MIDLAND CENTRAL FAIR.

MEETING OF THE NEW COMPANY HELD LAST EVENING

The Report of the Directors is a Satisfactory One-Improving the Position of the Association by the Sale of Bonds -Great Increase in the Value of the Company's Property.

The annual meeting of the Midland agricultural association was held last evening in the council chamber. There were present Messrs. J. R. Walkem, J. Wilmot, P. Wil mot, M. H. Folger, B. W. Folger, A. Shaw, Sheriff Ferguson, R. J. Dunlop, Joseph Franklin, John Hewton, A. Knight, W. Nickle, R. Kent, G. S. Oldrieve, A. Strachan, H. Bawden, J. B. Carruthers, W. H. God win, J. S. Muckleston, J. Redden, L. B. Spencer and G. Amey.

Mr. J. Minnes was called to the chair. The minutes of the last meeting of the shareholders were read and confirmed. Then the report of the directors was read by the secretary, Mr. R. Meek, as fol

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS. The board of directors of the Midland Agricultural association, at their first annual

meeting, beg to report. The company was formed with a capital of \$10,000, all of which was paid up. The capital was afterwards increased to \$25,000. Of the increased sum of \$15,000 the sum of \$6,000 has been subscribed, but no part thereof has been paid up.

The company purchased a plot of ground on the north side of Princess street, consisting of 135 lots. Of these 81 have be n enclosed and built upon; and there are outside of the grounds 54 lots which are not re quired for exhibition purposes at present.

The price paid for the whole property was \$3,500. In addition to the lots the company purchased a house and three lots, forming the south west corner of the fair grounds, for the sum of \$1,850. The house is used for a caretaker's residence, and the lots have been utilized for the erection of cattle sheds. The total purchase money for the ground would therefore be \$5,350.

In the fall of 1887 the work of removing such buildings as were useful from the old grounds was begun, and before the winter set in all the material was on the new grounds, and the foundation of the present Crystal palace laid. Contracts were giver out for the erection of such buildings as had to be constructed of new material. They called for the expenditure of \$6,000. The other buildings were erected by the company under the superintendence of Mr. John Wilmot and a committee composed of the president, Mr. B. W. Folger, and Mr. J. B. Walkem.

The company, we think, can be congratulated upon the success of the undertaking. The buildings were completed by Sept. 1st, and for neatness and convenience are second

The total cost of the buildings and grounds is about \$35,000. The details are as fol-

Paid	to government for land	. \$ 3,500
*	to Coyle for house and lots.	. 1,850
**	For tabour	10,700
2.0	For material	16,800
**	Incidentals	The selection of
The	directors submit for your c	ensidera

tion an estimates made by Mr. Newlands, architect, of the value of the buildings and land owned by the company, thus :

The buildings The land (inside fair grounds) The land unenclosed	12.500
Total	

Outside of the exhibition grounds the com pany owns 54 lots of the following sizes: 33 of lacre each; 16 of 29 of an acre each; and 5 of 15 of an acre each As a consequence of the large expenditure by this association, and by the city in streets and drainage, the value of these lots has been greatly enhanced.

It will be necessary to get the capital of \$25,000 fully paid up. The citizens have paid \$10,000, and, as stated elsewhere, subscribed \$6,000 more, leaving about \$10,000 to be still taken up, and a debt of \$10,000 to be met by the sale of lots or otherwise. The indebtedness of the company amounts to about \$23,000 at present.

In this year's fair it is hoped the city and county councils will take a substantial interest. That this company may see what other places are doing, in a municipal sense, for the fairs the directors beg to quote fol ing facts as taken from recent correspond-

In Ottawa the grounds belong to the city and are leased to the fair association for a number of years at a nominal rental. Last year the first show was held under the new order of things, and the council contributed to it \$13,000. The county of Carleton voted

In London the Queen's park has been leased by the city to the fair association for twenty years free of rent. In the erection of new buildings, making of race track, etc., the city spent \$70,000.

