

meet once a month. One of our little ones, Harry Wingrove, was too small to come out in the cold weather, but put his pennies away regularly until summer time, when he was to be with us. But God saw best to take the bud to Himself a few months ago, at the age of five years. He told his mother to send the twelve pennies he had saved to the heathen. Then a little daughter of one of our sisters, Maud Law, living nine miles from us, came to the church one Sabbath and heard the notice of the Mission Band meeting. On the way home she asked what the Band was for. On being told, she got her mother to give her a little box and she puts all her pennies in it for the poor little girls in India. On my visiting her home a few weeks ago, she gave me the box, saying, "I cannot come to meeting, but I send this forty-three cents." She has denied herself many times, her mother told me; she had a pony given her and went to the store three times to buy candy, and returned and put it in her mission box. What may we not expect in years to come from some of these little ones? C. BRACHEN, Sec.

ST. THOMAS.—It is over two years since the "Willing Workers" of this church, sent any report of our work to the LINK. We are much encouraged at the rate our membership has increased. Last year it was 70, and so far on this year it is 108. We hold our meetings on the first Monday evening of every month, and after the usual devotional exercises and whatever business there may be, a programme of a musical and literary character is then carried out. We held an open meeting last February; it being conducted in the usual manner with the exception that tea was served to the members, after which the President took the chair and a most enjoyable time was spent. A pleasant feature of the evening was the presentation of our autograph quilt, which is just completed, to our worthy President. Hitherto the Band consisted almost entirely of children, but of late young men and women have joined us, which tends to make the meetings still more interesting. We are preparing to hold a bazaar sometime during the summer months. We are about to send for mission-barrels, which we hope and trust will be a success and afford a happy employment for the younger members, in raising funds for the support of Bellum Thomas of Samulcotta. At our yearly meeting we will have the barrel-opening exercise, then we will report our success. GENTIE B. HOWARTH, Sec.

PETERBORO'.—We sent a report of our Band to the LINK last year, but, as it did not appear in your paper, thought it must have been mislaid. A Mission Band was organized here on the 28th of September, 1888, and it has been steadily growing larger. We try to vary our exercises or programme for each meeting as much as possible, so that we may keep all interested. We have held a meeting every month since our formation and the average attendance has been good. We gave a very interesting and thoroughly Missionary Concert in February, and we feel quite encouraged in our work.

ADA W. ALDRIDGE, Sec.

MALAHIDE AND BAYHAM.—I thought a short report from our Mission Band would be interesting. Our Band was organized by Mrs. Welton, of St. Thomas, April 14th, 1888. It then consisted of seventeen, but at our first meeting, which we held May 5th, we received three new members making us a body of twenty. We hold our meetings monthly; after the opening exercises we have a short programme, consisting of readings, recitations or any other recreation which we think will be

helpful to the Band. We hope to have a successful year in our Band by doing all we can to help on the work.

LOA BAKER, Sec.

BRANTFORD.—It is just seven years on the 23rd of April since the Gleaners' Missionary Circle was formed. We have during that time raised \$800.00 for Foreign Missions. A few weeks ago we held a "Floral" entertainment, at which we raised \$25. The platform was decorated with flowers and evergreen. The chief feature of the evening was a piece entitled "Wars of the Roses." Our meetings are held every other week. We have lately begun to sew at the meetings, and find that it increases the interest and attendance.

ANNIE WINTER, Sec.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—The annual meeting of the Circles of Midland Counties Association will be held with the church at St. Mary's, on Thursday, 14th June, at 2.30 p.m. Each Circle is requested to send at least one delegate, and churches that have no Circles are asked to be represented at the meeting.

M. McKECHNIE, Director.

WALKERTON ASSOCIATION.—The Mission Circles in connection with Walkerton Association will hold their meeting this year in the Walkerton Baptist church, on Wednesday evening, June 13th. An interesting programme is being prepared. We hope to see a large number of delegates from neighboring Circles.—J. B.

LONDON.—The annual Associational meeting of the Women's Home and Foreign Mission Circles, of Middlesex and Lambton, will be held in Petrolia on Tuesday, the fifth of June. The afternoon session commences at three, the public platform meeting at eight p.m.

MRS. H. WELD, Sec.

Associational Director for Middlesex and Lambton Association. Mrs. Harry Weld, 429 Ridout St., London. Circles are requested to send their money direct to Toronto.

NORTH BROOKFIELD, N. S.—A. W. M. A. Society, twelve members, was organized on May 9th. The following officers were elected: Pres., Mrs. Ellen Hunt; Vice-Pres., Mrs. A. J. Leadbetter; Sec.-Treas., Mrs. J. S. Dailey. It was resolved to hold our regular meeting subsequent to the conference on the Saturday immediately preceding the first Sunday in each month. We hope to do something more this year than offer prayer for the heathen.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S DEPARTMENT.

What for?

"What for, grandma, do they have so many windows in the cars?" "What for does that man make holes in the ticket?" "What for does the whistle blow so much?"

"O deary me, child," said the grandma, "do stop so many questions; little boys should not talk so much!"

But the little lad, whom I was watching from my seat on the opposite side of the car, replied, "But what for, grandma, can't little boys talk?"

I was returning from a foreign missionary meeting in the College town of Princeton, and had heard "what for," "what for," on every side. "What for shall we send money to the heathen when we need it in America?" "What for shall women have so many meetings?" "What