

Miss Watterworth, of Ridgetown, gave an exceedingly reaching address on "The necessity for Bands." As Sunday Schools are needed, to the same extent are Bands needed, if the children are to be trained in the way they should go, so that when they are old they will not depart therefrom. Whereas one in ten children might receive Sunday School teaching at home not one in a hundred would receive Band teaching. The Church of to-morrow depends upon the teaching the children receive to-day.

Mrs. Hatton, of Chatham, urged the claims of the Link and Visitor, and calls attention to several special features—the Link program for Bands.

"Helps and Hindrances," a paper read by Mrs. Merritt, of Chatham, in the absence of Mrs. H. McDonald, of Chatham, brought out several excellent suggestions.

Mr. Bowen's address on Foreign Missions, from Ps. 74:20, was listened to with thrilling interest, owing to his having been an eye witness of many things described, and his heart is right in the work. Mrs. Lillie in her address on Home Missions, took us on a trip among the churches of the Northern Association.

The Circles raised \$775.77, an increase of \$9.51; Bands raised \$145.54, an increase of \$16.79.

The following officers were appointed:—President, Mrs. P. C. Cameron, Windsor; Vice-President, Mrs. Hatton, Chatham; Directress, Miss Ritchie, Arner; Assistant Directress, Mrs. C. Ver, Wallaceburg. The offering amounted to \$7.60. The session closed with prayer by Mrs. Oliver.

Claire Milton,  
Assistant Secretary.

#### CIRCLE AND BAND NEWS.

Scotland.—The Mission Band held a missionary concert in the basement of the church on Friday evening, May 10th. The program consisting of recitations, dialogues and songs, was all rendered by members of the Band, with the exception of a male chorus. A free-will offering was taken amounting to \$4.84. Mite boxes were distributed for the support of our student in India.

Several new members were received, and the interest increased.

Letha Hooker,  
President.

Grimsbay.—On Friday evening, April 12th, the Mission Circle held a special meeting at the home of one of its members. Upwards of thirty were present to say farewell to Mrs. Priest. A very good informal programme was rendered, at the close of which a beautiful amethyst and pearl brooch, with a lace collar, were presented to Mrs. Priest, amid a shower of good wishes for her future. Refreshments were served by the ladies.

L. M. Schultz,  
Secretary.

Dunnville.—At our last meeting, we held our election of officers for the coming year, which are as follows:—President, Mrs. Alex. Camelford; 1st Vice-President, Mrs. J. H. Rowe; 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. Wm. Spence; Secretary, Mrs. W. E. Franklin; Association Secretary, Mrs. J. Forrester; Treasurer, Mrs. S. Wardell.

We have been having splendid meetings, both in point of numbers and spiritual interest.

Mrs. W. E. Franklin,  
Secretary.

English Church, Cocanada, Inda.—During the past year the Circle has held eight meetings. In August, 1911, and February, 1912, the time was given to the Home Missionary Society. At each meeting some topic of interest has been taken by one of the members. The subjects have been the lives of Miss Fiske and Miss Florence Nightingale, mission work in Arabia, a visit to Pandita Ramabai, our leper work at Ramachandrapuram, a tour taken by Miss Baskerville and Miss Jones, and our own work among the women and girls on the fields in our mission. In December last, as the missionaries had just returned from furlough, and the new ones had just arrived, the meeting was addressed by them. We had accounts of the Circle Mission Study Class in the First Baptist Church in Brantford; the Y.W.C.A. in McMaster University, a Sunday School class of girls in Olivet Church, and also the primary department of the Sunday School in Walmer.