

need bandages, surgical dressing, etc., for district cases. These things are very expensive here, and if you would kindly send us a box it would be very kindly appreciated. If sent as freight the cost would not be much. I ask your prayers for God's blessing on my work.

Woman's Auxiliary Department.

"The love of Christ constraineth us."—II. Cor. v. 14.

Communications relating to this Department should be addressed to Miss L. H. Montizambert, General Corresponding Secretary W.A., Quebec.

At the meeting of the Provincial Board of Management, which was mentioned last month as having been held in Toronto on September 14th and 15th, the general officers submitted the following information:

The recording secretary reports that Quebec has added seven new branches during the year; making the total number 27 senior branches, 2 subdivisions, and 5 junior branches. Their retiring president has been made a provincial life member, and one diocesan life membership has also been presented. An increase of over \$600 in the amount given to missions, etc., is very encouraging.

The Toronto diocesan branch has added 10 senior and 7 junior branches; making a total of 84 seniors and 34 juniors—118 branches in all. No less than 11 life members were added during the year, bringing the present number up to 43. There are 2779 adult members, 333 more than last year.

The Huron diocesan branch reports 11 new seniors and 1 junior. Total number of branches 115 with a membership of 2457.

The Ontario diocesan branch mentions 5 new senior branches, making 32 in all. There are also 11 juniors—total, 43 branches—with a membership of 1565. Several life memberships have been presented during the year.

Montreal diocesan branch reports that the W.A. is represented in almost every parish in the city of Montreal, and in many of the country missions. One junior branch has been organized and three new senior branches. The total membership is 800.

The diocesan branch of Niagara has added 5 senior and 1 junior branches, making the total number of branches 36. There has been a marked increase in membership—seniors, from 640 last year to 863 this year; juniors, from 238 to 290. A provincial life membership was presented to Mrs. Hamilton. Total membership, 1153.

(To be continued.)

THE general Dorcas secretary lays the following appeals before the diocesan Dorcas secretaries, and will be grateful if they will notify her as soon as possible in what particu-

lar they will be able to help to supply these needs. She will also be glad to furnish any further details.

The Bishop of New Westminster has, with the aid of the government, erected a hospital at Lytton. The furnishings are required, and we are asked to supply two wood stoves, for heating purposes, oilcloth for the ward, rug for floor of convalescent room, complete furnishings for six single beds, heavy curtains for five windows (three yards long), pieces of carpet for the sides of the beds, a washing machine, and a wringer. In this hospital there is only one nurse, with her assistant, and they have everything to do, even the washing, so that any gifts that will help to lighten labor will be gratefully received. Groceries will also be most acceptable.

Church bells are also required for Nelson, Golden, and Vernon, in New Westminster diocese. Mrs. Sillitoe writes: "These are all new churches, and there is not the slightest possibility of their being able to afford such things themselves, and yet a church bell is a most essential portion of church furniture, and in the wilder parts, where it often happens that the people do not even know which day of the week it is, a bell is a great help in reminding them. A communion service is much needed at Nelson."

The new Boys' Home on the Piegau Reserve was to be opened in October, and Mr. Hinchcliffe appeals for furnishings for the dormitories in the way of wash-basins, looking-glasses, combs, etc., also bedding for twenty-four beds, and a quantity of crockery and cutlery.

A Boys' Home is in the course of erection at the South Blackfoot Reserve to accommodate fifty, and Rev. J. W. Tims asks for outfits for these boys; also complete furnishings for a large number of single beds (2 ft. by 5 ft. 6 in.), and a large cooking stove.

Miss Smith, our lady missionary in Japan, wants bed linen, curtains, etc., for the nurses' quarters; and also bandages, surgical dressing, etc., for the district cases. Miss Smith's letter will be found on the preceding page.

If the diocesan Dorcas secretaries would send these things to Toronto's Central Dorcas Room, arrangements could be made to send them to Japan at less expense than if forwarded in separate parcels. The address of the Central Dorcas Room is Room 39, The Forum, corner Yonge and Gerrard Streets.

Money to purchase any of the above articles, instead of the things themselves, will be very welcome.

L. PATERSON,
General Dorcas Secretary.

REV. W. A. BURMAN writes as follows:

"Circumstances have led to the Indian Department of the government having undertaken