

tional Church a united service was held by the Congregationalists of the city, who attended in good numbers at 11 a. m. The pastor of the place of meeting, Rev. F. H. Marling, presided, and opened the service by praise and prayer. Rev. S. N. Jackson, of Zion Church, then read Isaiah xxxviii., 9-20, "The writing of Hezekiah, King of Judah, when he was sick, and was recovered of his sickness," and James v. 13-18, after which he gave a brief address on "God as the hearer of prayer," in which he showed how all sickness was the terrible consequence of sin, and how "the prayer of faith will save the sick." After an appropriate hymn, prayers were offered by Rev. Dr. Wickson and Mr. D. Higgins. Another hymn having been sung, Rev. J. A. R. Dickson, of the Northern Congregational Church, read Psalm cxvi., and spoke on "The Duty of Thanksgiving," which he earnestly enforced by numerous considerations.—Rev. J. Porter and Mr. G. Hague next led the prayers of the congregation, their doing so being preceded and followed by singing. Rev. F. H. Marling then read Psalms xxi., 1-7. and lxi., and made some remarks on the "Duty of Prayer for the restored Prince," dwelling on the temptations that surrounded one in such a position, and the immense importance of high personal character in the occupant of the throne. Prayer having been offered by Rev. T. Baker and Mr. J. J. Woodhouse, the national anthem was sung with much heartiness (as indeed were all the hymns) and the benediction was pronounced.

**RUGBY, ORO.**—The Annual Meeting of the Rugby Sabbath School Missionary Society, was held on the evening of Tuesday, the 12th of March, in the Congregational Church, which had been previously decorated with evergreens and mottoes for the occasion. At the back of the pulpit, underneath a large and beautiful motto, was hung a map of the world, tastefully ornamented, and with the words in large letters inscribed on it, "The world for Christ and Christ for the world." Among the inscriptions on the walls might be noticed the striking words, "Six hundred millions have not yet heard the Gospel."

The report stated that since the society was organized (two years ago) over \$45 had been contributed by the children. The money had been divided among various religious societies. The French Canadian Missionary Society; Ontario Sabbath School Missionary Union; Indian Missionary Society; Home Missionary Society; Missionary Ship "Morning Star," and the Rev. Mr. Chiniquy, of Kankakee, Illinois, had been assisted, some of them twice, in sums varying from \$3 to \$8. Some very interesting extracts were read from the letters of Mr. Chiniquy, the Secretary of the S. S. Union, and the Treasurer of the F. C. M. S. After the report, the scholars, led by Mr. Ball and Mrs. Sanderson, engaged in a number of Sabbath School exercises bearing on Mission work, which were interspersed with a number of select pieces of music, in which all the children assisted.

The meeting on the whole was a decided success: about two hundred were present, who seemed to enjoy themselves heartily to the close. A good collection was taken up, and after a few appropriate remarks by the pastor, the Rev. J. G. Sanderson, the meeting was brought to a close. It is remarkable that whilst the regular Missionary meeting of the church has been lately poorly attended, the children's meeting, with the whole work of interesting the audience in their own hands, was so successful.—*Orillia Packet*.

**THE AMHERSTBURG CHURCH** has purchased an organ, and made several improvements in its house of worship. The beginning of prosperity to our cause here has manifestly come.—*J. M. S.*

**REV. H. DENNY** further acknowledges subscriptions towards rebuilding his house destroyed by fire.—*C. Page, Toronto, \$10; John Mickle, Guelph, \$4; Andrew Gerrie, George Gerrie, and Dougald McGill, \$1 each.*

**Rev. J. HOWELL** has accepted the Agency of the Montreal Tract Society, his P. O. address continuing to be, "Granby, P. Q."