

COLUMBUS, HOOKING VALLEY AND  
TOLEDO RAILWAY COMPANY,  
PRESIDENT'S OFFICE,  
COLUMBUS, OHIO, Jan. 12th, 1882.

*Dear Sir:* This Company is paying \$20 per month to the Railroad Branch of the Young Men's Christian Association of Columbus, and \$8.33 per month to the Branch at Toledo.

I regard it as a good investment on the part of the Company, yielding for all time a good return in the improvement of the men who are intrusted with the lives of its passengers and the property of the Company.

Yours truly,  
M. M. GREENE, *President.*

**S**T. Thomas Conference which lasted from 18th to 20th May (three days) will live in the memory of those present for a long time; and its actual results will be unmeasured by time as its influence will spread throughout Canada and the United States. Eternity alone will reveal the real results.

The mental labour and the travelling required to be done to ensure success, necessitated our R.R. Secretary's absence from Toronto, consequently the "home" work has been somewhat neglected; now that he is about to settle down again, work will be resumed, and we trust with the hearty co-operation of all who are interested in this Branch of the R.R.Y.M.C.A.

**W**HAT good is coming out of the Conference? this question has been asked!

We believe great good will result.

*First:* By stimulating to further zeal and effort existing branches of the R.R.Y.M.C.A.

*Secondly:* In the Conference we were brought into contact with fellow-laborers, and the interchange of plans of work, suggests fresh ideas how we may best promote the welfare of the R. R. Associations, and win souls for Christ.

*Thirdly:* We became more convinced than ever that the work is being owned by God, delegates testifying that their conversion was through the efforts of brethren in connection with the Association.

*Fourthly:* We were made aware that many fields of labour are waiting, and delegates earnestly asked that the R.R. Association would seriously consider the want and promote the formation of such a work at the places they represented.

**V**ALUE of R.R. Ladies' Aid Societies cannot be overestimated; we stated in last "Special" the objects of such societies. we merely state here what is being done. Several Delegates at the Conference gave very interesting and encouraging reports of Work in this direction. The sick were visited; wounds were dressed; the injured carefully attended; Members of the Committee are ready and willing to go on duty at any time; staying beside the sick and injured during the night, and assisting in the home-work among their wives and children (when necessary). One delegate stated that the Ladies' Aid Society had provided two conveyances for cases of emergency, fitted with medical bandages, &c., so that immediate attention is received by the Railroad Men when an accident happens. May the influence of such noble hearted women spread far and wide, and may many be led to the "Great Physician" through their efforts.