

DAY OF PRAYER.

Wednesday, Sept. 28th.

OUR Society cannot afford to overlook this opportunity for service and blessing. It is in vain for the Board to set apart one day to be devoted to especial prayer for God's blessing on the approaching Annual Branch and Board meetings, unless the Auxiliaries heartily respond. We hope no Secretary will neglect to have an announcement made from the pulpit on the preceding Sunday. *Sisters, let it be a red letter day.*

M. B. W., *Rec. Sec.*

TO THE MISSION CIRCLES AND BANDS OF THE CENTRAL BRANCH.

DEAR FRIENDS,—I trust you have returned from your summer visits and vacation rests with renewed zeal to work for your Master, and that you will take up the work with more earnestness than ever before.

While you have been away at the sea-side, or the pleasant summer resorts, you have doubtless had many opportunities of talking up your mission work; perhaps you have been the means of inducing some to enter upon this very important work; or it may be you have received help from others, have brought home some new ways of working and are anxious to put the ideas gained into practice. I trust it is so, and that the returns for this year will be far in advance of last year, both spiritually and financially. I would earnestly urge each President to call the annual meeting early in September, when officers and delegates to the Annual Branch meeting should be elected, according to constitution, which provides that each Band numbering forty or over is entitled to one delegate.

To the Secretaries I would say, when you receive the blank for the Annual Report, please fill it out and return promptly to myself, as great inconvenience is caused by delay, and proper returns of result of year's work can not be made unless it is received in good time.

To the members and officers I would say, remember our Annual Meeting to be held in Belleville, and pray for God's blessing upon all who may attend.

Yours sincerely,

A. M. BASCOM,

72 Brunswick Ave., Toronto. *Cor. Sec. for Central Branch.*

CENTRAL BRANCH.

THE Annual Meeting of the Central Branch will be held in the Bridge Street Methodist Church, Belleville, on the 4th, 5th and 6th of October. Please come prepared to take active part in the exercises. Prepare enquiries for the Question Box. The more we bring to the meeting the more we shall take away. Let earnest prayer be offered for the presence of the Master with us.

It was resolved at the last annual meeting of the Central Branch, That the names of all delegated wishing billets be sent to the Secretary of the Billeting Committee not later than the 25th of September.

F. S., *Rec. Sec.*

BELLEVILLE.—Delegates to the Central Branch will please remember that Bridge Street Auxiliary will gladly accommodate all who can make it convenient to be present. The Billeting Committee will be much obliged if the Secretaries of Auxiliaries will, as soon as possible after their annual meetings, send the names of their appointed delegates to the Secretary,

MRS. W. W. CHOWN,

Belleville.

FROM THE AUXILIARIES.

OSHAWA (Metcalf Street).—In reviewing our work this year we are thankful to report progress. God has indeed blessed our souls while engaged in it. We all feel a deeper interest in the missionary cause, and consecrate ourselves more fully to the Master's service. Our Auxiliary last year numbered eight, at present about fifty-six. Over \$20 has been sent to the Branch Treasurer, with still a good balance on hand. The monthly meetings have been held regularly with good attendance. Our quarterly prayer-meeting, conducted by our President (Mrs. Rev. Watch), was well attended, at which an excellent programme was given, the collection taken being in aid of our Missionary Fund. We have in our Auxiliary a visiting committee composed of four or five members, whose duties are to visit sick and absent members, carry the monthly letter to them, and report every month.

MARY AVLESWORTH, *Cor. Sec.*

WOODSTOCK.—In reviewing our work during the past year we can truly say God has been present with his blessing. At our June meeting it was decided to hold the meetings in July and August so that the interest would be kept up in view of the Branch meeting to be held here in October. Our membership is now seventy-five, with three life members. We have nineteen subscribers for the OUTLOOK. Though the day was very warm, there were thirty-five members present at the July meeting, and all felt it was good to be there.

A. C. LUND, *Cor. Sec.*

SEARLETTOWN.—It is with deep sorrow we record the death of another member of our Auxiliary and a former President, Mrs. Lewis Leard. We miss her encouraging presence in our meetings, her kindly ways and quiet, unostentatious response to our appeals for help. Knowing that "there remaineth, therefore, a rest unto the people of God," we can truly say she is at rest.

Cor. Sec.

NEWBURGH.—As Corresponding Secretary of our Auxiliary, I should have reported to you for the OUTLOOK some time ago, for it was formed last March. But I have waited that I might be able to say that our first missionary prayer-meeting was a thing of the past. We had a very interesting programme, of which our President's carefully prepared paper on "Our Work" was the best part. We are few in numbers but great in interest, and are preparing to do good work this winter for the Lord. Our President is Mrs. (Rev.) A. C. Wilson, and Treasurer, Miss Stickney. I enclose a notice which you will please place wherever you think best in the OUTLOOK if you think the scheme practicable. The Newburgh Auxiliary has one dozen copies of "Penny a Week and a Prayer," words and music, which they would like to exchange for some other music suitable for missionary meetings.

M. C. WILSON, *Cor. Sec.*

NIAGARA FALLS.—The interest in missions, we think, is steadily increasing, and whilst we regret the indifference of many, we are thankful for those who are regular in their attendance at the monthly meetings and willingly assist all they can in the good work. We have thirty-one subscribers for OUTLOOK. A box of clothing, weighing 200 pounds, was sent to an Indian school in Saskatoon, Northwest Territory. A self-denial box added quite a little to our treasury and was most cheerfully given by our missionary friends. The hand of death has bereft us of two of our members, but we trust that our loss is infinite gain to our departed sisters. Be it ours to press on, earnest and persevering until our work is done.

MRS. STEER, *Sec. pro tem.*