has therefore not been possible to send satisfactory replies to many of the touching letters received. All we have been able to afford in answer to these special appeals is the small sum of \$29.00, which has been divided as follows: \$10.00 to Mr. Teitelbaum, for his Hospital at Saltcoats; \$10.00 to Mr. Stocken, to help towards the purchase of a \$10.00 to Mr. Stocken, to help towards the purchase of a horse, and \$9.00 to Mr. Allman, for a stove for his Church. When we compare this year with 1893, a year of Special Appeals, during which the sum total reached was over \$350.00, we cannot but ask ourselves seriously what is the cause of such a falling off.

In January 1897, papers were sent to all the Branches in which the subject of the united Thank-offering to be presented at the Triennial of 1898 was fully explained and enlarged on. These papers were issued by the Provincial Board, and their distribution in Quebec Diocese was sanctioned by our Diocesan President.

Mrs. Thorneloe's removal to the Diocese of Algoma having left a vacancy on the Provincial Board of Management and Educational Committee, Mrs. Dumbell was unanimously elected to fill these offices.

Very interesting letters have been received from Miss Patterson, who is working hard in Japan to establish a Home where the Bible will be taught by the native women. Adelaide Willemar has been doing remarkably well at her studies this year; she has passed successfully the examination required for entering the High School, and hopes in two years more to be qualified for obtaining a high grade certificate as teacher. She will then be able to help her parents by adding part of her earnings to their income.

Since our last Annual Meeting two new Branches of the W. A. have been formed, one at Shigawake and one in connection with the Church of the Good Shepherd in the Mission of Dudswell.

Respectfully submitted,

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