

Foreign Missions.

Maritime C. W. B. M.

*Expect great things from God.
Attempt great things for God.*

DEAR SISTERS,—I have given extracts from Miss Rioch's letter that you may know just what she has written concerning our missionary. I know you will all be pained as you read it, and greatly disappointed that she will be unable to attend our annual meeting. I know, too, how deeply she will feel this, as she has planned and written so often of seeing and becoming acquainted with so many of the Maritime brethren and sisters at this annual gathering. It is indeed a great disappointment to all, but we must believe that in some way it will be best for us and for the work, though we cannot see it now. Let us hope and pray earnestly that she may speedily be restored to health. We trust that in the coming autumn she may be able to visit all our churches and tell them of her work.

We had hoped greatly that Sister Rioch would be able to visit P. E. I. and attend their annual meeting, but since this is impossible we trust that our C.W.B.M. officers who are present will be able to create a still deeper interest in the work among the P. E. I. brethren and sisters, and that when Sister Rioch goes there she may be greeted by several C. W. B. M. auxiliaries, besides the churches now contributing.

You will have seen by our treasurer's article in the last CHRISTIAN that we will need to raise over \$100 before our annual if we are to meet our obligations. This means effort on the part of all our workers. We do not want to be behind this year when she who has sacrificed so much will be looking on.

We trust that those who cannot observe the 1st Sunday in July as C. W. B. M. day will do so as soon as possible and send collection at once to the treasurer that all the receipts may be in before the annual meeting.

Trusting that the offerings may be liberal and the work of the Lord may prosper abundantly.

I am, yours faithfully,
Mrs. J. S. FLAGLOR,
Secretary.

DEAR SISTERS,—Our Treasurer has called our attention to a very important matter. The reports will soon be sent to our annual meeting. Has your society raised as much money as it did last year? Nearly eleven months of our missionary year have gone by and the fact that one third of the \$300 pledged is still due our Treasurer admonishes us to take prompt action to increase the receipts.

Think of the Saviour as he sat over against the treasury watching the people as they put in their gifts! Is his interest in our giving any less? We must never forget that our obligations and responsibilities as Christian women are very great. Can we be indifferent to the call of him who counted his meat and drink to do the will of his Father?

Let us make the remaining months of our missionary year a season of special prayer, that we may go up to our annual convention filled with the spirit of our Master, that great things may be accomplished "In his name."

I know you are praying that Miss Rioch's visit to the churches may result in great good. We hope that you will make an effort to come to our annual, and that together we may talk over the things pertaining to the kingdom of God.

May the Lord help us to give our lives in willing service, that God may be honored and

the day hastened when the knowledge of our God shall cover the earth.

Yours, in the hope of his coming,
CARRIE F. PAYSON.

Westport, June 10th, 1898.

118 East Avenue South, Hamilton,
June 10th, 1898.

DEAR MRS. FLAGLOR,—I have been intending to write you for some time but have delayed, hoping it might be possible for me to give you better news concerning my sister Mary.

I know you and all the Maritime sisters will be disappointed when I tell you that she is quite unable to be with you at your coming convention. She has not been at all well since her return, her head troubles her very much. We thought rest would build her up but she does not improve. We expect to move to our summer home on the shore of Lake Ontario this week and are in hopes the air there may suit her better. She is positively just skin and bone. We feel decidedly anxious about her. She was obliged to spend several days in bed after our convention where she only delivered one address. I think you will agree with us that it would be very unwise for her to attempt anything at present.

She is very sorry to disappoint you and hopes to be able to visit the auxiliaries, if they so wish, in September or October. The weather at that time would be cooler and her health in all probability will be much improved.

Another matter which comes up is that of finances. Your auxiliaries, no doubt, expect to pay travelling expenses from Hamilton to the Provinces, and also from one church to another there.

During the past year the Japan work has drawn heavily on our treasury. We have paid \$300 on salary, \$100 on running expenses of the work and \$222 for travelling expenses, a total of \$622. This year we must again raise \$222 for travelling expenses for return to Japan \$100 for running expenses of the work and our share of the salary.

With kindest regards,
I am very sincerely yours,
L. V. RIOCH.

RECEIPTS.

Previously acknowledged,	\$133 55
St John, Coburg St., Ladies' Aid,	3 80
" " Sunday-school,	2 21
Tiverton, Ladies' Aid,	2 00
Kempt, Ladies' Aid,	2 00
Total,	\$193 56

CHILDREN'S WORK.

Previously acknowledged,	\$124 13
Interest,	18
Total,	\$124 31

SUSIE FORD STEVENS, Treasurer,
Pictou, N. S.

A REMINDER.

All money for foreign mission work to be credited in this year's account, must reach me on or before July 31st, as the annual report must be sent in before the convention.

