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### MEN.

Men of courage, men of spirit,  
Men of mettle, men of merit,  
Men like these the age demands,  
To carry out its high commands.

Labour cries for men of vigour,  
Vainly pleads for men of vigour,  
Nations call for men of might,  
Men to die or do the right.

Men with hearts divinely human,  
To crown with love the life of woman;  
Men to plant this beautiful earth  
With a seed of nobler birth.

Men to stamp corruption under,  
To tend the cords of vice and unbelief;  
Men whose lives will bear the light,  
Men whose hearts with God are right.

Men to grace the lowliest station,  
To build the home, the church, the nation;  
Men of honour, truth and love,  
Feeling none but God above.

Manotick, Ont. M. H. SCOTT.

## Woman's Work.

### W.F.M.S. ANNUAL MEETINGS.

#### EASTERN SECTION.

The ninth annual meeting of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society (Eastern Section) was held in St. Matthew's Church, Halifax, Thursday and Friday, April 8th and 9th. There were delegates from auxiliaries, or visitors from sister societies, from Pictou, Scotsburn, Baddeck, Stellarton, Pictou Landing, Musquodoboit, Maitland, Yarmouth, New Glasgow, Truro, Shubenacadie, Millford, Kentville, Windsor, Sherbrooke, Elmsdale and Halifax. The exercises of the first half hour were devotional. At eleven o'clock Mrs. Burns, President, took the chair. Mrs. H. H. Macpherson (Halifax) read the address of welcome, to which Mrs. MacMillan (Elmsdale) replied. Next came the President's address, which was followed by the report of the corresponding secretary. Both these papers noticed the fact that the auxiliaries had been more than doubled, standing 40 now to 19 last year. Special mention was made of the removal of the beloved Agent of the Church, whose kind sympathy and wise counsels had been so helpful to the work. Miss Russell, Pictou, read the report of the Pictou Society, which was very encouraging, the auxiliaries having increased from 7 to 16. Miss Wetherby read the Halifax report, which also announced the formation of several new auxiliaries. Miss McCurdy (Baddeck) read the reports of the Harbour Grace, St. John's (Nfld.), and Cape Breton societies. The meeting, which comprised from 80 to 100 ladies, adjourned for lunch. The plan of having refreshments provided at the place of meeting, has been found of special advantage in furnishing an opportunity for delegates to become acquainted with each other, also to obtain information on subjects not clearly understood, and for which they lack either the courage or the time to speak at the public gathering.

#### AFTERNOON.

Between two and three hundred ladies assembled for the afternoon session. A telegram of greeting was read from the F. M. S. (Western Section), "Beloved thou doest faithfully whatsoever thou doest to the brethren and to strangers," 1 John v., 3. "For we walk by faith, not by sight," 2 Cor. v., 2; signed, C. S. Ewart, Pres. The reports of Miss Blackadder and Miss Hilton were read. The greetings of the W. M. S. Methodist Church were then conveyed to the meeting by Mrs. Wesley Smith and Miss Silver, representing the North and South Branches. Mrs. Cline expressed the kind wishes of the Baptist Ladies' Society. Each of these ladies read papers well worthy of publication, awaking responsive echoes in many hearts and making all feel that these societies, though called by different names, have one object in view. Mrs. Goucher, of the Truro Baptist W. S., expressed her pleasure at being present and her best wishes for the work. The President introduced Mrs. Annand, who gave a most interesting and touching address. She spoke of the condition of the inhabitants of the New Hebrides, particularly of the island of Santo, where she and her husband expect to labour. She alluded to the probability of their having to go there without another missionary, as the church was not in a position to send one. When Mrs. Annand sat down the President appealed to those present whether they were willing to

allow Mr. and Mrs. Annand to go to this new field without any companions? She hoped the members would take action in the matter. Miss McCurdy (Baddeck) suggested that those present who were anxious for another missionary to be sent should give in to the treasurer their subscriptions for this object. Mrs. Churchill, Baptist missionary among the Telugus, addressed the meeting. She described the field of her labour on the eastern shore of the Bay of Bengal, and the people among whom she laboured.

