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NOTES AND GLEANINGS.

HENRY D. LEES, a prominent Prohibitionist, while addressing a Prohibition meeting at South Norwalk, Ct., dropped dead from heart disease. His last words were: "Brethren, let us dwell together in harmony and peace." He was a prominent Grand Army man, 66 years of age. How fitting that he should die in such a position with such words on his lips!

A POEM immortalizing General Sheridan's famous ride from Winchester to Cedar Creek was read to the hero of that ride himself. His reply goes to show how much of indignation and how little it takes to write lyric poetry. He said: "I think if the versifier had seen that steed and knew how I had to spur and whip the old crowbar to get it to go over the road, he would not have had the attack of hysterics of which that poem is the offspring. Once my famous charger stumbled and I came near going over his head into a mud-puddle. Instead of his plunging with me into the thickest of the fray, he played out completely, and I had to take the mount of an orderly. The rhymsters are blessed with very vivid imaginations."

THE NEXT British Parliament will contain more temperance reformers than Parliament has ever seen. It is said that the temperance question will take a prominent place in its discussions.

ONE PERSON out of every seven in the United Kingdom is a depositor in the post-office savings banks, which have nearly \$360,000,000 deposits. To manage this business there is a headquarters staff of not far from 1,900 persons at the London Postoffice bank, of which every money order postoffice in Great Britain and Ireland is a branch. Every deposit made in any of the postoffices is forwarded to the London headquarters. The local postmaster simply takes the cash and sends it up to London, merely entering it on his accounts and on the depositor's book. The London office keeps an account against every one of the 10,000 branch offices. How great is the labor entailed will be realized when it is stated that in one day as many as 72,869 deposits have been made; that last year 992,000 accounts were opened and 701,000 closed. It is estimated that in the twenty-five years the post-office savings bank system has been in operation frauds and inaccuracies have amounted to only about a cent for every \$2,500.

ARTHUR L. THOMAS, governor of Utah, in his annual report to the Secretary of the Interior says that polygamy in the territory is on the decline. He says he does not believe that any polygamous marriages have taken place during the year with the consent or permission of the Mormon leaders, and it is his conviction that there is a sincere intention on the part of Mormon people not to approve or sanction polygamous marriages in the future. In regard to the admission of Utah as a state Governor Thomas says: "It is my opinion, having due consideration for the wishes and feelings of all, that between the two great elements of the population, Mormon and non-Mormon, the sympathy of feeling and harmony of purpose does not exist which is so essential to the prosperity and happiness of the people under statehood, yet it would be an act unworthy the justice of a great government to turn a deaf ear to the appeal of the men who in Utah have always upheld its authority and obeyed the laws."

Uganda and the Slave Trade.

Uganda is very much to the fore. On Thursday, says the *Christian World* about 80 members of the British and Foreign Anti-Slavery Society waited on Lord Rosebery to urge the Government to guarantee the interest on the capital required for the construction of a railway from Mombasa to the Victoria Nyanza, and to establish a Protectorate in Uganda, under a Commissioner, as in Nyassaland, Mr. Arthur Pease, Sir Richard Temple, Rev. Horace Waller (a friend and companion of Livingstone), Sir A. Rolit, M. P., and other gentlemen urged that the action proposed would destroy the slave trade over a wide district by pre-

