

both in Canada and Central China. The work in Canada is chiefly that of colportage and missions to the sailors and lumbermen, while in Central China five native colporteurs are now steadily employed. The secretary was accorded a hearty reception by the Knox men, and a deep appreciation of the valuable mission work being done was manifested:

The annual meeting of the Knox College Literary and Theological Society was held on Tuesday, March 3rd. The reports of the various officers showed that the Society has had a very prosperous year. The chief item of interest was the election of officers for the next college session. The following were elected:—President, J. Bailey, B.A.; first vice-president, J. C. Wilson, B.A.; second vice-president, F. D. Roxburgh, B.A.; critic, G. B. Wilson, M.A., LL.B.; recording secretary, J. A. Moir, B.A.; corresponding secretary, Thos. Eskin; treasurer, W. D. Bell; secretary of committees, A. H. McGillivray; curator, R. S. Scott. Councillors—R. G. Scott, W. J. Abbott, R. McAlpine. The following were elected as representatives on the editorial board of *The Monthly*:—J. Bailey, B.A.; J. H. Brown, M.A.; LL.B.; G. B. Wilson, M.A., LL.B.; E. R. Horne, M.A. It was announced that the John Fenwick prize had been awarded to R. F. Cockburn.

Toronto Presbyterian W.F.M.S.

The eleventh annual meeting of the Toronto Presbyterian Society, was held on Friday, February 28th, in Dunn Ave. church, Parkdale, Toronto. It was largely attended, about 500 being present, representing about forty-three Auxiliaries and nineteen Mission Bands. After a short devotional session, the morning meeting was devoted to business. The secretary reported eighty-eight societies, fifty-seven Auxiliaries and thirty-one Mission Bands, with a membership of 2,670 in the Toronto Presbyterian. Eight new societies had been organized during the past year. The treasurer's statement reported the sum of \$5,712.56 contributed during the year. The secretary of supplies gave a very encouraging report. The donations received were larger and better than ever before, and valued at \$1,722.64. The following officers were elected:—President, Mrs. Gray; vice-presidents, Mrs. Frizzell, Mrs. Hossack, Mrs. Mutch, Miss Gordon; treasurer, Miss Reid; secretary, Miss George; secretary of supplies, Miss Craig; leaflet secretary, Miss Harris. Miss Tennant read a most interesting and helpful paper on "Mission Band Work," and Miss McMurrich gave a "Map Exercise" at the afternoon session. Miss Sinclair, of Indore, being present, kindly addressed the meeting. All who heard her were delighted at this unexpected pleasure. Everything was done by the members of the Parkdale Auxiliary to make the meeting a success, and their kindness was much appreciated by the delegates.

Peterborough Presbyterian W. F. M. S.

The fourteenth annual meeting of this Society was held in the Presbyterian church, Cobourg, on Feb. 11th and 12th.

The following is taken from the secretary's report:—We have at present a force of 23 auxiliaries, 6 young women's bands, and 3 juvenile bands—making in all 32 branches. In auxiliaries there are 525 members; 163 of these belong to the general society. In mission bands there are 175 reported, and 11 members of the general society, making in all 705—38 in advance of 1894.

In the "Scattered Helpers" Association we have also enjoyed growth and progress, 32 being the number last year, while this year we have 51. Those isolated, faithful "Helpers" have added \$59.57 to our revenue.

Our clothing supply was sent to Miss Baker for the Indian schools at Sask. The quantity was about 1,200 pounds. In addition to this several of our mission bands sent contributions. The whole consignment was estimated at a money value of \$645.46.

The total contribution to the general fund amounts to \$1,638.99—\$86.67 more than the previous year's returns. Of the total amount our bands have given \$215.95 and auxiliaries \$1,331.61. Nearly all of this sum is the result of voluntary giving.

During the year nine members have been removed from us by death.

