

ST. THOMAS, ONT.—The First Annual Meeting in connection with Elgin Association of Circles, was held in Dutton, June 4th. A good representation of delegates from the different Circles was present. The same officers were re-elected. The Secretary's report showed that two Circles and two Bands had been organized since January. A very interesting meeting was held in the evening. Mr. Craig delivered an address, followed by two papers on Mission work by Miss Scott of Sparta, and Miss Perry of St. Thomas. Miss McLaughlin and Mrs. Hutchinson, and Messrs. Broderick and Hutchinson furnished the singing. A good collection was taken up.

E. WELTER, *Asso. Sec.*

A UNION MEETING of representatives from Paris, Guelph, Stratford and Gables, for Home and Foreign Missions, was held at Gables on the afternoon of July 7th, Mrs. Gables presiding. The meeting was a very successful one. The programme consisted of papers by Mrs. Arnold of Paris, on "How to Conduct a Circle Meeting," by Mrs. D. A. McGregor of Stratford, on "Home Missions." Mrs. Browning's poem, "He giveth his beloved sleep," was read by Miss Gables, a separate edition of which poem was presented to Mrs. Timpany by the meeting. Tea was served at the close of the meeting.

ST. THOMAS.—DEAR LINK,—As we know all your readers are interested in Mission Bands we send you a short report from our Willing Workers. The most of you know we have undertaken the support of Bellum Thomas, which costs us seventeen dollars a year. We raised that amount in six months, and are now making a missionary quilt. With it and our regular fee we hope to raise as much more by the expiration of the year. We held a very successful entertainment on Tuesday evening, June 1st, and realized about nine dollars. Surely the Lord is blessing this work for the pennies seem to flow into the treasury without any extra effort from us.

E. WELTER.

THE Mission Band at Whitby report the interest increasing each month. The Band now numbers over sixty. The funds go for both Home and Foreign Missions, that for Foreign to the support of Samulcottia student No. 10.

#### NOTICES.

The annual meeting of the Women's Baptist Foreign Missionary Society of Eastern Ontario and Quebec, will be held in the lecture room of Olivet Church, Montreal, on Thursday, Oct. 8th, at 3 p.m. All the Circles connected with the society are invited to send delegates. Those unable to do so, are requested to send their reports to the secretary, Miss Muir, 1460 St. Catherine Street, as soon after the first of October as possible. As the Eastern Convention meets at the same time and place. Arrangements will be made with their Secretary to furnish certificates to delegates.

AMELIA MUIR.

As our Annual Meeting will take place at St. Catharines, October 8, all delegates are requested to send their names and addresses to me not later than the 2nd October, to make sure of receiving their Railway Certificates for reduced fare in good time. Arrangements will be made with the Railway Companies as in former years.

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#### MISSIONARY FAREWELL.

A VERY pleasant meeting was held in the First Baptist church of Montreal, on the evening of July 30th, in honor of our departing missionaries, brethren Stillwell and Craig. Mr. A. A. Ayer, Vice-President of the Foreign Missionary Society, took the chair, and Mr. George Sale, of the First church, conducted the devotional exercises. Mr. Upham, of the Olivet church, gave a short address, setting forth the object of the meeting and the peculiar claims of these two missionary brethren upon our affectionate and continued remembrance; the one a veteran in the service returning to the front, and the other a new soldier, whose offering of himself is so intimately connected with the death of our beloved brother Timpany.

Mr. Stillwell then gave an address full of the missionary spirit, saying how glad he was to go to the work he loved and to which he believed God had called him; and earnestly asking the prayers of God's people in his behalf. Mr. Craig followed with an excellent address setting forth some of the reasons why he was glad to go back to the work. It was his work, God's chosen work for him; he had personal friends among the native Christians in India who were longing for his return; the force had been sadly weakened by Mr. Timpany's death, and he must go back to strengthen it. Referring to the sacrifices one makes in leaving home and friends, he remarked that somebody must make them, or Christ's work on the earth will not be done. His words on this point were very impressive. A few of us went to the station and gave the final God-speed, and then returned to our homes deeply impressed with the greatness of the work whereunto God has called them. May He bless and keep these, our missionary representatives, giving them a safe journey and making them abundantly useful in his cause.

—A. G. U. in *Canadian Baptist*.

#### YOUNG PEOPLE'S DEPARTMENT.

Dear Friends—Your new editor has not met many of you, but would like to get acquainted with you through this paper. I have been thinking a good deal lately about you, wondering how many of you are thinking that some time perhaps, you will become missionaries. When the call came so earnestly and repeatedly for some one to go to India this year, and for a time no one answered, no one seemed to have been thinking of it before, I wondered if it would be so a few years hence, when the present young people are grown up; for then we shall want a good many more missionaries than we have now. Instead of one lady missionary we ought to have several, zenana missionaries, and medical missionaries. We ought very soon to have a medical missionary with thorough preparation for the work, going out to India. Is there not some young lady or girl who can give herself to the Master's work, and begin preparation for it? In these days people are coming to see that it is far better to send the missionaries out while they are quite young. It is so much easier to learn the language then, and to become acclimated. I was reading an article the other day which stated that if possible, young ladies of 19 years should be sent.

Then too we want our young men and boys to be thinking seriously about this. We shall want many more men on the field in a few years. Are you going to be ready for the call when it comes, and say, "Here am I, send me?" If you have bright prospects before you for your future in this country, don't think that it is not you the Lord means to send. Remember, He wants the best.