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Is devoted to the furtherance of the Gospel of Christ, and pleads for the union of all believers in the Lord Jesus in harmony with His own prayer recorded in the seventeenth chapter of John, and on the basis set forth by the Apostle Paul in the following terms: "I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beseech you to walk worthily of the calling wherewith ye were called, with all lowliness and meekness, with long suffering, forbearing one another in love; giving diligence to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, even as also ye were called in one hope of your calling; one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is over all, and through all, and in all."—Eph. iv. 1-6.

This paper, while not claiming to be what is styled an "organ," may be taken as fairly representing the people known as Disciples of Christ in this country.

### Disciple Co-operation.

ANNUAL MEETING, HILLSBURG, ONT.,  
JUNE 7th to 11th, 1894.

One of the largest and most successful June meetings of the Ontario Co-operation of Disciples in the interest of missions and other Christian work, has just been held in Hillsburg.

During the four days it continued the weather was fortunately fine, and the attendance was good throughout. On Sunday an immense crowd filled the village. The perfect order and quietness in so large a gathering was very creditable to so large a community. All seemed to work harmoniously together to make the meeting go off nicely. About 175 delegates and visitors were present from other churches throughout the province. Many important matters were discussed and arranged; some points of special interest might be mentioned. The proposed closer affiliation of the Canadian and American Home Mission Boards was one—this union was postponed; the inauguration of a Bible school in Toronto for ministerial students, while in attendance at the University. This, after some discussion, was carried, and good contributions made for its support. The event was the amalgamation of the Christian Women's Board of Missions in their home mission work with the General Home Mission Board. Much interest was manifested in the discussion of Sunday-school work, which was largely represented by delegates from the many societies. A resolution urging the importance and desirability of a prohibition liquor law was unanimously carried.

A resolution was unanimously adopted by the convention expressing hearty thanks for the Christian courtesy shown by all the other churches of Hillsburg, also by the Methodist church of Erin circuit, in placing their houses of worship at the disposal of the church in convention, and in the assistance received in the singing, and in many other ways.

The members of the Erin Centre Church will not soon forget the kind assistance rendered them by so many in and around Hillsburg in

entertaining and in making it pleasant for the visitors.—*Hillsburg Beaver.*

### Disciples of Christ.

CONVENTION FOR THE PROVINCE BEING HELD AT HILLSBURG—INTERESTING REPORTS PRESENTED—PROHIBITION FAVORED.

Hillsburg, June 9.—(Special.)—The Disciples of Christ in Ontario and the Ontario Christian Women's Board of Missions are at present in their annual convention at Hillsburg. About 150 delegates, representing a number of churches in Ontario, are already present.

They assembled on Thursday afternoon, and in the evening listened to a masterly and impressive address on the subject, "Beauty for Ashes," by W. J. Lhamon, pastor of the Church of Christ, Cecil street, Toronto. It described the condition of man and all his institutions without Christ, and contrasted that with what life is and shall be with Christ.

The business session opened on Friday morning. The address of the President, H. Black, was full of hope and encouragement. J. A. Aikin read a minute report of 40 Sunday-schools, representing 2,606 members, many of which are supporting this home mission work, and strongly recommending teachers to lead the pupils, without delay, to trust Christ—to become, in fact, disciples of Him.

There was a conference on "The Preacher and His Work," led by J. Lediard, of Owen Sound, urging that preachers among the Disciples should confer in Christian love with other preachers, and help to clear away the hindrances to Christian Union that exist in unwarranted tests of fellowship, that have been separating Christians. In discussing pastoral work, R. Moffett stated that the difference between a friendly and a pastoral visit by the preacher and his brethren was that the former made the people think a great deal of the preacher and not much of the Lord, while the latter made them think not so much of the preacher and a great deal more of the Lord.

P. Baker, pastor of the church at Everton, brought in a report of the Committee on Statistics, showing an increase in the past year in the number of preachers employed, congregations organized, conversions reported, and students preparing for the ministry, but a decrease in the receipts for home mission work (presumably on account of scarcity of money); but by the careful management of the board, and their generous personal support to the work, the Co-operation finances have not suffered to the same extent that other institutions have this year.

George Munro, of Hamilton, editor of the CANADIAN EVANGELIST, when giving the report of the Board of Managers of the Co-operation, read reports from six mission churches, supported by the Co-operation, showing that at these points a good number of people respond to the plain requirements of faith in and obedi-

ence to Christ as Saviour and Lord, without reference to long and involved declarations of faith and doctrine, not required of persons putting on Christ in any instances mentioned in the Scriptures. They admit persons to Christian baptism on the simple confession of faith in Christ, the Son of God, as Saviour and Lord.

John Munro, of Toronto University, read the report of the Committee on Education, recommending the immediate establishment of a Bible College in Toronto, to supplement instructions that may be received in Toronto University, by men preparing for the ministry.

W. W. Coulter, of St. Thomas, read a carefully prepared statement respecting young people's societies among the Disciples, declaring that it was a utilizing of forces that had hitherto been neglected. Geo. Fowler, of Guelph, spoke enthusiastically of the support it gave to the ministry. W. J. Lhamon stated that the Endeavor movement was "organization in order to edification, in order to salvation."

Dr. Macklin, of the Nankin Hospital, China, addressed the convention in the Presbyterian Church on the Character and Religion of the Chinese. He stated that the book, "Parliament of Religions," has whitewashed heathenism, and does not correctly describe heathenism in its loathsomeness, as known to him, which book he fears will tend to make people cold in regard to foreign missions. He also thought the China Inland Mission made a mistake in endeavoring to convert China with foreigners; that the better plan would be for the foreigners, as soon as possible, to train up native converts to evangelize their country.

The proceedings of the second day were closed with a clear and characteristic discourse by R. Moffett, of Cleveland, O., an early and ardent promoter of missionary projects.

The Disciples say they are calling special attention to the Scriptures and the supreme authority of Christ, and are urging Christians and others everywhere to look away from man-made creeds to the plain requirements and promises of the Gospel of Christ.

At to-day's session a resolution favoring prohibition legislation was adopted.—*Globe.*

Among the delegates at the Disciple Conference here we noticed many who are familiar to us. Among those from a distance we may mention Mr. Geo. Munro, formerly pastor of the church here; Mr. John Munro, Fellow of Toronto University; Mr. Lediard, who some years ago ministered to the Disciples in this section; Mr. Kilgour, of Guelph, who many years ago taught the public school in this village.

All the denominations in the village gave up their services last Sunday and loaned their churches to the Disciples. The crowd that flocked into the village that day was the largest ever known here. It is estimated that 3000 people attempted to get

into the hall and the different churches at the evening services, but the buildings, crowded to suffocation, would not hold half of them. An open air session was held on Dr. Skippen's lawn, Mr. Baker conducting the services. The jam of rigs in the neighborhood of the hall after service was a sight to behold. The day passed off without a single accident.—*The Beaver.*

### Disciples' Conference.

HILLSBURG THE SCENE OF A LARGE FOUR-DAY CONVENTION.

HILLSBURG, June 11.—This place has been quiet active since Thursday last with the sessions of the conference of the Disciples of Christ, which lasted four days, including to-day. There were about 2,000 present, coming from all parts of Canada.

Yesterday there were services in the Town Hall, the Presbyterian, Baptist and Anglican churches, and even then an overflow open air meeting attended by 600 persons was held.

It is considered significant that the Anglicans opened their church.—*Toronto Star.*

### If I Were You.

ANNA D. BRADLEY.

If I were you I should not do as you are doing. I would always check the unkind thought ere it found an utterance, and thus went forth upon its cruel mission to wound some loving heart.

But alas! I am not you! I am only I who, with thoughtless word and careless deed, so often bring pain to some one whom I love.

If I were you I would listen to no tale of gossip, the repeating of which would tarnish the reputation of another. This is what I would surely do if I were you; but being I, I so often forget.

If I were you my husband and children should find in me all that the sweet words "wife and mother" can imply.

Never exacting; always patient and loving, and enduring adversity so bravely that adversity would become transformed into a blessing. If I were you my children should always find in me such an example of consistent life that they could choose no other, because they would so love the beauty that they would see in mine.

But alas, alas! My own dear boy must often look to me in vain for that help and guidance which I could so easily give if I were you. If I were you the evening should find me with no duty left undone. But because I am only I, each rising sun is confronted by some unfinished task that belonged to yesterday, making my cares of to-day so much heavier than God ever intended that they should be.

If I were you I would find the path where God would have me walk, and entering it, would press on steadily, never swerving to the right nor left. I would—Ah, me! What is there that is grand or noble that I would not do if I were you! But—God pity me!—I am not you! I am only I, with my

weak, my yielding and my fickle nature. I am only I, and I find that there are temptations which are hard to resist. There are duties which are hard to perform; there are higher, purer grounds in the Christian life which are very hard to attain.

God, who knoweth all hearts, knows how well I would do if I were you. But being only I, He does not expect so much, and He is pitiful, loving and forgiving when He sees me so often stumble and fall.

And because He knows all this I am not so much afraid. So I struggle on in my weak, imperfect way, trusting to a Saviour's blood to blot from the recorded page all of my sins, whether of omission or of commission; because His divinely human heart, touched with a feeling for my infirmities, remembers with pity that I am not you. I am only I.

Dallas, Texas.

### Principle Better Than Sentiment.

We received yesterday a bit of a flower in a letter from Rome. It was plucked less than ten days before upon the Palatine, and, as befitted the site of the palace of the Casars, it was a royal purple, deep as the finest tint of our own amorphia. As if some hand had touched a talisman, we were standing there upon the broken mosaics of Nero's Golden House, looking down upon the shattered pillars of the Forum, beyond the towering vaults of the Coliseum we could see the deep blue of the Alban Hills lying still in the sunshine of a cloudless afternoon. In the other direction, and beyond the Tiber, we seemed to behold the lantern, dome, and cross of great St. Peter's. The campagna was full of sunshine and of silence, as we have known it in days past. What other city in the wide world has such charm for the artist, the philosopher, the Christian? And now it is just at the close of Holy Week in Rome, an octave upon which the genius of the poet and musician has spent itself for centuries. It is doubtful if the world has ever exhibited such magnificent pageantry as one finds at Rome from Palm Sunday to Easter. In these grand functions one sees combined the pomp of an imperial triumph, the flash and glitter of a military review, and the music of an opera. As an exhibition, Holy Week in Rome is as nearly perfect as anything comes to be in this world; spiritually, we have found many a village prayer-meeting among the simple and the poor, its superior. Anything which tempts the soul to substitute an emotion for a principle, be it the solemn service of the Sistine Chapel on Good Friday, or the tumult and swing of a negro revival, is an anodyne rather than a remedy to the soul sick with sin. Our Puritan ancestors were rough surgeons, but there was a method in their madness. In the worship of the Almighty, better all nature than all art.—*The Evangelist.*

All true Christian life is Christ's own life lived in the believer's soul by faith.

## The Co-operation of Disciples of Christ in Ontario.

## THE ANNUAL MEETING.

## PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

By the mercy and goodness of God we are again privileged to meet in annual convention. How great is the pleasure of greeting and meeting with those who are God's children, in the fellowship that is in Christ, and together lifting up our voices in thanksgiving and praise to Him who has so richly blessed us, both in temporal and spiritual things. The past, with all its failure and success, is gone, and rests with Him who will render to every one their just due; the present, with its privileges, its opportunities, its pleasures, is with us. The past, of God's mercy and goodness, and our experience, lays a great burden of responsibility upon us, and brings us under obligations to Him by whose care and mercy we are here; the future is bright with joy and hope—all our hopes being gilded by the promises of God. The present is our responsibility. May God give us wisdom and strength, and lead us on to richer and greater blessings in our work. I trust all came here with renewed and new vows to God to be more, in a true and real sense, the disciples of Christ than ever before. It is true we should not live in the past, yet it is profitable for us to compare ourselves—to examine ourselves—and to judge ourselves by a righteous judgment, and if our heart (conscience) condemn us, be careful for the rest of our sojourn; for God is greater than our hearts, and He will condemn us. In looking back over the years since we last met in Hillsburg, we certainly have the evidence, in the more hopeful condition of the cause today, that God has blessed and accepted of our work in the cause of Christianity, as taught in the New Testament.

When I look back to the time when duty compelled us to make an effort to further the cause of Christ in this province, in some measure consistent with the position we occupy, and compare the condition of the cause then and now, and our organization for work, we have great reason to thank God and be encouraged by what, under God's blessing, has been accomplished.

The organization of our present Co-operation is the result of action taken at our previous meeting in Hillsburg. Pardon me for saying: that the unity among churches—in supporting the Co-operation, and the harmony and brotherly love which marks all our mission effort—exceeds our highest hopes, and is a cause of joy and thankfulness.