#### EVENING.

Tea was served between six and seven o'clock to a large number of ladies and gentlemen. At 7.30 p.m. the meeting was begun in the church up-stairs, Rev. R. Laing in the chair. The attendance of gentlemen was not so large as was desired, perhaps because they had not been allowed to go to the day meetings and did not know how interesting the subject was. The principal speaker of the evening was the Rev. Joseph Annand, our missionary to Anicium, who delivered a most interesting and instructive address, containing much information of his field of labour. A collection amounting to over \$30 was taken up. The singing was led by a choir composed of singers from several of the Presbyterian churches in the city, Miss Fletcher presiding at the organ.

#### FRIDAY FORENOON.

Friday morning's meeting was opened about 10.30 Mrs. Waddell, treasurer, read the annual report, showing \$2,072 received, an advance of over \$600 on last year. \$1,624 have been paid to the Board for the salaries of the four lady teachers in Trinidad, thus carrying out the resolution passed at last meeting.

#### RECEIPTS.

Balance from 1885	\$ 67 75
Halifax Presbyterian Society	921 14
Pictou Presbyterian Society	732 18
Newfoundland auxiliaries	304 50
Sundries	46 53
	\$2,072 09

#### EXPENDITURE.

Support of lady teachers	\$1,624 00
Various appropriations	240 50
Printing reports and other expenses	120 95
Balance on hand	186 64

\$180 of the balance on hand is from St. John's, Nfld., and will be appropriated by that society probably to Zenana work in India. The President stated that \$25 of the amount reported by the treasurer had been received since the meetings began as a life-membership fee from Mrs. Edward Smith, Halifax, thus making up the sum required for the lady teachers in Trinidad. Mrs. E. Bayne (Musquodoboit) led the meeting in prayer that God would accept the money raised during the year, and make it instrumental in doing much good among the heathen. The report of Miss Copeland was read by Miss McKay, of Scotsburn. Miss Edith Burns read Miss Semple's account of her work in the Tacarigua school. An anonymous paper showing what God has promised to do for missions, received that morning by mail, was read by Mrs. Dickie, of Millford. An account of our missionaries in India and their work was given by Mrs. Hetherington, of Halifax. The following resolution was adopted: "The W. F. M. Society of the Presbyterian Church how in session, realizing to the full the enormous evils of intemperance and the stumbling block it puts in the way of all missionary effort at home and abroad, desire very cordially to support the bill now before the Legislature for the restriction of the liquor traffic, and earnestly pray for its passage." An original paper entitled "A Woman's Tongue," was read by Miss Fairbanks. Miss Frame, of Shubenacadie, spoke on the Santo fund, and proposed that all the Presbyterian school teachers in the Province be asked to contribute. It was agreed to ask the W. F. M. Society (Western Section) to unite with this society in raising the large amount required for travelling expenses, house, etc., which must be secured before a new missionary can be sent out. At one o'clock the morning session was closed and lunch served to those who remained.

#### AFTERNOON: CLOSING SESSION.

The first business done was passing a resolution drawn up during the recess by a committee appointed at the morning meeting, asking the F. M. Board to send another missionary to Santo along with Mr. Annand and guaranteeing to pay his salary until the Board is able to assume it. Agreed that the resolution on the liquor bill, which had been signed by a large number of delegates, be taken by the Houses of Parliament by a delegation of Bics. A resolution changing the time of the annual meeting from April to September or October as being more convenient for those societies off the line of railway, was carried unanimously. An invitation was extended by the Board delegates to hold the meeting of September next in their town, which was accepted. Mrs. Baxter read the story of Abdoul written by Miss Blackadder. The Gleaners' Mission Band of St. John's Church, read their report, saying that they had raised \$50 for missions during the year. The Sunbeams of Dartmouth reported \$68 gathered by them. The treasurer of the Helping Hands'