The Bay of Quinte agricultural associa tion has been granted \$1,500 by the city of Belleville, and \$1,500 by the county of Has

In Hamilton the city allows the fair association the use of the palace grounds, free of rent, and makes an annual grant to the exhibition of \$1,000. The county grants \$800 annually. In Toronto the fair grounds and buildings

belong to the city. In 1879 when the Industrial association was formed the outlay upon the property had been \$200,000. In the year in which the Industrial association was formed the city council granted \$5,000, the county council \$2,000, and the citizens \$19,000. Since then the city council has added about \$50,000 worth of buildings and maintained the grounds and improved them to the extent of \$5,000 yearly. In all these cases there was an absolute

gift of money. As to the suitability of the grounds for

exhibition purposes we have the testimony of the most competent judges. Hon. Charles Drury says they are the neatest and most convenient in Canada. Exhibitors and officers of various fair associations have been equally complimentary in their references.

The grounds at this date are in splendid condition, being clean, well kept and free of trespass. They are being carefully looked after by the resident caretaker. The report was received and adopted.

The treasurer, Mr. J. B. Walkem, submitted his balance sheet. It was referred to the auditor, Mr. Adam McArthur, who holds office for a year, and whose digest of the accounts will be printed and sent to the shareholders as soon as it is ready. ACTION OF THE MEETING.

"On motion of Mr. Bawden, seconded by Mr. Spencer, the directors were authorized, to raise by mortgage, or by the sale of bonds as they deem best, the sum of \$30,000 or more, with which to pay off the outstanding debts of the association.

In this connection the advisability of selling some of the fifty-four lots not now required for exhibition purposes came up, and it was the feeling that the sale should not be forced, that any lots let go should be at an upset price; that it would pay to hold the land until later ; that every month it was

becoming more valuable. Mr. Spencer seconded Mr. Bawden's motion, and it was carried unanimously.

Mr. Shaw moved, seconded by Sheriff Ferguson, that this meeting empowers the directors, to use their discretion in the disposal of lots lying outside of those at present occupied; that the said lots have a fixed value; that those on Princess street and Alfred street be held at \$500 and the rest at \$300; and that the proceeds of the sale be devoted to the paying off of bonds and mortgage. - Carried.

TESTIMONIAL TO MR. WILMOT. Mr. Bawden suggested the presentation of a testimonial to Mr. John Wilmot in recognition of the excellent service he had rendered the association as the superintendant of work at the fair ground. Owing to Mr. Wilmot's good minagement there was no doubt that he had saved the association hundreds of dollars. Mr. Walkem said the matter had been discussed by the directors, but they thought that this matter should emanate from the shareholders. Mr. Shaw said the testimonial should be left in the hands of the directors, to be dealt with as they saw fit. This suggestion was adopted by the meeting.

Mr. Wilmot thanked the shareholders for their handsome appreciation of his services. He had felt the responsibility of the position which he occupied. He had congratulated himself upon the success of the work under taken by the association, but he had no right to take all the praise to himself. The building committee had rendered him great assistance, and made mady sacrifices in the interest of the association. (Applause.)

ELECTION OF DIRECTORS. The meeting then proceeded to the election of directors, Messrs. Nickle and Hewton acting as scrutineers. The result was the election of the old board by an almost unanimous vote. The elect are, Messrs. Minnes, Reid, Walkem, Wilmot, Bawden, Kirkpatrick, Gildersleeve, D Nicol and Martin. These will meet in a few days, elect a president, and appoint a secretary and a trea surer for the year.

Midland Central Fair.

The members of the Milland Central fair association will meet Wednesday afternoon at 1 o'clock for the election of directors and officers for the year. The meeting should be largely attended.

THE RAILWAY PROJECTS.

Working on the Tamworth-Tweed Extensions-What People Have to Say,

The Napanee & Tamworth railway company are prosecuting the work on the Tamworth Tweed extension. A large force of men are at work on the cuttings between Tamworth and Erinsville. The present railway station at Tamworth will soon be abandoned for a new one across the river south of the village. A good substantial bridge has been laid across the Salmon river, and a mile of rails laid beyond it.