venting the capture of slaves and blocking the route to the coast. The commercial reasons against evacuation were also put forward as strongly as possible. The Foreign Secretary, in his reply, said neither he nor the Government approached the question as a matter of small moment, as a remote district, which has been momentarily occupied by a company, soon to be evacuated by the company, and as a thing which in no degree affects the Imperial Government. He, at any rate, viewed it as a country of great possibilities, as the key, perhaps, of Central Africa, as commanding the Nile Basin, as a field recently of heroic enterprise, as a land that has been watered by the blood of our saints and martyrs, and as a Scotchman he could never be indifferent to a land which witnessed the heroic exploits of Alexander Mackay, that Christian Bayard whose reputation will always be dear, not only in his own immediate north-country, but throughout the empire at large. Neither, he said, could Britain afford to disregard the continuity of her moral policy. That continuity is a force by which, in his opinion, this country has to be judged. It is the salt which savours our history; it is a spirit which has exalted it, and it is by that when we have passed away that, in his belief we shall come to be judged. It is not by her campaigns that Rome is best remembered, but by her laws, and immediately, and in lesser degree, by the roads and aqueducts which are the signs of her civilization. And in the same way he believed that this country, when it stands before history, will stand, when all else has passed away, not by her fleets, or her armies, or her commerce, but by her heroic, self-denying exertions which she has put forward to put down this iniquitous traffic. He could assure them, therefore, that the great cause they advocated would have a commanding place in the multiplicity of considerations to be weighed and balanced. The Society is very hopeful of the result, and the Church Missionary Society, too, is urging the continuance of the agitation with redoubled vigour. The Diocesan Conferences are passing resolutions against the abandonment of Uganda, and Swansea Charter of Commerce has done the same. But, whatever may be the reasons for establishing British influence there by armed force, we are quite sure that the death of eighteen missionaries, on which so much stress is laid by *The Record* and *The Rock*, is one of them. All honour to every martyr to missions, but it is no honour to them to cry out for the Church they died in founding to be propped up by bayonets. The bitter terms in which *The Rock* refers to Bishop Tucker, in an injudicious—almost a threatening—letter addressed to Sir Gerald Portal, demands protection for his missionaries on the ground that the Government has compromised them by sanctioning the operations of the company. "A very heavy and solemn responsibility," he declares, "will rest on the Government if it withdraws from the country. Mr. H. M. Stanley, in a letter, says the Mombasa Nyanza Railway would stamp out the slave trade in the whole of Equatorial Africa. We are sorry to see the spirit of political party and the spirit of missions so unhappily blended as they are in Uganda."

WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSION SOCIETY.

"Rise up ye women that are at ease." Isaiah 32: 9.

[All contributions for this column should be addressed to Mrs. Jos. McLeod, Fredericton.]

Miss Hooper's Report.

(Continued.)

Corn Hill, K. C., Oct. 3, 1892.

As the Home Secretary was not present, the Home Field was reported on as follows:

First District... Mrs. J. J. Barnes.
Second District... Mrs. A. C. Thomson.
Third District... Mrs. G. F. Atherton.
Fourth District... Mrs. T. Alexander.
Fifth District... Mrs. Weyman.
Sixth District... Mrs. D. Long.
Seventh District... Mrs. McNinch.

Mrs. T. H. Siddall, Delegate from Nova Scotia, reported the work done by the Society there.

Miss Hooper, returned Missionary, addressed the meeting.
Closed by Singing and Prayer.

Meeting opened at 10 a. m., 4th October, 1892, with singing and Prayer.

The President in the chair.
Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Resolved, That the sum of \$200.00 be appropriated to Miss Hooper, for salary for the ensuing year.

Resolved, That the following ladies be a committee on missionary intelligence:

Mrs. J. McLeod, Chairman and Editor, Mrs. G. A. Hartley, Miss Fullerton, Mrs. R. J. Alexander and Miss Hooper.

Resolved, That the Secretary *pro tem* be a committee to report on meetings in missionary column.

Ordered, That the Report of the Nominating Committee be taken up section by section.

1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th and 9th sections adopted.

Resolved, That the Report of the Nominating Committee be adopted as a whole.

The following notice was then given: I hereby give notice that I will, at the next Annual Session of this Society, move to amend the Constitution.

Mrs. G. A. HARTLEY.

On motion of Mrs. C. W. Weyman, Resolved, That we appropriate the sum of \$100.00 to Dr. Nellie Phillips for Bible women or schools under her direction.

On motion of Mrs. G. A. Hartley, Resolved, That we pledge our Society to grant Home Mission Executive \$100.00 for Home Missions, providing they raise \$500 for Home Missions during the ensuing year.

