

FORTY-SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BAPTIST
HOME MISSION BOARD OF ONTARIO
AND QUEBEC.

Give unto the Lord glory and strength. Give unto the Lord the glory due unto His name. Not one thing hath failed of all the good things which the Lord our God spake concerning us. He hath crowned the year with His goodness, and through His boundless grace and power we are again permitted to present a record of victories won in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

The past year has not been marked by wide reaching revivals; the additions to the churches have been under rather than above the average of the past five years; yet steady and gratifying progress has been made. Several churches have become self-supporting; others are asking for reduced appropriations; chapels have been built, churches organized, and we have been permitted to begin work on a number of fields hitherto unoccupied by us. The churches, under a ministry that for years has been growing in power and efficiency, are recognizing more clearly than in the past that the special business of the church of Jesus Christ is to preach the gospel of grace to the perishing. And surely the goodness and the severity of God, the impulses of the Holy Spirit, the command and example of Jesus Christ, the blindness and anguish of a sinning and suffering world, the appalling darkness and doom that must speedily overtake and overwhelm those who love not our Lord Jesus Christ, *ought to beget life* consecrated to the work of rescuing the perishing. Yet we must confess that our service has been unworthy of the grace bestowed on us. We have hindered the forth-putting of God's power; we have prevented seasons of Pentecostal blessing, and to some extent have contributed to the spirit of indifference, and open antagonism to the gospel which all too generally prevails. May the daughter of Zion shake herself from the dust, that the prey may be taken from the mighty and the lawful captive be delivered.

We do not propose, in this report, to pass under review each field separately, and indicate the changes that have taken place during the year. At the Convention held a year ago, the

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