

Foreign Mission Board

W. B. M. U.

"We are labourers together with God."

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PRAYER TOPIC FOR AUGUST

That the blessing of the Lord may rest upon our Convention and his presence and spirit pervade every session. For the sorrowing ones in India that they may be greatly comforted and sustained in the darkest hour.

Notice.

The W. B. M. U. Convention will be held in Woodstock, N. B., Aug. 19-21. Executive meetings will be held on Tuesday 19th. All delegates to this Convention will please send their names to Mrs. W. L. Fisher at once. The Entertainment Committee will not hold themselves responsible for free entertainment for names received after August 15th. A post card will be sent to each delegate whose name is received in time. W. B. M. U. S. can send two delegates beside their President and Secretary. Mission Bands may send two delegates.

A meeting of the Missionary Aid societies of the Western Association was held at Marysville, Saturday afternoon, June 27th. About fifty ladies were present. The meeting was conducted by Mrs. Haylock Cox, Associational Director. The service was opened with singing "Jesus shall reign." A very helpful Bible reading on the ninety-first Psalm was given by Mrs. B. H. Phillips. Prayers especially for the salvation of souls both in the home and foreign land during the coming year were offered by Miss Hooper, Mrs. Burt and Mrs. Fisher. A letter of encouragement to the aid societies from Mrs. M. S. Cox was read. Then followed reports from the following mission circles: Jemseg, McKenzie's Corner, Centreville, Hallow, Doaktown, Fredericton, Gibson, Macnaquac, Marysville, Florenceville, Woodstock. The reports showed a continued interest among the women, and a good amount of money raised.

Encouraging and interesting reports were given of Mission Bands in connection with some of the circles. The following bands reported: Marysville, Fredericton, Doaktown, Macnaquac.

Prayers for special blessing on the workers of the missionary societies were offered by Mrs. H. G. Estey and Mrs. R. H. Phillips. The meeting closed with singing.

BESSIE M. McNALLY,
Secretary.

A meeting of the W. M. A. S. in connection with the N. S. Eastern Association was held in Victoria Hall, Bass River, at 4 p.m., July 17th. Mrs. Quick, of Guysboro, was in the chair. After singing and prayer by Mrs. C. H. Martell, Mrs. Quick gave a most helpful and inspiring Bible reading from 1 Cor. 13. We then listened to an address from Mrs. Gunn, Belmont, on the subject of "Grande Ligne" giving interesting facts connected with the work there, telling of a recent visit to the Institute and how greatly appreciated was the large supply of useful articles sent by the Aid Societies.

A most interesting paper on "Mission Bands" by Mrs. P. O. Foster was then read by Miss L. A. Yuill, of Great Village. An address of much interest was given by Miss Clark, our returned missionary, who spoke of her "touring" experiences and gave us some idea of the hardships endured and consecrated lives of our missionaries. Miss Hume, of Dartmouth, read an excellent paper on "Our Year's Commission" and we trust that her earnest, inspiring words will be remembered by all. With singing of Doxology the meeting closed.

A Workers' Conference in connection with the above was also held on Monday afternoon, July 13. Mrs. Quick presided. Reports most interesting and encouraging were received from over twenty societies, after which Miss Clark addressed the meeting and those present asked many questions concerning the life and habits of the Telugu people. A most delightful hour was spent in this way. We all felt more than repaid for attending the Association and wished we could send Miss Clark to every village and town throughout our province to acquaint our people with the great need of uplifting our sisters in India. After singing "God be with you" we adjourned to meet in Canso, July, 1904.

L. W. KING, Sec'y.

2nd Chipman, N. B.

The annual meeting of the W. M. A. Society was held in the church on Sunday evening, July 12th. The Prov. Secy, Mrs. M. S. Cox presided—An acceptable programme was presented consisting of special music of a Missionary character, annual reports read and accepted. Addresses by Rev. Mr. Weir (Presby.) and Rev. E. F. Miller, pastor of the

church, were listened to with great interest. An offering was taken amounting to \$46.50 for Foreign Missions.

We also held an "At Home" during the year, in the vestry of the church of which no report was given. The members of our sister (Presby.) Society were invited to attend, a special programme was prepared, and at the close dainty refreshments were served by our society. The committee in charge managed the social in a very creditable way, which was fully enjoyed by all. These social gatherings are an incentive to all as they bring us in closer touch with each other and the cause of missions. L. HAY, Secretary.