Mission Band read her statement, showing \$140 paid in by them during the year. Two very pretty recitations were next given by members of the Gleaners' Mission Band. The deputation having returned from the Legislative Council Assembly and reported through Miss Fairbanks that they had been kindly received by Hon. Mr. Morrison and Mr. Gayton, who promised to present their memorial at a suitable time. The nominating committee submitted, through Mrs. Dickson, the following list of office-bearers: President, Mrs. R. F. Burns; Vice-Presidents, Mrs. James, Mrs. J. MacMillan, Mrs. I. Creighton, Mrs. E. Smith, and the Presidents of the Presbyterian societies, auxiliaries and mission bands. Corresponding Secretary, Miss Campbell; Recording Secretary, Miss Thomson; Treasurer, Mrs. S. Waddell, and a Committee. The following resolution was moved by Miss Campbell and unanimously adopted: "That this meeting deeply sympathize with Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Macleod of Princetown, Trinidad, on being obliged to leave their post, and would express the hope that Mr. Macleod's health may be so far restored that he may yet do good work for the Master in the field of his choice. Mrs. Churchill sang the Lord's prayer in the Telugu language, and Mrs. Annand sang a hymn in Anicium. The President asked Mrs. Christie, widow of Rev. T. M. Christie, who was present, to make some remarks. Mrs. Christie declined to address the meeting, but expressed the hope that she might be able to form an auxiliary or a mission band in Bedford, where she is residing. Thanks were voted to the people of Halifax for their hospitality; to the railway companies for reduced fares, to the newspapers for notices of the meetings, to the managers of St. Matthew's church for the use of the church, and to Mr. and Mrs. Annand for their presence and the impetus their addresses have given to missionary work, and the hope that they may not return alone to the New Hebrides but that a true yoke fellow may be found to go with them. The Question Drawer was opened and its contents very cleverly answered by Miss Campbell. Mrs. Waddell reported that over \$300 had been subscribed to the Santo Fund. Two little members of the Mission Band took up a collection of over \$8. After singing the last verse of the missionary hymn, Mrs. Churchill was requested to close the proceedings with prayer, and at a quarter past five the members began to disperse, many feeling sorry to leave the spot where such delightful and profitable intercourse had been for two days enjoyed.

#### WESTERN SECTION.

The decennial anniversary of the W.F.M.S. was celebrated in St. Andrew's Church, in the City of London, 20th and 21st of April. From 150 to 200 delegates from the various auxiliaries and mission bands in the Province were in attendance, the branches in the west being well represented. The weather was all that could be desired, and the ladies of the auxiliaries, mission bands, and churches in London were untiring in their efforts for the comfort and happiness of their guests. Arrangements were made by which the delegates could remain in the church the entire day, Tuesday, attending all three sessions without the fatigue of returning to their homes. Badges were provided for the delegates, presidents of auxiliaries and mission bands wearing red, the Ex. Com. of the Board pink, and other officers and delegates, i. e. Twelve little girls, were in attendance, in uniform, pink and blue, at all the sessions, carrying messages from aisle to aisle in the auditorium.

At the hour appointed the meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. Ewart, Mrs. Roger, President of the London Presbyterian Society, and Mrs. McAdam, Strathroy, assisting in devotional exercises. The minutes of last meeting, in the unavoidable absence of Mrs. MacMurchy, were read by Mrs. Harvie, For. Sec., and confirmed. The address of welcome was given by Mrs. Chisholm, London, who, on behalf of the Presbyterian women of the city, welcomed the delegates to this their tenth annual meeting. Her hearty welcome was responded to most gracefully by Mrs. Gibson, of Ottawa, who, in the name of the delegates present, thanked the London ladies for their most kind and courteous reception. As this is women's work, for women in heathen lands, she said, we are kept humbler by ever having before us the degradation from which we as women are saved by the gospel. On the other hand we are exalted by being co-workers with God. He has given us in this age this special work to do, this is our great opportunity, and may we not say as Mordecai to Esther: "Who knoweth whether thou art come to the kingdom for such a time as this." The delegates were urged to rise to the height of their privilege as Christian women and mission workers, which position was only attainable by that which God himself always honours, definite, intelligent, believing prayer.

#### THE PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

Mrs. Ewart referred briefly to the pleasure it must give them all on these occasions of their annual meetings to greet fellow-workers in the cause of God, and to compare notes and review the work of the year. While in some of the

undertakings of similar societies it was permitted them to see the results in the foreign missionary work, on the contrary, they could only hear how the work was progressing. The discouraging results attending the earlier mission work in China and Japan had passed away, and now the prospects of these most promising fields had brightened greatly, and warranted them in exerting and taking hold of the work with renewed courage. In India there were many things to encourage the workers. The hospitals for females established, was a most valuable aid to the spread of Christianity. It was desirable to establish others there. The mission schools were also doing good work, and it was an urgent requirement of the country that they should be scattered liberally throughout it. The industrial training schools for Indians established in the U. S. were working satisfactorily, and it would be well for them to consider the establishment of similar institutions in the North-West. The address concluded with a few words of welcome to the delegates present from sister societies.

