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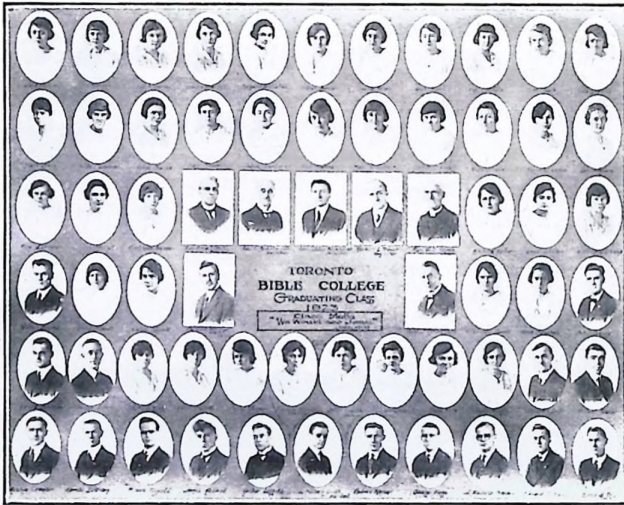
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Report of Principal McNicol

As presented to the Annual Meeting of the Board and Council, April 27th 1923

The twenty-ninth Annual Report of the Bible College is herein presented, with thankful acknowledgment of the goodness of God, who has guided and blessed its work throughout another session.

1. Enrolment of Students

In the regular course of the College 186 students have registered, of whom 79 were men, and 107 were women. Of this total 10 were special students taking only partial work, two of whom were missionaries on furlough. This body of students comprised three groups, graded as follows: 23 in the third year, 68 in the second year, and 95 in the first year.

These young men and women came from many different places; 75 came from Toronto, 89 from other parts of Ontario, 7 from other parts of Canada, 6 from the United States, 3 from Jamaica, 5 from China and 1 from India.

Their denominational classification is as follows: Anglican 9, Baptist 95, Congregational 1, Methodist 13, Presbyterian 27, Mennonite 11, Christian and Missionary Alliance 2, Pentecostal 6, Lutheran 2, Christian Workers 2, Christian Church 2, Church of Christ 1, Evangelical Association 1, undenominational 14.

It will be seen from this list that 13 denominations are represented among these students. It is an interesting fact also to note that three-fourths of the entire student body belong to the four major denominations of the Church in Canada, Anglican, Baptist, Methodist and Presbyterian.

A comparison of the numbers registered in the regular course of the College during the past four years shows a steady rate of increase. The

present enrolment is an increase of 18 over last year, 36 over the preceding year, and 52 over the year before that. This rate of increase is practically the same among both men and women.

Turning to the Evening Classes, we find a total of 357 students enrolled in this department (77 men and 280 women). These young people came from 102 different churches in all parts of the city.

Their denominational classification is as follows: Anglican 30, Baptist 129, Congregational 2, Methodist 42, Presbyterian 81, Mennonite 8, Christian and Missionary Alliance 33, Salvation Army 2, Church of Christ 1, Brethren 6, Pentecostal 3, Christian Workers 1, undenominational 19.

It is interesting to note that among the city churches to which these students belong are 10 Anglican churches, 29 Baptist churches, 21 Methodist churches and 22 Presbyterian churches. These facts show that the Bible College is drawing young people to its Evening Classes not from a few local centres, but from all sections of the Christian Church in Toronto.

A recommendation made in the last Annual Report regarding extension work was acted upon at the beginning of the session, and an Evening Class was established in the western part of the city, in Annette Street Baptist Church. It was conducted by two members of the staff, Dr. Weston and Mr. Hanna, and was continued for nearly six months. At the opening meeting 123 persons were present. This large attendance did not continue, but a very satisfactory average was maintained throughout the season.

This survey of the enrolment and attendance of students in the different departments shows that more than 600 young men and women have been in the classes of the Bible College during the past session.

2. Course of Instruction

The classes held by the College staff with the hours per week allotted to each, were as follows:

The Principal: The Old Testament (Job-Malachi) 4 hours.

Bible Introduction (The Canon, Inspiration and Transmission of the Scriptures) 1 hour.

Rev. W. G. Hanna: The Life and Teaching of Paul. 2 hours; Church History (The Reformation). 2 hours; Religious Pedagogy. 1 hour; New Testament Greek, 2 hours.

Rev. Dr. Weston: Christian Doctrine, 2 hours; The Epistle to the Romans, 1 hour; Psychology, 1 hour.

Rev. T. B. Hyde: The Gospel of John, 1 hour; Personal and Evangelistic Work. 1 hour; Public Reading and Speaking, 1 hour.

Dr. O. C. J. Withrow: Medical subjects (Physiology, Anatomy, and First Aid), 1 hour.

Rev. J. Marion Smith: Gospel Singing, 1 hour.

It may be noted here that the timetable is so arranged that all the regular work of the curriculum is spread over fifteen periods a week, from 9 to 12 each day, and all the students are expected to attend these classes. In addition to this each student is required to take at least one of the special classes held in the afternoons, except in the case of those who are obliged to engage in remunerative employment. In their case the fact that they are doing this is recognized and accepted as part of their training.

