
NOTES FROM THE BRANCHES.

 TORONTO CONFERENCE BRANCH.

A largely attended Union meeting of City Auxiliaries was held in Wesley church, Dundas St., Toronto, on Feb 12th. An hour was devoted to the young people. A paper on "Mission Circle Work," was on the programme, but the author was prevented by illness from attending. A second paper, "Missionary work in the Epworth League," was read by Miss Breckon. It was crisp, interesting and very good. A question drawer, presided over by Mrs. Hamilton, Parkdale, brought out much information, and the hour was most profitable and entertaining.

West Toronto Junction Mission Band held an entertainment on the 10th. of December, the admission to which was a toy, or its equivalent in money. The toys were sent to Rev. W. A. Elias, Wallaeburg, to aid a Christmas tree there. An interesting programme of missionary readings, dialogues, and music was rendered.

Hamilton Conference Branch, Grimsby, "Lawrence" Mission Band thinks as it will soon be a year old, it is time it made itself known to PALM BRANCH. Organized last March, it now reports 26 members, besides two honorary, and one life member. A box of clothing, bedding, etc., was sent to Christian Island.

A. M. B.

BAY OF QUINTE BRANCH

The quarterly report cards have not all been returned, but those heard from, indicate interest and progress. Albert college, Belleville, reports 7 new members and 2 volunteers for the foreign field. University church, Belleville, has 9 additional members this quarter.

Port Hope circle, while preparing a box for Muncey Mission, met every two weeks and had a five o'clock tea at close of meeting.

Hopewell M. B. Metcalf St., Oshawa, tells of forty-three new members and expectations for a good year's work.

Happy Helpers, Claremont, met on Sunday afternoon, with an attendance of forty members.

New Band organized during quarter.

Smithfield Jan 20th, with 27 members, Pres. Miss Suland, Cor.-Sec. Miss Jessie Smith.

Contreville "Children of the King," Feb. 4th, Miss Jennie Patterson, Pres., Miss Edna Hinch, Cor.-Sec.

M. G. H.

— To know that God loves us, is to know something glorious.

N. B. AND P. E. ISLAND BRANCH.

Mrs. Nickerson writes :—A very successful service was given by Perseverance Mission Band, in the Bedeque church on Christmas eve. An interesting programme delighted a large and appreciative audience. The children showed by their bright, happy faces, that they entered fully into the spirit of the Christmas hour, and acquitted themselves most creditably. At the conclusion of the entertainment, each member of the Band was given a bag of fruit and candy. The collection and Christmas offerings amounted to twenty dollars.

G. C. C. writes :—The X. L. Mission Band, Fredericton, N. B., met November 20th., 1894, with an enrollment of 16. A special feature, each day, is a drill about our missionaries and their fields. We united with the Junior League of our church, and gave a Christmas entertainment. It consisted of Christmas carols, missionary selections, and the Christmas exercise, "How the Story Was Told." The congregation not only gave the best of attention, but also a very generous collection, amounting to \$10.12. We trust we have only made a beginning in this work. The PALM BRANCH is very much appreciated. I. T.

N. S. BAND NOTES.

The "Wayside Gleaners" Circle, Annapolis, after their first year's work, report themselves much interested and helped by their meetings, and evidently intend to "go on to perfection." The interest of their monthly meeting is well sustained by a faithful programme committee. Their concert, referred to in last PALM BRANCH, was given before a crowded house, and proved a grand success. Although Annapolis has no organized Mission Band, efforts are being made to instruct the children, by having them meet weekly to sew for one of our homes, when interesting missionary items are read to them. We hope the result before long will be an organized Band. Nearly every member of the Circle takes the PALM BRANCH, and all appreciate the paper very much. A. F. B.

WESTERN BRANCH.

Wilsonville Thanksgiving Band. Our Band is still on the onward march, and slowly but steadily growing. The meetings are well attended and very interesting. We have started the Watch Tower plan in our band. One member watches for items on Japan, and tells us of them, another watches for China, &c. We find it very interesting. We sent in December last a box of clothing, &c, valued at \$18.50, to the Muncey Indians, under the care of Rev. W. C. Vollick. He sent a very kind reply saying that every thing was useful to them, and wishing us all success. We are taking 15 copies of the PALM BRANCH, and like them very much.