Bro. Kirk made the "good confession" and was baptized. On the 17th of October a young man recently from Denmark (a Lutheran), having learned the way of the Lord more perfectly obeyed Him in His appointed way. Bro. Lediard began a series of meetings with us on the 19th of October. On Lord's Day eve, the 24th, a young man came forward, confessed his faith in Jesus, and will be baptized to-morrow eve. We rejoice in having Bro. Lediard with us, our hearts are cheered and encouraged, and we hope to see many turn to the Lord as the result of our labors.

56 Sullivan Street, Toronto. October 26th, 1886. GEO. J. BARCLAY,

## Home Mission Work.

C. W. MARTZ' REPORT.

Walkerton Ont., Oct. 22nd 1886. Brethren Fowler and Munro:

About the time your readers are looking over the columns of November Evangellist my present engagement in Ontario will close. I expect soon to return to Indianapolis, Ind. At this time I feel that, continued effort and frequency of change occasional and unavoidable in the evangelist's work, has left me at the close of my year's labor somewhat broken in health, and certainly requiring, for a time at least, less laborious, if not a complete cessation from work. I will therefore with this report endeavor to cover the ground over which I have passed, and include my purpose in the few remaining meetings I am expected to hold during the closing days of October. I re ported last when the meeting at Collingwood had reached some degree of success. In all there were four confessions and buptisms. One Lord's Day during the month of September was devoted to the little faithful church in Glencairu. The last Lord's Day of the month closed my work with the church in Collingwood, excepting, the one meeting of Tuesday evening following at which one was baptized. Thursday evening the 30th of Sept. I preached in Meaford. It would be difficult for me to believe that even this church refusing through Co-operation with many other churches in the Province to aid in forwarding the good work in which we are engaged.-difficult I would say to believe them ready to say openly that they could not pray the Lord's blessing to attend the kind of work in which I have been engaged during the year. From Meanord to Owen Sound where I held three meetings with profit and encouragement to the cause as we be-This church is in sympathy with Co-op eration in common with nearly all our churches in the Province Owen Sound will be heard from in a sub....tial token of sympathy at some Owen Sound will be heard future time. They will contribute to the cause of missions.

In much physical weakness and suffering I spent a little more than a week at Kilsyth, preaching three times, the house being filled, with on the outside on Sunday evening. I made my home chiefly with the family of Bro. Donald Fleming, and the considerate attention and kindness during the days of mingled suffering and joy which were spent here have placed me under ol ligations to the members of this good family for kindly anticipation of every needful attention

From Kilsyth to Wiarton where I spent the third Lord's Day of October. Preached twice on the Lord's Day and kindly urged them to de at a convenient time what they could in swelling the amount we are seeking to raise this year for home mission work. I am now in Walkerton where a few days quiet in the hospital home of Bro. J. S. Tolton, has in some measure improved my condition. Will try and preach the word faithfully on Lord's Day. I will then spend a little time in Stratford and then at or naw Goderich, where I will close my work aiding the cause by a few days meetings where our brethren are in special need of help. I will spend the 1st Lord's Day of November in Detroit, Mich. Then homeward.

C. W. MARTZ, Evangelist

### CO-OPERATION NOTES

After my visit with the Church at Dorchester I went home for a few days, and left again in time to spend Lord's Day, October 3rd, with the Church at Lobo. This is one of the churches that do not need a visit from the Evangelist to induce them to give, they will always be found ready to do their duty along this line. The meetings were good. I preached twice ou Lord's Day and on Monday and Tuesday nights. The field was new to me, and I-made some warm friends and did a good deal of visiting from house to house. They responded liberally by pledging nearly \$80.00 for Home Mission work.

