

Truro show an increase of funds and steady growth of the W. M. A. S. This is truly encouraging. The appropriation for Foreign Mission was raised to \$7,500.00. Home Missions \$2,000.00 as last year. There was a deficit on Home Missions of about \$60.00 which was made up at Convention. We must strive to increase our contributions to Home Missions this year as the North West and British Columbia are crying out for help. Each society should adopt some systematic method for raising this money, either by mite boxes or collectors or in some other way.

#### MISSIONARIES.

We regret that no new missionaries are going to India this year, Miss Helena Blackadar has been accepted by the Board and expects to go next autumn. Miss Grey's health is not sufficiently restored to return but she also hopes by next year to resume her loved work in India. Remember these dear sisters in your prayers. Let us ask that a suitable young man may be called of God to this work and we be prepared to send him. We need another mission family and two lady missionaries. The young ladies sent out recently have made grand progress with the language and are now ready to enter upon active service. Their health continues good and we should bear them all daily before God in prayer. Their difficulties are many and they need special help from on high. God bless our lady missionaries should be the prayer of every christian woman. We have been greatly favored with letters from our missionaries the past

year. I hope they have been read and appreciated by all our sisters. Will you not show your appreciation by writing occasionally to these sisters in India, thanking them for these letters and cheering their hearts by knowing there are those in the home land who do love and remember them outside their own family. It is such a little thing to do, but would greatly cheer and help our young missionaries.

#### MISSION BANDS.

Special attention has been given to this most important part of our work during the past year and the results are encouraging. Miss Lenora Barton Chipman has been appointed Superintendent of Mission Bands for N. B. Miss Etta Yuell, Wolfville for N. S. Miss Annie Jackson for P. E. I. Our Model Mission Band meeting at Convention was most helpful and interesting. If faithful intelligent work like this could be done in all our Bands, the mission work would soon receive a reinforcement of trained workers that would put new life into every department. Let us thank God that there is an awakening to the importance of this work and leaders are being prepared to carry it on. The lessons in "Trilings" will be continued. This year we purpose taking up India for our study and having the lessons connected so that if they are faithfully learned at the end of the year our Bands ought to be better acquainted with our Mission and the country where it is situated. Mrs Parker, River Herbert is to prepare the lessons and will be grateful for any suggestions from Band leaders or others so that

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