On Sunday, 28th June, the Women's Missionary Aid Society of Lawrencetown, Annapolis Co., held a thank-offering service. Invitations were issued to all the sisters of the church; and a large audience was in attendance. In the absence of the President, the pastor, Rev. W. L. Archibald, presided. A carefully prepared programme was presented. The service opened with an anthem by the choir. Then followed Scripture reading and prayer by the pastor. Solos by Misses Estella Saunders and Etta Wheelock were much appreciated. A reading by Miss Clara Daniels, late pupil in Elocution at Acadia Seminary, was pleasingly rendered and well received. Mrs. Burdette, returned missionary from India, gave an account of work done there. Her address was both graphic and interesting.

The closing address was made by Rev. Lew Wallace, of Mechanicsville, N. Y., formerly pastor of this church. He referred to the mission work done in his new field and spoke words of encouragement to the workers here. A collection to the amount of twenty-five dollars was taken. This sum will be devoted to creating Mrs. Archibald life member of the Society.

SECRETARY.

Lawrencetown, N. S.

W. M. A. S. Report.

W. M. A. S. meetings in connection with the Eastern N. B. Baptist Association, was held in the vestry of the Baptist church in Surrey Valley, Saturday, 18 inst, at 2.30 p.m. Devotional service led by Miss Minnie Colpitts, B. A. Opening hymn "What a Friend we have in Jesus." Scripture, 115th Ps., read by Miss Lottie Price, prayer was offered by Mrs. Blakeney, Hillsboro, and the Prov. Sec. The leader then read a few verses from Acts 1st and made some inspiring remarks, followed by fervent prayers by several sisters.

When this very helpful part of the exercises closed the Prov. Sec. took the chair. An address of welcome was cordially given the delegates and visitors by Miss Almeda Edgett, and replied to by Mrs. Cox. Reports were in order as follows: Surrey, Miss Edgett; Aid Society and Mission Band, Hillsboro, Mrs. Blakeney; Salem, Miss Addie Steeves; Hopewell Cape, Mrs. S. C. Spencer; Hopewell Hill, Miss West, Aid Society and Mission Band; Riverside, Miss West; Albert, Mrs. Emma Smith; Dawson Settlement, Mrs. A. Rutledge; Elgin, Miss Horsman.

Special prayer was offered for the work in Albert by the County Secretary, Miss Horsman, Moncton, Mrs. Price; Sackville, Main St., Mrs. Mitchell; Middle Sackville, Mrs. Harper; Dorchester, Mrs. Thomas; Boundary Creek, letter; Petitediac, Mrs. G. F. Fowler; Forest Glen, Miss Colpitts; North River, Mrs. Colpitts; Point DeBute, Miss Tingley; Lewisville, Miss Tingley; Harper's Brook, Mrs. Kinner; Steeves' Mountain, Mrs. Lutz. Prayer for the success of the work was offered by Miss Tingley, Co. Sec. Havelock, Mrs. Otty Corey. Prayer for the work in Kings and the remaining counties represented in the Eastern Association was offered by Mrs. Brown. The collection was taken at this stage of the meeting by Miss Price and Miss Colpitts. The amount was \$4.65.

A letter from Miss Flora Clarke, Tekkali, India, written especially for the Eastern sisters was read by Miss Bessie Horsman and listened to with great interest.

A paper "Canada's Need," written by Mrs. Hutchinson, was read by Miss Winnie Keith. Twenty minutes were given to an open Conference on the duties of W. M. A. S. officers and members. Many sisters took part in asking and answering questions. This very helpful and encouraging meeting was closed with prayer.

If the limits of this article permitted, extracts from the various reports could be given—in most cases there was marked gain.

All who attended the meeting were delighted with the beauties of Surrey valley and the hospitality of its people. The vestry walls were decorated with a map of our mission field in India and the names of all the stations in white, on grey cardboard, showing the interest the Band leader in Surrey has for our Foreign work.

EVELYN COX.

Amounts Received by the W. B. M. U. Treasurer

FROM JULY 14 TO JULY 21.

