

quired, on condition that the W. M. S. would build and conduct a school there. She has plans for a building which would cost \$2,000, and has \$300 towards furnishing it.

Several delegates spoke of this as an open door, and the hand of the Lord leading the Society to work in Africa, and instances were given of the interest Methodist people have recently been taking in the work in that country.

As the Constitution provides that the W. M. S. shall be subject to the approval of the authorities of the General Society in the choice of new fields of labor, a resolution was carried most heartily commending Miss Whitfield's work, and deciding to take it up, subject to such approval, and a committee was appointed to lay it before the Executive of the General Society at the earliest opportunity. The following resolution was also carried: "That in the event of a favourable reply by the Executive of the General Society, the sum of \$2,000 be appropriated from the bequest account for the erection of a building in which to carry on Miss Whitfield's work."

It was decided that the books of the General Treasurer should close on October 9. The following appropriations were made: Japan, \$14,056; China, \$7,500; Chinese Rescue Home, \$1,500; Crosby Home, \$2,450; Nurses in Port Simpson Hospital, \$600; Coqualeetza Institute, \$2,738; French Work, \$4,582; Methodist Orphanage, Newfoundland, \$500; Literature and Publication Committee, \$625; Mr. Raley's Home, \$200.

The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Mrs. James Gooderham; Vice-President, Mrs. Carman; Recording Secretary, Mrs. George Kerr; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Strachan; Treasurer, Mrs. Thomas Thompson; Editor Woman's Missionary Society Department of *Outlook*, Mrs. Gordon Wright; Editor, Woman's Missionary Society Department of *Guardian*, Miss Firstbrook; Editor of Woman's Missionary Society Department of *Wesleyan*, Mrs. Whiston; Editor of *Palm Branch*, Miss Smith. A vote of thanks was passed to Mrs. Willmott (who had asked to be relieved of the duties of recording secretary), for her years of faithful and efficient service. Mrs. McMechan was requested to act as correspondent for *Onward*.

The following committees were appointed. To prepare Annual Report—Mesdames Strachan, Willmott, Briggs, Thompson, Kerr. Supply Committee—Mesdames Williams, Briggs, Ogden, Maclaren. Indian Affairs—Mesdames Burns, Sutherland, Cunningham. Literature and Publication—Mesdames Willmott, Bascom, Hamilton, Croft, Burwash, Culvert, Misses Ogden, MacCallum and Firstbrook. Japanese Industrial Work—Mesdames U. Ogden, Maclaren, Kerr.

Invitations were received to hold the next Board meeting in Brampton and Halifax; the former was accepted. The Courtesy Committee recommended a letter of greeting to our missionaries; a letter of greeting to Mr. and Mrs. Tom Chu Tom; a resolution of regret at the absence of our esteemed treasurer; votes of thanks to the pastor, trustees, organist and choir, to the hosts and hostesses; to the ladies of the church for the well-arranged reception on Tuesday evening, and to the press. This was carried by a standing vote. E. J. Kerr, *Rec. Sec.*

Notes from Workers.

WINGHAM.—Another year's work for the Master has just closed, and notwithstanding the hard times, of which we have heard so much, we are able to report advancement in every department of our work. If the treasury is the thermometer by which the warmth of our devotion to the missionary cause is generally tested, then we think we are becoming devoted, as we sent to the Treasurer for this year \$75, as compared with \$51 last year. We received eight new members, but lost three by removal, making an increase of five; total membership, thirty-four. We have not accomplished all we had hoped and worked for along that one particular line, and regret that there are still so many that we have failed to interest in this work. Looking for the Master's help and guidance during the future, we

enter upon the New Year with a determination to exceed all past efforts. May His blessing crown our labor with success. D. G., *Cor. Sec.*

BETHANY.—Our auxiliary was organized about five years ago with ten members, now it has twenty-three. During the last year we have not made progress entirely satisfactory to ourselves. Some of our members have moved away, and a great many in the Church are cold and indifferent. On Sunday, Aug. 19th, Mrs. Massey came to our aid, and addressed a large audience at Hay Bay Church. All seemed interested, and at the close a number of new names were added to our list of members. In the evening she addressed a meeting at Gretna, and on the following evening one at Bethany. Collections at the three meetings, \$11.70. We feel very much indebted to Mrs. Massey for her interesting and instructive addresses. We are determined, with God's help, to go on in the work, hopefully looking forward to the time when every woman in the Church will be earnestly engaged in this work. MRS. C. B. PARKS, *Cor. Sec.*

ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND (George Street Methodist Church Auxiliary, West Circuit).—It is some time since you have heard any word from us, but I am pleased to say, in our little corner, we are still doing what we can. We have just held our thirteenth Annual Meeting; another year has passed and with us it has been a very trying one. We have had so many events, sad and otherwise, and all have left an effect upon our Auxiliary. The work has gone on quietly through the year. We regret deeply that in the finances we are far behind last year, and this because of circumstances all would have wished otherwise if we could. On our role now we have fifty members. *OUTLOOK* and *Monthly Letters* full of interest to us. One of our loved and faithful members has gone to be added to the "Society Above," Sister Willycombe. As we turn over anew the page of another year's history, we still hope, by God's blessing, upon our feeble efforts. May His kingdom be advanced.

"Oh, may we love the Master dear,
And joy the Master's work to do;
And still let hope our labor cheer,
For hopeless toil is fruitless, too."

T. F. SHIRAN, *Cor. Sec.*

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