On motion, meeting adjourned.
Closed by Prayer by Mrs. C. W. Weyman.

The following Resolutions were passed by the Board of Managers:

Resolved, That the Treasurer be instructed to pay Miss Hooper the balance due her for expenses from India to New Brunswick, and salary to October, 1892.

Resolved, That the sum of \$250 be appropriated for the work at Single, under the supervision of Mrs. Boyer.

Resolved, That the sum of \$50 be paid to the Home Mission Executive.

The following is the Report of the Home Secretary:

REPORT OF THE HOME SECRETARY OF THE F. C. BAPTIST WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSION SOCIETY OF NEW BRUNSWICK.

Dear Sisters:—Time, in its never ceasing rounds, has again brought us to the close of another year, and we are called upon to report our year's work.

So far as I am concerned I must, to my sorrow, say at first that I can only report the faithful work of others for I have done about nothing. But that earnest, self-sacrificing work has been done by many, the reports which I have received show clearly.

There are no reports in yet from the First and Fifth Districts, but I hope they may come by this evening's mail, as this must be mailed to-morrow.

A. M.

Mrs. Alexander sends a very cheering report from the Second District.

I find it rather difficult to condense the District Secretaries' reports. There is so much in each one that is encouraging, suggestive and helpful in many ways that I would like to copy them in full, but that would render this report altogether too lengthy. I notice in each expressions of gratitude and hopes respecting Sister Hooper's return, and work among the churches. I sincerely hope she will be able to meet with you in your annual meetings. It will give the work an impetus that it cannot receive in any other way, aside from the Spirit's power.

There have been two new societies organized in the Second District—one at Pembroke and one at East Bridgewater. The Secretary urges the importance of each society holding regular monthly meetings. She reports twenty two societies, contributing as follows:

Pembroke,\$9 00
East Bridgewater,4 32
Lower Brighton,15 45
Hartland,7 65
Knowlsville,7 80
Tracy Mills,32 00
Waterville,7 00
Third Tier,10 00
Woodstock,46 54
Upper Brighton,5 00
Somerville,5 75
Rockland,4 00
Knoxford,8 00

Connell,2 00
Windsor,2 85
Lindsay,7 05
Gordonville,2 60
Coldstream,1 73
Beaufort,1 00
Victoria,6 50
Brookville,2 20
Charleston,1 00
Collection,4 20

Total,\$193 74

THIRD DISTRICT.

Miss Yerxa, Secretary of the Third District, reports the society in that District as not having held annual meetings for some few years back; but they made a new start at the District Meeting and hoped for better things in the future. She says, "In all this District only four Churches send money, and only Fredericton sends a report."

That Society reports twenty-seven members and sends,\$ 31 35

Which has been supplemented from the S. S. Mission Society by,26 85

Keswick,5 00
Upper Hainesville,7 00
South Hampton,5 00

Total,75 20

FOURTH DISTRICT.

Mrs. Hoyt, Secretary of the Fourth District, says she regrets to report the amount raised this year is not so much as last; but she writes very encouragingly and hopeful respecting the work on that District. She sends the following list:

Blissville, 11 members,\$31 11
Patterson Settlement,2 80
Fredericton Junction,20 05
Three Tree Creek,4 60
Upper Gagetown,8 15
Collection at District Meeting,4 00

Total,70 71

SIXTH DISTRICT.

Mrs. David Long, Secretary for the Sixth District, sends a very neat concise report, showing the membership in that District to be 132, and the amount of money raised, \$227.15, which is certainly very cheering, being about \$50 more than last year. Societies and the amounts contributed by them are as follows:

Sussex,\$27 70
Penobscot,14 55
Moncton,18 85
Long Point,6 70
Apohaqui,9 05
Lower Millstream,15 50
Dover,10 00
Snider Mountain,4 65
Dutch Valley,6 60
Coverdale,9 70
Midland,11 45
Taylor Village,8 75
Lutz Mountain,6 35
Corn Hill,20 00
Lower Ridge,6 25
Norton Station,9 75
Millstream Mountain,1 00
Petitcodiac,6 70
Central Norton,1 00
Lower Millstream Mission Band,4 60
Corn Hill and Lower Ridge Mission Band,8 00
A Sister in Midland Church,20 00

Total,\$227 15

SEVENTH DISTRICT.

