

APPENDIX J.

Report of the Women's Aid Association of the Diocese of Fredericton.

To the LORD BISHOP OF FREDERICTON and MEMBERS OF THE DIOCESAN SYNOD:

In submitting their annual report the committee of the Womens' Aid Association desire to express their sense of the loss sustained by the association in the death of our late Bishop the revered Metropolitan of Canada.

In December of last year Mrs. Medley resigned the office of president of the association greatly to the regret of the members.

The annual meeting was held on Wednesday, June 7th, 1893, in the Church Hall, Fredericton.

The Bishop was elected president of the association, Mrs. Roberts. Mrs. McCully and Mrs. Beek, vice-presidents. The treasurer and secretaries were re-elected.

Reports from most of the branches were read, of which a summary is herewith given.

BURTON. By the kindness of a friend who is interested in our work and in the parish, the outside of the church of Oromocto has been painted, and the roof reshingled. The receipts for the year amount to the sum of \$73.05. With this money several improvements have been made. A fine stone step has been purchased for the entrance of the church, and a stove placed in the vestry. The sum of \$20.00 has been added to the endowment.

DOUGLAS. A branch of the association was organized at the village of Nashwaaksis, in this parish, in January, 1892, with twenty members. From the proceeds of a sale the sum of \$50.35 was realized which is to be devoted to the repairing of St. John's Church at Nashwaaksis, which is much in need of repairs. The Girls' Branch has eighteen members, who are working for a Sunday School library, and have twelve dollars on hand for that object.

EDMUNDSTON. The secretary writes as follows:—"We began in October 1891, with Mrs. A. R. Balloch as vice-president. We worked until July last, and made about fifty dollars which we expended towards painting the outside of the Church. We still owe a little on it, but hope to pay it off before the end of the year. We had about eight working members, who did their work faithfully."

FREDERICTON. In this parish the quarterly meetings have been held regularly, and fairly well attended. The treasurer's statement is as follows: