

accomplished by our W. M. S. After a pleasing report by our Recording Secretary, two interesting papers were read by Mrs. Weldon, of Little Britain, and Miss Prior, of Oakwood; also a paper by Mrs. Jeffers, of Oakwood. An address from Mr. Greatrix, of Little Britain, bearing on "Woman's Work for Woman," gave us fresh courage. The foregoing was interspersed with music. A solo by Mr. Wilson, of Little Britain, and a recitation by Miss Allin, of the same place, helped to make our programme more interesting. Proceeds of social, \$11. Remitted to Branch Treasurer during the quarter, \$21.16. We ascribe our success to our esteemed President, Mrs. (Rev.) Burns, whose heart is fully alive to the work.

NEWBURGH.—This Auxiliary is growing in numbers and interest. At our February meeting we decided to make the month until the next meeting a time of self-denial. In a largely attended meeting, held on the evening of March 2nd, the envelopes were opened and the contents found to amount to nearly \$10. A very interesting and profitable programme was presented, in the course of which the leaflet, "Unemployed Talent in the Church," was read by a member, and Mr. A. M. Robertson, one of our honorary members, gave a carefully prepared synopsis of the "Annual Report," which proved most instructive. It was afterwards decided to devote the self-denial money to the Shizuoka Church Fund.

MRS. H. S. WILSON, *Cor. Sec.*

CHATHAM.—The Chatham Auxiliary is having a pleasant and prosperous year. The meetings are well attended and of much interest. The November quarterly tea was held at Mrs. Chas. Fleming's. There was a large attendance and the meeting was most successful. The February quarterly meeting was held at the Church, and was a very spiritual and profitable gathering. A box of clothing, toward which the Missionary Committee of the Epworth League gave material contribution, was sent to the Indians of Walpole Island. The outlook is favorable, and the Society has occasion to thank God and take courage.

L. ANNIS, *Cor. Sec.*

CARSONVILLE.—In reading of missionary work done in the different places, our hearts are filled with gratitude to our Father in heaven that He has given us a desire to do something for Him. Although we have not had as good an attendance as we would like, yet we feel that our labor will not be in vain. We held an Easter service on the afternoon of that day. Rev. G. T. Dawson preached a missionary sermon, followed by a thoughtful service by eight women; music by the choir; recitation, "The Walk to Emmaus," by Miss Maggie J. Leiper. Collection amounted to \$2 35. We are hoping for a still larger measure of success and increase of missionary zeal.

M. A. McLEOD.

DESORONTO.—On the 3rd February last an Auxiliary was instituted in connection with the Methodist Church here, by Miss Hawley, District Organizer. The ladies present, fifteen in number, very heartily gave in their names for membership, and the official staff is as follows: President, Mrs. (Rev.) J. J. Rice; 1st vice president, Mrs. J. A. Chapman; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. Wm. Lowey; corresponding secretary, Mrs. H. A. Yeomans; recording secretary, Mrs. J. E. Richardson; treasurer, Mrs. J. T. Greatrix; canvassers for OUTLOOK, Misses Ada Lake and Hattie Crawford. Additions have been made to the membership at each meeting since organization.

MRS. H. A. YEOMANS, *Cor. Sec.*

GRIMSBY.—Since our last communication to the OUTLOOK, we find that we can report some progress. We commenced this year, acting upon the suggestion made at the convention, to have a tea at the house of one of our members quarterly. The first as reported was given by Mrs. Metcalfe, and the second by Mrs. H. Smith. Both meetings were of special interest and profit, having the business before tea, and a select programme in the evening. We have charge of the public prayer-meeting each month, and bring items of interest from the mission fields to be read by our own members. Every six months we have a platform meeting Sabbath evening in the interest of our own Auxiliary. The box of clothing sent to the Alderville Mission, worth fully \$50, has been duly acknowledged by the Supply Committee.

C. GOODWIN, *Pres.*

MORRISBURG.—In the Annual Report, page 38, Miss Toye, Morrisville, is credited with giving 65 yen 32 sen to the Japan Council. It should be Morrisburg, Ont., instead of Morrisville. This money was raised by the Acorn Mission Band, of which Miss Toye, a loyal Presbyterian, living in a Methodist neighborhood, is President. This independent little Band of missionary workers is now supporting Shimada San, Miss Cunningham's Bible-woman. It is composed of eleven boys and girls, most of whom give all their pocket-money to the Mission Band. The servant girl who belongs gives one-tenth of her wages to the Lord's work. The Band meets fortnightly, and at each meeting there is a short missionary programme. It is hoped that some of this Band will give themselves for work in the foreign field.

The steadfastness of many of the Christian converts in China during the recent persecutions has called forth the admiration not only of the natives, but of many friends who have witnessed the fidelity of these converts. During some of the late riots the leaders of the secret sects said to the Christians, "Sacrifice to the spirit of Confucius and you shall go." But they would not sacrifice, though painful and violent deaths awaited them. Many who have been skeptical hitherto as to the character of the converts in China, confess that they have not understood the strength of their convictions and the genuineness of their faith.

A TRAVELLER in Yucatan says that, as the natives can not read, the names of the thoroughfares are never put up on street corners, nor the names of firms on stores or shops; instead, pictures of the articles sold within are hung out for signs, and they have a similar picturesque way of designating the streets. "In the angle of the corner house on a street, and at the top is a wooden figure of some kind, a bull, *la toros*, or an eagle, a flamingo, or a woman, by which that particular thoroughfare is designated. There is one called *La calle de la vieja*—"Street of the Old Woman"—whose figure is perched upon the top of the corner house where the street begins."—*Wide Awake*.

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