The Instruction given in the Evening Classes was as follows:

Tuesday Evening: Two Special Courses of Lectures by the Principal. One on the Beginnings of History (Genesis. Chs. 1-10), and the other on the Endings of History (Book of Revelation); and the Gospel of John by Mr. Hyde.

Thursday Evening: Studies of the Miracles of Christ by the Principal, and Christian Doctrine by Dr. Weston.

The Instruction given in the Extension Classes held in Annette Street Baptist Church was as follows:

Christian Doctrine by Dr. Weston, and the Life of Christ by Mr. Hanna.

3. Student Activities

The practical life and work of the student body, carried on under its own self-government, finds its expression chiefly along the lines of the two main organizations, the Missionary and the Evangelistic Societies.

The Missionary Society is the student body organized to promote the missionary interest in the College. Its president for the session was Mr. Robert Moynan. A summary of its work is as follows:

25 weekly meetings for missionary education and inspiration, with an average attendance of 54 students.

23 weekly meetings for missionary intercession, with an average attendance of 45 students..

10 Mission Study Classes, organized and carried on with a total enrolment of 94 students.

One Special Class of 26 students, conducted by Mr. Troyer, for the study of Missionary Methods.

22 weekly meetings of the Student Volunteer Band, numbering 44 students, under the leadership of Mr. Victor Veary for the study of the foreign missionary, his life and work on the field.

Since the last annual report was presented, eleven recent students have left for the foreign field, and several others are under appointment.

The Evangelistic Society is the student body organized for carrying on practical Gospel work in various forms. Its president was Mr. Milbert Smith. From a summary of its work we gather the following facts:

215 Sunday services were conducted by individual students in different churches.

105 services were conducted by bands of students in various mission halls.

115 factory meetings were conducted by bands of students in four different places.

In all, the students conducted or addressed 514 religious meetings of various kinds, with an aggregate estimated attendance of 31,000 people.

In addition to this, 9 students carried on regular visitation in two of the city hospitals, and 95 students were placed as Sunday School teachers in churches throughout the city.

One feature of the Evangelistic work this session is to be noticed in the fact that there were fewer opportunities than in former years for the students to gain practical experience in the conduct of Sunday Evening Gospel services. This reveals a weakness which is bound to be felt more or less where there is no direct connection between our practical work department and any of the Missions of the city. It can be remedied to some extent by having students pay systematic visits to the best conducted Evangelistic missions for the purpose of observing the methods of the most successful workers, and by having students share as individuals in the work of these Missions.

In the place of these Sunday Evening Gospel meetings, another kind of service was developed during the session. Under the leadership of the Registrar, Mr. Troyer, groups of students took part in the Sunday evening services of a number of churches, both leading the singing, and giving three or four short addresses on each

occasion. Sixteen services of this kind were conducted in as many different churches. While these services do not take the place of the practical training of the students, they afford an opportunity of presenting to Christian congregations something of the spirit and nature of the Bible College work. The aggregate number of people before whom the work of the College was presented in this way during the session was something over 6,000.

4. Graduating Class

As the result of the session's work, fifty-seven students (17 men and 40 women) have successfully completed the two years' work prescribed for the College Diploma. Seventeen graduate students (9 men and 8 women) have completed the third year of the course in that department, and are of course, and are entitled to post-graduate standing. Fifteen students of the evening classes have completed the three years course in that department and are entitled to the College Certificate.

This makes a total of 89 young men and women who are to be presented for Diplomas and Certificates this evening. This is an increase of 24 over last year, and of 49 over the previous year.

5. Recommendations

The Annual Reports for the past four years have been calling attention to the need for some kind of expansion. We have not been aiming at large development, believing that the best quality of work can only be done under conditions which allow continual personal touch with the individual student. But the increasing number of young people who are looking to the Bible College to help them in preparing for their life work presents a challenge which we dare not refuse. In seeking to discover the way in which the Lord would have us meet this need, we have asked for,

and have been counting on, the prayers of our friends. For their continued interest and co-operation, we are deeply grateful. In the light of the facts presented in this report, and in view of the stage in its development which the College has now reached, we believe that an advance step should no longer be delayed, and with the unanimous approval of the faculty we make the following two recommendations:

1. That the time required for receiving the College Diploma be now extended to three years. This suggestion was made before, but it was felt that the time was not ripe for putting it into effect. The College curriculum was arranged some time ago to cover three years' work, but the Diploma is still given for two years' work. An increasing number of students come back for the third year. A large majority of the present class have already indicated their intention of returning for the third year. Three years are really required to do justice to the course which the College provides. We believe that after the next session, when the students of the present first year will have graduated, the Diploma should be given only on the completion of the full three years' course of study. This step would be in the interest alike of the College and of the students. It would really be giving official recognition to what is already an accomplished fact.

