## The Eastern Society

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## BOARD MEETING, MONTREAL

The Quarterly meeting of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society of Eastern Ontario, and Quebec, was held in the parlor of Olivet Church, December 12th. The President, Mrs. Ayer, in the chair.

Miss Bentley, Recording Secretary, having resigned the office which she had so efficiently and devotedly filled for many years, the election of one to fill her place was proceeded with. Mrs. Powell was nominated, and upon motion, was unanimously elected.

The Treasurer's Report was received and adopted. The following life members were accepted, Miss Marjorie Frost, First Church, Ottawa; Miss Marion H. Campbell, Highland Park, Ottawa, Band Life Member. Superintendent of Bands reported for our encouragement three new Bands organized.

Mrs. Fitch reported for the Bureau of Literature, and her report evidenced that this department of our work is in efficient hands.

Mrs. Findlay, Superintendent of Supplies, sent a satisfactory written report which was read and adopted.

Our beloved Hon. President, Mrs. D. Bentley, having sustained the loss of her husband, it was moved that a letter of sympathy be sent to her and to her daughter, Miss F. Bentley, expressing the deep sympathy of the members of the Board with her in her great loss. It was also moved that we place on record our grateful acknowledgment of the many services and wise counsel so cheerfully rendered to the Board during all the years by Mr. Bentley.

The Corresponding Secretary was instructed also to write letters of sympathy to Mrs. A. E. White, daughter of Mrs. Therrien, who had recently gone to her reward and who had actively served the Board as long as her health permitted, and had been Vice-President at one time. To Mrs. Gilmour, former Vice-President, on the sad loss of Prof. Gilmour, former pastor of Olivet Church, and known and beloved by all, and to Mrs. Maguire, who has been bereaved of three brothers since coming to Montreal.

Mrs. Ayer gave a brief resume of the an-

nual meeting of Canadian Baptist Foreign Mission Board held in Toronto, of which she is a member.

The Board learned with great pleasure that our President, Mrs. Ayer, and our Cor. Sec., Mrs. Motley, were planning to go to Washington. A motion was passed appointing them as representatives of our Board to the Federation of Women's Boards of North America, and to the Washington Conference.

The Corresponding Secretary read letters from our missionaries, Miss Murray, at Narsapatnam, and from Miss Hinman, at Akidu. Earnest prayer was offered for the specific needs of our missionaries, as revealed in their letters. A letter from Miss Mann, who, with Miss Kenyori, was doing the work at Vuyyuru during the absence of Mrs. Cross, was heard with much interest. Miss Mason reported the quarter's work on the Narsapatnam field, and Miss McLeish, of the work at Yellamanchili.

After earnest prayer the meeting adjourned.

## A MESSAGE FOR 1925

Is it too late to offer New Year's greetings from "Kingston to Quebec?" Not from my point of view, for as I glance at my calendar I see that the date is January the sixth and 1925 is still very new. I note also that this is Epiphany, the day which commemorates the visit of the Magi, who in the long ago, brought their rare and costly gifts to the feet of the Christ Child.

As with gladness these men of old offered their "gold and frankincense and myrrh" to their Master, so may we with joy in our hearts prepare to bring Him the gifts for our Golden Anniversary Fund, as an expression of our thankfulness for His guiding hand ever since our women's work was organized in 1876.

From the time that our Society sent out "our" Miss Murray in 1893 to open up the Women's work at Vuyyuru, that field has been our special care, and now that Miss Lockhart has so clearly brought before us the crowded condition of the dormitories and the need for enlarging the Vuyyuru Boarding School (see January Link), I know that you