

## World of Missions.

### Home Mission Committee.

The Executive of the Home Mission Committee met in Knox Church, Toronto, on Tuesday of last week. The following members were present:—Rev. Dr. Warden, Convener, Dr. Armstrong, Dr. Findlay, Dr. Somerville, Dr. Robertson, M. W. MacLean, A. Gilray, R. Kilgour, Lieut. Col. McCrae, etc.

The claims of the several Presbyteries of the church, for services rendered during the past six months, were passed and ordered to be paid. These amounted to a little over \$46,000. After paying these, the fund was in debt \$30,000. Considerable anxiety was felt with regard to the large indebtedness. It was hoped, however, that contributions would begin to come in from congregations, so as to liquidate this indebtedness. Applications were received from a large number of new fields which had been organized during the summer, and grants were passed to these, aggregating upwards of \$60 per Sabbath for supply during the ensuing winter.

Messrs. McKenzie and Mann have generously agreed to give free sites for Presbyterian Churches along the whole length of their new line of railway from Port Arthur to Prince Albert. It was agreed to call the special attention of the Conveners of all Presbyteries Home Mission Committees to the regulation which requires every mission station to be visited between October and March, with a view to obtaining increased contributions from the field, and thus reducing the Home Mission Grant. Considerable anxiety was felt regarding the great lack of suitable missionaries, and it was agreed to ask the Rev. Dr. Robertson to visit Britain for the purpose of looking out men whose services might be secured for the North West. Dr. Robertson consented to accept the appointment, and leaves for Britain this week, so as to be present at the union of the Free and United Presbyterian Churches on the 30th inst., there to convey the greetings of the Home Mission Committee and to ask for the continuance of the generous support these churches have given in the past. It was agreed to have specially prepared a Home Mission map of the Dominion, in sections, showing the various mission fields of the church. The work among the Foreigners in the North West was fully considered by the Executive. The Rev. Dr. J. Reid has been labouring among Gallicians in the Dauphin district. Through the liberality of friends, he has erected a hospital and mission building. Messrs. Chobot and Smetanka from Roumania, Europe, students of Union Theological Seminary, New York, did good service among their fellow countrymen during the summer. Three other missionaries were also employed under the direction of the committee, visiting other foreign settlements in the West. It is hoped in connection with Dr. Robertson's visit to Europe, that he may be able to secure a number of missionaries qualified to labor among the foreign element in the West.

Interesting reports were received from the various mission fields in the Yukon. Rev. A. S. Grant is now supplying Dawson City; Rev. D. G. Cook, Eldorado; Rev. J. J. Wright, White Horse; Rev. J. Russell, Bennett; and Rev. John Pringle, Atlin. The Rev. J. A. Sinclair, at the close of his term of service, has come East. He was present at the meeting of the Executive and addressed it at length, giving an interesting account of the progress of the work in the

far North. A resolution of thanks to Mr. Sinclair was adopted for his services to the Yukon, etc.

The Home Mission Committee of the Synod of British Columbia asked the Executive to undertake Institutional work in the city of Dawson. Mr. Sinclair was heard regarding this. He said that the probable expense of outfit would be \$2,000; that the salary of the missionary would require to be \$1,800, and the expense of renting suitable hall and carrying on the work about \$400 per month. It was hoped that this latter might be secured from the people in Dawson City. The committee expressed their appreciation of institutional work, appointed a sub-committee to obtain full information to be submitted to the Home Mission Committee in March, and asked the Synodical Committee of British Columbia to take steps to see if the money necessary could be collected, so that the salary of the missionary alone would be all that would be required to be borne by the Home Mission fund.

An interesting report was read by the Convener, of a visit paid by the Rev. E. D. McLaren, at the request of the committee, to the Yukon, and the cordial thanks of the committee were given Mr. McLaren for his services in this respect. Drs. Warden, Robertson and Somerville were appointed a sub-committee to consider the desirability of requiring from each mission field supplied by an ordained missionary, a minimum sum, as is the case in connection with augmented congregations. The same sub-committee were asked to consider the question of an examination for catechists before these were employed in the Home Mission fields, and also the question of an increase to the salaries of the missionaries in the Yukon, to report to the Home Mission Committee in March.

