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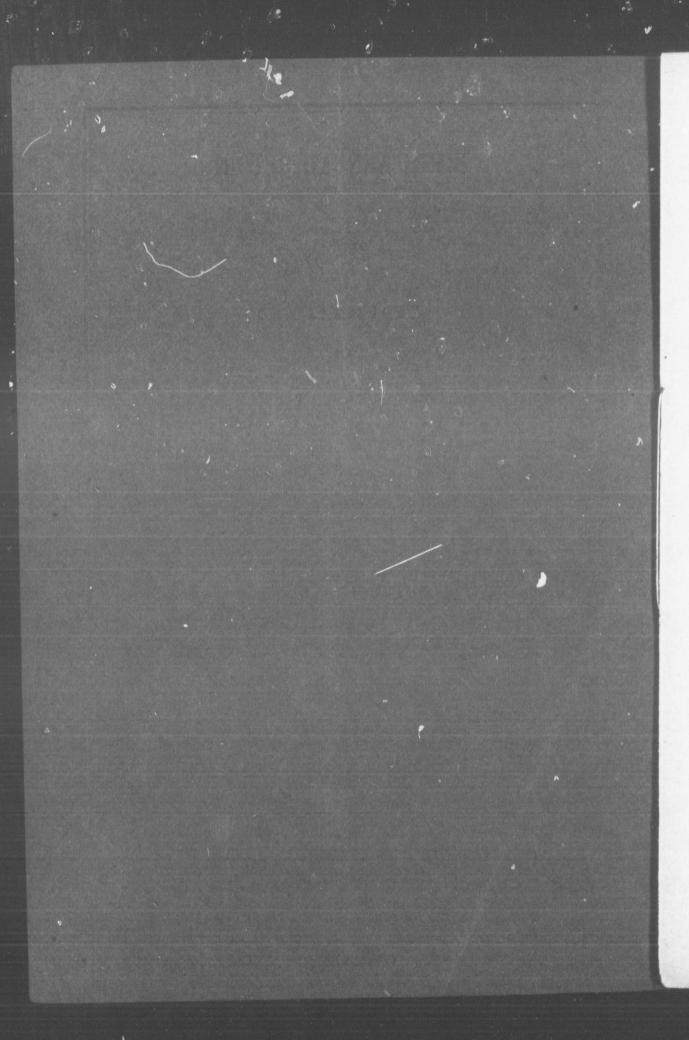
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The Committee of the Toronto Prisoners' Aid Association has much pleasure in submitting for public inspection the results of their labours during the past year. The various Reports herein, all shew beyond a doubt that much good has been accomplished, and the work of the Association is heartily commended to the sympathy of the Christian public.

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### REPORT

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# Toronto Prisoners' Aid Society.

TORONTO MAY 1st, 1879.

To the President Toronto Prisoners Aid Society:

DEAR SIR,—In accordance with the usual practice, I have now the

pleasure of handing you my annual report.

An unusually large amount of work has fallen to my hands during the past year, much of which by God's blessing has resulted in good. It is needless to mention that owing to the degraded state of such a large proportion of those among whom I labor, great discouragments are often met with, but as a whole I have much to be thankful for, even more than my anticipations led me to expect. Some eases of conversion have been more than ordinary, one in particular which has defied all efforts for years and years, has at last successfully sought the only refuge from sin. There is a deal of indirect labor in connection with this work, which to the uninitiated requires some explanation; for example, I often find when going to the homes of those who are incarcerated, a father or a perhaps a brother ae the case may be. is a drunkard, and yet never went so far as to get behind prison bars, and to whom a timely word of warning would be the means of saving from the contamination which is always connected with the mixing up of all classes in a public house of punishment.

As during the previous year I continue my regular Thursday services at the jail in the separate wards, and this days work when a few are addressed at a time, is in my opinion very effective; as when in presence of only a few of his fellow prisoners some unfortunate who has been in this sad predicament for the first time may be led into conversation which would do good, for I find that the old hands (though ready enough to speak out) are exceedingly hard to deal with to advantage, to the former class I may however safely assert that I have been the humble means of teaching the Master's word with effect. Of course as in previous years I continue to spend several hours each Sunday in visiting the prisoners in the Central Prison in

their seperate cells, and use special efforts with those whose time of

release is drawing nigh.

