

Bro. Harding reports his work in Charlottetown as follows: Preached 35 sermons, 100 visits, 1 added by statement, 1 house of worship dedicated, and 1 church organized.

As agreed the Board paid Bro. Harding \$20 from the evangelists' funds. The brethren agreed to do what they could for his support in addition to said amount.

Bro. H. endeavored to arrange for a preacher to locate there, and we expect to see one soon at work.

We are glad to hear such good news from Halifax. It always pays to labor in a good cause.

May many more be added to the saved. It encourages everyone to greater effort.

Another P. E. Island church responds to the call. Bro. Manifold says: "While we have heavy burdens to bear we are being blessed; and I notice with great satisfaction that the missionary spirit is growing. It would be truly good if we could get an offering from every member and a gift from every church. May the Lord bless you in keeping before the brotherhood all our missionary enterprises. Don't be weary in well-doing. May we all be stimulated to further activity."

An offering from every Disciple of Christ, a gift from every church. What an agreeable surprise that would be. What a large sum would come into the fund. How much more could be done for primitive Christianity. What blessings would be showered upon us!

Bro. Ryan's work in P. E. Island has had, as usual, good results. Long may he live to labor so effectively for the Master.

Bro. Murray's article on "Gideon's Band" in last CHRISTIAN was so true and timely that a part of it is reproduced:

"Gideon had the combined efforts of his army. It had to be a co-operative, united effort. Unless we work together we will never succeed. The church is God's army, an organized, co-operative body, and must therefore be united. The success of Gideon did not depend on the extent of his workers, but on their unity. Those who did not intend to work had no business to be in the co-operation. A person who does not mean to work in the body in which he is identified ought to be sent home, that was the pace for him.

"These are the kind of men we need today. Men who mean business at any cost. Men who will work with their brethren. Men who cannot be bought nor sold, who cannot be moved away from the truth until the work of God is accomplished. Men who, when the work is not being done to suit them, will suit themselves to the way others are doing it."

Before the next issue the holiday season will have passed, so we extend the compliments of the season to all, at the same time reminding them that a gift to our Home Mission work is acceptable, and will do great good.

The tent is not yet paid for. We thank those who have not taken the time limit of six months. We hope others will soon pay up, and that we will owe no man anything on it.

Look at the treasurer's report. We are now indebted to him, and yet some are asking for other grants to be made.

RECEIPTS.

Previously acknowledged,	\$138 41
St John—	
Main Street, J. C. B. Appel,	10 00
" A. Armstrong, ...	1 00
" Miss N. Whelpley,	2 00

St. John—	
Main Street Miss A. Purvis,	1 00
" C. W. B. M.,	2 00
Coburg St. Mission Band,	4 55
Westport—	
Mrs. J. W. Bolton,	1 00
Y. P. S. C. E., per Mrs. J. W. Bolton,	2 00
" per E. A. Payson,	3 00
E. C. Bowers, ..	5 00

\$169 96

J. S. FLAGLOR, Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance on hand Nov. 1st,	\$7 48
Received in Nov.,	31 55
	\$39 03

Expended

Halifax, November,	\$21 00
Pictou, "	16 06
St John, Main St., Nov.,	12 50
	\$50 16
Due Treasurer,	11 13

P. E. ISLAND FUND.

Previously acknowledged,	\$14 92
Charlottetown, per Geo. Manifold,	11 35
	\$26 27

J. S. FLAGLOR, Secretary

Foreign Missions.

Maritime C. W. B. M.

Expect great things from God.
Attempt great things for God.

It was suggested at our annual meeting that our watchword for the present missionary year be "Fuller Consecration." We could scarcely find a more fitting one.

Sisters, let us make this a personal matter. It is well to remember that this watchword is for all the members of the Christian Woman's Board of Missions, but I would not forget that it is for me.

Fuller consecration means going out of self and into a broader, freer life. It means increasing activity, and, perhaps, it means, more than anything else, *communion with God*. The heart must be filled with love for God, then we will love and desire to serve his children. *Communion with God*, then service for others. Nothing but prayer can prepare us for acceptable service. We must have the Christ-like life of full consecration and complete surrender to God.

Nearly four months of our missionary year have already passed. The calls from the mission fields are so urgent that we must do more this year than ever before. We are reminded again and again that the night of death is coming when no man can work. Let us be up and doing while the day lasts. To fail in what we know to be our duty is to narrow our souls and to rob ourselves of the joy of working with God in the great plan of redemption. I would that we could be aroused to larger things, to greater efforts; that we may, indeed, go forward. May we be filled with the Spirit that the fruit of the Spirit may be seen in our lives.

Sisters, let us remember our watchword, "Fuller Consecration," and go forth in the strength of our God, who alone is able to keep us from falling and to present us faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy.

Yours in Christ's service,

CARRIE F. PAYSON.

Westport, Nov. 18, 1897.

KERNELS FROM THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE FOREIGN SOCIETY.

Twelve new missionaries were employed in the foreign field during the past year.

The whole number of missionaries in the field is now 162, fifteen more than one year ago.

The receipts of the year amounted to \$106,222.10, which was a gain of \$13,354.39 over the previous year.

The expenditures for the year amounted to \$104,270.26.

The Annuity Fund received \$6,800. This is a new feature of our foreign work.

The number of contributing Sunday schools for the year was 2,610, a gain of 205 over the previous year.

The Sunday schools gave \$30,027.24, a gain of \$1,608.46.

The number of churches that reached their full apportionment was 1,112, a gain of 324 over the previous year.

The number of contributing churches was 2,586, a gain of 127.

The churches, as churches, gave \$39,568.28, or \$334.10 less than for the previous year.

Three churches raised as much as \$500 each: Central, Des Moines, Ia.; Lexington, Ky.; North Tonawanda, N. Y.

Four children were born on the foreign field to our missionaries during the past year.

The number of children that raised \$1 or more each for the Children's Day offering was 5,151.

The Birthday Box has been adopted by more than 1,000 Sunday schools.

The number of contributing Endeavor societies was 528, a gain of 263 over the previous year.

The Endeavor societies gave \$3,358.63, a gain over the previous year of \$1,377.76.

The new watchword for the current year is: \$100,000 for Foreign Missions by collections only.

The amount received by bequests was \$8,588.15.

Since the organization of the society \$83,758.95 has been received from bequests.

W. S. Dickinson, who for twenty-one years served as treasurer of the society without a penny of compensation, retired from the position early in the year. He still remains, however, a member of the executive committee.

During the year the contributing churches averaged \$16.30.

The contributing Sunday schools for the past year averaged \$10.68.

The number of individual offerings during the past year was 949.

The individual offerings averaged \$15.06 each.

The largest offering for the past year was made by Frank Coop, of England, who gave \$8,750.

RECEIPTS.

Previously acknowledged,	\$70 85
Interest,	48
St. John—	
Ladies' Aid, Aug. Sept. and Oct.	8 85
Main St. Ladies Aid, ..	2 00
Coburg St. Sunday-school,	3 38
Westport—	
Young People's Society,	2 00

Total, \$82 61

SUSIE FORD STEVENS, Treasurer,
Pictou, N. S.

Another of our subscribers is paid into 1900. James A. Mellish, Victoria Cross, P. E. I. Who will be the next to enjoy this peculiar honor?