

On the 1st Feb. I was at Clinton, and from thence I went to Goderich. At Clinton, only nine or ten persons present. Goderich is in a similar condition. I addressed the few present as Christians who were interested in the circulation of the Scripture and the honour of their Lord and Master. A resolution was unanimously passed to the effect, that announcements from the pulpits should be made, and every endeavor used to convene a meeting to ascertain the views of the Christian public, at a gathering sufficiently large really to represent them. I found things going on well at *Brucefield*; they had collected over \$60. *Bayfield*, *Manchester*, and *Londesborough* always do well. *Blyth* presents always one of our best audiences. They were a little behind in their collections, owing, as it was specially said, to the poor crops and poor prices, and not to decreasing interest. *Dungannon*—Improved every way. *St. Helen's* is in a fair state. *Lucknow* had done little. *Teeswater* shows an excellent spirit; they had collected \$45. They select auditors to inspect the accounts and see that all is ready for the meeting. I only wish all the branches would do so; it would save many an audience from being tired out before the Agent's address commenced. I preached in the morning at *Wingham* for the incumbent, and in the afternoon for the Society, and then went on to *Bluevale*, where I addressed a large audience on the work. Both places had not yet sent out their collectors, but were about to do so. *Gorrie*—Somewhat better. *Fordwich*—Much improved. *Harriston* and *Mount Forest*—Not very brisk at present. *Listowell*—In good order; and *Stratford* also. They had collected \$221. *Milbank*—Prospering. *Rothsay* and *Hollen* had to be abandoned, on account of the snow-drifts. *Berlin* is a strong branch. Collections always increasing; though it is hard to get together an audience or a Committee meeting. We are much indebted to our Secretary here. *Winterbourne*—flourishing. *Glenallan*—improving. Plunged through heavy snow-drifts to *Drayton*, and had a good meeting there. *Fergus*—as usual, with a capital report. Collections \$180. *Eden Mills*—doing well. *Eramosa* had held its meeting thinking that some branches would have to arrange for themselves, since there were but two Agents in the field. Over \$100 had been raised. *Hillsburg* had held its meeting also, under similar ideas. *Everton* gave us a fair meeting. *Rockwood* was well up with an audience, and doubtless will make its usual excellent returns. *Kirkton* had not finished its collections. Here the great snow storm set in, and I was blocked up for two days, and at last reached *Guelph*, only to find that I could not proceed north to *Garafraxa* and *Erin*. I heard from them that no meetings were held on account of the roads. *Orangeville*—I was obliged to return without reaching it; the roads were too heavily drifted. The next week, with some difficulty, I reached *Elmira*. They had done well for a new branch, having collected \$45. *Hawkesville* will report when their funds are all in. Two days travelling brought me to London, and thus my work for the fall and winter ended. To the gracious One who hath enabled me to do it, be praise and thanksgiving. May we remember His word, "THE NIGHT is far spent, and THE DAY is at hand," and as we look up rejoicing and watch for his coming, may we all receive grace to love and work better than heretofore.

Yours faithfully in Christ,

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REPORT OF REV. J. GEMLEY, SECRETARY.

To the Directors of the Upper Canada Bible Society:—

BIBLE HOUSE, TORONTO,
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GENTLEMEN,—Having been instructed by you to visit some of the Branches of our Society, and having also been invited to take part in the Annual Meetings of others, I beg to furnish you with an account of the results; and to detail, in brief, some of the incidents connected therewith.