I am glad that I can refer to the greatly increased Christian activity manifest in the churches, by the desire among the churches to have regular preaching; the increased number of brethren giving all their time to the work of the ministry; the willingness of the churches to support the laborers; the work being done by the O. C. W. B. M., the Sunday-schools, the Children's Mission Bands, and last (by reason of age), the Christian Endeavor.

I am glad, also, that I can speak of the number of young brethren who are intending to become preachers. I regard this as one of the most encouraging features of the improved condition of the cause. Do not mistake me: we have not done great things. God, in kindness, has bountifully blessed the

little we have done, and we feel greatly encouraged by what He has wrought for us.

During the year the work, being supported by the Co-operation of the churches, has been in many respects especially encouraging. We find that the position which we, as a people, occupy is being more and more recognized as the Scriptural position—the requirements of the gospel. The truth of God, seems to me, has a more direct and potent influence in the hearts of men today than ever before. The leavening influence of truth is going on. Let us earnestly strive to be faithful to God as He is made known in His word. The past gives us much reason to have hope for the ultimate triumph of the authority of Christ over the commandments and doctrines of men. The great heart of humanity appears to be going away from the authority of man in matters of faith, and is seeking after the simplicity of the gospel, its simple faith, and its easy obedience, desires no more, and will be satisfied with nothing less than a real walking in the ordinances of the Lord, not of man.

I have this confidence in the gospel, that if the people of God were all one, in heart, in prayer, in labors; the kingdom of our Redeemer would be established from pole to pole, and from the rising to the setting of the sun. The more we read and hear of the discussion by the great religious bodies on the question of union and union among themselves, the more we must certainly be convinced that we occupy the only possible ground where union can be consummated—the Bible, God's guide book to man. God has blessed us above all people in that we need only to study to know God's will, and need not to unlearn any of the commandments of man. I feel, that we have a high calling of God. Let us strive to be faithful, not be lifted up, but fear. The future is bright with hope.

The work at all the mission points has been moving forward during the past year. I am glad of the privilege to welcome to the fellowship of our trials—and hopes—our Brother Lhamon, who has undertaken the work in Toronto with the church on Cecil St. He does not come as a stranger, being known to the readers of the *Standard* as an interesting occasional contributor. I trust that his work with the church in Toronto may be richly blessed.

Last year Brother Edmund Sheppard, beloved by all, was with us; now he is at rest from his labors in the home beyond. Bro. Sheppard died at the post of duty; may we be found equally faithful. We remember at our meeting last year, although in poor health and quite feeble, how he delighted his audience with the magic of his eloquence, as he spoke of God's love in the redemption of a lost world. We cherish his memory with reverence—let us strive to emulate his virtues.

I trust our Convention will be pleasant to all, and that great good will result by what we may do for the furtherance of the cause of the Master. I believe we all love God and His cause, and also feel a measure of responsibility in the discharge of the part of the great work committed to us of the world's redemption. Let us, then, not only joy and rejoice while here, but let us also not fail to carry back to our homes the inspirations received, so that during the year upon which we are entering we may do better and more work for Christ than ever before. The pres-

ent alone is ours—let us work while it is day, for the night cometh when no man can work. Do we, my brethren, believe the promises of God? Then let us labor on, for in due season we shall reap if we faint not. "For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men, teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously and godly in the present world, looking for that blessed hope and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour, Jesus Christ."

Your brother, in labor and fellowship in Christ,

HUGH BLACK.

## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS FOR THE MISSION YEAR, 1893-'94.

Dear Brethren and Sisters:—The Board of Managers once more greet you in Convention assembled, and beg to present the Annual Report of the year just closed. The reports from the various missions will be given first, and matters dealt with pertaining to that department of our work:

## Owen Sound.

In making our annual report this year we do so with thankfulness to God for another year's blessings, amongst which we place the facts that, as a congregation, no calamities have befallen us; no strife has entered into our midst; but love and harmony exist, making our intercourse and our work what it has been for some years past, pleasure and delight. Nor has death entered into our midst, not have we suffered many removals. Our increase has not been large—only twelve persons added to our number during the year—partly from sickness among the members whose presence was essential to success in such meetings, and from other causes over which we have no control. We are intending, however, to hold a special meeting in the early fall. We are greatly cheered by an increased number of hearers from outside the congregation, and are steadily making ourselves felt in the town.

Our Sunday-school is doing excellent work, with an increased attendance over last year.

As to our finances.—In spite of the pressure of hard times, people have not allowed the Lord's work to suffer; and our missionary offerings, both home and foreign, have been nearly double last year's amount.

The details of our work in all its departments have been sent in to the Board, so we do not need to report them here.

Of our preacher, Bro. Lediard, who is still with us, we wish to say that we learned to esteem him more and more from year to year. His work in the congregation and his labors in every good work are such as meet the approval of our members and all with whom we come in contact.

We are specially thankful to the Board and the brethren for the help given, and we sincerely hope that the good seed sown here may speedily bring forth such an harvest that we shall no longer need to look to them for assistance.

On behalf of the church,  
C. A. I LEMING,  
Secretary.

## Collingwood.

During the year, since the last Annual Meeting, the work of the church in this place continues to be mainly a steady, every day work, and, although we cannot show any

great increase of numbers, yet we are thankful to say we are, at least, not losing ground.

The usual Lord's day meetings, morning and evening, are generally well attended, and people outside show more interest in our work than in days past.

Our prayer-meetings are well attended and profitable. Our Sunday-school also is in a satisfactory condition.

Our Young People's Society have proved their ability to do good active work for the church.

We had a series of meetings for some weeks during the winter conducted by Bro. Sinclair. The immediate results were several additions, and the church strengthened. Bro. Sinclair continues to preach with great acceptance to our congregation and wields a good influence in temperance and all other good works. In fact, we think we could not do without his assistance in our church work. He is also doing extra work in preaching every second Sunday afternoon at a mission point which has been started, about seven miles from the town, and which promises to bear fruit in the near future.

On the whole we do not see any reason to be discouraged, but rather thankful. Still, we cannot make our finances meet our needs, and, while we are grateful to the Board for assistance given us in the past years, we will still have to ask support for the next year. We are sorry to have to ask this, knowing there are so many other weak churches waiting patiently for a share, but we think this place is of sufficient importance to warrant us in trying to hold on, hoping soon to be strong enough to support ourselves.

On behalf of the church,  
A. M. FRAME,  
Secretary.

## Hamilton.

The Secretary of the Church of Disciples of Christ begs leave to report the following:

1. We have a more general interest throughout the members, as shown in work and contributions, and in the increase of the audience.

2. Our Sunday-school has increased in attendance and is showing an influence for good among the children's parents who are not members of the church.

3. Our prayer-meetings are more interesting and better attended, and spiritually refreshing.

4. Our Y. P. S. C. E. is in a better working order and the general tone uplifting.

5. Our basement has been finished during the last year, furnishing us a good school-room, which we were enabled to do through the work contributed by the brethren.

6. While our finances are not in as healthy condition as we wish, owing to the hard times, the contributors being nearly all wage earners, and owing to the continued depression and the prospect not yet good, the church is not yet able to reduce its request to the Co-operation. Some of our largest previous contributors are not now able to give the large sums which they undertook at first, and although we have some new contributors they are no more than able to make up for the falling off of the others.

7. And, now, though asking from the Co-operation the same amount as heretofore, we are eagerly looking forward to the time when we shall become self supporting, and able to contribute towards other mission

points, and should the Co-operation grant our request, we hope to be able to get on with a considerably less sum for the next year.

All of which we submit in brotherly love,

J. M. WARNER,  
Secretary.

London.

In presenting a report of the work in this city, during the year ending 1st prox., it may be said that the progress during that period, as shown by the statement below, should be regarded as very satisfactory, as it has been accomplished in the face of the strongest outside opposition. Our immediate neighbors of the different denominations have put forth the most strenuous efforts, especially during the past winter, to add to their numbers. Notwithstanding this, the attendance at our services, especially on Lord's day mornings, has been steadily increasing, and there is no abatement of the interest manifested by those who listen to Bro. Fowler's clear, forcible and touching presentation of the truth.

Our net membership on the 1st June, 1893, was..... 111  
Since added:

By confession and primary obedience.....	11
From sister churches....	6
From the Baptists.....	3
From the Brethren.....	1
Otherwise added.....	1
	22

Decrease..... 133

Net membership at date.... 122

The additions to the membership have all been made at our regular services.

During the year we succeeded in reducing our indebtedness on church property by the sum of \$376.75, besides paying interest on the mortgage amounting to \$144.00, which leaves the total debt a mortgage of \$2400, with interest at 6 per cent. per annum from the 6th March last. In consideration of the unusually hard times prevailing at present, on account of which a number of our members have been thrown out of employment, and others put on half time, the amount raised for church debt and other purposes is all that could have been expected.

The brethren are using their best endeavors to make a further substantial reduction of the debt during the coming year.

Our Sunday-school continues to prosper under the able management of the present Superintendent, Bro. W. H. Wooldridge, and his staff of assistants. During the year efforts were made to place the school on a first-class footing, the beneficial results of which are clearly seen in the increased efficiency with which its affairs are conducted. The importance of this department of the church, we believe, cannot be easily over-estimated. It has been, not inaptly, called "the nursery of the church." Many of our most promising young disciples have, through its instrumentality, been led to a knowledge of the truth.

Our Y. P. S. C. E. is also more than holding its own. During the past year the young people contributed \$50 towards the liquidation of the church debt, and they have this year pledged the sum of \$100 for church debt and missionary purposes. The Dorcas Society and C. W. B. M. Auxiliary are also doing a good work.

Bro. and Sister Fowler retain the confidence and esteem of the members, and we desire to express our

high appreciation of their continued faithful and efficient services in the up-building of the church.

There are many indications that our cause is steadily growing in favor with outsiders, and we trust the incoming year will be one of marked progress.

F. MACDONALD, Clerk.

Toronto.

Another year has passed with its joys and sorrows, its successes and failures. We have had some sorrows and many joys; perhaps a few failures, but the Lord has crowned our efforts with some success. Our membership is smaller, by one, than it was a year ago, having lost 24 and gained 23; but considering the financial and general business depression that we have been passing through, and, on account of this, the number of people leaving the city, together with the fact that we have been seven months without a pastor, we think that we have been blessed in thus holding our own. The spiritual condition of the church is good, as may be seen by an attendance at our Wednesday evening prayer-meeting; and the members are united and work harmoniously together. We have a splendid Young People's Society, composed of a number of active and earnest young workers for the Master. The Sunday-school, under the able superintendence of Bro. J. L. Leary, is in a live and healthy condition. We have also been blessed in financial matters, being enabled to reduce our debt by eleven hundred dollars, and, as our financial report will show, to pay a large amount for interest, besides our other running expenses.

In the latter part of May, 1893, J. E. Powell commenced to serve the congregation as pastor, but after about five months' labor he was forced to resign, and, as we had been unfortunate in choosing J. E. Powell, we determined to be very careful in our next selection; and we feel satisfied that we have now, in Bro. Lhamon, the right man in the right place. Since Bro. Lhamon has come among us we feel wonderfully encouraged to go on with the Master's work, and fully expect at the time of our next annual meeting to report decided progress in spiritual growth of the church, number of members and financial strength. We ask for your prayers for our work, as you will have our prayers for yours, for we know "Unless the Lord build the house they labor in vain that build it." During parts of March and April Bro. R. Moffett, of Cleveland, O., conducted a series of special services which were the means of bringing a number of people into the church and building us up and strengthening us in the faith, besides setting forth our plea for primitive Christianity in a clear and forcible manner to many who had never heard it before; and we can confidently say that the good effects of Bro. Moffett's work will long be felt in Toronto.

We feel that the success of the work in Toronto is, to a certain extent, due to the warm support and generous gifts of brethren outside of our city, and we take this opportunity of thanking these brethren for what they have done, knowing that when they receive the thanks of the Master, to whom they have really made these offerings, they will indeed be rewarded.

JAMES D. HIGGINS, Clerk.

Welland.

Before G. W. Jackson left for England last summer he was ar-

ranging to have the church in Welland taken care of by Bro. R. B. Ray, who, it was expected, would work between Welland and International Bridge. The Board understood, both from Bro. Jackson and Bro. Ray, that the matter had been satisfactorily settled, and that Bro. Ray would take up the work shortly after Bro. Jackson's departure. For some reason Bro. Ray was not able to do so, and before the Board was apprised of that fact, the oversight of the church was placed in other hands. It was found that the change was distasteful to most of the members of the church, but having been made, the Board had no power to alter things, although it is believed they were in a position to have effected an arrangement which would have turned out to the benefit of the church in Welland. Under the circumstances the Board has not felt justified in paying any part of the sum authorized to be paid to Welland by last annual meeting.