From Lobo to Appin. Here there are a few orethren—about twenty—who meet on the Lord's Day to remember the Savionr's death. They are few and poor in this world's goods. I preach ed in the Methodist Church, kindly lent for the occasion, one night, and in the Town Hall on the following night, to good and interested audiences. This little church should receive A series of meetings right now would do good, but a more permanent help could be given after such a meeting if the surrounding churches of Lobo, Mosa and Rodney would occasionally send out their preachers to spend a Lord's Day with them. Brethren, see to this; cultivate an interest in neighboring congregations as well as in your own; remember, "He that watereth others is himself watered."

From Appin to Mosa. Here the brethren had raised nearly \$400.00 to preach the gospel in their own section. They are looking for a suitable man—one not afraid of work. There is a winter's work for a man who can hold meetings all the time under the direction of the church there, and the result will be the strengthening of the church, the salvation of souls and the glory of God. I rejoice to say they had not exhausted their liberality in thus providing for their home work, but pledged \$10.00 for the help of others, also. May God bless their efforts.

From Mosa to Rodney. The day was rainy and the number of brethren out, few. I also preached at Eagle in the evening. They are carrying on the work of the Lord in Rodney under some difficulties just now. Bro. Campbell, whose laabors did so much to build up this church, has removed to Beamsville, and Bro. Ash I think bears the burden of the Lord's Day service. They have, however, secured the services of Bro. Keffer, who will enter on his work the first Lord's Day in November. They responded to the appeal for help by pledging \$24.00, and will do better yet, as they will appeal to those brethren who were absent.

FROM RODNEY TO TORONTO-Here the Jones and Small revival meetings are going on and it may be said everybody attends them. I am preaching every night and shall continue over man confessed the Saviour on Lord's Day. I trust more may follow. I look and hope-for some good being done and, if we work and pray as well as hope, we shall see the result of our efforts. I will write of this meeting again at its

Will the churches remember that now is the time to send in money that the work may not be hindered and will not the churches respond liber. ally at once instead of waiting for my visit? I am hastening along brethren but dont wait; send in a pledge of not less than one dollar for every member on the church book, and send in one half of the whole amount now.

Over \$1100 have been pledged for home work already, and only a small part of the churches have been visited. Will not the elders and teachers stir up the brethren on this question and induce them to act with energy and liberalty?

J. L.

### ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

The following sums have been received for Home Mission Work since last report:

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Glencairn	\$30.00
St. Thomas	19.25
Acton	20.00
Erin Village	38.00
Cobourg	10.00
Hamilton	55.00
Individuals in Dorchester	12.00
Lobo	47.85
Mosa	26.50
Appin	5.50
Rodney	10.60
J. W. Kilgour, Si	
Guelph, Oct. 28th 1886.	

# Foreign Mission Notes.

OFFICIAL NEWS FROM THE FOREIGN SOCIETY.

The Executive Committee met in regular bus iness session, in Room 55 Johnston Building, September 20. The report of the Corresponding Secretary was read and filed.

Finances .- The receipts for the month an ed to \$3,994.16; the disbursements to \$1,382.77.

Additions.—The following were reported: 13

by H. S. Earl, 2 by A. Martin, 3 by W. Durban, and 1 by A. J. L. Gliddon.

NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST.

Japan.-The young ladies arrived in Akita on the 18th of July, and began the study of the language on the following day. They are in good health and in fine spirits.

India .- G. I. Wharton asked that a grant be nade to enable him to circulate Christian litera ture among the natives. As a rule books and tracts are sold, but always below cost. cases the people are so poor that they have nothing with which to pay. In hetter, dated August 9, he says:

"The work of preaching, teaching, book and

tract distribution is being pushed on as much as the rains will permit, and the people are more anxious to hear, read and learn than they have been at any time since our coming.

The \$150 you sent me for books and tracts has been carefully used and I am now buying tracts and books as I am able to spare the means. You will understand that while we sel most of the tracts and books yet we always sell for less than they cost, and wherever we think the poor people are really desirous of books, we judiciously give them away, so that our cost re-ceipts pay but little more than carriage, colporteurs commission etc. I hope therefore, that we will receive a small appropriation that we may be able to warry on this important branch of the work, for the more books and tracts we get the people to read the more they want to read.

