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which 100 were sent from branches and 20 made up at the central rooms. Touching mention was made by both secretaries to the late Mrs. O'Reilly, the pioneer in missionary work of women of the Church of England.

The secretary of literature, Mrs. Helliwell, reported that 1,200 mission books had been issued, 600 mite boxes, 700 children's cards and 2,500 leaflets.

Letters of greeting were read from Ontario, Huron, Quebec, Niagara and Montreal, and from Hon. G. W. Allan. An official message was received from the Bishop of Algoma, conveying the hearty thanks of himself, his clergy and their parishioners, for the help of the Women's Auxiliary. The Bishop of Toronto wrote expressing his pleasure at the ready response of the Auxiliary to his request for an outfit for a catechist in Haliburton.

The Society of the Treasury of God also wrote, inviting the Women's Auxiliary to co-operate with them in the endeavor to promote systematic giving.

The officers for the ensuing year were then nominated, the following being elected by acclamation:—

President—Mrs. A. E. Williamson.  
Diocesan Secretary—Mrs. W. Cummings.  
Treasurer—Miss Holland.  
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Secretary for Literature—Mrs. Helliwell.

The afternoon session concluded with a carefully prepared paper by Miss Wilson, of this city, entitled, "The Field is the World."

In the evening an "at home" was given to the delegates at St. George's Church by the ladies of that congregation. Tea was served, and a programme of music added much to the enjoyment of the evening.

The second day's sessions of the annual gathering of the Women's Auxiliary of the Church of England began at St. James' school-house at 10 a.m. yesterday, when a large number of delegates were found in their places. The roll call showed 144 delegates and many other members present. The morning session was taken up with reports of 27 branches. The remainder will report to-day. All the reports read were encouraging, and showed that even the prevailing illness last winter had not seriously hindered the members in their work. The balloting for the two vice-presidents resulted in the election of Mrs. Dumoulin and Mrs. Cartwright, while Mrs. Hodgins, Mrs. MacNab, Mrs. Nixon and Mrs. Britton were elected as the committee for literature during the ensuing year.

After lunch a constitution for junior branches was discussed by Miss Tilly, Mrs. Boddy and others, and was finally adopted unanimously.

Among the various resolutions adopted was one moved by Mrs. Dumoulin, seconded by Mrs. Osler, of Cobourg: "That a quarterly meeting of the W. A. in this diocese be held annually in some central locality outside the city of Toronto, the place to be decided by the board upon invitation from the branch." Mrs. Osler, Mrs. Daniel, of Port Hope, Mrs. Wallis, of Peterboro', and others, spoke of the great good that was done by the meeting held in Port Hope last winter. A touching tribute was paid to Miss Brown and her work in a resolution moved by Mrs. Cartwright and seconded by Mrs. Harris, of Brooklin. Mrs. Kirkby read a paper full of practical suggestions of great value to those who have charge of junior branches, as to ways of interesting the children and schemes of work that could be carried out by the little ones.

A number of children were present, and were much interested in an address given to them by Rev. J. Dimber, of New York. He told them of the Lenten offerings of children of the church in the United States, which last year amounted to \$40,000 and this year to \$50,000. He also told them of some little Indian boys in Dakota who sent \$3.50, which was to be given to a school in China. This money was partly earned by foregoing a treat of candy offered to them. Mr. Kimber also spoke most strongly of the necessity of educating the young of heathen nations, as they in turn became the truest missionaries among their own people.

At the close of his address, which delighted the seniors as well as the juniors, a cordial vote of thanks to Mr. Kimber was moved by

Mrs. Stennett, of Cobourg, seconded by Miss Chant, of Port Hope, and carried by a standing vote.

The question drawer was then opened and questions answered by Mrs. Williamson, Mrs. Cummings and Miss Tilley.

The evening meeting was a public one and was crowded to the doors. The lord bishop took the chair, and after opening prayers and hymn, his lordship spoke in the warmest terms of the work which had been done for diocesan missions by the members of the auxiliary, and before sitting down expressed the hope that the women might always realize that their work and sympathies should be as wide as the world. After singing the hymn Jesus shall reign where'er the sun, Rev. Prof. Clark spoke in eloquent terms of women's work and influence, and spoke of the wide scope of true missionary work—the redemption of all mankind, for whom Christ died. The hymn, Saviour sprinkle many nations, was sung while the collection was being made. In introducing the Rev. J. Kimber, the bishop stated that the wonderful growth of the church in the United States dated from the time of the formation of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, of which association Rev. Mr. Kimber is one of the secretaries.

Rev. Mr. Kimber spoke of the work of the woman's auxiliary of the church in the United States. During the first ten years of the auxiliary's existence they had contributed \$143,695, while their last year's report showed that in one year they had raised one-fifth as much as during their first ten years. He congratulated the auxiliary in Canada on the rapid strides they were making. He pointed out the fact that in present times God gave to His people the encouragement of wonderful results in numbers of conversions. He closed a brilliant address by predicting that before many years the whole world would acknowledge one God and one Lord Jesus Christ.

The bishop, in closing the meeting, thanked the speakers of the evening on behalf of the members of the auxiliary, and spoke a few words of encouragement to the delegates from a distance, saying that he hoped that in the coming synod of the diocese as many as 144 delegates might be present to assist in the deliberations.

Miss Dumoulin was organist at both sessions.