Georgetown.

In the early part of the mission year, the church in Georgetown renewed its appeal for assistance in keeping a preacher. The Board promised to aid at the rate of \$100 per year, provided the Georgetown and Acton churches could unite in employing a minister. This was done, and we have the following report from Georgetown:

In looking back over the history of this church for the last twelve months, we have great cause for thankfulness and also for discouragements.

1. We are very thankful that the Lord has richly blessed us in adding thirteen precious souls to the church, twelve by immersion and one immersed believer taking membership with us, besides the interest has very much increased since Bro. Stephens commenced to labor with us, notwithstanding that we have preaching only once each Lord's day.

We have a very interesting and instructive C. E. Society, which Bro. Stephens organized last November. We have about fifty members of which, probably, about thirty are good active members.

Our Sunday-school is fairly well attended. We have made an attempt to secure a library for the school, but we have only succeeded in getting about thirty books, so far, which we distribute each Sunday, and they are read with interest. If any Sunday-school has some books that it doesn't use, and could let us have them cheap, we would make an effort to buy them.

Bro. Stephens has done good work since he commenced to labor for us, although hindered a great deal through the long and serious illness of Mrs. Stephens.

2. We feel very much discouraged financially, for although the church has increased in numbers, it hasn't apparently increased financially. For although the Board is assisting us this year, and several members of the church are giving about all they are able, we have not been able to collect near enough to meet current expenses, which worries us a good deal, and fear that unless we get increased assistance, for a short time at least, we will have to be without a preacher, which we would regret very much as we are very comfortably housed and this is a field where much good might be accomplished.

D. McKECHNIE, Secretary.

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The Co-operation of Disciples of Christ in Ontario.  
ABSTRACT OF TREASURER'S STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE, 1894.

	CHURCH.	S. S.	V. P. S.	MEMBERS.	INDIVID'L GIFTS.	TOTAL.
Acton	\$14 50	\$2 00	....	....	....	\$16 50
Aurora	11 50	3 00	....	....	....	14 50
Blenheim	11 20	1 60	....	....	\$10 00	22 80
Bowmanville	10 00	5 50	....	\$10 00	....	35 50
Collingwood	37 50	3 00	....	....	10 00	50 50
Erin Centre	58 12	6 00	....	11 00	15 00	90 12
Erin Village	24 60	3 10	....	5 00	13 00	45 70
Everton	95 48	11 50	....	55 00	14 00	175 98
Gainsboro	1 25	....	....	....	....	2 25
Galt	12 75	....	....	....	....	12 75
Glencairn	30 00	16 00	....	....	5 00	51 00
Glencoe	2 30	....	....	6 00	....	8 30
Georgetown	5 85	2 30	\$1 00	....	....	9 15
Grand Valley	23 20	1 00	....	....	....	24 20
Guelph	39 08	5 00	2 00	12 00	5 00	63 08
Hamilton	32 05	5 70	1 45	15 00	40 00	94 20
International Bridge	10 00	....	....	....	....	10 00
Kilsyth	24 65	....	1 00	....	....	25 65
Lobo	....	....	3 22	....	....	3 22
London	26 50	5 00	2 40	10 00	....	43 90
Marsville	33 25	....	....	10 00	....	43 25
Milton	22 34	4 60	....	....	....	26 94
Niagara	2 00	....	....	....	....	2 00
Nissaugwaya	26 79	....	....	5 00	7 00	38 79
Orangeville	3 00	....	2 75	....	10 00	15 75
Oshawa	100 00	....	....	....	25 00	125 00
Owen Sound	30 51	5 20	....	....	....	35 71
Ridgetown	3 75	....	....	....	....	3 75
Rosedene	3 50	1 00	....	....	....	4 50
Selkirk	3 00	....	....	5 00	....	8 00
Stayner	13 00	....	....	....	1 00	14 00
St. Thomas	81 10	2 55	11 37	12 00	100 00	209 02
Toronto, Cecil Street	38 62	5 14	5 00	17 00	15 00	60 76
Toronto Junction	15 00	3 50	....	6 00	....	24 50
Wainfleet	76 65	....	....	....	....	76 65
Walkerton	35 53	2 52	....	10 00	....	48 05
West Lake	11 00	....	....	....	....	11 00
West Lorne and Eagle	5 50	67	....	1 00	....	7 17
Warton	2 00	....	....	....	5 00	7 00
	\$909 97	\$95 88	\$30 19	\$190 00	\$285 00	\$1511 04

To balance on hand at last audit. 426 23  
collections taken at annual meeting at Everton. 35 20  
received from isolated brethren and sisters. 140 00  
received from the Farewell estate. 200 00  
received from Missionary Auxiliary, St. Thomas. 5 00  
received from collections taken at Hillsburg. 18 61

Total. \$2342 08

EXPENDITURE.

By cash paid Cecil Street church, Toronto, balance due for last year	\$285 00
" " Church, London	162 68
" " Hamilton	214 70
" " Owen Sound	90 00
" " Collingwood	74 50
" " Welland	50 00
" " Collingwood, on account for current year	145 00
" " Owen Sound	120 00
" " Hamilton	296 76
" " London	303 30
" " Toronto	300 00
" " Georgetown	25 00
" Corresponding Secretary, for printing, stationery, etc.	44 91
" J. A. Aikin, chairman, S. S. Committee, postage, stationery	4 25
" Treasurer, postage, stationery, etc.	2 71
on hand	\$2118 81
	223 27
	\$2342 08

FAREWELL LEGACY.

1893.	
Aug. 12. Received Legacy	\$500 00
Interest on same	112 37
	\$612 37
Loans	\$1800 00
To Co-operation, on account	200 00
Evangelizing	\$805 00
Less paid by churches	317 00
	485 00
Balance on hand	\$624 37

HILLSBURG, June 9, 1894.

We, the undersigned, have examined the books and papers of Bro. John McKinnon, Treasurer of the Ontario Co-operation of Disciples, and find his statement of amounts correct, agreeing with the books and vouchers.

H. T. LAW,  
A. C. GRAY,  
Auditors.

Remarks on the Reports.

These reports are not all everything that we would like them to be, but an attentive consideration of them will discover much more reason for encouragement than for discouragement. We would all be gratified if a larger number of additions were reported and a smaller number of subtractions. And it would be most pleasing if all the missions were able to say they require much less aid from the Co-operation next year than last. We look for such signs of progress; we are anxious for them; and we have a right, as a Co-operation, to expect that the mission churches will exercise a conscientious care to reduce to the lowest possible figure the amount they ask from the mission fund from year to year. While on the other hand it is always fair to remember that the mission churches

are not simply asking help for a work which may be for their own personal benefit but are rather soliciting assistance in an enterprise which it is believed is for the general interest of the great and good cause we all have committed ourselves to. What strikes one, in examining these reports, is the faith these churches continue to have in the simple Gospel of Christ, their confidence that it is possible to build up strong congregations of Disciples in Ontario, and their determination to press on towards self-support by the help of their brethren and with the blessing of the Lord. And what this means is only fully appreciated by those of us who have had an insight into the great financial sacrifices that many of the brethren and sisters at these missions have been making for years. If our people generally could see this as clearly as the Board of Managers have come

to see it, it would open their eyes, if it did not their pockets. And we think it would open their pocket-books. In fact, one of the most effectual means of opening the brethren's purses is to inform them as to the extent to which the mission churches have obligated themselves for buildings and current expenses in connection with their special home work.

A great deal of enthusiasm is aroused in many of the churches on behalf of Foreign Missions, and this Board would like to see that enthusiasm more general and more intense; but we think it proper here to remark, that an equal amount of enthusiasm is deserved by our Home Mission work, and to say still further, unless a Disciple is deeply and intelligently interested in the Lord's work at home, he cannot have a true conception of its importance and necessity abroad.

EVANGELISTIC WORK.

In accordance with the instructions of the Annual Meeting, the Board employed Bro. Robt. Moffett as Evangelist. He began work in Ontario with the Erin Centre church, and has spent most of his time in Ontario since that time, holding protracted meetings. With the exception of the time spent with the Cecil St. Church, Toronto, Bro. Moffett labored at points, not receiving the assistance of the Board, as per the resolution of the Annual Meeting. The Board, in response to an urgent request from the Cecil St. Church, Toronto, and regarding the fact that that church had been for some months without a settled minister, ventured to go beyond the letter of the law in this case. It is doubtful if it be wise to tie the hands of the Board by such provisos. We judge it would be better in future to leave the Board some freedom of action in such matters.

It is possible there may be in the minds of some of our brethren more or less disappointment at the results, numerically speaking, of Bro. Moffett's efforts as an evangelist in Ontario. In view of his reputation won in the large field of the United States, and of the justly high estimate formed of the man and his preaching by those of our own people who had repeatedly heard him, great things were expected—great things numerically; for Ontario Disciples, like their brethren elsewhere, and religious people generally, are great on counting results by heads and almost by heads alone. Now, we are all agreed that it is our duty to endeavor to save by the Gospel the greatest possible number of people in the least possible time; but many of us have learned, and the rest of us will learn by and by, that it is not always the protracted meeting that closes with the largest number of additions that is of the greatest immediate benefit to the church, and produces the most well-grounded Christians in the long run. This report is of the opinion that whenever intelligent people listen to Robt. Moffett preach, the results are always good.

Bro. Geo. Fowler held a protracted meeting for the church at International Bridge with quite gratifying results. The Board, having regard to the circumstances of the faithful little band at that place, assisted in defraying the expense of the meeting.

It is the judgment of the Board that, in the present condition of things among us in Ontario, probably, on the whole, the best results in evangelistic work would be obtained by using our own preachers

In the way Bro. Geo. Fowler was employed at International Bridge, and the Board would recommend such a course for the coming year as that which should be our principal reliance in this department.

THE FAREWELL LEGACY.

We have pleasure in reporting that the \$5,000.00 bequeathed by the late Bro. Abram Farewell, of Oshawa, was duly and fully paid, and disposed of as directed by the Annual Meeting. The Treasurer's Report will present particulars.

And at this point we would again respectfully remind our brethren and sisters not to forget our Home Mission funds when they are making their wills. The Co-operation has now full power to receive, to hold, and to handle real estate, as well as money.

OUR RELATION TO THE O. C. W. B. M.

is that of the cordially sympathetic friend. About twenty-eight of the Life Members of the Co-operation are, speaking after the manner of the Apostle Paul, "weaker vessels," and about half of the annual members. The sisters, as is well known, are never behind-hand when collections are being taken for the Co-operation, whether in church, Sunday-school, or Young People's Society. Many of the most hearty letters the Cor.-Sec. receives express the prayers and contain the contributions of women for the Home Mission Fund of the Co-operation. Of not a few of these same good women it is true, what one of them once said of herself, that they have a "bigger stake," financially in the Co-operation than they have in the O. C. W. B. M. The Co-operation being composed of sisters as well as brethren is naturally in a position to be well-disposed towards any special means the sisters alone may adopt to further the common cause. And if any suggestions should be made looking in the direction of a still closer fellowship, which might be to the advantage of both, and to the disadvantage of neither, this Board is confident that the Co-operation would receive them cheerfully and consider them attentively.

One point, in any case, should hereafter be guarded, viz., that the Annual Meeting programmes of Co-operation and O. C. W. B. M. should be so arranged that one will not interfere with the other, and that all may have the opportunity of attending the public meetings of both societies.

PRESENT STATUS OF THE UNION QUESTION.

The wave of interest in the question of Christian union which passed over this country last year has left things pretty much as they were, so far as we are concerned. As the discussion progressed, it constantly furnished evidence that many were feeling their way towards the Scriptural position, and were endeavoring to draw the line between the essential and the non-essential. The influence of the man-made creed was very apparent, according to its manner, in preventing the mind from seeing the plain Gospel truth. It is cause for gratification and thankfulness that the evils of divisions among believers in Jesus are being perceived with increasing clearness, and in whatever degree any person or any body approaches the New Testament standard we have cause of rejoicing. But these hopeful indications furnish no ground to justify our withdrawal from the field, or the relaxation of our efforts.

MODE OF ENTERTAINING THE ANNUAL MEETING.

It is known to the Board that there is a somewhat prevalent impression that the time has come to consider whether we cannot devise some method whereby the labor and expense of entertaining the annual meeting might be more nearly equalized than it is at present, and we would suggest that if there be time, and it be thought proper, this annual meeting give the subject some attention.

THE PROGRAMME.

