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The School and its Alumni.

The present issue of the RECORDER is a double number published under the joint auspices of the Bible Training School and the Alumni Association. A committee appointed by the latter body has furnished half the matter, being the four middle pages contained in this issue. These will be read with much interest by all our friends, as showing not only the wise plans our former students are devising for the progress and development of the School, but also the zeal with which they are seeking to secure their accomplishment. We heartily welcome the assistance of our Alumni, and anticipate the best results from their counsel and co-operation.

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

Suggestions of the Alumni

It will be remembered that a meeting of the Alumni, former students, and friends of the School was held on September 2nd, 1900. There were about sixty present at the banquet provided on the occasion, and many cordial speeches were made expressing gratitude for the benefit received from the School, and recommendations for further enlargement of the work. The following are a series of the suggestions that were presented: First, the more frequent publication of the Recorder with notes of Bible studies. Second, the establishment of a home for young men and women. Third, the desirability of having a mission hall or mission church in connection with the School. Fourth, the formation of a travelling evangelistic band. Fifth, the enlargement of the course of study, which had been previously outlined by Dr. Stewart. Sixth, a recommendation that all future gatherings of the Alumni should be held in the Training School building.

At the regular meeting on the following month, the Board expressed their thanks to the Alumni for their interest in the School and the pledges they gave of practical support, and assistance in securing suitable students, and assured them that their recommendations would receive careful consideration. It was also agreed that at the next meeting of the Board the name of one of the Alumni should be added to the General Council of the School.

At the last Annual meeting of the Board and Council, Mr. Martin Love and Rev. W. F. Roadhouse, both Alumni of the School were elected, the former a member of the Board of Incorporation, and the latter a member of the General Council.

Practical Encouragement.

One of our friends in this city has accompanied his annual contribution with the following note to our President, Dr. Harris. "With the recent changes in theological teaching, I feel the need

of strengthening your hand in the great work your School is doing, and am on this account increasing my subscription." The note enclosed a cheque for double the donation of previous years. It brought great encouragement and was help in time of need, for which we are very grateful.

A lady from Belleville has also increased her contribution two-fold, because some have been withdrawing their support.

A lady in this city, who has been a friend of the School from its beginning, wrote lately to our Treasurer:—"It is my earnest prayer that the School may still be blessed of God, and that many strong, well taught Bible Scholars may go forth from its classes to preach and teach the whole word of God, not in the words of man's wisdom, but in the words and power of the Holy Spirit."

A subscriber using the signature, "A Sinner saved by Grace," sent a kind note after our last annual meeting, stating that the exercises had been a blessing and inspiration to him. He added, "had the opportunity been given to make an offering, I intended to give one dollar to the School, but I now feel constrained to send you two."

A Dilemma for the Higher Critics.

Our Lord spoke of the books of the law as the work of Moses, (Mark 12:22; Luke 20:37; 24:44; John 5:46, 47.) He either knew how those books originated or He did not know. If these books were not the work of Moses and He knew they were not, then He used language which He knew to be untrue, and He was deceiving the people about the Word of God. If these books were not the work of Moses and He thought they were, then He was Himself deceived about the Word of God. If He was mistaken about the Word of God, what guarantee have we that He was not mistaken about the Will of God? What assurance have we to trust Him when He said, He came "to give His life a ransom for many?"—REV. JOHN MCNICOL, B. D.

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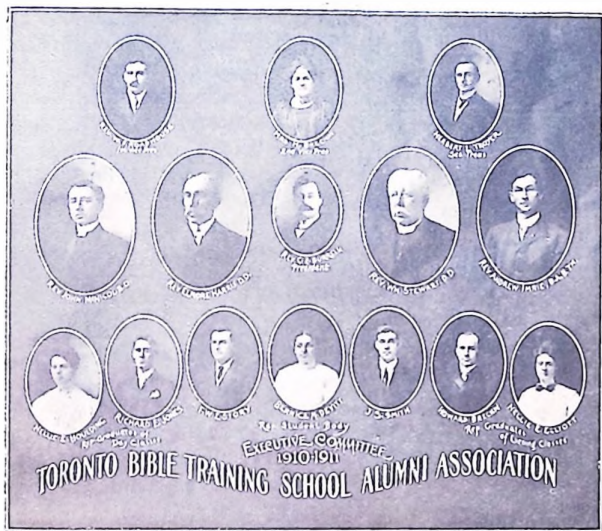
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History of Alumni Organization.

April 28th, 1909.

The Graduates of day and evening classes were called together by Principal McNicol, to "consider the question of forming an Association of graduates and former students, and to take steps towards the organization of such an Association."

After discussion, a Provisional Committee was elected consisting of Mr. John Henderson; Mrs. James Longley; Herbert L. Troyer; Miss Nellie Elliott;

Miss Nellie Houlding; Rev. R. J. Garrett and Mr. John J. Taylor.

