

The Bureau reported leaflets (with photographs) of the life and work of Misses Hatch, Folsom and Baskerville now ready; also 500 new catalogues, many new leaflets and papers, and fifty beautifully illustrated Home Mission maps.

The Committee re Institutes reported the appointment of a strong committee from the Home Board, who would meet with them and make arrangements for this important work.

Mrs. Stark reported for the Young Women's Circles a rally arranged for Sept. 28th in the Bloor Street Sunday School. One member made the suggestion that the care of the Bands be given to our Young Women's Circles.

The Programme Committee reported that things are under way, and a good programme looked for.

Miss Farnell came in at the close of the meeting, and was introduced by Mrs. Firstbrook. Miss Farnell was greeted by all with kindly interest, and spoke a few fitting words.

Mrs. McLaurin, at the close, led in prayer, especially remembering our Editor and our new missionary.

A. E. FENTON,  
Rec. Secretary.

#### THANK-OFFERING.

At the harvest and thanksgiving season the Women's Home and Foreign Missionary Societies of Ontario (West) again unite in asking the Circles (both regular and young women's) to make one of their meetings this fall a Thank-offering meeting, when members may bring for the treasury some special gift to mark their gratitude to God.

In doing this, may we suggest to the leaders the value of preparing the women for the meeting by kindly and tactful reminder, that the offering may not be a careless tossing into the treas-

ury of that which costeth us nothing, but spring from thoughtful scrutiny of our personal reasons for gratitude and the claims which Christ's work has upon us. When our Saviour has given all for us, and given us "all things richly to enjoy," what shall be the measure of our gifts to him?

In spiritual ways this has been a good year on our mission fields. Both across the sea and in Canada many have learned to sing the new song of redeeming love. In our Foreign work we are rejoicing in the number of veteran soldiers of Christ and new recruits that are sailing for the Orient this fall, and in the continued loyalty and sacrifice of India for the Empire.

In Canada we have special reasons for gratitude in that our missionaries and mission properties in the northland were saved in the great fire, and that the long-prayed-for prohibition has come to our own province.

Perhaps the thing we as Christian women should be most grateful for, is that we are not shut away from the ear of God, when we come to Him in prayer. What would it mean for you and me, if we could not come to God for our loved ones, for ourselves, for the needs of the work, or coming, would not be heard? Will you "think on these things," then, gratefully, and lovingly "bring an offering and come into His courts"?

FRANCES L. FIRSTBROOK,  
Pres. For. Society.

CARRIE H. HOLMAN,  
Pres. Home Society.

Note.—As the Circles are Union, it is expected that the offering will be divided between Home and Foreign Missions.

#### "Ontario West."

Treasurers are reminded that their books should close October 15th and that all monies then on hand should be immediately forwarded to the Treasurer, Mrs. Glenn E. Campbell, 113 Balmoral Ave., Toronto, to reach her before October 20th.

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