The depression in business referred to by me in my last report continues to exist and in proportion has my difficulty become greater in my endeavor to obtain even cast off clothing &c., for those who leave the prison in a state of complete destitution, and the demand for meals and lodgings has also become greater. The Bible and Tract Society continue their liberality in supplying me with bibles and testaments, and referring to the tracts I may here mentlon that six cases of conversion are directly due to them. It is necessary to reiterate what was hinted at in my last report, with reference to the time occupied by me in the collection of funds for the mission, as it interferes much with my daily work, for in keeping track of discharged prisoners as per my register it is necessary to visit them as frequently as possible, and correspond with those who are at a distance, and this in addition to attending to the new cases constantly accumulating makes great demands on my time.

I take this opportunity of tendering my thanks to the different clergymen who complied with my request for their aid at the different

services throughout the year.

The following are some extracts from letters received during the year, they are too numerous to give more than some passages out of a few, and I may here state that the greater part of those who write to me are now doing well. For obvious reasons I neither give the initals

of the writers nor the places they come from.

One writes, "I am glad to be able to say I am getting on well since I took the pledge and feel more determined than ever not to touch whisky again, and I enjoy going to church and Sabbath school, I feel much better than I did while drinking as I had no peace nor comfort, a great part of the time I had the delerium tremens, it is a little over six months since I gave up drinking and I can assure you I had a great battle to fight, but God has given me strength to keep the pledge. I can assure you I can never forget your kindness. Now I have comfortable clothes on my back and I am praying God night and morning to give me grace to keep me and to guide and direct me."

Another writes, "Although I have not seen you since I left, I will never forget your kindness the morning I left the prison, now three years ago. Do you recollect me signing the pledge and the card you gave me? I have that card yet and I proudly keep the pledge, people say I am a miracle to keep off so long, but I tell them it is not me that keeps, but God that keeps me, I never can forget the kind words you spoke to me that morning; you may: but I never can, those words have been a fortune to me, oh, how I would like to see you, if it was only for five minutes, just to tell you what I owe you for my life."

Part of another reads, "It is with much pleasure and joy I inform you that I have chosen the way of truth and that I have given my heart to Jesus my Saviour, to live and serve him all the days of my life, but it was hard to come to him at first, but thanks be to God I over came the evil one, for God says in his word that they that turn not from their evil ways shall perish, when if I think of the past and what a wicked life I led it drives me almost mad. But I have found Jesus very precious, and my joy is so great since I found my Lord a friend of sinners, and I am so thankful to God that he opened my eyes to know his ways and the knowledge of his truth and I would not exchange my ways for the whole world, and now I can say I have peace with Gsd, I feel like a new man born again, everything seems new to me since I have been converted in Jesus and I am very thankful for your kindness to me."

Another writes, "I bless God that he sent his messenger every Sunday to the prison with a tract as a gift to each, and may the Lord bless you for doing it, please draw this off with your pen and read it for my fellow prisoners, thanks be to God I feel as I do, I shall ever bless God for the good that I received by your preaching, and the good teaching of my Sunday school teacher, and I shall ever pray for you."

Another, writes, "I hope that you are meeting with success among the men and that a great many will see the folly in continueing living in the way they have done, and resolve to lead a better life for the future, and I hope that the Sunday school teachers will continue in their good work and not be discouraged for there is more good done among the men than they can see and a great many of the men will not tell anyone that they are trying to do better, so I hope that you will all continue to use your best efforts to try and reform some of the men always remembering as Christ said, "as ye did it unto the least of these my

