

WOMAN'S H. M. SOCIETY OF THE PRESBYTERY OF ST. JOHN.

Through an oversight, which is much regretted by the presbytery, no report of the work of the Woman's H. M. Society of St. John was presented at the Synod, and the opportunity afforded by the courtesy of the Clerk of Synod, the Rev. Thomas Sedgwick, of appending a short statement to the Minutes, is gladly accepted.

The Society has done an invaluable work in connection with Home Mission and Augmentation for a number of years. Indeed, it is safe to say, that the work within the bounds of the Presbytery would not have been what it has been without the aid of the Society. Last year the income, with the balance from the previous year, was over \$700. About \$450 being expended in the assistance of augmented congregations and mission fields.

The Society meets monthly in the different churches in the city, and frequently letters of great interest from the ministers or missionaries are read. Last year reports were sent in from the Auxiliary Societies of Moncton, Woodstock and Florenceville. An Auxiliary has recently been formed in Sussex. The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of St. Stephen co-operates as an Affiliated Society, and it is confidently hoped that a strong Auxiliary will be formed in Fredericton very soon.

The income of the Society is raised by the collectors, who visit the districts in their congregations monthly, and report through their vice presidents at each meeting; and by the annual fee of the members; \$1.00 constituting membership. The Society is extending its influence and usefulness, and promises to become yearly more important in the work of our great mission field.

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