2. That another instructor be added to the College staff as soon as it is possible to do so. This step has become necessary in order to maintain the efficiency of our work in the face of the steadily increasing numbers of students who are coming to the Bible College. Until recently we felt that such a step could not be taken until we had a larger building, for there is not sufficient room within our present building for holding separate classes

of any size. But it is no longer necessary to wait for a new College building before making this advance. The neighboring congregation of Zion Chapel very kindly offer us the unlimited use of their building. This is well suited for several years to come. With the help of another instructor we could separate our student body into two proper divisions and carry on simultaneous classes continuously in our own building and in Zion Chapel.

The advance step suggested in these recommendations is especially desirable in view of two perils which just now confront the whole Bible School movement. There is the peril of superficial teaching and of training students in the mass. When classes become so large that personal contact between student and instructor cannot be maintained, the efficiency of the work is inevitably impaired. We have already reached this point. Our present first year class alone is larger than the whole student body was four years ago. Under our present limitations each incoming class of new students is plunged at once into the same work which others are doing who have already spent one or even two years in the College. It would be a great advantage and mark a very real advance if the students of each incoming year could be separated for most of their instruction into a class by themselves. Our curriculum is already sufficiently comprehensive. This would make it truly progressive and would enable us to increase the efficiency for the mental and spiritual development of the individual student.

There is also the peril of encouraging a shallow and one-sided type of Christianity. In emphasizing, as we rightly do, the great fundamental verities of our faith in opposition to the Modernism which has invaded and weakened so large a part of present day Christianity, there is danger of

going to the opposite extreme and ignoring the grand harmony and balance of Divine truth. To this peril Bible Institutes and their students are peculiarly exposed. Intensive training in methods of work has its place and need not be neglected; certain doctrines may at times require attention. But these things are of secondary importance and should be subordinated to the one central and supreme aim. What is needed most of all to-day is that the earnest and devoted young people who are coming to us in such large numbers should be brought under the continuous personal influence and instruction of a staff of teachers who are equipped with a sound and genuine Biblical scholarship and a wide and mature Christian experience. We believe the Toronto Bible College should follow its own lead in this matter, and continue to build up a strong teaching centre. In this way it will be in the best position to co-operate with other training

centres whose special purpose is the immediate preparation of candidates for particular forms of Christian work at home or for particular mission fields abroad. It is along these lines of development we believe the Bible College can best meet the challenge of the young people whom the Lord is calling out and turning towards its classes. Then will it be able to receive them in even greater numbers, and give to them while they are with us that thorough and comprehensive knowledge of the Divine Word, and that deep and commanding apprehension of Divine Redemption which will equip them to fill their several places in the plan of God and to do His work in the world turning neither to the right hand or to the left. It is by keeping this one object always before it that the Bible College can make its greatest contribution to the end we all have in view, the coming of the Kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

The Thirtieth Session

The next session will commence on Tuesday, September 18th, 1923.

For complete calendar giving details of Regular Course and the in-

struction to be given next session, together with application form, apply to the Registrar. A special leaflet regarding the Evening Classes is being prepared.

An Experience.

Robert Moynan, '23, writes from Port McNicoll, Ontario, where he is representing the Sailors' Mission of the Upper Canada Bible Society: "I thought you might like to hear from me regarding my work up here, and how I am getting along, so I will tell you a little, just a little, for although I have been here only twelve days, I could fill a volume. You would say at this juncture, "Yes, but what with?" But, really, I have already had experiences that were intensely interesting, and of inestimable value, as far as training for future work

is concerned. My work so far has been confined to Port McNicoll. It is a town with about 600 of a population, and employment is generally found in the freight sheds, vessels, and grain elevator. Up to the present I have been doing personal work among the sailors on the vessels and the freight handlers on the docks. I have made twenty-three visits to as many vessels; have dealt with 59 men definitely regarding eternal things, and nine, mostly young men, have accepted Christ clearly and definitely as their Saviour.

A Quiet Resting Place

An address delivered by Mr. Victor Veary at the Graduating Exercises, April 27th, 1923.

Last summer it was my lot each Sunday to travel over six miles of country road to get to afternoon service. The journey was hilly and dusty, and in the heat of the day the tendency was to become footsore and weary. But ere the end was reached, the road descended into a gully, at the bottom of which one could turn aside into a little cove where there was bountiful refreshing.

A little stream came gushing through on its way to Lake Erie, and its cool waters could be applied within and without with delightful results. As a contrast to the burning reflection of the road, the trees cast a welcome shadow, and the grass was fresh and green, and unsullied by the dust of the road. It was a natural beauty-spot; but more than that, it provided an ideal retreat for meditation and prayer, two things without which I could not have lived. Often, out of the holy quietness of the place, for it was such a sanctuary to me, I could hear the echo of the song of the Psalmist: "He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; He leadeth me beside the still waters; He restreth my soul." (Psalm 23:2-3.)

That is what the Lord did for me there; that is what He has done for me here. Just what that little retreat meant for me then, in the course of a few months, so the Toronto Bible College has been to me in the years that I have spent there, a quiet resting place.

