

REPORT.

Pledges received from Churches for General Mission Work up to August 22nd, are as follows:

Acton.....	\$ 50 00
Kilsyth.....	20 00
West End, Toronto.....	50 00
Garafaxa.....	25 00
West Lake.....	15 00
Stratford.....	30 00
Cobourg.....	40 00
Pickering.....	65 00
Aurora.....	30 00
Hamilton.....	100 00
Glencairn.....	30 00
Guelph.....	40 00
Erin Village.....	85 00
Total.....	\$580 00

SECRETARY'S NOTES.

Many churches and brethren are asking for help and inquiring when they may expect a visit from an Evangelist. To all such we say give us time. We need time and money to accomplish the work entrusted to us. We had our first meeting on the first of July, and commenced this work without a dollar in the treasury. Two Evangelists are now in the field. More are needed. The success of this work depends largely upon the promptness of our brethren in forwarding subscriptions and pledges. The board will not be negligent if the brethren rally around them and forward the aid which is needed at this time.

In addition to general Evangelizing the board is anxious to establish permanent missions in some of our leading Cities and Towns. To help on this work Bro. Lediard is making a tour of the churches to stir them up to greater liberality; to take pledges and receive subscriptions for Home Mission Work. Receive him kindly and help him in the work.

It is requested that half of the pledges be paid to the treasurer, J. W. Kilgour, Guelph, by the first of November, and the balance at convenient intervals, but not later if possible than the first of April next.

If every disciple in Ontario would place one dollar in the treasury for Home Missions before the first of November, and have it forwarded to the treasurer of the Co-operation what an array of workers we would be able to place in the field. Let us make an effort worthy of the cause we plead.

A statement of all monies received will be published in the ONTARIO EVANGELIST.

J. W. KILGOUR, Cor. Sec.  
Guelph, Aug., 1886.

REPORT.

The following sums have been received for Co-operation work to this date:

Acton Church.....	\$ 13 00
Guelph.....	15 00
Nassagaweya Church.....	3 82
Erin Village.....	5 50
Thomas W. Kinck, Victoria Square.....	5 00
Total.....	\$42 92

Also, from Church in Stayner, on arrears.....\$11 00

J. W. KILGOUR, Treasurer.  
Guelph, Aug. 26th, 1886.

EVANGELIST'S REPORT FOR JUNE AND JULY.

Stayner, Ont., Aug., 16th, '86.

Brethren Fowler and Munro:

I deem it appropriate that the large number of brethren now interested in the results of labor, attending the efforts of our various Evangelists in Ontario, should receive, at regular intervals, a report of labor performed, fields which have been visited, and results obtained.

I therefore submit my report through the "ONTARIO EVANGELIST" for the months of June and July.

From our memorable "June Meeting," at Everton, I was called by telegram to Mosa, where I delivered five discourses, with one confession and baptism. Received in cash to the credit of the "Provincial Co-operation" of Disciples of Christ \$25.00. On the following Lord's Day, according to promise made to brethren in Selkirk, when I left them last winter, I revisited and held for them a "June Meeting." Preached twice on the Lord's Day. Bro. Royal Ainsworth who was present preached in the afternoon. At night four persons confessed the Saviour, and were immersed the following day. I preached alter-

nately with Bro. Ainsworth till Wednesday evening. Results, financial, \$15.00 cash, and \$12.50 additional in payment of the remaining unpaid portion of former pledge. The fourth Lord's Day was spent with the Welland congregation. Early in the week I set out for the City of Cleveland, Ohio, where I met Mrs. Martz, and returned to Mosa, where I spent the 1st and 2nd Lord's Days of July. A portion of the time while here I was not well, and the harvest time did not admit of meetings being continued during the week. The brethren here paid an additional amount of \$15.00 in cash, making nearly one hundred dollars this congregation has contributed this year in aiding Co-operative Work in the Province. The third Lord's Day in July was spent with the church in Ridgetown, where I preached twice on the Lord's Day. Arriving in Toronto, and no arrangements having been perfected for any appointments north of Toronto whither I intended entering to labor among the hitherto unvisited churches of this region, I concluded to revisit Hamilton on the last Lord's Day of July, where we had two excellent meetings, and learned that this little struggling church, which had been forward to aid heretofore, had already pledged nearly \$100.00 to the Provincial Board to assist in carrying forward the work of the present year.

My total receipts of money for the months of June and July were \$117.50, including \$50.00 which came from Bro. H. T. Law, the former Sec. Treas. of O. C. D. C., leaving a balance due me as Evangelist at the close of nine months' labor of \$84.50.