Cavendish F M \$12.60; Tidings 25c; Reports 15c; Port Hawkesbury F M \$2.25; Osborne F M \$5.50, H M \$3.50; Coll Eastern Association, N S \$5.64; Sale of Literature at same \$7.05; DeBert leaflets 60c;

Great Village leaflets 36c; Macnaquac F M \$19; St Peters Road F M \$5.96; Coll Asso, P. E. I. \$3.96; Berwick F M \$15.50, H M \$11.28; Tidings 25c; Weston F M \$3.83, H M 50c; Somerset F M \$11.50; Millton, Queens Co F M \$9.50, H M \$5.23; Gavelton, F M \$3.00, H M 50; Falmouth, F M \$11.00, H M \$1.75; Tidings 25c; Greenfield F M \$5; North Range F M \$8.8, Tidings 25c; Reports 10c; Salem F M \$7, H M \$5, Tidings 25c; Lockport F M \$9.75; H M \$5.63; Mt Hanley, F M \$6, Tidings 25c; Albert F M \$9; Chipman F M \$7.50; Chipman to constitute Mrs E. A. Branscombe, and Mrs W. E. Morrison Life Membership, F M \$50.00; Torbrook, F M \$26, H M \$2; Middleton F M \$12.35, H M \$1.27; NW \$6.00; Gaspereau F M \$18.921 H M \$3.09, G. L. M 70c, Tidings 25c; Centreville, F M \$7.11 H M \$1.24; Miss Newcombe's salary \$6; Athol, F M \$1; New Castle Creek, support of pupil in Boboli school \$4; Forbes Point F M \$6, H M \$4; North Kingston, F M \$4.20; Lunenburg, F M \$4.25; Jordan River, F M \$1.75, H M \$1.75; Mrs C. Hayden, support of Lingiah \$25, Tidings 25c; Ludlow F M \$11, H M \$5, support of school in Tekkali \$5; St Stephen, F M \$12.26, H M \$3.97; Amherst F M \$13.50, H M \$3.50; Brookfield and Forest Glen F M \$19.50, H M \$2; Coll at Quarterly Meeting, \$6; Avondale, P. \$12.44; Advocate, leaflets 9c, Tidings 25c; Laurencetown and Valley West F M, \$7.50, H M, \$3, Tidings 25c, to constitute Mrs J. L. Archibald a Life Member, F M \$12.50, H M \$12.50; Port Maitland F M \$6; Sydney, Pitt St F M \$8.50; Macan F M \$8.45, H M \$5.00, Tidings 25c.

MARY SMITH, Treas. W. B. M. U.

Foreign Mission Receipts.

A friend, Brookfield, Queens county, N. S. \$3; Dr J. G. Morse, \$3; Coldbrook, Sunday School, per Mrs W. C. Bill, \$39.66; Wm Dunbar, \$3; "G. D. T. in memory of her friend, F. Louisa D., support Miss Harrison, \$20; Billtown Sunday School, support native preacher, \$35; Amherst church, Sunday School, native preacher, \$28.60. Total, \$138.26.

SUPPORT OF MR. GULLISON.

Mrs A. T. Dykeman, \$5; Mrs J. V. Giffin, \$5; Total, \$10.

SUPPORT OF MR. GLENDENNING.

Moncton, B. Y. P. U., \$25; Rev S. Langille, \$10; Harvey 1st, Mission Band, \$7.87; East Onslow church (Nuthy, 10c; North River, \$1) \$1.10; (West Onslow church, Belmont, \$1; Onslow, \$6.50) \$7.50; Clarence Mission Band, \$2.50; B. Y. P. U., Temple church, Yarmouth, \$12.50; Harvey Mission Band, \$1.13; German St Sunday School, \$4.8; Sisters, Chegoggin church, \$10. Total, \$126.60.

J. W. MANNING, Sec'y-Treas.

St. John, July 25.

Horton Academy.

DEAR MR. EDITOR: The buildings of old Horton Collegiate Academy are receiving such a thorough overhauling, that it becomes my duty to acquaint you and our constituency with the fact, lest some visitor might fail to recognize the place.

All our buildings are being painted inside and out. The "Home" is being thoroughly renovated. The walls of the class-rooms in the Manual Training Hall are being lathed, plastered and wainscotted, metal ceilings are being put in, and a new class-room is being added.

Last year we had the largest enrolment in many years; but we hope to eclipse the record next session. Among the new applicants for admission is a young man from the British West Indies.

The friends of the school can be of great assistance by forwarding to me the names and addresses of parents who have children of school age, or of young men whom we might assist in their struggle for an education.

The thoughtfulness of pastors in this respect would be especially appreciated, and if some should act as agents of the Academy in a way even more direct, the fact would not tell materially against them.

I desire to thank the many pastors who have aided me very effectively in this summer's canvass.

Yours,

H. I. BRITTAIN, Prin. H. C. A.

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