

EASTERN ONTARIO ASSOCIATION.—This association was organized last June, appointing President, Secretary, and Treasurer. As this association covers quite an extent of country, three sisters were appointed to the work of organizing new circles. Since then every church has been corresponded with, but up to the present time many have not been heard from. Out of the thirty-three churches in this Association sixteen have circles, and more than half of these are dividing their efforts equally between Home and Foreign Missions. As three or four circles failed to send in their reports, it is impossible to give a correct statement of the work done during the past year. Most circles report an increased membership and a growing interest in the cause of missions. During the year six new circles have been organized, namely, Claremont, Cramah, Campbellford, Menie, Sunderland, and Lindsay. The latter organizing with a membership of twenty. We hope to have several more circles added to our present number before another year closes.

A. E. DRYDEN, *Secretary.*

GRAND RIVER ASSOCIATION.—Our first Associational meeting was held in Woodstock, June 18, 1886, at which reports were read from most of the Circles. There are in this Association 16 Circles. Three of these—Bookton, Hagersville, Pine Grove—have been organized during the past year. Ten Circles—those at Hagersville, Ingersoll, Norwich, Waterford, Woodstock, Pine Grove, Scotland, Bookton, Boston, Simcoe—unite Home and Foreign Work. One—Tilsenburg—does Home work exclusively. Five—Boachville, Burgessville, Hartford, Springfield, Villa Nova—do only Foreign work. Amount raised during year for Foreign work, \$314.76. This does not include sums sent from Waterford, Simcoe and Hartford Circles. Amount raised during year for Home work, \$102.82, not including sums sent from Boston and Simcoe. As the Churches in our Association number forty-five, much work remains to be done in organizing Circles. We hope that the coming year may witness a marked advance in this respect.

L. R. BATES, *Director.*

HURON ASSOCIATION.—Up to June of this year there have been but six Mission Circles. During the month of June six new Circles were formed, four of these by Miss Hatch, one by Mrs. McMaster. Three were formed in July, one in August, two in September (and possibly one in Durham since). There has been raised from about 200 members somewhere near \$200, and over 65 LINKS taken.

In Owen Sound the attendance and interest has increased; prospects very encouraging. They take the *Gospel in All Lands* with the LINK. They have a good Mission Band doing good work.

Teaswater cause is good. Interest not general, but genuine work being done. Mission Band is thriving.

Paisley complains of lack of interest and attendance; are plodding along, doing well in giving. Mission Band at work, not so healthy as it might be, but looking for an increase of interest.

Walkerton complains of lack of interest and poor attendance; almost discouraged; hoping for better things when winter comes. A Mission Band has been lately formed.

Elderslie fails to send any report, but they do not hold meetings.

Kincardine failed to communicate as to progress.

Of the new Circles South Arthur is doing well.

Thornbury, Menford, Wingham and Atwood give promise of earnest, faithful work being done in the future.

Tiverton, North Bruce and Gorrie have hardly had time to know what they can do.

Mount Forest sends no report; excuse, that they are not in working order.

Durham, if not already organized, will shortly do so.

Chealey, Hanover, Daywood, Woodford, Morley, Cape Rich, Glenelg, Bentick, and Palmerston will organize during the coming year.

Wlarton, Keady, Sullivan, Sydenham, Glammis and Howick think they have all the work they can do.

Port Elgin, Listowel, Arthur Village, Flesherton, and Pricoville have indeed all they can do at present, in the future they may be able to join in the work.

Brant, Carriak and Hanover are German Churches under the American Board; Circle in Hanover is doing the same work as we but under American Board; they intend doing something for our Canadian work.

Clinton, Base Line, Ephraim and Holland; we have failed to glean anything about these Churches.

Out of the 46 Churches in this Association 30 are Mission Churches, some of them very weak, caused by internal strife, disunity and financial weakness; some are just starting in the Christian life as an organized band. Owing to these causes much has not been done this year. Some Churches have misunderstood the reports, and consequently a definite statistical account cannot be made this year. We would ask the prayers of the Convention for the outpouring of His Spirit on this part of the field.

M. A. BARBOUR, *Director.*

MIDLAND COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—There are in this Association sixteen (English) Churches, some of them small and without pastors. In nine of these Churches there are Mission Circles. Three Circles and four Bands have been organized during the year—Georgetown, Brampton, Hillsburg and Belfountain Bands. Georgetown reports Home Mission work only, but they intend taking up Foreign work also. Some of the Circles have made progress during the year. Cheltenham last year raised \$12, this year they have raised \$45 for Home and Foreign Missions.

Brampton, East Flamboro' and Fullarton send in no report. In the six Circles that do report there is much work to be done, as is shown by the following: The total number of women members of the Churches in these six is 386, total number of contributors to Circle 102, and total number of LINKS taken 111. We should not feel satisfied till every woman in the Churches is a contributor, and the LINK is in every family. The Churches that have no Circle have been communicated with and some of them are ready to organize Circles and Bands. We hope soon to report some formed.

MAGGIE McKEENIE.

MIDDLESEX AND LAMBTON ASSOCIATION.—Number of Foreign Mission Circles, 22, with 515 members; Home Mission Circles, 10, with 278 members; Two Home Mission Bands, 34 members; One Young People's Missionary Society, with 25 members; Five Mission Bands, with 229 members; No. of LINK taken, 232. Amount raised by Foreign Mission Circles, \$810.50; Home Mission, \$280.59; Mission Bands, \$66.08. Total, \$1057.13.

Two Home and Foreign Mission Circles; Three Home Mission Circles; Two Mission Bands; One Home and one Foreign have been organized during the year. Twenty-six copies of LINK have been sent monthly to weak Circles, and where they have not yet organized.

At our first annual associational gathering in June, 1884, we had 12 Foreign Mission Circles. Since then our Home Mission Circles has increased to ten, and our Foreign to twenty-two, while our contributions in Home and Foreign work has increased 100 per cent, and Mission Bands have just doubled their amount.

SOME B. WALL, *Director.*

WESTERN ASSOCIATION.—The Director appointed in this Association, owing to illness has not been able to do anything in the way of organizing. However, we are glad to be able to report four Circles, all organized this year. We are going to expect great things from this Association. There are so many large strong churches, and so much room for growth.

NIAGARA ASSOCIATION.—No. of Foreign Mission Circles, 6; No. of Home, 4—two of these are new. Amount raised