

present I retire from the agency work, I trust I shall still be able to promote, either direct or indirectly, the prosperity of your Society.

*Copstoun*, 15th January, 1873.—The public meeting was small, but the night was very cold and the roads were bad. Those present were however very cordial in support of their Branch. Larger contributions were promised for next year.

*Alberton*, 20th January.—Here the public meeting was also small from the same cause. Contributions to be sent.

*Hamilton*, 21st January.—The public meeting was very large and enthusiastic. Excellent addresses were delivered by several clergymen. Without invidiousness, Dr. Punshon gave a most admirable address. Contributions on the increase.

*East Ancaster*, 22nd January.—Here there was a most excellent meeting. Contributions most satisfactory. This is a model Branch; there is great energy in all the officers. I was greatly indebted to the Rev. Wm. P. Walker for his kindness to me, and I take this opportunity of publicly acknowledging it.

*Lynden*, 27th January.—The public meeting was small, but there are many good friends of the Bible Society in and around Lynden. The contributions were a little less than last year.

*Jerseyville*, 28th January.—The public meeting was small, but those present were energetic friends of the Society. The Messrs. Howell deserve thanks for their efforts in sustaining the Branch in Jerseyville.

*Waterdown*, 30th January.—The public meeting was good, almost all the clergymen of the place were present and took part in the proceedings. Contributions larger than last year. I gave a lecture in the interest of the Bible Society at Millgrove, a village about four miles from Waterdown, the week after I had been in the latter place. There was a fair audience, and a new branch may be established in it.

*Nairn*, 31st January.—Public meeting good. Great interest taken in the welfare of the Branch. It was a matter of regret that Mr. Bain, M.P. could not be present, as he takes a lively interest in the Society. Collections on the increase.

*Ancaster*, 4th February.—I visited this place twice. The first time I came I had no meeting, the second time I had a fair audience. The Rev. Mr. McLeod took part in the speaking, and made a good appeal. Subscriptions largely in the increase over last year.

*Glanford*, 12th February.—This place I also visited twice. At my second visit I had a fair meeting, and the friends present were very enthusiastic in the cause. Subscriptions on the increase over last year.

*Binbrook*, 13th February.—The meeting, owing to the badness of the roads, was not very large. Subscriptions less than last year, but by a little more energy, they may be increased to double their present amount. I was much indebted to the kind friend who took me to Binbrook, and to the other kind friend who took me to Winona.

*Winona*, 14th February.—The public meeting was held in the beautiful Wesleyan Methodist Church which had lately been opened by the Rev. Dr. Punshon. The attendance was fair, but not large. We had good singing and a fine spirit in the meeting. The subscriptions have not, however, come up to my expectations. I think that in the rich fertile valley in which Winona is situated there might have been raised a good handsome sum for the Society. I trust the friends will do better the next year. Let them make the collection for the Bible Society a specialty amongst their collections for other religious purposes.

*Beverley*, 19th February.—Had a fine meeting here; this Branch is well equipped. The President, my esteemed friend Mr. Porteous, takes a lively interest in it, and amongst the other officers he has excellent coadjutors. Among his many good offices, my friend the Rev. Mr. Acheson took me to