

Metcalf, Daleville Circle	5 00
Ottawa 1st Ch. C. and Life-mem., Mrs. T. White-	
combe	60 00
Kingston Union St. Circle	10 50
Maxville Circle	4 00
Brookville Band	15 00
Baraston Circle	13 00
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W. B. M. U., Maritime Provinces.

CONVENTION NOTES.

The annual Convention of the W. B. M. U. was held in the audience room of Main Street Baptist Church, St. John, Aug. 21st and 22nd. The gathering was marked throughout by earnest enthusiasm and spiritual power.

No pains were spared on the part of the St. John friends to further the comfort of their guests. The floral decorations were beautiful. Lunches were served in the school-room at the close of each morning and afternoon session by the ladies of Main, Brussels, Germain and Leinster Street churches. This feature was highly appreciated by the delegates, affording as it did opportunity for social intercourse and the interchange of ideas concerning the work. The first session, Wednesday morning, the 21st, was devoted to receiving reports from the Provincial Secretaries. Mrs. M. S. Cox, of Chipman, N.B., reported 80 societies, membership 1,700; 2 new societies formed, 9 Life members added.

Mrs. Spurr, of Pownal, reported for Prince Edward Island, 22 societies, 355 members; 40 copies of LINK taken, 3 Life-members made.

For Nova Scotia the report was made by Miss Hume, of Dartmouth, acting Provincial Secretary. Number of societies 141, members 2,257 out of the 5,778 women in the churches reporting; 437 copies of THE LINK taken, 32 Life-members made. Mrs. Hume voiced the feeling of the Convention in her touching reference to the late Miss Johnstone, former Provincial Secretary.

Upon the report of the Committee on THE LINK, it was resolved that the Union's Department in THE CANADIAN MISSIONARY LINK be continued, and also that the department be enlarged by the occasional publication of letters from *Tidings* and reports from the Provincial Secretaries.

From all quarters among the delegates, came words of appreciation of THE LINK, showing how strong a hold the paper has gained upon the hearts of our women.

At the afternoon session, reports were received from the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. C. H. Martell, and from the Home Mission Secretary, Miss Hume. Each of these was full of interest, and we hope to give extracts from them at a later date.

Reports from the Band Secretary, Miss Ida Crandall, of Chipman, and Treasurer of the W. B. M. U., Mrs. Mary Smith, of Amherst, were given as follows:—

For Foreign Missions	\$6,500 37
“ Home Missions	1,833 37
From Mission Band Treasurer	
for Foreign Missions	1,747 45
From Mission Band Treasurer	
for Home Missions	139 93

Total for Foreign Missions	\$8,247 82
“ “ Home Missions	2,023 20

Grand total	\$10,271 02
Total expenditure	7,336 47

Cash on hand	\$2,946 66
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Donations from Nova Scotia societies were \$4,859.84; from New Brunswick societies, \$2,831.86; from Prince Edward Island, \$627.19; from donations, \$237.58; from other sources, \$134.05. Grand total, \$10,088.13. The President's address as delivered by Mrs. Manning, referred to the needs of the times, and the many agencies at work for good. She dwelt earnestly on the crying need of the heathen countries and told of the purposes and work of the Women's Missionary Societies during the past thirty years.

The funds of our Society had steadily increased for years, but there was still room for more money and more self-sacrifice. She spoke of the great educational value of the work, and urged the need of more earnest effort and of more workers. The Master had called to Himself many of their best, and for their vacant places there was need of earnest, consecrated women, with souls filled with the love of Christ.

The estimates for the year were presented by Mrs. Smith, and included:—

For young lady missionaries' salaries	\$2,825 00
Helpers' travelling expenses, etc., for same	600 00
Schools	350 00
Home literature	75 00
Contingent fund	250 00
Native helpers	500 00
Two girls with Mrs. Churchill	50 00
Tent for Bimlipatam	100 00
Hospital at Chicacole	500 00
Books and tracts	100 00
For male missionaries' salary	2,650 00

Total	\$8,000 00
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In addition to this, \$1,200 from the Standing Fund will be granted toward defraying the expenses of the outgoing missionaries.

Election of officers resulted in the following appointments:—President, Mrs. Manning; Cor-