brethern ye did it unto me." Another writes, "I am sorry I did not write before, but I have been so busy and away from home so much that I have been careless in writing. But there is one thing I have not neglected, that is to look to the Lord for all things, and I hope there are others in the Central Prison that will be made to thank the Lord for ever being sent there. I thank God that I was sent to the Central Prison, before I got so steeped in crime that I could not see the love of the Lord in his dealing to me, and I thank the Lord for sending you to the Central Prison and my earnest prayer is for the Lord to bless Miss H., for it was through herthat I was brought to the feet of Jesus and I know that God will bless herfor her work, it has been the happiest time of my life since I came home for I can tell all things to God in prayer, and he is ever ready to help me to overcome every temptation and to guide me in all things, if I have any trouble or care on my mind I just carry it to Jesus and he guides me in all things. Pray for me that I may have strength to overcome every temptation, and my prayer is that the Lord will bless his work in the Central Prison and that hundreds will be brought to the saving knowledge and the riches of the truth. If the Lord spares my life I would like to come to Toronto, just to go to the Central Prison and tell them what the Lord has done for me."

Another writes, "I feel that the love of Christ is in my heart now my dear friend, that day that we knelt down at the prison door was the day that fixed me, I never forget that day, I am a Christian now, I would like to go with you if I could to the meetings, dear friend the tracts that you sent me, were very nice, all the folks got them round, there was not enough of them, oh, I like to read them and I wish you would send me some more of them for I love to read them, I hope the rest are doing well at the prison, I hope that the love of Christ will grow in their hearts, oh may God have mercy on them and bring them to a better way."

The last writer a month later writes, "I have been working as a gardener all summer, in the winter I have no particular work except working at the flax trade, but the dust is very injurious to my health, my friend I will never forget the prayer that we had at the cell. May God pay you for what you did for me, I will be glad to receive those tracts, I will be looking for them, no more just now, if we never meet together on this earth may we meet in a better place on the next."

I now annex a letter written to me by a prisoner in the Central during the last weck of his confinement and may add that it is nearly four years ago, and that ever since he has been in the one situation

and has adhered to his professions."

After giving a brief sketch of his life which goes to show what a

fearful sinner he was before entering the prison he says:

"O that I could have viewed and seen the folly of my intemperate habits in the same light some years ago, as I view them now, many bitter hours of anguish, pain and remorse would have been spared me. Drink has prostrated me on a bed of sickness several times, what would have been my fate had it pleased the Almighty God to have called me while suffering from one of these attacks? The thought is too horrible to dwell upon. Hell and all its terrors which are presented to us in that blessed book the Bible, would have been my doom. But God is as merciful as he is patient and forgiving. He spared and permitted me to recover, for what purpose? to return to my old habits and revel again in dissipation, I was blind and turned a deaf ear to these frequent admonitions and warnings. What has been the result? to be incarcerated in a prison. However I am not sorry this has happened to me for I firmly believe that it has been a visitation from God to bring me to the knowledge of my wicked and sinful ways, for had a stop not been put to my reckless career probably a worse fate awaited me. God willing my time expires on the 19th of this month (August), and I sincerily trust that the Lord will strengthen my resolution to resist all temptation to drink If I thought that I was to return to my old ways and habits, I would rather remain an inmate of this place, but I hope that brighter prospects are before me and that my supplications to the throne of grace and mercy have been heard, and I may be turned from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God, and although I have no permanant place of residence

on this earth, I hope to find a home in Heaven through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ in whom I place my trust now and for ever."

I now take a few concluding words from some testemonies of conversion, it would take up too much space to give the history of their

previous lives.

One says, "I then went to church and heard the servant of God preach the gospel and then I looked back to my lost condition and thought it was time for me to seek the salvation of my soul and to carry to Jesns all, and then I began to fear the lost condition of my soul and it greived me, and then I began to pray to God to have mercy on my soul and I know he did hear my prayers and give me light to see, I was wrong in not serving Him, but the Lord God our Heavenly Father for showing me light to my soul."

Another says, "It is with great pleasure that I inform you of the wonderful change that has taken place within me lately, I cannot express my feelings, I am a new man, I cannot but think it was a blessing that I was sent to the Central Prison. I used to ridicule the Sunday school that is doing so much good, but when I came to think why should those young men come here to teach us every Sunday, a voice seemed to tell me that it was because I had a soul to save. I fell upon my knees at my bedside and prayed earnestly to God to help me and to give me spiritual life. The morning of Sunday school is

what I look forward for with great pleasure, &c.

