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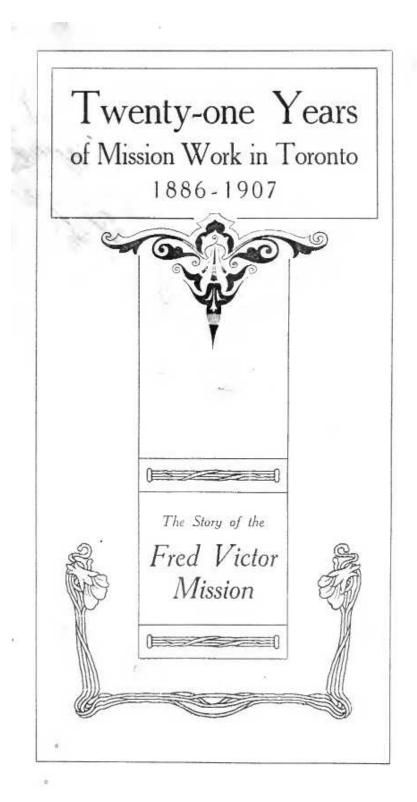
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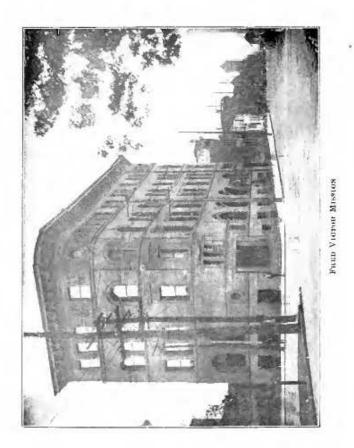
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DAILY CALENDAR.

E	iquiry Office and Employment Bureau-92a.m. to 6 p	.m. daily	
~	Superintendent's Office Hours-10 a.m. to 12 noon	daily	
SUNDA			
	Junior League		a.m.
	Sunday School		p.m.
	Gospel Service		p.m.
	Children's Gospel Service	/	p.m.
MOND			
	Elocution, Girls	4.15	
	Cooking School	4.15	p.m.
	Manual Training, Boys	0-9.30	
	Girls' Club	0-10	p.m.
	Reading Room, Boys7.3		p.m.
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	Class Meeting, Adults	8-10	p.m.
TUESE)AY:		
	Kitchen Garden	4.15	
	Cooking School	4.15	p.m
	Girls' Club	0-10	p.m
	Reading Room, Boys7.3	0-10	p.m
	Boys' Club	8-10	p.m.
	Children's Choir Practice	7-8	p.m
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	Elocution, Cirls	4.15	p.m
	Cooking School	4.15	
	Manual Training, Boys	0-9.30	p.m
	Girls' Club	0-10	p.m
	Reading Room, Boys7.3	0-10	p.m
	Boys' Club	8-10	p.m
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	Boys' Reading Room	10.9 30	p.m
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	Girls' Club	10.10	p.m
	Boys' Bible Class	7.30	
	Girls' Basket Ball	8	
	Men's Bible Class	8	p.m
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e	Victor Branch Penny Bank ~7.30 p.m. to 9 p.	m.	
SATU	RDAY:-	0.47	
	Sewing School	9.45	
	Elocution, Girls	2.30	
	Boy's Reading Room	0-10	p.m
	Girls' Club		p.m
	Victor Branch Penny Bank-7.30 p.m. to 9 p.	m.,	



REV. S. W. DEAN, Superintendent.

President's Address

Bartle E. Bull

A YEAR ago we were celebrating our twentieth anniversary and now we have reached our majority. The Mission is no longer legally or otherwise "an infant," but has reached man's estate and therefore it must now, I suppose, put away childish things. With this maturer age comes a feeling of greater confidence in its own power and place as a means for good in our city and an adjunct to the Church in its effort to reach the masses. To those who have, like myself, seen it grow from its tender infancy to its strong and vigorous manhood there comes a corresponding sense of the responsibility involved, with almost startling magnitude. However, as our last year's report was largely retrospective, covering the entire history of the Mission, we have now simply to deal with the work of the past year.

Our late Superintendent, Rev. J. D. Fitzpatrick, rounded out his term by spending a very busy year. His earnest evangelism in our Gospel meetings resulted in the upbuilding of believers and the conversion of many souls. To his numerous duties two new departures in the forward movement were added during the year, viz., "The Methodist Church Immi-gration Scheme" and the "Sunday Evening Gospel Services in the Grand Opera House." Some account of both of these appear in his report. After five years of faithful work in the Mission he has gone into the regular church work as pastor of Wesley Church, Dundas Street. The record of his superintendency shows a steady advance all along the line and the fruit of his ministry is shown in many changed lives and brightened homes. We welcome his successor, the Rev. Wesley Dean, with full confidence that he will take up and carry on, with our assistance, the work handed down to him by his predecessors, and our earnest prayer is that he may have the same divine guidance and blessing which have attended their labors and even more abundantly.

Rev. Thomas McKay completes his first year as associate superintendent. In labors abundant, embracing the care of one thousand children, while at the same time taking his course in theology at Victoria College, he has succeeded in not only keeping up the efficient standard of the children's departments handed down to him by Mr. McKenzie, but has made advancement along many lines, especially among the young men and boys. The superintendent of our Victor Home for Young Women reports the best year in its history, in numbers, in influence and in results. This Home has now a place—and a very important one—among the beneficient institutions of our city, and it is so recognized by the officials of the Morality Department who use its open door in their efforts to preserve the purity of our city hfe. Our Union Station deaconess finds in the Home a temporary shelter for many an unwary traveller who without its friendly welcome might have found other doors open leading down to ruin.

The report of the superintendent of our Italian work on the completion of the second year of its history, is most gratifying and calls for thanksgiving.

Yes, it has been a year of progress, and I believe that in our mission work perhaps more than in church work there must be progress if there is to be life. There is no middle course; if there is not progress there is retrogression.

We look out into the future with a greater sense than ever of our responsibility, but with a firmer hope and trust in Him who has been our Leader and Guide during these twenty-one years.

The executors of the estate of the late H. A. Massey are showing their appreciation of our work and their confidence in its future by donating a large addition to our building, which is now in course of erection, to be used chiefly for the boys' work and as a residence for our Associate Superintendent.

The Toronto Conference has constituted a City Mission Society under the recent provisions of the Discipline. This society will, I expect, be definitely organized very shortly and when so organized will assume the control, management and support of the whole work of our Mission including the Italian mission and perhaps other organizations. This will bring the Mission and the philanthropic work of our denomination in the city in closer relationship with our Church.

While rejoicing in the strength of our young manhood, we fear we are yet and ever will be dependent on our friends in the co-operating churches for our financial support. We again thank them for their generous response to our everincreasing appeals. Constant growth means larger expenses, but I believe that as long as our work commends itself to the wisdom and judgment of our friends so long will they respond liberally to our needs. As we are assuming a part, at least, of the support of the Italian work and under the new arrangement may possibly have to bear other additional financial burdens, we confidently ask for increased contributions from the cooperating churches.