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A Year of Blessing.

The Toronto Bible Training School has again been favored with a year of blessing. From the reports published in the following pages, it will be seen that every department of the work has been pros-We trust these reports will be carefully read by our friends, so that they may join with us in thanksgiving to the Lord for His guidance and blessing Certain important changes are pending. involving a re-arrangement and enlargement of the work of instruction; but He who has been our Helper in the past will be with us in the days to come. To Him we again commend all the interests of our beloved institution.

Twelfth Annual Meeting.

The Twelfth Session of the Toronto Bible Training School closed on Friday, April 27th, 1906. In the afternoon of that day the Annual Meeting of the united Board of Incorporation and General Council was held, when the reports for the year were presented, and the entire work of the School received careful consideration. A good attendance of members was present, and much interest was manifested in the continued progress and prosperity of the Institu-At the close of this meeting, on the kind invitation of the President, the members present, with one or two other friends, had tea together in the library.

At the evening meeting held in the Assembly Hall, there was a crowded attendance of friends of the School interested in the graduating exercises. After prayer, by the Venerable Dr. Wardrope, of Guelph, President Harris gave a brief outline of the work of the session, and indicated some changes that were contemplated. He also referred to the goodly number of students who had recently gone forth to labor in the foreign and home fields. Appropriate addresses were then given by five of the graduating students, representing the Day and Evening Classes. Miss E. Anthony spoke effectively on "Our Great Example"; Mr. 1. J. Ransom on "The Living and the Written Word," a theme of vital importance to-day; Miss M. Howden showed the necessity of being ' Out and Out for Christ" in service, companionship and consecration; Mr. H. L. Troyer emphasized the importance and duties of "Ambassadors for Christ"; and Miss M. G. Lesslie presented Paul's conception of the "Christian's Ambition," closing with appropriate valedictory remarks. Diplomas were then presented to the following ten students, who have completed the course of study in the Day Classes, and passed satisfactory examinations thereon: -Misses M. E. Howden, A. M. Ingle, J. Johnston, M. G. Lesslie, and Mrs. S. T. V. Mason; also Messrs. L. E. Chinal, Jas. Ellis, A. F. Piercy, I. John Ransom and H. L.

Troyer. The following ten students of the Evening Classes also completed their course of study in a satisfactory way and received Certificates:—Misses H. I. Allum, E. A. Anthony, C. Baker, C. B. Kelsall, A. Maude Kenyon, A. M. Mc-Feggan, Laura A. Shepard, E.M. Tyler; also Messrs. W. J. Hamilton and John J. Taylor.

The Principal, Dr. Stewart, gave parting words of counsel to the graduates, exhorting them "to continue stedfastly in prayer and in the ministry of the word," Acts 6:4. A most interesting address was then given by Baron Uixkuill, a Russian nobleman, who is earnestly engaged in evangelistic work among his own countrymen; and Rev. Alex. Esler delivered a stirring speech on the power of the Divine Word.

Report of the Principal.

PRESENTED TO THE BOARD OF IN-CORPORATION AND COUNCIL, APRIL 27, 1906.

At the close of the twelfth session of the Toronto Bible Training School, we have again with grateful hearts to record another year of progress and blessing. There has been an excellent attendance of students, and the work carried on in the different departments of the Institution has been much prospered. great design of the School has been steadily kept in view, namely, the training of consecrated men and women in the precious truths of God's Word, so that they may teach others the way of life and salvation. In a goodly measure this design continues to be realized, as our students go forth to labor in the gospel at home and abroad.

ATTENDANCE.

In the Day Classes the total enrolment of students for the session has been sixty-six, and in the Evening Classes two hundred and sixty. In the Day Classes the number of young men and of young women has been equal; while in the Evening Classes the enrolment has been seventy-seven young men and one hundred and eighty-three young women. Owing to the great interest and enthus-

iasm awakened by the Torrey-Alexander campaign, the attendance at the evening lectures during January was smaller than usual; but the numbers in the different classes soon increased, and we hope next session to welcome to the School not a few of the recent converts, who would find the study of God's Word a great help to their own spiritual life, and a necessary preparation for efficient Christian service.

