

proving a source of strength to the church; two of their number have decided to prepare for foreign work; one is studying for the ministry. They are also educating a child in Miss Riach's school in Japan, and the same society distributed fifty copies of the DISCIPLE OF CHRIST among the church members, previous to the Home mission collection. One society is looking after the children of those parents who do not belong to any church. Another has taken stock in the Heathen Building Fund; has a class of trained workers to do personal work in the city for their Master; and one committee of this society has undertaken to advertise the meetings of the church.

From the reports we also learn that there are a number of points financially weak that should have regular preaching, but the funds in the hands of the Board are overtaxed now, and, if these places are to have the gospel proclaimed to them, there must be an enlargement of the mission work, a quickening of the missionary spirit in our midst. And as Father Clark has said, "May it not be the glad mission of the Christian Endeavor Society to introduce a new era of benevolence, not to perpetuate the grudging dole that has been wrung from tight fists in the past, a meagre offering that will never evangelize the world; but to bring in an era of proportionate and systematic giving as God hath prospered us?" With this end in view, your committee begs to recommend that a day be set apart as a Missionary day in each Endeavor Society in the province to disseminate missionary knowledge, stir up missionary zeal, and plan systematic means of giving, especially in assisting the Home work; and would beg to recommend that a day the first week in December be named for that purpose.

Our brethren across the line consider no state properly equipped for the propagation of the gospel until they have founded an institution of learning where their young men are trained and educated for the ministry.

The minister of the future must come from the ranks of the young. The fields are already white unto the harvest, and what we need are young men to consecrate their lives to the preaching of the gospel. If we are going to establish our cause in every hamlet of this fair Dominion of ours, as we should do, we must foster this spirit, we must educate the young. The founding of the Bible school at Toronto is a step in the right direction, and in order to stimulate the educational work we beg to recommend that each Endeavor

Society hold an educational day the first week of September in each year.

Nine societies gave by a systematic plan. Sixteen use lesson helps, and seventeen use the International topics.

Owen Sound and Warton reported not meeting at the present time, and Dorchester, Rainham and Seikirk made no report. Erin, Erin Centre and Hillsburg, while having no formal organization, meet weekly, use the International topics and pledge themselves to be faithful in attendance at the services of the church.

W. W. COULTER,
Chairman Com.

On Missions.

Your Committee on Missions would beg to report as follows:

It is with a degree of satisfaction that we learn from the reports laid before us, that those points that have received assistance during the past year from the Board have not only been making numerical gains, but have contributed freely to foreign and home mission work.

The following requests for assistance during the coming year have been submitted to us:

Cecil Street Church, Toronto,	\$400 00
Hamilton Church.....	350 00
London Church.....	400 00
Owen Sound Church.....	150 00
Collingwood do.....	100 00
Guelph do.....	200 00
Georgetown do.....	100 00
International Bridge Church.	45 00
Winger Church.....	100 00

Total.....\$1,945 00

Your Committee, after prayerfully and carefully considering these reasonable requests and making enquiry as to the funds that came into the Treasurer's hands during the past year, regret that we feel compelled in some cases to recommend a less amount than that asked for.

Your Committee would, therefore, recommend that the Board of Managers make the following appropriations:

Cecil Street, Toronto.....	\$400 00
Hamilton.....	350 00
London.....	400 00
(Changed in Committee of whole to \$450).	
Owen Sound.....	100 00
Collingwood.....	100 00
Georgetown.....	50 00
(And an additional \$50 to Georgetown provided the funds are in hand after the aforesaid appropriations are paid.)	
International Bridge.....	45 00

And that Guelph be granted a sum sufficient, with the appropriation of last year (but not used), to equal \$200 (said grant to be \$125). And further, to partly recognize the past as well as

the present services of Bro. Lister and to meet the necessity of preaching the Gospel on the Manitoulin Island, the sum of \$50 be granted Bro. Lister, to be used for that purpose.

We would also recommend that after paying the amounts designated, if sufficient funds are in the hands of the Board of Managers, that the sum of \$25 be given to the church at Winger, to assist in paying their pastor.

These appropriations to be only paid upon the condition that a pastor is employed during the year, or proportionately for the time he may be so engaged, unless with the consent and approval of the Board of Managers.

HOME MISSION WORK.

Your Committee, recognizing the demand and importance upon us as a religious body to present to our fellowmen in this province the simple plea of the Gospel, without addition or adulteration, would reiterate the recommendation of last year, that all who are in sympathy with this work, as at present conducted, should not relax their efforts in this direction, so that the Board may not only have their sympathy but their financial assistance.

REPORT OF BOARD OF MANAGERS.
THE UNION QUESTION.

Letter from D. Prosser, president of the Christian Conference, stating their desire for union, and asking that this Convention appoint a committee to attend their Conference, which is to convene at Altona from June 12th to 16th.

In view of our Saviour's prayer, that all these should be one, as I and My Father are one, your Committee would recommend that such committee be named by this Convention, to attend the aforesaid Conference, with a view of bringing about a so much desired end, if it can be consummated upon a New Testament basis.

EVANGELISTIC WORK.

Your Committee are of the opinion that to reach and strengthen weak and struggling churches, and that the Gospel may be preached in the regions round about, it is desirable that as much of this kind of work should be done as possible, and would therefore recommend that, as far as the funds that are set aside for this special purpose will admit of, the recommendation of last year be followed for another year, viz.: The Board of Management be empowered to use their own judgment as to the employment of a special evangelist, or such of our preachers as in their opinion may from time to time do this work to the best advantage, with this addition, that our preachers have the preference.

Your Committee would observe that in the foregoing they have outlined the recommendations they would desire the Board of Managers to have carried out, allowing, however, the Board sufficient latitude to use their judgment as to the points assisted and the amounts given.

Respectfully submitted,
JAS. TOLTON, Chairman.

On Education.

Your Committee on Education begs to submit the following report:

1. That a Bible school has been established in Toronto, according to the recommendation of the Annual Meeting of June, 1894.

2. That a teacher, Bro. T. L. Fowler, M. A., was engaged by the Board of the Co-operation, at a salary of \$600 for the six month's session.

3. That rooms in the Cecil Street Church building were used as lecture rooms.

4. That there is now the nucleus of a library.

5. That there were five students in attendance at the said school during the whole session; and there were five others who availed themselves of a correspondence course, making ten in all who intend to become preachers.

6. That the work done during the session was in every way highly satisfactory, and in the opinion of the committee is a cause for great rejoicing among the Disciples of Christ in Canada.

Recommendations:

1. That the Bible School be continued, and that it be made self-supporting as soon as possible; and, to this end, that brethren be urged to contribute liberally to the endowment fund.

2. That individuals, and our publishing houses, be asked to donate books for the library of the school.

3. That Bro. T. L. Fowler, M.A., continue in charge of the school.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN MUNRO, Chairman.
C. A. FLEMING.

On Obituaries.

Your Committee on Obituaries beg to report as follows:

It is with deep gratitude to God that we call to mind that death has not robbed us of any of our public active members this year. It has, however, visited some of our homes in the province, and there are those who have passed triumphantly from this life, in the faith of the Gospel. But our staff of workers is left complete, for which we are profoundly thankful. We can-