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The Graduation

The Graduating Exercises on the evening of Friday, April 24th, brought together a large and interested gathering of friends, which completely taxed the capacity of Knox Church. The Principal presided in the absence of Dr. R. P. Mackay, the Chairman of the Board, who was attending another gathering called in honor of his birthday which happened to fall on that day. The plan which had been followed for the past three years was carried out again, and the entire programme was occupied by the students themselves; no outside speaker had been invited. Three addresses were given by members of the graduating classes. Miss Edith Gibb, who had undergone a surgical operation only four weeks before, spoke on the text, "The joy of the Lord is your strength", and was a personal illustration of her own theme. Mrs. L. S. Weber chose for her subject "Redeeming love", and gave a comprehensive view of divine love at work throughout the whole scheme of redemption. The valedictory address was delivered by Mr. William McLean, who told of what

the Lord Jesus Christ had come to mean in his life and in the lives of other students through their attending the Bible College.

The musical part of the programme consisted of two anthems sung by the student choir, "Rejoice, the Lord is King," and "O Jesu, Thou art standing," and a hymn by the male quartette, Messrs. Snyder, Baggett, France and Forth. The choir was conducted by Rev. J. Marion Smith, and accompanied by Miss Amy Marwood. Their work was a fine illustration of the training which the College seeks to give in the interpretation of Christian hymns and religious music.

Rev. W. F. Roadhouse, one of the early graduates of the College, led in the devotional exercises at the beginning of the programme; and Rev. A. B. Winchester offered the prayer of dedication after the graduating students had been presented with their diplomas and certificates. The whole meeting was an impressive and worthy illustration of the spirit and character and work of the Bible College.

The Next Session.

The thirty-second session of the College will begin on Tuesday, September 15th, 1925. Intending students who wish to enter the regular course should make application as early as possible. Send for Calendar and Application Form to the Principal, 110 College Street, Toronto.

Report of Principal McNicol

The following report contains a summary of the work accomplished during the thirty-first session of the Bible College.

1. Enrolment and Attendance

In the Regular Course there have been registered a total of 141 students, distributed among the three years as follows: 73 in the first year, 43 in the second year and 25 in the third year. Of these 55 are men and 86 are women.

The geographical distribution of the homes from which these students come is as follows: 45 from Toronto, less than one-third of the entire number, 70 from other parts of Ontario, 5 from Quebec, 1 from New Brunswick, 2 from Saskatchewan, 1 from British Columbia, 3 from the United States, 2 from Jamaica, 3 from England, 1 from Hungary, 1 from Poland, and 7 are missionaries or members of missionary families from the following fields: 3 from China, 1 from Japan, 1 from Korea, 1 from India and 1 from Africa.

The denominational classification of these students is as follows: Anglican 4, Baptist 85, Methodist 10, Presbyterian 17, Mennonite 5, Congregational 1, Reformed Episcopal 1, Brethren 3, Christian Workers 3, Pentecostal 3, Evangelical Association 2, Church of Christ 1, Undenominational or Interdenominational 6. In all 13 different branches of the Christian Church are represented in this body of students.

In the Evening Classes the enrolment was 51 men and 189 women, a total of 240. Of these 121, or just about one half, were new students who had never attended any former session. These young people came from 105 different churches throughout the city including 17 Anglican churches, 33 Baptist churches, 2 Congregational churches, 15 Methodist

churches, 21 Presbyterian churches, and 17 churches and missions of other Christian bodies.

The denominational classification of these evening students is as follows: 24 Anglicans, 98 Baptists, 2 Congregationalists, 37 Methodists, 50 Presbyterians, 4 Mennonites and 25 representing other Christian bodies.

A comparison of this registration of students with that of the previous five years discloses several interesting and significant facts:

1. The action taken two years ago in lengthening the regular course for the College diploma has evidently checked the growth in the attendance of students. From the close of the war up to that time there had been a steady increase from year to year. The session which closed in April 1923 had 186 registered students in the regular course. The total for the next session fell off 20, and this session it has fallen off 25. The present numbers, however, we find are quite large enough for maintaining that personal contact with the individual student which is necessary for the most effective work.

2. The Evening Classes of the College continue to provide an undiminished attraction for the Christian young people of Toronto. Every session for the past six years some two or three hundred young men and women from over 100 churches in all parts of the city have been drawn to these classes for the systematic study of the word of God. The interest manifested by these young people is found to be fairly well represented throughout all the churches. It is interesting to note that the proportion of evening students coming from the various denominations is practically the same from year to year. It may be set forth as follows: Anglicans from 8 to 10 per cent., Methodists

from 12 to 16 per cent., Presbyterians from 20 to 25 per cent., Baptists from 35 to 40 per cent., all others from 20 to 25 per cent. It is no small contribution which these Evening Classes are making from year to year to the life and work of the various churches in Toronto.

