

heathen, and especially of heathen women and children. In 1876 was commenced the organisation of these societies. In April of that year, under the guidance of the Foreign Mission Committee, there was organised, by a number of ladies in Toronto, a society which assumed the name of "The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church in Canada." About the same time were organised "The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of Kingston, in connection with the Presbyterian Church in Canada," and "The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbytery of Hamilton." In October, 1876, was organised "The Halifax Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church in Canada." The first three of these societies were afterwards united as "The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society (Western Section)," while the fourth became "The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society (Eastern Section)." Since their organisation the income of the Societies has been increasing, year by year, at a remarkably rapid rate. In the year 1876-77 the income of the four Societies, with their Auxiliaries, was about \$2,000. During the year 1890-91 the income of the Eastern Section, whose constituency was included within but a small part of the Dominion, amounted to \$5,365.83, while the income of the Western Section reached the sum of \$37,661.29—both together \$43,027.12. A large portion of the income of these societies has been devoted, under the direction of the Foreign Mission Committee, to the support of lady missionaries and teachers, labouring among women and children, in schools, hospitals, dispensaries and zenanas, in India, in China, in the New Hebrides, in Trinidad and Demerara, and in the North-West of the Dominion of Canada.

Relation to Churches in Scotland and Ireland.—The Presbyterian Church in Canada does not hold organic connection with the Presbyterian Churches in the British Isles, but it maintains friendly intercourse and communion with them. Year by year, ministers and deputies pass and repass between it and them, and are cordially welcomed on both sides of the Atlantic. Moreover, for the support of Manitoba College and of Home Missions, especially in the newer mission fields of the Dominion, contributions are made by the Established, Free and United Presbyterian Churches of Scotland, and the Presbyterian