The survey of the Yarker Harrowsmith connection is completed, and the work of construction will proceed at once. The right of way will be purchased with all haste. A Harrowsmith correspondent writes that it is rumoured that J. L. Gilhooley, the well known contractor, connected with the principal railway enterprises of the continent, is about to tender for the com plete building of the N. T. & Q. branch to Harrowsmith; \$70,000 is said to be his

On Saturday night there were nearly tifty ladies on the N. T. & Q. RR. train leaving Napanee. A railway official noticing the WHIG representative said: "Haven't we a big load to-night? I took as many out at noon to day. As soon as the connection with Kingston is made you will find them all going to your city to make their purchases. Yes, sir, the connection will be a good investment for you and for us." The people of Napanee expect to derive some benefit from the extension of the railway to Tweed. "We are the county town," said a resident, "and the farmers and county officials will all come here to do their busi ness. Then we believe that Mr. Rathbun will bring his lumber and timber to Napa nee and tranship it here by water for the American market. This will be an advantage to us. While we see that in a business way, retail and wholesale tradé, Kingston will be advantaged yet we cannot believe that we will suffer as you predict. On the other hand, we will boom also."

IN MEMORIAM-The Late Mrs. Rogers, Sharbot Lake.

Mrs. Susan B. Rogers, who died at the residence of her son in law, Jesse Shibley. clerk of the division court, Sharbot Lake, on Jan. 9th, aged 81 years, was a general favourite in the village with old and young. A fall on the floor in the sitting room about three weeks before her death caused a bad break of her thigh, which was set by two physicians, but after a very painful sickness of three weeks she passed over the river into eternal rest. She bore her painful sickness with Christian resignation, knowing in whom she believed, and with full confidence in a blessed Redeemer and in a blessed hereafter. The funeral services were held on Friday, the 11th, and Rev. Mr. Scantlebury preached an impressive sermon after which the body was placed in the vault at Harrowsmith. Mr. Shibley spared neither expense nor trouble to please and help Mrs. Rogers while alive, and to show respect to her me mory after death.

The Late Mrs. Ann Carr. The funeral of the late Mrs. Ann Carr took place from l'Hotel Dieu this morning. The remains were first conveyed to St. Mary's cathedral where a sclemn mass of requiem was chanted in the presence of many friends of the deceased lady. For twenty years she resided in the township of King ston, near Cataraqui, but lately had made this city her home. One daughter is left to mourn the loss of a kind mother, and to her is extended the sympathy of ther many acquaintances and friends in her sad afflic-

MEN FOR THE PRISON.

The Offences of Which They Were Guilty-An Increase of Theft,

Harlow, the Consecon mulatto, has arrived at the prison to spend six years for larceny. He only recently finished a term for breaking into the propeller Belle Wilson. He has a couple of relatives at present in the penitentiary for breaking into Mr. Rathbun's house in Deseronto.

Yesterday forenoon Richard Vanettan, Lansdowne, who has spent nearly five out of the last eight years in prison, was convicted before Judge Macdonald, Brockville, of stealing files and sentenced to seven years in the penitentiary. He arrived here last evening. He was clad in the uniform of her majesty's volunteer service. The judge thought that the officers of the company, of which he was a member, should have his name erased at once.

We Lead the Way.

The Brockville papers are anxious that we should tell the public of Kingston that two or three merchants from this city have located in Brockville within "a little over a year." We are pleased to do so. We are pleased to know that Kingstonians are prospering anywhere. But we would like the Brockville people to know that for every man who goes out of Kingston ten others move into it. Kingston is booming, and the Brockville people know it.

INCIDENTS OF THE DAY.

PARAGRAPHS PICKED UP BY OUR BUSY REPORTERS.

The Spice of Every Day Life-What the Public are Talking About-Nothing Es capes the Attention of Those Who are Taking Notes.

The annual meeting of the board of trade occurs on Friday night. For genuine Scranton No. 4 coal go to the Gas Works yard.

Cape Vincent has 11 places licensed to sel beer or whiskey or both.

Kingston Presbytery meets next in Cooke's church, city, March 18th. Look out for Mother Goose and her tem-

perance family, city hall, January 25th. The Folgers are arranging another excur sion among the Thousand Islands and to Cape Vincent. Mr. Leslie purchased the steambarge

Isaac May and two barges, and also the schooner Neelon. The citizens of Napanee, without respect

of creed, will tender a farewell address to Rev. Father McDonough. The harbour is frozen over at Portsmouth.

The ice is strong, and last night a great many young people skated over it. Manitoba flour \$2.75; bran 90c.; hay, \$14; chop feed, \$1.25, at W. F. Baker's, commission merchant, 12 Market Suuare.