THE DAY CLASSES.

The regular lecturers in the Day Classes have again been Dr. Harris, Mr. Mc-Nicol, and myself. Dr. Harris has given courses of expository lectures on Tuesday and Thursday of each week, his subjects being the book of Joshua and the First Epistle of Peter, My own subjects have been the following: - Bible Doctrines. with the Word of God as our great textbook; the Messianic Prophecies; Old Testament Types and Figures; and Bible Readings. I have also had charge of the essays of the students and the exercises in public speaking, Mr. Mc-Nicol's subjects have been as follows:-Outline Studies of the Books of the New Testament; Christian Evidences; Studies in the Gospels, including a special course on the Miracles of our Lord. He has also conducted the early morning classes in English Grammar and Composition, and has had a small class in New Testament Mr. McNicol again bears testi-Greek. mony to the diligence and fidelity of the students, as follows: -

"The work as a whole was highly satisfactory. Deep interest was shown in all the classes, and in many cases marked improvement could be seen throughout the year."

VISITING LECTURERS.

The introductory lectures of the session were delivered by the Rev. Alexander Patterson, of Morgan Park, Ill., a well-known teacher and writer on Bible themes. The first special lecturer for this session was our friend, Rev. T. Bradley Hyde. of this City, who conducted with the students a valuable and instructive series of studies on "The Person and Work of the Holy Spirit."

The other special lecturer was Rev. Alexander Esler, M A., pastor of Cooke's Church in this city, who took as his subject, "Christ and the Old Testament Scriptures," on which he gave a course of very timely and helpful addresses. These brethren have rendered a real service to the School, which was much appreciated.

OTHER VISITORS.

Other esteemed friends from time to time during the session visited the School, and gave helpful addresses. these were Rev. Charles E. Hurlbert. Director of the East African Mission, on his way to the distant field in which he is specially interested; Mr. J. W. Wilkins and Miss E. E. Hall, two of the early graduates of the School, who have been laboring faithfully in connection with the China Inland Mission, and are now home on furlough; Miss Minnie Brimstin, another graduate, who has also been at work in China under the Women's Missionary Society of the Methodist Church; Mr. E. B. Biggar, representing the agency work of the Canadian Bible Society; and last but not least, Rev. Thomas Bone, the veteran Welland Canal missionary, who delighted the students with his racy talk and instructive experiences. The visits and addresses of all these friends were much appreciated.

THE EVENING CLASSES.

As in previous sessions, the regular evening classes have been held on Tuesday and Thursday of each week. Dr. Harris has given instruction on the same subjects as in the Day Classes; Mr. Mc-Nicol has conducted Studies in the Gospel, and the Principal has lectured on Pible Doctrines. The special Monday and Friday Evening Classes have also been conducted by Mr. McNicol during the session, the former, attended principally by the young men of the Day Classes, being engaged in a course of Homiletics, and the latter in the study of the Sunday School Lession. In both classes there was a good attendance, and increased interest.

MEDICAL CLASSES.

Medical classes were again conducted by three of the doctors who have given the School such faithful and efficient service in the past. Dr. Bowie had a class in "the practice of Medicine and Pharmacology"; and Dr. Allan Shore conducted a course of study in " Physiology and the Elements of Pathology." Dr. Howitt again gave instruction on "Tropical Diseases" during the latter half of the These medical studies are of special value to all the students who expect to engage in missionary work; and the doctors who have given such helpful service deserve the best thanks of the Board and the students for their generous and self-denying labors.

VOCAL MUSIC CLASS,

Our President, Dr. Harris, again secured the able services of Mr. A. T. Cringan, Mus. Bac., in conducting a class once a week in the theory and practice of singing. The instruction was much appreciated, and it cannot fail to be of great advantage to the students in conducting gospel services.

