

upon some who had hitherto seen "men as trees walking;" believers were to some extent stirred up, and it is hoped that one or two, who had hitherto manifested no regard for spiritual things were at least interested and touched. Sinners were encouraged to come to Christ just as they are. The Spirit wrought with the word, and we hope and pray to see more results. Gloria in excelsis Deo! Hallelujah!

W. B.

Baptist Association, Niagara District.—DEAR SIR,—I enclose two articles of intelligence for your next publication. Allow me to inform your readers that I have had great pleasure in meeting with our Baptist brethren of the Niagara Association, both in this city and at Beamsville, where recently at their cordial and unanimous invitation, I preached the Association sermon, and took part in their proceedings. They, in reciprocation of my fellowship with them, appointed the Rev. G. Richardson, of Hamilton, and the Rev. Mr. Walker, of St. Catharines, delegates to our Western Association of Congregational Ministers and Churches, which is to meet in this city, in March next. This is progress in the way of denominational intercourse. I am greatly rejoiced to find our Baptist friends zealously engaged in promoting the revival and extension of the Kingdom of Christ, throughout all the regions around.

I am, Dear Sir, yours truly,

THOMAS PULLAR.

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Hamilton Congregational Church, Annual Meetings.—On the 22nd ult. a social meeting, and sale of articles provided by the "Ladies' Sewing Society," was held in the Lecture Room, which, notwithstanding the very stormy weather, was well attended, and realized upwards of 150 dollars.

On the 29th ult., the annual meeting of the Sunday School was held in the same place. After the children were treated to good things, and the presentation of an excellent writing desk to Mr. Thomas Bale, by the members of his class, a most encouraging report of the school as to numbers attending, the regularity of attendance, and the numbers added to the church from the school during the year, was read by Mr. Edgar, Superintendent, accompanied by an appropriate and touching address, in which he alluded to his recent bereavement. The pastor of the church then affectionately addressed the scholars, teachers, and the general audience, which was numerous. Other friends spoke briefly and led in prayer. The evening was spent to the great delight of all present.

On New Years' morning, after the usual devotional meeting, the financial report from the Deacons was read to the congregation, by Mr. Edgar, Treasurer, and the usual resolutions were passed. The amount raised for ordinary church purposes, and for benevolent and missionary purposes this year, is larger than has ever been collected in any former year when there have been no special calls, averaging about 25 dollars for each contributing member. The membership for the year has increased about 10 per cent. The young men's Sabbath morning meeting, and the pastor's monthly young people's meeting are larger than ever. The peace and harmony of the church and congregation are, as they have been for many years past, unbroken, and at present a good work is going on, especially among the young people of the congregation.

The Ontario Conference of Churches, (connected with the General Association of Congregational Ministers in the State of New York), held their half-yearly meeting on Tuesday 11th, and Wednesday 12th January, at Suspension Bridge, N. Y. There was a large gathering of ministers and delegates, and also of the local congregation, and the services and discussions excited deep and delightful interest. The Conference met on Tuesday for organization,