This committee was asked to prepare and submit a constitution.

Sept. 2nd, 1909.

Banquet and Re-union of Students.

April 28th, 1910.

First Annual Meeting, 62 present.

Report of Committee presented.

Constitution Adopted.

Election of Executive Committee for 1910-11. (See above Group).

The Alumni Association—Benefits of Membership.

We are not assuming that benefits in our newly organized Alumni Association will amount to a kind of panacea. Nevertheless, there are real gains derived by identifying oneself with such a body. The following occur to the writer :—

1.—Such a membership conserves for us the School's fellowship. Ours is not a denominational place of learning from which one goes out, and then through Church affiliation, Synod, or Conference, or Convention, we are brought together periodically. Nor have we a denominational newspaper coming to us constantly, keeping us in touch with our unmet, former fellow students. But gathering together as we do from various parts and religious bodies and then scattering again when our School course is over, we go to the ends of the earth and are lost to one another. Of the writer's class, (1900), seven of the thirteen members have absolutely disappeared from his knowledge. Now an Alumni Association will largely remedy this. It will collect information concerning the graduates; it will follow their movements and place of service; it will solicit and publish letters from them occasionally. And it will do this by means of its proposed (rather, its present) "Graduates Gazette."

2.—The Association will keep us true to that for which the School stands. That standard is above the commonplace Christian life around us; it is set directly against the theological drift of our times; it has for years inculcated the missionary ideals that are now only being practically realized in the great Laymen's and Young People's movements. In writing thus, we are not censorious: we are but stating the facts. An Alumni banded together to still further propagate these teachings, viewpoints and ideals will undoubtedly aid in holding its own membership true to them.

3.—Moreover, such an organization will enable the School to widen its influence, and thus to spread the truth for which she stands. Has that truth meant anything to us? Has it put

something of iron into our blood? Has it shown us something of the blessedness and freedom of a "bondservant of Jesus Christ?" Has it helped us to rear a temple of character with some symmetry and beauty, even though there has been failure? Above everything else, has it enabled us "To contend earnestly for the faith once for all delivered to the Saints." What did the years spent at the School mean to us?

"The Word of Truth's a mine of gold,

And God stands guard as Keeper,
Hast found a vein of rich supply?

Dig deeper yet and deeper.

If the School has meant these things, then we ought—we ought—to widen her beneficent influence.

4.—Our obligation to the School will be made vivid. Some of us have no other ALMA MATER. We owe much to her. Are we paying our debt? How many students have we sent to her halls? How often do we say a word of appreciation for her? Has the memory of her dropped from our prayer life? And not least, have we returned to her our monetary obligation? Save as we do these things she will not prosper. The writer ever remembers with gratitude the care and "drilling" of Dr. Stewart (his studies seem to abide): the scholarly touch of Mr. MacWilliam whose humility he admired and coveted: the splendid expositions and enthusiasm of our president, Dr. Harris. Each seemed the complement of the other; each left his individual impress. It is with extreme pleasure that I record my sense of personal obligations to the old School and its Teachers. May the instructors of past and present grow to a larger place in the affections of all former and present students. And let us, who are Alumni, in particular remember our obligation.

These are the things which have appealed to the writer—benefits that will be vivified and intensified by an Alumni Association. Let us rally to the call and to the advancement of the interests of this work of God which has so much of his blessing: always His presence: ever the imprimatur of His approval in lives gladdened, sanctified, and sent to all the world, there to bear witness to His glorious Gospel.

W. F. ROADHOUSE.

Important Notes.

The Editorial Board will welcome criticism of this number, and suggestions for later ones. Write to the Secretary. Do it now.

Send in your application to-day.

Your friends will appreciate a note written on the new postals.

Wear the School colors,—and introduce yourself to any other wearer.

Help to advertise the School by using the new stationery.

Please report, promptly, any change of address (or name), your own or another's, to the Alumni Secretary. We desire to keep in touch with you.

The suggestion has been received that a monthly magazine be published by the School or by the Alumni Association :—
To contain notes of lectures given by teachers.

Notes of addresses by visitors.

Articles by faculty and graduates.

Notes and outlines of Sunday School lessons.

Evangelistic and Missionary notices, etc.

What do you think of this ?

Would you be willing to subscribe ?

Write the Secretary of the Alumni Association.

We are anxious to get in touch with all former students. Even if you do not care to join the Association we shall be glad if you will fill in and mail the enclosed application.

Write us about your work. Letters especially desired from those who are in foreign service.

SECRETARY'S ADDRESS :

HERBERT L. TROYER

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Extracts from Recent Letters.

