

clergymen were present. There are, however, some earnest friends of the Society in the community, and though the collection was not so large as the previous year, owing to exceptional causes, considerable interest was manifested in the Society's operations. There is reason to hope that this Branch will exhibit in the future greater activity and liberality than it has yet done. Your agent delivered an address giving an account of the Society's work.

February 10th I visited Jerseyville. The attendance at the meeting was very good, and much interest appeared to be felt in the work of the Society. The Rev. Mr. Dymock took part in the meeting. The office-bearers of the Branch, old and well-trying friends of the Society, take an active interest in the work, and it is my experience when this is the case, the meetings are good and the interest of the people is awakened also. The contribution was very liberal, and on the whole the meeting was very interesting.

On February 26th the Branch at Glanford was visited and a very good meeting held. The ministers of the neighbourhood were prevented from being present, but in addition to the Agent's address the President and others spoke warmly in support of the Society. Although the whole district was not canvassed, a very good contribution was given to the funds. This was the second appointment at Glanford. On the first visit of your Agent it was impossible to hold a meeting.

On the 19th February the Branch at Binbrook was visited. Although the evening was unfavourable the attendance was very fair, and considerable interest was manifested in the work. The meeting was addressed by your Agent, but no other ministers were present owing to other engagements detaining them.

These were all the branches allocated to me. When it was possible the depositaries were visited, but in none of the Branches was there a large local circulation.

The Branch at Bartonville appears to be altogether defunct. I had not an opportunity of visiting it, having written to the former office-bearers on the subject of having a meeting, and got no replies from them.

Although in some of the places visited the collection was not so large as in the preceding year, this is to be accounted for chiefly by local and temporary causes which may not be felt so much next year. I have to testify most gratefully to the uniform kindness and courtesy with which I was received by the office-bearers of the various Branches. In many cases attendance on the meetings entailed considerable inconvenience on the part of the people owing to the unfavourable state of the roads and weather, and the presence of so many in such cases testified to a sincere interest in the work of the Society. On the whole I had reason to be satisfied with the condition of the Branches, though in one or two instances there is need of the infusion of more life and zeal into the work.

I am, gentlemen,
Yours very truly,
D. D. McLEOD.

Ancaster, August, 1874.

REPORT OF THE REV. JOHN KAY.

To the Directors of the Upper Canada Bible Society.

GENTLEMEN,—As soon as possible after receiving my commission, I entered upon the work of visiting the Branches assigned me, viz., eight in the County of Norfolk, and seven in the County of Grey, and succeeded through the guidance of a gracious Providence in reaching all of them according to appointment, with one exception.

I am happy to say that I found a very cordial and hearty reception at all the Branches I visited. (It is, however, greatly to be desired that the ministers of the churches generally would take a deeper interest in the practical