Miss Fullerton, Secretary of the Seventh District, as usual sends a very encouraging report of the work in that District. The societies are reported as follows:

St John, 34 members,\$66 00
St John, (N. E.) 23 "43 00
St John, (W. E.) 19 "49 00
North Head, 17 "20 35
Fair Haven, 11 "11 00
Beaver Harbor,5 00
Collection5 65
Helping Hands, Mission Band, St. John, W. E.,25 00

Total,\$225 00

Societies not reported: Chocolate Cove, Wilson's Beach.

The Society at Fair Haven was organized this year, and thus the good work goes on, and will go on, for the Lord Himself has spoken concerning it.

Allow me dear sisters, before closing, to express my regrets in not being able to meet with you in your annual meeting. This is my fourth annual report, and of course it will be my last one. I am so sorry that I have not served your Society, as Home Secretary, in a more efficient manner, and done more to enhance the interests of the cause your society represents, but surrounding circumstances were such that it seemed impossible for me to carry out the desires of my heart in the matter. There is a big ache in my heart as I think on the happy relations of the past and the separations in the future. The loss to me is more than I can make any one fully understand,

although it is both becoming and right for us to content ourselves wherever our lot is cast. I did not feel like writing an official report, but more like a letter to very dear friends whom I scarcely dare hope ever seeing again, at least for a long, long time. I trust the Lord will be with you in all the steps you take and the plans you make for extending the Redeemer's kingdom.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. F. BARCOCK,
Home Secy.

Adjourned, to meet at time and place of next General Conference.

J. F. McLEOD,
Recording Secy.

U. B. Seminary Notes.

The semi-terminal examinations of the school have just been completed resulting in an adjustment of work so as to be more satisfactory to both teachers and students as well as showing that for 1892-93 we rank high in scholarship as well as in numbers. The new department of Short-hand and Type writing is rapidly becoming popular. The fact that in addition to a splendid business training, students have the benefits of the other advantages of the school, is telling very favorably for this department in comparison with business schools which do not offer such inducements.

On Friday evening, 4th inst. J. E. B. McCready, Esq., editor of the *St. John Telegraph* delivered his lecture, "Scenes in the Canadian House of Commons," before the students of the Seminary and a representative audience from the village. The lecture was enthusiastically received by the students and was well adapted as first of the series to create and foster an interest in the lectures of the year.

Preparations are now being made by the departments of Music and Elocution for the first recital of the year. It will probably take place on Friday evening, 18th inst.

One of the most convenient of the large rooms on the second floor has been fitted up for a library and reading-room. This is liberally supplied with the leading periodicals of the day, but there is still room on the shelves for contributions of good books from any of the friends of the school. In connection with the reading-room it must be mentioned that one of the most interesting as well as profitable classes of the school is that in Current Topics conducted by Prof. Trefry.

On the whole the outlook seems to be for a most prosperous year.

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St. Martin's, Nov. 9, 1892.

EXCITEMENT AMONGST THE DELHI MAHOMEDANS.

The Mahomedans of Delhi are at present greatly excited over a brief pamphlet published by the Rev. T. Williams of Rewari. It is a "summary of the History of Mahomed from his running away to Medina until his death," and is based upon Sir William Muir's "Life of Mahomed." Mr. Williams as usual does not mince matters. He calls a spade a spade, and when he has tabulated the list of dacoities, assassinations and butcheries planned and executed by Mahomed and has given in detail the list of his wives and concubines with the circumstances under which they were taken, there is not much room left for admiration of the prophet. The pamphlet finishes up with a pointed contrast between Mahomed and Christ. Naturally the Mahomedans are furious and a number of them in Delhi a few days ago determined to petition the Lieutenant Governor on the matter. Accordingly a deputation started for Lahore after being escorted to the station by thousands of excited sympathisers. They were granted an interview by His Honor, who requested that a pamphlet in English should be left with him. It is reported in Delhi that the Deputation asked that Mr. Williams should be hanged as an example to other missionaries, and some disappointment is felt that this proposal was not at once agreed to. It is a little unfortunate that this should have happened in Delhi just when Mr. Lefroy was making such an impression upon the leaders of the Mahomedan community. But the two things are probably more closely related than we think and excitement such as this is a long way better than the stagnation of indifference. Meanwhile