The programme for this Annual Meeting is unusually full and interesting, and probably takes a somewhat wider range than on former occasions—in some respects at least. If any one should find upon the list a subject which he thinks does not exactly come within the purview of a Missionary Co-operation, let him understand that there is not any intention or disposition on the part of the Board to claim for the Co-operation powers which it does not possess and which it is believed it could not scripturally exercise. The Board learned that there was a desire among our people to have certain subjects discussed, and it was thought that this Convention might furnish an occasion on which they might be freely and usefully considered, without committing any individual, much less the whole body, to any particular view.

FINANCES.

Notwithstanding the protracted dull times, we have not suffered proportionately with most other missionary bodies, though there has, of course, been a falling off in gifts. Upon looking over the list of contributing churches, Sunday-schools and Y. P. Societies, we find that in comparison with '92-'93, '93-'94 does not indicate a falling off in interest. The following table gives an exhibit for both mission years:

	'92-'93.	'93-'94
Churches contributing,	39	38
S. Schools "	21	22
Y. P. S. (senior) "	8	9
Y. P. S. (junior) "	1	2

Considering the number of churches, etc., among us in Ontario, the foregoing is the reverse of discouraging. With the return of good times, and continued careful management of the funds, a large increase of gifts may reasonably be looked for.

CONCLUSION.

"Let us thank Him for all that is past and trust Him for all that is to come."

All of which is respectfully submitted, on behalf of the Board.

HUGH BLACK, Pres.

GEO. MUNRO, Cor. Sec.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

On Time and Place.

Your Committee on Time and Place beg to report that an application for the Annual Meeting has been received from the Church in Galt, but that we recommend that the matter be left, as last year, to the discretion of the Board, and that the churches be invited to make application therefor to the Board.

Signed on behalf of the Committee,

JAMES LEDIARD.

On Enrollment. SUMMARY.

Church Delegates	36
C. W. B. M. Delegates	16
S. School	10
Chris. Endeavor	7
Junior C. E.	2
Mission Bands	3
Life Members	20
Annual	5
Visitors	72
	171

D. MUNRO, Chairman.

On Statistics.

Your Committee on Statistics begs leave to report as follows for the year ending Dec. 31st, 1893:-

1. Number of congregations meeting at regular stated times to "break bread," 67.
2. Number of congregations organized during 1893, 3—Rainham Centre, Northwood and Harriston.
3. 38 of these engage 23 persons to devote all of their time laboring with them in the Master's cause.
4. Five congregations that usually employ preachers were without at the close of the year.
5. Number of students and teachers preaching for churches in Ontario during the year, 7; at the close of the year, 5.
6. Number of young men known to your Committee to be preparing for the ministry but who as yet have had no experience in preaching, —
7. Number of additions by confession and baptism as reported in the CANADIAN EVANGELIST, 273.
8. Number of members reported as having died, 24; difference, 249.

P. BAKER, Chairman.

Committee to G. C. M. C.

The committee appointed by the President, by virtue of a resolution of our last Annual Convention, as delegates to the Annual Convention of the G. C. M. C. Association, which met in Chicago, in September last, to confer with the Board of Managers of that organization, with a view to affiliation between the Ontario Co-operation and the General Christian Missionary Association, and the establishment of relations with this latter body similar to those sustained by similar organizations in the different states, beg to report:

1. That two of this number, namely, John Campbell and J. W. Kilgour, attended said Convention in Chicago and had a short interview with a committee appointed by the Chicago Convention to confer with the Ontario delegation in the matter.

2. That this committee assured us that proposals for affiliation would be received with pleasure by the G. C. M. C.

3. That the only requisite to such affiliation would be a contribution by our Co-operation, churches or individual brethren to the funds of the G. C. M. C. Association.

Owing to the shortness of time and the pressure of the other business of the Convention, we had no opportunity to consider details or discuss the project at length with the committee of the G. C. M. C., but we append hereto a copy of that committee's report adopted by the Convention.

Your Committee would recommend a continuance of the fraternal relations hitherto existing between the G. C. M. C. and this Co-operation, that we gratefully acknowledge the assistance received from that society in the past, that we cordially reciprocate the expressions of good will contained in the Report of the Committee already referred to, and that, with regard to any further affiliation, that that be left in abeyance until the proposed unification of the work of the G. C. M. C. and the F. C. M. S. has been considered by their next Annual Convention.

J. W. KILGOUR, Chairman.

On Resolutions.

Your Committee on Resolutions makes the following report:—

1. That this Convention record its appreciation of the Christian hospitality and entertainment granted by the Erin Centre Church and Hillsburg people.
2. That we give our sincere thanks

to the Board of Managers and the various standing committees for the liberal and painstaking manner in which they have performed the work entrusted to them.

3. That this Convention, knowing that the traffic in intoxicating liquors is wholly evil, desires to record its hearty sympathy with the work of temperance reform, and to express the opinion that the time is fully come when the Christian temperance sentiment of this country should be crystallized into a legislative enactment prohibiting the manufacture, sale and importation of intoxicating liquors; and that a copy of this resolution, referring to a letter received by the secretary of the Dominion Alliance, in which Alliance our esteemed brother, Abram Farewell, now deceased, was a pioneer worker.

4. That Christian greeting be extended to Brother A. Anderson, of Hamilton, whose bodily affliction prevents him from being present, and that a copy of this resolution be sent to him.

5. That we recognize the CANADIAN EVANGELIST as an indispensable factor in the work in which we are engaged, and that to encourage its editor, Geo. Munro, we will use our influence to increase its circulation.

6. That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to Bro. Macklin, returned missionary from China, for his presence and valued addresses.

7. That the Convention extends its hearty thanks to the different churches for opening their houses of worship to us and our preachers.

8. That Christian greeting be extended to Bro. T. L. Fowler, of London, whom, we regret to learn, is absent by reason of sickness in his family.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

GEO. FOWLER, Hillsburg, June, 1894. Chairman.

On Nominations.

Your Committee begs to report as follows, that the Board for 1894-5 be constituted thus:

- President, Hugh Black, Everton.
- Vice-President, John Campbell, St. Thomas.
- Recording Secretary, J. W. Kilgour, Guelph.
- Corresponding Secretary, T. L. Fowler, London.
- Treasurer, John McKinnon, Everton.
- Thos. Whitehead, Walkerton.
- John Black, Everton.
- George Munro, Hamilton.
- A. J. Thomson, Hillsburg.
- S. E. McKee, Erin.
- J. H. H. Jury, Bowmanville.

That a hearty vote of thanks of this Convention be tendered the Board for the faithful discharge of their onerous duties during the year 1893-94.

JOHN MUNRO, W. W. COULTER, JOHN DARROCH, R. N. WHEELER, R. W. BALLANT.

On Young People's Societies.

The Committee on Young People's Societies respectfully submit their report, trusting that its perusal may be the means of stimulating an increased and deeper interest in this important ministry of the church.

During the year the number of C. Y. Societies have been increased by 8 (one Society, Welland, having ceased to exist), namely: Acton, Dorchester, Georgetown, Grand Valley, Harwich, International Bridge, Rainham, Rainham Centre, and Kilsyth. The membership has increased from 579 to 1003, and the total contributions from \$708.22 to the handsome sum of \$1203.36, including Young People and Junior Societies. We are also pleased to report an increase in the number of societies contributing to Home and

Foreign Missions, and would urge upon all the importance of cultivating a missionary spirit among the young, and in no more effective way can this be accomplished than by investing capital in the work.

It is with thankful hearts to our Heavenly Father that we report 108 precious souls gathered into the vineyard of the Lord from the societies. This is a gratifying evidence of the spiritual work that ever characterizes the Endeavor movement.

The reports from nearly all the societies are most encouraging, and the special works undertaken by the different societies exhibit a consecration that is commendable. One society has pledged one fourth the support of a scholarship of a Japanese girl; another is paying for a lot to build a church on, another has pledged \$100 to help build a new church, one has purchased a library and another an organ. Among the many favorable features of the work reported, we quote but a few.

"We have found the Endeavor Societies a great benefit as a training school for developing young Disciples, stimulating them to greater activity in church work." "As a society, we are becoming better acquainted with and more interested in the work of our Master." "Our Society is developing more interest and liberality in mission work."

Before closing this part of the report we beg to draw your attention to the valuable reports from the Junior Societies, now four in number, and would urge the organization of a junior society in connection with the senior at all places where it would not clash with a similar organization now in existence. It is the verdict of all that the Juniors are doing a grand work.

Your Committee respectfully makes the following recommendations:

1. That a deeper interest in the young people's efforts be taken by the older members of the church.

2. That our societies take part in all local unions of C. E., and whenever practicable lose no opportunity of presenting our plea, not in a dogmatic or pugilistic spirit, but in the spirit of the Master.

3. That our societies make more use of our own literature in tract form for the dissemination of our distinctive plea.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. W. COULTER, Chairman.

On Education.

Your committee endeavored to carry out the instructions given by the last annual meeting.

A course of four lectures was given by Bro. T. L. Fowler in the month of October last on The Science of Interpretation, the subjects being—

1. The Character of the Age in which the early Christian teachers were trained, with a History of the Conflicting Methods of Interpretation.
2. The Plan and Purpose of the Bible.
3. The Qualifications of the Interpreter and Rules to be observed in ascertaining the Mind of the Spirit.
4. Canons of the Newer Criticism and their Modifying Effect upon the Character of the Bible.

Bro. Fowler handled the subject well in the short time at his disposal, and he more than maintained his former good reputation as a student and a preacher.

By reason of the small number of students at the university last year who were interested in these lectures, we did not deem it wise to incur the necessary expenditure for another course last year—preferring to husband our means for future and increased work.

We recommend:—

1. That a teacher be employed and a school established at Toronto for instruction in such subjects as are necessary to supplement what may be received in Toronto University, to prepare persons for ministerial work in the church.

2. That the teacher be engaged to spend six months of the year in teaching at such school, and the remaining six months in evangelistic work, and in securing endowment funds and students for said school.

3. That the Co-operation contribute towards the salary of said teacher such amount as may be necessary to supplement our present income of one hundred and fifty dollars per annum.

4. That brethren be asked to contribute books for a library in said school.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN MUNRO,  
Chairman.

*On Sunday-Schools.*

The committee on Sunday-schools take pleasure in presenting this, their report to the Convention. The work of the past year in this department has been marked by increased zeal and interest, and has been followed with good results. The reports sent in from different Sunday-schools give us abundant cause to thank God and take courage.

Since the first of March, 1893, four new Sunday-schools have been organized. One each at Harwich, Glencoe, Northwood and Marsville. A Sunday-school at International Bridge is reported for the first time, dating its existence from May, 1892, and already among our largest, having a roll-call of 122. There are, in all, 40 Sunday-schools in Ontario, from 34 of which we have received reports. The statistics of the unreported are based on last year's figures and the columns of the CANADIAN EVANGELIST. In addition to these forty on our list, the Disciples in around Selkirk take an active part in four Sunday-schools, and we presume there are other such cases elsewhere. Of the total number reported, 31 are open all the year, the balance from six to nine months each.

The total number of pupils enrolled is 2,325, with a daily average attendance of 1,663. It is therefore to be seen that each Lord's day there are 662 absentees; an average of 18 from each of the 40 Sunday-schools. The 2,325 pupils are cared for by 281 teachers and officers, of whom there are (on an average) 34 absent each Lord's day from their places of work. This showing for the officers and teachers is good, still there is room for improvement. The total roll-call, teachers, officers and scholars, is 2,606, a gain of 242 over last year. This year we report eight more than last year, and 1893 was a gain over 1892. In comparing the individual reports with last year we find that 12 show a decreased average attendance; 7 show substantial increase, while the balance remain about the same.

There has been during the year 101 added to the churches from the Sunday-schools. We are deeply thankful to our Lord and Master that such a good number have named his name, and begin to walk in His footsteps. Truly the labors and watchings have not been in vain.

Your committee asked the superintendents to state their special encouragements and discouragements. Three are encouraged by the good number of the young added to the church; another by a uniform interest; and another by the hearty co-operation of the teachers and good interest of scholars, and they have reason to be encouraged by such things. Unde-

discouragements, some report lack of push and energy; some irregularity, want of punctuality and indifference of parents, for all of which there are good cures if properly and persistently applied.

Seventeen report having libraries, with a total of 1,938 volumes, an increase of 150 over last year. Thirty use lesson helps and papers, and all but one the international lesson series. Eight schools have weekly, and one a monthly teachers' meeting. With three this is a new feature, and we hope will be a permanent one with them all. Thirteen of our Sunday-schools were represented at either the provincial or local Sunday-school Convention. This is not as large as it should be. Twenty-five report paying special attention to temperance, mostly by taking the lesson on that topic in the series. Some also use pledge cards. Seven Sunday-schools take up the missionary lesson some times; some others have missionary addresses, entertainments, and exercises in that line. Missions and finances are linked together, so we take the next order.

