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FOREIGN AND HOME CONVENTION NOTICES.

The Annual Meeting of the Woman's Baptist Foreign and Home Missionary Societies will be held in the Jarvis Street Church, Toronto, on the 16th and 17th of October. Each Circle is entitled, according to the Foreign Mission Constitution, to two delegates for a membership of twenty or less, for each additional twenty, one delegate. These delegates must be full members of the Society, that is, either life members or contributors of at least \$1 a year to the funds of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. All nominations must be made in writing and handed to the Corresponding Secretary.

CERTIFICATES.

Delegates will be provided with badges, which should be returned before leaving the meeting. Railway certificates can be obtained from agents at starting points on purchasing a first-class, full rate, one way ticket. In case delegates travel over two lines, it will be necessary to purchase tickets and obtain certificates from each railway. These certificates must be surrendered to ticket agent at place of meeting at least ten minutes before the train is due to leave, when return tickets will be issued at one-third fare. The certificates are only good for use three days after the meetings close.

BILLETTS.

Delegates will please take notice that for this meeting no billets will be sent out. Those arriving on Monday are requested to go direct to the *Walker House*, corner of York and Front Streets, where a committee of ladies will be in attendance to give them billets. Those arriving on Tuesday will kindly go to *Jarris Street Baptist Church*, via Church Street and Rosedale cars, getting out at Gerrard Street.

BOARD MEETING.

A meeting of the Foreign Mission Board will be held in the Board Room, No. 9 Richmond Street West, on Monday, Oct. 15th, at 2 p.m.—not in Jarvis Street Baptist Church as stated in September Link.

No cards will be sent members of the Board.

ANNA MOYLE, *Rec. Sec., pro tem.*

Treasurer's books close Oct. 10th. There is pressing need that all moneys in the hands of Band and Circle Treasurers should be sent in before that date.

VIOLET ELLIOT, *Treasurer.*

A HEAVY DEBT.—It is to be feared that the obligation to give the gospel to the heathen does not rest upon the followers of Christ as heavily as other debts which they may owe; yet what debt can have greater claims? It is laid upon us by the last command and promise of our risen Saviour. This ought to be enough to rouse every Christian to eager activity in loving obedience to the great commission. But this is reinforced by the appalling needs of the heathen, who are sunken in ignorance and superstition, and without the gospel they have no hope for this world or the next. If we are blessed by the light of Christianity, the heathen need it, that they also may be blessed. The heavy debts of the missionary societies have awakened great concern the present year, but their chief importance is not because the societies owe so much money, but on account of the obstacles they place in the way of paying the larger debt Christians owe to the world. — *Missionary Magazine.*

EVERY church can give something—not much perhaps, but something—and the very effort to give something will be strengthening and helpful. Very few of our churches are filling full the measure of their ability in this matter, while many, alas! are doing nothing. He who gave the great commission to His people, to "go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature," made obedience the test of their love. "If ye love Me, keep My commandments. If a man love Me, he will keep My words. Ye are My friends if ye do whatsoever I command you. And why call ye Me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?" How, in the light of these Scriptures, can one say he loves the Master and refuse to give anything to propagate His gospel? Is your church giving anything to missions? If so, our Lord has made it your duty to see that it "abounds in this grace"; if not, the Lord would have you to teach them their duty in this respect. Our pastors must lead if the work is ever done. Your obligations to God, to the church, to the world and to yourselves demand that you do this work. You cannot shift the responsibility with out peril to yourselves and harm to the cause. Guided by the Holy Spirit, you are to lead God's people in the work He has given them to do.—*B. G. Tull, D. D.*