

substitute. What they did would be done for Him who spared not His Son, but gave Him up for them.

The collection was then taken up and the audience dismissed with the benediction.

FRIDAY, 9 a.m.

Devotions led by President Eastern Branch.

After the adoption of Minutes, reports of Committees on Memorials, Candidates, Appropriations were received. For details of the two former we refer our members to the Annual Report.

The following are the appropriations:—General expenses, \$550; Tokyo Branch, school, \$4,900; evangelistic, \$1,655; total, \$6,555. Shizuoka Branch, school, \$1,830; evangelistic, \$945; total, \$2,775; Kofu Branch, school, \$1,375; evangelistic, \$1,100; total, \$2,475. Kanazawa Branch, \$2,455. Home for Bible-women, \$300. Return expenses of Miss Cartmell, Miss Lund and Miss Cunningham, \$630. Total required for Japan, \$16,140, in addition to which \$900 would be needed for the salaries of three ladies on furlough at home.

The other estimates were:—For the Chinese work in British Columbia, \$1,360; French work, \$4,469; new mission in China, \$2,000; Newfoundland Orphanage, \$500; Crosby Girls' Home, Port Simpson, \$3,550; hospital, Port Simpson, \$400; Chilliwack Mission, \$9,390; McDougall Orphanage, \$600; grand total, \$39,309. The report was adopted, and it was further resolved that the Executive be authorized to send two ladies to Japan if suitable persons can be found, and provide for their salaries and travelling expenses.

The editor of this department reported, and strongly urged the Board to direct that an Official Correspondent be appointed by the Council in Japan, whose duty shall be to write to our department once a month; also, that the Executive appoint a correspondent for like duty in each field of our operations. The Board granted this request.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

Upon motion of Mrs. Carman, it was resolved to urge the Methodist ministers of the Manitoba Conference to co-operate in the work of the Women's Society in the North-west.

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded Mr. Thomas Hooper, of Victoria, B.C., for his valuable services as architect for the Society's buildings in Port Simpson.

By resolution of the Board, the Executive were instructed to arrange for the meeting place of the Board next year.

A letter of condolence and sympathy was ordered to be sent to Mrs. McCoy, the President of the Nova Scotia Branch, who was prevented by serious illness from attending the meeting of the Board.

Mrs. Carman reported that a lady who was making, her will had intimated that she desired to make a bequest to the funds of the Society.

The report of the Committee on Indian Affairs made a satisfactory statement of the work in their charge.

Mrs. Whiston reported for *Wesleyan* column, Mrs. Platt for *Onward*, and Miss Palmer reported the inauguration of the New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island paper, entitled the *Palm Branch*, a quarterly for the family Circle of Bands in the Branch.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The election of officers for the ensuing year was next taken up, and resulted as follows, the election in every case being practically unanimous:—

President—Mrs. James Gooderham, Toronto.
Vice-President—Mrs. (Dr.) Carman, Belleville.
Recording Secretary—Mrs. J. B. Willmott, Toronto.
Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. Strachan, Hamilton.

Treasurer—Mrs. Thomas Thompson, Toronto.

Departmental Editors—For the *OUTLOOK*, Mrs. (Dr.) Parker, Barrie; for the *Guardian*, Mrs. S. E. Whiston, Halifax; for the *Wesleyan*, Miss McGuffin, Toronto; for *Onward*, Mrs. G. D. Platt, Picton.

Auditor—Mrs. G. P. McKay, Toronto.

The following standing committees were appointed:—

Indian Committee—Mrs. (Dr.) D. G. Sutherland, Mrs. Cunningham and Mrs. Burns.

Literature Committee—Western Branch, Miss McCallum; Eastern Branch, Mrs. Croft; Central Branch, Miss Ogden; Nova Scotia, Mrs. Bascom; New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island, Mrs. McKay; British Columbia, Mrs. Hamilton.

Supplies Committee—Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Briggs, Mrs. Price, Mrs. J. B. Willmott.

The following clause is added to constitutional qualifications for candidates:—"That all candidates for our mission work must be recommended by the Branch in which they reside, and have had personal interviews with at least two members of General Executive before receiving final appointment."

The Report of the Supply Committee in which all our Auxiliaries and Bands are so much interested, has been kindly furnished by Mrs. Briggs at our request, and is published herewith.

Six thousand copies of the annual report were ordered to be printed.

Mrs. Brown, of Myrtle, proposed that the week preceding Christmas Day be observed as a week of self-denial throughout the Auxiliaries and Mission Bands of the Society. In amendment, it was proposed to take Passion Week, or the week immediately preceding Easter Day as the time chosen, and upon a vote the amendment prevailed.

Upon the motion of Mrs. Carman, it was decided to put a form of bequest in each copy of the Annual Report.

Mrs. John Lewis was appointed to convey the greetings of the Board to the Convention of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, in Belleville, to meet on 25th inst.

Mrs. Strachan announced that the Union Committee appointed to deal with the traffic of Chinese girls into British Columbia, of which she was the convener, would be called together for organization at an early date.

The Committee on Courtesies reported in favour of the best thanks of the Board being tendered to the pastor and trustees of the Wellington Street Church, where the meetings have been held; to the choir and Miss Russ for musical services; to Mrs. Sharpe, for general attention to delegates; to the ladies of Brant Avenue and Colborne Street Churches who assisted in the reception, and to the ladies of the city who had entertained the delegates in their homes. The report was adopted by a standing vote.

A cordial vote of thanks was recorded to the press for the unusually full and accurate reports of the Board Meetings.

The Minutes of the afternoon session were then read and approved, and the meeting was dismissed with the doxology and benediction.

REPORT OF SUPPLY COMMITTEE.

WE have again to thank our numerous friends for their liberal contributions of clothing and bedding to the different missions under the care of the Women's Missionary Society, and are very thankful that, owing to the generosity of our Auxiliaries and Mission Bands, we have been able to contribute to the comfort and joy of many needy Indians, not only in the North-West but on some of the Missions in Ontario. We have found Missions amongst the white people also in poor districts who have highly