

JACKSONVILLE, N. B.—Our Mission Band has been organized three years in March. Interest in the good work still continues. We held a thanksgiving supper at the home of the President, Miss Harper; proceeds, \$12.25. We sent to Branch Treasurer \$45 last year. We also have an Auxiliary in connection with our church, which is in good working order. It is two years last October since it was organized. Mission Band and Auxiliary together sent \$75 to Branch Treasurer last year. Mission Band meets the last Wednesday in every month, the Auxiliary the last Saturday in month.

MRS. A. WILEY, *Rec. Sec.*

OWEN SOUND.—This Auxiliary was organized in 1887, and we have now a membership of about thirty. Regular monthly meetings have been held, and we have been following, as near as possible, the programme suggested in the Leaflet each month, and have found the meetings to be interesting and profitable. Last September we sent a box of clothing, bedding, etc., the most of which was new goods, valued at \$60, to Dr. Bolton's Hospital, Port Simpson. Our society is in a prosperous condition, and our earnest prayer is that each member may feel her responsibility more deeply, and that we may be willing to deny ourselves, if need be, for this great work.

IDA M. GRAY, *Cor. Sec.*

PARKDALE.—The motto of our Auxiliary is still "Forward." Our membership, since last you heard from us in these columns, has increased from fifty to almost ninety, and we hope to reach one hundred before our year closes. The interest in the work has kept pace with our numbers, indeed; has gone beyond our numbers, for we have reached that desirable climax where, thanks to the suggested programmes which provide for the very timid as well as the more courageous—Such a thing as a refusal to take some part in our monthly meetings is not known among us. As might be expected, this has not only increased our influence for good, but also our attendance, and out of a meeting of over fifty, we have had as many as nine visitors. We have had a pleasant and profitable visit from Miss Preston, of Japan, and have held our Easter thank-offering for the Chentu Mission at the home of one of our members, Mrs. (Hon.) S. C. Biggs, where a very sociable evening was spent. These two events enriched our treasury by about \$50. We have over fifty subscribers to the *OUTLOOK*, and have had to increase the number our of leaflets from seventy-five to eighty-one since the beginning of the year. Surely God is honoring and blessing His work. To Him be all the praise.

MRS. E. A. STEVENS, *Cor. Sec.*

WINCHESTER.—The Young Ladies' Mispah Mission Circle was organized by Mrs. G. R. Bow, on the 12th of April, 1893, with a membership of eleven. We now have about fifty-five members. During the first three months that we were organized, we raised thirty dollars clear of expenses. This amount was raised by having an "At Home" and an ice cream social. Every young lady and gentleman of the congregation were invited. The object of having this "At Home" was to get the young people interested, and get them to become members of the Circle, and ten new members were obtained. A programme was given, consisting of recitations, readings and singing. At the close, refreshments were given and collection taken, which amounted to \$8.75. The ice cream social was given in August, at which \$24 was realized. A social was given in January last; about seventy young people were present. There was no regular programme prepared, but music and singing was furnished by the members. Two members were appointed to canvass for new members, who were successful in obtaining twenty-eight new members. At the close, refreshments were given and collection taken, amounting to \$6.20. The regular monthly meeting held on Wednesday, March 7th, was an open meeting. The subject taken was Temperance. A programme consisting of recitations, solos and instrumental music was given by the members of the Circle. A very enjoyable evening was spent. The Circle propose giving an open meeting every quarter, as we think considerable interest will be worked up in this way. We are praying and trusting that God will be with us through this year, and that we may do better work for our heavenly Master than we have done in the past.

EDITH DURANT, *Cor. Sec.*

NEWTON BROOK.—An "At Home" was given under the auspices of the Woman's Missionary Society of Newton Brook and Willowdale, on Friday evening, January 5th, at the residence of our President, Mrs. R. Risebrough, Newton Brook. There was a very large attendance. Mrs. (Rev.) Booth, of Willowdale, presided, and after singing by the audience, opened the meeting by reading a portion of the Scriptures. The Rev. Geo. Browne led in prayer, after which Mrs. Risebrough gave a brief outline of our work as a Missionary Society, and made a moving appeal for individual and complete consecration to mission work. We then had some music, after which Mrs. (Rev.) Geo. Browne, of Maple, our District Organizer, gave us an excellent address on the "Lives of the Women of India." Refreshments were served at the close of the programme. The proceeds amounted to something over \$12. Our "At Home" was a success in every way, and I think I can safely say all carried away a goodly share of live missionary spirit.

MRS. S. T. HUMBERSTONE, *Cor. Sec.*

NAPANEE EAST.—This Auxiliary in its monthly meetings is trying to diffuse a more definite knowledge of the aims and work of the W.M.S., and by quarterly meetings to increase the interest of the public in our missionary enterprises. The December public meeting took the form of a missionary concert—"Open Doors"—by the young people, under the efficient leadership of Miss Louise Daly, late of London, Ont., assisted by Mr. W. A. Rockwell and the members of the church choir. The meeting was most successful and enjoyable. The March quarterly public meeting, held on the evening of February 26, was under the joint auspices of the Auxiliaries of the two Methodist churches here. Mrs. (Rev.) J. J. Rae gracefully and skilfully performed the duties of chairman. Vocal selections by the best local musical talent added much to the success of the evening. The following papers were read: Miss Garrison, "The Religions of Japan"; Mrs. G. R. Fraser, "Systematic Giving"; Mrs. (Dr.) Edwards, "Practical Work"; and Mrs. Symington, a digest of a paper read at the World's Fair Woman's Congress, by Miss Bell, of Philadelphia, agent in Spain of the Board of Lady Managers. The entire programme was pleasing, popular and profitable.

SARAH ELLIOTT, *Cor. Sec.*

TEESWATER.—The meetings of the "Willing Workers" Mission Band, under the superintendence of Mrs. J. H. Field, are increasing in interest and instructiveness. We held an entertainment in the church on the 15th of February. The church was well filled, and the gathering was a success in every particular. A silver collection was taken at the door, from which we realized \$11.25. After a "Dish-cloth" dialogue, four girls went through the audience selling dish-cloths at ten cents each. By this we made \$1.40. Some time ago one cent was given to several of the members of the Mission Band, and each was to see how much money he could make from this one cent in three months. From this \$2.22 has been sent in, but there are still others who have not sent in what they made. We have raised \$1.02 by birthday offerings, seventy-five cents by thank-offerings, and \$2.13 by mite-boxes. Our expenses so far this year is \$3.80. The "Willing Workers" made a quilt on which were written a number of names. Five cents was charged for each name, and from this we received \$1.75. The Woman's Missionary Society was sending a box of clothing to Rev. A. Salt for the Parry Island mission, so we sent the quilt in the box. Mr. Salt was given the privilege of retaining anything in the box for the use of his family, so they kept the quilt made by the Mission Band. We have adopted "fee cards." The card is punched once for each cent brought, until the entire fee of twenty-five cents is paid. We have fifty names on our roll. If a number of children in a family wish to attend the meetings of the Band and yet the parents do not feel able to pay for more than one or two, we think it better to let the one or two pay and the others come free than to have them deprived of the meetings. We call these "honorary members." Each member wears a red ribbon badge. In the Band we have seventeen subscribers for the *Palm Branch*, and others intend to subscribe. We are sending a delegate to the Convention to be held in London on March 20th to 22nd.

M. NIXON, *Cor. Sec.*