

FAIRFIELD.—We have only been organized three months, but it is our sad duty to chronicle the death of one of our members, Mrs. David Elliott. She was our oldest member—seventy-one years of age—and she took a very active part in all of our meetings. She was a very earnest Christian, a good supporter of all church work, but more so of the missionary work. Long before we had an Auxiliary she became a mite-box member of the Littlewood Auxiliary, so very anxious was she to be a worker in her Master's vineyard. She so often remarked to her daughter, Mrs. John Paisley, Exeter, District Organizer, "It is so little I can do, but I can pray for the work to go on." She was a great sufferer for about three weeks, but so resigned to our Father's will. Dear sister Elliott, or grandma Elliott, as she was so often called, fell calmly asleep in the arms of her Saviour, trusting in a resurrection, June 11, 1894.

MAUD E. HICKS, *Cor. Sec.*

CORNWALL.—Our annual thank-offering has again been held April 6th, the occasion being a very enjoyable one. Another new life member has been enrolled, giving us five in all since we organized; two of whom have been made life members by our honorary member, Mr. Hulet, and one by our life member, Mrs. Hulet. By the wise suggestion of Mrs. Hulet, we as members pledged ourselves to each raise \$1.00 of our own earnings to be paid at our annual tea, which made a very interesting part of our programme, each telling how she earned it, and aided very largely in bringing up our finances which footed the handsome sum of \$84.57; \$29.00 was the members' extra \$1.00, and have prospect of more as all were not ready; \$10.00 was raised by our devoted sister Mrs. Wilber (who is an invalid), by the means of a mite-box and love for God and His cause. Her earnest zealous spirit has fired us all with greater enthusiasm for the Master's work. We also gleaned one new member, which receipts us \$85.57 in all for the evening. Our past has been blessed, our future is hopeful, if our consecration and concentration be thorough and complete.

E. G. FARLINGER, *Cor. Sec.*

LONDON (Dundas Street).—The last regular meeting of the Dundas Street Methodist Church Women's Missionary Society was very numerous attended and enthusiastic. It was the occasion of the annual thank offering from the members and friends of the Auxiliary. The President, Mrs. Dickson, in the chair. An excellent programme was presented, including a solo by Miss Golding, and a deeply interesting reading, by Mrs. J. N. Tennant, on "Heathen Claims and Christian Duty." A new departure was introduced, namely, "the repeating of the Apostles' Creed" by the audience. The feature of the meeting was a most timely and suggestive address by Rev. Dr. Antliff; the subject, "Thanksgiving and Benevolence." Among the numerous good thoughts presented was that "the extent of our giving is not measured by what we give, but by what remains." The speaker laid great stress on the blessedness and joy that comes into the heart of the truly benevolent. The address was listened to with profound interest. At the close the thank-offering was collected by two of the youngest members of the Auxiliary, Misses Jennie Flock and Madeline Bowman. This was followed by the reading aloud of all the amounts subscribed, and the accompanying passages of Scripture. The offerings amounted to \$90. This sum was subsequently raised to \$100, by a generous member of the Auxiliary. Eight new members were added. At the close of this most interesting meeting a few of the ladies entertained the Auxiliary to refreshments, which were tastily arranged on tables decorated with flowers, and a very enjoyable social half-hour was spent.

WATERLOO, P.Q.—We began the year with thirty-two members, and closed with thirty-six. There were two resignations and six new members, leaving an increase of four. There were twelve business meetings held with an average attendance of fourteen. The highest number present at any meeting was nineteen, the lowest eight. There were no special or public meetings held. What are the results of the year, is a question which naturally arises. As a society, have we reason to rejoice or feel discouraged? In answer to the first, not all we could wish; yet, circumstances considered, I call it prosperous. Our meet-

ings have been very interesting and instructive, following the suggested programme as far as practicable. Compared with similar societies the attendance was favorable, finances satisfactory; perfect harmony has prevailed in our meetings, and efforts to promote the cause, and I believe all who have taken an active interest in the work, have been strengthened spiritually, they have more extensive knowledge of the need of mission work, and they have developed deeper sympathy for their suffering sisters, who mourn when a daughter is born, because of the slavish and degraded life she is compelled to lead. Secondly, as a society, I claim that we have abundant cause for gratitude to our heavenly Father, that the Angel of death has not entered our circle. Our membership is on the increase. Although business depression has been so widespread, we have had comfortable homes with the necessities of life; we are at peace as a nation; our mercies have been innumerable; and we expect showers of blessing in the future. In conclusion—have we any present to-day, saying, "I would like to join you, but I cannot attend"? Make the effort and if you fail, the reward, "She hath done what she could," is yours. Or do you say, "I have no talent, I would not be of any use"? Think a moment, would not your presence, or even your name on our list, encourage us and increase our contributions? And, besides, you do not know how great talent may be given you if you are willing to use it. The widow's mite received special approbation because it was consecrated by faith. Perhaps it is you who say, "I do not believe in foreign work, I see many in need in our own town." It is right to relieve the suffering near at hand when you can, but what did Christ mean when He said, "Go ye therefore and teach all nations." Also, the good old prophet Isaiah, when he said, "Blessed are they that sow beside all waters." I might mention many more excuses, but I must not occupy the time; therefore, in behalf of our organization, I request you to ask yourselves seriously—can I afford to exclude myself any longer from the Woman's Missionary Society? LIZZIE L. NEWELL, *Rec. Sec.*

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