The acting Rec. Sec. then read letters of greeting from the Brockville Presbyterian Society; from the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, Presbyterian Church in Canada, Eastern Section, Halifax; from the Canadian Woman's Board of Missions, Montreal; from the Indore Society, Quebec; from the Woman's Missionary Society of the Presbytery of Montreal; from the Woman's Presbyterian Board of Missions for the North-West, and from the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, of the Presbyterian Church, Philadelphia. Mrs. Sutherland, in an interesting address, presented the greetings of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Church in Canada, and Mrs. Carrae, of London, those of the Baptist Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, Western Section.

The nominating committee, Mrs. Gordon, Harrington; Mrs. Stewart, Uxbridge; Mrs. Grant, Hamilton; Mrs. McMurrich and Mrs. MacLennan, Toronto, were then appointed, the Society deciding that the Board should be composed of 36 managers residing in Toronto, with the presidents of Presbyterian Societies, auxiliaries, and mission bands.

A lady medical missionary for India, Miss Oliver, who has graduated at Queen's College in the medical profession, and who will sail (D.V.) in October next, for India, was then introduced to the meeting. She spoke cheerfully of her future work, in this distant field, referring to it as not a life of sacrifice, but of cheerful, willing service.

#### REPORTS.

Mrs. Campbell, Home Sec., reported for the auxiliaries and mission bands, not in Presbyterial order, viz., Aylmer, Que.; Barrie, Chatsworth, Collingwood, Dundalk, Johnson, Queenstown, Sarnia, South Russell, and Tecumseh. Mrs. McCrae, of Guelph, presented the report of the Winnipeg Society, and conducted devotional exercises. Then the delegates adjourned to the basement to enjoy the lunch provided by the London ladies. The repast was ample, substantial as well as delicate and tempting, also well and pleasantly served. A pleasant hour of social converse, a renewal of old acquaintances, and the making of new ones. At the hour of 2.30

#### THE AFTERNOON SESSION

was opened, the President in the chair, the devotional exercises being conducted by Mrs. Ewers, of Gananoque. The secretary read a letter from Mrs. Layah Barakat, a converted Syrian lady, explaining that it was impossible for her to be present at the meetings, which she much regretted. A telegram of greeting was received from the Halifax society, Col. i, 2, 3, 9, 10, to which the following response was returned, Phil. i, 2-6.

#### REPORTS OF THE GENERAL SOCIETY.

Mrs. Harvie, Foreign Secretary, Mrs. Campbell, Home Secretary, also the secretaries of the various Presbyterian Societies, and Mrs. MacMurchy, Recording Secretary, and Mrs. MacLennan, Treasurer, presented their various reports, a synopsis of which is as follows:—

#### FOREIGN WORK.

In Central India three lady missionary teachers, one medical missionary, two young lady assistants, Bible women, helpers, etc. The expenses of six schools and the necessary residences for the ladies. In Formosa (China) part of the expense incurred in the support of the girls' school at Tamsui. For the Indians in the Canadian North-West—two lady missionary teachers; the salaries of teachers at Mis-to-was-i, Crowstand and Bird Tail Creek reserves; provision made for extension of work among the Indians, and donations to the schools of the Canadian Missions in Trinidad and the New Hebrides.

#### HOME WORK.

PRESBYTERIAL SOCIETIES.—Brockville, Miss Gordon; Chatham, Miss Stone; Glengarry, Mrs. Gordon; Guelph, Mrs. McCrae; Hamilton, Mrs. Grant; Huron, Mrs. Fair; Kingston, Mrs. Byers; Lanark and Renfrew, Miss Riddell; Lindsay, Miss Robinson; London, Mrs. Chisholm; Maitland, Mrs. Leask; Ottawa, Mrs. Gibson; Paris, Mrs. Dickenson; Peterboro', Mrs. Fairbairn; Stratford, Mrs. Hyslop; Toronto, Miss George; Whitby, Mrs. Steele.

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