3. When we turn to the Day Classes we find that the proportion of students coming from the various denominations does not show the same regularity. In the case of three of them there is a marked and growing disproportion. In 1920, 40 per cent of the total number of registered students came from Baptist churches throughout the country and only 23 per cent came from Methodist and Presbyterian churches combined. During the five years that have passed since that time, the number coming from Baptist churches has increased to 60 per cent, while the proportion coming from Methodist and Presbyterian churches combined has decreased to 19 per cent. The inference to be drawn from these facts is not that Methodist and Presbyterian young people are less interested in the Bible than Baptist young people, but that an increasing number of Baptist pastors are interested in the Bible College and are aware of its value, while it is not so well known among Methodist and Presbyterian churches. We believe there are large numbers of earnest young people in the Methodist and Presbyterian churches who, if they knew of the privileges and opportunities provided by the Bible College, would not only gladly take advantage of them but would also bring a resulting enrichment to their own church life. It is a somewhat anomalous thing that while an increasing amount of the support of the College is coming from Methodist and Presbyterian laymen a decreasing proportion of its students should be coming from

Methodist and Presbyterian young people.

2. Course of Instruction

The amount of work done by the teaching staff of the College has been increased this session by 50 per cent. The whole body of students was divided at the beginning of the session into two sections, a junior class consisting of students of the first year, and a senior class consisting of the students of the second and third years, with a few special students. These two classes took most of their work separately, meeting simultaneously every morning in the College Assembly Hall and in Zion Chapel, and alternating every lecture between the two places. This method enabled the staff not only to do more work, but also to raise the quality of the work done with the senior students. Some of the work of the senior class is now at a theological level. This is the most important advance step that has been yet taken in developing the curriculum of the College. It has been made possible by the accommodation so graciously provided for the College classes in Zion Chapel by Mr. J. G. Butland and his congregation.

The work of instruction carried on by the Staff during the year summarized for each week is as follows:

Rev. W. G. Hanna: Typology and Messianic Prophecy, 2 hours with the junior class; European History and Religious Pedagogy, 1 hour each with the junior class; Life and Teaching of Christ and Church History, 2 hours each with the senior class; New Testament Greek, one hour with a special class.

Rev. Dr. Weston: Bible Doctrines, 2 hours with the junior class and 2 hours with the senior class; The Gospel of Matthew, 1 hour with the junior class; Psychology, 1 hour with the senior class.

Rev. T. B. Hyde: Personal Evangelism, 1 hour with the junior class; Devotional studies in Prayer, the Will of God and the Epistles of John, 1 hour with the senior class; Public Reading and Speaking, 1 hour with each class.

The Principal: The Old Testament, 4 hours with all students, Biblical Geography and History, 1 hour with the junior class, Christian Evidences, 2 hours with the senior class.

In addition to this regular work Rev. J. Marion Smith gave two hours a week to instructing the students in the conduct of Gospel song, and also trained the College Choir.

A special class in English Grammar, Composition and Literature was formed early in the session and was carried on two hours a week by Mr. S. D. France, a member of the student body, specially qualified for this work.

The Instruction in the Evening Classes was as follows: Rev. T. B. Hyde: Devotional Studies in Prayer and the Will of God, 1 hour throughout the session.

Rev. Dr. Weston: Bible Doctrines, 1 hour throughout the session.

The Principal: Studies in the Psalms, 1 hour during the fall term, and Studies in the Prophets, 1 hour during the spring term; and the Teaching of Christ, 1 hour throughout the session.

3. The Graduation Class

This being the year in which the gap occurs between the former two year rule and the present three year rule for graduation, there is no regular graduating class for this session. But a small group of eight students (4 men and 4 women) who entered the College before the three year rule went into force and did not finish their course last spring are entitled now to receive the College diploma. Another student who entered last fall with the intention of taking the full

course and during the session received what seemed to be a providential call to Bible Institute work in China, is granted a special diploma because of the exceptional circumstances in her case and because she will continue her Biblical course in China.

Twenty-two students (7 men and 15 women) who have previously received the diploma for the two years' course, have successfully completed a third year of studies and will receive Post-graduate standing.

Twenty-one students (2 men and 19 women) who have spent at least three years in the Evening Classes and made satisfactory progress are entitled to receive the College Certificate.

In all fifty-two young people are to be presented with Diplomas and Certificates this evening for systematic courses of Bible Study and training for Christian service.

