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BOSTON, Mass., April 22 .- An evening paper says: According to trustworthy information, Frank Howard Poor, formerly of Haverhill, and now an inmate of the Massachusetts reformatory at Concord, is many times a millionaire, having recently been left an estate which is worth \$15,000,000

Some months ago Poor became disheartened and committed the crime of forgery, for which he was sentenced to the reformatory for one year. The vast wealth the advancement of the cause. that has come into his possession comes to him through the will of Millionaire Ward, of Nevada, the young man having been named after that gentleman. Other parties in Sacramento and Oakland, Cal., and Carson City, Nevada, are said to be benefited by

Poor is 24 years old, and has always been considered a bright young man. His associations of his associati sociations of late years have not been of the best, and to that fact is attributed his down-He has one sister, Miss Kitty Poor, who is now living at Lynn, this State. His parents are dead. The fortune which has been left him is well invested in gold mines, real estate mortgages, yielding an enormous yearly revenue. Poor will not be released from the reformatory until January, 1896, unless his friends secure a pardon for him.

A NOTABLE EXCEPTION.

A Strong Feeling in Favor of a Canadian Product in the State of New York.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., April 23.—In spite of a strong sentiment prevailing throughout this State that nothing good can come out of Canada, a feeling is beginning to grow that there are certain notable exceptions, and among them is classed the new specific remedy for all diseases of the kidneys and all complaints arising from a derangement of those organs, known as Dodd's Kidney Pills. The medicine has received thorough test, and is being prescribed not only by druggists but by physicians whose well-known reluctance to admit any virtue in a proprietary medicine makes their testimony to its merits still more remarkable.

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Characteristic Address by the Bishop of Huron

At the Annual Meeting of the W. O Bible Society.

Interesting Remarks by Rev. J. V. Smith and Rev. Robert Johnston-The Directors' Report Election of Officers.

Despite wind and rain last night, the annual meeting of the Western Ontario Bible Society, held in Cronyn Hall, was largely attended. Those who did brave the unpleasant weather were well repaid, for, besides hearing the reports of a society which has done a great deal in extending the Gospel, they were favored with excellent ad-15C EACH dresses from the Bishop of Huron, Rev. Dr. Smith, of Hamilton, formerly of this city, and Rev. Robert Johnston, of St. Andrew's Church. The bishop presided. On the platform with him were Rev. Dr. Sanderson, Rev. J. H. Orme, Rev. Robt. Johnston, Rev. J. G. Laird, Rev. W. M. Walker, Dean Innes, Archdeacon Davis, Rev. J. V. Smith, Rev. W. H. Moorhouse, Mr. John Cameron, Mr. G. A. Somerville, Rev. Cana Smith, Rev. Ira Smith, Rev. W. J. Clark, Rev. A. G. Harris and Rev. Canon Richardson were also present. The majority of the audience was composed of ladies.

The meeting opened with the hearty singing of "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name." Dr. Sanderson followed with a prayer for the success of the society in the future, and Archdeacon Davis read the eleventh chapter of

THE PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS. The Bishop of Huron began his annual address by stating that one would naturally believe the calling together of such a gathering would arouse the sympathies and secure the support of the whole Christian community, because the Bible Society was the foundation on which the superincumbent mass leaned. It seemed to be the society which bound all other organizations together. It was one great power of the Church of Christ, and he therefore said that such a gathering should have the devout, prayerful sympathies of all 121c EACH God's people. It was something that was wound around the fiber of the spiritual life of the people. "We had prayed," said the bishop, "that the word of the Lord may have free course and be glorified among the nations of the earth. Let us remember it is wonderful book. No one's eloquence can ever exhaust its fullness or expatiate upon its wonderful powers. There are said to be over 1,000,000 copies of books in the museum in London, yet the great mass of them are only known by name to scholars; but here is a wonderful book that is thousands of years old, and yet it is the newest, strongest, greatest book we have; this book which lives while all others apparently crumble to decay. Remember, it is the book which guided the footeps of the Man of Sorrows, marking Only 25c Each out his history from the cradle of Bethlehem to the heights of glory. He studied it, he read it, he corroborated it, he stamped it with his own divine impress, and finally made it supreme by the miracle of his own resurrection There may be schools of destructive criticism, there may be agnostics, there may be thousands of forms of error heresy and skepticism, but it is impossible to destroy this word. It will live forever. There is the loving personal

ord of the Lord, and there is the written word which it is the work of this noble, blessed society to disseminate to the utmost of its power; and the connection between the living personal Christ and the living written word are se close that they cannot be separated." Concluding, the bishop expressed the trust that the meeting would have the effect of deepening the exampathies of the people, quickening their spiritual life, and making them more anxious in

THE DIRECTORS' REPORT. The report of the Board of Directors was read by the honorary secretary, Mr. motion, which was carried. John Cameron, and was as follows: "The directors regard it as no small honor to stand connected, in however humble a measure, with that great parent organization, the British and Foreign Bible Society, of which it may be said that its agents and colporteurs girdle the habitable globe. Interesting as any tale of old romance is it to read the full annual report of the parent society; noting in detail the work of dauntless agents and colporteurs in France, in Belgium, in Germany, in Switzerland, in Austro-Hungary, in Italy, in Spain, in Portugal, in the Norselands, in Russia, penetrating to far Siberia, in the domain of the Turkoman, in Morocco, in Africa civilized and Africa uncivilized, in Madagascar, in Egypt, in Syria and Palestine, in Persia, in India, in Malaysia, in China, in Japan, in the Australias, in the Argentine and other American republics, in British North America, in the West Indies. As the colporteurs pursue their work of distributing God's word, they are met oftentimes with opposition open and covert, but oftentimes also with eager welcome. We are all looking with tween Japan and China in the trust that the war may providentially open

"Our Western Ontario Bible Society has during the year met with the loss by death of two prominent ministerial members of the board of directors, Rev. J. A. Murray and Rev. J. W. Annis. We have also to record with regret the death of Mr. Joseph Jeffery, of London, and also that of Mr. Thos. Gordon, of Strathroy, both active for many years in promoting the work of

"During the year the several local ed interest has in many cases been stirred up. The sum of \$694 has been sent to the parent organization by the Western Ontario Bible Society, and at the last meeting of the board it was decided to send \$200 as a free will offering. The total amount received from all sources will be nearly \$3,500. The number of branches connected with our organization is now 86; the total issues of the Word will be nearly 3,000.