Another says, "It was on the morning of the New Year when I first began to pray to God for forgiviness of sin, the spirit of God was striving with me, I had just begun to think of my soul, if the Lord would call for me to leave this world unprepared that I would be cast out to his left hand, and when I began it seemed like trouble to my mind, but now I thank God that through his spirit of hope I am not any longer blind as to where the Sun shines or where it does not shine, I have that hope which bids me come and rest, I looked at Romans viii, 24, it was those words that first cast a light on my soul, &c."

Another says, "Having just been released from Central Prison, I cannot avoid testifying how in my prison cell Christ has been a comfort to my soul, God bless the Central Prison, if it was not for being confined there free from liquor, dead I would have surely been, but through the kindness of Christ's servants I can safely say my soul is

saved through Gods grace, &c."

Another says, "I began to look for something suitable to my case and opened at the 51st Psalm, the whole chapter seemed to suit my case, I knelt down and prayed in my cell but did not find relief though I was greatly tlessed, however I took down the little Hymn Book and opened or it opened itself at hymn fifty-one which soon set me right,

<sup>&</sup>quot;O fly mourning sinner saith Jesus to me, thy fault I will pardon thy sin, I will free.

It was lack of faith in his promises before. I believed him that moment

and was set free instantly, &c."

Surely we have great reasons to thank God for the conversion of these dear souls, that it has pleased Him in His infinite love and mercy to raise so many from the "death of sin unto the new life of righteousness," and from this let us for our encouragment, remember the words of the Apostle that "we be not weary in well doing for in due season we shall reap if we faint not," my earnest prayer to God is that He may make me more and more wise to win souls for Jesus, and that He may yet be pleased to make me a humble vessel in His service, that on the last great harvest day I may have the unspeakable happiness of seeing a number of these dear blood bought souls who are now incarcerated in Prison shine as jewels around the Redeemers Crown in glory.

Yours respectfully, HENRY SOFTLEY.

MISSIONARY TO PRISONERS AID ASSOCIATION.

## CENTRAL PRISON MISSION.

I am happy to be able to report that the work in this department of the Association has gone steadily forward during the year which has just closed; and I am convinced beyond all doubt that much good has been done.

The practical results of our labours have been especially manifest, and we have great cause to praise and bless God's holy name that He has permitted us to be the message bearers of good news to so many

hearts

It is not my object for obvious reasons, to make any mention of names or dates in this report, but I cannot refrain from saying how encouraging it has been to all concerned to hear many of the men confess while in prison a change of heart, and to see them when they have left its walls, standing bravely up for what they knew to be right, determined to know nothing, save Jesus and Him crucified.

Though our teachers staff has steadily increased during the past year, I am most anxious to still further increase the number, in order that the classes may be made smaller, and the teachers enabled to

hold earnest individual communication with every prisoner.

I may mention here, the formation during the past year of two German classes, taught by Messrs. Wexelberg and Zahn, which have been eagerly attended by the German prisoners, and have been of great advantage and service in our work.

A service is held always after the close of the Sunday School in the Prison Hospital. This portion of the work has been left to the care of Messrs. Farley, Wexelberg, and Spencer, and as will be seen by their report, is not only of a pleasing nature, but eminently satisfactory in its results.

The choir is still presided over by our organist, Mr. Kinzinger, and in his absence by Mr. Armstrong, and the hearty manner in which the musical part of the services is entered into is very observable.

The Teachers' Bible Class, held every Thursday night in Shaftes-bury Hall, is well and regularly attended. The Sunday's lesson being carefully prepared, and God's blessing always asked upon the work.

Through the kindness of the Government and Mr. Langmuir we are still supplied with five cabs, but owing to the increase in the number of teachers, two additional cabs have been engaged at our own cost, and the expense thus incurred ought, we think, to be defrayed by the Government also.

