

The Foreign Mission Treasurer's sheet presents some interesting facts. The total amount contributed was \$1336.15, a gain of \$189.64 over last year. Last year 114 Bands reported, this year 124. There were thirty additions, but twenty omissions, so the total gain in number contributing is only ten. Several Bands gave extra amounts to the leper work, and to assist Mr. Ralph Smith, and Mr. and Mrs. Scott in their passage and outfit for India. Four Life-members have been added, Miss Etta Bartlett and Miss Irene Fleming, Brampton; Mrs. G. K. Martin, Murray St., Peterboro, Mrs. Mary B. Edy, Western church, Toronto.

In the Home Mission department, the gain has been \$151.56, total amount contributed \$747.30, the largest amount in one year in the

history of the Band work. Hence the total receipts for both Home and Foreign Missions were \$2,083.45. We rejoice over the increased giving, yet what a very small part of the work it really represents when we consider the magnitude of the educative and spiritual influences. We hope the Circles will deepen their interest in this work of the young people, and by prayer, by your presence, and by practical assistance, let the leader know you are upholding her in her efforts. Do the leaders wish a wee bit of comfort that their seed-sowing will accomplish great things? Read "The Bird's Ministry," a small poem, in the LINK of last June.

S. M. BARBER.

St. George.

Our Work at Home.

NEWS FROM CIRCLES.

ROCKLAND.—The Mission Circle held their Annual Foreign Mission Thank-offering, Friday, Nov. 6th, 1903. We were pleased to see a goodly number accepting the invitation to attend. An interesting program was rendered, opening with devotional exercises, followed by a solo from Miss Dent; music by the choir; duet by two young Mission Band girls; duet by two gentlemen. A very interesting and instructive address by Rev. Mr. Telfer, of Thurso, on Foreign Missions, was very much enjoyed and it was said by some to have been one of the best they ever heard; also a few remarks, then the collection in which all could take part. An invitation for all to adjourn to the basement for refreshments was then given. The collection amounted to \$42, which goes at once to our Foreign Treasurer.

PRESIDENT M. C.

GUELPH, TRINITY.—At the October meeting of our Circle, we had the pleasure of presenting our President, Mrs. Weeks, with a Life-membership certificate in the Foreign Mission Society. We had raised the sum of seventeen dollars at our Thank-offering last April, which was applied as part of Life-membership fee, no name being given then. During the absence of Mr. and Mrs. Weeks on vacation, the remaining eight dollars was contributed by two members of the Circle, when it was agreed that Mrs. Weeks be the recipient. The certificate was presented by

Mrs. R. M. Hobson, Vice-President. Mrs. Weeks feelingly replied, thanking the Circle.

At the same meeting the sum of fifty dollars, for Foreign Missions, was handed to the Circle by Mrs. Webb, being a bequest from her daughter, the late Mrs. Florence Irene Webb Jackson. The gift was received with thankfulness, though mingled with sorrow, and was appropriated in loving memory of a faithful member of Trinity Baptist Church, in making Life-members of Mrs. Webb and Mrs. F. H. Chubb. Mrs. Jackson, also left fifty dollars for Home Missions, which was handed to Mr. Vining, for Manitoba and the North West.

M. MATHESON, Sec.

MONTREAL.—The Mission Circles held their annual union meeting this November, by observing the Day of Prayer unitedly, in the French Baptist Church. Though the weather was not of the best, there were a good many present. Mrs. Claxton took the chair, with Mrs. Gordon at her right hand. There were many earnest prayers for the missionaries now returning to their fields, and some heartfelt, helpful words were spoken. Among other petitions, the ladies of the entertaining church, prayed in their own tongue, and it was with no slight interest, but a warm glow of sympathy their English sisters joined with them in words that were somewhat beyond the comprehension of some, but a spirit that touched all hearts alike. It was a more than usually helpful service of prayer and praise.