"It is now ten months since I left Toronto, and am glad to say that it has been a very happy time to me. I have had malaria several times, due to neglect of quinine, and living in a native house for some months while we were building. Mr. Titcombe and myself lived, slept, ate, studied in a mud house twelve feet in diameter, with a six foot wall, and straw roof and where the heat was intense. No doubt you have heard of the wonderful time in Egbe. Until the first of last January we had not even a congregation, but suddenly it seemed as though God had moved all at once to interest people in us and our message. The crowds came until now our daily congregation is over 200, and on Sundays, 1000.

Fred. Rutherford,
Egbe, Nigeria,
West Africa.

"My life has been crowded with events. On the field less than two years, I have changed my place of abode ten times. The king of Wushisha and I have often clashed in brain battles. About a month ago two robbers visited me and succeeded in carrying off two trunks, but on wakening up I succeeded in chasing them and in an hour had found the trunks with all my goods, and also a cloth belonging to one of them, and a purse containing six cents. A good many people think that all a missionary has to do is to study the Word and the language. Most of us would like to do this but sometimes such common things as boots interfere and we have to repair them. Clothing, also, will get out of repair. We have located twelve tribes without a single missionary.

Geo. Sanderson,
Wushisha, Nigeria.

"Scarcely a week goes by but what I review and use some portion of the work which I took up during the months I was privileged to attend the School. This past hot season I spent nearly three months at the hills where it was delightfully cool and bracing. During the last three weeks I lived with Mrs. Taylor, who was one of the first graduates of the School. Her husband, also a graduate, is now working in Mhow, Central India. Our work on the whole among the Telegus is progressing and I am quite safe in saying that there have been more conversions this year than in any other. We praise Him and take courage."

Miss Barbara Mould,
Palakonda, Madras Pres.,
India.

Proposed Constitution.

1. NAME.

The name of this organization shall be The Toronto Bible Training School Alumni Association.

2. OBJECT.

The object of this Association shall be to unite the graduates and students (past and present); in conserving their fellowship; and in furthering the interests of the School and that for which it exists.

3.—MEMBERSHIP.

All persons who have at any time been registered as regular students in the Day or Evening Classes shall be eligible for membership.

4. OFFICERS.

(a) **HONORARY**—The members of the School Faculty shall be, ex-officio, Honorary Presidents and shall constitute an Advisory Council.

(b) **EXECUTIVE**—(1) The officers shall be a President, two Vice-Presidents and a Secretary-Treasurer. They shall be graduates of the Day Classes, chosen by the general membership of the Association.

(2) Seven class representatives shall also be chosen as follows:—

One man and one woman chosen from among themselves by graduates and former students of the Day Classes.

One man and one woman chosen from among themselves by graduates and former students of the Evening Classes.

The Chairman and Secretary of the Student's Executive Committee.

One representative chosen from among themselves by students attending the Evening Classes.

These eleven members shall constitute the Executive Committee, five of whom shall be a quorum.

The election of Officers shall be held at the Annual Meeting. Any Officer may be nominated for re-election.

5. MEETINGS.

(a) The Annual Meeting shall be held each Spring during the week of School closing.

(b) Other meetings may be convened at the call of the Executive Committee.

Ten members shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of the Association.

6. BY-LAWS.

Art. 1. Fees:—The annual fee shall be Fifty Cents, the first payment to constitute admission to membership; no member shall remain in good standing who has neglected to remit fee for three consecutive years; a single payment of Five Dollars shall constitute life membership.

7. AMENDMENTS

This Constitution may be altered or amended only at the Annual Meeting by a two-thirds vote of members present.

Announcement.

The Executive Committee has gone to considerable expense in order to make the following articles available at these prices. It is hoped that every student will take advantage of one of the special offers.

POST CARDS.—Splendid view of the School — (printed in sepia-tone.)
Three cards for five cents.

LETTER PAPER.—Something new. One hundred sheets (large size) with special crest—Twenty-five cents.

ENVELOPES.—To match paper with small half-tone cut of School. Seventy-five for Twenty-five cents.

SCHOOL COLORS.—Do you wear them?
Two inches of ribbon for five cents, with explanatory article by Principal McNicol.

GRADUATES' HANDBOOK.—Containing Photo-cut of graduating classes, with names, and addresses (where known). Twenty-five cents. (Ready in December).

A STUDENTS' PUBLIC MEETING.—Was held in the Assembly Hall of the School on Monday, November 28th, at 8 p. m. with the following programme :

Chairman's Address - - - - - REV. ELMORE HARRIS, D. D.

The Students who delivered appropriate and helpful addresses were :

MR. H. W. BOWER	- - - - -	The Work of the School.
MRS. A. A. KIMOFF	- - - - -	"Come Over into Macedonia."
MR. ISAAC ERB	- - - - -	The Preacher's Theme.
MISS H. J. MELVILLE	- - - - -	Our Work in Angola.
MR. O. J. D. SMITH	- - - - -	A Call to the Foreign Field.
MISS RBUY MILL	- - - - -	"The Blessed Hope."

