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HAMILTON, DEC. 15, 1894.

D. L. Moody.

Readers of the secular papers are aware that Mr. D. L. Moody has been conducting evangelistic meetings in Toronto, that large crowds went to hear him, and that many under the influence of his teaching declared their purpose to live for Christ. He spent two days in Hamilton (Nov. 26th and 27th), and delivered four addresses in the Central Presbyterian church, one of the largest churches in the city. It is needless to say that the house was packed on every occasion, for wherever Mr. Moody speaks there is sure to be a crowd. He came to Hamilton at the earnest solicitation of the Young Women's Christian Association, and the special object in inviting him was to draw attention to the work that Association is doing in the north end of the city and to secure, if possible, financial aid for it. We are glad that both of the ends aimed at have been quite largely furthered.

As it was our first opportunity to see, to hear and to study Mr. Moody, we found his meetings and addresses very interesting, and we are tempted to undertake the solution of the problem, what are the sources of D. L. Moody's power?

But that cannot be done now. A few general impressions may be given for what they are worth. First you note that Mr. Moody is a stout, hearty man, off-handed and cheerful. Second, you see that he is a master of assemblies, a manager of men as well as meetings. Third, you observe what you have often heard, that he is fond of good, plain Gospel songs, and plenty of them. Fourth, you will soon find that he urges very strongly that unless the believer is anointed by the Holy Spirit for service, he can't do much good. Indeed, Mr. Moody appears to hold very firmly that exaggerated view of the Holy Spirit's influence so popular these days, which can only be maintained by applying to all Christians what our Saviour only meant for His Apostles. Fifth, you discover that he is a great man for the Bible, and with the Bible. He gave a strong address on using "the Sword of the Spirit," beginning with the declaration that meetings for studying the Bible are more needed than meetings for prayers, and quoted the saying, "That when we are praying we are speaking to God, but when we are reading the Bible, God is speaking to us." Mr. Moody seems to be familiar with the whole Bible, but, as is sometimes the case with smaller men, he is not thereby always saved from misapplying scripture. He insists very much upon the exact words of the Scripture, and urges the topical study of the Word. We should like to hear Mr. Moody carry out his own principles on the subject of baptism, for instance. We do not recollect hearing of Mr. Moody ever giving a Bible reading on baptism at any of his evangelistic meetings. Baptism was very prominent in that day of Pentecost to which Mr. Moody delights to refer. Why is it not, in like manner,

prominent at his gospel meetings? Mr. Moody, we believe, has done much good in his time; he might do vastly more if he would hew to the Bible line still more closely than he does.

Judge Jelfs.

The Police Magistrate of Hamilton in sentencing a girl to the Mercer Reformatory the other day, took occasion to use the following language:

"If women would stay more at home and attend to the wants and needs of their families, instead of running around attending Moody meetings and other things, there would not be so much of this."

If Mr. Jelfs knows as much as a man in his position ought to know, he knows that the women who attend "Moody meetings" are among the best mothers to be found any where. He must have a great antipathy for religion when he would go so far out of his way to insult some of the best people in the city. It is an offence to the Christian sentiment of Hamilton to have such a man occupying so important a position. It might be well for the Hon. Mr. Gibson, who, we believe, is a prominent member in a leading church, to enquire whether a more suitable person than the present incumbent might not be found for the Police Magistrate's chair.

Omnibus.

Special attention is directed to Miss Rioch's appeal for a good collection for the O. C. W. B. M. work on the first Lord's day in January.

Through a mistake in this office, Hamilton Auxiliary was credited in Miss Fleming's report in last issue with \$3.22 instead of \$4.22.

We join with the papers of all creeds and parties in lamenting the death of Sir John Thompson, and in extending sympathy to Lady Thompson and family.

A GOOD CHRISTMAS PRESENT.—Send us three dollars and we will send to your friend a copy of our Premium Bible and the EVANGELIST for one year.

We regret very much the death of Bro. W. P. Prover, of Bowmanville, which took place in England. We have not space this issue for an obituary sent by Bro. Burriss.

Our appeal to our subscribers to pay up is bearing some fruit, but we have a great many dollars scattered around the country yet. Pay up, friends, and get the Editor's blessing for a Christmas gift.

