

But it is with hesitation, though under a deep sense of our responsibility, that we allude to the fact, that although *nominally* the General Superintendent, our esteemed brother Robinson, has been in *reality* the stationed preacher in the city of Toronto. The lack of labourers induced our Conference at its previous session to make this arrangement,—an arrangement, however, very unsatisfactory to Mr. R.; and which we are happy to say, has this year been obviated, affording the General Superintendent time and opportunity to visit the several circuits throughout the Province. And it is the sincere prayer of your Committee that his coming among the churches may be as the Ark of the Lord to the house of Obed-edom,—the prelude of great prosperity.

Your Committee feel confident that the patrons of our Auxiliary Society will rejoice to hear that although the ocean's waves roll between us and our late esteemed General Superintendent, he is still rendering efficient services to our Canadian mission, by informing the beloved connexion at home, more fully respecting our true position and real wants. To Dr. Croft, the best thanks of this Auxiliary are due.

To the Parent Society, whose untiring zeal and abounding liberality we feel pleasure in once more acknowledging in our Annual Report, your Committee would present their sincere thanks. It is, however, essential to the prosperity of our work that while grateful for assistance generously afforded, we should diligently cultivate and zealously labour to evolve the resources we possess. The time may come, and at no distant day when the liberality of the parent body will be exhibited in an increased grant to our colonial mission. Should this take place, your Committee humbly trust that the patrons of our Auxiliary Society will feel bound to make a similar advance on their former liberality.

The past year, though not one of abundant ingatherings of souls in the parent body, has been characterized by great efforts