Not the rest of indolence, for there is an abundance of work there. Where there is little or no occupation, especially for the mind, is not a resting place, but a place of restlessness. Satan finds work for idle hands and minds to do, you know. Scripture tells us he is a restless creature.

Nor the rest of convalescence, although the suffering and sorrowing ones will find comfort. Yes, I have met one or two who came in from a world that had blasted their hopes and joys. They walked with us for a while, and then were no more. They slipped quietly back to face the world, encouraged by the messages of Divine grace, love and purpose, and strengthened to go on by the closer fellowship with the Lord, which lifted them above depression.

But the rest of confidence, in the fact that God's redemptive purpose was clinched on Calvary in Jesus Christ, and we are now moving towards the great consummation, the coming of the Lord in glory. God is reconciling the world unto Himself, and when the work is completed, the whole creation will have been purged of that destructive principle, sin. Men will no longer live in back alleys and agonize in toil through limitation and restriction. Oppression and depression will be lifted once for all, and man will be enabled to give complete expression of his life towards God. The picture of the multitude of saints who "Serve Him day and night in His temple," given to us in Revelation, will be realized. We will have a universe to revel in, with God our sustainer, teacher and guide.

A rest of confidence in such things energizes the efforts of those who would serve Him in the hardest places now, even as the rest in the little cove quickened my steps to climb the other side of the gully to the work beyond. Three-fold were the influences which led me to that rest:

His dealing with myself primarily. If it were possible or expedient for me to unravel something of the trend of my thoughts and acts in years past, you would clearly see that

my experience was of one drawn from the lowest by the magnetism of Jesus, the Living Son of God, and by the impress of His divine life, made earnest for the highest that life held, namely, eternal fellowship with, and service for God.

There was a time when I had brooded upon the apparent inconsistencies of living. It seemed very unfair to me, from my materialistic point of view, that some should have all the sweetmeats, while others should have to swallow the bitter herbs. That some should have the fruit of life, while others be compelled to stand beneath the bare and ugly branches.

But one day a quiet young man, whose life had been deeply touched with eternal realities, led me to a knowledge and acceptance of Jesus Christ, as my Saviour. Then the glorious truth of life was stirred within my soul as the Holy Spirit began His enlightening work. As it is written in 2 Cor. 4:18, the things that are temporal and seen will pass away, but the things which are not seen are eternal. The question was, of course, how did I know the things were real, if I could not see them. And the answer is, they made themselves felt in a tremendous way, revolutionizing my life as I considered the convincing truths of the Word of God.

The light did not come in a sudden shaft, but after my contact with the Living Lord, for that is what He is to all who know Him; it came like the approaching of dawn, slowly dispelling the darkness.

As I sought to know more of Him, He revealed Himself the more. He always does, but one must seek and look to Him. With the increased revelation came the burning desire to tell others of the beautiful wonder of it, and of the saving power of Jesus Christ. Then He led me out from my old place in life to the new place where there was provided:

Fellowship with young men and women whom He had been dealing with also, and who were in quest of the same truths that I had been seeking. That was the second great influence in clarifying the light and dispelling the doubts from my mind, and that is where the Toronto Bible College comes in.

It is a strange fact that, when a young man is reaching out for the real truth of life and the highest in life, the world considers him eccentric, and for some time I thought that perhaps I had been deluded. But when I came and saw hundreds of young men and women travelling along the same road with their eyes on the same objective, and prayed with them, talked with them, studied with them, and learned they were human, I no longer thought I was suffering an illusion. Anyway, if this were a mad escapade, as some would have it, I had a great host of company. But I found it was no such thing, through:

Instruction by men of many years' experience in, and study of, such truths as I had been seeking. That was the third influence which led me to the rest of confidence, and after all, that was the greatest factor in clarifying the light. Nothing can be more convincing than to come in touch with men who are in vital touch with God, having been led through many and varied experiences by Him, and to study with them as they unfold the Word in several ways; and not only to study with them, but to study their persons. Most people like reading books with pictures in them. I do. They help one to visualize the story. Even so, the lives and outline teaching of divine truth by our instructors, has been like the putting of pictures in the Bible.

Thus we have been compelled to take a new outlook upon a world saturated with sin, and look with renewed hope towards heaven, whence came

Jesus to live and die that the sin of the world might be atoned for, and from where He is coming again as the glorified Lord, to reap the harvest of the seed of His first appearing as God incarnate, which seed was His blood. We worship not a dead Saviour but the Living Christ, who is working and praying for and with us now, and who is coming again to solve and

settle the perplexities of a troubled humanity.

I praise Him for a purified vision, before which those things that were once vague and mythical now appear as glorious, living verities; and I thank those who, by conforming to His will, became channels of blessing, reaching out and edifying and transforming such as I was.

Graduating Class Conference

The members of this year's graduating class, together with the post-graduates, gathered in the Assembly Hall on Thursday morning, April 26th. Following the devotional period, conducted by Principal McNicol, several members gave expression to the value of the third year, and a number of others told why they were planning to return for a third year. The value of the voluntary activities, including the morning prayer meetings, Mission Study Classes, social

meetings, Missionary meetings, and the special classes in Gospel Singing, Public Speaking, Pedagogy, Medical Subjects, etc., were presented by a number of the students. During the last period, Mr. Milbert Smith led the discussion on "How the Members of our Class can best help the College," after which the conference adjourned to partake of the very dainty luncheon prepared by the Ladies' Auxiliary under the direction of Mrs. McNicol.