CLASS IN ELOCUTION.

During a considerable portion—of—the session, Miss M. A. Baker, formerly teacher of Elocution in Albert College, Belleville, conducted a course of instruction with the students once a week in voice culture and reading. From her interest in the principles and work of the School, Miss Baker kindly offered to give her services gratuitously, and her class found them to be very helpful. Our best thanks are due to Miss Baker for the good work she has done.

EXAMINATIONS.

Written examinations have been held twice during the session on all the courses of Bible study pursued by the Day and Evening Classes. The minimum standing for each paper is fifty per cent., but more than half the students obtained seventy-five per cent. and upwards, and nearly one-fourth obtained ninety per cent. or over on most of their subjects. Very few failed to reach the prescribed

standard, so that the examinations as a whole have been very satisfactory. I could wish that a larger number of the Evening Class students would submit to this test.

EVANGELISTIC AND MISSIONARY SPIRIT.

It it not too much to say that there has been a marked increase in Evangelistic zeal among the students during the session. They formed themselves into two bands, and held numerous services in mission halls and smaller churches of the city. As a result of these labors in the gospel, many instances of spiritual blessing were reported, while the students themselves had an experience which must prove a benefit to them in their future work. The bands held meetings for prayer and were addressed by several well-known ministers of the City; while under their auspices a well-attended and useful Conference on Evangelistic Work was held in our Assembly Hall one afternoon and evening, when methods were discussed, and experiences given by several friends who have been prominent in seeking to win souls.

The missionary spirit continues to be manifested among the students. has been an increase in the number of Student Volunteers, both from the Day and Evening Classes; while the missionary prayer meeting and the mission study class have been maintained with much profit. A most interesting union missionary service was held under the auspices of the students, at which addresses were given by returned missionaries from India, China and Africa. The School was also represented at the great Student Volunteer Convention held in Nashville. Tenn., by our President, Dr. Harris, and by three members of the Day Classes:-Miss L. Armstrong, Miss J. Dale, and Mr. H. L. Troyer.

ENTERED ON SERVICE.

Since last annual meeting, Miss Alma Schofield, who took the full course of study in our Evening Classes, has gone to Nigeria, to labor in connection with the Africa Evangelistic Mission; Miss A. Munson, who was a student with us last session, was accepted by the Council of the China Inland Mission, and has already reached that great empire and entered on the work of studying the language; Miss Barbara Mould, a graduate of 1904, has been appointed to the staff of the Telugu Mission, maintained by the Baptist Board of the Maritime Provinces: Miss Annie Clare has recently gone to engage in mission work among the Indian children of the North-West: and Dr. W. Edgar Robertson, a wellequipped medical graduate and a student with us during the session of 1901-05, will leave in a few weeks to take charge of the Presbyterian Hospital in Hong Chow, Hunan, China; while Miss Etta J. Fletcher, a graduate of 1903, has been appointed to the position of Field Secretary of the Women's Foreign Mission Society of the State of Michigan, In addition to these, not a few of our students-nearly twenty in all-have just been appointed to destitute Home Mission fields in New Ontario, Quebec, Manitoba and the North-West. Others will be employed as Bible women, nurses, Y.M.C.A. secretaries, Bible and Tract Society colporteurs, and in other spheres of Christian usefulness, where we hope that much blessing will attend their labors.

DEATHS.

During the year, two of the students, who gave great promise of usefulness and devotion in Christian service, have been called away from earth. One of them. Miss Annie Perry, died last November in the hospital in Port Arthur, as the result of a serious surgical operation. The other was Mr. Harry E. Smedley, of this city, who, after a period of study with us, was accepted for Mission work in Northern Nigeria, where, after a year of earnest and faithful toil, he contracted one of the malarial fevers prevalent in the country, and had to return to this city to die. Both of these young friends enjoyed the fullest confidence of their instructors and fellow-students, and their memory will long be held in the highest esteem. Another serious loss was sustained in the death of Lady Gowan, wife

of Sir James Gowan of Barrie, a well-known Senator of the Dominion. Lady Gowan was a warm friend and supporter of the School from its beginning. She was sincerely and intelligently attached to the evangelical principles for which our institution has always stood, and she abounded in every good work. May the God of all grace be the stay and comfort of her aged husband in his bereavement; and may others be raised up to take the places of those who rest from their labors.

