

measure of the success of other Churches is due, is a serious drawback. It is hopeful, however, to learn that the number of students in the Divinity Schools has lately been rapidly increasing and that some of them will soon have completed their course of study. Let us pray earnestly that they all may become "able ministers of the New Testament" and that many more may be raised up for the same blessed work.

Woman's Auxiliary Department.

"The love of Christ constraineth us."

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NOTICE.

A meeting of the officers of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Church of England in Canada will be held in Ottawa on Wednesday, the 16th of April.

L. LEACH,

Recording Secretary.

WE ask our sister workers to consider the following showing of woman's work for woman, and give thanks to God for the growth it evidences: In Great Britain, United States and Canada, thirty-nine Women's Missionary Societies are organized, with 25,000 Auxiliaries, and estimated membership of 500,000. The yearly contributions approximate \$1,250,000. These Societies support 1,200 lady missionaries, 2,500 Bible-women and teachers, and 25,000 schools.

QUEBEC DIOCESE.

A quarterly meeting of the Quebec Diocesan branch was held in St. Matthew's Parish Room on Friday, the 17th January at 3 p. m.

The President, Mrs. VonIffland occupied the chair.

After the usual prayers, the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

The Treasurer's report was then read and adopted.

Quarterly reports from the Parochial Branches were read, giving an account of the good work done since the last meeting. Part of the report from the St. Matthew's Branch was very interesting, giving the following account of the Industrial Home, Winnipeg: "At the last annual meeting this Branch undertook to provide outfits for six little Indian girls in the Industrial Home in St. Paul's Parish, about six miles from Winnipeg, and which is under the control of the Bishop of Rupert's Land. This school will accommodate 80 pupils, boys and girls, from the various reserves in Manitoba. In this Home it is purposed to teach the Indian children such things as are likely

to fit them for a civilized life, and by arousing and developing the spiritual life of the pupils, enable them, in after life, to exercise an influence for good among their own people. Friends of missions should look upon it as a *privilege* to help in the maintenance of such schools. The cost of each pupil is about \$50 a year. The six outfits have been sent, valued at \$150."

Notice was given of new branches formed at St. George's (St. Sylvester), and also at Campbell's Corners (Inverness), and one to be formed at Point Levis shortly.

The Secretary read a circular from the Bishop of Algoma giving the names of several children of missionaries needing education, and also a letter from Mrs. Boomer, asking the Quebec Diocese for an increased effort on behalf of education of missionary children.

A motion to increase the amount from \$30 (voted last year) to \$50 was deferred to the annual meeting.

It was resolved that the moneys for the Zenana missions, etc., etc, be paid over to the Treasurer of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society in June, that being the time most convenient to the said Treasurer.

Letters were read from the Dorcas Secretary, giving the names of the clergy and others to whom work, etc., might be sent. It was resolved that a list of these names be sent to the Parochial Branches for them to choose from.

Representatives were present from Sherbrooke, Inverness, Richmond, Melbourne and St. George's, Inverness.

The Doxology was sung and the Benediction given.

The meeting then adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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Hon. Secy. Diocesan Branch, W. A.

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Books and Periodicals Dept.

THE Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge is always engaged in a good and useful work, and its constant publication of books, all in the direction of useful, religious thought must tell for good wherever they penetrate. We have before us (1) "A Story of the Church of England," in which the history of the Church from earliest times is sketched in attractive and even charming style. Its continued independent spirit regarding the Church of Rome, and also its gradual acquirement of property, given by private individuals and not by the State, are clearly shown in a series of conversations between an intelligent blacksmith and his cousin, who had made the history of the Church his special study. This is a book which ought to be widely circulated in every parish. (2) "How Sandy Learned the Creed," a touching little story of a boy who was gradually brought to know the