Hardware, stoves and ranges, damaged by fige, water and smoke, clearing sale at big reductions. Bibby & Virtue, King street. Breck & Booth have the best slabs, hard wood and dry blocks. You can get just

what you want in the fuel line at their yard. The members of No." 2 company, 14th battalion, commenced regular weekly drills last evening in Mr. Offord's building, Brock

Mr. Ribbenach, latte assayer for the K. & P. RR. iron ore company, is employed in connection with a silver mine near Lake Superior. Collector Morse, Cape Vincent, has been

ordered to take the opium seized last winter

to Albany, where it will be condemned. It will then be advertised and sold. -Rev. H. T. Browne, Fort McLeod, N. W. T., missionary to l'iegan Indians, acknowledges the receipt in goods from the ladies of St. James', Kingston, to the value of

As soon as the new streets committee is formed it is probable that two new street watering carts will be ordered. They will be needed as new territory will have to be

Just think of this, stair carpet for five cents; ladies' black wool hose for 15 cents, at R. McFaul's. Hosiery, gloves, mitts, hoods, caps, muflers, &c., less than cost at R. McFaul's. If this should catch the eye of anyone needing new clothing, we would advise him

to go to Lambert & Walsh, 110 Princess street, where he can be sure of getting good value for his money. A race track, a mile long, has been located on the ice below Cataraqui bridge for the use of those who desire to speed their

horses. The track is in excellent condition. Mr. L. D Church laid it out. James Powley, of Westbrooke, who assaulted County Constable Wright, while he was in the discharge of his duty, was dis-

missed this morning because the constable did not desire to press the charge. Ladies half, whole and quarter wigs, bangs, switches, hair chains, rings, made to order. Dress and mantle making. Cannif corset, best ever made, over Walsh &

Steacy's, 105 Princess street, Kingston. During the summer, Superintendant Fol ger, of the K. & P. RR, will give sacred concerts, on Sunday afternoons, on the lawn at the station. He thinks they will be an attraction and keep some people out of mis-

J. R. Rattenbury's gent's furnishing establishment, and Shore Lyon's grocery store were searched by thieves last night. They found no money and took no goods. In the grocery store the thieves feasted pretty freely on cheese.

Your money is better to us than goods, no matter how cheap. Roll bacon; 124c; cook. ing apples, 20c; table apples, 20c a peck lemons, 20; oranges, 20c; cranberries, 10c; roll and tub butter, fresh celery, potatoes, cambridge sausages. James Crawford.

The vital statistics for 1888 wers: Births, 330; marriages, 138; deaths 188. There is a difference of 275 in the totals between 1887 and 1888. There has evidently been great negligence as to registracion. Mr. Flanagan will prosecute some of the most flagrant

delinquents. The following members of the Durham field battery have come to Kingston to take a short course in the Royal school of gunnery : Sergt. Thompson, Bomb. Morgan, Bomb. Lord, Gunners McMullen and Mc Mullen, of Clarke, and Gunners Dafoe, Jones and Beatty and Trumpeter Normally.

At the annual meeting of the Storrington agricultural society the following officers were elected: Joseph Toland, president; A. F. Bond, vice president; Alexander Ritchie, secretary-treasurer; directors, F. M. Campbell, S. A. Lyon, John Gibson, H. Moreland, R. Patterson, George Edwards,

T. Thompson, H. Scott, W. Gibson. Now is the best time for bleaching cottons. Cottons white and grey at wholesale prices at R. McFaul's. Towels, table linens, sheetings, pillow cottons, linen crash, all at mill prices, at R. McFaul's. Carpets, oil cloth, curtain poles, art blinds and rollers, chenile curtains, damask and tapestry curtaining, the cheapest in the city

at R. McFaul's. There may be a recount in the matter of the reeveship of the township of Sheffield. L. Wagar defeated B. Debtor, the old reeve, by two votes. The electors put in an entirely new council. Perseverance resulted tn the return of F. H. Reed, as deputy reeve by six votes over William Brown. Mr. Reid was defeated again and again but inever vanquished.

Rev. F. B. Stratton, Tamworth, is s clergymen who admires novelties. The latest wrinkle is a social entertainment which he has termed "a medley." He wants all his parishioners to make addresses, read, recite or sing, the subject to be about the occupations they are engaged in. If a you man then he can chat about farming, if a merchant about stocks, etc. 'He believes the gathering will be profitable.