The financial showing on the whole is good. The total receipts for all purposes was \$1,367.33. Of this amount \$100.03 was given to Home Missions, \$121.55 to Foreign Missions, and \$80.98 to the churches with which the Sunday-schools are connected. To the Toronto Sunday-school belongs the place of honor, both in aggregate and percentage. The total receipts were \$160.69, an average of \$1.27 per member. Of this amount, 47 cents per member went for Missions. Glencairn follows hard in percentage, reporting a roll-call of 77, and receipts \$76.35, or 99 2/3 cents per member. Of this amount, \$35 was given to Missions, an average of 46 cents each. Collingwood makes a commendable report. They raised \$52.89; for current expenses, \$20.81; home church, \$25.78; Home Missions, \$3; Foreign Missions, \$3. Altogether, 24 gave to Foreign Missions, 25 to Home Missions, 21 to both Home and Foreign Missions, and 12 to neither. Last year only 12 contributed to Foreign, and 21 for Home Missions. This year's showing is a decided improvement from that point of view. The aggregate for Foreign Missions is \$53.74 in advance of last year, while the aggregate for Home Missions is a decrease of \$28.93. But this amount is supplemented by the \$80.98 given to the home churches.

For the past two years a number of our Sunday-schools have given their Foreign Mission contributions to the O. C. W. D. M. As there is now no doubt as to the ability of the Woman's Board to support their missionary, and the equal inability of the Foreign Society to meet the direct claims being made up on them, all collections taken up by the Sunday-schools for Foreign Missions should be sent to A. McLean, Box 750, Cincinnati, in accordance with his expressed desire.

In response to our request, Glencairn, Galt, Owen Sound and Toronto sent supplies of books and papers to our worthy Bro. W. M. Crewson, at Huntsville, for the Muskoka Sunday-schools. We are sure they will be appreciated, and will prove helpful to the workers up there. We trust that others may see fit to follow the good example.

This, then, is the summary of the year's work, but it is not all. We cannot report all the work of the Sunday-schools. The labors and studies, the sacrifices and prayers, these are known only to God and the individual laborer. Still we do see that our Lord is working in and by us, His good pleasure that the little ones are being brought to Him, and that He is blessing them in

their coming; and while our work is one of faith and a labor of love, we are gratified and encouraged with the result. Let us look forward to greater things in our future work. With this end in view, your committee would urge special attention to, and activity in, the following things:

1. Endeavor to get a fuller and more regular attendance of the scholars, and raise the average. Call to our aid all the help we can. Secure the parents' co-operation, visit the scholars in their homes, teach and practice regularly and punctually.

2. The taking up of regular lessons in every Sunday-school; teaching gospel temperance; bring to the minds of the scholars the truths and admonitions of the scriptures, and facts of modern affairs, and urge them to stand against the great evil of strong drink.

3. A more general observance of the "Children's Days," both for Home and Foreign Missions, the inculcation of right ideas of Christian liberality, and the world's great need of the gospel. Let the watchword sounded by A. McLean, "Enlargement," be passed by this Convention to every Sunday-school.

4. That all our teachers should qualify as best they can for their work. Weekly teachers' meetings are essential to the highest good of any Sunday-school. Let as many as possible avail themselves of the provisions made by the Provincial Sunday-School Association for normal training. If at all practicable and convenient, be represented at the Provincial and Local Sunday-School Convention. They are sources of real help.

5. Above all let us labor to bring into the kingdom of our Lord those entrusted to our care. Aim at their conversion. Pray for it. Work for it. The abundant blessing that has followed the labors of our workers in many of our Sunday-schools this past year has warmed the hearts of the workers, and given them increased zeal in their good work. With that mind in us which also was in Him, labor on.

Respectfully submitted,  
J. A. Aikin, Chairman,  
S. S. Com.

*On Obituaries.*

Your Committee have to report the removal by death during the past year of the following brethren, who were in full sympathy and active in our Co-operation work: BRO. EDMUND SHEPARD, who was one of our most prominent and influential pioneer preachers; fearless in the defence of primitive Christianity, and highly gifted as a public speaker, he held several public debates in defence of our plea when it was not as well understood by the public in general as it is to-day. Having preached in this province for more than forty years, he was known throughout Ontario as a preacher of fine ability and unflinching devotion to the cause of Christ. His name became a household word in many homes, and to-day a great many in the western part of the province who came to a knowledge of the truth under his preaching rise up and call him blessed. Like all our pioneer preachers he made great sacrifices in proclaiming the gospel, and, notwithstanding that he lived to the allotted age of man, he will be greatly missed, but the influence of his life will be felt for years to come. We feel that we are but expressing the feelings of the whole brotherhood in tendering our sympathy to the bereaved wife and family.

Also we are called upon to report the death of BRO. ARCHIBALD MCKILLOP, of West Loane. He was one of earth's most noble men, a true man of God. Though not a public speaker,

he preached the gospel by the life he lived, and always gave freely of his means for the spread of the truth. His house was a home for the preacher, where he was always welcome. Having been engaged for many years in an extensive business where he was constantly dealing with the public, his uprightness in dealing blended with his Christian life, won the respect of all.

BRO. JOHN THOMSON.—Among the Ontario Disciples, especially in this part of the province, few men were better known than Bro. John Thomson, of the Erin Centre Church, for many years an elder of the church, a warm and hearty friend of this Co-operation, and a man who maintained a living interest in all that had to do with the advancement of the Saviour's kingdom. His hospitable home was always open, in bygone days many of the Disciples enjoyed his hospitality. A man of sterling qualities, one to whom to know what was right was to do it. He was a man of strong convictions, and fearless in expressing them. Always liberal himself, and always urging others to do their duty in this respect as well as in other particulars, a man whom it was a privilege to know, and whom the church in Erin and the churches at large will greatly miss.

We add one more to the list of those whom we mourn, BRO. ANGUS MCKINLEY, of Georgetown. Through a long illness, and with failing powers, he maintained a deep interest in the success of the congregation in Georgetown, doing much to place it in its present favorable condition. His faith in the future of the church there was unshaken and his efforts unabated. His interest in the missionary efforts of the Co-operation was strong, and his loss will be deeply felt, both in the church there and in the wider field of the churches throughout the Province.

In tendering our sympathy to these bereaved families we feel that we are but voicing the feeling of this Convention.

C. SINCLAIR,  
J. LEDIARD,  
Committee.

*On Missions.*

Your Committee on Missions beg to report as follows:

1. From the information furnished us on the blank forms which were authorized two years ago, we glean with some satisfaction at least, that the churches which have been obtaining assistance from the Board have been making substantial gains, not only from the point of view of numbers, but also in the lessening of the church indebtedness.

2. The following appeals for help have been submitted to us:

Cecil St., Toronto	.....	\$600
Hamilton	.....	400
London	.....	500
Owen Sound	.....	150
Collingwood	.....	200
Georgetown	.....	200
Guelph	.....	100
International Bridge	.....	45
Manitoulin Island	.....	50

Making a total of ... \$2,245

Your Committee, in considering these reasonable requests, and being aware that the Treasurer's receipts have not met the expectations of the Committee of last year, feel it their duty in some cases to recommend smaller amounts than those asked for.

3. Your Committee would therefore recommend that the Board of Managers make the following appropriations:

Cecil St., Toronto	.....	\$400
Hamilton	.....	400
London	.....	450
Guelph	.....	75
Owen Sound	.....	100
Georgetown	.....	100
Collingwood	.....	100

International Bridge	.....	45
Manitoulin Island	.....	50

Amounting to ... \$1,720

Such appropriations to be paid only for such part of the year as the churches benefitted are actually supporting and paying a pastor, unless with the consent and approval of the Board of Managers.

5. Your Committee note with satisfaction that those churches obtaining aid from the Board have contributed liberally, not only towards foreign missions but also for home work; and recognizing the financial depression that prevails, yet considering the importance of the work we are engaged in, in trying to win souls for Christ so that His kingdom may prevail in this province, we would strongly urge that all churches and persons in sympathy with the work should not relax their efforts in this direction, so that the Board may have not only their sympathy, but also their financial aid.

6. Re report of Board of Managers:

(a) With reference to the relation of O. C. W. D. M. to the General Board, your Committee are pleased that the present cordial relations exist between the two boards. They have heard a delegation of the sisters which waited upon them with the view of bringing about an affiliation of the two boards for home missions work, the sisters having proposed to join their home mission funds with those of the General Board. Your Committee would therefore recommend that this affiliation be consummated, and that in the appointment of the committee for the general work the sisters be represented; and further, that so soon as the constitution will permit it, it may be amended so as to enable the sisters to be represented on the Board of Management, if mutually agreeable after one year's trial of the affiliation above referred to.

(b) As to the question of Christian Union. Your Committee feel that they cannot recommend any other basis of union than that which the Disciples of Christ have always contended for, but would earnestly recommend a continuance on New Testament principles of labor towards this desired end.

(c) Re Farewell bequest. We are pleased to note that since the last Annual Convention this fund has come into the hand of the Treasurer.

(d) Evangelistic Work. Your committee would recommend that the recommendations of last year be followed for another year, with the addition that the Board of Management have the power to use their own judgment as to the employment of a special evangelist or such of our own preachers as, in their opinion, may from time to time be able to do the work to the best advantage.

(e) Mode of entertaining the Annual Convention. Your committee feel that they would be taking too much upon themselves in making any recommendations on this matter, but would offer the following suggestions: In our opinion the time is come when the present method should be wholly or in part abolished, as it necessarily means too much expense and labor on a few, and also prevents many from taking part in or enjoying the meetings of the Convention. We would, therefore, venture to suggest that the Conventions be held in cities or towns where we have churches and there is sufficient hotel accommodation, and that all delegates and visitors be entertained at their own expense.

7. Your committee would observe that in the foregoing have been outlined the recommendations which they would desire the Board of Managers to carry out, allowing, however, the Board sufficient latitude to use their judgment as to the points assisted and the amounts given.

(Signed) JAS. TOLTON,  
Chairman.

(Clause 4 [re Toronto Junction], which is here omitted, was, by an amendment, expunged from the report.)

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HAMILTON, JUNE 15-JULY 1, 1894.

### Our Premium Picture.

We are issuing a supplement with this paper, which we are certain will delight our friends. All paid-up subscribers will receive a picture of a number of our pioneer preachers. We are fortunate in having secured good likenesses of all these.

Any subscriber not receiving the premium picture will understand that it is because he is in arrears on his subscription. By the payment of arrears and renewal for one year, any and all of our readers may have a copy of the picture by return mail. New subscribers will, of course, also receive the picture.

We think the friends of the EVANGELIST should use the present opportunity to increase our list. Many Disciples in Canada will want this picture. They may have it and the EVANGELIST for one year for the small sum of one dollar.

### The Annual Meeting.

THE BEST YET.

Hillsburg is not the largest place in Ontario, nor is it the most convenient point to reach by rail, but a large number of Disciples from all quarters of Ontario found their way to the pretty village in one of the gardens of Ontario upon the occasion of the late Convention. The weather was propitious, the entertainment first-class, as was to be expected from the Erin people, and generally things seemed to conspire to make the Convention one long to be remembered for its social pleasures, spiritual joys, and because the business transacted will, with the blessing of the Lord, redound to the good of His cause and the praise of His name.

This enlarged number of the EVANGELIST is given up almost entirely to the Annual Meetings of the Co-operation and of the O. C. W. B. M. Such reports and items of business as cannot be published now, owing to the fact that they did not reach the Editor in time, will be given in next issue. Therefore, so far as matters of that kind are concerned, it is not needful that we should dwell on them here.

We may attempt, however, to justify the statement at the head of this article that the Annual Meeting of 1894 surpassed any other such meeting ever held by the Disciples in Ontario.

1. Never before have we seen so much time intelligently devoted to the real business of the Co-operation. Usually a large part of the time has been given up to the reading of papers on questions important enough in their way, but still not of such immediate consequence as the mission work for which the Co-operation mainly exists. We think that brethren and sisters alike went away from the Convention feeling that they had a clearer insight into the work, and a stronger grip upon it. There is room for improvement yet; but the very conspicuous advance in this regard over former years encourages the thought that in

future years, there will be still less occasion to lament the waste of valuable time by irrelevant and untimely talk. The "conference" feature should be developed, giving as it does an opportunity for a general expression of views, and it prevents the action of the Convention from being merely the result of the thought of the few. It is very pleasing to note the facility with which brethren and sisters, too, express themselves. Not the least of the benefits of these annual gatherings is their educative effect in this regard. Many a man who first found his voice and legs in a business meeting has become a useful speaker in the religious meetings of the church.

