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THE ANNUAL REPORT.

We take pleasure in presenting you a detailed statement of our finances for the past Conference year. By a reference to former reports it may be seen that nearly all the Connexional Funds for the four years now closing show a small but healthy increase. The Connexional Envelope system of this year worked well, and it is hoped all our people will continue to support these deserving funds.

We take this opportunity of thanking all our members and contributors for their kind sympathy and help during the pastorate now closing and pray you may be enriched more and more in spiritual things.

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Pastor. Recording Steward.

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ARE YOU HELPING TO FILL THE PEWS?

Perhaps some of you had an idea that this was the minister's business, but the truth is that every vacant place in the pew reflects upon the church members. What are you doing to create an interest in what your church is attempting and what your pastor is saying? How are you helping to fill the pews?

Dr. Lyman Beecher was once asked to explain the success of his Church in Boston, and he gave the answer: "It is not I, but my church, that does it. I preach as hard as I can on the Sabbath, and then I have four hundred church members who go out and preach every day of the week. They are preaching all the week: with God's blessing that is what brings success."

Your pastor is doing his utmost; but remember that you have six days in the week in which to supplement his preaching. Speak to your friend about last Sunday's sermon. Mention the special music that added interest to the services. Invite the stranger whom you meet for the first time to attend church with you if he is not otherwise engaged. Carry your responsibility in regard to the empty pews with you during the six days, then you will worship all the more loyally upon the seventh.—Selected.

When you've got a thing to say,
Say it! Don't take half a day.
When your tale's got a little in it,
Crowd the whole thing in a minute!
Life is short—a fleeting vapor—
Don't you fill an eight-page paper
With a tale which, at a pinch,
Could be cornered in an inch!
Boil it down until it simmers;
Polish it until it glimmers.
When you've got a thing to say,
Say it! Don't take half a day.