Deputy Warden Logan, and all the guards, deserve our very heartiest thanks for the kind attention and ready courtesy they always manifest; and the same remark applies to Mr. John's, the hospital

orderly. If spared to labour in this mission another year, it is my intention to urge upon the Inspector of Prisons, the necessity of forming a school of some sort, where those prisoners who cannot read or write may be instructed. It is painful to notice how many there are who stand in need of the simplest elements of education.

In concluding this report, I desire to repeat what I have already stated, that in spite of much failure and discouragement, the past year has been a most successful one, and I shall be more than satisfied if the one in which we have just entered be as happy in results.

I venture an appeal in the name of that Saviour who is the sinner's friend, to those who are interested in such a work as ours. We need all the assistance we can get, and require especially the prayers of God's people.

We are labouring amongst a class on whom the world has turned its back, but for whom the blood of Christ was shed on Calvary, and we trust in the blessed assurance that in due time we shall reap if we A. D. STEWART, SUPERINTENDENT,

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# REPORTS FROM TEACHERS OF CENTRAL PRISON SUNDAY SCHOOL.

H. H., a lady teacher, writes—"My work this year in the Central Prison has been most interesting, and I feel sure not in vain. Two of my class left prison fully determined to lead new lives, and two more to-day are extremely anxious about their souls."

R. C., a lady teacher, writes—" Most of the men I had in my class at the beginning of the year have left." But I have good reason to know that many of them are leading better lives, and are trying to

work in the way of life everlasting."

A. N. W., a teacher, writes—"I rejoice to say that all my class seem deeply affected. One I am convinced is soundly converted to Almighty God. I am deeply sensible of God's presence in the prison, and of his blessing on our work."

H. L. M., a lady teacher, writes—"I have two men at present in my class, whom I believe, have been lately born again; and one has gone out during the past year to take a new stand in life, and labour for that Blessed Master whom he has found so precious to Himself."

H. S., a teacher, writes—"I uring the five years I have taught in the prison, I have found the men invariably respectful and attentive. And I am happy to add, none that have ever been in my class have

been as far as I can see or hear recommitted."

T. McD., a teacher, writes—"Although often disappointed, I have had much to encourage me in my work. My class are exceedingly attentive, and regular, and earnest. I have received letters of a pleasing kind from some of those who have been formerly allotted to me. Only the other day I met a man in the street who grasped my hand and told me, that the words I spoke, and the tracts I handed to him in his cell, had been blessed of God to his eternal good."

L. F. L., a lady teacher, writes—"Four of my class are, I think, leaning upon the Lord for strength. I am convinced that much good

is being done in the Sunday School,"

M. Mc., a lady teacher, writes—"I have had ten men in my class. I cannot say that any of them have been converted, but I am sure some of them are profoundly anxious about their souls."

J. W. K., a teacher, writes—"I believe that God has wrought through me a blessing for my class. Three of the men have a knowledge of the truth; and the fourth is in an anxious state about his soul."

E. Y. S., a lady teacher, writes—"The interest shown by the men in my class has been very gratifying. Several have found the personal Savior, who is able to save to the uttermost, and almost all are anxious to become Christians. As is often the case, the simplicity of the plan of salvation staggers them."

S. H., a lady teacher, writes—"Several in my class have professed to be deeply in earnest in the search after peace. But one I know has

seen the fulness and power of God's grace and is rejoicing in his

union with the Lord Jesus Christ."

S. D., a lady teacher, writes-"My class seem delighted with the Sunday School, and are extremely attentive to all my teaching. I cannot say that many of them have yet been converted to God, but two profess to have been born again, and the rest are not exactly what they were when they first came in."

W. D., a teacher, writes—"I am deeply interested in this work. One man in my class, I believe, to be savingly converted. May God

increase the number.'

G. W., a lady teacher, wsites—"I am glad to say I can see some definite good results of my work in the prison. One man now at liberty, and formerly in my class, writes to me regularly, and is endeavouring to lead a Christian life. The others in my class are for the most part attentive and anxious. It is my desire to win them all for Jesus.

