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CONTRIBUTIONS.—Any friends desiring to have fellowship in the work may send their contributions to the Treasurer, J. N. Shenstone, Esq., 40 Walmer Road, Toronto, or to any officer of the School.

Gratifying Advance.

We are thankful to report marked progress this Session in the growth of the Bible Training School. This holds good in three important respects. The attendance of students is larger than at the corresponding period of previous years. The course of study has been strengthened by the addition of important branches. There are now ten students in attendance whose native language is not English, and who for the most part represent different nationalities of Europe and Asia. These are Christians preparing for missionary service among their own people either in Canada or their native land. A great door is thus "opened unto us of the Lord."

The names of other friends in important centres are yet to be added to the General Council.

Special Classes.

At the Annual Meeting of the Council in the end of April it was decided that steps should be taken to enlarge the course of study in two directions.

There are always several students who, after completing their two years' course, desire to take further studies in the School. To meet the needs of these students, two extra subjects have been placed upon the time table. Dr Harris is giving a course of lectures in the Principles of Bible Interpretation besides the two he has always been accustomed to give on certain Books of the Bible. Mr. Imrie, in addition to his regular work in Christian Doctrines and Practical Subjects, is conducting a class in the study of Church History.

It was thought that the teaching of English subjects should be made more efficient by engaging a special instructor to take up this work. The Board has been fortunate in securing the services of Mr. C. E. Luce to teach both English and New Testament Greek. Mr. Luce is well equipped for this work, and has had considerable experience in teaching. He meets three times a week with those students who desire to learn New Testament Greek, and five times a week with those who need instruction in English.

In addition to this a special class is being held in Elocution, conducted by Miss Baker, formerly of Albert College, Belleville. This class meets three times a week. Dr. Bowie, also, is giving his very helpful course of medical lectures.

Letters of Appreciation.

The friends and supporters of the School in sending their contributions continue to encourage us with words of appreciation. A Senator of the Dominion writes as follows:

"I appreciate very much the good work you are doing, and wish it every success."

A lady of Toronto who has been disturbed by the efforts that are now made to detract from the authority of the Bible, exhorts us to remain loyal to the

great principal that "nothing may be added to the Word of God, nor taken therefrom."

A lady from Liverpool, England, once a member of the School, after bearing her "grateful testimony to the benefit she had received" with us, adds:

"I am very pleased to hear of the prosperity of the School. As this will call for an increase in its income, will you kindly accept the enclosed money order in aid of its funds? I feel it a privilege to have even this little fellowship with you in this good work."

A Minister of the Gospel, who is an esteemed member of our General Council, recently sent us this note:

"I beg to enclose my subscription on account of the Training School. I wish I could make it ten times as much, as the School is doing a work that is more and more needed, and it deserves the hearty and sympathetic support of all Christians."

The Library.

During the summer months our Library received some valuable additions. Mrs. Owen, widow of Rev. Charles Owen, an esteemed and faithful minister of the Gospel, gave 120 volumes from his library. Mr. Alexander Smith of this city presented two sets of standard expository works, and Mr. R. S. Shentstone sent over 30 useful volumes. Several of the 250 books donated by Dr. Stewart are also finding their way to our shelves. The total number of books in the Library is now 1,470.

We should add that a beautiful reproduction of Da Vinci's famous painting of The Last Supper, the gift of Mr. C. S. Gzowski, now adorns the wall of our Reception Room.

Meeting of Alumni.

An important meeting of graduates, former students and friends of the School was held in this city on the 2nd of September. Mr. J. A. Henderson, president of the Provisional Association, acted as chairman, and nearly seventy were in attendance. After a very pleasant banquet together, several cordial addresses were made expressing grati-

tude for the benefits received from the School, making recommendations for the enlargement of the work, and giving pledges of practical support and assistance in securing students. All the suggestions made were laid before the Board, who expressed their thanks to the Alumni for their interest in the School, and assured them that their recommendations would receive careful consideration.

Returning on Furlough.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Hauna, the latter being formerly Miss Roxie Wood, and both of them early graduates of the School, are returning on furlough, after several years of earnest missionary labor in China. They were to leave about the beginning of December, and hope to reach Toronto in February next. They will receive an earnest welcome both for their own and their work's sake.

Death of Rev. George Constable.