The C. W. B. M. is more than \$100 behind, and the time is very short now. Do not let us close our year in debt.
S. F. S.
Pictou, N. S.

MAIN STREET BUILDING FUND.

Previously acknowledged,	\$133 40
Mrs. Jarvis, per Miss E. E. Christie,	2 00
Total,	\$135 40

ROBERT ROBERTS, Treasurer.

Births.

At Newton, Mass., on the 19th inst., to the wife of Gordon Hamilton Barnes, a son.

Married.

RICHARDSON-LEEMAN.—At the residence of D. F. Lambert, Lord's Cove, June 9th, 1898, by W. H. Harding, James Richardson to Violet Leeman, both of Deer Island.

FREEMAN-COLLIE.—At the Christian church, Milton, N. S., June 15th, by Rev. W. L. Archibald, M. A., brother-in-law of the groom, Karl Freeman, of Freeman Bros., Halifax, to Annie Archibald Collie, daughter of James Collie, Esq., Milton.

DOUGLAS-WALLACE.—At Boston, on 11th of April, Miss Eunie M. Wallace, daughter of the late J. B. Wallace, to Mr. Murray Douglas, both of Nova Scotia.

ARTHURS-GARNETT.—In St. John on June 9th, 1898, by Henry W. Stewart, Joseph E. Arthurs and Alice Fay Garnett, both of Silver Falls, St. John Co.

IZARD-HICKS.—In St. John, on June 21st 1898, by Henry W. Stewart, William C. Izard and Ida May Hicks, both of St. John.

FOWLER-ROBERTSON.—At the residence of the bride's parents, on June 22nd, by Henry W. Stewart, Herbert Fowler of French Village, Kings Co., to Sarah Woodworth, daughter of George F. Robertson, Esq., "Burn Brae," Upper Loch Lomond, St. John Co.

Died.

COGGINS.—John B., infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Coggins, Westport, died June 14th, 1898, aged 7 months. The funeral service was conducted by the writer in the absence of Rev. C. E. Pineo. J. W. B.

BAGNALL.—At 5.30 o'clock this Lord's day morning, Blanche, newly beloved daughter of R. E. and Mary Bagnall, of New Glasgow, P. E. Island, passed peacefully away at the age of 14 years, after nearly a year's illness. Her deportment and mature knowledge of Christianity astonished all who saw and heard her. Indeed she talked more like an old experienced Christian than like a child. Her confidence in her Saviour, and the cheerful hope of being with him, were very beautiful. Her desire that loved ones would meet her in heaven was constant and ardent. About a month before her death she was buried in baptism by O. B. Emery and looked forward to the end with unwavering and triumphant faith. Friends find it hard indeed to part from one so lovely, but the sweet hope of another meeting wipes away the briny tear. D. C.

WILSON.—A most distressing accident occurred in St. John, on June 1st, when Harold Stewart, youngest son of Bro. and Sister Havelock Wilson, lost his life at the age of four years and one month. On the evening of that saddened day his hat was found floating on the water in the rear of his father's house. A few hours later his body was found in the harbor near the same place. He had probably been playing on the wharf or in a boat and had fallen into the water. He was a noble little fellow, the joy and pride of his fond parents' hearts, and a general favorite of the people who knew him. He gave promise of being a sterling, manly man. For one so young he gave unusual signs of thoughtfulness. To help others in his own little ways was his delight. But his little hands and feet are still, the music of his voice is hushed, and the house is sad and lonely. But the words of Jesus bring comfort to the bleeding hearts: "of such is the Kingdom of Heaven." He has gone before to the house of many mansions and will be waiting to welcome them home. H. W. S.

CRAWFORD.—On Sunday morning, June 5th, 1898, Sister Margaret L., the beloved wife of Bro. John Crawford, of Bequete, and daughter of the late Bro. Alex. Scott, of North River, after a long and painful illness, which she bore not only with Christian fortitude, but with Christian cheerfulness, entered into the rest which remains for the children of our Heavenly Father. In the removal of Sister Crawford a deep shadow has indeed fallen on the home, which was ever kept bright by the cheerfulness and sunshine of her life—a life brightened continually by the strength of her faith and her good-will to all with whom she came in contact in her daily walk. She was ever happy in her efforts to make others happy. Now, that she has passed from the society of mortals, she will be sadly missed in the church, in the social circle, and especially by those to whom she was bound by the ties of kindred. Her husband and only daughter are left in sadness in the quiet home, also her widowed, aged mother, with three sisters and two brothers, survive her. As was her faith, so is their faith. They can lean upon the strength of the al. Father in the hour of trial, having full confidence in his love, his wisdom and his power. Only a little while and the broken circle will be complete again, but it will be on the other side of the line. There there will be no shadows of doubt, nor fear of evil. It will be the Father's—"my Father's" house. O. B. E.