

of delegates who spoke in words of praise of the hospitality accorded them by the people of Westport. Bro. Howard Murray responded.

Before the meeting closed it was moved by Bro. Martin, and seconded by Bro. Mohorter, that a vote of thanks be tendered the congregation for the gracious entertainment afforded the visitors. A vote of thanks was also tendered to Bro. Morehouse, who kindly gave the use of the land on which the tent was erected. The meeting closed with singing "Blest be the Tie that Binds," and "God be With You."

Benediction by E. C. Ford.

Thus ended the Annual Meeting of 1900, and we stood on the threshold of a new year great with possibilities. When we meet together again, at Milton, in 1901, may it be with glad hearts and with the best year's work that we have ever had behind us. To this end let us wait upon the Lord that we may renew our strength and, "forgetting those things that are behind and reaching forth unto those which are before, let us press toward the mark, for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

At half-past three o'clock Tuesday morning we were at the boat ready to depart for our homes. It was very dark. The fog, which had kept off all through the meeting, came down heavy and thick. The dear brethren of Westport stood with us. There were a few minutes of parting and well-wishing, and then we all sang "God be With You 'Till we Meet Again," as our boat drew away into the darkness. Gradually the voices of those upon the shore grew fainter, and their forms faded from our sight; then when behind us we could see only the faint glimmer of the distant lights, we turned our faces toward our own homes, and in the heart of every one was MIZPAH.

The visitors of the convention who took part in the programme were, Miss Mary Graybiel, missionary to India, Evangelist A. Martin, Muncie, Indiana, and J. H. Mohorter, Boston.

Miss Graybiel spoke at different times during the meeting. This properly belongs to the women's work, and will be left for their report.

Bro. Martin has been in the provinces for three months past, and has made many friends. He is expected to return later to hold a meeting in Halifax. Bro. Martin lectured on Monday evening following the convention to an audience that filled the large tent. His subject was, "How to Be Happy." At the close of his lecture an offering of \$12 was taken for the Home Mission work; besides, nearly twenty dollars was pledged toward supporting a child in India for the next year.

This was Bro. Mohorter's first visit to the provinces, and his presence at the Annual Meeting was a help and a pleasure to all who met and heard him. He kindly offered to come to the provinces during his vacation next year and hold a meeting. This offer was most gladly accepted.

Our Annual Meeting was invited to supply preachers for the Baptist churches at Westport and Freeport, Sunday, September 2nd. Bro. Harding went to Freeport both morning and evening. There was one confession. Dr. Ray preached for the Westport Baptist

congregation in the morning, and Bro. Mohorter in the evening.

There are ways in which the Annual Meeting of 1901 may be an improvement over that of 1900. These will be left for others to mention later.

## C. W. B. M.

The Maritime C. W. B. M. met for business at Westport, N. S., Aug. 31st, 1900

The devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. Fred Roome of Halifax, after which the President, Miss Payson, took the chair.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—Pres. Miss Carrie Payson; Vice-Pres. for N. S., Mrs. John Ford, Mrs. Fred Roome; for N. B., Mrs. J. S. Flaglor, Mrs. A. Murray; for P. E. I., Miss Bunnell, Miss Agnes Williams; Secretary, Miss L. N. Jackson; Treas., Mrs. Susie Ford Stevens; Supt. of Children's Work for N. S. and N. B., Mrs. Frank Richardson, and for P. E. I. Mrs. A. N. Simpson.

The following reports from the Secretary, Treasurer and Superintendent of Children's Work were received:

### SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Again, in the kind providence of our Heavenly Father, the Maritime C. W. B. M. is permitted to assemble. Having now come to the last annual gathering of this century of Missions, we have great need to think deeply, plan wisely and be fully consecrated to the important work that lies before us.

As the great law of life is Growth, we very naturally ask what progress has been made in the missionary work during the last year.

We are glad to be able to report the organizing of a new society at Lot 48, P. E. I. with a membership of 9, and a very favorable report has been received from it.

At Pictou the work has been taken up again and the auxiliary is in good working order.

The following Auxiliaries have reported.