Our Zenana work is being carried on by Bhakhtibai, our preacher's wife, but we need a lady to give all her attention to this work. Miss Kinsey has not been able to assist in any work for over four months. I spend considerable of my time daily in the schools, teaching and superintending the work. We hope the way will be made clear for Miss Levermore, of London, to come and take charge of this work. We have been corresponding with Mr. and Mrs. Moore, of London, about her."

The committee appropriated \$150 for this

purpose.

G. W. Jackson has secured the services John Jaulin and wife to aid in the work of teaching and preaching. The wife will teach in the girls' school at Bilaspur. They are to receive about \$12 a month each, beginning September 1.

The work on the three buildings is proceeding slowly. It will be a year, probably, before thesbuildings are completed.

England.-The four missionaries who were appointed some months ago to labor in Japan and China sailed on the 12th of August. Their ship was due in Shanghai on the 28th of Septem-W. T. Moore has been making carnest appeals in the Commonwealth for help for the ociety. Thus far about \$800 has been received. It is probable that about twice this amount will cived in all.

W. Durban has secured a lot in Fulham for a chapel. It is proposed to put up a building costing about \$7.500. Mr. Spurgeon has written him a letter cordially approving of the attempt to plant a church in that important suburb of London, and regretting that he could not inclose a handsome check.

A. Martin reports the church in Liverpool in dept to the amount of \$9,400. The property cost \$12,500. The church, though poor, is paying the interest and is slowly reducing the prin-

The missionary year will close on the 15th of October. The last appropriations left only a little over one hundred dollars in the treasury. Unless the brethren send in \$2,000 before that day the year will close with the society in debt. ose who owe anything on pledges should remit at once. Those who are able to contribute anything should do so. It would be a small matter for the brotherhood to send in enough to meet all obligations and to leave a balance in the treasury with which to begin the new year.

A. McLean, Cor. Secy Box 750. Cincinnati, O.

### REPORT.

The following sums have been sent from Ontario to the Foreign Mission Tund since last

Kilsyth	3.50
Lobo	
Everton	
S. S. Erin Village	

To-morrow may never come to us. not live in to-morrow. We cannot find it in any of our little deeds. The man who owns blocks of real estate and great ships on the sea, does not own a single minute of to-morrow. Tomorrow! It is a mysterious possibility, not yet born. It lies under the seal of midnight, behind the veil of glittering constellations.-Clapin.

#### OBITUARY.

In the village of Sell iik on the 25th Sept. Bro. Louis Robitaille died in his sixty-eighth year. The deceased was born in the Province of Quebec, and came to Ontario in his youthful days, and by prudence and industry made life a success. He imited with the Church of Christ in Selkirk in 1875 and retained his Christian integrity to the last. The church here has lost a noble man, one who was esteemed by all. He haves behind him the companion of his youth and an only son and daughter to mourn their loss; but they "sorrow not as those that have no hope." The remains were followed to their last resting place by many sorrowing friends. The writer discoursed to them on the subject, "What is man?" "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord that they may rest from their labors and their works do follow them.

R. AINSWORTH.

Is any Christian conscious that he is cold and orldly, that he has lost the glow and fervour of his earliest love. He cannot get it back by praying for it. The only way is that revealed by our Saviour. He must deny himself and take up his cross. Let him turn from the engrossment of business and the fascinations of society. Let him go and seek out the Lord's poor and minister to them. In finding them he will find Christ Himself and be restored to that blessed communion with Him for which he longs. Yes, the aged, bed-ridden believer will sayto him, "Christ is here. He comes day and night by His Spirit, and sits beside me in my chamber, lays His hand on my aching lead or on my fluttering heart, and comforts me. O how He comforts me during the long hours of loneliness and pain l'-Interior.

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