4. Student Activities

Several circumstances at the beginning of the session occasioned some delay in getting the various activities of the student body into operation. On account of the separation of the classes it took a longer time for the new students to enter into the College life and to take their place in the regular work of the student body. But through the leadership of Mr. Samuel Brownsberger, the chairman of the Students' Executive Council, and Miss Grace Futeher, the head of the girls' department, these difficulties were soon surmounted. By appointment of the Board, Mr. Win. McLean, one of the Senior students whose three years' course was finished in December, took charge of the supervision of the various student activities after the New Year, and from that time to the end of the session these organizations showed as great efficiency as in any previous year. The experience of this session has revealed the necessity of

having some one in the office of the College in association with the Faculty whose special duty it will be to superintend the various activities of the student body.

The Missionary Society was under the leadership of Mr. Hubert Fisher. A summary of its work is as follows:

27 weekly meetings for missionary education and inspiration, with an average attendance of 36 students.

26 weekly meetings for special missionary prayer and intercession, with an average attendance of 46 students.

9 mission study groups conducting a special study of missions for short periods during the session with the average joint weekly attendance of 35 students.

10 meetings of the Volunteer Band with an average attendance of 14 students.

Correspondence was carried on with our former students now on the field. Additions were made to the missionary library and the missionary museum.

Since the last annual report was presented 10 students have sailed for the field and 12 others have been appointed for foreign service. These 22 students represent 9 different missionary boards.

The Evangelistic Society was under the leadership of Mr. Thomas Lindores. From the reports of its various branches we gather the following facts:

65 Sunday services were conducted by individual students in churches both in and outside Toronto.

51 Gospel meetings were conducted by bands of students in two of the city missions with an average joint weekly attendance of 73 persons.

87 factory, foundry and freightshed meetings were conducted with an average joint weekly attendance of 64 persons.

Speakers were provided for young people's societies on several occasions.

The musical department had increased demands made upon it and responded to continuous calls for organists, pianists, solos, duets, quartettes, etc. No fewer than 186 musical appointments were made among the students during the session.

Sunday School teaching was carried on in 40 churches throughout the city, most of the students having regular classes.

Hospital visiting was carried on in two of the larger hospitals, and 802 individual visits were reported.

The distribution of Christian literature was carried on with the use of carefully selected pamphlets and tracts, marked testaments and Scripture portions.

Through all these various avenues of Christian effort the main purpose of personal evangelism was steadily and continuously pursued. An examination of the students' weekly reports shows that the student body dealt with 2,241 persons during the session, an average of 16 for each student, and that of these 282 professed conversion, an average of 2 for each student.

We do not present these statistics as the true criterion for judging spiritual values, but we have no other means of presenting the work the students are doing, and of summarizing the results of the session. When all due allowance is made, these facts still show something of the strong and deep currents of spiritual energy that are moving out from the Bible College through the lives of its students, and of the contribution they are making to the Christian forces of the city.

5. Signs of Revival

The sessions of the Bible College as they come and go do not differ very much from one another, and yet it is possible to find in each session some distinctive note. That which has marked the present session has been a deepening desire for spiritual revival.

This has intensified the prayer life of the student body. The spirit of prayer has always been a prominent feature of the College life. The devotional approach is always maintained in the course of instruction and study in the class room, for it is a cardinal educational principle with us that it is in His light that we see light. But something has been added to this during the past year in the spirit of the student body.

It began last summer in the weekly prayer meetings which are held every summer season to maintain contact between the College and the students who go into the home mission field. These were carried on mainly by students of the evening Classes, the Day Class students being widely scattered during those months. The interest manifested in these meetings was never greater than it was last summer. This feature continued when the session began both in the prayer meetings which the Evening students held every week in connection with their own classes, and in the various prayer meetings held by the Day students. These meetings in general have been attended more largely than ever before. The Saturday night meeting, held every week to pray especially for the work of the Sunday following, frequently overflowed the limits of the prayer room, and as long as the weather was suitable a band of students would go out from it to preach the Gospel in the open air on some street corner down town.

