

of the heathen to receive the Gospel." In the reports for the following year there is nothing to indicate that this proposition was in any measure carried into effect, but in the report of 1883 we find that the Ottawa Auxiliary had, that year, held an "Annual Thank-offering Meeting," the proceeds of which amounted to two hundred and fifty dollars. From the word "annual" we are led to infer that the thank-offering meeting was already an established feature of the Ottawa Auxiliary.

In October of 1884 the first regular Thank-offering Meeting of the Toronto Auxiliaries was held in Old St. Andrew's Church, by the "Murray-Mitchell" Auxiliary (then a union one), and, in the Home Secretary's report for the same year, we learn that "The Thank-offering Meetings held in several places during the autumn were spoken of as a means of blessing and comfort."

Such, in brief outline, are the beginnings of a service that has proved itself invaluable to those who have entered truly into the spirit of it, and that has been the means of awakening many to an interest in our "Woman's Work for Woman."

NOTES.

The Society will learn with deep regret that the state of her health not permitting of her return to India at present, Miss Beatty has placed her resignation in the hands of the Foreign Mission Committee. The decision of the Committee in regard to it has been deferred until their December meeting. In the meantime Miss Beatty has decided to begin medical practice in Brantford, Ontario, in the hope of growing stronger during the year, and of being at length restored to health, and enabled to return to her much-loved work in India. We are sure that all our members will most earnestly unite in this hope, and pray that in God's good time it may be fully realized. The season of waiting and of enforced inaction has been a time of severe trial

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