

[March, 1896.]      **Toronto Diocese.****Woman's Auxiliary to Diocesan, Domestic and Foreign Missions.**

DIOCESAN MOTTO:—" *Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might.*"

Athabasca Diocese was set apart in 1884. It lies directly south of the Diocese of Mackenzie River, and between the Diocese of Caladonia and the northern part of Saskaschewan, Calgary is to the south of Athabasca. The women of this Auxiliary are naturally much interested in Athabasca. Miss Perkes, formerly our matron at the Blackfoot Home, married Rev. Geo. Holmes, of Lesser Slave Lake, and Margaret Durtnell, of Toronto W.A., is at work there also. Mr. Weaver, of Wabiskaw, is from Toronto. In the report of the Synod of the Diocese of Athabasca the Bishop says, "One of the leading features of Missionary enterprise in the present day is the increasing prominence of women shewn in it." The Bishop also in explaining the reasons for his removal from Vermilion, says, "Athabasca Landing is not only a favorable point for mail communication, both from within and without the Diocese, but is also the point where our Missionaries pass, both in coming and going." A letter from Mr. Weaver, of Wabiskaw, will be found on another page; also a little message of love, and a want from our dear Mrs. Young, the Bishop's wife.

Of Africa much might be written were space available. There are 17 Dioceses. The C.M.S. sent two Missionaries to Abyssinia in 1828, the S.P.G. founded Stillenbosch in 1838. The first Bishop was Dr. Gray, of Capetown. It is to Livingstone that we owe our knowledge of the interior of Africa. It is most difficult to realize the vastness of this field for Missionary enterprise. Africa is nearly 5000 miles from north to south, and the same width at the broadest point. Zanzibar Diocese, East Africa, has now 25 European Clergy, 5 native, 33 Laymen and 27 woman workers. They have two hospitals, 30 schools, 1,500 scholars, 82 Teachers. Nyasaland, also in East Africa, has 7 clergy, 24 native teachers, 13 Laymen and 4 women workers. The C. M. S. in Western Equatorial Africa show that 14 stations have been occupied. Several kings and chiefs over interior states and towns, of from 10,000 to 60,000 inhabitants, have asked that Missionaries might be sent to them. Great difficulty is the climate. Here Bishop and Mrs. Hill died last year. There are 5000 native adherents and 2,000 scholars. The S. P. G. founded the Diocese of Zululand, as a memorial to Bishop Mackenzie, who died in 1870; it comprehends part of the Transvaal. There are 14 European and 5 native Clergy, 30 workers, and 8 or ten young men under training. *Morning Calm*, for February,