

meet their obligations, and have therefore prevented simultaneous action. But notwithstanding the former partial failures, yet the debt has been steadily reduced, and we entertain very strong hopes that by the united efforts of this centenary year the entire debt will be paid. Let none of our friends be discouraged, but considering the great mercies of Providence in the past, the certain and visible benefits of the institution to the Church and country, and the splendid career before it in the future, let us take courage, rally to the rescue, and the institution shall be free.

W. BROWN,

I. B. AYLSWORTH,

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} Committee.

### EXTRACT FROM THE REPORT ON PRINTING.

The Committee on Printing beg leave to report—

That our acknowledgments are due to Providence and the managers of the *C. C. Advocate*, for the benefits secured to our friends and families by its weekly visits, laden as it always is with the choicest matter, calculated to instruct and comfort all classes of readers. Although the financial condition of the Printing Concern is far from indicating a prosperity commensurate with the merits of so excellent an institution, we are enabled to report a greater increase of profits for this year than we did last year.

Your Committee are very much pleased to find that the advance payments of subscriptions for current year are 100 per cent. in advance of last year—indicating an increase of money, and the wisdom of last year's recommendations.

The difficulty of collecting old subscriptions, and the fearful number of subscribers averaging 2½ years in arrears—285—suggests the propriety of renewing the remonstrance against sending the paper more than a month or two to any subscriber after the term of subscription has expired.

We think it would materially improve the interests of the printing establishment if the Presiding Elders were to call attention to the *Advocate* accounts in every Quarterly Meeting Conference; and we advise that they be instructed to do so.

The system of charging the preachers for their papers, and then giving them 10 per cent. on all the money collected and forwarded by them to the office, has worked well, and we hope it may be continued.

J. A. ROGERS,

H. WILLIAMS,

J. D. BELL,

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Committee Room, June 4th, 1866.