George H. Jessop, the playwright, will contribute to February Scribner the story of an Irish outrage, called "The Emergency Men," told from the landlord's point of view. C. D. Gibson will illustrate it. Thomas Sergeant Perry will describe, with views, an interesting collection of Græco-Egyptian portraita discovered in 1887 near Fayoum. Prof. Ebers believes that some of them were painted three or four centuries before the Christian era.

Petitioners last night asked for a sidewalk on a street where no houses are built. The members of the streets committee laughed and said: "It wouldn't be down two days before the boards would be carried off." Five minutes before the committee met a citizen said : "I wish you'd tell the aldermen to open all streets to the limits and give the place the appearance of a city. Now is the time to do it. Lay down sidewalks and show purchasers the advantages they will receive, and we can sell the property very fast.

THE STREETS COMMITTEE.

An Official Sat Upon for Interfering With the Rights of the Committee.

The streets committee had a final session

last evening, attended by Alds. Wilmot, Wilson, Muckleston, Hiscock and Redden. The accounts, quite numerous, were presented and passed. An account of \$35.94 was laid over for explanation. It was the cost of a short piece of walk laid in Rideau ward, on Frontenac street between Brock and Johnston streets. It had been ordered by the mayor and it was said was done for electioneering purposes. The engineer admitted that he had done wrong in going on with the work without the sanction of the streets committee, but the mayor had promised to stand between him and all harm, Mr. Bolger explained that the piece of walk laid was required to fitl up a gap on Frontenac street. The appropriation for the ward having been expended nothing could be done. Many times Mr. John Hazlett had asked to have the boardwalk laid, but the committee did not order it. After the extra appropriation had been voted to the committee the mayor and Mr. Hazlett went to the engineer and the mayor enquired why the walk was not laid. The engineer said there was no money to do it with. Then the mayor ordered the work and the engi neer complied. The members of the committee generally condemned the action of the mayor. The principle was a wrong one. Ald. Muckleston moved, and Ald. Hiscock seconded, that the account be struck off and an explanation be asked from the mayor; if satisfactory then the cost be paid out of next year's appropriation. It was held that if such work was allowed there was no need of a streets committee. A grant of \$30 was recommended to be

made to R. Reeves for the loss of a horse caused by being strained in the service of the city. The citizen had no claim, but he had been such a heavy loser that it was thought a charitable act to help him.

The claim of J. Brokenshire for damages for injuries sustained on Gordon street through a defective boardwalk was con sidered and the engineer ordered to examine the place along with Mr. Brokenshire. The injured man said that he stepped on the end of a board not resting on a sleeper, that his foot went under was caught and strained and because of the damage he was incapacitated

from work for twelve weeks. The requests for boardwalks on Albert and Macdonnell streets, and for the opening and grading of Patrick street were referred to the engineer to report upon.

W. Campbell threatened legal proceedings if his demand for proper drainage was not complied with. The letter was considered so uncourteous that it was thrown under the

The stone breakers asked for higher prices per toise for stone supplied. The engineer said that he presumed the old men could make 50c. or 60c. per day at the rate now paid of \$4 per toise. There was a condemnation of the stone used by Alds. Wilmot and Wilson. It was money thrown away to use it. They carted it on the streets in the spring and carted it off in the fall. There was a harder limestone that was good and the engineer was asked to ascertain at what figure it could be furnished the city. Granite was what was needed, however, for the streets. The engineer considered that a toise of hand-broken granite were better than two toise that passed through the crusher.

The claim of W. McCutcheon for compensation for damages sustained because of the flooding of his ashery last November, was laid over, the committee agreeing to visit the ashery to day and ascertain the cause of the damage. Mr. McCutcheon held that it was created by the overflow of the North street drain.

The K & P. RR. company will remove the fence at the foot of king street, which provented access to the water's edge.

The government has refused to allow the Sydenham streét extension opened up to 1. full width, and in consequence the Bishop of Kingston is willing to let the city have the half of the street outside the wall on payment of its value, the balance to be handed over when the property reverts to his possession. The engineer was instructed to write to his lordship and ascertain if he would accept the valuation for the wall and sheds as estimated by the city valuator. When a decision of this matter is reached then the opening of the street will be practically settled.