We regret to inform our readers of the death of Rev. George S. Constable, one of our graduates of 1902, who was missionary among the Indians in Tuscarora, making his headquarters at Ohsweken, on the Grand River. He was a much esteemed, useful and devoted worker for Christ, who has been suddenly taken away in his prime. The Indians sent a deputation to his funeral in this city, with resolutions bearing testimony to their grief at his loss, and their affection for him as a faithful preacher and pastor.

Bequest of Miss Mary Lesslie.

Mr. J. J. Gartshore of Eglinton is forwarding to our Treasurer the sum of one hundred dollars, bequeathed to the School by Miss Mary Lesslie, one of our most esteemed graduates, gives her testimony about the School in these words: "She realized fully the value of the training she received, and was very much attached to the School and the friends connected with it."

Practical Work.

Our new Instructor, Mr. Imrie, is much encouraged with the class in Practical Work. The students, under his guidance, consider the best means of reaching the unsaved, and their attention is turned to the Scripture teaching that will be appropriate in meeting special cases. On Sunday and week nights also services are held in different churches and missions in the city, at which the instruction is carried out into practice, and the labors are blessed to the salvation of souls.

Students' Missionary Society.

Mr. J. S. Musselman, president of the Students' Missionary Society, reports great zeal in the prosecution of the study of missions. Forty of the students are members of the Society, and are divided into five or six classes, engaged in the careful consideration of missionary fields and problems. The Thursday morning mission prayer-meetings are also largely attended, and full of earnestness and life. Probably there has never been greater enthusiasm in the mission cause among the students than at present.

Notes.

THIS session we have eleven Evangelical denominations in the School.

MISS MYRTLE MOORE, one of the graduates of last session, writes that she is busy and happy in her city mission work in Winnipeg.

MR. A. F. PIERCY, who has done earnest Home Mission work since his graduation with us, has been ordained as a Presbyterian minister at Watson, Sask.

REV. W. F. ROADHOUSE, a graduate of 1900, after a successful pastorate in Orillia, has entered on a new and important field of labor in West Toronto.

MISS S. HASLETT, after her self-denying labors among the Fort Rouge Indians of our Far North, has sailed for Ireland to pay a visit to her mother.

STUDENTS' PUBLIC MEETING.

The next Students' Public Meeting will be held in the Assembly Hall of the Bible Training School on Monday, December 6th, at 8 p.m. The following students will take part:

MR. FRANK BLAIN—"The Trinity in Relation to the Gospel."
 MISS M. E. BROWN—"The Family and the Home."
 MR. J. S. SMITH—"The Needs of South America."
 MR. J. J. WAGNER—"Work Among the Russians."
 MISS TIEN FUH WU—"The Claims of China."

Notes.—Continued.

MR. L. GREDYS, a student of the second year, is doing missionary work for two or three days every week among the foreigners in Hamilton.

MR. T. R. SORTON, a member of last graduating class, after spending a short time in evangelistic work, has become pastor on a Home Mission field in and around Sturgeon Falls.

MISS FLORA J. RAY, who was Bible Class Teacher in the Young Women's Christian Guild in this city, has been engaged in important Christian service in Rochester, N.Y.

WORD has been received that Mr. Fred Rutherford, a student of last session, has arrived safely at his field in Nigeria, and commenced work under the auspices of the Sudan Interior Mission.

It has been arranged that the written examinations of the present term will be held from Dec. 13th to 23rd inclusive, and that the work of the new term will be resumed after the Christmas holidays on Tuesday, Jan. 4th, 1910.

MISS M. McCAULEY, a former graduate, is actively engaged in hospital work at Ethelbert, Manitoba, and Miss E. E. Spragge, a recent graduate, has also entered on the same work, at Wakaw, Sask., both under the auspices of the Presbyterian Ladies' Board.

MR. HERBERT L. TROYER, one of our graduates of 1906, who has since made himself very useful in many ways, both to Instructors and students, has received the important appointment of Travell-

ing Secretary of the Canadian Colleges Mission. We wish him great success in his work.

MR. MA TIM WOU, the Chinese student who took a three years' course of study with us very successfully, and who had the full confidence and esteem of his Instructors and fellow-students, expects to begin mission work among the Chinese young men of this city.

Receipts for General Fund.

Donations received from April 30 to November 30, 1909:

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" 8	25 00	" 42	50 00
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" 34	25 00	" 68	5 00

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