

prosperity, your fidelity to its best interests, your ability and gracious courtesy, have bound you to our hearts with the three-fold cord, of admiration, esteem and love.

Our best wishes go with you to your new work, and we pray that in its special duties, you may be sustained, as you have been here, by the gracious presence of the Master, and by and by receive from his own hand, the reward of service well done.

Signed by all the Members of the Board.

Toronto, May, 1896.

To this it seems well to add a reference to the address of the inmates whose loving and grateful feelings towards Mrs. Harvie's found expression in a parting gift of a travelling satchel. The thought running through the whole address must have conveyed to her mind the blessed truth, that her labor has not been in vain in the Lord.

At the close of the year another discouragement came to us, when because of her husband's prolonged illness, Mrs. Hastings, our long-trying, faithful friend, and efficient Treasurer, was obliged to resign. Her loss will be keenly felt because of her sweet Christian spirit and strong faith, as well as her marked official capability. Her place will be taken by Mrs. Lorimer, whose energetic discharge of secretarial duties during the past year gives promise of equal energy and faithfulness in her new position. The Secretary's chair is now vacant, but Mrs. O'Brien, our first Vice-President, has kindly consented to fill the vacancy until a suitable appointment can be made.

We have been very highly favored in our choice of a new President, Mrs. McClelland, for many years and still a prominent worker in the W. F. M. Society of the Presbyterian Church, and also in the W. C. T. Union, was unanimously elected, and has kindly consented to accept the office. We look for good results from her able leadership.

Sincere and hearty thanks are given to the many friends who have in so many ways contributed to the success of our work. Even the smallest and humblest gift has been accepted in the spirit in which it was given, and will assuredly receive a reward.

In closing, we cannot but notice how numerous have been our blessings, and how few comparatively our difficulties and discouragements, and we turn our faces hopefully to the new year, more anxious than ever to give to our suffering sisters of the fullness we have received.