I am now in Stayner. A meeting is wanted at Collingwood, which I will soon hold, and can put in the balance of my present year's engagement chiefly in the Georgian Bay district to good advantage to the cause, so I believe; unless the wisdom of the Board directs me into some other field, whose wish in this particular I hold myself ready to heed, be it calling me to labor in Manitoulin Island or Muskoka. I have delivered 150 sermons since entering as Evangelist into Ontario. In the prosecution of this work I have entered and re-entered about thirty-five fields of labor, and witnessed more than thirty persons confess the Saviour.

Respectfully submitted.

C. W. MARTZ, Evangelist.

NOTICE.

As Bro. Martz is devoting all his time to evangelizing, any church desirous of having a meeting will please communicate with me at an early date.

Bro. Martz is now in the vicinity of Collingwood, and can most conveniently visit the churches in the north and west of Ontario.

GEO. J. BARCLAY,  
15 Toronto St., Toronto.

CHURCH NEWS.

ST. THOMAS.—We had two baptisms here since last report. C. S.

RODNEY.—This church is in a flourishing condition. Bro. W. Campbell's removal is felt very much; he is most highly esteemed by the brotherhood here, and also by the general public. We were with him at the Sunday School picnic on the 28th July—his farewell visit. It was at once pleasing and painful to witness the farewell.

There is a fair prospect of securing the services of Bro. Kesser for this church; such an arrangement is very desirable.

The picnic was a grand success. It was held in Bro. J. Ash's beautiful grove. Bro. Ash is doing much good by his labors of love both in the Sunday School and the Church. E. S.

RIDGETOWN AND BLENHEIM.—These churches too have parted with a faithful and beloved laborer. Bro. Lediard left for his new field of labor on the 5th instant. These churches need, not only for their prosperity, but even for their continued existence, a good and laborious preacher. The writer, Bro. Mundy, and Bro. Finch each spent a Lord's Day with them recently. E. S.

SOUTH DORCHESTER.—The writer spent two Lord's Days here recently. Fine meetings. Means have been raised for supporting a brother to devote his whole time in this field. May God direct to a suitable choice, for the emergency is great. An immense responsibility rests upon the brethren as no other religious body holds meeting in the neighborhood. Bro. Mundy, Bro. W. Campbell, and Bro. Kesser each spent a Sunday here lately. E. S.

Am still wandering from place to place doing good, I hope, in holding forth the Word of life; also seeking to divert the mind from loneliness and sorrow by visiting fresh scenes, and renewing old acquaintances; but must, for pecuniary and other reasons, ere long accept of one of the urgent appeals for an engagement with a congregation. May God bless your labors brethren. E. S.

LONO.—The sisters of the Lobo church have long desired to do more than they were doing for the cause of our dear Saviour, but did not find the way until aided by our brother and pastor, M. Gunn. We have organized for work, meeting for the first time July 12th. After devotional exercises and a talk about our work, eighteen members were enrolled, and officers appointed as follows: President, Mrs. S. C. Zavitz; Vice-President, Mrs. E. McClurg; Rec. Sec'y, Miss Emma McCollom; Cor. Sec'y, Mrs. E. McClurg; Treasurer, Miss Kate Mitchell; Solicitors, Miss Kate McKellar and Miss Effie Mitchell.

After song and benediction we adjourned to meet Aug. 3rd, but finding that some of our literature could not reach us in time we postponed our meeting until Aug. 10th when we again met. After devotional exercises our beloved President addressed us.

Afterwards our programme was carried out, and then we adjourned to meet the second Tuesday of each month.

MRS. E. MCCLURG,  
Ivan, Ont., Aug. 16th, 1886. Cor. Sec'y

(We regret that lack of space prevents us from publishing the address of Sister Zavitz. It was an earnest appeal on behalf of mission work.—EDITORS, EVANGELIST.)

WALKERTON.—We learn through Bro. N. C. Royce of Walkerton, that a young man was baptized there recently by Bro. Jas. Tolton.

GALT.—Still progressing. On Lord's Day 25th July, the small church at Galt had the joy of witnessing the act of loving obedience in baptism, and of receiving into fellowship another Sister—the wife of the young man who confessed Christ in His appointed way four weeks previous.

R. W. McDONNELL.

GUELPH.—Bro. Lediard began his labors in his new sphere at Guelph on Lord's Day Aug. 8th. The brethren were well pleased with his discourses, albeit his principal theme was giving. He presents the subject in such a reasonable, Scriptural way that Christian people cannot but respond to his appeals. Judging from his speech on Wednesday evening he is a born solicitor, and the brethren everywhere had better prepare in advance to capitulate to him—they can't resist him. There was one confession after his discourse on Sunday evening. He is now, we understand, visiting the churches in Wellington Co.

