

prevented; and her bright countenance was one that we can but picture as having gone before us to the better land.

At the regular monthly meeting of our Woman's Aid Society, the following resolution was passed:

"Whereas, since our last meeting, the Master has seen fit to remove from among us, one of our most faithful members, our beloved Secretary, Mrs. W. H. Kennie, calling her suddenly from service here, therefore resolved that we, as a Woman's Missionary Aid Society, place on record our deep sense of our loss, praying that we who remain, may hear in this sad bereavement, the call to "Work for the night cometh."

LYDIA A. EDWARDS,
President.

SUMMERSVILLE, HANTS Co.—We appreciate the monthly visits of the LINK freighted with the good news of mission work, Home and Foreign, and no doubt others will be interested in hearing of the work in this part of Home field. We have an earnest worker in our esteemed pastor's wife, Mrs. M. Higgins, who has organized a Mission Band which now numbers 25 enthusiastic workers who meet at her home every two weeks. The Woman's Aid Society meets every month and is growing in interest as it must with the influence of so talented a mission worker.

On Jan. 16th, we drove to Brockville and held a very encouraging meeting, re-organizing the Woman's Missionary Aid Society, which has been dormant for some time. All felt the force of Sister Higgins' inspiring address on "Missions," and came away full of joy and hope for the Society in that place as well as our own, feeling that our hearts had been strengthened, our interest deepened in the work which is so dear to her heart.

MRS. L. V. MASTERS,
President.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT OF W. B. M. U.

Moneys received during Quarter ending Jan. 31st, 1902.

	F. M.	H. M.	Total.
Amount received from W. M. A. S. Nova Scotia.....	8893	69220	881183 95
" " " " New Brunswick.....	415 94	95 30	511 24
" " " " P. E. Island.....	157 17	76 90	234 07
" " " " Boston.....		40 00	40 00
" " " " Tidings.....			11 00
" " " " Annual Reports.....			9 05
" " " " Leaflets.....			17 23
" " " " M. B. Treasurer.....	180 19	2 08	182 27
			\$2189 41
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Paid Treasurer F. M. B.....			\$2096 60
" " " " G. J. M.....			171 00
" " " " N. W. M.....			205 20
" " " " Indian Work.....			68 40
" " " " H. M. N. S. & P. E. I.....			176 70
" " " " H. M. N. B.....			33 00
" " " " Japanese Mission Band, B. C.....			34 02
" " " " Printing, Tidings and Leaflets.....			14 80
" " " " President.....			30 00
" " " " Pro. Sec., N. S.....			6 00
" " " " Drafts, Discounts, Postage.....			10 47
			\$2846 36

MARY SMITH,
Treas. W. B. M. U.

Amherst, Feb. 1st, 1902.

SOME OF THE THINGS WHICH WE IN THE HOME- LAND HAVE TO BE THANKFUL FOR.

Where shall we begin to enumerate the blessings which surround us in this highly favoured land of Gospel light and Gospel liberty? We receive so much without a thought of gratitude, without, indeed, the recognition of our surroundings, as being a cause for thanksgiving; without any realization of how much we owe, or of the responsibilities that rest upon us, corresponding with the privileges enjoyed. Just a very casual glance at a few of the things in which God has made us to differ from the heathen nations, should incite us to heartfelt thanksgiving and praise.

Can we estimate the difference it has made in our moral condition as a people, that we have descended from godly ancestors? The promise made to Abraham long centuries ago, remains in force to-day, "I will be a God to thee, and to thy seed after thee." "If ye are of faith, then are ye Abraham's seed," and "heirs of all the promises." This promise of blessing to the posterity of His chosen people, was confirmed by God when at Mount Sinai the Law was given to Moses, which should stand unchangeable for all time. God there declared himself to be the only object of worship, and made as one of the conditions of obedience to Him as the Supreme Being, that "He will show mercy unto thousands of generations of those who love Him and keep His commandments." Innumerable blessings come to us to-day because of the faithful lives, the labors, the prayers and intercessions of those who are now before the throne of God.

Again what a grand and glorious heritage is ours, in this Christian Canada, as recipients of the blessings of civil, political and religious liberty purchased for us by the toil and sufferings and untiring effort of those who, in the centuries past, "counted not their lives dear unto themselves," but in many instances sealed with their blood their witness to those principles of freedom, of righteousness and truth, which they had received from that Book, which alone is able to make wise unto salvation, those who search its pages and receive its teachings as God's messages of love, and of life, for this lost world.

Our religious freedom, our church privileges, our open Bible, our just and liberal Government, the laws by which our country is ruled, our safety as citizens, all come to us because of faithful men of God who purchased at a terrible cost these blessings for us. We enjoy all these things, but how little thought we give to the price by which they were purchased, or consider what the loss of them would mean to us.

The unconscious influence of our environments also calls for devout thanksgiving to God. The restraining power of law and custom, the unconscious bias toward all that which is noble, and pure, and true received by association and daily intercourse with those who have been with Jesus, the memories