

SECRETARY'S REPORT

To the Canada Congregational Foreign Missionary Society :

Your Board of Directors herewith lay before you the Twelfth Annual Report. The kingdoms of the earth have not yet become the kingdoms of our Lord and Saviour. It is, therefore, necessary that we toil and pray and give to help show Christ to those sitting in darkness.

Men and women are doing greater works than Christ did, through the Spirit of power whom He sent; and miracles of missions are being worked under our eyes. We want to be the means of working one in Africa. We have a noble band of men and women representing us. Mr. Currie, our pioneer, Mr. and Mrs. Lee, his co-laborers, strong and energetic; Miss Johnston and Miss Melville are added as representing the Woman's Board. Mr. and Mrs. Read are not directly connected with our Board, but we have a warm heart toward them, and hope that some day they may be on our list. And two choice spirits live only in memory and in the good they did. The graves of Mrs. Currie and Miss Clarke will be sacred spots to us.

MISS CLARKE.

Minnehaha Clarke was a missionary of the Woman's Board. The name given by her dying brother in her infancy, was a prophecy of her genial and cheering nature. She had won the hearts of the native boys, who are weeping bitterly at their loss and ours; and she was loved by all the mission. She had tact and devotion, was ever ready for duty, even beyond her strength, teaching the boys and girls and nursing the co-laborers. We lay a tribute of affection and esteem on her white brow, and count her among the treasures we have, fadeless in the heavens. May the God of all comfort, comfort the parents, the fellow-laborers, whose loss is so great, and the native children, who are sobbing heavily for the loss of their "ondona."

We congratulate our sisters of the Woman's Board that their good management has brought their Society to the point where they can adopt both of the new ladies who have just sailed away for West Central Africa, and so supply the vacant place.