CONCLUDING REMARKS.

From this simple report of the work accomplished by the Toronto Bible Training School during another year, it cannot be doubted that the blessing of God has continued to rest upon it. Students of former years, from every quarter of the world, are bearing their testimony to the great benefit they still find from the Bible training they received in its classes. and some of them are shewing their appreciation by contributing of their slender resources to its support. For the testimony also which it bears to the inspiration and supreme authority of God's Word-a testimony all the more needed in these days of growing departure from the truth-our institution may well claim the earnest prayers and practical sympathy of all who desire to hold fast and hold forth the Word of Life.

A personal reference may be allowed ere I close. By the goodness of God I have been enabled during the session to discharge the duties devolving upon me as Principal without interruption from ill-health, and with a large measure of comfort and satisfaction. Indeed, it is not too much to say that the twelve years of my connection with the Institution have been the happiest, and I trust have not been the least fruitful, of my service for Christ. But for many reasons, chief among which are the future progress and prosperity of this great work, I still feel strongly the necessity of securing relief from some of my duties and responsibilities. May the Board and Council be Divinely guided in making the very best arrangements. God has been so very gracious to us in the past, that we cannot doubt He will continue to care for our beloved School, and in His good Providence will supply all its needs of men and means for the days that are to come. Therefore to Him do we again confidently commit it, with the earnest prayer, "Establish Thou the work of our hands upon us: yea, the work of our hands establish Thou it."

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM STEWART.

Dr. Stewart's Resignation.

At the recent annual meeting of the Board of Incorporation and General Council, the following preamble and resolutions in regard to Dr. Stewart's resignation of the principalship and services to the School were unanimously adopted:

Moved by Rev. Dr. R. P. Mackay, seconded by Mr. J. D. Nasmith, and supported by President Harris, Rev. Dr. McTavish and others.

A letter was read from Rev. Dr. Stewart, tendering his resignation as Principal of the Toronto Bible Training School, owing to the fact that, with advancing years, the steadily increasing responsibilities of the position had become somewhat burdensome; but specially, because in his judgment, the time had come when a younger man should be selected, who might become qualified at an early date to discharge the duties of the Principal-ship.

Dr. Stewart further expressed his willingness to continue to perform the duties of his office. in whole or in part, until a suitable man is chosen, and to leave himself entirely in the hands of the Board, to be used by them as might be deemed best in the interests of the School.

In accepting this resignation, the Board record their high sense of the value of Dr. Stewart's services during the twelve years of his ministry as Principal.

In the administration of the affairs of the School, and especially in the quality and method of the Bible instruction imparted to the lundreds of students who have passed through his hands during these years, a work has been accomplished that has not only justified the existence of the School, but will have a far-reaching influence that Eternity alone can reveal.

With love and loyalty to the School and to the truth, Dr. Stewart has given

himself unsparingly to the work, and with such results as must be an abiding gratification to himself as well as to the friends of the Institution.

The Board would further express their appreciation of Dr. Stewart's willingness to place his services at their disposal to be used in such a way as will best facilitate the securing of a successor or otherwise promote the interests of the School.

Dr. Stewart's ability as a Bible teacher, as well as his knowledge of details, acquired through years of experience, is so valuable an asset that the Board gladly accepts this offer of service to be applied in such departments as the requirements of the School may demand, and his strength may allow.