The committee then adjourned.

Rough on the Junior. A young lady, at the close of the medical re-union in Queen's university, was passing through the hall on the way to her sleigh, in company with her chaperone, when she suddenly stopped and remarked, "Ob, where is my toa ?"

A blushing junior, with a military step, advanced from the crowd of students and signified that the object of her search was present.

"()h," said the young lady, turning crimson, "I mean the thing that hangs about my

The students went into convulsions, the junior rushed wildly from the building, and the chaperone, after hastening her charge into the sleigh, gave way to immoderate laughter, to the bewilderment of her younger companion.

Lennox And Addington Council.

Amherst Island, R. Filson; Adolphustown, J. H. Roblin; Bath, D. W. Ball Camden, J. Reid, H. A. Baker, S. Wees, E. Hinch; Denbigh, G. W. Sweenam; Ernest town, B. E. Aylsworth, Orton Fraser, B. Derbyshire ; Kaladar, J. Bryden ; Napanee, E. S. Lapum, John Carson; Newburgh, J. Thomson; North Fredericksburg, Irvine Parks, James Wagar; Richmond, Thomas V. Sexsmith, J. Jackson; South Fredericksburg, Cyrus Allison ; Sheffield, Leonard Wagar, F. H. Reid. There is considerable speculation as to the political complexion of the board. We believe it will be conservative by a majority of two. R. Filson, of Amherst Island, will probably be elected warden.

They Did All They Could.

The parties who rescued Blakely and son from the floating ice floe near Trenton deny that they refused to render assistance. When Blakely's son reached shore he told Charley Moron, blacksmith, Bayside, that his father was dead on the ice. He at once put out with Abel Finkle, in a boat, and found the fisherman on the ice without a hat, ceat, vest or boots. His socks were full of holes, and the flesh had been torn from the back of his hands. They placed the body in a boat and took it ashore. Word was sent to Trenton for a coroner. Instead of a doctor coming down Blakely's wite and son appeared in the afternoon and took the body to Irenton.

The Hotel Arrivals. Arrivals at the British American Hotel-

H. S. Daly, W. Edmunds, W. Hutchins, G. J. Kilpin, H. Watson, R. Ross, F. F. Kelly, Prof. A. S. Smith, Montreal; W. I. Fosdick, M. R. Wynn, W. R. Bird, J. P. Dunning, Toronto; A. C. Burgess, Carleton Place; W. Fitzsimmons, J. Robertson, J. B. Smart, W. H. Mowat, Brockville; R. W. Leonard, Pring Hill; W. J. Rattle, Cleveland, Ohio; Fred Buscombe, R. Russell, Hamilton; B. C. Chaffey, Winnipeg.

BIBLE SOCIETY MEETING.

IT IS BETTER ATTENDED THAN IN THE OTHER YEARS.

The Work of the Parent and Local Societies-The Speeches in Commendation Thereof by the Clergy-The Officers of the Kingston Branch For This Year.

The annual meeting in connection with the local branch of the British and Foreign bible society was held last evening in the Sydenham street Methodist church. The audience was larger than that at many previous meetings. Rev. Dr. Mowat presided. The scripture reading was followed by prayer by Rev. F. W. Dobbs.

Rev. Mr. Houston read the report of the local branch of the society for the year 1888. It was with very great satisfaction that the committee noted the continued prosperity of the parent society. It had issued during the year about 4,200,000 copies of the bible, printed in nearly 300 different languages, and disseminated in nearly fifty countries. The last report of the society contained over 700 pages and 17 maps. The Upper Canada bible society issued during the year over 40,000 copies of the bible, in whole and in part. Within the bounds of the Dominion of Canada the bible was circulated in 22 different languages, and one of these is Chinese. The committee was almost ashamed to speak with reference to the Kingston branch of the society. The colporteur of the society has been at work and found that there is great need of the bible being distributed in the north of the county. The committee is of the opinion that the time is not far distant when instead of 4,000,000 copies being circulated throughout the world 10,000,000 copies will not meet the demand.

The report of the depositor, Mr. G. S. Hobart, was presented. At the beginning of the year there was on hand stock valued at \$238.05. Since then purchases have been made amounting to \$173.05. The sales amounted to \$80. There is now in the depository stock valued at \$311.37.

