

made a most earnest appeal on behalf of his diocese, and I am glad to know that he reached both our hearts and our pockets. But all that we can do is, alas! but little, compared with his great needs.

The Rev. W. J. E. Garton, who was on his way back from England, brought before us the condition of things in the fast growing diocese of Rupertsland. Here as elsewhere the Church of England will reap as she sows, and unless we do much more for Archbishop Machray, and indeed for the whole of the North West, it will be a great mistortune in the future history of these young dioceses.

Mrs. Sillitoe, the widow of the late Bishop of New Westminster, hoped to come and tell us something of the work in the far west in British Columbia, but at the last moment she was prevented. The Bishop of British Columbia, Dr. Perrin, is now in England; possibly we shall see him on his way back to his diocese.

We have lost during the year two most valuable officers, for, first of all, we have to lament the decease of Mrs. Hunt of Sherbrooke, the Secretary of our junior branches, who, after only a few days illness was taken to her rest, and secondly, we have now lost our energetic Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Patterson Hall, who has removed to Montreal. It will be our duty at this meeting, while thanking Mrs. Hall for all her good work, to choose two of our members for these very important posts.

There is one other matter, in which all, who profess to care for missionary work, should be specially interested during the coming year, and this is the Bicentenary of that great missionary society, to which this diocese of Quebec and indeed all dioceses of older Canada owe their existence and their growth—the Bicentenary of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in foreign parts. I do not know whether or not the Woman's Auxiliary would be acting within its proper sphere to attempt to make a special collection from the Atlantic to the Pacific for the S.P.G. Bicentenary Fund—I fear not—but at any rate I earnestly hope, that our Central Board will, by an address of recognition, or in some other way, take in hand to acknowledge the vast debt which Canada owes to this venerable society, expressing the hope that the women of England may be led to rise up and become to it a Women's Auxiliary, strengthening its position for the vastly extended labours that are now called for throughout the world.

And now, my dear sisters, I trust that this slight notice of the work, in which we have been engaged during another year, may lead us to a profitable consultation upon those matters which ought to engage our attention, and I pray that the Holy Spirit may so direct us, that this our meeting shall prove to be at

any rate a step in the extension of the Kingdom of our Lord, and if possible, a bright ray of Glory in His exalted and inestimable crown.

(Signed) ALICE DUNN,
President.

THE adherents of the Universities' Mission to Central Africa now number 10,000. Of these nearly 4,500 have been baptized. Among the adherents the women outnumber the men, but more men than women have been baptized. In the ninety-two schools of the mission there are nearly 4,000 scholars.

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THE fourteenth annual meeting of the Ontario Woman's Auxiliary was held in St. Peter's Church Hall, Brockville, beginning on Tuesday, June 12th, and ending on Friday.

The Holy Communion was celebrated on Wednesday morning in St. Peter's Church. At this service a large number of communicants were present and had the privilege of hearing a deeply impressive sermon by the Lord Bishop of Ottawa, who took for his text the motto of the Ontario W.A., "She hath done what she could." Throughout the entire session the greatest zeal and earnestness were shown by the members. A special interest was given to the meetings by the presence of Miss Smith and Miss Hamaguchi, who have lately arrived from Japan. As the Church Hall was considered too small for the public missionary meeting, it was held in St. Peter's Church, the Ven. Archdeacon Bedford-Jones presiding. The sacred edifice was filled with a large congregation who listened with rapt attention to the various speakers. The Rev. Thos. Leech, of Lansdowne, gave an admirable address on mission work in the diocese. Miss Smith spoke interestingly of the special work in which she has been engaged as medical missionary in Japan. Miss Hamaguchi made an address in Japanese, interpreted into English by Miss Smith.

A most interesting Junior Session was held on Thursday afternoon, at which the little ones appeared all in white, and went through some pretty exercises. Miss Smith, Miss Hamaguchi and several others addressed the children; an impressive silence was kept while all knelt and Miss Hamaguchi repeated the Lord's Prayer in her native tongue.

A greater interest than usual was shown this year in the missionary literature, and it was found necessary to elect a special secretary for that department. This was very gratifying as it is felt that only by the spread of missionary knowledge can a real missionary zeal be aroused.