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Cold Springs, per Pastor.....	14 00
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MISSIONARY TOUR.—MIDDLE DISTRICT, No. 1.

To the Editor of the Canadian Independent.

MR. EDITOR,—As it is usual to give a brief narration of Missionary meetings, permit me to occupy a portion of your next issue, with the following account. We commenced our meetings in this district, on the memorable day on which thousands and tens of thousands of Christians of all evangelical denominations, were engaged in special and united prayer for the out-pouring of the Holy Spirit, and for the conversion of the world to Christ; and they were continued through that eventful week. This significant and delightful fact, had an obvious influence upon the speakers and hearers. I never witnessed more solemn meetings. The spirit of prayer prevailed. Weighty and practical truths were freely and earnestly enunciated. The attendance was exceedingly encouraging, and the attention equally so. Many found it good to be there, and will long remember the exercises in which so many so harmoniously united. Prayer and praise commenced and concluded each meeting, and between the addresses, sacred pieces were sung by the choir with great acceptance. The Secretary read selections from the printed report of the Society, followed by an address which evidently gave a tone to the meetings, and which succeeding speakers ably and earnestly illustrated and enforced.

We commenced with *Bowmanville*, on the 9th instant: the pastor presiding. Although the weather was unfavourable, the attendance was good. On this occasion we regretted the absence of the Rev. Mr. Fenwick, who was expected to take part throughout our Missionary tour. This limited the deputation. In four instances, however, the friends of the Saviour of other sections of the Church, rendered valuable assistance. On this occasion, besides the speeches of the chairman, and Messrs. Durrant and Byrne, very appropriate remarks were made by the Rev. Mr. Chapple (Bible Christian), and Rev. Mr. Smith (Free Church). The tone of the meeting, and the singing, were excellent. The collection amounted to \$10 00, and the subscriptions paid, to \$47 07, making a total of \$57 07—a few