This spirit did not manifest itself in any open revival, but rather in a

growing burden of desire for revival and a quiet deepening of life and purpose as the session ran on. Students would humble themselves before the Lord for a greater manifestation of His power in their midst, or would confess that they had been keeping something back from Him and would now yield their lives fully to Him, or would rise in their places to say they had the joy of leading their first soul to Jesus Christ. A number of the young men with the burden of prayer upon their hearts were moved, in the midst of the winter, to meet every morning at half past seven to wait upon the Lord, and a similar movement took place among the young women later in the session. On more than one occasion some of the men came back to the College at night from some Gospel meeting they had been conducting to spend some time in prayer together. These things indicate that a burden of prayer and a longing for revival is lying on the hearts of these young people. Reports that come from other places indicate that similar things are occurring elsewhere. It may be that the sensitive souls among God's people are already catching the first movements of the breath of His Spirit. It may be we can already hear "a sound of going in the tops of the mulberry trees." It may be that the spiritual revival for which we have all been looking is now on the way. For this token of His presence and favour, and for all the blessings that have come from His good hand throughout the year, we give God thanks. To Him be all the praise!

The Alumni Conference

The annual Alumni Conference was held at 3 o'clock on Thursday afternoon, April 23rd. The Committee followed a new plan this year with the result that the meeting was per-

haps the most profitable, as it was certainly the best attended gathering of the kind in the history of the Association. Two main addresses were given, one by Rev. John McLaurin, of

India, on Evangelism in Foreign Missions, and the other by Rev. R. J. Koffend, of Evangel Hall, Toronto, on Evangelism in City Missions. Each of these addresses was followed by an open conference, in which questions were asked of the speakers. In this way a more intelligent interest was awakened on the vital relation between evangelism and education in the foreign field, and evangelism and social service in the home field.

Rev. William E. Atkinson, of Christie Street Baptist Church, presided

over the Conference. Mr. H. L. Troyer, who had served as Secretary-Treasurer since the organization of the Alumni Association, resigned his position, as he has moved from the city to the Baptist pastorate of Essex, and Rev. Dixon Burns, of St. John's Road Baptist Church, was elected to the office.

After the meeting, supper was served in the Assembly Hall by the Ladies' Auxiliary and the students of the College, and about a hundred and seventy-five people were present.

Annual Meeting of the Students' Association

The sixteenth Annual Meeting of the Students' Association was held on the evening of Thursday, April 23rd, after the supper which followed the Alumni Conference. The Assembly Hall was filled. Some had come from a distance, among whom were Rev. C. J. Loney and Rev. Harry Bower, who had motored from Hamilton to attend the meeting.

The retiring President, Rev. W. E. Atkinson, welcomed the graduating students into the Alumni Association, and delivered the annual address. The leaders of the various student activities then presented the results of the work of the session. Mr. Samuel Brownsberger spoke for the Cabinet, Miss Grace Fletcher for the Girls' Department and the Lunch-room, Mr. Thomas Lindores, for the Evangelistic Society, Mr. Hubert Fisher for the Missionary Society, and Mr. Edward J. Lewis, for the Evening Class prayer meetings. These reports all gave evidence of the vigorous spiritual life of the student body. Among the special features which marked the session were the quickening of the prayer life of the students, the longing for revival, and the increased activity in personal work. A summary of these reports is given in the annual report of the Principal.

Some of the former students were called on and gave encouraging and interesting testimonies. Rev. George Williams, of the Presbyterian Mission in Formosa, spoke for the foreign missionaries; Rev. J. F. Holliday, of the Baptist Church in Kincairdine, spoke for the home pastors; Mr. Hamilton Jackman, a young Toronto business man, spoke for the Evening Class students, and told especially of the results of their summer prayer meetings; and last, but not least, ex-Rabbi Henry Bregman spoke for the Jews. Mr. Bregman is not to be left to the last next year, for the Biblical principle is "to the Jew first."

The following were elected the officers of the Students' Association for the next year: Honorary President, Rev. George Williams, '13, of Formosa; President, Rev. P. B. Loney, '07, of Toronto; First Vice-President, Rev. J. F. Holliday, '21, of Kincairdine; Second Vice-President, Miss Helen Telford, '23, of Evangel Hall, Toronto; Third Vice-President, Mr. Joseph McDermott, '22, of McMaster University; Secretary-Treasurer, Rev. Dixon A. Burns, '16, of Toronto; Councillors, Mrs. S. H. Blake, '17, representing the Day Classes, and Mr. Hamilton J. Jackman, '24, representing the Evening Classes.

The Joy of the Lord

An address by Miss Edith Gibb at the Graduating Exercises, April 24th

"The Joy of the Lord is Your Strength."—Neh. 8: 10

The ideal life is one of joy. All men wish to be happy. The heart's desire is for happiness, which burns in an undying flame. No one can do without it, for it is the dynamic of life.

So the joy of the Lord is the Christian's strength. Without it, he is unhappy, full of doubts and fears, and useless for service. True religion brings the highest kind of joy, for the Gospel message is one of "good tidings of great joy". The work of the Holy Spirit in the heart is joy,—The Kingdom of God is "righteousness and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost"; In fact, the life of heaven itself is one of joy. "In Thy presence is fullness of joy and at Thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore."

