

will, I think, in future, work the branch with more energy. Very valuable assistance was rendered at the meeting by the resident ministers, and by Messrs. W. A. Reeve and J. S. Cartwright.

Dec. 10th.—Visited Newburgh, and though the attendance at the meeting was small, considerable enthusiasm prevailed, and it is hoped this branch will become a very vigorous one.

Dec. 11th.—Visited Clark's Mills, where a branch had formerly existed, but had done nothing for years, and had forgotten its existence. I reorganized it but cannot express myself hopefully of its future. Some funds were collected and applied to purchase of books, and a Depository opened, and so far there is promise of work.

Dec. 12th.—I visited Centreville. Here the branch existed in name only. The President repudiated all connection with the Society, and as the secretary had moved from the locality, nothing had been done to secure funds. Officers were appointed at the meeting who promise work, and more may be done next year; but if decided improvement is not made, it is a branch that will not pay the expenses of an agent's visit.

Dec. 13th.—Visited Napanee Mills, a rural branch between Napanee and Newburgh. Had an interesting meeting, and was assisted by A. L. Morder, Esq., Mayor of Napanee, who addressed the meeting. The people show in hearty sympathy with the object of this Society, and contributed liberally in proportion to their means.

Dec. 15th.—Organized a new branch at Mill Point. This is a new and thriving village at the north of Napanee river, and will I think become a useful branch.

Dec. 17th.—Visited "Big Creek," a rural branch, where we had a very good meeting, but did not obtain much money.

Dec. 18th.—Visited Odessa. Of this branch I cannot write encouragingly, as its officers do not seem disposed to do anything for the Society, and although we endeavoured to improve its prospects by a change in its officers, I am not hopeful of its becoming a living, working branch.

I was unable in consequence of illness to visit Glenvale and Sydenham personally, but engaged another minister to go to these places. Glenvale was reported to be in a healthy condition and made a very liberal contribution to the funds of the Society. At Sydenham very little had been done, and a very heavy storm prevented a meeting. The officers do not seem willing to interest themselves in Bible work, and the branch is only such in name.

Feb. 11th.—I visited Cataragui, where we had an interesting meeting, and found the work of collecting done before the meeting. The secretary is a man earnestly devoted to the interests of the work, and where a branch has such a secretary, the people are usually found willing to co-operate.

Feb. 12th.—Held a public meeting at Bath, which was not well attended, though on the part of those present considerable interest was manifested. The work of collecting had not been attended to, but since the meeting collectors have been sent out and a fair remittance forwarded. The Depository is in a good condition, and the future of the branch is hopeful. The following evening,

Feb. 13th.—I visited Amherst Island in company with Rev. D. Chalmers, who also addressed the meeting. We had a good attendance, and the financial results were most gratifying.

Feb. 24th.—Visited Gananoque but failed to secure an audience. Although due notice had been given to the officers, they had not properly announced the meeting, and of course it proved a failure. A few gentlemen were however brought together and a committee organized. A Depository has since been opened, and this branch will, I think, become a prosperous one.

Feb. 25th.—Visited Garden Island and had a very good meeting. The receipts were not large, which is probably owing to the fact that Messrs. Cal-