

**Montreal, Grace Church.**—Reports a membership of 55. A student is supported at Akidu. Sent to Foreign Missions, \$28.47; to Home, \$5; to Grande Ligne, \$5; North-West, \$5; Indian Mission, \$5; Bolivia, \$3.

**Montreal, Pt. St. Charles.**—This Band was re-organized last November, and has 27 members. It has given to support a student at Akidu, \$11; to the building fund of the church, \$5.

**Montreal, Olivet Mission.**—Only a few meetings have been held, as the children who attended belonged to Bands in other churches.

**Satoryville.**—This Band has lost 3 members, numbering now 23, but the contributions are exactly the same as last year. To support a student at Akidu, \$15; Home, \$5.25.

**Quebec.**—No report.

There are twenty-five Bands. Numbers of members reported, 867. Total amount received, \$473.50. Sent to Foreign Missions, \$311.92; Home, \$70.50; Grande Ligne, \$55.50; North-West, including Indian Mission, \$36.50. Respectfully submitted,

AMELIA MUIR.

Montreal, Oct. 1st, 1898.

### NEWS FROM BANDS.

**BARDSVILLE.**—Our Band Secretary has asked for a report on our Band. I really do not know how to give one, but if a little chat about it will do instead, I shall be delighted to give one. I told you before how we made photo frames, handkerchief cases, and so forth, but long before our energy in that line was exhausted, we had supplied the neighborhood. Of course we had the quilt—that dear old chestnut—but it's rather monotonous work. When spring opened we bought a bag of potatoes, and negotiated for land to plant them in. Mrs. J. Mason, a dear little Methodist, gave us the land and positively refused to let us pay for it, answering all our objections with, "It would not be right to take money for anything like that." She and her family took care of the potatoes and dug them last week. They yielded something over five bags, but we have not sold them yet, because we hope they will be dearer later on. We are collecting stamps too, to be sold for the benefit of the Band, but it takes a long time to gather up a thousand. We had one week of special "self denial," which increased our funds a little, and now we are going to prepare for a thanksgiving collection about the middle of November. The mite-boxes are quite a success. We have about a dozen out. Our Vice-President has been away for some time, and we missed him very much. He was with us again for the last meeting, and gave a very helpful address from Isaiah 46: 1, 2. We enjoy reading the LINK and Visitor, and find them very helpful in the Band. We have taken up all the lessons on the different stations except one. We hope that there will be a lesson on Samulocotta before very long. Miss Stovel's letters are always welcome. What a dear, plucky, little woman she is. She makes us see India so plainly in her bright, chatty letters. Mr. Lafamme's letters, too, are always interesting. So often as we read letters from India, our hearts go out with great longing to be right there; to be in the midst of the glorious war between light and darkness, Christianity and heathenism. Still it is some comfort to think that even here at home we can have some little share in the work if we are faithful; and we remember what David said of those who went to battle, and those who "tarried by the stuff," "They shall share and share alike."

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