

showing that while differing in name yet all are one in the effort to seek and to save.

The interest of the whole occasion was greatly enhanced by the unusual treat of having with us three of our missionaries on furlough: Misses Hart, Blackmore and Leake. At one of the meetings, when in an hour spent with our missionaries they gave some account of their various scenes of toil and the work in which they were engaged, we all felt that the words quoted by Miss Leake were indeed true, "These things are needed for a missionary: grace, grit and gumption." We say, all honor to these, our sisters, who cut themselves off from the refined, endearing associations of home-life and go forth at the Master's bidding to work amid squalor, vice and ignorance.

The public meetings in connection with this gathering were interesting and well attended. That on Wednesday evening was in the interest of mission bands. The programme, which was very creditable and well carried out, was furnished by the Circle and Band of Dartmouth. Thursday evening was the regular anniversary of the Branch. At this meeting the missionaries were present and added much to their interest. As a new departure a regular anniversary hymn was sung, followed by a responsive service, the latter being shared in by the congregation reading from printed slips furnished for that purpose. Another thing which pleased all was a recitation given by Master Frank Johnson, son of Rev. D. W. Johnson, pastor of Dartmouth Methodist Church.

Election of officers resulted as follows: President, Mrs. S. E. Whiston, Halifax; First Vice-President, Mrs. Jos. Hart, Halifax; Second Vice-President, Mrs. A. S. Tuttle, Berwick; Third Vice-President, Mrs. Downing, New Germany; Cor. Sec., Mrs. A. F. Browrigg, Halifax; Rec. Sec., Miss Belle Wiswall, South Farmington; Treasurer, Miss Ray; District Organizers—Mrs. Ainsley, Liverpool; Mrs. Strothard, Annapolis; Mrs. Quinlan, Shelburne; Miss Burns, Cape Breton.

The consecration service was one of great solemnity; and as the solemn words of reconsecration fell from the lips of first one, and then another sister, one could not but feel that God is indeed with His people.

BELLE WISWALL, *Rec. Sec.*

Words From Workers.

MEDICINE HAT.—On the 19th September the ladies of the W.M.S. held their annual public meeting in the church. A short programme was rendered, beginning with an address from Mrs. Niblock, who occupied the chair. The address explained the methods and object of the society, and was followed by a reading from Mrs. Locke: an essay on "China," Miss McLean; reading, Mrs. Evans, after which a collection amounting to \$8.00 was taken, and the meeting closed with singing and prayer.

C. LUNO, *Cor. Sec.*

OWEN SOUND DISTRICT.—A Mission Circle was organized in connection with the Christian Endeavor Society at Woodford on Tuesday, 16th October, with nineteen members, who seemed very much in earnest, and will no doubt succeed in their work. The officers are: President, Miss L. Williams; Vice-President, Mr. R. Leaman; Recording Secretary, Miss M. Rogers; Corresponding Secretary, Miss A. Rogers; Treasurer, Miss E. Shunk; Auditor, Mr. A. Shunk. They will meet the third Tuesday of each month on Endeavor night. ADDIE W. GARRETT, *Organizer.*

FRANKFORD.—This year has been one of great interest in our auxiliary work. Our regular meetings have been kept up throughout the year, and great pains have been taken by both officers and members to make them instructive and interesting. We held a thanksgiving service, by means of which we were able to send \$10.00 as an Easter offering; also a lawn social, by which we cleared about \$25.00. We helped the Willing Workers to send a 100-lb. box of quilts and clothing to Chilliwack. Our success financially can be summed up in figures, but spiritually it is beyond computation. We are looking forward hopefully for better things, for we know that God is with us.

J. W. HENDFICK, *Pres.*

CENTENNIAL (Victoria, B.C.)—A public meeting was held by our Auxiliary, September 13th, when addresses were delivered by Dr. Lang (returned Presbyterian Chinese missionary), Miss Smith, of the Coqualeetza Home, and Miss Tranter, of Port Essington. Dr. Lang spoke of the many open doors for medical missionaries in China; Miss Smith, of the routine followed at Chilliwack; Miss Tranter, of the difficulties arising for want of proper school accommodation, just corroborating what was said at our convention. We find these meetings very helpful. They are a source of encouragement and instruction. Our pastor, Rev. Joseph Hall, is a sympathetic helper; he keeps us informed as to when the missionaries are down from the coast; so we get the best help without any expense. We trust our efforts to awaken missionary zeal among our people may be productive of much good. Finances a little ahead of last year. MRS. ELLEN CHAPMAN, *Pres.*

AUBURN.—Our Auxiliary was organized in October, 1891, by Mrs. (Rev.) Swann. Our membership is steadily though slowly increasing, and we feel that God is blessing us in our efforts to work for Him. We have held two public meetings this year, one of which was held May 10th in our church, Mrs. (Rev.) Baugh presiding. It was opened with singing, Scripture reading and prayer, after which Mrs. (Rev.) Cuyler, late of Bella Bella, B.C., gave an admirable address on missionary work among the Indians of that place. We were all benefited by the address given, and were impressed with the feeling that we listened to a woman wholly consecrated to God and His work. At the close of the meeting a hearty vote of thanks was tendered the speaker, after which we all joined in singing "God be with you till we meet again." Collection, \$2.65. The second meeting was our annual social, on July 10th, at Mrs. Hoover's. The chair was taken by our pastor, Rev. Mr. Baugh, who gave words of welcome to all. A suitable programme, composed of music, readings, recitations and speeches, was given. We realized \$7.90.

MRS. HOOVER, *Cor. Sec.*

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