At the evening meeting, besides the principal speakers, Rev. Canon Cayley, Rev. Canon Sweeny, Rev. Canon Dumoulin, Rev. A. J. Broughall and Rev. J. Roper occupied seats on the platform.

Mr. H. Guest Collins presided at the organ.

*Third Days Proceedings.*—In the morning the meeting was opened in St. James' school-house with scripture and reading by Mrs. Cartwright and prayer by the president. The meeting confirmed the reports from various branches as follows: Church of the Redeemer, Sandhill, St. Bartholomew's, St. George's, St. James' Cathedral, St. Luke's, St. Mark's, Parkdale, St. Mary Magdalene, St. Matthias, St. Peter's, Toronto, St. Simon's, St. Stephen's, St. Thomas', Streetsville, Sunderland, Thornhill, Trinity, Toronto, Uxbridge, Vaughan, Woodbridge and York Mills.

A good deal of practical work has been accomplished at the three days' meeting, in addition to awaking fresh interest in the subject among the delegates. It has been decided to send two ladies to the Northwest to visit all the Indian reserves, and write back letters telling where missionary aid is most required. This is an undertaking of no small magnitude, as the ladies will have to travel thousands of miles over unsettled tracts and with few of the comforts of civilisation. One of the ladies who will go is Miss Paterson, but the second name has not been decided upon. In this connection the ladies wish to acknowledge the kindness of the Minister of the Interior, who has furnished them with maps, blue books, names of Indian agents, and other useful information. The Auxiliary has also decided to make an effort to raise funds for the support of a missionary in Haliburton County, where a large number of lumbermen are employed. A paper was read by Mrs. Broughall on "Woman, her Profession and Work." It was full of instruction and wise counsel. The speaker pointed out the responsibilities of women in connection with mission work, and how much they

could do if self-denial was practised. The number of enrolled members was then read, and the total was found to be 1,359.

Mrs. Daniels, of Port Hope, then warmly advocated a resolution on the subject of the "Education of the Daughters of Missionaries." Her words were strongly championed by Mrs. Boomer, of London, who brought up various instances of the great help afforded by the missionaries who, by thus enabling them to feed their children, are being assisted to make their future way in the world. Mrs. Davidson, of Colborne, spoke feelingly of the necessity of such a fund. Mrs. Stennett, of Cobourg, and others, spoke strongly in favour of the movement.

A paper was read by Mrs. Robertson on the subject of prayer, which was much appreciated. Mrs. Renaud, late President of the Toronto Auxiliary, spoke very strongly on the need of work and energy among the members.

The convention concluded its business at four o'clock, and adjourned to meet in the second week of May.

## Home &amp; Foreign Church News

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.

## QUEBEC.

BOURG LOUIS.—The Rev. J. B. Debbage, of Mount Carmel, diocese of Springfield, Illinois, has been appointed by His Lordship the Bishop, rector of St. Bartholomew's parish, Bourg Louis, as the successor of the Rev. H. C. Stuart, M.A. Mr. Debbage only left this diocese about a year ago for Illinois, having been for some years the missionary at Frampton, P.Q., and he will now be welcomed back by his many friends in the diocese.

SHERBROOKE.—Mr. Arthur Dorey, F.C.O., of St. Thomas, Ont., and formerly organist of St. Matthew's church, Quebec, has been appointed organist of St. Peter's church, Sherbrooke.

*Emigration.*—The Rev. W. B. Milton, rector of Birtle, Man., spent the third Sunday after Easter in Quebec, and took part in the services at St. Matthew's and St. Peter's. He came here to meet a party of emigrants per "SS. Sardinian," who arrived on Tuesday morning. The party of 200 were in charge of the Rev. J. Bridger, chaplain of the emigration chapel, Liverpool, Eng., who was accompanied by the Rev. Mr. Barber. The latter gentleman intends remaining in this country, and will accompany the new settlers to the North-West, where they intend to establish a colony; and will labor among them as their clergyman. Several other steamers also arrived in the same day, bringing parties of well-to-do settlers for the North-West, the great majority being members of the Anglo-Catholic Church.

## MONTREAL.

MONTREAL.—*St. Jude's.*—The adjourned Easter vestry meeting of St. Jude's church, was held 21st inst. The wardens' reports showed a revenue of \$4,874.05; the church was in a most healthy condition. It was decided to proceed at once to build an extension. The following resolution was carried: Whereas, this vestry has heard the statement of the rector of the difficulty he has experienced with many whom he has invited to attend the services of the church, from the fact that they have no pews and the fear to discommode others; resolved, that the members of this vestry empower the rector, in their name, to extend a hearty invitation to all to attend the services of the church, and that they also authorize the wardens to make use of all the vacant room in the pews for their accommodation, and that a copy of this resolution be sent to the city press.

*St. George's Temperance Society.*—St. George's Church Temperance Society's concert in the school house, 24th inst., was a very pleasant affair. The programme was rendered by Messrs. W. E. Fairclough, R. W. Wonham, Fletcher, H. E. Keats, Parker and Angus, Miss Tessier, Miss Yarker, Mrs. A. Parker, and Miss Wonham. Dean Carmichael gave a reading.

*Grace Church Young Men.*—His Lordship Bishop Bond presided over the annual meeting of the Grace church Y.M.C.A., on Wednesday night, 23rd inst. There was a crowded attendance. Addresses were delivered by the chairman, the Very Rev. Dean Carmichael, the Rev. J. G. Norton, and Mr. L. H. Davidson. The various reports were of a gratifying nature.