

A new Band has been organized at Cornwall, and another at Osnabuck, and one is about to be started at Temple church, while Sherbrooke promises to attempt one soon.

At Coaticook, the Band held a prayer meeting on one occasion, when no less than 14 dear little ones raised their childish voices in public prayer. Five members were baptized during the year. The little ones are willing to come into the Kingdom, if only someone will lead them. The small treasurer of this Band is preparing a colored map of India for use at the meetings. Two or more members of the Circle are always present at meetings, and no doubt profit by excellent lessons given.

Delta has 40 members, a goodly number of missionaries in training. "Mission stations in India" has been the lesson course. Moe's River, by active service, proves what can be done under adverse circumstances, when a leader loves her Father's business, and has a tender ambition for the little ones. The children delight in lessons from the "Link," illustrated by models, and they love to march up and present pennies to a metallic man, who bows thanks while placing pennies in his pockets, and not a coin would miss the opportunity to see him bow his iron head. A verse of Scripture is repeated in answer to the roll. Friends contributed to a subscription card, and also put pennies into birthday-party bags made by the children. These tiny missionaries, scattered in homes miles apart, gave \$22.00 to spread the Gospel. Your Superintendent, would delight to report many such active interested children, and such tireless workers, did the Band leaders but care enough to respond to her plea for news.

Kingston, Union St., has wisely decided to "cling to their Band," though invited to unite with the B. Y. P. U.; the Circle agreed that it was only in a Band that proper knowledge of Home and Foreign Mission work and responsibilities could be acquired.

Ottawa First Church, studied missionary lessons, including Christian giving. Members of Circle always attend Band meetings.

Brockville re-opened with a missionary tea; a missionary black-bird pie gave news from different fields, and at the following meeting, children were questioned on knowledge gained.

Cornwall has one set of officers for boys, and another for girls, meeting at the same time in separate rooms for business, and uniting for lesson illustration by Balopticon, which is found most helpful, as any picture photo, or object can be shown.

Westmount held two meetings with the Sunday School, Band officers conducting services. At one, Mrs. Osborne was present, with Marzamma, a child rescued from the lowest outcaste people, and who sang a hymn very sweetly. The annual concert, the event of the year in Westmount church, called forth a crowded audience, who contributed \$43.75 for Home and Foreign missions. The leaders prepare a regular programme each year, by which missionary subjects are carefully discussed. The young superintendent is unflinching in attention to visits from the stork in homes of church members, and her family of baby Band members is large.

The excellence of methods of work in this Band, and its large offerings, are a tribute to the two young girls, who are untiring in their endeavor. The total amount given was \$142.00.

Four Bands have undergone the painful operation of re-organizing, which would be unnecessary in most cases, if Circles would but exercise care over this branch of their work, but better re-organize than drop out altogether.

One Band is reported dead, but we hope will be resuscitated under happier circumstances. Other Bands have failed to report, or have simply stated numbers, and amount raised.

The total offering for Home and Foreign fields was \$27.92, which is less than last year's offering, and your Superintendent looks for a much larger amount this year.

Circles are beginning to realize that the Band is their care, and that it is a school to prepare well-informed, interested workers of the future, who have received instruction in mission work, and Christian methods of giving, as well as the greater one of obedience to our Saviour's commands.

Many Band leaders are faithful, loving servants of their Lord, but still trouble comes when one of these dear workers is compelled to lay aside her duties. In almost all cases, children are eagerly anxious for Band instruction, but the old cry of "leaders