The Alumni Conference

The Annual Alumni Conference convened at 2.30 o'clock on Thursday afternoon, April 26th, under the presidency of Rev. Dixon A. Burns, '16. Following devotional exercises, led by Mr. George Blackett, '15, pastor of the Congregational Church at Woodbridge, Miss Margaret Baird, '14, Supervisor of Children's Work in the First Baptist Church, Kansas City, Missouri, gave an interesting talk on the work of her department. Rev. Percival B. Loney, '07, Pastor of the Swansea Baptist Church, Toronto, conducted a most helpful discussion on the value of personal evangelism. Mr. J. Frank Holiday, '22, pastor of Kincardine Baptist Church, told of "Some Problems of a Student Pastorate," and

indicated how he had been able to solve some of these. Rev. J. Marion Smith, Lecturer in Gospel Singing, then addressed the Conference on "The Place and Value of Music in Worship." Mr. Blackett, Miss Luella Trombley, '22, and Charles J. Clark, '23, were appointed a nominating committee to recommend names of officers for the coming year. Mr. Herbert L. Troyer, '06, the Secretary of the Association, and Registrar of the College, presented some interesting facts regarding the Alumni indicating that 506 students (309 women, 197 men) have received diplomas. A number of letters from absent members were read by the chairman, after which the conference adjourned for supper.

Annual Meeting of the Students Association

The Fourteenth Annual Meeting of the Students' Association was held in the Assembly Hall of the College on the evening of Thursday, April 26th, 1923. Principal McNicol presided, and welcomed the 250 students present.

Following the singing of "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name," led by Rev. J. Marion Smith, and with Miss Margaret Ritchie Bell at the piano, Rev. Dr. Hooper, one of the Vice-Presidents of the College, led in prayer. The Secretary read the minutes of the last Annual Meeting, which, on motion, were accepted and approved. The fifty-seven members of this year's graduating class were welcomed into the fellowship of the Alumni Association by the President, Rev. Dixon A. Burns. In responding to this welcome, Mr. Milbert Smith, President of the Class, assured the friends that every member could be depended upon loyally to uphold the highest ideals of the College and the Association, and as a tangible expression of their affection, he presented to the College on behalf of the Class a beautiful pianette in a walnut case. While the class were assembled at the platform, they rendered an uplifting exposition of their class hymn. Rev.

W. E. Atkinson then offered the dedicatory prayer, which was followed by an address by the retiring President, Rev. Dixon A. Burns.

The nominating committee convened by Mr. George Blackett, of Woodbridge, presented their report, and the following were elected as the Executive of the Students' Association for the year ending April 30th, 1924:

Officers.—President, Rev. W. E. Atkinson, '10; First Vice-President, Rev. Percival B. Loney, '07; Second Vice-President, Miss Helen M. Telford, '23; Secretary-Treasurer, Herbert L. Troyer, '06.

Councillors. — Representing Diploma Graduates: Miss Esther Jarvis, '23; Mr. George Page, '23. Representing Evening Class Students: Miss Ethel Gardner, '23; Mr. Harold T. Smith, '24.

(And ex-officio, the Executive of the Students Council: Mr. Waldemar C. Berg, '24; Miss Florence Walker, '23; Miss Florence Luton, '24; Miss Daisy Kingdon, '23; Mr. William McLean, '24; Mr. Victor Veary, '23; Mr. Charles Clark, '23.)

The leaders in the various departments of the student activities there reported on the work of the past session, a summary of which will be found in the Principal's report.

Students Vacation Committee

In order to carry on some of the student activities during the summer months, a Vacation Committee has been organized with Victor E. Veary, '23, as chairman, and Esther Jarvis, '23, Secretary.

A meeting for prayer will be held in the College each Tuesday evening from 7.45 to 9 o'clock, to which all present and former students and their friends are invited.

The Closing of the Session

The last three days of the session were full of happy experiences and brought to a fitting culmination one of the most successful years the College has had. The last examination having been held on Wednesday morning, the afternoon was given up to an outing and picnic in High Park. It was a beautiful spring day, and more than one hundred students were present, taking part in the various games and gathering round the long supper table spread out upon the grass. Thursday was occupied with the conference of the graduating class and the meetings of the Alumni and Students' Association, an account of which is given in another column.

