

there. The shameful state of the girls' dormitories was again remarked, and to complete the needed buildings a sum of \$170.00 over the original estimates will be needed as Dr. Chute found that no allowance for cooking house and other needs had been made.

Miss Murray's quarterly report was most encouraging and full, and with the other reports from Miss McLaurin, Miss Gibson, and other parts of the field formed no small part of the meeting's interest.

The Corresponding Secretary's letter to the Associations was heartily adopted by the Board, and the Program Committee for the Convention in October, was appointed before the meeting closed.

LEITHWYN M. GOSSELY,

Rec. Sec.

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING.

THE Quarterly Meeting of the Board was held at 2 p.m., May 18th, 1906, at 27 North St. There were present Mesdames Firstbrook, Jas. Ryrie, Dancy, Geo. Cross, Mullock, Freeland, Chas. Stark, S. S. Bates, Jas. Woods, Jno. Hooper, Wm. Craig, Porter, J. B. Kennedy, Wm. Davies, T. M. Harris, W. J. McKay, H. H. Lloyd, Glenn H. Campbell, Misses Alexander, Tapscott, Moyle, Nasmith, Webster, Elliot, Norton, Rogers, and the returned missionaries, Miss Simpson, Mrs. Jno. Craig and Miss Morrow.

After the reading of the Scriptures and prayer by several members, the Minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted.

Mrs. Porter reported regarding the progress of the Link, that the Agents for the various Circles were doing good work.

It was moved and seconded that the balance left over from Miss MacLeod's travelling expenses be applied to the "out" of the General Board for 1906.

Miss Elliot read a letter from Miss Pratt, in India, stating that as the fifty dollars which had heretofore been given privately had been discontinued, she wished to have that amount deducted from her salary. It was moved and seconded that this amount be made up to Miss Pratt from the Board.

A Committee consisting of Miss Norton, Mrs. Dancy and Mrs. H. H. Lloyd, was appointed to consider fully the question of Mite-boxes.

Miss Morrow reported that she had turned the first sod for the bungalow at Akidu, before leaving India, and that the work on the building was going forward.

Miss Alexander read an exceedingly satisfactory letter and application from Dr. Jessie Allyn, in which she stated her desire to spend her life in India, under the direction and support of our Board. It was moved by Mrs. Freeland, seconded by Mrs. Wm. Craig, that Dr. Allyn's application be accepted and that she be sent to India in the Fall.

Mrs. Stark moved, Miss Elliot seconded, that the details of Dr. Jessie Allyn's going to India, be left with the Executive to arrange.

Miss Langton also applied to the Board for the position of missionary in India, but owing to lack of funds, it was impossible to consider her application. After prayer by the President, the meeting adjourned.

MARIE C. CAMPBELL,

Rec. Secretary.

ASSOCIATIONAL REPORTS.

MIDDLESEX AND LAMBTON. The Circles and Bands of the Middlesex and Lambton Association met with the Poplar Hill Church on June 5th, 1906. The first session opened at 2.30 p.m., with the hymn "There shall be showers of blessing," after which Miss Claypole, of London, read the scripture lesson, and Mrs. Smith, of Petrolia, offered prayer. Miss Bertha Campbell welcomed the delegates to the church and homes of Poplar Hill, expressing the wish that each session would prove helpful and inspiring to all present. Mrs. J. B. Campbell, of London, replied, heartily thanking the people of Poplar Hill for the excellent manner in which everything had been planned for their pleasure and comfort, and hoping that each one would carry away what would be helpful during the coming year. Mrs. Samis, of Sarnia, President, not being able to meet with us, Mrs. J. J. Ross, of London, Vice-President, named the Nominating Committee. Mrs. Dark asked that her place as Director be filled by some one else. Nearly all the Circles and Bands reported through their delegates or by letter to the Director. Mrs. McCandless, of Strathroy, sang very sweetly for us, and Miss Watson, of Sarnia, read an interesting paper on "Band Work," telling of the importance of training the children in mission work.