

lows for single lady missionaries in India was presented briefly by the President. This program was interspersed with music by Mrs. Sutherland and Miss Taylor, St. Marys, and Messrs. Whyte and Zieman. The resignation of our efficient Director, Miss Warren, was regretfully received, circumstances forbidding her continuance in the office she had held so satisfactorily for some years. Miss Evans, Guelph, was appointed, with permission to select an assistant. Mrs. E. L. Hill, who has ably served as our President for three years, wished to be relieved and Mrs. Marshall, Berlin, was elected for the coming year.

In the evening, the moderator presided over a joint meeting. Mrs. Holman, Toronto, delighted us with her excellent address on "Things for which we may thank God, in our Home Mission work during past six months," and Rev. H. C. Priest gave a stirring account of the "Four sided problem in India, namely Industrial, Medical, Educational and Evangelistic Missions."

ALICE M. EVANS, Director.

OWEN SOUND—The annual meetings of the Mission Circles and Bands, of the Owen Sound Association, were held at Wiarton on June 15. The morning session reports were presented by delegates from 11 Circles; 5 Circles also reporting to the Director, making in all 16. A backward glance was taken at the work since meeting in Wiarton seven years before. These have been foundation years. Much has been learned of the needs of the work and much love and faithful service bestowed upon it by the officers and members of the Circles, and year by year the work has grown in interest and importance. Regarding this year, as might be expected, the long and stormy winter just experienced, has made it difficult for the women of the Circles in the country to meet regularly, yet the record of some of these Circles as to regularity of work and contribution shows a devotion worthy of the cause. Paisley and Durham Circles have taken shares in the Ontario Bungalow and an earnest interest was taken in this matter by the representatives of Circles present. Perhaps the importance and need of this building has not been generally understood. Several questions were asked, to which Miss Norton, of Toronto, ably replied and it is hoped that before Convention each Circle will have a share in the New Bungalow. The organization of three New Mission Bands was reported, making eight in all. The officers for the ensuing year are—President, Mrs. Rev. D. Catchpole; Secretary Mrs. (Rev.) L. F. Kipp; the Director, Mrs. Walker being re-appointed.

The Annual Public Meeting was held in the afternoon. Mrs. (Rev.) L. Newton, of Durham, presiding. Reading of Scripture by Mrs. Allen, of Paisley, and earnest prayer led by Mrs. (Rev.) Jas. McEwen, of Wiarton, were followed by the address of the President, emphasizing the need of more of the grace of liberality towards our

women's work. The report of the Director shewed the number of Circles 16, with a membership of 181. The offering to Foreign Missions \$126.30, a slight decrease from last year. 71 copies of the LINK are taken, 8 Mission Bands are now enrolled with a total membership of 181. Band work has had wonderful success during the year, and thanks to the love, patience and faithfulness of the Band leaders, each member is being trained to take some part in the work. The offering from Bands is \$57.80 including one Baby Band offering to Bolivia. An address by Rev. L. F. Kipp, of Strathavon, emphasized the adaptation of the gospel to India's needs under the following heads. "Take the gospel" because Jesus says go—as an expression of love, both to Jesus and to our fellowmen—because it is the only cure for sin? the only cure for India's ills. A beautiful, clear and interesting presentation of our Home Mission work, was given by Miss Norton, of Toronto. The answers to "question drawer" by Rev. J. E. Chute, were much appreciated and much useful information received. The ladies of Wiarton, Durham and Paisley brightened the session with sweet music. An offering of \$5.05 was received.

M. E. WALKER, Director.

OTTAWA—The sixteenth annual meeting of the Women's Mission Circles of the Ottawa Baptist Association, was held at Vankeek Hill, Thursday, June 16th, 1904.

The morning session was held at the residence of Mr. J. R. McLaurin. A much larger number than usual assembled at this meeting. Mrs. D. McLaurin presided in the absence of Mrs. H. J. Metcalfe, President. After devotional exercises the election of officers was proceeded with—President, Mrs. H. J. Metcalfe; Directress, Mrs. D. McLaurin; Sec'y.-Treasurer, Mrs. George L. Black; Sec'y. Bands, Miss C. McGibbon. A very interesting letter and greetings from the Foreign Mission Board, was read by Mrs. Kenneth McDonald. Question drawer, conducted by Mrs. Sheldon, of Cornwall, and the discussions that followed were helpful to all present. Our denominational papers, LINK and Visitor, were ably represented by Mrs. McDonald.

The afternoon session was opened at two o'clock, Mrs. D. McLaurin in the chair. After devotional exercises Mrs. Haviland, of Vankeek Hill, welcomed the delegates, expressing the desire that they might enjoy the hospitality offered and that a blessing might rest on the gathering. Mrs. Watson, of Dalesville, ably responded. Reports of Circles by the Directors were very encouraging. Two new Circles were organized during the year and two re-organized. Our Circles number twenty-eight, ten more than last year. One of the pleasing features was that a report had been sent from every Circle. Miss Murray's visit to the Circles had cheered and helped them in their work. Number of members in Circles, six hundred and twenty-