But there is a vast difference between the joy of the world and the joy of the Lord. The former is transient; it does not last. The more one gets of earthly joy, the more one craves for it. Instead of satisfying, it rather intensifies the thirst, for in this world there is nothing that can bring satisfaction to the human heart. The theory of happiness which Buddhism proposes is to "tear desire from the soul, to destroy the heart's hunger." But this is impossible. The cravings of the human heart must, at all cost, be gratified, and this satisfaction is only found in our Lord Jesus Christ.

On the other hand, the joy of the Lord is not only permanent, because Christ is the source, but it is satisfying. The Word says: "Blessed are they that hunger and thirst after righteousness for they shall be filled." And our Lord in His dealings with the woman of Samaria said: "Whoso drinketh of this water shall thirst

again, but whoso drinketh of the water that I shall give Him shall never thirst, for the water that I shall give Him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life."

This joy is not mere earthly gladness, for it is independent of earthly surroundings and circumstances. The child of God recognizes that all the pure joys of life are from the hand of a loving heavenly Father. For "every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of light" To the Christian,

"Heaven above is softer blue,
Earth around is sweeter green,
Something lives in every hue
Christless eyes have never seen.

But should circumstances be unfavorable, this joy remains unchanged, for Habakkuk in his book says:

"Tho' the fig-tree shall not flourish,
Neither shall fruit be in His vines;
The labor of the olive shall fail,
And the fields shall yield no food;
And the flock shall be cut off from
the fold,
There shall be no herd in the stalls;
Yet I will rejoice in Jehovah,
I will joy in the God of my salvation."

And Job, in his great bereavement said: "The Lord hath given, the Lord hath taken away, blessed be the name of the Lord". Paul adds his experience in these words: "Sorrowful, yet always rejoicing", and even when his feet were fast in the stocks, he was able, with overflowing joy, to sing praises to the Lord. James says: "Count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations", and our Lord even amid the darkest hours of his life when the cross loomed large before Him, prayed that His joy might be in

His disciples so that their joy might be full.

Such joy is unchangeable because it has its source in God Himself, Who is the same yesterday, to-day, and forever.

Shall we consider for a few moments the secrets of Christ's joy when He was among sinful men, for is not His joy, ours also, when we are one with Him?

1. We notice throughout all His life his unbroken consciousness of the Father's presence. Our Lord was ever communing with God and always conscious of His smile. Before every crisis of His life, He looked to His Father for counsel and help. We hear Him say "He that sent Me is with Me; He hath not left me alone, for I do always the things that are pleasing to Him".

Surely, if we, like our blessed Master, were as conscious of our Heavenly Father's presence and interest, our lives would be more pleasing in His sight. If we communed more during the day with God we would certainly be more joyful, for "the joyous spirit is one that forgets self in the contemplation of the thoughts of God". It is "our meditation of Him", not of self, that is so sweet and precious. So the more we "practise the presence of God" the more we shall experience the fulness of His joy, and then be able to radiate some of its blessedness to others.

2. Another element which filled our Lord's life with such overflowing joy was His absolute devotion to His Father's will. "My meat is to do the will of Him that sent Me". On another occasion He said "I am come, not to do mine own will, but the will of Him that sent Me". And in dark Gethsemane where the weight of the world's sin hung so heavily on Him that great drops of blood fell to the ground, He said to His Father, "Nevertheless not my will but Thine

be done" and again, "I delight to do Thy will, O God."

And as we surrender our lives unreservedly to God and are willing to do His will at all costs, we shall have that overflowing, joyful experience.

The little lad who brought his few loaves and fishes to the Master was repaid one hundred fold in seeing that vast company of hungry people fed. In the same measure, as we surrender ourselves and all we have to God for His blessing, He will not only be able to work out His will in us, but He will use us to feed many thousands with the bread of life. What inexpressible joy this would bring! So many people have an entirely wrong conception of what the will of God is. To them, it is sure disaster, sorrow, and anguish. But in reality, (as some one has put it) "the will of God is the most practical, most precious, and most personal thing in life, including, as it does, all that makes for our highest good and pleasure." "They that seek the Lord shall not want any good thing", "no good thing will He withhold from them that walk uprightly".

Elizabeth Frazer (the hymn-writer) knew the blessedness of devoting herself to God's will when she wrote these words:

Thy will, O Lord, not mine,
Teach me to say,
Not my will, Lord, but Thine
I will obey.
Then shall I know the joy,
And Thy name glorify,
When I on earth shall try
To follow Thee.

