

for Him in sending the Gospel to those sitting in darkness. An account of the arrangement of my museum may be of interest.

First, there is the ancient kitchen with all its appliances, such as open fire, hand irons, three-legged pot, large round griddle on a swivel, crane, hooks and trammels, baker or Dutch oven, flax wheel, flax swinging knife and patchell, cards, (wool cards, not bridge whist), candlesticks, splint broom, cupboard—one-hundred years old, and house-wife for spoons and forks; dishes of strange devices; table, chest, mortar splint bottom chairs, etc. Time and ability fail to enumerate all.

The south room is a picture gallery of no mean size, and well-filled. A table running the full length of the room, is filled with birds and small articles. These should be seen to be appreciated.

In the large middle room there are three cases filled with many curios, and the side walls are draped with native garments. Under the stairs is a *den* with a large animal in the act of springing out.

Another large room is filled with idols, larger animals, shells, ornaments, gong, heads, and antlers, and skins of beasts, snakes, etc.

Last, but by no means least, in the north room, we have the old-fashioned wearing apparatus, loom, warping bars, quill wheel, shuttles and all the necessities for weaving cloth, carpets and horse-rugs.

(MRS.) A. D. HARTLEY.

The short sketch given above by no means does justice to the exhibit it partially describes. The writer visited it, when it occupied much smaller quarters than at present. It was an object lesson in many ways. It showed great perseverance and industry; a wonderful skill in arranging, and collecting; an indefatigable zeal for the cause of missions. It shows what one woman can do, when she works for the Master and consecrates her talents and property to Him.

M. S. C.

QUARTERLY STATEMENT, W.B.M.U.

Ending April 30th, 1904.

| | F.M. | H.M. | Total. |
|-------------------------|---------|----------|-----------|
| Rec'd from Nova Scotia, | | | |
| W.M.A.S. | \$89.19 | \$303.29 | \$1282.48 |
| New Brunswick..... | 588.07 | 113.54 | 701.61 |
| P. E. Island..... | 101.04 | 51.56 | 152.60 |
| Mission Band Treasurer | 302.50 | 49.86 | 352.36 |
| Annual Reports..... | | | 8.68 |
| Tidings..... | | | 10.00 |
| Leaflets..... | | | 16.53 |
| Donations..... | | | 10.15 |
| | | | \$2524.41 |

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| Paid Treas. F. M. Board | 2168.75 |
| Treas. N. W. Missions | 190.00 |
| Treas. Indian Work | 50.00 |
| Treas. G. L. Mission | 100.00 |
| Treas. H. Missions, | |
| N.S. & P.E.I. | 150.00 |
| Treas. H. Missions, | |
| New Brunswick | 50.00 |
| Printing, Tidings and | |
| Leaflets | 17.70 |
| Prov. Sec. Nova Scotia | 4.00 |
| M.B. Sup. Nova Scotia | 4.42 |
| Drafts and Postage | 12.80 |

\$2717.67

MARY SMITH.

Treas. W.B.M.U.

Amherst, May 2nd, 1904.

PEEL, N.B.—On account of the absence of our County Secretary, who is about moving to Fredericton, I was kindly invited to go to the new Baptist Church at Peel to organize a Mission Band, April 3rd.

We had a splendid spiritual uplift on seeing nineteen children and eight or nine adults ready and willing to engage in warfare against spiritual darkness in heathen countries. All seemed eager and anxious to assist in carrying forward work in the name of the Master. A most efficient staff of officers was elected. We trust the new Missionary Band may be a power for good both at home and abroad. Officers—President, MRS. McMURRAY; Secretary, STELLA MCCRAY; Treasurer, MRS. ARCHIE EBBET.

MRS. A. D. HARTLEY.

W.B.M.U. TREE.

*The lesson in "The W.B.M.U. Tree, given by Mrs. Coy, Prov. Sec. for N.B., at this convention, last Aug., was much enjoyed by those who had the privilege of hearing it. In the attempt to re-produce the lessons in these pages, the magnetism of the teacher's personal presence and sympathetic voice, are necessarily eliminated, but we trust our interest in the nature and needs of the work, will be stimulated.

THIRTY-FOUR years ago, Miss Hannah Maria Norris set out, in these three provinces, the roots of this tree.

Apart, they grew rapidly, but some force outside, or within themselves drew them nearer together as they rose above the earth until the trunk, as we see to-day, is a three-fold union with branches almost innumerable. The trunk divided and sub-divided into officers and workers added as the years have shown their need.

THE NEEDS OF THIS TREE

Soil—As anchorage ground; air-giving space for spreading branches. The most important necessity is *rain*, filling life to branches, roots, leaflets and leaves; *winds*, to make it grow strong and sturdy.

What refreshes the soil? *Money*, the earthy