

left us an example of diligence and zeal we may safely endeavor to imitate. "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord, for they rest from their labors, and their works do follow them." "And we desire that every one of you do show the same diligence to the full assurance of hope unto the end." "That ye be not slothful, but followers of them who through faith and patience inherit the promises."

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## REPORT OF CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

It seems but a few days since we last met to consider the progress and the claims of our work, and now again we are called upon to halt and review another twelve months.

We are to "remember all the way the Lord our God hath led us," for we are convinced that He has been our leader and that He has prepared the way before us, hence we come with gladness and thanksgiving to tell of His wondrous works.

New hearts have been awakened to sing "Tell it out among the heathen that the Lord is King," and the glad voice of those who have themselves come under His sway is ever increasing in volume, and shall increase until "the kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord and of His Christ, and he shall reign for ever and ever, King of Kings and Lord of Lords."

We sadly miss some dearly loved voices that joined with us a year ago, especially that of Mrs. Jeffery, the President of the Toronto Conference Branch; but we know that the heavenly harmonies are all the sweeter, and although sometimes almost forgetting it in the busy strife of life, we are the children of the same King and heirs of the same kingdom. Let it still be our desire and aim not only to walk worthy of the high vocation wherewith we are called, but to bring others under the same blessed dominion.

In our home work, two new branches have been formed during the year. The Montreal branch, immediately at the close of the last meeting of the board, comprising now the auxiliaries in Montreal, Ottawa, Kingston, Brockville, Napanee and Hemmingford; and the Nova Scotia Branch, uniting the auxiliaries of Halifax North, Halifax South, Guysboro' and Windsor.

Auxiliaries have arisen in various parts, a record of which will appear in the reports from the branches. Mission bands have also concentrated the energy and zeal of the young people into earnest and successful efforts for the spread of the truth.

The mite boxes, a new feature introduced in the spring of this year, have already resulted in gathering a considerable sum, and no one seems to complain of a depleted purse. Ingenuity has been excited in order to increase the income from this source: one lady employing some children to sell bouquets from her garden, from which she realized over \$15; another giving the proceeds of the sale of eggs; and still another that of rags or papers—very contemptible measures, doubtless, to the mighty men of this world, but taking on a touch of nobility when appertaining to the kingdom.

In regard to the interests for which we are working, there is reason to be encouraged. The Crosby Home, so dear to all our hearts, is still sheltering some who, but for it and the watchful care thrown around them, would be following the dark ways of sin and ruin. There is much to dishearten the toilers in this field, as wicked white men in connection with the salmon canneries seem to delight in debasing rather than uplifting; but still Mr. Crosby writes that in the "Home" some are giving evidence that they have found the Saviour and are striving to serve Him, while others have escaped to the better land. Miss Hendry is toiling with much patience, endeavoring to do the best she can.

The McDougall Orphanage has been open a little more than a year; the building is capable of accommodating from thirty to thirty-five children; there were thirteen when last reported, six boys and seven girls, ranging in age from six to fourteen years.