3. The third great secret of Christ's joy was His service and sacrifice of love for others. "The Son of Man came, not to be ministered unto, but to minister and to give His life a ransom for many".

During our Lord's earthly ministry, He brought inexpressible joy wherever He went, so that people flocked around Him. But the ultimate pur-

pose of His life on earth was that through the sacrifice of Himself, He might redeem sinful man, and for this "great joy that was set before Him, He endured the cross", and rose triumphant from the grave.

And this is the glorious message we, as followers of the Master, are privileged to carry to the uttermost parts of the earth. It is with the story of redeeming love we can burn out our lives in service and sacrifice for others, that they, too, may come to the realization of what Christ has done, accept His work, and so enter into His fullness. And if we, through Christ's marvellous grace can be made "fit vessels for His use" in bringing lost souls into the kingdom, it will be our crown of rejoicing.

Years ago a vessel was heading for

the coast of South America, and during its course, the ship ran short of drinking water. Many were dying of thirst. Presently another vessel came in sight, and signalling to them in their distress, the answer was returned "Dip your buckets down and drink". They obeyed, and found they had been for hours in the fresh waters of the great Amazon River. And there are hundreds of thousands in this and other lands who are dying of thirst, and yet are surrounded by the waters of the Lord which alone can quench their thirst, satisfy their desire, and bring joy and strength. And we who have this joy of the Lord are privileged to bear them the glad tidings to "dip their buckets down" into the wells of salvation and drink and they will be forever satisfied.

Superintendent of Student Activities

The experience of the past session has demonstrated the need of having some member of the staff in the office of the College whose special duty will include the supervision of the evangelistic and missionary work of the College and all the other activities carried on by the student body. During the last half of the session Mr. William McLean gave valuable assistance in this capacity, having been appointed by the Board to a position in the office while finishing his College course.

With the beginning of next session, this work will be taken up by Dr. James M. Waters, whom the Board has recently appointed to the College staff. Dr. Waters has had twenty years experience in missionary work in India and is now at home on indefinite furlough, his medical advisors forbidding his return for the present. Before going to India, while a student

in Toronto University, he was an active worker in connection with the old Elizabeth Street Mission. In those days he knew every child by name in St. John's Ward. During his furlough periods at home Dr. Waters has had a wide influence and has been greatly used among Young People's Societies and Sunday Schools and in Summer Conferences.

Dr. Waters' training and experience eminently fit him for this position. He is in thorough sympathy with the spirit and purpose of the Bible College. It is another mark of providential leading that the door should be closed against his returning to India at the very time when the Bible College Board felt they needed his services. He will be in regular attendance in the office of the College, and in addition to supervising the student activities, he will also give a course of medical lectures.

Diplomas

The following students who entered the College before the three year course became operative, have completed at least two years in the Day Classes, and have received Graduation Diplomas:—

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| George Frederick Childs | Toronto |
| Edgar Ferns | St. Thomas, Ont. |
| Thelma (Mrs. Edgar) Ferns | St. Thomas, Ont. |
| Edith Mary Gibb | Shanghai, China |
| Ada Mae Headings | West Liberty, Ohio |
| R. E. Stanley Hunt | Rockwood, Ont. |
| Joseph Koffend | Toronto |
| Doris Etheline Whylie | Jamaica, B.W.I. |

Special Diploma

Granted for an elective course in preparation for special educational work in China:

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| Ethelwyn Jamieson Holland, B.A. | Montreal West |
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Post-Graduate Diplomas

The following graduates of the College have completed a third year of further study, and are given post-graduate standing:

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| Frances Margaret Bryans | Chatsworth, Ont. |
| Edna Jean Buchner | Hespeler, Ont. |
| Frances Cecil-Smith | Kweichow, China |
| Harold Kilborn Dancy | Swansea, Ont. |
| Queenie Ivy Fiddament | Burlington, Ont. |
| Anna May Fleming | Nagasaki, Japan |
| Grace Etoile Futchner | Talbotville, Ont. |
| Marie Clara Heipel | Waterloo, Ont. |
| Edith Emily Howell | Owen Sound, Ont. |
| Alberta Jennings | Todmorden, Ont. |
| Thomas Lindores | St. Thomas, Ont. |
| Nora Kathleen Martin | Verdun, Que. |
| William McLean | Winona, Ont. |
| George William Medley | Tillsonburg, Ont. |
| George Capel Reeve | Galt, Ont. |
| Wilburn Wentworth Silverthorn..... | Woodford, Ont. |
| Elvin Valorus Snyder | Breslau, Ont. |
| Esther Trout | Stratford, Ont. |
| Janet (Mrs. W. H.) Vincer | Mindemoya, Ont. |
| William Henry Vincer | Mindemoya, Ont. |
| Ethel May Watson | Angus, Ont. |
| Edna Bowman (Mrs. L. S.) Weber | Toronto |