Mr. G. Hague, the treasurer, read a report respecting the finances. The receipts of the year reached \$719.54, and the disbursements \$256.32. The balance on hand up to date is \$463.22.

Rev. Mr. Macgillivray spoke briefly of the progress the parent society had made since its formation in 1804. At this time the scriptures were only circulated in about 40 different languages. During the past ten years the society had issued the bible in 166 different languages. It has been well said that the work of the British and Foreign bible society keeps pace with the bounding, throbbing energy which characterizes the nineteenth century. He pointed out that the work done by the society was of the very highest order, and that the bible had been sent to the people in ali heathen lands. There were foreign lands now opened to them by commerce, and they should see to it that the people were first put in possession of the bible before other systems of religion are taught them. They should show more enthusiasm and liberality in the work of the society than they had evinced in the past. This was a grand missionary age of the church, and the people should make the scriptures as accessible as possible to those of heathen lands. The bible was the most wonderful book the world had ever seen, and it is the most wonderful blessing given to matkind. They would find upon reading it carefully that it was more charming than any novel that has yet been provided. It is even more pleasing to read than Robert Elsmere, or any book which creates a furore for a short time

and is then relegated to the shelf. Rev. Mr. Walker, in a very able address, showed the need of the world for the word of God, and proved why the Christian people should be active in the work of distributing the bible among the heathen.

Rev., Mr. Whiting read a list of the officers appointed for the year for the local branch of the society. They were as follows: President - Rev. Dr. Jackson.

Vice Presidents-Revs. F. W. Dobbs, R.

Whiting, Dr. Mowat. Secretary - Rev. Mr. Houston.

Depositor -G. S. Hobart. Auditors-Messrs. B. W. Robertson and Joseph Bawden. Committee-The officers of the society and

Messrs. A. Chown, Major Wilson, Prof. Fowler, E. Chown, N. McLeod, S. Gaw and H. Jack. The meeting was closed with the bene-

There has just arrived at J. Campbell's wood yard, Ontario street, the best stock

COMMERCIAL MATTERS.

of sawed or unsawed maple, also the best

of dry slab wood.

MONTREAL STOCK MARKETS. MONTREAL, Jan. 15,-12 noon. Bank of Montreal...... 226 Bank du Peuple...... 1044 Molsons Bank...... 165 Bank of Toronte...... 000 Quebec Bank 000 Union Bank 97 Bank of Commerce..... 118 Dundas Cotton Co...... 45 Hochelaga Cotton Co..... 000

MONTREAL PRODUCE MARKET. MONTREAL, Jan. 15. Flour-Receipts, 400 bbls. Sales 000 sacks.

Market quiet at unchanged rates. Patents winter, 5.75 to 6.00: patent spring, 5.90 to 6.10; straight roller, 5.50 to 5.75; extra, 5.20 to 5.40; superfine, 4.40 to 5.50; Ontario Bags, 2.08 to 2.50; City bags, 5.80 to 5.85 for strong Grain. Wheat—nominal; red winter 0.00 to 0.00; white 0.00 to 0.00; spring 0.00 and 0.00 No. 1 Northern, 0.00 to 1.25. Corn-55 to 57e. Pens-72 to 75c. Oats-55 to 56c. Barley-55 to 75c. Rye-50 to 60c. Oatmeal-4.25 to 5.5

Hams-12 to 13. Cheese 9 to 12. Butter—Creamery 23 to 26: Townships, 19 to 22; Morrisburg 18 to 23; Western 16 to 18; Low Grades 00 to 00.

Kggs—Limed 18 to 20; fresh, 20 to 21.

Dead Hogs—Quiet; \$7.00 to \$7.10.

Cornmeal—2,75 to 2,80.

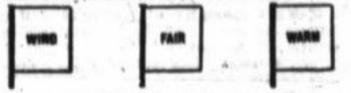
Pork-17 to 00.

Bacon—12 to 13

Lard-10 to 11.

LIVERPOOL CHEESE MARKET. LIVERPOOL, Jan. 15-5 p.m. Cheese-White \$9a, 6d; Colored 59s 0d.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET. LIVERPOOL, Jan. 15. Cotton, free supply offering; American mid-



Weather Probabilities. Winds mostly easterly, fair weather, and a little higher temperature.