The Meaford and Euphrasia Churches have recently been favored with a visit from Bro. Ellmore, an Evangelist from the States. He remained five weeks spending about three weeks at the former place and two at the latter. As a result three were added to the faithful.

The first and second Lord's Days of Aug. were spent with the church in Minto. Services were held on the intervening evenings, and notwithstanding that it was during the busiest part of the harvest the meetings were well attended. The brethren there have a very poor house in which to worship, but they have started a building fund and have now a few dollars in the Bank for that purpose.

The little church has set an example to some of our larger churches by nearly doubling the amount heretofore pledged for the work of the Co-operation. Bro. Darroch needs and deserves help in that field. T. L. F.

WEST END, TORONTO.—Since our last report in the "ONTARIO EVANGELIST" we have received the following sums in aid of our church work here:

Bro. Woolner, Garafaxa Church.....	\$11 00
" R. Hamilton, Erin.....	5 00
" Jno. Thompson, Erin Centre.....	5 00
" J. W. Kilgour, Guelph.....	5 00
" J. S. Tolton, Walkerton.....	5 00

We are very thankful to all these kind friends for their generous aid. There are many churches yet to be heard from. If any have sent money to us which has not been acknowledged, kindly write me regarding the matter.

Fraternally,  
GEO. J. BARCLAY.

Bro. J. C. Whitelaw is expected back from Manitoba. We are sorry to learn that his health is not as good as he would desire.

Foreign Mission Notes.

Let no church fail to respond to the call for a collection on the first Lord's Day in September for Foreign Missions. The demands upon the treasury were never as numerous and as urgent as they are at present. Since the last Annual Convention ten new names have been added to the pay-roll. Several new buildings have been provided for. It will be seen at once that the liberality of the brotherhood ought to be enlarged. May the God of all grace help us as a people to do our whole duty in this matter.

A. McLEAN,  
Box 750, Cincinnati, Ohio.

We call particular attention to the above notice from Bro. McLean. Churches which do not take up the collection the first Lord's Day in September, can do so on some subsequent Sunday. As many have an impression that there is an immense expense connected with carrying on Foreign Missions, and that the officers receive large salaries, we ask the reader to examine the following paragraph which comes from an official source.

COST OF CARRYING ON THE WORK.

Many think that it takes the bulk of all that is given to defray current expenses. The fact is that it takes only six per cent. of the gross receipts for this purpose; and as the balance of trade is in favor of this country, the money it worth more there than here. So, after paying all expenses, a gift amounts to more when it reaches the field than it was when it left the hands of the donor. For every dollar contributed a dollar and two or three cents reach the missionary in the field, after deducting the six per cent. necessary to defray current expenses.

There is an idea abroad that the members of the Board are handsomely paid for their services. There is only one officer paid, and he gives his whole time to the work. The other officers receive no compensation. They give their time and thought to the Society gratuitously. Furthermore, they give their money as well. With a single exception, the officers of the Society are Life Directors, and he is a Life Member. Some have paid for several Directorships, and expect to keep paying as long as they live.

AN UNPUBLISHED HYMN.

The following verses were written in pencil in an old book upon a blank leaf 35 years ago. As they have not been published, I send you a copy for the EVANGELIST.

In the beginning was the Word,  
In that beginning He was God,  
Who spread the Universe abroad,  
While all are subject to His rod.  
The Word made flesh became a man,  
Our God with us of woman born,  
'Twas thus the old prediction ran  
That God would raise salvation's horn;  
Who came to die upon the cross,  
For us a victory to win,  
And more than make up Eden's loss  
By freely purging us from sin.  
He who believes is not condemn'd,  
So says the Saviour to us all,  
Tho' once by sin's dark thralldom held,  
By faith He saves us from its thrall.  
For God so loved the world, He said,  
He gave His own beloved Son,  
That who believes, tho' he were dead,  
Shall live while endless ages run.  
What holy gratitude is due  
To Thee, O God, for such a love!  
O keep us in allegiance true  
That we may gain Thy rest above!

I find at the foot the following memorandum: "Being confined with cold I did not go to church to-day, and wrote this hymn."

W. A. STEPHENS.

Owen Sound, Aug. 1, '86.

OBITUARY.

On July 28th Sister Margaret Gear, aged 37 years, passed quietly away. She had been confined to her bed for nearly five years, during which time she very patiently waited the Master's call. Her faith in Christ was strong, she was never heard to murmur or complain, but was ever ready to ascribe thanks and praise to her Saviour. Such trust in her Redeemer was a great comfort to the friends and relatives. May her example stimulate us all to greater trust in Christ, and a more complete consecration to His cause.

S. WOOLNER.

Marsville, Aug. 10th, 1886.