

ed—and a marked improvement is being developed in some of the departments of the Church of our choice; especially in the contributions to the Missionary treasury. Though there is a manifest improvement, we regret to state, that the treasury is still deeply in debt, and there is a work to do in connection with this and other institutions of the church that will require willing hearts and liberal hands to accomplish. Through the efficient aid of our brethren and friends, we were sustained in the past, and look with hope for the future. During the past year much has been done on our various fields of labor, in the erection of churches and parsonages; this is highly commendable, and is calculated to give permanency to the church. And allow us, brethren, to urge the necessity of continuing this good work until every Charge is well supplied.

The past year has been characterized by extensive revivals on many parts of our work. A large number of our Circuits and Missions have enjoyed rich out-pourings of the Holy Spirit, which have resulted in large accessions to the church. But notwithstanding this, from removals, backslidings, and other causes, we regret that we have to report a slight decrease in our membership. This should lead us to deep humility, prayerful searching of our hearts, and earnest supplications, that the great Head of the church may bestow upon us richer effusions of His grace, that every part of the work may be blessed with the revival spirit.

Allow us, brethren, to call your attention to the painful fact, that notwithstanding the efforts that have been put forth to relieve the Belleville Seminary from its embarrassed condition, there are heavy liabilities standing against the Institution which must be met. We cannot for a moment yield to the thought that it will go out of our hands or go down. Go down! with an intelligent, enterprising and liberal Canadian public, who have hitherto responded to our calls: with a noble-hearted and liberal-handed laity, and an efficient ministry to present and enforce its claims—Go down! Will not every heart respond, never? it must be sustained. We conceive that our well-being as a church depends, to a very great extent, upon the efforts put forth to relieve the Seminary from its pressing liabilities, and its establishment upon a permanent basis.

Our connexional journal, the *C. C. Advocate*, is a welcome visitor to many families, carrying with it many useful lessons and much pleasing and wholesome instruction. And we earnestly desire, that every family connected with our beloved Zion, should be blessed with its weekly visits. It is an acknowledged fact, that as a religious and family paper, it

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