

He is in the very prime of his life; a courteous-mannered, strong-minded, typical Englishman. The call was unanimous, and the field is important. We hope he may come.

TORONTO, YORKVILLE.—Rev. G. H. Sandwell lectured under the patronage of the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor of this church, on Friday evening, 15th Feb. on "Heroism". His definition of what he meant by heroism was clear-cut and simple—it was "Self-Sacrifice". He illustrated his points exceedingly well; both by argumentative analysis and by examples. A cordial vote of thanks was proposed by Rev. W. W. Smith, and seconded by Mr. George Scott, both members of this church, in a few appropriate remarks; and warmly responded to. Mr. Sandwell in reply, strongly hinted at his probable future residence in Toronto. Rev. George Robertson, the pastor, presided.

ECONOMY, N.S.—Since the coming of Mr. Sykes among us, we are getting more into line, a better feeling is obtaining, and we hope for the time to come when we shall stand shoulder to shoulder, as in days past, and work for the Master as He shall call and give us the ability. There has been one addition to our church since Mr. Sykes came here; and, from the interest taken in his ministrations, it will be surprising if there are not more to follow soon. From socials held through the summer and autumn, and from our annual Christmas supper, all of which were well attended, we had good results, as will be seen further on. We had a Sabbath school concert on the 2nd Sabbath of January, taken part in by the teachers and a good many of the scholars. Music and recitations occupied an hour, which passed away pleasantly and profitably. Next in order, comes our annual gathering, the anniversary of the settlement of our pastor, the Rev. Edwin Rose, eleven years ago. The treasurer reported there had been raised for the year, \$280, not including stipend money; and that after bills paid for repairs on parsonage, etc., he would be able to reduce the debt on the church \$200. We still keep up the insurance on the property; this year there is on the church \$1,250, and on the parsonage \$750. Treasurer also reported pastor's salary paid till first of January last. We have adopted the monthly system of paying, and find it works well. I had nearly forgotten to say we had a very nice tea provided by the ladies of the church, which was appreciated by all present, and altogether we had a most enjoyable time. ROBERT MORRISON, Church Clerk.

ST. JOHN, N.B.—The year 1888 was a successful year in the history of the Congregational

Church, all bills were paid and a balance is in the treasurer's hands.

The annual meeting of the members of the Union street Congregational church, of which Rev. J. B. Saer is pastor, was held on Wednesday evening. E. E. Macmichael occupied the chair. The clerk reported that nine new members had been added to the roll by profession and one by letter during the year. The financial reports showed that the receipts had been about two thousand three hundred dollars; that there was a slight balance in the hands of the treasurer, and that the debt had been reduced nearly two hundred dollars, during the year. The following gentlemen were elected to office: Treasurer, William Kerr; clerk, James Woodrow; financial secretary, Edwin C. Foster; missionary treasurer, C. H. Dearborn; deacons, Messrs. Josiah Fowler, E. L. Foss, Wm. Kerr and James Harrison. At the annual meeting of the congregation, held some days previous, the following were elected trustees: James Woodrow, Samuel Crothers, C. H. Dearborn, Wm. Kerr, S. B. Paterson, E. L. Foss, Gideon Hevenor, G. S. Fisher and Hugh. P. Kerr.—*St. John Sun.*

The outlook is cheering. The church will gladly do without the temporary but timely aid promised by the Canada Congregational Missionary Society.—*Com.*

BOWMANVILLE.—Last evening, Trinity parsonage was visited by a goodly number of Rev. Mr. Warriner's congregation, who agreeably surprised the pastor and his good lady. Messrs. W. S. Russell, N. S. Young, Geo. Buxton and N. M. Gage had manufactured a large and handsome bookcase for Mr. Warriner, as a New Year's gift, and this was presented by the gentlemen named, prefaced by a kindly-worded address from Mr. Russell. The others united in a presentation to Mrs. Warriner, in commemoration of the tenth wedding anniversary of the worthy couple, the gift being in the form of a tin pail made for the occasion and filled with dollar-bill cartridges—Mrs. N. S. Young making the presentation on behalf of contributors. The whole affair was a genuine surprise to both recipients, and called from Mr. Warriner words of earnest and heartfelt thanks for these marks of esteem and sympathy. The ladies had taken with them the necessaries for a choice repast, and this was by no means neglected. A couple of hours were most agreeably spent in social intercourse.—*Bowmanville Sun*, Jan. 10th.

ALTON.—This church has been the recipient of a great kindness, and wants it to be known—hence the following:—We have had a standing offer from the members of the congregation, Georgetown, to give a concert in this church in aid of the building fund. The L. A. Society made arrangements for it to take place the evening of February 8th, and by way of refreshments a "pancake tea" was served in the basement. The programme consisting of solos, duets, quartettes, and choruses; also, some fine readings and reci-