

On Thursday, at 10.30, the next session was opened with the missionary litany, after which Miss Tilley gave an instructive Bible reading on "The Christian's Joy" from Isaiah xii. The minutes were read and confirmed and the secretary called the roll, announcing that 14 officers, 58 life members, and 304 delegates had registered the previous day. An interesting discussion was led by Miss Osler in the affirmative, the subject of "Shall the Parochial Branch of the W.A. consist of all the women workers in a parish or are separate organizations best?" Mrs. Broughall led the negative side, and other ladies who spoke were Mrs. Boddy, St. Peter's, Mrs. Carey, Millbrook, Mrs. Savigny, Mrs. Brown, Mimico. The president summed up. During the lunch hour the members deposited their ballots for the nomination of officers and designation of the life membership fees. At 2.30 the session opened with the hymn "The Son of God goes forth to war," and Mrs. Willoughby Cummings contributed a paper on "The beginning of things in our auxiliary work," in which the early struggles were fully explained, and the various steps by which the present state of efficiency has been reached, were brought out. At the conclusion a life membership was presented to Mrs. Richard Thorne, who was one of the most zealous of the first workers: Mrs. Renaud, formerly president, and Mrs. Francis, who was corresponding secretary in 1888, testifying to Mrs. Thorne's enthusiastic and faithful example. The scrutineers' report was read stating that the following officers were elected by acclamation: President, Mrs. Williamson; recording secretary, Miss Cartwright; treasurer, Mrs. Grindlay; secretary Junior Branches, Mrs. Forsyth Grant; treasurer Extra-cent-a-day fund, Mrs. Miles. Dorcas committee: convener, Mrs. McLean Howard; sec.-treas., Mrs. Banks. P.M. Collections committee: convener, Mrs. Morgan; sec.-treas., Mrs. Alfred Hoskin. Literature committee: convener, Mrs. Davidson. The remaining officers to be balloted for again. Interesting letters were read from Miss Tims, Hay River, Mackenzie River Diocese, from Rev. Richard Farnes, Fort Hope, Moosonee, Rev. Mr. Weaver, Athabaska, from Miss Phillips, and Miss Matheson, Onion Lake, and other points in the mission field. An excellent paper on "Tithe-giving" was read by Miss Tilley, followed by a discussion in which Mrs. Boddy, Miss Stacey, and other ladies joined.

At the evening meeting His Lordship took the chair and the school room was well filled with workers, principally women. On the platform were, Rev. Canons Cayley and Sweeny, Rev. Dr. Lingtry, Rev. A. C. Kettle, Qu'Appelle, as well as the honorary president, Mrs. Sweatman, the president Mrs. Williamson, and Mrs. Cummings.

Dr. Parkin, of U.C. College gave an excellent address, in which he spoke of the marvelous ways in which England's sons are brought face to face

with heathenism of every description in every quarter of the Globe, and of the influence they can wield wherever they go. Hon. S. H. Blake made a most earnest speech in which he eulogized the Auxiliary, and spoke of his desire to give \$100.00 through its channels. Speaking of the money spent in the drink traffic, in amusements, and in the war now begun, he contrasted the small amounts given to spread the Gospel of Peace. He also drew attention to the small sum spent by the W.A. for expenses the whole amount being taken from the fees given for that purpose, ten cents from each member of the senior and girls' branches, the juniors being exempt. The Rev. A. C. Kettle then spoke on the subject of his work in the North-west.

Papers were contributed by Miss Joy, Orillia, and by Mrs. Farncomb and Mrs. Greenwood, Newcastle, (where the work has been wonderfully blessed), Mrs. Kuhring, Miss Cayley, Mrs. Boddy, and others.

At 2.30 the last session was opened by a hymn and prayers, and Mrs. Davidson read a paper on "A Missionary Outlook" in which she spoke of the work done in heathen lands, and recommended the perusal of the C.M. Society's little book, "The Story of the Year." After a hymn the thank-offerings were received, the amount being \$209.25, mostly in small sums, and very many texts and other messages accompanied the money, testifying to the goodness of Him "Whose goodness faileth never."

The life membership fees, amounting to \$325.00, had been given to rebuilding the church destroyed by fire at Seguin Falls, Algoma.

The result of the ballot was announced as follows: First vice-president for the ensuing year, Mrs. Cummings; second vice-president, Miss Tilley; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Newman; treasurer, Juniors, Mrs. E. F. Blake; sec.-treas. literature committee, Miss M. Hoskin.

Several resolutions were then put to the meeting, one expressing regret at the retirement of Mrs. Sullivan, Mrs. Septimus Jones, and Miss Osler; and Mrs. Willoughby Cummings changed position, from corresponding secretary to first vice-president, was noted. Thanks to the clergy and to all who contributed to the success of the meeting were carried unanimously. The Dorcas committee, formerly the C.W.M.A. was elected as arranged at the time the society became affiliated. A special vote of thanks was passed to the president, Mrs. Septimus Jones taking the chair while it was being done, and expressing her warm approval of it. The meeting was closed with the Canticle, "God be merciful unto us and bless us," followed by prayers and the Benediction.

THE GIRLS' AUXILIARY.

The closing programme last evening was under the auspices of the Girls' Auxiliary, and consisted of a most interesting series of statements, as to the