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OUR NEW SECRETARY.—The Ontario and Quebec Foreign Mission Board decided some time ago that the interests of the Foreign Mission cause demanded the immediate appointment of a Secretary, who should give his entire time to developing the liberality of the churches and deepening their interest in missions. Rev. D. G. MacDonald, who during the past year has faithfully performed the duties of the Secretaryship in connection with those of the pastorate of a large church, accepted some time ago a pastorate in Halifax. At the recent meeting of the Board in Brantford, Rev. A. P. McDiarmid, of Brooklyn, N.Y., who, while pastor of the Ottawa church, was for years Secretary of the Eastern Convention, and who in this position showed himself well qualified for this work, was appointed Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board. He has accepted the position and hopes in a few weeks to enter fully upon his new work. He will receive a most hearty welcome back to the land of his birth, and will have from the start the confidence and the sympathy of the entire denomination. We are sure that no more acceptable appointment could have been made.

THE CONVENTION AT BRANTFORD.—Foreign Missions received their due share of attention. The notable features were the very able and encouraging report of the retiring Secretary, Rev. D. G. MacDonald, the participation of our honored and beloved missionary, Rev. John Craig, and the admirable address by Rev. E. E. Chivers, of Buffalo. The Treasurer's report, while showing a considerable deficit, revealed the fact that apart from the Carey Centennial Fund, which is steadily growing and has already reached an encouraging figure, the amount contributed during the year has been somewhat in excess of the amount raised last year. For this Mr. MacDonald deserves much credit. Suitable acknowledgment was made, in a series of resolutions which were enthusiastically adopted, of the Convention's high appreciation of his services. We are sorry to lose him, but wish for him a long period of successful labor in Halifax. He will, no doubt be a tower of strength to the Foreign Mission cause in the Maritime Provinces, as he has been here.

MISSIONARIES' LETTERS.—The young people are specially favored this month in having two such interesting letters from Miss Rogers and Miss Stovel. The very full reports from missionaries published this month will make up for the lack in the Work Abroad.

TO ALL THE BAPTIST WOMEN OF ONTARIO. Dear sisters—At the Board meeting of the Women's Baptist Foreign Missionary Society of Ontario, held in Paris on the 27th October, it was decided in view of the great need for more ladies, doctors, teachers, or field missionaries, to ask for one or more ladies to go to India during the ensuing year. There are two hundred and fifty thousand women and girls on our own Telugu field who have never had even the chance of hearing of Jesus Christ the Saviour of the world, and who can only be reached by house to house visitations. It is therefore very important that each year shall see additions to our staff of missionaries until there are not fewer than two ladies on each field. This can be done if we women are only faithful, persevering and in earnest. We deeply regret that the receipts from the Circles during the year just closed (1892), are less than in 1891. If this falling off continues how can the cause of foreign missions prosper? Will not all who have been giving to foreign missions see to it that they do not lessen their contributions. There are hundreds of women in our churches who give nothing through Circles. There are also many churches that have no Circles. A little from each would greatly increase the income of our Society. *One penny a week for foreign missions from every Baptist woman of Ontario* is what we have always asked. When that is given there will be enough in the Treasury to carry on the work successfully. Then every Baptist woman will have the joy of knowing that she is helping to carry out the last great command of her Lord and King. By order of the Board.
JANE BUCHAN, Cor. Sec.

RETURN OF MR. AND MRS. LORIMER.—The Convention was saddened by the intelligence that Rev. A. B. Lorimer and wife, who left Canada a year ago to labor in India, have been compelled to return on account of the declining health of Mrs. Lorimer. So seriously ill had she become that their departure from India became an immediate necessity if life were to be prolonged. Mr. Lorimer had made marked progress in the language and was already able to do some preaching in Telugu. The disappointment is no doubt far more trying to these faithful missionaries themselves than it can be to the friends of missions at home. They will have, we are sure, the sympathies and prayers of our readers.

REV. JOHN CRAIG.—Before the next number of the paper is issued, Mr. Craig will have finished