"By request of the society, sermons on the subject of the Bible have been delivered in a considerable number of pulpits. The effect of these thoughtful

and earnest discourses cannot be other than useful." The adoption of the report was moved by Mr. Cameron.

REV. ROBERT JOHNSTON. The new pastor of St. Andrew's, on rising to second the report in response to the chairman's introduction, was applauded. He expressed his gratitude at appearing on the platform in connection with a society which was the greatest organization through which the church of Christ was endeavoring to extend the kingdom of the Lord. He hoped that in connection with the so-wardens, and t ciety there would come the time when the bendiction

the different branches of the Church of Christ may be found more closely unit-ed than they have yet been. While the different churches were loved by the members, the division of christen-dom was not loved, and it was surely honed that closed relations with each hoped that closer relations with each other would be brought about. There were two matters to which he referred. One was the widespread and general work, which he thought in itself called for hearty support in the progress and strengthening of the society. Mr. Johnston then spoke of the condition of several countries many years ago, and how, through the colporteurs of the society, the Gospel had been spread broadcast throughout them. Mr. Johnston said there were many hindrances. The age was one of uncertainty of belief. It was an age of doubt rather than of

positive unbelief. Men were questioning what this Word was, and in the eastern lands, just as in the west, there was a feeling of distrust. But the religions-other than the Christian-were quivering and going down. What has the western people to give to the east-ern nations? Was it to be merely a Bible that is to be a secret book? Was it to be the result of comparative theologies and comparative religions? It was the word of eternal life, holding to which we shall be ready to go out when eastern nations are opened up and give them that which will bring comfort to them in their sorrows.

THE OFFICERS ELECTED.

Rev. W. M. Walker, pastor of the
South London Baptist Church, was next called upon to move the adoption of the following as officers for the ensuing

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McKinnon and Mrs. B. Cronyn. Mr. G. A. Somerville seconded the nominations, which were adopted by a unanimous "aye."
THE TREASURER'S STATEMENT The annual financial report of the society, read by the treasurer, Mr. G. A.

Somerville, was as follows. Receipts-Balance on hand and in bank from branches Free contributions received for British and Foreign Bible tory 538 13 Receipts from branches on purchase account..... Interest on savings bank deposit London city subscriptions and collections

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ciety, free contributions from dentals Printing Insurance Fuel and light Agency expenses Balance cash in hand..... Savings Bank deposit

the report, and pointed out that on comparison with last year's report a slight increase in the general re-ceipts would be noticed; also an increase in the sales at the repository. Mr. Andrew Thompson seconded the

AN ABLE ADDRESS. Rev. J. V. Smith, Hamilton, met with a very liberal reception, and gave an able and exceedingly interesting address. In opening, he spoke of the great pleasure it afforded him to get back to the Forest City, where he had spent six years, especially when he thought of the many deathless friendships he had made while in charge of the Wellington Street and Dundas Center Methodist churches. He did not be lieve in supererogation, but it seemed to him that such works were thrust upon him when he was asked to come to London to address this meeting when there was such an array of talent in London's ministerial ranks. In referring to the Bible, he said the world would always need it and would always have it. Infidelity may seek to destroy it, persecutors may endeavor to burn it, but He in the heavens would only laugh in derision at them. It had done great work in the past, and would do still greater in the future. Look at its age. Thousands of years have come and gone, empires have been burned eagerness to the outcome of the war be- and buried since the Book was written. Yet notwithstanding its antiquity the Book was the most popular one of up new avenues for the circulation of the day. It was never so widely read, the Gospel. its pages were never so closely scanned, and its doctrines were never so profoundly and devoutly studied as at present. Without it, what would be known about God, ourselves, our destiny. The question was even asked sometimes, who reads the Bible today? The more appropriate question, howver, was, who does not read it? There were tens of thousands of the best men of the day studying it; without it there would be mental degredation. Mr. Smith called attention to the degenerbranches have been visited, and increas- ated condition of Spain, due to the great absence from that country of the Book, and as a comparison cited our own beautiful Province and England, the people of which received an intellectual stimulus from its pages. As to the critics, Mr. Smith said they were a very conspicuous quantity in this age, especially those from the junior classes. Scientific critics of today had abundant reason for being modest, for how many mistakes had those of the past made and how many of their theorories had been buried, never to rise again. No criticisms that had ever been leveled at the Bible would do it armore damage than would a flash of sheet lightning to the Rock of Gibraltar. Mr. Smith spoke of the advances

> which had given Japan the victory over China in the war just closed. A vote of thanks was tendered the speakers of the evening and St. Paul's wardens, and the meeting closed with

made in the world during the past 100

years, due to the influence of the Book; how it had greatly diminished the ap-

petite for war, and how it had resulted

in great philanthropic work being done. Concluding, he said it was Christianity

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