

HOME DEPARTMENT.

Annual Meeting.

The Sixteenth Annual Meeting took place in Westminster Church, Toronto, on Tuesday and Wednesday, May 3 and 4. The attendance was large, comprising delegates from branches throughout the Society, representatives from all the Auxiliaries and Bands in Toronto, and many members not specially sent as delegates, besides friends from sister Societies and churches in the city. At the public evening meeting on Tuesday the spacious church was crowded to its utmost capacity.

Mrs. Ewart, President of the Society, occupied the chair at all the meetings for business.

The formal address of welcome and reply were omitted on this occasion to give time for the very large amount of business to come before the Society. The President, however, on behalf of the Board and friends in Toronto, extended a cordial welcome to all present.

A large part of the Tuesday morning session was occupied by the reading of the Presbyterial reports, which were of unusual interest, and were all well heard.

Auxiliaries to the Society are now established in every Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church (Western Division), excepting in Rock Lake, and from Deloraine in that Presbytery, a contribution has been received which indicates an awakening of interest among the women of that place, which we trust will soon develop into an active organization to aid the Society in its work. Quebec, Montreal and Regina Presbyteries have each one Auxiliary, Calgary four Auxiliaries and one Mission Band, and Columbia two Auxiliaries and an association of eighteen Scattered Helpers. The total membership of these branches is 239; contribution, \$377.35.

Most interesting are the reports received from these isolated workers, showing depth of interest, strength of purpose and