2. The determination of the sisters of the O. C. W. B. M. to make the experiment of joining with the Co-operation in Home Mission work, will mark the Hillsburg Convention of 1894 as a notable one in our annuals. We say this because we believe the experiment will prove a success, and will lead to a great enlargement of our power to do the Lord's work. When the discussion of affiliation was going on in the EVANGELIST last winter and spring, we took no part, believing that the sisters had the right and the ability to deal with the question and to arrive at a conclusion that would, without lessening their peculiar power as members of the O. C. W. B. M., increase their weight in the general body, and so more largely contribute to the only end that we have before us. We feel very strongly that the auxiliaries of the O. C. W. B. M. have done, and are doing, a good work. We have seen, as we think, but the beginning of their good influence. May the Lord graciously guide them into larger spheres of usefulness for the furtherance of his cause both at home and abroad.

3. The resolution passed on Saturday evening, adopting the recommendations of the Committee on Education, provided the requisite money can be raised, marks, we believe, the dawn of a new era for the Disciples in Ontario. The proposed beginning is not a large one, but it is none the worse for that. We do not yet need a large concern. Such a project, as suggested by the committee, is sensible and feasible, and well within our means, especially as we can count upon the hearty support of the O. C. W. B. M. We are sure the educational scheme will commend itself to our brethren and sisters generally. As an aged brother said to us at Hillsburg: "Our brethren will support it, they will be proud of it." It should be noted here and always, that it is not proposed to have a Bible school simply for young men who intend to be preachers, but one for all, whether male or female, who wish to increase their knowledge of the Word of God, that they may serve Him better in public or in private, in the pulpit, on the platform, in the Sunday-school, in the young people's society, at home, or in foreign lands. The time has come, and now is, when, if the Gospel of the grace of God is to maintain—which really means to increase—its hold upon civilized and educated people of the world, the knowledge of the Holy Bible must be greatly extended, must become more exact, more thorough. This is a necessity growing out of the condition of things induced immediately by the exertions of the higher critics, as they call themselves. And, for our part, we feel under obligation to that class of scholars for having made it so clear that he who runs may read, that the sacred Scriptures must be brought intelligently within the range of the people generally, if Christianity is not to perish from the earth. We think the time is opportune for the establishment of a Bible School in

Toronto, and we consider that the Disciples are the people, who, by reason of their freedom from the tyranny of stereotyped creeds, are the best fitted to found a school which shall not be devoted to the propagation of effete creeds, but to the exaltation of the living Word of the living God. We cannot doubt but the Lord Himself will be pleased with this humble effort to magnify His own Word, and to increase the efficiency of all those among us who are ambitious to be able ministers of the New Testament, and of that larger company who in less conspicuous spheres serve the Lord in their day and generation.

Our space, as the newspaper men say, we fear, is exhausted. We are not, and our past experience in attempting to give our brethren and sisters an intelligible account of the Annual Meeting, leads us to think, that our readers are not exhausted either. Nevertheless, we perforce must close only adding that Bro. W. J. Lhamon, as chief speaker, maintained well the traditions of our annual meetings, that Bro. R. Moffett gave us one of his big sermons, and that our preachers who filled the pulpits of the Hillsburg churches on the Lord's day received the hearty commendation of all who heard them.

We are engaged in a great and good work, brethren and sisters. Let us commend ourselves once more unto Him whose we are and whom we serve.

### Dr. Macklin.

The chief personal interest at the Convention gathered around Bro. Macklin, who, as is known to our readers, is now home on furlough from China. The doctor has been studying in hospitals in Chicago and New York, that he may be up to date fully in his profession. He expects to return to China with his family and Bro. Williams' boys about the last of August. He has visited a good many points in the States and delivered missionary addresses, and has had a chance to gauge the mission sentiment among our people there.

Ontario Disciples have naturally a special interest in him, as he is one of us. It was a very particular pleasure to have him at the Annual Meeting. He delivered three addresses in Hillsburg, one at the sisters' open meeting, Friday afternoon, one at the mass meeting, Saturday evening, and the third in the Presbyterian church on Lord's day evening. In his own pleasant and practical way he opened up the minds of the people to a clearer apprehension of the actual state of the Chinese in their own land, and to the proper missionary methods which experience has shown to be most profitable in the long run. He has a very plain word in season for the professing Christians at home, who care not for the heathen at home. He has a very wholesome contempt for "the clubs," as he styles the churches, which have fallen from the high estate of being Christ's servants to the poor, and seem to exist only for their own selfish social gratification. We imagine that in some places his remarks on this subject would not be "well taken" at the time, though they would, if there were a remnant of Gospel fire in the hearts of the people, bring forth the peaceable fruits of righteousness by-and-by.

Bro. Macklin has been the object of tender solicitude to us in days past. Those who have now come to know him in the flesh will think more of him, and we trust heed more the call of his Master and ours, to "preach the gospel to every creature."

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### Notes.

An interesting letter from Bro. B. B. Tyler urging a large attendance of Disciples at the Cleveland C. F. Convention is unavoidably crowded out.

Children's Day promises to be a great success this year. We hope every Sunday-school will join in the annual offering.

The EVANGELIST was remembered by a goodly number at Hillsburg in a tangible way; and by the Convention in an intangible way. For all of which we are duly thankful.

The editor of this paper has received a courteous invitation from Rev. D. Spencer, of St. Thomas, to be at a Conference in the First Baptist Church, of that city, on Thursday, June 21st, which conference he hopes to be able to attend.

Dr. Macklin says we are on the right track in determining to establish a Bible School in Toronto. The Doctor's head is level on this as on other subjects, excepting it may be "the Single Tax." We are not yet prepared to swear by him on that.

TO OUR AGENTS:—Now is your time if you really wish to help to put the EVANGELIST into every home in your church. Every family will want the picture of the Pioneers. Only one dollar for EVANGELIST one year and the picture. "Strike, friends, while the iron is hot."

This, we may say, is a double number. We think our friends will be pleased with it and will be content to wait until July 15th for the next issue. June 15th came too soon after the Annual Meeting to permit of our giving by that date a satisfactory account of the Convention.

We are glad to say to those who were so kindly enquiring after Bro. A. Anderson, at Hillsburg, as well as to his many old friends all over the Province, that he is rapidly regaining his normal condition of health, and expects to start from Hamilton for his usual summer trip to the north about July 1st.

The Provincial election campaign is near its end. The 26th of June will be a great day for Ontario. It is not proper for us to say here anything that would savor of party politics. But we would entreat our brethren, in the name of truth and righteousness in the name of freedom and fairness, in the name of the golden rule and the gospel of love, to help to snow under the P. P. A.

The young people were at Hillsburg too. And never did they show to better advantage in one of our conventions. The efforts of certain to array the young against the older have failed and left scarcely a trace behind. The hearts of the young Disciples are in the right place, and their faces are in the right direction, and, thank the Lord, they are moving too.

"Our fathers, where are they?" must have been the thought of many at the Convention. For the number of aged Disciples was smaller than at former meetings, not because of a lack of interest or confidence in the work, but because they had departed to be with Christ. Nevertheless it was not a convention of young men; for another generation of old men is coming—is almost here. Gray hairs and bald heads were not a rarity at Hillsburg.

We feel that we are not doing full justice to the Annual Meeting, albeit we are giving this large number almost



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**B.B.B.**

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LORENZO PULISTON,  
Sydney Mines, C.B.

entirely to it. We have learnt that what may be called the "gossip"—"good gossip"—of the Convention, is appreciated by those who could not attend. There are many worthy of mention if space permitted. Of our hosts, Bros. R. W. Ballah and Joseph McMillan should not be left unnamed, because they did their part most excellently well.

We have a peculiar satisfaction in issuing our Premium Picture. The names of Jas. Black, Dugald Sinclair, Alexander Anderson, Jas. Kilgour, and Edmund Sheppard, are dearly cherished by the older Disciples in this Province. We desire that the younger people may learn their worth and honor them as they deserve to be honored.

Another of our pioneer Disciples has passed over the river—Bro. James Menzies, formerly of Esquesing, more recently of Toronto. The writer remembers well being at his old home in Esquesing nineteen years ago, and marvelling at his remarkable memory and his unusual gift of expression and argumentation. We shall look for a suitable obituary for our next number.

### O. C. W. B. M.

CONTRIBUTIONS SINCE LAST REPORT.

Auxiliary at Warton.....	\$ 6 50
" " Walkerton.....	13 00
" " Lobo.....	10 00
" " Owen Sound.....	5 00
" " West Lorne.....	7 00
" " Blenheim.....	7 50
" " Guelph.....	11 00
A friend, Poplar Hill.....	5 00

### Children's Work.

Band of Promise, Brant.....	\$ 4 00
Willing Workers, Walkerton.....	10 00
Cheerful Givers, Lobo.....	3 25
Golden Links, Owen Sound.....	5 00
Junior Christian Endeavorer, Guelph.....	8 00
Mrs. Muir, Belleville.....	5 00

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### Church Directory.

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Public worship, 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sunday-school at 3 p. m. Y. P. S. C. E. at 8-15 p. m.

Prayer-meeting, Wednesday evening at 8. Strangers and visitors to the city are always welcome.

Geo. Munro, Minister,  
Residence: 85 Wellington St. North.

SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S BOARD OF MISSIONS.

Through the goodness and mercy of our Heavenly Father we are again permitted to meet together to review the work of the past year, and to discuss ways and means of extending the kingdom of Christ on earth. The work during the year has been in many respects very satisfactory. Several auxiliaries report an increase in numbers. Two have more than doubled their membership. One new auxiliary has been formed. To the friends of missions at home and abroad the year has been one calling for self-denial. To those who have so generously contributed to the work—the sisters of the Maritime Provinces, the Children's Mission Bands, the Sunday-schools, the churches and individuals—we feel that much of the success of our work is due. O. C. W. B. M. Day was not generally observed by the churches. The majority seem to feel that there are too many special collections. It is not expected that the church give the entire collection on that day for this work, but only such amount as is collected in the envelopes provided for the purpose. This gives any who may desire to contribute an opportunity to do so.

**Maritime Provinces.**—Our work has been going on encouragingly during the past year. We have now eight auxiliaries in the following churches: In Nova Scotia—Halifax, Milton, Westport, Southville, Cornwallis and Kempt. In New Brunswick—St. John and Lord's Cove. In Prince Edward Island—Kildare. Besides these there are several churches which take a collection at stated times for this work. Among them are Montague, New Glasgow, and East Point, P. E. I. Shubenacadie, N. S., Le L. te, N. B. Since our last report we have had several new mission bands organized, and a superintendent appointed.

The children are very enthusiastic over their work, and we trust they are being trained for efficient work in later years. They have pledged themselves to support a little girl in Japan whom Sister Riach has adopted. She is to be educated as a Bible-woman, and not only the little ones, but all, are deeply interested in her and are praying that she may yet lead many to the Saviour.

We want here to express our appreciation of our missionary, Sister Riach, and her faithful work; also our gratitude for the many helpful letters and reports she is constantly sending to us. We know that in this way she is becoming more and more endeared to the hearts of our people in these provinces.

May the rich blessing of our Heavenly Father continue to rest upon her, and her work for Christ in that far-off land. Praying that your meeting may be one of pleasure and profit,

I am your sister in Christ,

Mrs. J. S. FLAGLER.

Sec'y C. W. B. M., Mar. Prov.

The Treasurer reports receiving \$195.

The particular foreign work in which we as an organization are most interested is that in Ushigome. The reports sent from time to time are most encouraging. Some months ago, on account of lack of funds, the Foreign Christian Missionary Society found it impossible to send the necessary amount for the carrying on of the work. Your Board, feeling our responsibility in regard to this work, sent \$50 to be used in the charity school's.

The greatest need at present seems to be suitable places for carrying on the work of these charity schools—a prominent feature of the evangelistic work in Japan.

Tumbled down dwelling-houses are certainly not well adapted for good work.

Would not the erection of a small, perfectly plain building to be used as a chapel and charity-school be a good work for the Children's Mission Bands to undertake?

The following is the report from our Missionary there:

Tokio, Japan, April 16, 1891.

TO THE ONTARIO AND MARITIME PROVINCES CHRISTIAN WOMAN'S BOARD OF MISSIONS, GREETING:

Dear Sisters—One more year has rolled away and you have again met together to help each other with words of love and cheer, to look back on the work that has been done for Christ in the past, and thus encouraged to make greater efforts for the coming year to extend His kingdom and to hasten the time when the glad shouts of praise shall rise only to Him who liveth forever and ever, from every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation, when none shall say, "know the Lord," for all shall know Him from the least unto the greatest. May God's blessing rest abundantly with you all, in what is said and done for His dear name's sake.