the order has gone forth from the principal mosque forbidding Mahomedan boys to attend Mission Schools, and ordering all Mahomedan Zennas to be closed to mission visitors—with what result we have not heard.—*Indian Standard*.

SUNDAY CLOSING.—The question as to whether the World's Fair will be closed on the Sabbath has not yet been finally settled. Many pretexts are raised by the Sabbath breakers. Says the *Independent*: "There is no interest of religion, morality or society which demands that the Exposition should be open for an hour on Sunday, morning, afternoon or evening; and we are sorry that any minister or bishop should advocate it. Such advocacy adds one to the pressing influences which are already telling against the preservation, not of the Puritan Sabbath—we got away from that long ago—but of any Sabbath at all. Open museums are open arguments for open operas, open theatres and open abominations. It will be a sorry day for labor when the pendulum, swinging from the Puritan reaches the Parisian Sabbath. Every advance in that direction is an advance toward the enslavement of labor, toward breaking down the beneficent institution which insures one day out of seven as a day of perfect rest to the weary toiler. The day is now so thoroughly divested of its Puritan elements that every innovation robs it of some essential of its character. Bishop Potter and others who, turning from the day of the past, purpose still further to secularize the day of the present, are doing Christianity and society poor service. Public opinion seems on the right side; but there is a strong body of non-religionists in Chicago and elsewhere who are agitating for the opening on Sundays."

Among Exchanges.

SPONGES.

Some church members are like sponges—they absorb well, but they never give off anything unless they are squeezed. Squeeze them, then, until they contribute their full share to all the interests of the Church.—*Telescope*.

SLOW WORK.

It is slow work reforming Indians with five cents' worth of missionary and \$10 worth of whisky.—*Indian's Friend*.

STICK TO YOUR OWN.

It is not often wise or safe for a man to depart from his proper calling. When lawyers speak on theology, secular editors on ecclesiastical affairs, scientists on a divine revelation, and preachers on political economy, they usually expose their ignorance and make themselves ridiculous.—*N. Y. Advocate*.

OUR PARTNER.

God is a partner in every business that can be legitimately carried on. Who made the trees in which the lumberman is interested? Who furnishes the water power for the miller? Whose are the winds that fill the sails of commerce? Who established the laws of steam power and electricity? And so of the fisherman and the farmer. We need not follow out the details. But certain it is that God is partner with every true and honest man; and that we should bear this in mind. When he hints to us that He has need of some small portion, let us honor the reasonable terms of partnership.—*Pres Witness*.

A BLESSING IN DISGUISE.

Sickness is neither desired nor coveted, yet it may become one of our richest blessings. It affords occasion to hundreds for serious reflections and good resolutions. It has been sanctified to the spiritual welfare of multitudes of professing Christians. It brings Jesus preciously near to the soul. It enables the pastor and the sick to know and love each other through the intimacies of a loving and helpful ministry. It awakens sympathy and tender-heartedness. It tends to wean from earth. Sanctified by God's grace, it serves high and noble purposes. To realize all the benefits which it is capable of imparting, we must fall in with designs, and put into it faith, prayer, thoughtfulness, love, patience and hope.

Christianity, based on the teaching and miracles of its great Author, has come to this world to stay. It has in him an inherent vitality that nothing can destroy. His name and his life will never be forgotten. The world needs his service, and always will need it. No lapse of time and no change of earthly condition can dispense with the Christ of the Bible.