Elements of National Power." The lecture was excellent, and was spoken highly of by all who heard it. On the occasion the members of the Adelphean Society presented him with four volumes of valuable books. Although, on account of unfavorable circumstances, the audience was not as large as it otherwise would have been, yet a very pleasant time was spent.