The crowning meeting came on Friday evening when the graduating exercises were held in Knox Church. The beautiful auditorium which seats 1200 people was crowded to overflowing. Rev. Dr. E. Hooper, the Vice-President of the Board, acted as Chairman, in the absence of Dr. Mackay. Rev. W. J. H. Brown, of Annette Street Baptist Church, where the extension class has been held, read the Scriptures and led in prayer. The members of the graduating class, fifty-seven in number, occupied the choir seats banked up behind the platform. The anthem they sang under the leadership of Miss Margaret Ritchie Bell, one of their own number, and the piece rendered unaccompanied by the male quartette, Messrs. Ernest Smith, Wm. McLean, W. C. Berg, and George Brown, gave a sense of power and grace to the whole programme. Three members of the graduating class gave short, appropriate addresses, all of which were delivered with manifest earnestness. Miss Mary Goforth, a daughter of

Dr. Jonathan Goforth, of China, spoke on "The Power of Prayer"; Mr. Victor E. Veary, on "the College as a Quiet Resting Place"; Miss Florence M. Walker, on the theme "Complete in Christ". The valedictory address was delivered by Mr. Joseph McDermott, who represented the post-graduate class, and chose for his subject "Investments", basing it on the words of our Lord in John 12:24.

The presentation of diplomas and certificates to 89 young people who were called up one by one, was a visible evidence of the large classes of students attending the College. Fifty-seven of these were graduates of the College; seventeen were post-graduates; and fifteen received certificates from the Evening Classes. As all these students stood, the graduates behind the platform in the choir space, and the others grouped around the front of the platform, Rev. Mr. Inkster, minister of Knox Church, invoked God's blessing upon them in a prayer of dedication, and then their fellow-students in the transept sang the College benediction.

The whole programme was carried through by the work of the students themselves. No outside speaker had been invited to take part. Yet the meeting was one of the most impressive which has ever been held in connection with the College. The sustained interest which the large congregation manifested throughout the evening, was a striking tribute to the growing influence which the students of the Bible College are exerting and to the fact that the Bible still holds its place in the affection of Christian people as the living Word of the Living God.

Graduates

Students who completed the work of two years' in the Regular Course and received the College Diploma in April, 1923:

Myrtle Irene Atkinson	Toronto
Mary Olive Atkinson	Toronto
Violet Barnes	Hamilton, Ontario
Dorothy Wade Bell	Toronto
Margaret Ritchie Bell	Montreal, Quebec
Lillian Benner	Brampton, Ontario
Walter Benjamin Bissell	Mount Dennis, Ontario
Mary Lucile Brown	Covington, Kentucky
Harold Edward Buchner	Hespeler, Ontario
Annis Carr	Toronto
John Charles Clark	Simcoe, Ontario
Ruth Naomi Clark	Old Forge, New York
May Clifford	Bronte, Ontario
James Archibald Crewson	Grand Valley, Ontario
Lydia Louise Dankert	Kitchen, Ontario
Sophie Rose Davis	London, Ontario
Harold Dodham	Toronto
Hilda Duckworth	Toronto
Lillian Fournie	Sombra, Ontario
Mary Shaw Fraser	Toronto
Selena N. Gamber, R.N.	Lancaster, Pennsylvania
Ethel Marion Gardner	Toronto
Mary Kathleen Goforth	Honan, China
Frank Cole Guyatt	Freeman, Ontario
James King Holland	Toronto
Esther Louise Jarvis	Toronto
Daisy Muriel Kingdon	Jamaica, B.W.I.
Molly Kreick	Denzil, Saskatchewan
Marjorie Irene Laskey	London, Ontario
Berniece Law	Toronto
May Lawrence	Toronto
Arthur Leggett	Glanford Station, Ontario
Ina Mae McCall	Simcoe, Ontario
Gertrude Mary McVeen	Toronto
Bernice Miller	West Lorne, Ontario
Hazel Miller	Hagersville, Ontario
Robert Moynan	Toronto
Edith Gertrude Muirhead	Jamaica, B.W.I.
George Ernest Page	Toronto
John Roberts Peachey	Brantford, Ontario
Edward Albert Pinkerton	Toronto
Violet Marion Powell	Toronto
Mabel Gertrude Rowell	Innerkip, Ontario
Elizabeth Jane Sleeth	Battersea, Ontario
Ernest Edward Smith	Courtland, Ontario
Lewis Milbert Smith	St. Catharines, Ontario
Edward Charles South	Niagara Falls, Ontario

Hazel Zelpha Steele, A.T.C.M.	Toronto
William Hebdidge Stacey	North Bay, Ontario
Rose Stephen	Newtonbrook, Ontario
Helen Munro Telford	Toronto
Violet Thamer	Kitchener, Ontario
Clara Umbach	Kitchener, Ontario
Victor Edward Veary	Toronto
Florence Mary Walker	Simcoe, Ontario
Elsie May Wood	Toronto
Viola Emily Wright	Ufferd, Ontario

Post-Graduates

Students who completed a third year of further study and were given Post-Graduate standing in April, 1923:

Kathleen Brown	Hamilton, Ontario
Gerald Lawrence Colton	Toronto
Cecil King Dolby	Streetsville, Ontario
Henry Austin Edwards	Kenilworth, Ontario
Louise Kirby	Toronto
George Henry Ling	Toronto
Joseph McDermott	Toronto
David McDonald	Chesley, Ontario
Katherine McGill	Forester's Falls, Ontario
Freda Mae Meyer	Markham, Ontario
Wilson Sayre Morris	Newtonbrook, Ontario
May Alberta Niles	Hamilton, Ontario
Walter R. T. Romain	Toronto
Thomas Elmer Smith	Toronto
May Smith	Toronto
Emily Schanzenbaugh	Cleveland, Ohio
Nora Weber	Waterloo, Ontario

