

thread his way amongst the crowd. Some going out, eager to show their purchases to their friends, others going in for their turn. What does an Indian buy? Blankets—fancy, or white ones if possible—tobacco, tea, baking powder, sugar, coloured handkerchiefs, cotton for lodges, striped ticking for squaws, dresses, stockings, and a few beads and ornaments, brass wire, of which they make rings and bracelets. The crowd gradually thins and disperses, until the last Indian has spent his money and gone, for they are not allowed to remain in town after a certain length of time, though this law is not very strict and is frequently infringed upon, for most of the time there are a few stragglers about, and a nuisance they are to the community. An Indian gets his name always from something he does, some peculiarity about himself, or something that happens at his birth, and white people are named by them in the same way. I being a teacher or "writing woman," am called

SINAX-AKIA.

Woman's Auxiliary Department.

"The love of Christ constraineth us."—2 Cor. v. 14.

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ANNUAL DIOCESAN MEETINGS.

 THE Annual Meeting of the Diocese of Montreal, was held in February; that of Huron, was held in March; Toronto and Quebec, were held in May; and Niagara and Ontario, in June.

QUEBEC.

The Diocesan Branch met in Quebec, on the 15th of May. The officers elected for the present year, are:—Mrs. Von Iffland, President; Mrs. M. Bell Irvine, Treasurer; Mrs. L. H. Montizambert, Secretary; Mrs. T. A. Young, Assistant Secretary. Reports were received from the following branches: The Cathedral (Quebec), Compton, Cookshire, Lennoxville, New Liverpool, Richmond, Sherbrooke, River du Lac, Windsor Mills, West Frampton, as also from the city churches, St. Matthew's, St. Paul's, St. Peter's, St. Michael's and Trinity. The membership of the Auxiliary now reaches about nine hundred, there being twenty parochial branches and three junior branches. During the year, good work has been done in the way of supplying clothing, books, medicines for missions in the North-West and Algoma, and the Treasurer reported \$1,123 as having been received for missions, an increase of over \$250 on the sum raised the year previous.

TORONTO.

The Diocesan Meeting was held in Toronto, on the 20th of May. The following is a summary of the Diocesan Officers reports:

Number of Branches, 64 adult, 25 junior, total 89. Number of Members 2,187, including fourteen life members, all of whom paid their fees to the Diocesan Treasurer. Total cash received by the Treasurer, \$4,730.20. Money sent to Mission or Synod office and reported to her, \$2,849.05. Bales sent out, 170, value \$7,322.01. Number of Leaflets taken by this Diocese, 1,600. Number taken by all the Dioceses, 4,050. The Extra-cent-a-day fund rapidly increasing; amount received from that source to April 15th, \$63.43, which was appropriated as follows:—\$30 to payment of a debt on the church at Onion Lake, Saskatchewan; \$15, for a communion service for Morden, Rupert's Land; \$18.43 for the Gordon School, Qu'Appelle. Junior Branches contributed \$182.48 for various missions, which is included in the Treasurer's report. At the public meeting, interesting addresses were given by Rev. W. V. Kirkby, of the Diocese of New York, and Rev. Prof. Lloyd, of Toronto.

NIAGARA.

The Annual Meeting of this Diocese, was held on the 4th and 5th June. The sermon was preached by the Rev. J. C. Farthing, of Woodstock. At the Business Meeting, after the election of officers, the reports of the several Secretaries were read, all showing increased interest in Missionary work in the parochial branches. Eight new branches have been formed during the year, of which two are junior ones. The Dorcas Secretary's report, showed a large increase of work done in that department, and the Treasurer reported an increase of more than double last year's receipts. Miss Wilson, of the Toronto Board, gave a most earnest address on mission work. Mrs. Magill, of Oakville, read an excellent paper on "Why so few Women are Interested in the Work of Auxiliary." It was resolved that in future Dorcas work should not be valued, and that the money received from life membership fees, amounting to \$100, should be given to the Diocesan Mission Board.

ONTARIO.

The Meeting of this Diocesan Branch was held in Ottawa on the 10th June, and was largely attended by delegates from the various parochial branches. The public meeting was presided over by the Venerable Archdeacon Lauder. An able paper written by Mrs. Northrup, of Belleville, on "Missions to the Jews," was read by Mrs. R. V. Rogers, of Kingston. Miss Williams, of Montreal, gave a clear and interesting account of "The Student's Volunteer Movement for Missions," and Rev. Dr. Mockridge, of Toronto, addressed the meeting on the