23 thank-offering meetings have been held during the year in the various branches of our Society, and it would be impossible to estimate the far reaching effects of these meetings, which can now be regarded as an annual occurrence in most of the branches throughout the W. F. M. S.

Whitby Presbyterian W.F.M.S.

The Whitby Presbyterian Woman's Foreign Missionary Society met in St. Paul's church, Bowmanville, on the 21st Jan., Mrs. S. H. Eastman, of Oshawa, presiding, in the lamented absence through illness of Miss Drummond, the president. The attendance was large, upwards of 100 lady delegates being present from all parts of the Presbytery. Reports were received from seventeen auxiliaries and six mission bands, with a total membership of 464. The contributions were slightly below those of last year, being \$1,031.64, but the quantity of clothing sent to the Indians in the Northwest was much larger, viz.: over 900 pounds, valued at \$319.03. Mission bands sent also boxes to India valued at \$23. The dedicatory prayer was offered by Mrs. McAuley, of Pickering. The programme was very well carried out and was both varied and instructive. The following are the officers for 1895:—President, Mrs. McAuley; first vice-president, Mrs. R. D. Fraser; second vice-president, Mrs. H. Eastman; third vice-president, Miss Jessie Pantou; recording secretary, Miss Galbraith, Bowmanville; corresponding secretary, Miss Thompson, Whitby; treasurer, Mrs. Currie, Port Perry; secretary of supplies, Miss McGillivray, Whitby; literature secretary, Miss Bawcutt, Bowmanville. The next annual meeting will be held in Oshawa.

Lindsay Presbyterian W.F.M.S.

The fourteenth annual meeting of the Lindsay Presbyterian Society was held in Uxbridge, Tuesday and Wednesday, February 18th and 19th. There were about sixty-five delegates present, Mrs. Ross, Lindsay, the president, presiding. The meeting was opened Tuesday morning by a prayer meeting and bible reading, lasting for an hour and a quarter. The subjects were *The Holy Spirit*, conducted by Mrs. McKay, Sunderland; *Consecration*, by Mrs. Dr. Armstrong, Zephyr; and *Prayer*, by Miss Boe, Greenbank.

In the afternoon after the opening exercises greetings were given by the local societies: Baptists, Methodists, Episcopalians, and the Society of "The Friends." The secretary's report was now read by Miss MacLennan. The number of auxiliary members reported was 576, General Society members, sixty-nine. During the year the Cambray auxiliary had been reorganized and a mission band organized at Wick, to be called the "Leask McMillan" Band. Altogether there were reported twenty-one auxiliaries and six mission bands. The supply to the North-west was double that sent last year; amounting to 1,240 pounds of clothing, valued at \$198.82. About 400 copies of the Letter Leaflets have been circulated throughout the members, and a baby organ was sent to Miss Calder during the year. A very interesting letter was read from Miss Calder acknowledging the organ and giving some account of her work in India. The treasurer, Mrs. J. D. Walker, Uxbridge, reported the total contributions to be \$1,407.78. After the reading of the treasurer's report a dedicatory hymn was sung, and Mrs. Glen-denning, Sunderland, offered prayer, solemnly dedicating the money to God. At this period of the meeting an appropriate duet was sung by Miss Ella Gross and Mrs. McLean, of Lindsay. Miss Sinclair was to have spoken at the afternoon meeting, but telegraphed that on account of illness she could not be present. Although it was a keen disappointment to all, her place was most acceptably filled by Mrs. Ross, the president, who gave a very interesting address, basing her remarks on the motto of the Society "The World for Christ," and telling something of the work done in each field, and showing the enormity of the work there is still to be done. A vote of thanks was tendered Mrs. Ross for her interesting and instructive address. Mrs. Dale closed this session of the meeting with prayer.

Tea was served in the school-room for the delegates and their friends, provided by the Uxbridge, Zephyr, Leaskdale and St. Andrew's Society ladies.