"If there is any publication for which we should all pay promptly and cheerfully, surely it is our own medium of information concerning one another." So writes a brother. Don't you think he is about right?

TRIAL SUBSCRIBERS.—This is the last number of the EVANGELIST you will receive unless you order it continued. We should like to have you all as regular subscribers. One dollar a year for the EVANGELIST is money well spent.

TO OUR AGENTS.—Please note our new Premium offer. We should like to send you each one of the fine Bibles for eight new subscriptions. Each new subscriber to the EVANGELIST may have the Bible too, by paying only \$3 for both.

"THE PIONEER PREACHERS."—Our present supply of the picture "Pioneer Preachers," is about exhausted. We have a few copies left. We can get a fresh stock if there be a demand for them. Friends sending money for the EVANGELIST will please say whether they want the picture or not.

Church News.

EVERTON, Dec. 7, 1894.—One confession and baptism here since last report.

P. BAKER.

WINGER.—We are still without a pastor.

The Y. P. S. C. E. is increasing in interest.

Bro. Cushman, of Nova Scotia, is still in this vicinity.

J. T. R.

LONDON.—Three baptisms since last report. Interest increasing. Prospect good.

GEO. FOWLER.

ST. THOMAS, Dec. 9.—We had five confessions yesterday, making thirty-one since the first of August. We expect to hold a meeting the first of the year.

W. D. CUNNINGHAM.

NORTHWOOD, Nov. 26.—Four confessions since last report. In my last I said six, please say five.

R. BULGIN.

BOWMANVILLE.—Miss Nancy Bates, eighty years of age, was immersed last Saturday, and received into fellowship Lord's day morning.

R. A. BURRIS.

HAMILTON, Dec. 10.—One baptized believer was received into our fellowship last evening, and one made the good confession.

RIDGETOWN, Dec. 11, 1894.—My first year with the Ridgetown congregation ended the last Sunday in November, and upon the surface we have the following results: Number of additions, eleven; two removed by letter; one by death; amount raised for all expenses, \$560. Commenced my second year, December 2d. We hope for greater results during the year on which we have entered. Peace and union prevails throughout the entire congregation.

R. M. A.

TORONTO, Cecil St., Dec. 11.—Our meetings have progressed favorably. Our Sunday audiences were most encouraging. The largest yet. There are eight confessions up to date.

Bro. Ira Chase, Ex-Gov. of Indiana, preached on Thursday 6th, and on Friday 7th, lectured on Mexico and the Mexicans, in the Y. M. C. A. Hall. All who heard him were more than pleased. We adjourned our meeting on Friday in favor of Bro. Chase's lecture. Bro. Lhamon is preaching at, and is visiting in his efforts to build

appeals did not a little in helping to decision those who confessed the Saviour. We enjoyed his visit much, and shall be glad to see him again.

Three things, characteristic of this meeting are worthy of note, and may be helpful to others. 1st. Preparation; 2d. Personal work; 3d. Prayer. This, with the preaching of the Word, was the secret of success.

There were seven confessions on the second night of the meeting. This was the result of preparation, and the

reward of our Sunday-school teachers who have been teaching with this definite aim.

The value of personal work and direct appeal, is seen in the fact that almost all the converts were helped to actual decision, or had their doubts removed or difficulties cleared, by the personal work of the members of the congregation, and when I say that the women of the congregation met from time to time during the meeting for direct prayer for these very persons, and many others, you will see that preaching, and prayer, and personal work, and preparation, tell for very much.

A word as to the preaching. There were no masterly discourses, loaded down with arguments and logic; we did not need them. What we needed was simple preaching with a definite aim, and that aim to lead sinners to accept Jesus Christ, and they did accept him, and we are rejoicing over the best meeting this church has had for some years.

A goodly number of confessions are from our Sunday-school, for which we are profoundly thankful. For the young people must pass from the Sunday-school to the church, or from the Sunday-school to the street. This meeting will bring us into a number of new families, and this increases our opportunities and broadens our field of work.

Our Sunday-school has grown so much of late that we cannot possibly accommodate more, and are considering the question of increased Sunday-school accommodation.

JAMES LEDIARD.

Co-operation Notes

Contributions.