SOCIETY.	Number of Members.	Meetings held.	Copies Tidings taken.	Was C.W.B.M. Day observed?	Total amount raised
Leonardville, ....	32	10	10	Yes.	\$42 21
Coburg Street, St John, ..	29	12	4	"	22 10
Lord's Cove, ....	25	7	12	"	37 15
Southville, ....	10	10	None.	"	4 20
Milton, ..	28	10	1	No.	22 75
Pictou, ..	18	6	5	"	8 00
Halifax, ....	14	12	6	"	17 72
Cornwallis, ....	14	3	1	"	18 60
Tiverton, ....	11	10	None.	"	18 00
Cross Roads, ....	9	6	"	"	12 00
Westport, ....	6	.....	.....	Yes.	9 26
Total, ....	196	86	89	5	\$211 90

The total number of active societies is 11. The gain in membership over last year is 25.

Four of the auxiliaries held public meetings in observance of C. W. B. M. Day. At Tiverton, finding a public meeting impossible the secretary visited the sisters and collected as a special offering \$7.10.

There is a gratifying increase in the amount of missionary literature used. Reports show that 39 copies of Tidings are taken, a gain over last year of 22 copies. The Missionary Intelligencer and Missionary tracts have been

used. A number of mite boxes have been sent to auxiliaries and also sample copies of Tidings.

From listening to this report you will notice that while our work has grown in some respects, as a whole it has fallen far below the ideal we set at the St. John convention. Was it too much that we were asked to raise \$400.00 this year? Our Treasurer's books show that only \$242.56 has been received. Have we less blessings than last year? Are our sisters in heathen lands less needy of the Gospel of Christ? Oh let us put our hearts into this work and then having the will we shall find the way to increase our offerings and enlarge our work.

Respectfully submitted,

L. N. JACKSON.

Secretary.

### REPORT OF TREASURER.

#### Cash Received.

Westport, Y. P. Miss. Society, ..	\$4 50	
" Auxiliary, ....	2 00	
" C.W.B.M. Day collect'n	7 26	\$13 76
St John, Ladies' Auxiliary, ....	16 10	
" Sunday-school, ....	9 15	
" C.W.B.M. Day collect'n	6 00	31 25
Tiverton, Ladies' Auxiliary, ...		13 00
Leonardville, Ladies' Auxiliary, ..	31 70	
" India Famine Fund, ....	10 30	42 00
Southville, Ladies' Auxiliary, ....	1 95	
" C.W.B.M. Day collect'n	2 25	4 20
Milton, Ladies' Auxiliary, ....		22 75
Lord's Cove, Ladies' Auxiliary, ....		37 15
Kempt, Mrs. May Freeman, ....		1 18
South Range, per Jessie Devoe, ....		4 00
Windsor, Mrs. E. Shand, ....		1 00
Halifax, Ladies' Auxiliary, ....		21 72
Pictou, Ladies' Auxiliary, ....		3 00
Cornwallis, Ladies' Auxiliary, ..	14 60	
" Abram Bligh, ....	2 00	
" Mrs. H. Corbett, ....	2 00	18 60
Collection, St. John convention, ....		23 00
Interest, ....		33
Balance on hand, August 31, 1900, ....		62
Total, ....		\$242 56

Nova Scotia, .... \$ 86 49  
New Brunswick, .. 108 40  
P. E. Island, ....

Banner Society for the year—  
Leonardville Auxiliary.

#### Cash Paid.

F. M. Rains, on Miss Rioch's salary, ..	\$225 00
F. M. Rains, for India Famine Fund, ..	10 30
Cost of drafts, ....	55
L. N. Jackson, postage for year, ..	2 00
S. F. Stevens, " " ..	50
Balance cash on hand, ....	\$4 21

Respectfully submitted,

SUSIE FORD STEVENS.

### REPORT OF TREASURER OF CHILDREN'S WORK.

#### Cash Received.

Tiverton W. Handspiker, ....	\$0 28
" B. Outhouse (mite box), ..	20
Leonardville, Happy Band, ....	\$11 00
" Christmas offering, ..	1 00
Halifax, Junior Endeavor, ....	8 43
West Gore, Golden Rule Band, ....	0 00
Charlottetown, Links of Truth Band, ....	2 00
Lord's Cove, Island Workers Band, ..	\$26 99
" Easter Concert, ....	11 56
" Children's Day offering, ..	1 45
Westport, Willing Workers, ....	\$2 27
" Christmas offering, ....	1 90
" Self-denial offering, ....	3 23
	7 40