

working of the local Branches. I am quite sure that if they would heartily enter into the spirit of our work, and would use their influence upon the public mind, the meetings would be far more successful.) I spent Sabbath, March 1st, in Owen Sound, and preached in the morning in the Wesleyan Church, and in the M. N. C. Church in the evening. The meeting on Monday was very successful, but in consequence of the formation of a Branch in connection with the "National Bible Society of Scotland," the interest is somewhat divided, so that there is really more done in Bible Society work in Owen Sound than appears from our reports.

At Thornbury the Branch is weak. Meaford is doing well. Eugenia is seeing the day of small things, but Mr. Purdy, the Depositary, has the work at heart, and is doing all he can for the objects of your society. Maxwell has "suffered the loss of all 'things'"—stock, cash from sales, and account books—through the terrible fire which swept away nearly the whole village last summer. But our meeting was well attended and the people are resolved by God's blessing to put forth every effort to restore the Branch to its former state of efficiency.

Cornabus bids fair to be an important Branch at no distant date.

I failed to reach N. Sydenham in consequence of a heavy rain which prevented me.

Lynedoch, Port Dover, Port Rowan, St. Williams, Simcoe, and Vittoria are doing well, and we hope to see Waterford and Delhi visited with a revival of interest in the work of your society.

The financial receipts in both counties are considerably in advance of previous years, but there is plenty of room for still further improvement.

I cannot see how the unselfish, non-sectarian, and God-honoured work of the Bible Society can fail to commend itself to the Christian sympathy of all who love the Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity.

"Word of the everlasting God,
Will of His glorious Son;
Without Thee how could earth be trod,
Or heaven itself be won!"

I have the honour to be, Gentlemen,
Yours most truly,
JOHN KAY,
Agent.

Tilsonburg, July, 1874.

REPORT OF REV. D. SMYTH.

To the Board of Directors, Upper Canada Bible Society.

GENTLEMEN,—Having been entrusted by you with the duty of visiting the various Branches of the Upper Canada Bible Society in the County of Halton, I entered upon the work, February 15th, 1874. The first meeting was to have been held in Acton, but owing to local circumstances had to be postponed.

Nassagaweya, February 17th.—Meeting good, ably assisted by Rev. J. C. Seymour. Contributions in advance of last year.

Campbellsville, Feb. 18th.—Meeting interesting, not largely attended, ably assisted by Revs. J. Little and J. W. Bell. Collections, not all taken up, expected to be in advance of last year.

Norval, Feb. 19th.—Attendance small, as roads were bad and evening rainy. The excellent Secretary, Rev. Mr. Alexander, assisted. Contributions a little less than last year.

Georgetown, Feb. 20th.—A very pleasant meeting. President, Rev. Mr. Johnston, Episcopalian, in the Chair, ably assisted by Rev. Messrs. Ewing (Presbyterian), Unsworth (Congregational), and Cox (Baptist). Contributions in advance of last year.