

Thurso, Que.—Will you allow me space for a correction in the report from Ottawa Association, as embodied in the Annual Report of the W. B. F. M. Society of Eastern Ontario and Quebec? Instead of "Thurso Circle is the Banner Circle it should be "Thurso Circle had had its banner year this year." You will see there is quite a different meaning in the two sentences; hence the correction is necessary.

JESSIE McL. METCALFE,
Director of Circles in Ottawa Assn.

Walmer Rd., Toronto.—The Women's Mission Circle reports a most successful year. With our motto before us: "We will go in the strength of the Lord our God" we feel we have progressed in every department. Our membership is now 187, with an average attendance of 51.

The amount given to Home Missions, \$495.42; amount given to Foreign Missions, \$560.50; amount given to Indian Missions, \$75.65. Total, \$1,111.57. Also \$15 to S. African General Mission.

Mrs. Lloyd was again elected president, and we look forward to another busy, prosperous year.

EDITH HULL, Secy.

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

To Eastern Ontario and Quebec.

It has been laid on my heart to send a little message to you, dear fellow-workers in Eastern Ontario and Quebec, for we really reach so few of you with the personal touch at Convention that the LINK may prove a surer medium of conveying one or two thoughts which I have for you, and the New Year is a good time in which to have our plans very definitely in our minds.

Our reports in the November LINK (which, by the way, I hope you have all carefully studied, and, if not, that you will do so at the first opportunity) furnish the material for much thankfulness and hope. Surely the dear Lord has blessed our efforts, and to Him we would accord all the praise.

I have no doubt that you were all gratified at the outcome of the cam-

paign for the new Vuyuru Dormitories. Truly, the response came in "good measure, pressed down and running over." The balance of over one hundred dollars will make it possible to erect a larger building, which will accommodate more pupils than the old one.

Words are poor in which to express appreciation to you dear women, whose faithful service, often unknown and unrecognized, has made the outcome of the past year possible; but the Master is mindful of all these acts of self-forgetful service, and it must be pleasing in His sight, as well as heartening to us, that the number of those who have caught the vision is ever widening from year to year.

And how, what improvement and growth can we make in 1917? Let us try to bring every woman and girl in the church and congregation into touch with the great work of which our Society forms a part.

Ever since Miss Ellis came to us with her enthusiastic appeal for the girls, I have felt that this is one way in which we might branch out for better and bigger things. If we realized the importance of banding the girls together in their own organizations, we would not allow the grass to grow under our feet while our young people slip away from us. The Temple Church, Montreal, has recently formed a Young Women's Circle. There is also one at Contrecoeur. Why not more of them in Eastern Ontario or Quebec? Miss Ellis talks in the LINK are enough to inspire anyone with a consuming zeal for this branch of the King's business. Let this be one of our goals for 1917—a Young Women's Circle wherever possible.

Here is another suggestion: Is your Circle making monthly payments to the Treasurer? If not, please begin now. If you will remind yourselves that Miss Russell sends a cheque to the General Treasurer for \$277.50 each month, you will realize how much easier you will make her work by prompt and regular payments, instead of waiting until September, and making that month one grand rush for her.

You will have noticed, doubtless, that our budget for 1917 is \$132.00 in advance of last year. This is due principally