

building by the way in every respect—and Doon their out-station promises church organization at no distant day. Galt has welcomed over fifty persons into church fellowship during the year and stands in immeasurably better position than it did twelve months ago. The heavy debt resting on their building seriously hinders them in their work, but a supreme effort is being made to reduce their obligation by at least \$1000. Help to a small extent is again sought for from the Mission funds. Orangeville, pastorless for nearly two years, has lately succeeded in securing a pastor and reports improvement all around.

Hamilton Association has three Mission fields. Victoria Ave., Hamilton, Northern, in the same city, and Bronte and Oakville. Victoria Avenue was for years heavily handicapped through insufficient and unsuitable church accommodation, but on the first day of this month they were permitted to dedicate their new, beautiful and commodious church edifice. May the glory of the latter house greatly exceed that of the former. Very acceptable student supply has gladdened the hearts of the membership of the Northern Church, and the present prospects are so hopeful that we expect to see the ground lost a couple of years ago fully regained. Bronte and Oakville promise hard work. Strength and self-support are evidently in the somewhat distant future, but having put our hand to the plough we must not look back. Honest, faithful, prayerful effort will not remain unrewarded and unblest.

During the past year the Niagara Association has scarcely kept pace with the rapid onward strides which marked the two preceeding years. Yet chapels have been erected at Windecker and Bethesda, and a good brother at Port Colborne has found it in his heart to erect two or three additional buildings in destitute localities. Canboro', North Cayuga, Windecker and Virgil have had student supply.

Their summer's work brought decided improvement to both fields, and it is earnestly hoped that satisfactory arrangements may be effected for the continuance of the work. Dunnville and Sherbrooke are pastorless. Here is a field that if its needs and conditions were known would have irresistible attractions for men of heroic soul; men whose spirits rise and quicken as difficulties multiply. Good chapels, a live progressive town, a fertile country, an ample supply of material to work upon; and withal difficulties great and numerous enough to prevent a pastor from worrying himself to death over trifling or imaginary ills, grievances or difficulties. Fonthill, quiet and somewhat conservative, continues to grow solidly, if not rapidly. Thorold has not made the progress that was expected, yet let it be said that both pastor and church have labored and sacrificed in a way that wins our admiration and commands our respect. Progress in this town will certainly be slow. Niagara Falls pleads for a pastor. This is a critical time with both churches and our earnest prayer is that the Lord may direct to a wise and speedy pastoral settlement.

Brant Association enjoys the unique distinction of having no