The prayer of the Board is that Dr. Stewart may be permitted to share in the work of the School for many days to come, and that the evening of life may be greatly enriched by the personal experience of that Divine and living Word he has so diligently and faithfully sought to interpret to others.

In pursuance of these resolutions, it is expected that Dr. Stewart will be relieved of certain duties connected with the internal administration of the School, and that Mr. McNicol, who has rendered very efficient service as Instructor for four years, and greatly endeared himself to all by his Christian character and devotion, will be appointed Principal. Dr. Stewart will also be relieved of a certain part of his work of teaching, Dr. Harris kindly taking one of his day classes, and other arrangements being contemplated for one of the evening classes. It is probable that Dr. Stewart will act as Secretary of the School, and in other ways will seek to advance its interests. It is contemplated also, during the coming session, to secure the services of some well-known visiting lecturers, so as to increase public interest, and add to the efficiency and success of the Institution.

THE new Catalogue and Announcement of the School will be published early in July, giving full particulars about Instructors, Lecturers and Courses of Study for next session. Copies may be obtained on application to Miss A. Burns, the Assistant Secretary, 110 College Street. Toronto, or to any officer of the School.

THE RECORDER.

Treasurer's Report.

The Trensurer, Mr. Shenstone, presented the following statement of Receipts and Disbursements for the year ending April 27th, 1906.

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The Report was received with expressions of satisfaction and gratitude, and the best thanks of the Council and Board were given to Mr. Shenstone for his faithful and efficient services.

List of Day Students.

The following is a list of Students enrolled in the Day Clases for the Session 1905-06:

Miss Lena Armstrong, Shelbina, Mo. Miss Emma Arnold, Toronto. Miss Carrie Baker, Toronto. Mr. F. Blain, Toronto. Mr. W. J. Burton, Toronto. Miss F. G. Brooking, Winnipeg, Man. Miss A. Brown, Toronto. Miss F. G. Brooking, Winnipeg, Man. Miss Annie Clare, Toronto. Miss Cook, Toronto. Miss Cook, Toronto. Miss Cook, Toronto. Miss Cook, Toronto. Miss Clara Donma, Alsfeldi. Mr. Jas Ellis, Holstein. Mr. C. P. England, Dunham, Que. Mr. Fred Forth, Hamilton, Miss Mabel Frazer, Clifford. Mr. C. Gardiner, Ravenna. Miss Margaret Goforth, Picton, Mrs. W. Henderson, Toronto. Mr. J. C. Hobson, Guelph. Miss Mina E. Howden, Hamilton. Miss Mary Howit, Toronto. Miss A. M. Ingle, Eden Mills. Miss Jennie Johnston, Toronto. Mrs. A. Laing, Winnipeg, Man. Miss M. G. Lesslie, Toronto. Mr. P. B. Loney, Toronto. Mr. P. B. Loney, Toronto.

Miss M. B. McCormack, Arthur.
Mr. R. H. MacDonald, Buffalo, N.Y.
Miss Nellie McFarland, Midland,
Mr. J. J. MacLeod, Tóronto.
Mrs. S. T. V. Mason, Toronto,
Miss Francis Moule, Toronto,
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Miss Feelyn Mullin, Toronto.
Miss Margaret North, Toronto.
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Mr. A. F. Piercy, Atwood,
Dr. Olive Rea, Toronto.
Mr. I. John Ransom, Abilene, Kans.
Mr. Thos Reekie, Scotland.
Mr. A. Reynolds, Moosejaw, Sask.
Mr. S. Rulledge, Holt.
Mr. Jacob Sampson, Lodz, Poland.
Mr. A. M. Shannon, Galt.
Mr. Chas. Smith, England.
Miss Ennily Sprague, Queensville.
Mr. J. A. Stevens, Greenock.
Mrs. H. M. Sullivan, Toronto.
Mr. A. E. Taylor, Toronto.
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Mr. H. L. Toyer, Toronto.
Mr. H. L. Toyer, Toronto.
Mr. J. C. Wallis, Port Carling,
Miss J. B. Wilkins, Toronto.
Mr. George Williams, England.
Mr. A. Winger, Clarence Centre, N.Y.
Mr. A. Wrenshall, Ravenna.
Mr. C. R. Wright, Waupoos.

