

King's successor. Let us remember that a new recruit cannot accomplish quite as much as a trained soldier, but that wonderful possibilities lie in a consecrated head and heart.

At the February meeting the invitation for the Convention to be held in Hamilton, was accepted.

At a meeting of the Executive Committee, held in March, letters were read from Miss Edna Corning, of Wolfville, N. S., and Miss Lida Pratt, of Petrolea, who had offered themselves for work in India.

At the May Board meeting, after much earnest prayer for guidance, Miss Corning and Miss Pratt were appointed our missionaries. At the same meeting it was decided that in future the Mite boxes will be issued by both Home and Foreign Mission Boards, in order that the money so collected may be divided.

Thank-offerings have been sent in by ninety-two Circles, six Bands, and three individuals, amounting to \$797.76, the largest amount that has been received for this purpose. It is encouraging to note that the number of Circles contributing to this fund is steadily increasing. Another pleasing feature is that in most cases where an extra effort has been made to constitute a Life-member to commemorate the Silver Anniversary the Thank-offering was larger than last year.

Twenty-one Life-members have been added from October 21st, 1901, to October 20th, 1902:—Mrs. James Grant, Ingersoll; Mrs. L. C. McConnell, Lakeside Calvary Circle; Miss Charlotte Jeffrey, London, Talbot St.; Mrs. John Hume, Port Hope; Mrs. James Mills, St. Catharines, Queen St.; Mrs. C. B. Spohn, St. Thomas, Centre St.; Mrs. Wm. Lutes, Waterford; Mrs. Wm. Craig by Mr. Wm. Craig; Mrs. S. S. Bates, College St., Toronto. The nine above were specially to celebrate the Silver Anniversary as a Society. The following were also added to our list:—Mrs. T. Hatcher, Chatham; Mrs. Charles Clarke, Aylmer; Mrs. Adoniram Davis, Aylmer; Mrs. Elizabeth Wingfield, Hespeler; Mrs. Andrew Dale, London; Miss Lottie McLeod, India, London Adelaide St.; Mrs. G. H. Slipper, Port Arthur; Miss L. Pratt, Petrolea; Miss Elizabeth C. Wells, Simcoe; Mrs. Edmund Burke, Jarvis St., Toronto; Miss Amy White, Parliament St. Toronto; Mrs. Annie Wurtel, Western Church, Toronto. Total number of Life-members, 264.

Miss Pratt is the first one for whom the special rule in regard to continuing a Band Life-membership has been put into practice.

Again we are called to mourn the loss, by death, of one of our most faithful members. In October our dear sister Mrs. Forbes, heard the Master's call and entered into rest. We will miss her in our meetings but rejoice to know that another stands ready to take up the work she has laid down.

Respectfully submitted,

ANNA MOYLE, *Rec. Sec.*

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

ESTIMATES FOR 1902-1903. PASSED AT BOARD MEETING.

Items.	Bal. cts. avail- lable.	Still to be raised.	Total under raised.
Regular:—Bible-women (on fields where we have no single lady).....	\$58 00	\$58 00	
Village Schools, grant.....	330 00	330 00	
Samulcotte Seminary, grant.....	300 00	300 00	
Akido: Miss Morrow and work.....	635 00	635 00	
Cocanada: Miss Simpson and Zenana Work, our share.....	\$86 50	\$86 50	
Cocanada: Miss Baskerville and School.....	1200 00	1200 00	
Peddapuram: Miss MacLeod and Work.....	600 00	600 00	
Ramachandrapuram: Work.....	220 00	220 00	
Tuni: Miss Priest and Work.....	685 00	685 00	
Vuyyuru: Miss Selman.....	500 00	500 00	
Miss Folsom.....	300 00	300 00	
Miss Hatch's furlough allowance.....	350 00	350 00	
return to India.....	125 00	125 00	
Expenses of the Society.....			
Total regular.....	\$6699 50	\$6699 50	

Special Estimates:			
Dr. Gertrude Hulet.....	\$243 80	\$243 80	\$500 00
Miss Corning's salary and munshi.....	110 74	104 26	215 00
Miss Pratt and munshi.....	17 08	557 92	575 00
Special Grant in Addition—			
To Village Schools.....		170 00	170 00
To Samulcotte Seminary.....		140 00	140 00
Mrs. A. A. McLeod's return.....	325 00		325 00
		\$1288 20	\$1985 00
Total undertaken, both regular and special.....			\$8684 50
Total to be raised this year.....			\$7987 79
		A. MOYLE, Recording Secretary.	

MISSION BAND REPORT OF W. ONT.

Last year our Mission Band Report contained a note of regret. There had been a falling off in the number and contributions of our Bands. This sad fact, while it disappointed and humbled, by no means discouraged our workers. With renewed prayer and energy they set themselves to accomplish greater things this year.

Have they succeeded? Did anyone wait upon God in vain? Did anyone ever continue faithfully in well doing and not reap in due time? Never! And so the note of sadness has changed to one of gladness, and with joy we have to tell you of the year's work. From every Association comes the message of increased interest. With but one exception each of our Directors tells of one or more Bands; fifteen in all. Several Leaders, when the interest seemed to flag, adopted the plan of re-organizing, and with great success.

In the Foreign Society 114 Bands have been heard from, the largest number ever contributing in one year—22 more than last year. Contributions to the Foreign Society amounted to \$1,156.51. Not as large an amount as in some years, but \$328.93 more than last year. Of Life Members we have seven—Brampton M. B., Miss Luella Snell; Brampton M. B., (a member) for Miss Jennie Spence; Guelph, Trinity St. M. B. (a member) for Miss Alice M. Evans; Hamilton, Wentworth St. M. B., Miss Francis A. Wodell; Petrolia M. B., (a member) for Miss L. Pratt; Port Arthur M. B., Miss Alice L. Evans; Weston M. B., Miss Lizzie