

Annual Report, and the Auxiliaries be arranged alphabetically as on page 51 of last report, and in districts, as on page 44.

The report of the committee appointed to revise Instructions to Missionaries was adopted. (See page 198.)

The financial statement of the Editor of the *Palm Branch* showed the expense of publication to be \$345.08; receipts from subscriptions, \$287.91.

The Committee on Japanese Industrial Work reported: Received from sale of embroidery, \$312.72; remitted to General Treasurer, \$300.77.

Mrs. Burns, for the Committee on Indian Affairs, recommended that in appointing the committee for another year, some of the members be chosen from the British Columbia Branch.

Mrs. Wright, Editor of the W.M.S. department of the *Outlook*, presented her report, and received the thanks of the Board for another year of efficient service. Thanks were also given to Miss Smith, Editor of *Palm Branch*, and to Miss Ogden, Secretary-Treasurer of Literature and Publication Department.

The Candidate Committee reported having considered the application of two ladies. One was left to the Executive for further consideration; the other, Miss Brooks, of Hastings, Ont., was accepted, and provisionally appointed to China.

Miss Brooks, who was present at one of the sessions, was introduced and addressed a few words to the Board.

A memorial from the Nova Scotia Branch asking that Mrs. Large be sent back to her work in Japan, and one from the New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island Branch to the same effect, was discussed.

In this connection a resolution was read which had been adopted by the General Board of Missions at its recent annual meeting:

"Resolved,—That this General Board concur in, and approve of, the decision of its Executive Committee, that, in their judgment, the time had not come for the return of Mrs. Large to Japan."

As a result of this decision of the General Board, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Managers of the W. M. S.:

"Whereas, the General Society has communicated to this Board its judgment that the time for Mrs. Large's return to Japan has not yet arrived; and

"Whereas, memorials from Japan and from two of our Branches are urging in strong terms the advisability of Mrs. Large's immediate return; and

"Whereas, this Board has never received from any of its agents any other than the most flattering testimonials of Mrs. Large's work, we desire to express our most serious embarrassment in the present situation of affairs, inasmuch as we have no disciplinary power to act in the appointment without the consent of the General Society;