

for the day amounted to \$14.56. The officers for the year are as follows: Pres., Mrs. A. J. Vining, London; Vice-Pres., Mrs. W. F. Spidell, Denfield; Director, Mrs. J. G. Taylor, Sarnia; Asso. Director, Mrs. C. M. Carew, London; Secretary, Miss Pickett, London.

NORFOLK.—The meeting of Circles and Bands in connection with the 22nd annual gathering of Norfolk Association was held in Selkirk Baptist church, June 8th, 1909. The first session opened at 2 p.m. with very helpful devotional exercises, led by Mrs. W. Freed, of Bloomsburg. The president, Mrs. D. Catchpole, very ably presided over the meeting and the Scripture lesson was read by Mrs. O. Warner, DeCewsville, and prayer offered by Mrs. Chute, St. Williams. Mrs. Lamb, of Selkirk, welcomed the delegates to the church and homes of Selkirk, which was responded to by Mrs. Birdsell, of Delhi. After appointment of committees the verbal reports of Circles and Bands were listened to. Nearly all Circles and Bands were represented and gave encouraging reports. Following this, Miss Fisher, of Victoria, gave a very instructive address on "The Problems of Mission Band Work," and the Question Drawer on Band Work was well conducted by Miss Gertrude Steinhoff, of Simcoe. Mrs. Wilson, of Victoria, then favored us with a beautiful solo. The president's address on "Enthusiasm," was an inspiring one. Mrs. J. F. Dingman, Delhi, spoke on "The Needs and Benefits Derived from Mission Circle Work," which was followed by a question drawer conducted by Mrs. F. C. Elliott, of Waterford. Then Miss Armstrong, returned missionary, Miss Isaacs and Mr. Solomon, native workers, who accompanied Miss Armstrong to Canada, were introduced to the meeting and came forward and sang a sweet song in their own native tongue. Mrs. Birdsell, of Delhi, in her address on "Link and Visitor," gave some excellent reasons why every member of Circles could not afford to be without them. Mrs. Davis, Director, then gave her report of past year's work, showing an increase in number of members but a decrease in the amount given to missions. The evening session opened with an organ recital by Mrs. Hanns, Port Rowan. After devotional

exercises and Scripture reading, very stirring addresses were given on Home Missions by Rev. P. K. Dayfoot, of Simcoe, and on Foreign Missions by Miss Armstrong, returned missionary from Burmah. Miss Isaac and Mr. Solomon spoke very earnestly of the work being done and the needs of the work in their native land. In the evening music was rendered by Cheap-side Quartette and Selkirk choir, but the pleasing feature of both sessions were the choruses contributed by the Selkirk Mission Band. The collections for the day amounted to \$16.96. The officers appointed for the ensuing year are as follows: President, Mrs. Wm. Freed, Bloomsburg; Vice-President, Mrs. Birdsell, Delhi; Director, Mrs. Davis, Simcoe.

OWEN SOUND.—The annual meeting of the Women's Mission Circles and Bands of the Owen Sound Association, held at Southampton, met on the morning of June 8th in the vestry of the church to transact business. There were some very encouraging reports, and it was found there had been contributed \$412.03, besides boxes of clothing and quilts. The following officers were elected: Directress, Mrs. W. L. Newton, Durham; Asst. Directress, Mrs. P. C. Cameron, Owen Sound; President, Mrs. L. S. Steedman, Paisley; Sec.-Treas., Mrs. H. D. Moore, Port Elgin. In the absence of Rev. J. G. Williams, who has since been called home, Rev. J. Currie, of Leith, addressed the Circles, speaking words of greeting and appreciation of their work. The President of Southampton Mission Circle gave an address of welcome, which was suitably replied to. Music was given by Mrs. and Miss Knechtel, Mrs. Newton and the Misses Knechtel and Eby. The addresses were good and to the profit of all. Mrs. T. Meldrum on "Band Work," Mrs. Steedman on "Home Missions," and Dr. Gertrude Hulet, of India, on "Foreign Missions." The offering amounted to \$8.71.

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CIRCLE REPORTS.

ST. THOMAS.—Centre Street Circle is making favorable progress although nothing has been reported in these columns for some time. Our crusade re-