

tenement on the morning of January 2, 1891. How very important to be ready, for "in such an hour as we think not the Son of man cometh."—*Com.*

GANANOQUE (February 24th, 1891).—Our Auxiliary, which was organized October 6th, 1886, by Mrs. W. E. Ross, of Montreal, has been growing and increasing in interest ever since. Each year we have added some new members to our list and very few have "dropped out" but we have lost several by removal and three have "gone home." At different times we have held open meetings, flower and plant sales, garden parties, etc., at which the members have very cheerfully assisted. A couple of times the Corresponding Secretary sent short accounts to the *OUTLOOK*, but either they did not reach the proper party or were not thought interesting enough to print; but we resolved to try again, as quite a number take the *OUTLOOK*, some of us have been subscribers ever since it was first started by our noble Missionary Secretary, and have always enjoyed reading it, and hope the subscription list may be so much increased that the Woman's Missionary Society may be able to get all the space they require for their work. Last Wednesday evening, instead of the usual prayer-meeting, we had a missionary evening. The different numbers on the programme being given by members of the Society and a couple of young ladies, who very kindly assisted us by their singing. Our pastor, in making the announcement the Sabbath before, urged a good attendance. The chair was taken by our pastor, Rev. Mr. Hughes, and after the opening hymn and prayer the programme was carried out. The Auxiliary being seated together in the choir seats. Roll was called, members answering by verse of Scripture. All the readings and singing bore directly on our work, and we look for good results. Of course, we did not forget the collection, which amounted to \$7. As the audience was a very attentive one, we think the meeting was quite a success and feel encouraged to have a similar one next quarter.

Cor. Sec.

[On account of lack of space we omit the detailed programme.—*Ed.*]

FROM THE BANDS.

TRURO, N.S. (March 10).—The first Methodist Mission Band of this town was organized in October, 1886. The proceeds from membership fees, sales and entertainments have amounted to \$208, of which \$158 have been forwarded to the Branch Treasurer. At a supper and fancy sale given on December 11th, 1890, the sum of \$50 was made. In raising funds, mite-boxes have also been of some value. At an opening of the boxes owned by the youngest boys, in charge of Mrs. Graham, our former President, \$8 were counted. About two months ago the Band took great pleasure in sending a comfort to Miss Leake, Victoria, for the Chinese Missions. Under the direction of Miss Lewis, our President, excellent work has been done. Attendance at the regular meetings (now held fortnightly) is good, and members are led to take active part in contributing to the success of each meeting by reading, reciting, etc. Committees have been formed for the various departments of work; by the appointments for special work, increased interest is secured and many show their earnest desire to do more for the cause, by cheerfully and willingly doing their best. In connection with the Band, there has recently been formed a rank of boys, numbering twelve. Other ranks include twenty-four older and younger girls. On February 10th the Band was entertained at a five o'clock tea, given by Mrs. Ainley, Mrs. Gunn, and Miss Lewis. Owing to vari-

ous causes, for several months of the past year regular meetings were not held, but with this year there has been awakened such interest, all are encouraged to greater efforts.

F. TUPPER, *Cor. Sec.*

HAMILTON (March 14th).—Wesley Church Mission Circle (but recently organized) held its first regular meeting at the parsonage, on the evening of March the 5th, under encouraging circumstances, having a membership of forty-two. The officers elected for the year are as follows: President, Mrs. Sutherland; Vice-President, Mrs. Wm. Crawford; Recording Secretary, Miss Susie Eastwood; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Annie Rigsby; Treasurer, Miss Clara Crawford. A committee of four young ladies were also elected to arrange programmes. The first retiring, and another being elected to fill the vacancy each evening. Our meetings will be held monthly. It was decided to hold them in the different homes. The programme was short and interesting, consisting of music, vocal and instrumental, by Mrs. Martin Murphy and others. The reading of an exceedingly interesting letter from Miss Morgan, by Miss Maggie Bowes; a short account of "Mission work among women in Japan," by our Vice President, Mrs. Crawford, showing us the bright and also the dark side of the work, enabling us to see more clearly, that we should deem it more of a privilege than a duty, to be permitted to assist in spreading the "glad tidings," by giving our material aid and sympathy to those already in the field. Our President, Mrs. Sutherland, briefly explained to us the necessity of having some definite plan of raising funds to carry on the work, without taxing any one too heavily. A plan was submitted and adopted, which, we trust, will prove as successful as it has elsewhere. After light refreshments had been served, our meeting closed at 9.30, each and all feeling that we had been profited by our meeting together, and that more zeal and enthusiasm had thus been aroused. May we be willing to work cheerfully and earnestly in carrying on the work begun, remembering that in due season, we shall reap if we faint not.

ANNIE RIGSBY, *Cor. Sec.*

BELLEVILLE.—The union quarterly meeting of the Auxiliaries of the Woman's Missionary Society in the city of Belleville, was held Wednesday afternoon, March 11th, in the lecture-room of the Tabernacle. A large number of ladies were present, and the exercises were of a very interesting character. Mrs. Rev. G. N. Copeland, President of the Tabernacle Auxiliary, presiding, and associated with her on the platform were Mrs. (Rev.) Dr. Carman, Vice-President of the General Board of the Woman's Missionary Society; Mrs. L. Massie, District Organizer; Mrs. Wm. Johnston, President of Bridge Street Auxiliary, and Mrs. Thos. Lingham, President of West Belleville Auxiliary. The devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. Wm. Johnston and Miss Wilson. The reports of the three Auxiliaries and four Mission Bands of the city were of an encouraging nature. Mrs. W. H. Gordon, *Cor. Sec.* of the Tabernacle Auxiliary, had, during the quarter, been added to the list of life-members, and a Mission Band had been organized, with very bright prospects, in connection with the Tabernacle Auxiliary. The paper on "A Plea for China," by Mrs. (Rev.) Dr. Carman, was interesting, profitable and inspiring. Miss Lingham gave an appropriate reading, which was rendered very efficiently. The Albert College Mission Band rendered several musical selections, which were much appreciated. A solo by Miss Richardson was well received. Mrs. Dr. Tracey, of the Baptist Church Woman's Missionary Society, read a very instructive letter from Rev. Mr. Dunlop, of Japan. Mr. Levi