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As this will be the last issue before the holidays, we take this opportunity of wishing our readers **THE COMPLIMENTS OF THE SEASON.**

We are glad that our P. E. Island brethren have secured another preacher. Bro. Miller, of Charlottetown, should report himself and his work in our columns.

PROMPT PAYMENT pleases people. If you are in arrears, please pay up.

BRO. BLENUS was with the church in St. John last Lord's day, and preached acceptably at both services. His discourse in the evening on "Christian Union," was favorably received by a large audience. Bro. B. is a grand preacher, and should do a good work in the provinces.

WE ARE in receipt of the annual report of the General Christian Missionary Convention, containing the minutes of the recent convention at Richmond, the report of the acting board of managers and all the reports of the year's operations. These reports are out within three weeks of the adjournment of the Convention, which shows unusual promptness and diligence in their publication. On the first page is the handsome cut of the Central Christian Church of Dallas, Texas, in which the next Annual Convention will be held October 1895. This report should be in the hands of all our people and should be studied carefully as it contains documents of very great importance to our people. Any one desiring a copy, send request to J. H. Hardin, Corresponding Secretary, Y. M. C. A. Building, Cincinnati, Ohio.

THE item in our last number, entitled "Leading Evangelists Immersed," was copied from *Business in Christianity*, edited by Bro. Muckley, of Kansas City, to which credit should have been given for such valuable information. The omission was not intentional.

IMPORTANT.—At last a general evangelist for New Brunswick and Nova Scotia has been secured. Bro. Blenus comes to us with a large experience in the west and ought to be well qualified for the work. We trust that our churches and brethren in the provinces will assist all they can to support this work which we have been so long praying for. Brethren—open your pocket-books and assist liberally. Send to J. S. Flagler, P. O., St. John, N. B.

The Christian Woman's Board of Missions was organized twenty years ago; and it is not only a standing monument of C. W. B. M. what Christian women have done, but it is also an eloquent prophecy of what they can do, if the apostolic injunction, "Help these women," is heeded. It is preeminently the society in the church that takes care of the pennies. It does not depend upon the wealthy Christians or churches, and it has not received many large contributions; but the godly women who work through it make a ten cent contribution each month (and more if they can), and by the end of the year a large amount is thus raised for the Lord's work. During the year ending September 30th, \$54,193.88, have been raised in this way. There are altogether 1,404 auxiliaries with an aggregate membership of 30,744, or an average membership of between 22 and 23. There is scarcely a church among us where such a society could not be found, and the small monthly contributions would in the course of the year, foot up a very considerable sum. What have these faithful women, who believe in gathering up the fragments, done during the past year through their missionaries? They have been giving heed to the Saviour's command to the women of old, "Go, tell;" and they have told the story of a risen Saviour to many who otherwise might never hear it. In the Island of Jamaica there are twelve churches with an aggregate membership of 1185, and as many Sunday-schools, with an enrollment of 704. During the year now ended, 104 have been added to the churches; but owing to death and other causes, the net increase is not nearly so great. In India a very successful work has been carried on. Those who have long been in the darkness of sin are coming to the light, and many children—and converted children are the hope of India—are being taught out of the Bible the wonderful things of God. In the Bilespur district there are five missionaries, two of whom are lady physicians. In the Bins district there are three missionaries. Two additional workers are now on their way to India—sister Mary Graybiel and sister Adelaide Frost, a young lady who graduated from Hiram College last June. In Deoghur, a Scotch lady, Miss Jane Adams, who has been a missionary in India for thirteen years, has been carrying on an independent work. She heard, within the last year, of our missions and of our work as a people, and after reading "Our Position," she united with the church at Bilaspur. She will hereafter be supported by the C. W. B. M. But these women do not work alone in foreign fields. There are working with a fair measure of success among the Chinese in Portland, Oregon. They are also giving timely and much needed help to the workers in Montana, Colorado, California, Oregon, Utah, Wisconsin, Minnesota, and Michigan. Through their help churches have been established, preachers paid, and many souls brought to Christ.

Bro. J. H. Hardin is the Secretary of the General Christian Missionary Convention. It was organized in Cincinnati forty G. C. M. C. five years ago, and its first president was Alexander Campbell. Benjamin Franklin was at one time its secretary. In its history it has proved the wisdom of those

who organized it for the purpose of spreading the truth as it is in Jesus. When churches were failing in times of financial stringency, this society was enabled, by the united contributions of more fortunate churches, to come to their aid. When a few disciples found themselves thrown together in town or country, and desired to organize for worship and work, but found that unaided they could not maintain a preacher in their midst, this society has proved their friend. When fertile fields were being opened up, laborers were sent in to till and reap for Christ. This society will prove the unfailing friend of struggling churches and the preceptor of new fields in the name of Christ, if the brotherhood makes it possible for them to do so. Many a church, that is now strong, would have no existence, or at best an uncertain one, if it had not been for the aid given. Many a weak church may, in a few years be strong, if the help needed now, can be given. During the year ending September 30th, fifty missionaries were employed, some for only part of the year. They spent 11,553 days in the field, preached 5,051 sermons, had 2,854 additions, organized fourteen new churches, visited fifty-seven new points. This work was carried on in twenty-three states and territories, and also in Ontario and Nova Scotia. Concerning Halifax, the report says, it "is a strategic point of great importance, and no reasonable effort should be spared to make the mission there a permanent success." The committee on new missions recommended that the work be enlarged in the British provinces as soon as it be possible. It will be possible just as soon as enough money flows into the treasury. Last year the amount given by the churches for evangelizing fell short, by a few thousand dollars, of the sum given before; but this is easily explained considering the hard times. The grand total receipts in all departments of the G. C. M. C. work, was \$126,357.96. Of this, \$6,558.58 was for Negro evangelization and education; \$31,204.37 for Church extension; and \$88,595.01 for all funds in the Evangelizing department. Of this last sum, \$66,955.97 were raised by the men in the field for salaries, building and repairs, and other purposes; and the balance, \$21,639.04, were contributed by the brotherhood through the corresponding secretary. An earnest effort is to be made this year to more than double the amount given by the churches. They are to be asked to raise \$48,000. Last year the churches in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick gave \$87.10, and this year it is desirable that they raise \$100. They can do this easily, and at the same time do more for local and provincial work than they have been doing. It is wonderful how much people can do when they try. It is no wonder that they can be satisfied with doing nothing when they do not want to work.

The Foreign Christian Missionary Society is the youngest of these three great organizations that are doing so much to spread F. C. M. S. the knowledge of God's will. The report for the year now ended, which the corresponding secretary, Bro. A. McLean, was able to make, "demonstrates that interest in world-wide evangelism is growing among the Disciples of Christ." As he says, "While there is great ground for encourage-