

## Mission Band.

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The Mission Band of Crescent Street Church, which was organized December 9th, 1886, re-assembled November 10th, 1887, and is continued fortnightly on Thursday from three o'clock until six.

The meetings, we are happy to state, have been characterized by a greater degree of zeal and interest than formerly. A particular feature of our work is the introduction of strangers to the congregation, and we very cordially invite all those ladies who have not yet joined us to do so at once. Another feature is the gleanings of such missionary intelligence as will prove interesting and instructive to us all. For this purpose the Society has been divided into groups, each representing some field of home or foreign mission work. At stated times a member of one of these groups reads or tells us what information she and her co-laborers may have gathered from a personal correspondence or from printed matter. By this means many of us have been aroused from seeming indifference to active interest in mission work.

A very fair amount of practical work has also been accomplished in plain sewing. A quantity of useful clothing has been made up for the children's ward in the General Hospital and the Boys' Home; a number of destitute people have also been supplied with warm clothing. At present we are engaged in making garments for the Hervey Institute, and hope to be able to overtake other charitable institutions of the city in turn.

In submitting our report, we acknowledge with thanks the donations of money and material which we have received throughout the year from friends of the Society.

Trusting that God's blessing may attend our efforts, let each of us strive to imitate her of whom the Master said, "She hath done what she could."

AMELIA GRIER, *Secretary.*