Instructions were issued to the Conveners of Presbyteries to see that, before they left the field, the missionaries give a detailed statement regarding the work done, and they were requested to withhold the Home Mission grant until such report is received. It is felt to be exceedingly important that full reports be received from all fields, especially from those fields that are supported by churches in Britain, so that the interest of the friends there may be kept up.

The attention of Presbyteries was called to the regulation requiring that, hereafter, all fields to be worked by Students' Missionary Societies, should be designated to these Societies by the Executive of the Assembly's Home Mission Committee.

A resolution cordially thanking Rev. R. M. Dickey, for his efficient services in Britain was adopted.

It was agreed to call the Home Mission Committee to meet in Toronto on Tuesday, 19th March, 1901.

### China's Only Hope.

"Are the missionaries doing any good in China?" Is there any other certain way of doing China good? "Previous to experience," says one who knows the Chinese perhaps as well as any Western man has ever known them, "it would have seemed tolerably safe to predict that it would be easier to modify the social condition of a non-Christian community than to modify its religious condition. But, as the result of experience, it appears that it is easier to introduce Christianity than to altar the type of the current civilization, and that the only permanently successful way to altar that civilization is first to introduce Christianity after which, little by little, 'all these things shall be added unto you.'"

## GROWING GIRLS

### SHOULD BE BRIGHT, CHEERFUL, ACTIVE AND STRONG.

**A Great Responsibility Rests Upon Mothers at This Period as it Involves Their Daughter's Future Happiness or Misery—Some Useful Hints.**

Rosy cheeks, bright eyes, an elastic step, and a good appetite, are the birthright of every girl. These are the conditions that bespeak perfect health. But unfortunately this is not the condition of thousands of growing girls. On every side may be seen girls with pale or sallow complexion, languid, stoop shouldered, and listless. Doctors will tell them that they are anaemic, or in other words that their blood is poor, thin and watery. If further questioned they will tell them that this condition leads to decline, consumption and the grave. What is needed is a medicine that will make new, rich, red blood, strengthen the nerves and thus restore the vigor, brightness and hopefulness of youth. For this purpose no other discovery in the annals of medicine can equal Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, and thousands of once hopeless girls have been made bright, active and strong through their use. Among those who have been brought back almost from the grave by the use of this medicine is Miss M. C. Marceaux, of St. Lambert de Levis, Que. Miss Marceaux says: "It gives me the greatest pleasure to speak of the benefit I have experienced from the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. For some years I resided in Wisconsin with a relative, where I devoted my time studying English and music, intending to make the teaching of the latter my profession. I was never very strong, and my studies fatigued me much. When about fourteen I became very pale, suffered from severe headaches, and weakness. I consulted a doctor, and acting on his advice, returned to Canada. The fatigue of the journey, however, made me worse, and finally I got so weak that I could not walk without help. I was extremely pale, my eye-lids were swollen, I had continuous headaches, and was so nervous that the least noise would set my heart beating violently. I almost loathed food and my weight was reduced to ninety-five pounds. Neither doctor's medicine nor anything else that I had taken up to that time seemed of the slightest benefit. I was confined to bed for nearly a year and I thought that nothing but death could end my sufferings. Happily an acquaintance of my father's one day brought me a box of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and urged me to try them. I did so, and I thought they helped me some, and my father got more. After I had used a few boxes all my friends could see they were helping me, and by the time I had taken nine boxes I was enjoying better health than I had ever had in my life before, and had gained fifteen pounds in weight. I tell you this out of gratitude so that other young girls who may be weak and sickly may know the way to regain their health."

Girls who are just entering womanhood are at the most critical period of their lives. Upon the care they receive depends their future happiness. Neglect may mean either an early grave or a life of misery. If mothers would insist that their growing daughters use Dr. Williams' Pink Pills occasionally, rich blood, strong nerves, and good health would follow. If your dealer does not keep these pills in stock they will be sent post paid at 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50 by addressing the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.