In giving you an account of the work of the past year, it would be impossible to give it otherwise than in connection with Miss Oldham's, as our work is so closely connected; therefore the following is not an account of my work, but of our work.

About the time that you were met together last June, we had the privilege of receiving six girls into our home.

This was no small care, for we knew little of the language, and less about the native food and clothing; however, after much waiting we succeeded in getting a suitable helper.

When school began in September, we, with the helper and another assistant, took the girls through the several branches of the ordinary Japanese public school, besides the regular Bible training.

In January we were called upon to transfer the girls, who, with removals and additions numbered nine, to Miss Wirick, so that we might have more time for the study of the language.

Since coming here, six scholarships for Japanese girls have been entrusted to us. May the Lord bless this His work, and may they always be in His keeping that they may be ready to tell their less fortunate sisters what great things He has done for them.

We have three charity-schools entrusted to our care. These are situated in the poorest part of the district around us. The buildings are not very suitable. We are hoping that money may be sent, that suitable ones may be erected. They, at present meet the demands of many who wish for an education, and are too poor to attend the government schools.

They also give us the opportunity of reaching the children—and what more important work could be done? Indeed it is conceded by all workers on the field to be the best way of leading these people to Christ. Through the children we reach the parents, not a few of whom have been led to know and accept Him as their Lord, through the little ones reciting at home what they have been taught in schools; and when they see us treating their little ones kindly they will often come in to listen at the meetings for grown people.

The school on Uri Cho was, when handed over to us last June, situated on the Goken Cho. There were one hundred pupils in attendance, taught by two teachers, and everything was in a most prosperous condition.

In a few months on account of persecution the attendance dropped to less than thirty. We were, at last, compelled to remove to Uri Cho in January, where we have fifty-five pupils enrolled, with a daily average attendance of forty.

The Sunday-school held here has an average attendance of thirty-five. In this place also our Evangelist has recently started a meeting for the parents on Saturday evening. This point is in every way encouraging, and we expect before long to have as large a number attending as on Goken Cho.

The school on Tana Machi was opened the latter end of April, and is taught by Miss Oldham's language teacher. This school is situated in a little valley, or hollow rather, where the most abject poverty exists and where the people, I venture to say, had never seen a missionary before, much less

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE ONTARIO CHRISTIAN WOMAN'S BOARD OF MISSIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 6th, 1891.

RECEIPTS.	
Balance from last year (Foreign Mission Fund)	\$150 23
Interest	5 00
Received from the Children's Mission Bands of Ontario (Foreign Missions)	\$150 00
"    "    "    C. W. B. M. of the Maritime Provinces,	195 00
"    "    "    Sunday-Schools of Ontario,	79 97
"    "    "    Auxiliaries and individual contributions,	227 45
"    "    "    Sale of photographs,	7 53
Amount collected during the year,	509 95
Total	\$1,121 88
Balance from last year Home Missions	\$140 32
Received from the Auxiliaries for Home Missions	\$328 92
"    "    "    Church collections and individual contributions	41 64
Amount collected during the year for Home Missions	370 56
Total for Home Missions	510 88
Total receipts for Home and Foreign	\$1,632 06

PAYMENTS.	
Miss Mary M. Riach, Missionary to Japan (14 months) Salary	\$701 60
"    "    "    support of Charity School, etc.	50 00
"    "    "    Bank Commissions	2 11
	\$753 71
Minnedosa Missionary (Salary account)	\$145 52
Guelph Church, aid in support of minister	50 00
Printing, Postage, etc.	14 00
	\$209 52
Total payments	\$963 23
Balance on hand—Foreign Missions	\$367 47
"    "    "    Home Missions	301 36
Total	\$668 83

ASSETS.	
Cash Balance in hands of Treasurer	\$668 83
Unpaid Pledges	105 00
Total	\$773 83

CHILDREN'S WORK.	
RECEIPTS.	
Balance from last year	\$189 30
Interest	7 75
Received from Mission Bands during the year	155 33
Total	\$352 38
PAYMENTS.	
Paid O. C. W. B. M. for support of Miss Riach, Missionary to Japan	\$150 00
Balance on hand	\$50 38
Total	\$200 38
Kilsyth, June 6th, 1891.	JENNIE FLEMING, Treasurer.

heard the story of the cross. There was no school of any description in the vicinity, and the people welcomed with delight this opportunity of sending their children to learn how to read and write. There are fifty on roll, with an average daily attendance of forty-five. The Sunday-school at this point has an average attendance of eighty; sometimes there are as many as a hundred scholars. At the meeting for the parents as many as six attend, besides twenty-five or thirty children. At this meeting there are some enquirers, and we hope soon to reap some sheaves for the Master.

Our third school is situated on Matagaua Cho. When first it came under our care, besides the day school and preaching one night a week, there was a night school. In September, on account of financial troubles, this school was to have been closed, but we managed to keep it open by dismissing the two teachers, closing up the night-school and meeting, and procured the services of a good Bible-woman, who took charge of the day-school.

This day-school, last June, had twenty-three in attendance. Now, thirty-four are enrolled with an average attendance of thirty-two. The Sunday-school here has always been prosperous. We seldom have less than sixty present, and generally seventy and over.

Until January last it was taught by the eldest girl in our home, but since then our Bible woman has it in charge. In all of these schools, as soon as a child is able he is taken away and sent to work to earn the family rice; so we are always seeing some leave and others taking their places. With the assistance of the Bible-woman we opened a woman's meeting one afternoon in the week. This is a most pleasing part of our work. Generally six, and often as many as eight women are present, besides a number of our grown girls and children.

They seem to listen attentively, and we are praying for them.

Last spring we started an English Bible-class at the request of some students who attend a large university not far from us. There are at present fourteen members, with an average attendance of seven.

Last January we transferred our Sunday evening meeting to another place. Last June a Sunday morning service was started for preaching and the breaking of bread. A small band of

believers with some few others met with us.

The attendance at the Sunday school in our house is very irregular. The priests, of whom there are dozens living within a stone's throw of us, induce the children, by telling all sorts of stories about us, not to come. However, at present there are from sixteen to twenty-three of the children who have been coming regularly for the past four or five months. A few of those who came last year are returning. Then of necessity we have our English pupils. At present they number three.

Since beginning work in Ushigome Ku, we have had the joy of seeing five believers buried with Christ in baptism. One of these has not proved faithful, but the others are all striving to walk in newness of life with Him whom they have accepted as their Master.

And lastly, we are working hard at the language, trying to break down the wall that stands between us and these people. God has greatly blessed us in all that we have attempted for Him. May your prayers never cease to go up for us that God will so fill us with zeal and love for His lost ones in Japan that we may never grow tired or weary till all have acknowledged Him.

With many wishes that this your convention may be filled with blessings for each and all, and with the prayer that you may not cease to remember me at the mercy seat, I am your loving fellow-worker in Christ.

MARY M. RIOCH.

The Home Mission work is not so encouraging. When the work of Minnedosa was undertaken it was with the expectation that it would in a short time become self-supporting. This hope has not been realized.

At our convention last year it was decided that the church at Minnedosa should pay off the mortgage on the church property within two years, and that your Board secure a preacher to labor with them for this year. They, however, made no effort to clear the debt. Bro. Brown left in September. Since that time they have received no assistance. In December last they asked us to give up all claim and allow the church to be held in trust for the congregation there by a Board of

Trustees. This was done. Enquiry was made recently as to condition of affairs now, but no reply has been received.

At other points in Manitoba there are prospects of a good work being done. Bros. Lister and Brown both report good congregations at a place about six miles from Minnedosa. There are a few families of Disciples living in or near Brandon.

To abandon the work in Manitoba seems folly, for everywhere it is agreed that it is easier to establish churches in a growing country where churches are scarce than where people have already found church homes. Surely there is some young man of zeal and consecration who would offer his services to labor in that country.

We have at present 23 auxiliaries with a membership of 396.

**Aurora.**—Organized, 1890. Now numbers 15, an increase of four over last year; average attendance, 7; contributed to the work during the past year, \$10; pledge \$10 for this year.

**Downmanville.**—Organized, 1890. Present membership, 34, an increase of five during the year; contributed during year, May, '93-'94, \$33.80; pledge for next year, \$25. Our meetings are both interesting and profitable.

**Blenheim.**—Organized, Oct., 1887. Has 14 members; contributed \$10.20 to the work, year '93-'94; pledge \$10 for foreign missions for next year, and hope to do more.

**Collingwood.**—Organized, February, 1888. Present number of members, 19; average attendance, 9; contributed during the year, \$8.25; pledge \$5 for coming year.

**Erin Village.**—Organized, March, 1888. Present membership, 28; average attendance, 8; contributed to the work this year, \$25; pledge the same amount for the coming year.

**Erin Centre (Hillsburg).**—Organized as an auxiliary, July, 1889. Present membership, 23, an increase over last year of two; average attendance, 6, contributed to the work during the year, \$25.35; pledge for next year's work, \$25.

**Everton.**—Organized, Aug., 1888. Number of members at present, 25; average attendance, 8; contributed \$42.40 this year; pledge \$30 for coming year.

**Guelph.**—Organized, May, 1888. Present membership, 20; average attendance, 6; contributed \$22 for the work during year, May, '93-'94.

**Galt.**—Only four sisters here. Contributed \$5 for year, May, '93-'94. Hope to do the same next year.

**Glencoe.**—The sisters here have organized with a membership of 20; average attendance, 15; pledge \$5 to the work for the coming year.

**Hamilton.**—Organized, Oct., 1892, with eight members. Present membership, seventeen; average attendance, 10, contributed during past year \$16.60. We are unable to pledge more than our monthly dues, which amount to \$20.40, for the work next year. Our meetings are well attended and are bright and interesting.

**International Bridge.**—Organized, July, 1892. Present membership, 17; (This includes seven honorary members, who do not attend the meetings but who send in the monthly fee); average attendance, 61; contributed to the work during past year, \$5; pledge for the coming year, \$8. We would be glad to do more, but our home work is a struggle.

**Lobo.**—Organized, June, 1886. Present number of members, 18; average attendance, 4, contributed \$23 to the work for the past year. With God's





**Foreign Missions.**

**Official News from the Foreign Society.**

The Executive Committee of the Foreign Society met in regular session in the Mission Room in the Y. M. C. A. building, Cincinnati, Ohio, May 18, 1894. Devotional exercises were conducted by I. J. Spencer.

**FINANCES.**—The receipts for the month amounted to \$4,676.48; the disbursements to \$9,038.50. The payments included \$1,000 to Denmark, on the building, and a good part of what was due the workers on their salaries.

**CONVERSIONS.**—Four were reported from Japan, two from India, and two from China.

**NOTES FROM THE FIELDS.**—*Japan.*—C. E. Garst writes: "The anti-foreign feeling has quieted down a great deal lately. I have been called for lectures a number of times since my return. I spoke last Sunday before the Tokyo Temperance Society. Have been to two of the meetings of the military branch of the Y. M. C. A. There is something in having been a soldier. When we were on the ships, as a missionary, I received no attention, but just before we reached Yokohama the captain accidentally learned I had been a soldier, and then nothing was too good for me or my family. To have been a barbarian was wonderful in his eyes."

*India.*—Dr. Durand writes: "The first leper, who was received for treatment and support January 20, an old man who, I thought, would die very soon, as his disease was making rapid progress, is discharged to-day, to all appearance entirely well. He has confessed the Lord, and I baptized him to-day. He is to go to his village tomorrow and tell his people of his recovery and of the Saviour. A second leper, admitted about a month ago, was baptized to-day also. This man is not entirely well yet, but is improving rapidly. The medical work is increasing and prospering as never before."

M. D. Adams writes: "The boys' school was yesterday examined for a grant-in-aid from the government, and received 101 rupees."

W. E. Rambo writes: "I have opened a new Sunday-school in the village adjacent to the mission premises. We have some interesting and profitable times. I have been trying to show them the vanity of earthly and temporal things in comparison with their souls, and to show them that everything temporal should be made the means of preparing for an eternal life rather than consider themselves the sole end of all exertion. Such a thought seems a surprise to them, for, while they acknowledge theoretically an eternal existence of some kind, practically they live as if death were to end all, laboring and thinking only of money or its equivalent."

