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REPORT OF BOARD MEETING OF THE W. B. F. M. OF ONTARIO WEST.

The semi-annual meeting of the Board was held in the Board-room on Friday, November 15th, thirteen being present. There was not much business, but considerable time was occupied discussing the report of the committee appointed to confer with the Home Mission Board regarding the expenses of Associational Directors. It had been found necessary to revise the letter of instructions, a copy of which will be printed in full in the May LINK.

The Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer were appointed a committee for the Directors to confer with when immediate action was necessary. The Treasurer reported that the income, on which our expenditure is based, had fallen off considerably during the last six months. A number of Circles have held their thank-offering meetings, the financial result so far being very satisfactory.

A. MOYLE, *Rec. Sec.*

FOREIGN MISSION DAY.—Sunday, the 22nd December, has been appointed Foreign Mission Day in the Sunday schools. In case this day is not convenient in any of the schools, it is requested that the following Sunday be set apart for this purpose. No special programme will be provided this year. The Superintendent in each school is requested to give a brief address on the Foreign Mission work, or to secure some other person for this service, and then to take a collection. In due time information about the work will be put within the reach of those who are to present the subject to the schools.

A. P. McDIARMID.

ST. CATHARINES, QUEEN ST.—Mrs. Mills, our agent, writes:—We have 30 members in our Circle and all take the paper. One, in renewing her subscription, remarked: "how interesting the paper had been lately, she would not like to do without it." I think the reason is, we have five missionaries on the Foreign field, who were converted and baptized in Queen St. church. Five young lads were baptized last winter, and some of us are praying that God may call them to mission work, either at home or to the foreign field.

A FEW WORDS FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE SOCIETY, EAST.

Permit me to say a few words which may be a reminder to some of the sisters, of the dear missionaries who left us some weeks ago and are now speeding away to India. It was a privilege to a large number to look into their faces and give them a shake of the hand at the farewell meeting held in the First Baptist Church in Montreal. It was a very excellent gathering of the Baptists from our churches, but I regret that, either from delicacy or neglect on our part, no report of this meeting was in the *Baptist*. One pleasant feature was the presentation to Mrs. Priest, by Rev. D. Grant, on behalf of the Board, of eleven sovereigns and fifteen cents, to purchase a bicycle. The Bicycle fund was started for the Tuni field for Mr. Garside, and the money given principally by Bands or young people (an extra effort), and I would like all who contributed to this fund to know that the money was given to this field, as subscribed for. The Circle of the First Church also supplied refreshments to the Deacons, officers of the Montreal Baptist churches and Circles; thus enabling all to take a good-bye after the farewell meeting was over. Many of those who have labored since the formation of the Women's Baptist Foreign Missionary Society, East, were delighted to look into Mrs. Stillwell's (nee Timpany) face, and to welcome her into the same church and room where her lamented father formed the Society.

Our churches have been stirred by the presence of Bro. Laflamme, whom you will have heard, and no one can listen to him without feeling the great needs of the Telugu people and the heathen in the uttermost parts of the earth, for whom he pleads, "Christ and His cause."

No doubt you will have noticed that we, in the East, have made no change regarding the Annual Meeting: the autumn seemed to suit the people better than the spring. The next Annual Meeting of our Society is to be held (D.V.) at Thurso, Que. And now will all the sisters of our Eastern churches make an effort to give more money this year than heretofore, and enable the Society to take up more work and keep our Treasurer's mind at ease?

I am sure you will give this a place in your columns, and it may meet the eye of some who are interested in