Certificates

Students who completed three years' work in the Evening Classes and received Certificates in April, 1923:

Vera Beronia Allen	Toronto
Ilda G. Bauman	Toronto
Mary Byers	Toronto
Hilda Eggert	Toronto
Charles T. Hargrave	Toronto
Clara Haug	Toronto
Laura Haug	Toronto
George Emerson Huestis	Toronto
William Dunn Hunkin	Toronto
Aubrey de Vere Hunt	Toronto
Catherine Kelly	Toronto
Percy Garfield Lehman	Toronto
Gordon Hedderley Smith	Toronto
Eveline Thomas	Toronto
Mary Willison	Toronto

Receipts Between February 15th and April 30th, 1923

No.	Amount	No.	Amount	No.	Amount	No.	Amount
929	\$ 10.00	959	2.00	989	7.00	1018	2.00
930	50.00	960	5.00	990	5.00	1019	1.00
931	20.00	961	20.00	991	5.00	1020	208.33
932	17.25	962	5.00	992	20.00	1021	2.00
933	34.50	963	3.00	993	50.00	1022	25.00
934	100.00	964	2.50	994	5.00	1023	100.00
935	100.00	965	10.00	995	5.00	1024	5.00
936	25.00	966	5.00	996	25.00	1025	10.00
937	208.33	967	500.00	997	100.00	1026	10.00
938	5.00	968	50.00	988	15.00	1027	25.00
939	25.00	969	5.00	999	10.00	1028	15.00
940	25.00	970	208.33	1000	105.00	1029	10.00
941	20.00	971	1.00	1001	173.25	1030	75.00
942	15.00	972	10.00	1002	5.00	1031	10.00
943	100.00	973	8.00	1003	3.00	1032	10.00
944	5.00	974	10.00	1004	100.00	1034	10.00
945	100.00	975	10.00	1005	5.00	1035	2.00
946	50.00	976	5.00	1006	25.00	1036	5.00
947	25.00	977	15.00	1007	5.00	1037	10.00
948	25.00	978	5.00	1008	10.00	1038	5.00
949	10.00	979	5.00	1009	10.00	1040	5.00
950	5.00	980	5.00	1010	5.00	1041	5.00
951	10.00	981	1.00	1011	5.00	1042	8.00
952	5.00	982	10.00	1012	5.00	1043	25.00
953	4.00	983	10.00	1013	5.00	1044	26.00
954	5.00	984	5.00	1014	20.00	1045	25.00
955	12.00	985	5.00	1015	25.00	1016	25.00
956	10.00	986	50.45	1016	10.00		
957	2.00	987	5.00	1017	5.00		
958	6.00	988	150.00				\$3581.95

Statement of Receipts and Payments for Year Ending April 30th 1923

Receipts		Payments	
Contributions	\$10,105.94	Bank overdraft, May 1, 1922.....	\$ 332.29
Fees	1,885.00	Salaries	12,175.00
Maintenance of hall	308.00	Printing and advertising	1,091.24
Parsons' Memorial Lectureship..	2,500.00	Stationery and supplies	221.50
Interest on Investments	1,787.25	Postage	148.52
		Gas	37.10
	\$16,586.19	Electric Light	196.23
		Water	48.12
		Coal	862.50
		Telephone	93.17
		Ground Rent	280.00
		Insurance	190.00
		Sundries	296.74
		Library Fund	50.00
		Repairs and Renewals	496.08
			\$ 16,518.49
		Balance on hand	67.70
			\$ 16,586.19

In addition to the above, the sum of \$3,701.66 was received in the form of bequests and special gifts, and placed in capital account.

Audited and found correct
NEFF, ROBERTSON & CO.,
Chartered Accountants.
May 22nd, 1923.

JOS. N. SHENSTONE,
Treasurer.

Personals

Rev. W. J. Hanna, '99, is en route to China to commence his third term of service under the China Inland Mission. He will visit his three boys in the C. I. M. School at Chefoo, spending the summer with them, then going to Yunnan, travelling by steamer to Shanghai, and Haiphong, taking the train at the latter port for Yunnanfu. After this he will have a ten days' journey by cart or chair over the mountains to Talifu.

Berniece Law, '23, is now associated with Miss Cook as Bible Woman at the Hayter Street Mission, Toronto.

Mary S. Fraser, '23, has been appointed to China by the Ebenezer Mission, and expects to sail early in September.

Ruth Murphy has been accepted by the China Inland Mission, and expects to sail in September.

John Roberts Peachey, '23, is writing matriculation for entrance to the Medical College.

Miss Sara Windel, '03, after twelve years' service under the Presbyterian Women's Missionary Society, has withdrawn from the work in Vegreville, Alberta. Many messages came to her from former pupils telling of impressions that would never be forgotten.

