

fair to Quebec; our Grande Ligne Mission receiving only \$100, while North-West received \$900, besides \$100 for Indian work.

This year Grande Ligne was voted \$400, and North-West \$600, besides \$100 for Indian work. The \$500 for our own Maritime work continues unchanged.

We are, for the present at least, indebted to the Grande Ligne managers, who have sent to our French speaking brothers and sisters of this province, Mr. and Mrs. Gronier, of Quebec, at a salary of \$600. Now that the ladies are contributing \$400, an effort is to be made among the Sunday schools for the other \$200.

Mr. Gronier spoke in our meetings, and greatly pleased us by his earnest words, as well as by his sweet French accent.

Another who came to us—the altogether unexpected meeting of two ladies on our platform—the only graduates of Acadia Seminary in 1886, and who had never afterwards met until one was about to follow the other in an address on Missions. These were Mrs. Phillips, of Fredericton, and Mrs. Dr. Lyall, of Swatow, China.

Mrs. Lyall, formerly Miss Norwood, of Nova Scotia, went to China some years ago under the American Baptist Board, but a worthy physician of the Presbyterian denomination finding her worth, claimed her as his prize, since which time her efforts have been with her husband in connection with the Swatow hospital.

May the union thus formed between representatives of two denominations, not fully in accord in all things, tend towards the same result as the marriage of Henry Tudor with Elizabeth, which ended forever the strife between the Yorkists and Lancastrians. Mrs. Lyall thrilled all hearts in convention, and will do the same in this meeting.

We returned to our homes with one thought intensified, viz., that redeemed woman appears at her best, first, in her own well-ordered Christian home; and then in endeavoring to reach her less favored sisters with the gospel which alone can raise them to the same exalted position as herself.

NEWS FROM THE WORKERS.

In August the Society at Mabow, Inverness Co., C. B., held a ten cent missionary tea, and realized \$7.30 for Home Missions. The interest is growing.

From a private letter received from Wolfville we learn that forty-five were present at the meeting on Crusade Day. Mrs. DeBlois gave an interesting account of the organization of the Society twenty-five years ago, and Mrs. Bentley, from Northboro', Mass., told of the work in that place.

Mrs. Nalder, Secretary for Hants Co., N. S., has spent a week among her societies, and held the County Convention. We hope to have a full account of her trip soon. If possible our Secretaries should all try to visit in the autumn, and our County Conventions should be held then. First, because the roads are better, and travelling easier than in winter or spring; and secondly, because such visits and conventions would give an impetus to the work for the year.

Mrs. Gullison, Secretary for King's Co., N. S., has also visited her constituency. As a result of her visit to Billtown, Mrs. Freeman sends word that an Aid Society had been organized at Woodville (a branch of the Bill-

town church), on Wednesday, Sept. 26th, with seven members. Mrs. M. P. Freeman, Pres.; Mrs. Charles Wood and Mrs. Wm. Brown, Vice-Pres.; and Miss Grace Carter, Sec. Treas. "With Both Hands Earnestly," is the motto chosen by the Society. Four LINKS are to be taken, and two members were appointed to hunt up recruits for Crusade Day. Billtown proposes to hold a public meeting every two months.

Friday afternoon was spent with the Society at Caning. The church here only numbers about 45 members, and of the twenty or twenty-five women, thirteen belong to the Aid Society. Our Secretary found the sisters rather discouraged in Pereaux, but her visit has done much to brighten them. Two new members have joined, and regular meetings are to be held.

A meeting was held with the workers at Port Williams. They would observe Crusade Day, and hold a public meeting.

The Society at Gaspereaux was found to be in a flourishing state.

On Wednesday, Mrs. Kingston joined our Secretary in her visit to the sisters at New Minas.

Berwick Society was found to be doing well. They have a membership of 35, and raised \$114 last year.

At Western the Society is small, but doing a good work.

A Society was organized at Morristown in July. This has increased its membership from 9 to 15. Some LINKS are being taken, and the workers want mitre boxes, and hope to organize a Mission Band in the future.

Greenwood Mission Band has a membership of 18, and are doing nobly. There are now three flourishing Bands in Tremont church; and when one is organized at Mendowvale, all the children in the church will be at work. [If any other church can show a better record, send me word.—Prov. Sec.]

Young People's Department.

EASTERN ONTARIO AND QUEBEC.

MISSION BAND REPORT.

Mrs. President and dear Sisters:

Again it is my privilege, as your Band Secretary, to present the annual report of work done by our young people.

CANADA CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.

Allan's Mills.—The "Willing Workers" here are still proving their right to that name. Their parents are members of the Perth Baptist church, but living too far away to attend that S. S. or Band, they have organized in their own neighborhood and are supporting a student in Samulcotta. Membership 20. Sent to Foreign Missions \$17, Home Missions \$4. North-West \$5.

Brockville.—The Girls' Mission Band possesses great enthusiasm, and continues faithful to the cause. Two students are being supported by them in India. Membership 41. Sent to Foreign Missions \$45, Home Missions \$15, Grande Ligne \$15.