Certificates

The following students have completed three years' work in the Evening Classes and have received the certificate of the College:

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| Louise Armstrong | Alice Kinsman |
| Grace Lillian Beard | Esther Lowe |
| Pearl Margaret Cale | Edith McIntosh |
| Agnes Irene Cowan | Eleanor Emily Morgan |
| Erlene Melba Crawford | William Pollard Newman |
| Edward Day | Lily Irene Newson |
| Mrs. Edward Day | Margaret Ann Osborne |
| Constance Etherington | Pearl Elizabeth Osborne |
| Ada Gittins | Ethel Sackfield |
| Grace Eunice Green | Mrs. Annie B. Sharpliss |
| M. Irene Harris | |

Statement of receipts and disbursements for year ending April 30th, 1925

| RECEIPTS | | DISBURSEMENTS | |
|------------------------------|-------------|-------------------------|-------------|
| Contributions | \$ 9,221.06 | Salaries | \$11,763.66 |
| Fees | 1,640.00 | Advertising | \$ 317.24 |
| Interest on Investments..... | 2,259.03 | Printing and Sta- | |
| Maintenance of Hall..... | 307.00 | tionery | 1,109.49 |
| Knox Church Parson's | | Supplies | 147.34 |
| Memorial Lectureship..... | 2,500.00 | Light, Water, Gas.. | 228.62 |
| | | Rent | 280.00 |
| | | Telephone | 96.98 |
| | | Repairs, Renewals.. | 201.92 |
| | | Postage | 138.96 |
| | | Coal | 961.50 |
| | | Furniture | 175.60 |
| | | Library Fund..... | 50.00 |
| | | Sundry | 193.35 |
| | | Zion Chapel..... | 200.00 |
| | | | 4,101.00 |
| | | | \$15,864.66 |
| | | Excess of receipts over | |
| | | disbursements | 62.43 |
| | \$15,927.09 | | \$15,927.09 |

Certified correct,

"NEFF, ROBERTSON & CO.,"
Chartered Accountants.

May 9th, 1925.

Personal Notes



JAMES M. WATERS, M.D.

For twenty years missionary in India. Appointed to the Staff of the Toronto Bible College.



MISS EDITH GIBB

Graduate, 1925.
Sailed for Shanghai, June 1st.
Under the China Inland Mission.

Miss Edith Gibb left Toronto the night after graduation for her long journey home to Shanghai, and sailed from Vancouver on June 1st.

Miss Muriel Harman is working among the French Canadians at Sudbury, Ont., under the Victorian Order of Nurses.

Mr. Elvin Snyder is assisting Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Weber in the Mennonite Mission on Danforth Avenue, Toronto. His address is 85 Gledhill Avenue.

Mr. Earl Toombs is in charge of a Presbyterian Mission at Spring Hill, N.S.

Mr. G. Allison Holland is in charge of the Presbyterian Church at Riverport, N. S.

Mr. Wilburn Silverthorn has gone to Alberta to take charge of the Baptist Mission at Reid Hill.

Mr. Thomas Lindores and Mr. Stanley Hunt are in the Baptist pastorate in Northern Ontario, the former at Haileybury and the latter at Dorion.

Mr. S. D. France has accepted an appointment as assistant City Missionary in connection with the work of the Toronto City Mission.

Mr. James A. Smith is at Widdifield, in Northern Ontario, under the Baptist Home Mission Board.

At the annual Convocation of McMaster University last month, Mr. Francis W. Haskins, '20, of the Evening Classes, received the degree of B.A., and Rev. Dixon A. Burns graduated in theology.

Miss Queenie Walker, '20, received her diploma from the Presbyterian Missionary and Deaconess Training Home last month, and has been appointed evangelistic missionary in connection with the hospital at Matheson in Northern Ontario.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Ferns and Mr. Stanley Hunt are accepted candidates of the South America Inland Mission.

Four Bible College students were recently accepted by the China Inland Mission at a single meeting of the Council, viz. Miss Olive Atkinson, Miss Edith Gibb, Miss Ethelwyn Holland, B.A., and Mr. Hubert Fisher.

Mr. William McLean has accepted a call to the Sailors' Mission in Montreal as assistant to Mr. J. Ritchie Bell.

Miss Esther Jarvis and Mr. Wm. McLean were married in the Centen-

nial Methodist Church on Saturday, April 25th, and left that evening for Ottawa on their way to their work in Montreal. Their address is 6 Place Royal, Montreal.

