

February. The names of ten candidates are now on the books, and it is expected some of them will join the Society before the meetings close for the summer.

We can show an increase in membership this year owing to a number of girls commended to us from England and elsewhere, although at the same time we have lost three or four Members by their departure from Montreal.

The Secretary is pleased to report the addition of three Working Associates to the number of those who have worked so faithfully and aided her so efficiently in her work. She also has again to thank the Honorary Associates for their liberal contributions towards the Society.

SARAH H. WILLIAMS,

*Branch Secretary.*

ST. JUDE'S BRANCH.—St. Jude's Branch of the Girls' Friendly Society resumed their meetings on 11th October, 1895. Twelve meetings have been held during the winter for needle work.

About ten families belonging to the parish have been provided with warm clothing, and two poor women, who were sick and friendless, received aid. Some of our Members crochet, others make aprons, etc., at home. These are sold to friends, and the proceeds go towards some Church object. This year we gave two cushions, made by the Members, each thirteen feet long, to the choir. Our meetings have been well attended this winter, averaging from thirty to thirty-five Members and Candidates. During the past year death has deprived us of one of our Associates, whilst others have been kept away by illness.

Our membership is about the same as last year, with the exception of our Hon. Associates, four or five of whom have moved away from the parish, new members taking the place of those who have left the city. We have two warm cloth quilts which we intend to send away to some Mission. They will be ready for our last meeting this season.

We have one more meeting for work this season, and the last, about the 11th May, will be our closing one. We usually close with a social, and an address by our Rector, the Rev. Canon Dixon.

ANNA RAFTERY,

*Branch Secretary.*