The Music was under the direction of MRS. H. L. STEPHENS.

Notes.

MR. W. E. ATKINSON has taken charge of the Christian Workers' Church in Oshawa.

THE written examinations of the Day and Evening Classes will be held from Monday, Dec. 12th, to Thursday, Dec. 22nd.

MR. A. C. MCCOLLUM, a recent graduate, is at work this winter on a needy mission-field near Sault Ste. Marie.

MR. R. E. JONES has just accepted a call to the pastorate of the Second Baptist Church, Kingston.

THE second term of the present session will begin on Thursday, Jan. 5th, 1911, when it is hoped that all students will be in attendance.

MESSRS. Preston and Jaffray of last session are taking a further course of study in the Presbyterian Theological Seminary of Louisville, Ky.

Rev. F. Bushfield, a student with us seven years ago is now pastor of the Methodist Church, and Editor of the local paper at Cayley, Alberta.

MR. LOUIS GREDYS, a recent graduate has accepted an invitation from Cleveland to labor as a missionary among the 40,000 Jews of that City. It is a very necessitous field.

MR. HENRY HELLYER, a former graduate, who also expects to become a missionary among his own countrymen, has lately obtained his degree in arts from Westminster College, Mo.

Rev. W. G. White, one of our first students, has for a second time taken charge of the Baptist Mission among the Tuscarora Indians on the Grand River, where his labors are very acceptable and much blessed. His address is Ohswekin, P. O., Ont.

MR. JOSEPH MAGNAN, of last session, labored during the summer on a French Mission Field at Chambly, Que., and is now taking a further course of study in the French Presbyterian College, Montreal.

MR. E. G. SORTON, a graduate of 1909, has returned for a time to the land of his birth, and has been invited to become assistant pastor in the Baptist Church at Stirling, Scotland.

MISS M. E. HALPENNY, a graduate of 1908, has gone to Skipton, Sask., as a missionary and deaconess under the Canadian Congregational Woman's Board, and Mrs. Sewell has been appointed to a position in the Presbyterian Hospital at Wakaw, Sask.

MISS NELLIE ELLIOTT, who graduated from the evening class in 1904, has recently become General Secretary of the Young Women's Christian Association in Winnipeg, and with her is associated another former student, Miss Grace Brooking.

MR. FRED HANCOCK, a former student of the evening classes is now General Secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association at Oshawa, where a fine new building has recently been opened.

MISS VIOLETTA SHUTTLEWORTH, formerly a student in the Day Classes, sailed in October for foreign mission service in China under the auspices of the Methodist Women's Board; and Mr. S. Iijima, our Japanese student of the last two years, reached Tokio, Japan, in September, to begin missionary work among his own countrymen. His address is Iwanato, Konda, Tokio, Japan.

Two of our young lady graduates, highly esteemed by their Instructors and fellow students have lately been married: Miss Agnes Linklater of Oak Bank, Man., to Rev. Wm. Rothney, B. D., Richmond, Que., and Miss Mary B. McCormack, of Strathcona, Man., to Mr. Alfred B. Harley of Winnipeg. Mr. and Mrs. Rothney spent their honeymoon in a trip to the Holy Land, and are now in their home at Richmond, Que., where Mr. Rothney is principal of the College. Mr. and Mrs. Harley have their home at 752 Jessie Ave., Winnipeg. All Training School friends unite in heartiest congratulations and best wishes.

We are glad to announce that Rev. R. V. Bingham, Secretary of the Sudan Interior Mission and Editor of the *MISSIONARY WITNESS*, has kindly engaged to give some lectures to our students next term on the "Principles and Methods of Mission Work." His own experience in the foreign field, and his long study of missionary problems, eminently qualify him for this service.

A Timely Tract.

We have received from Rev. Lawrence N. Sirell, one of our early graduates, and now pastor of an important Baptist Church in Elmira, N. Y., a little tract entitled "A Spiritual Revolution." It gives emphasis to the great saying of our Saviour, "Ye must be born again," and is intended to show the unscripturalness of the position maintained by some at the present day, that "conversion is a superfluous work" for certain persons. The author shows very impressively the necessity and nature of regeneration, and its far-reaching effect, in the future as well as in the present. He says:—"Our souls are redeemed by the blood of Jesus Christ from the penalty of sin which is death: our spirits are redeemed as we yield to the control of the Spirit of God, who dwells in us and who is here to lead into all the truth and free us from the power of sin. But our bodies are not yet redeemed. When the regenerative work is complete, our bodies, souls and spirits will be fully redeemed and "He will present us spotless before the face of His Father with exceeding joy."

Receipts for General Fund.

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