

of the Branch, who has gone to Washington Territory, and Mrs. McGregor, 1st vice-President, who is now living in Antwerp, N. Y.

In the Branch there are five Auxiliaries, one Young Ladies' Society, and three Mission Bands. Belwood reports both Auxiliaries and Mission Bands in a flourishing condition. Speedside cannot say that the interest in their Society is increasing very rapidly, but their faith is strong, and they hope for better things in the future. Garafraxa sends a very good report. Guelph Auxiliary can report progress, "perhaps not just as much as we would wish for, but still enough to feel thankful for. We have not re-organized our M. B. this winter as yet, but hope to do so early in the year."

THE BOX FOR AFRICA.

All our friends who wish to help in filling the boxes to be sent to Africa, should begin work at once, if they have not already done so, as all articles should be in the hands of the committee by the first week in April. Mrs. Dr. Richardson, 36 St. Joseph st., Toronto, will receive all parcels sent by our Western Auxiliaries. We hope to insert in our next issue the address of a lady in Montreal who will receive the gifts of the Societies in Quebec Province and Ottawa Branch. We repeat the list of articles: For girls, sacques and plain skirts; for boys, shirts of strong, dark material; also combs, cakes of soap, knives, and small musical instruments.—H. W.

NOTICE.

An arrangement has been made by which copies of letters received from our missionaries shall be sent to each of our Societies in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.

We are indebted to Miss Currie, of Toronto, who copies and distributes these letters, for the extra work in our behalf.

In forwarding addresses, if any Society has been overlooked, will the Secretary please notify the undersigned, as the interest in our monthly meetings will be increased by hearing from our workers in distant lands.

AGNES SAER.

St. John, N.B., Jan. 13th, 1890.

A NEW AUXILIARY.

We are glad to report the organization of a Women's Missionary Society in Zion Church, Montreal, with the following officers: President, Mrs. Moodie; Secretary, Miss Van Buren; Treasurer, Miss Rhoda James.

Literary Notices.

THE HOMILETIC REVIEW gives a good number for January, and the prospectus for the year gives a list of topics and writers that is almost embarrassing for variety and ability. Funk & Wagnalls, 18 and 20 Astor place, New York; \$3 a year.

TREASURY FOR PASTOR AND PEOPLE.—E. B. Treat, 5 Cooper Union, New York; \$2.50 a year, \$2 to clergymen. "The great object of the Magazine—excellence in matter, and helpfulness in preparation for Christian work—is never overlooked." A fine reproduction of the "Angelus" is given to new subscribers; and to old ones at fifty cents.

THE CENTURY MAGAZINE for January contains a remarkable contribution to Egyptian history—"Bubastis," by Amelia B. Edwards, Hon. Sec. of the Egypt Exploration Fund; the closing scenes of the Life of Lincoln, and many other very valuable articles, many of them illustrated. 160 p.p. monthly, \$4 a year. Century Co., Union Square, New York.

ST. NICHOLAS from the same house, is fully equal to any former number; and that is saying a good deal for good and entertaining reading for boys and girls. \$3 a year.

THE NATIONAL MAGAZINE for January announces two new and valuable departments—"Biblical Literature" and "Pedagogy"—with Rev. J. C. Quinn, Ph.D., and J. S. Mills, A.M., President of Western College, as editors. Agricultural readers will be especially interested in the new "Institute of Agriculture," described in this number—a part of the University Extension System of the National University of Chicago, whose non-resident or correspondence under-graduate and post-graduate courses have met with such favor. Other articles are by Prof. E. A. Birge, of the University of Wisconsin, and eminent specialists. Published at 147 Throop Street, Chicago, Ill. Subscription, \$1 per year. Sample copy, 10 cents. Three cash prizes of fifty dollars each for the best essays on "Our Common Schools," "Study of the Bible," "How to keep Young Men on the Farm," are announced.

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