J. S., a teacher, writes—"I am satisfied of the good resulting from this work. Of my class, I can speak very favorably as quiet, respectful and attentive. I am occasionally interrupted by some of the more argumentative of the men, but I find that all seem anxious to be taught."

L. A. F., a lady teacher, writes—"I have had much cause for encouragement and thankfulness. Three of the men formerly in my class are now released from prison, and are leading new and better lives. As for my present class, I cannot speak confidently of all of them, but I am very hopeful that all will yet be brought to a saving knowledge of the truth as it is Jesus."

J. J., a lady teacher, writes—"I have taught here only a short time, but I am glad to say that I find the work satisfactory in every

J. M., a teacher, writes—"I am much pleased and interested in respect." this work. I cannot say that any of my class have been brought to the light. But I know that souls are being saved through the work

done in the school."

A. L. R., a lady teacher, writes—"I have had many bright hours, and also much discouragement. I cannot say that in any of my class a change of heart has taken place; but several have left the prison fully determined to 'dare to do right' and be honest in the sight of all men."

J. J. P., a teacher, writes-"There are many who have good reason to bless the day in which they were sent to the Central Prison, having heard of the great love of Christ there to the salvation of their

immortal souls."

M. Mc., a lady teacher, writes—" My men seem all to be anxious, and I tell them plainly of the great salvation full and free, leaving the result with God."

I. A., a lady teacher, writes—"One of the men in my class, I feel convinced, is now a Christian. The rest are most attentive and respectful to all I say. During long years of Christian work, I have never engaged in any thing that gave me greater pleasure, or seemed more powerful for good than the Central Prison Sunday School."

H.H.E., a teacher, writes—"My one desire has ever been to point the men in my class to Jesus, and to beg them in His name to be reconciled to God. I should be discouraged this year but for the promise of God, 'My word shall not return unto me void."

E. F., a lady teacher, writes-"I find this blessed work most interesting, and I thank God, many of the men have realized that

peace which passeth all understanding."

A. C., a teacher, writes—"I am thankful I ever began this grand work. I have only lately had a regular class, having at first begun with one belonging to a former teacher. All the men are earnest and diligent in the study of God's word, and I pray that my efforts may be owned and blessed of Him who is 'Mighty to save.'"

W. H. H., a teacher, writes—"I think I can truly say, that God has used me for good in the prison. I have a good and attentive class, and one of the number professes to be saved. I pray that all

their hearts may be changed before they leave."

K. F. H., a lady teacher, writes—"I have lost sight of none of the men who have been in my class; they all write to me and indicate at least a desire to lead new lives. For the men now under my charge, I pray most earnestly while I teach; and I hope yet, that the

'old, old story' may win them every one."

E. C. W., a teacher, writes—"Three men out of my class have this year left the prison, all professing a change of heart. My present class seem all to be attentive and well disposed towards the gospel. I have been much pleased with the year's work, and I pray God to continue to bless us.

# REPORT OF VISITORS TO CENTRAL PRISON HOSPITAL.

We have visited the Hospital in connection with the Prison, regularly at the close of the Sunday School Services. Through the kindness of Mr. Johns, the Resident Guard, we have had every opportunity of going thoroughly into this work, and we have no hesitation in saying it has not been in vain. We have met with many who have determined on their sick bed to do better when they rose again, and some who have passed away happy in the Lord, desiring to be with Christ, which is far better.

We consider this branch of the work one of the most important

features of the Mission.

ARTHUR FARLEY, A. N. WEXELBERG JOSEPH SPENCER.

## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE TORONTO JAIL MISSION.

Owing to the resignation of Mr. S. E. Roberts, immediately after the last annual meeting of the Association, which rendered the superintendency of the Mission vacant, I was elected by the teachers to

that office.

The average attendance at the Sabbath morning service in the Jail during the past twelve months has been 35 males and 15 females, . and the attendance of the ladies and gentlemen who have engaged in the work, has been constant, and I have to record with deep thankfulness the hearty and earnest support they have given me. We have also been favoured with valuable assistance by the friends from Knox College, some of whom have attended with unremitting faithfulness

while the College was in session.

