

LEAVES FROM THE BRANCHES.

Toronto Branch.

Dear Editor:—The Central Workers Mission Band, of Central Church, Toronto, are doing good work. We meet twice a month, our average attendance, 36. The children can tell most of our missionaries, and how to get to the missions, as we have maps, drawn by a member. Every other meeting the girls sew and the boys cut pictures to make scrap books for less fortunate little ones. Now and then the children bring an apple and a potato, filling a basket with each; they are then taken to our Deaconess' Home. The last meeting before Christmas each member brought a pound of something for distribution, and sent many garments and dolls also to the Deaconess' Home.

Yours truly,

ADELAIDE LEE,
Cor.-Secty Mission Band.

Bay of Quinte Branch.

The Circles and Bands of this Branch are making favorable progress. The year opened with two new Mission Bands; one organized at Brighton by Miss Annie Wilson, the other at Pickering, by Miss Maud Lambly.

LAKEFIELD.—The new Cor. Sec. of Cheerful Workers, Miss Mary McCamus, reports an impetus to their work by an address given by Miss Munroe, returned missionary from Japan. This Band is particularly interested in the country we study, because they support "little Gracie," a girl in a school there. A box of clothing is being prepared for one of the Indian Missions.

TWEED.—The president of Sunbeam Mission Band reports the Band more alive than last year. The members entertained their friends in the Sunday-school rooms on 14th inst.

PICTOU.—The secretary of Nellie Hart Mission Circle reports a re-election of officers, and the aim of the members to gather \$25.00, as last year, by membership fees, Easter thank-offering and gratis givings, as well as to increase the membership and interest in missionary work by study.

BAND SECRETARY.

London Branch.

Mrs. Crews, M. B. Cor. Sec. writes:—

A Mission Band has been organized at Anderson. It is in the Exeter District of the London Branch. They have commenced with a membership of seventeen, and bright prospects for a number more. They have chosen as a name "The Twentieth Century 'Thanksgiving' Band. A big name, but they say they are going to try to do big things for Christ. They are canvassing for "Palm Branch" subscribers, and expect soon to send in their list. The following officers have been appointed:

President, Miss Louie Lane.

Cor.-Sec., Miss Minnie Hodge.

Nova Scotia and Newfoundland Branch

• AMHERST—Our "Rays of Light" have three new members this quarter. One-third of our time we devote to sewing as we meet with each other every other Friday.

CANSO.—The "Cunningham" Band reports an increase of three members. In connection with our work we are collecting stamps and making scrap albums.

RITCEY'S COVE, Lunenburg Co.—From the "Blackmore" Band comes the intelligence that they have just had their public meeting. The amount raised was \$3.70. The increase in our membership is ten.

YARMOUTH.—The "Happy Thought" Band reports an increase in membership of eleven members; while the "Earnest Gleaners" report ten new members.

PARRSBORO.—The "Grace Methodist" Band has two meetings in the month. The first, our regular missionary one, while the second is that of our sewing circle, which is in connection with our Band.

BERMUDA.—Yesterday, we heard from the "Lone Star" Band. They have an average attendance of ten at their regular meetings.
124 Tower Hill, Halifax. A. M. B.

N. B. and P. E. I. Branch:

The reports for first quarter are generally encouraging, but many Bands and a few Circles must think that "December 15th" means any time in January, or, perhaps, no time.

Better late than never. Please send them.

Upper Sackville.—The Maple Leaf Mission Band was organized December 15th, with sixteen members. President, Mrs. E. A. Wheaton.

Cor. Sec.—Miss Jennie Fawcett.

FREDERICTON.—The X. L. Mission Band held a public meeting on the evening of Dec. 29th. An address by the president, Edith Davis; original papers on our Indian work, by Alberta Jamieson, Queenie Edgecombe and Beatrice Miner, and on Japan, by Gertrude Coulthard; a Bible reading by Minnie McComb, and appropriate music and recitations, in which all members took part, made up an interesting and profitable programme. The musical part of the programme was in charge of Edna Coburn, the Band pianist. The meeting was good, also the collection.
E. E. C.

BATHURST.—The "Try Again" Mission Band roll has been broken, for the first time, by death, and Freddie Harrison, son of our esteemed president, went home to Jesus Oct. 16th. On account of this, and continued illness, no Christmas service will be given, but we hope to have a public missionary evening in January.

MAUD DOBSON,
Cor. Sec.