*China.*—"I rejoice to tell you that the old literary gentleman of whom I wrote you before in connection with our Tsungmang work is now thoroughly converted. He is seventy-four years of age, exceedingly bright, and has taken hold of the gospel—or, at least, the gospel has taken hold of him—in a most wonderful manner. He speaks of this, his seventy-fourth year, as the happiest year of his life. He has had a rather remarkable history, which you shall have later on. For fifty years he was at the head of a vegetarian society, and had a large following of those he had urged to a life of vegetarianism. Had we no other blessing upon our work than this I feel our coming to China would have been amply repaid."

—JAMES WARE.  
**CHILDREN'S DAY.**—The Sunday-

schools are asked for \$40,000 this year. This is not too much to expect from so great a number of teachers and pupils for such a work. The indications are unusually cheering. The demands for a Concert Exercise, prepared by Miss Jessie H. Brown and J. H. Rosecrans, have been unprecedented.

**NEW WORK.**—For years there has been a desire to enter Africa. There is a feeling that we ought to have some part in redeeming that dark land. During the panic this enterprise has not been forgotten. Better days are sure to come. Within two years it is confidently expected that we shall have some representation in Africa. Meanwhile the Society must house and reinforce the present workers. Buildings are needed in several fields. In the present year \$20,000 ought to be put into chapel, schools, orphanages, asylums, homes. This work can not be done without a large increase in the funds. Those whom the Lord has blessed ought to respond with offerings worthy of the confidence reposed in them.

A. McLEAN, Cor. Sec.  
P. O. Box 750. Cincinnati, O.

**Let Us "Go."**

Rather more than half a century ago the prison door in the capital city of Madagascar was opened, and a young woman was led forth to be put to death. Her voice, as she hymned her way to paradise, possessed peculiar sweetness; her countenance was illumined with that radiant brightness which alone can emanate from the heart-felt conviction that God and heaven are very near; and, as if to vie with her happiness, Nature took up the refrain of her joyful hymn, and birds sent the echo of their glad song over the wooded hills and fertile plains of Imerina, studded with bright gleams of lakes and watercourses. But she saw it not. Through and beyond the natural scenery, she, in faith, beheld only the face of Nature's God. At the foot of the hill she knelt to pray, and so praying, she was speared. No common honor that. She was Madagascar's first Christian martyr.

Time sped on, and we pay another visit to that spot. But note the changes. On that ridge where Rasalama died, stands a Christian edifice, and the nation's queen approaches to assist in dedicating the church to Christian worship. Thus do we now find Madagascar—the missionary miracle of the 19th century.

It will hardly be denied that the social condition of Christendom is at a higher point than ever was heretofore attained. The development of intelligence, happiness, and the virtues of mankind, has resulted from the action of all the forces of nature and humanity; and foremost among these active causes which have wrought this favorable change, is the religious impulse from the human mind, that spirit of Christianity that represents the heart of God, the bowing down to Almighty-ness in love, the spirit of the first missionary sent from heaven to a sin-stricken world. What constitutes a Christian? Christ's own definition of His followers was, "By this shall men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one toward another."

Love cannot be called a sign till it is manifested in perceptible effects, then loving action is a sign of a Christian life. How have we shown this necessary quality? What have we done for the poor, benighted and oppressed? We, "whose souls are lighted with wisdom from on high," we, who owe all we have and are to the power of that spirit of Christianity which teaches us to "bear one another's burdens," and that "every man that hath re-

ceived the gift, even so minister the same over to another, as good stewards."

We ought to hear the voice of Christ, the same as at the world's first missionary meeting, sending out His messengers of the nineteenth century—a voice, the same in spirit as of old, "Go," preach the Gospel, lighten burdens, increase the joys and pleasures of life, stir up the thoughtless to zeal in the work, enthuse all hearts with that missionary spirit of love.

"From all the dark places of earth's heathen races,  
O, see how the thick shadows fly!  
The voice of salvation awakes every nation,  
'Come over and help us,' they cry."

But how can we obey this command, the marching orders which have floated down through centuries of time?

We can go—(1) By our prayers. It would not take long for our petition to reach the throne of grace by way of China or Japan, nor would they lose any of their earnestness or fervency.

We can go—(2) By our work. Can we be idlers, the only idlers in the universe? Everything rebukes us. Nature is in earnest; all its forces are activities, and falter not to fulfil the purposes of their being; season follows season in unwavering succession; the seed-time hastens to the harvest. Error is in earnest; pagans are devoted; infidels are warily scattering the seed. Society is in earnest; all are lashed into unwonted activity. Then, can we be heedless and indifferent, with the obligations of duty and gratitude, with God's command, and the sad wail of perishing multitudes sounding in our ears?

We can go—(3) By our giving. Have we no debt of gratitude to pay? Can we, on whose pathway shines the accumulated light of nineteen Christian centuries; we, who know of Him, who gave His life as a ransom, can we witness the wants of the world and the missionary cause, and be loath to give of what God has given to many so liberally?

Encouragement comes from every side, and our hearts should be stirred up with zeal to assist in a work on which God's pleasure shines so abundantly. The many obstacles surmounted in the past should be an inspiration to us.

India, the Gibraltar of paganism, with its seeming impregnability, has surrendered to the Gospel. China, the great "walled kingdom," with its many barriers, now admits the Christian missionary within its gates. The fields are white unto harvest in that island sunrise empire of Japan. All the gates of steel are unlocked, the ports are opened, and the Gospel ship may sail in with floating colors, manned with faithful ones, who have willingly left country, home and friends, to toil for the Master in far-off climes.

It is ours to gladden their hearts and lighten their toils by the knowledge that the ship sails with the God-speed of all Christian nations, that the sails remain untidied by the many prayers on their behalf, that the hold may be the storehouse of the Lord's treasures from His people, and the deck the canopy of good works done for His sake.

To Christian women the missionary world is looking for promoters and helpers in work peculiarly their own. Let us then be up and doing, not satisfied with grudging and scanty efforts, and few and lukewarm pleadings on behalf of missions, else the victory shall have been gained and the earth won for the Lord, and we not participants in the triumphal victory, when they who "toil and they who reap may rejoice together."

"Then let Him choose for us; we are not strong  
To make the choice; perhaps we should go wrong.  
Worship or service, which? Ah, that is best  
To which He calls us, be it toil or rest;  
To labor for Him in life's busy stir,  
Or seek His feet—a pleading worshipper."

L. P., London.

—Our Quarterly.

**A Woman's Sufferings.**

HOW A HALDIMAND COUNTY LADY REGAINED HEALTH.

She Suffered Excruciating Pains from Sciatica—For Four Months was Forced to use Crutches—Relief was Obtained After Many Remedies Failed.

From the Selkirk Item.

There have been rumors of late in Selkirk of what was termed a miraculous cure from a long illness of a lady living in Rainham Township, a few miles from town. So much talk did the case give rise to that the *Item* determined to investigate the matter with a view to publishing the facts.

Mrs. Jacob Fry is the wife of a well known farmer, and it was she who was said to have been so wonderfully helped. When the reporter called upon her, Mrs. Fry consented to give the facts of the case and said: "I was ill for nearly a year, and for four months could not move my limb, because of sciatica, and was compelled to use crutches to get around. My limb would swell up, and I suffered excruciating pains, which would run down from the hip to the knee. I suffered so much that my health was generally bad. I tried doctors and patent medicines, but got no help until I began the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Almost from the outset these helped me, and I used six boxes in all, and since that time have been a well woman, having been entirely free from pain, and having no further use for medicine. I am prepared to tell anybody and everybody what this wonderful medicine has done for me, for I feel very grateful for the great good the Pink Pills wrought in my case."

The reporter called on a number of Mrs. Fry's neighbors, who corroborated what she said as to her painful and helpless condition before she began the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

Mr. M. F. Derby, chemist, of the firm of Derby & Derby, Selkirk, was also seen. Mr. Derby said he knew of the case of Mrs. Fry, and that what she said regarding it was worthy of every credence. She had herself told him of the great benefit she had derived from the use of Pink Pills. He further said that they had sold Pink Pills for a number of years and found the sale constantly increasing, which was due beyond a doubt to the great satisfaction the pills gave those using them.

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**A Strange, Sad, True Tale.**

The Rev. John McNeill, of London, said that last Sunday (after preaching a temperance sermon) he received a letter from a lady on the danger of the use at communion of fermented wine. The lady in her letter told a sad story of an inherited passion for drink. There were four or five of them, several brothers and two sisters, the children of intemperate parents. Her sister had unfortunately inherited the craving, and before she was fourteen had taken to drink. The others became converted, and did all in their power to cure their sister, but it was of no use. The sister at length married comfortably and children were born. But the craving for drink grew greater and greater, and at length she was sent to a home for inebriates, where she stayed a year. She left apparently, said the sister, a changed woman. Soon after, however, her husband caught a severe cold, and before going out one morning drank a glass of hot whiskey—taking care, however, not to do so in the presence of his wife. Then, as it was his custom, before leaving he kissed his wife. At once the fumes of alcohol passed into her, and in an hour she was a drunk and roaring woman. She went from worse to worse, and at last left her husband and her children, one of them a cripple, through her drunkenness. The husband died two years ago, a white-haired and broken-hearted man, though only forty-five years old. "Need I add," said the sister in her letter, "what became of her? Her story is that of Annie Chapman, one of the recent Whitechapel victims. That was my sister!"

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THE TREASURY OF RELIGIOUS THOUGHT for June maintains its high character as a homiletic magazine for clergymen, besides giving suitable aid in every department for a pastor's work, and much excellent and varied information for all Christian workers. The June number is fresh and suggestive in its literary sphere as nature appears in the fields and gardens which she adorns. The portrait of the Rev. Henry E. Cobb forms the frontispiece and his sermon on Divine Discipline has the initial sermonic place. There is also a view of the church in which be ministers and a sketch of his life. Dr. Steele's sermon on The Divine Preacher, and Dr. Brown's on The Hard Times, and the Rev. A. Wild's on the Conditions of Successful Prayer, should be carefully read; as also Dr. Stalker's Expository Lecture on The Parable of the Carpenters. The Address on The Swallow, by the Rev. A. Maxwell, is an excellent one for a Children's Day Service. The Leading Thoughts of Sermons are—Your Own House. The Christian City. Scripture a Test of Character and Paul's Ministry. Prof. Witherspoon discusses the question, What of the Night? Dr. Cuyler tells of a famous hymn-writer he has known. Dr. B. Hart writes on Antinomianism. The Benefits of Christian Song are described by Dr. Hallock, and those of Pulpit Elocution by Dr. Steck. The Burning Glass and the Diamond are set forth by the Rev. S. Barber. There is Light from the Orient, in the Golden Candlestick and Palestine in the Time of Christ. There are Hints to Christian Workers, Views of Mission Fields, Services for Young People's Devotional Meetings, Editorials on Suitable Themes, and Thoughts, Secular, Religious, Illustrative, Beautiful, etc.

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The above list of contributions illustrates the old saying, "Better late than never." The writer trusts that another hand will pen the "Co-operation Notes" hereafter. Bro. T. L. Fowler was elected Cor. Sec. at Hillsburg, and it is expected that he will be "on deck" before another paper comes out. A meeting of the new Board of Managers will be held soon. Any persons or churches having matters to lay before the Board should write the undersigned at once, who is still acting Cor. Sec. GEO. MUNRO, Acting Cor. Sec.

Church News.

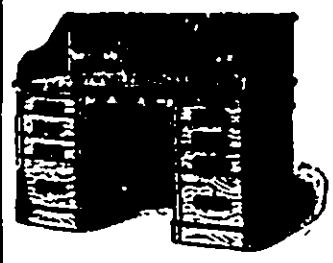
HAMILTON.—Bro. A. C. Gray very kindly took the place of the writer here on June 10th. Our folks enjoyed his sermons, and will be glad to hear him again. G. M.

AVLNER, June 15th, 1894.—DEAR EVANGELIST: Our meeting in Dorchester closed yesterday. Four young people from our S. S. and C. E. were baptized during the meeting. Bro. Stevens, of Beamsville, preached the fore part of the meeting and gave some good sermons. Yours fraternally, E. R. BLACK.

RIDGERTOWN.—The church here have completed arrangements for holding a meeting, commencing the 16th June, and have invited St. Thomas church and all west from there, in this district. Bro. Fowler, of London, has consented to be the speaker. The brethren will cordially welcome their friends and brethren who may come from any sister churches. The meeting commences Saturday evening at 8 o'clock. On Sunday, at 11 a. m., preaching and Lord's supper; 7 p. m., preaching by T. L. Fowler. It is proposed that a memorial service be held at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, to the memory of our late Bro. Sheppard, led by Bro. Fowler. Monday forenoon a social service will be held. It is the intention to carry on the meeting during the evenings commencing at 8 o'clock, and should the interest warrant, continue for two or three weeks. J. A. C. A.

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