When it is remembered that those committed to the Jail are mostly sent for short terms it will be readily understood the difficulty we have in tracing immediate results from the teaching, but oftentimes the teachers are encouraged by the deep feeling manifested by the prisoners while listening to the words spoken in the class, and it is not unusual to see some moved to tears, especially those who have not become hardened by repeated committals; yet we are not without encouraging instances of good accomplished. One of the lady teachers reports, "Since I began my work in the Jail about six months ago, I have seen some very wonderful changes already, and have every reason to believe the Spirit of God is working in some stony hearts. For instance,—one who had for a long time been living a life of dissipation and sin has pledged herself never to touch taste or handle the cursed thing, and has been doing very well for the past month; another has pledged herself and is seen in God's house regularly. A brother who has spent most of his days in jail is now living a decent life and trying to dissuade others from using the poisonous cup,—and still another sister has been doing well for several months."

Another lady teacher reports two cases who have been reclaimed and are now proving by a consistent life the reality of the change.

Our work is undoubtedly a work of faith, and as long as the promise stands "My word shall not return unto me void," we are con-

tent to leave the results with God.

Before completing our lesson list of last year some of our teachers suggested that we should adopt the International Series of Sunday school lessons, but after mature thought and taking into consideration the nature of the work, we deemed it advisable to adopt for this year only such lessons of the International Series as are most direct in their teaching, but retaining as many as we thought in our judgment it would be well to use. We endeavour in all our lessons to keep very close to the fundamental truth of salvation through faith in Christ, feeling the importance of pressing home this truth while we

have the opportunity.

There is much to discourage in this work, and we need the sympathy and prayers of all our friends. We need also earnest and consecrated helpers, more especially during the summer months, and I hope that the work will not be permitted to be left undone, because of no labourers to gather the harvest.

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### The following Resolutions were unanimously adopted at the **Annual Meeting:**

Moved-By the Hon. Chief Justice Hagarty, and seconded by A. T. McCord, Esq: That the work done by this Association commends itself to the sympathy and support of the Christian Public of the City of Toronto. Carried.

Moved-By James Beaty, Esq., Mayor of Toronto, and seconded by H. H. Ellis, Esq.: That the Reports read in this meeting to-night be adopted, and that one thousand copies be printed for distribution

among the subscribers. Carried.

Moved-By the Rev. Dr. Potts, and seconded by A. D. Stewart, Esq: That a special vote of thanks be given to Deputy Warden Logan of the Central Prison; Messrs. Green and Ewan of the Jail, for their uniform kindness and courtesy to the Teachers of their respective Sunday Schools. Carried.

Moved-By Dr. Roseburgh, and seconded by Mr. Baxter: That the thanks of this meeting are due to Messrs. Kinzinger and Armstrong for the great help rendered by them in the musical service, and also to all other friends who have contributed assistance during

the past year. The motion was carried.

Moved-By Mr. Cassels, and seconded by Mr. Semour: That the thanks of this meeting be given to those gentlemen who held office in this Association during the past year, for the efficient manner in

which they have discharged their duties. Carried.

Moved-By Mr. J. Hoskin, and seconded by Mr. Wood: That the thanks of this meeting be given to Mr. Langmuir, as representative of the Government, for the willingness he has always shewn to help the work of the mission, and the substantial assistance rendered by him. Carried.

Moved-By the Rev. J. P. Lewis, and seconded by Mr. Joselin: That the following gentlemen be elected the Officers of the Associa-

tion for the present year :-

President,—Hon. VICE-CHANCELLOR BLAKE. Vice-Presidents,-Hon. CHIEF JUSTICE HAGARTY, HON. EDWARD BLAKE, and Messrs. CLARKE GAMBLE, W. H. HOWLAND, JOHN HOSKIN, and DR. HODGINS.

Secretary, John MacGregor. Treasurer, -DR. ROSEBURG. Carried. Missionary,-Henry Softley. A vote of thanks was then tendered to the Chairman, after which the Rev. Mr. Lewis closed the meeting with the Benediction.