James Ellis, '96, was one of the many sufferers through the recent fire in Northern Ontario, losing all his personal property. He has been spending much time since then helping fellow-sufferers in rebuilding. His present address is Charlton, Ontario.

Ivan Groh, for some time a student in T.B.C., received the Bachelor of Arts degree from McMaster University, on May 15th, 1923.

The Missionary Messenger for May reports that "the evangelistic work carried on in Ethelbert, Sifton, and Pine River, Man., by Miss Queenie Walker, (T.B.C. '20) is of inestimable value. She conducted 38 Sabbath services, 37 Sabbath Schools, and held 94 mid-week classes. In addition, she made 167 calls, gave lectures with lantern views, organized young people's social evenings, assisted the W.M.S. Auxiliaries and Mission Bands, managed 9 Christmas tree services, and covered a distance of 926 miles. As there is no church building at Pine River, the services are held in the little hospital building, in the country schools, or in some of the farm houses. In the whole community there are only ten Protestant families.

Marriages

At Kenilworth, on May 9th, 1923, Ina Mae McCall, '23, to Austin Edwards '22. Mr. and Mrs. Edwards will spend the summer in Tiverton, Ontario, where Mr. Edwards is student Pastor of the Baptist Church.

In Toronto, on April 28th, 1923, Gertrude Mary McVeen, '23, to Thomas Elmer Smith, '22. Mr. Smith has been appointed to the Baptist pastorate in Rock Haven, Sask.

Births

To Dr. Isaac H. Erb, '11, and Mrs. Erb, Toronto, on May 16th, 1923, a daughter.

To Rev. John J. Roberts, '17, and Mrs. Roberts (Joyce Windsor '21), Chicago, on April 7th, 1923, a daughter.

Personals

Rev. Dorwin J. Storms, '09, has resigned the pastorate of the Congregational Church in Marshville, Ont.

Rev. Wm. W. White, '13, has moved from Westford to Enosburg Falls, Vermont.

Annie Greenfield, '22, has moved from Owen Sound to R.R. No. 3, Shedden, Ont.

Kathleen Brown, '22, and Post-Graduate '23, is training as a nurse in the Bethesda Hospital, St. Louis, Mo.

Rev. James Currie, '98, has resigned the Baptist pastorate at Athens, Ontario, and will live in Toronto.

Mrs. (Rev.) J. F. Sutcliffe, (Bertha Mossop '01,) is now living at Byron, Ontario.

Rev. R. J. Garrett, '98, for some time Superintendent of the Sailors' Institute, Port Arthur, Ontario, is now pastor of the Baptist Church in Medicine Hat, Alberta.

Vera Hallman, '18, is now at 341 Worthington Street, Youngstown, Ohio.

Mrs. A. B. Pike (Delma Hughes '17) is now living at 66 Fourth Street, East Toronto.

Rev. W. F. Roadhouse, '00, after nearly ten years as Pastor of Boon Avenue Baptist Church, Toronto, has resigned. He will edit the North American "Heart of Africa" Missionary Magazine, and will lecture at the summer session of the Nyack Missionary Institute.

Dayman Walter, '24, writes from Greves, Montana, announcing his appointment as teacher in a school attended by Germans, Russians and Ukrainians.

Edith M. Warner, R.N., '18 is nursing in the City Hospital, 1803 Valentine Avenue, S.W., Cleveland, Ohio.

Ernest Smith, '23, is acting as superintendent of the Seaman's Institute, 13 St. James Street, Quebec.

Kenneth Prior, '20, is now student pastor at Vegreville, Alberta.

Edward Pinkerton, '23, is serving the Upper Canada Bible Society as special representative in Ontario.

Mrs. George A. Bell, Rose Stephen, Emily Schanzenbaugh, May Clifford, and Mary K. Goforth, all of this year's graduating class, are taking a short course at the Nursing-at-Home Mission, 76 Hayter Street, Toronto.

Summer Appointments

The following students have received appointments to summer fields under the Baptist Home Mission Boards:

James Holland, '23, to Avoca and Rivington, Que.

Joseph McDermott, '22, to Lachute, Que.

Gladstone Franklin, '22, to Dorion, Ontario.

Mildred Smith, '23, to High River, Alberta.

Elmer Smith, '22, to Rock Haven, Sask.

Wesley Bee, to Slate River, Ont.

George Medley, '24, to Niagara Falls, Ontario.

Austin Edwards, '22, to Tiverton,

Robert Moynan, '23, is at Port McNicol, Ontario, in the interests of the Sailors' Mission of the Upper Canada Tract Society.

The Presbyterian Home Mission Board has made the following appointments to summer fields in Saskatchewan:

George E. Page, '23, to Fletwode.

Harold T. Smith, '24, to Mantario.

Arthur Leggett, '23, to Golden Prairie.

Joseph Koffend, '24, to Maple Creek.

Charles Clark, '24, to Ladstock.

William McLean, '24, to LeRoy.

David McDonald, '21, to Coriander.

Cyril Martin, '21, to Odessa.