In the evening a public meeting was held

at which addresses were given by Rev. J. W. MacMillan, Lindsay, on the work in British Columbia, and Rev. Dr. Smith on work in Honan, and a short address by the Mr. McKay, Sunderland. Music was provided by the Uxbridge choir.

At the Wednesday morning's meeting the time was devoted to business. After singing a hymn Mrs. Frankish, of Uxbridge, engaged in prayer. Reports were read from the different auxiliaries and mission bands by the secretary of each. The report of the secretary of literature was read by Mrs. Walker, Uxbridge, and the report of the secretary of supplies by Miss Dunoon, Cannington. Miss Dunoon also read a very interesting letter from Miss MacLaren, of the Birtle School, acknowledging the clothing sent from Lindsay, and giving a full account of the work of the School. Prayer was offered by Mrs. Bethune, Beaverton, for special guidance in the election of officers. The following officers were appointed for '95: President, Mrs. Robt. Ross, Lindsay; vice-presidents:—1st, Mrs. Frankish, Uxbridge; 2nd, Mrs. McKay, Sunderland; 3rd, Mrs. Dr. Armstrong, Zephyr; 4th, Mrs. McDonald, Eldon; treasurer, Mrs. J. D. Walker, Uxbridge; secretary, Miss L. H. MacLennan, Lindsay; secretary of mission bands, Miss Dunoon, Cannington; secretary of literature, Mrs. McKinnon, Fenelon Falls; secretary of supplies, Mrs. Thos. Stewart, Lindsay. After discussing the business in connection with the Lindsay Presbyterial, the questions remitted by the Board were discussed. It was thought that it would be well to read the Presbyterial reports at the annual meeting at the time suggested by the Hamilton Presbyterial; that this Presbyterial would recommend no change in the allotment of the money, and that a mission band secretary be appointed. The afternoon session was closed with prayer by Mrs. J. Campbell, Woodville.

On Wednesday afternoon the opening exercises were conducted by the president, followed by Miss Quigley, of Leaskdale, leading in prayer. A paper written by Mrs. McKinnon, of Fenelon Falls, on "Spiritual Benefit of Mission Work to the Workers at Home" was read by Miss Ross, Cannington. Mrs. Grant, Toronto, gave a very interesting address on the work in India from an external point of view. This was followed by a duet from the Misses Gould, Uxbridge, entitled "One Sweetly Solemn Thought." An interesting paper on "Plea for Mission Band Work" was given by Miss Florence Fair, of the Toy Mission, Lindsay. This was followed by a discussion as to the best ways of carrying on mission band work. Mrs. Grant gave some helpful and novel suggestions as to how to make the meetings interesting. Votes of thanks were tendered to all who had helped to make the meeting a success. "From Greenland's Icy Mountains" was sung, after which Mrs. Jas. Watt, of Uxbridge, closed the meeting with prayer.

Obituary.

REV. JOHN SCOTT, D.D.

This faithful and highly esteemed servant of Jesus Christ passed to his rest and reward on the 26th day of December last. He was born of godly parentage, and in his youth was carefully taught, by precept and example, to walk in the fear of the Lord. His parents, John Scott and Beatrice Boe, were both God-fearing and God-servant. For many years the father's duties required him to leave his home at five in the morning, his uniform practice was to have family worship with such members of the family as were awake at that early hour. His children, in later years, could recall with sincere thankfulness, hearing, on first awakening in the morning, their father singing a morning song of praise, reading the word of God, and praying for each one of them.

Dr. Scott, who was the eldest child in the family, was born in Carterburgh, on the estate of Bowhill in Selkirkshire, Scotland, on the 16th day of June, 1817. He grew up a thoughtful youth, making good progress in his studies at the Selkirk parish school, which he attended for some years. When twelve years of age, he went to Dalkeith, where he remained seven years, and while there became a member of the U. P. Church, of which Rev. Joseph, now Dr., Brown of Glasgow, was the pastor. At the age of nineteen years, he offered himself as a missionary to the U. P. Church, and after prosecuting his studies for some