Home Missions.

Mrs. A. Geer, Grand Valley.. \$ 10 00
M. S. Bradt, Niagara Falls... 5 00
Church, St. Thomas..... 48 06
" International Bridge. 7 00
" Walkerton..... 10 12
" Guelph, additional.. 3 00
" Kilsyth..... 4 00

Educational Fund.

R. N. Price, St. Thomas.... 10 00
St. Thomas is the banner church so far in point of contributions.

It is now nearly the middle of December and many of the churches have not yet responded to the November 4th call for a collection. However, better late than never.

The work at most of the Mission Stations is progressing encouragingly. I know of churches among the Presbyterians which have been receiving aid for over twenty years, and no one among them ever thinks of giving them up.

The cheering news and reports of progress from Owen Sound, London, Hamilton and Toronto, should make every church and every Disciple in the Province feel like having a share in this work.

There are many isolated brethren over the Province with whom we would like to have fellowship in the Home Mission work.

The last issue of the EVANGELIST reported a large number of additions to the churches. A brother, in writing, says that "it was one of the best reports of work in Ontario that he has ever seen."

Let us keep this up. Let every church plan for a meeting or for some kind of aggressive work during the winter. Commence early, immediately after the holidays, and make such a stir that the people may be aware that there is a church of Christ in the community.

The success of the cause during the coming "winter" will be, under God, just what we make it.

T. L. FOWLER,
Cor. Sec.

Ontario Christian Woman's Board of Missions.

The following sums were received and payments made, from Nov. 27 to Dec. 10, 1894:

Foreign Missions.

Receipts—
Miss Bessie A. Parkinson.... \$2 00
Enos M. Campbell, Toronto Junction..... 5 00

Payments—
Japan Mission..... 50 00
The Co-operation of Disciples of Christ, for Home Missions..... 75 00

JENNIE FLEMING,
Treasurer.

Kilsyth, Dec. 10, 1894.

Children's Work.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

"Golden Links," Owen Sound. \$ 8 00

"Workers for the Master,"

Everton..... 10 00

JENNIE FLEMING,

Kilsyth, Dec. 6, 1894.

For the future, all money sent to the treasurer from the Children's Bands, will be acknowledged at the head of this column.

You will all rejoice with us in Owen Sound over an item of news in another column, but the readers interested in our mission work will feel a deeper gratification when I tell you that out of thirty scholars of the S. S. brought to the Saviour, eleven of them belong to the Mission Band.

You will all be delighted to hear from Miss Rioch again, and will be interested in her letter.

J. E. L.

Literary Notes.

TO PUBLISHERS.—All books, tracts, pamphlets, magazines, etc., intended for notice or review in this department must be addressed to the Editor of THE CANADIAN EVANGELIST, 85 Wellington Street North, Hamilton, Ont.

EGYPT IN HISTORY AND PROPHECY, or Pharaoh Preclaiming God, by Robt. Patterson, author of "Fables of Infidelity and Facts of Faith."—H. L. Hastings, 47 Cornhill, Boston, publisher. 57 pp., 15 cents.

THE BIBLE TRIUMPHANT. Twelve dozen skeptical arguments refuted; a reply to a work entitled "144 Self-contradictions of the Bible," by Mrs. H. V. Reed, author of "Earnest Words for Honest Skeptics."—H. L. Hastings, publisher, 47 Cornhill, Boston, Mass. Paper covers, price 25 cents.

FILLMORE'S MUSIC, CHRISTMAS, 1894. A descriptive list of Concert Exercises, Cantatas, Anthems, Solos, and Quartets, to which is added a descriptive list of books and music for general use. The publishers, Fillmore Bros., 141 W. Sixth St., Cincinnati, will send this catalogue free upon application.

THE COMPANION'S CALENDAR.—THE YOUTH'S COMPANION has just published a calendar for 1895 which is a work of art—indeed, three works of art in one. Scenes typical of three seasons of the year, Winter, Summer, Autumn, are shown. The first picture represents a mother and son pausing in their walk in a snowy field, across which a rabbit is running, much to the amusement of the boy.

The artist in the summer scene has pictured three children rowing down a winding river; and were it not for the apples which fill the pan in her arms, one would scarcely imagine that the