

most praiseworthy and successful. The church building is situated on the east side of Light Street, adjoining the grounds of the Central School, is built of stone, presenting externally a fine appearance, alike creditable to the architect and congregation. The basement is well lighted, and with lofty ceiling, fitted up for lecture room and Sunday school purposes. The auditorium is finished throughout with black ash, oiled and varnished, with handsome ceiling, is comfortably seated with semi-circular seats, well cushioned. It is thoroughly well lighted, and presents, as you enter through large roomy porches, a most inviting appearance, which is enhanced by the organ that has its resting place immediately in the rear of the speaker's platform and desk. There is nothing superfluous and nothing mean in the general appearance, but all most admirably adapted for the purpose to which the structure is dedicated. The total cost will reach about \$15,000. There is also a fine organ which cost \$2,100. The following services in connection with the opening were held, and on the whole well patronized:—On Friday, June 3, at two p.m., the pastor, the Rev. Wm. Cuthbertson, B.A., most appropriately preached the opening sermon, the Rev. C. E. Gordon-Smith, of Stratford, offering the prayer of dedication. Saturday was devoted to an earnest prayer meeting. On Sunday, Rev. H. D. Hunter, M.A., London, Chairman of the Union, preached morning and afternoon, and the pastor in the evening. On Monday, Rev. John Morton, of Hamilton, gave an able service. Tuesday witnessed in the afternoon a special service for young people, addressed by Mr. Henry J. Clark, of Toronto, and Rev. George Fuller, of Brantford; in the evening a sermon by Mr. Fuller. On Wednesday an evangelistic meeting was held. Thursday the Rev. H. M. Parsons, Toronto, preached in the evening, after giving in the afternoon one of his Bible readings. On Friday an organ recital by Professor Garratt, with praise service, drew forth unqualified admiration. The second Saturday witnessed a second prayer meeting. On Sunday, June 12, the Editor preached morning and evening, and must record his experience as most happy. The whole surroundings were full of hope. On Monday, Rev. T. Hall gave one of his earnest mission sermons. A congregational tea meeting on Tuesday, and on Wednesday another for the children of the Sab-

bath school concluded the successful series. We understand that the seats have already been almost all taken, and we believe that the cause has now a plain path before it, not altogether free from difficulties; nevertheless full of hope and of prospective usefulness. May the revered pastor and the earnest workers reap a rich reward for their toil and their faith. We have been specially requested to express on behalf of the Woodstock Church their sense of the sympathy and co-operation extended to them by members of the sister churches of the town. They thoroughly reciprocate the kindly sentiments practically expressed. The architect, Mr. T. Cuthbertson has been also more than professionally attentive. The deacons of the church are Donald McDonald, J. C. Ross, W. A. Reid, James White, Alexander Watson, Hugh McDonald; A. Watson, treasurer; J. Murray, secretary.

"THE Lord is my Shepherd." Reader, three thoughts with you. Emphasize "Shepherd." The Lord is King, Jehovah is Judge, the Creator too, strong in might, who can harden himself against Him, and prosper? He is a shepherd, as such He tends His flock, feeding, guarding, gently leading. Yes, eternal might and power brought down to shepherd His people. Blessed be the tenderness.

My Shepherd. Of what avail the Shepherd's care to me, if away on the dark mountains I wander? Is He mine? Only thus can I find blessing either for my self or for others. Let me trustingly put myself under His care, then He is mine, and I am prepared to say, "The Lord is my Shepherd." Ah the restfulness and strength that blest assurance brings!

The following Union minute occurs in report of the last meeting:

The Delegation from the Toronto Conference of Methodist Churches was now presented, consisting of Revs. Dr. Sutherland and Galbraith, with Messrs. John Macdonald and W. H. Beattie. *Mr. Macdonald gave \$250 to the Missionary Society—provided the churches doubled their contributions next year—and \$100 to the Provident Fund, unconditionally.*

We draw attention to the part we have italicized. We occasionally meet Mr. Macdonald, and more that once he is asking when the cheque will be required, as he is anxious to fulfil his promise. If only those members and churches which are