On Thursday, May 14th, 1925, at 85 Gledhill Avenue, Toronto, Rev. L. S. Burkholder of Cedar Grove, Ont., was married to Miss Emma Meyer ('16), of Markham, by Rev. L. S. Weber.

Mr. Morris Zeidman, who spent several sessions in the Evening Classes and one year in the Day Classes, graduated this year from Knox College and was ordained by the Toronto Presbytery on April 24th for special work among the Jews.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. George Bell on March 26th at the C.

I. M. Hospital in Lanchow, Kansu, China.

Mr. Frank Guyatt has completed his English course at Louisville, Ky., and was ordained on Sunday, April 20th. He is in charge of a Baptist Church in Indiana.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Burke, of Hagersville, Ontario, announce the engagement of their daughter Evelyn to Mr. Louis Agné of Buffalo, the wedding to take place toward the end of June.

Mr. Herbert L. Troyer was ordained on May 25th, to the Gospel Ministry by a Council composed of pastors and representatives of the Baptist churches of Western Ontario, and was formally installed as minister of the First Baptist Church in the town of Essex.

Receipts

Between February 29th, and May 30th, 1925.

| No. | Amount | No. | Amount | No. | Amount | No. | Amount |
|------|---------|------|--------|------|--------|------|--------|
| 2168 | \$ 2.00 | 2197 | 5.00 | 2225 | 25.00 | 2253 | 100.00 |
| 2169 | 2.00 | 2198 | 2.00 | 2226 | 500.00 | 2254 | 100.00 |
| 2170 | 8.00 | 2199 | 4.00 | 2227 | 5.00 | 2255 | 10.00 |
| 2171 | 50.00 | 2200 | 208.33 | 2228 | 50.00 | 2256 | 5.00 |
| 2172 | 100.00 | 2201 | 5.00 | 2229 | 5.00 | 2257 | 2.00 |
| 2173 | 10.00 | 2202 | 1.00 | 2230 | 25.00 | 2258 | 15.00 |
| 2174 | 29.00 | 2203 | 2.00 | 2231 | 15.00 | 2259 | 25.00 |
| 2175 | 4.00 | 2204 | 5.00 | 2232 | 173.25 | 2260 | 2.00 |
| 2176 | 50.00 | 2205 | 4.00 | 2233 | 5.00 | 2261 | 50.00 |
| 2177 | 2.00 | 2206 | 4.00 | 2234 | 3.00 | 2262 | 100.00 |
| 2178 | 50.00 | 2207 | 30.00 | 2235 | 85.00 | 2263 | 350.00 |
| 2179 | 10.00 | 2208 | 15.00 | 2236 | 5.00 | 2264 | 4.00 |
| 2180 | 2.00 | 2209 | 30.00 | 2237 | 10.00 | 2265 | 125.00 |
| 2181 | 15.00 | 2210 | 82.50 | 2238 | 2.00 | 2266 | 4.00 |
| 2182 | 10.00 | 2211 | 30.00 | 2239 | 5.00 | 2267 | 4.00 |
| 2183 | 5.00 | 2212 | 30.00 | 2240 | 50.00 | 2268 | 5.00 |
| 2184 | 10.00 | 2213 | 50.00 | 2241 | 1.00 | 2269 | 5.00 |
| 2185 | 25.00 | 2214 | 2.00 | 2242 | 25.00 | 2270 | 30.00 |
| 2186 | 10.00 | 2215 | 4.00 | 2243 | 25.00 | 2271 | 276.00 |
| 2187 | 10.00 | 2216 | 5.00 | 2244 | 10.00 | 2272 | 6.00 |
| 2188 | 5.00 | 2217 | 2.00 | 2245 | 10.00 | 2273 | 5.00 |
| 2189 | 20.00 | 2218 | 1.00 | 2246 | 150.00 | 2274 | 5.00 |
| 2190 | 10.00 | 2219 | 2.00 | 2247 | 5.00 | 2275 | 5.00 |
| 2191 | 140.00 | 2220 | 2.00 | 2248 | 100.00 | 2276 | 4.00 |
| 2192 | 5.00 | 2221 | 2.00 | 2249 | 5.00 | 2277 | 208.33 |
| 2193 | 10.00 | 2222 | 5.00 | 2250 | 2.35 | 2278 | 25.00 |
| 2194 | 100.00 | 2223 | 250.00 | 2251 | 208.33 | 2279 | 150.00 |
| 2195 | 10.00 | 2224 | 4.00 | 2252 | 10.00 | 2280 | 5.00 |