Evening Classes.

The following is a list of Students in the Evening Classes, who have passed one or more of the written examinations of the session. The total enrolment of all the Evening Students was 260.

Miss H. I. Allum.
Miss F. Anthony.
Miss C. Baker.
Mr. A. Bell.
Miss M. O. Burleigh.
Miss M. Burt.
Miss A. Carmichael.
Miss E. Collins.
Miss E. Collins.
Miss E. O. Cutler.
Mr. C. S. Dale.

Mr. Wm. Digby.
Mr. G. M. Fairfield.
Miss C. Fleming.
Miss I., Gardiner.
Mr. W. Gidlow.
Miss E. Garrett.
Mr. W. J. Hamilton.
Miss M. Hewetson.
Mr. A. Hughes.
Miss M. Hutty.
Miss M. Jennings.

Miss C. B. Kelsall.
Miss A. M. Kenyon.
Miss A. M. McFeggan.
Miss H. Newsome.
Mr. W. Poyntz.
Miss H. Redpath.
Miss M. Richmond.
Miss A. Rossiter.
Miss A. Senour.
Miss P. St. John.
Miss P. St. John.
Miss L. A. Shepard.

Miss T. G. Sleep.
Miss G. Smith.
Miss M. Taylor.
Mr. J. J. Taylor.
Mrs. F. Tyler.
Mr. C. Walker.
Miss A. J. Watson.
Mr. F. Westlake.
Miss H. Williams,
Miss P. J. Wright.

Notes

THE new session of the Toronto Bible Training School will open (D.V.) on Tuesday, September 18th, 1906, at 10 a.m.

It is very important that all students, especially those who are entering the School for the first time, should be present at the beginning of the session.

THE students who are remaining in Toronto during the summer months have arranged to hold a prayer meeting every Tuesday evening in the hall of the Mission Union, Laplante Ave.

MISS M. GOFORTH, Miss E. Arnold and Miss E. Sprague will be engaged in the Nursing-at-Home Mission of this city, and Miss Grace Brooking is likely to offer her services to the China Inland Mission.

THREE of last session's students, Messrs. Louis Chinal, J. J. McLeod and W. J. Burton, expect to enter definitely on Y.M.C.A. work. The first of these would like to labor in India, where he lived for many years.

MISS MAUD WEST, who graduated in 1902, has been since engaged in Missionary service in South America. She has recently entered on a new sphere of labor in Santa Cruz. Argentina, and is much encouraged in her work.

MR. J. J. McLeod, one of our Y. M.C. A. students of last term, has gone to Havana Cuba, to take part in the work of the Y. M.C. A. of that city. He has gone out under the auspices of the West Side Y. M. C. A. of New York City.

THE Toronto Bible Training School has always been a strictly missionary and inter-denominational College. This last session eleven different Christian denominations have been represented in its faculty and student body.

Two or three ladies who have taken the full course of Bible study with us, are ready to engage in service as Bible women, pastor's assistants, or Sunday School missionaries. Any friends desiring such helpers should correspond with Dr. Stewart.

MESSAS, I. J. Ransom, A. F. Piercy, J. Sampson and Chas. Smith will be engaged in colportage work by the Tract Society, and Mr. George Tester will labor for the Bible Society.

Mr. A. M. Shannon has been appointed to a Home Mission field in Manitoba, and Mr. James Ellis has received a similar appointment in Northern Ontario, while Mr. C. P. England will preach in the Province of Quebec, Mr. H. L. Troyer in the County of Grey, Ont., and Mr. R. A. Walmsley is appointed to Milberta.

Receipts for General Fund

The following donations have been received from Feb. 14th, 1906, to April 27th, 1906:

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