

brought on an interesting discussion, in which loyalty to the OUTLOOK was very apparent. It was suggested that a Reading Circle be formed among the Auxiliaries, somewhat on the Chautauqua principle; also that at the regular monthly meetings we devote half-an-hour to the reading of missionary intelligence, and discussion thereon; also that at least ten minutes a day be devoted by each member to private missionary reading; also that a literary committee be appointed to carry out these plans; also that we communicate occasionally with other Auxiliaries. A loan library was also suggested.

The reports of Organizers were very interesting. It was wonderful what good work they had done through the year. Nine new societies formed, and many old ones cheered and revived. It was suggested that the members in each Auxiliary should think over a suitable organizer through the year. Another interesting topic of discussion was the benefit of scattered helpers. It was proposed to make those who could not attend the Auxiliaries, either by reason of distance, old age, or poverty, associate members, by furnishing them from month to month with leaflets and prayer-cards, and allowing them to pay just what they could.

There was one committee which received honorable mention, and that was the committee which furnished such excellent music—it was re-elected. It was decided that the next meeting should be held not earlier than the last week in September, at St. Stephen. Mrs. Dr. Johnson was appointed delegate to Conference. Mrs. Macmichael was re-elected President; Mrs. Dr. Johnson, 1st Vice-President; Mrs. Dr. Sprague, 2nd Vice-President; Mrs. S. Howard, 3rd Vice-President; Miss Palmer, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. J. D. Chipman, Band Corresponding Secretary; Miss H. Stewart, Treasurer; Mrs. Heard, Recording Secretary; Miss Ella Thorn, Auditor.

The Branch Meeting closed with a pleasant social kindly given by Queen Square Auxiliary.

S. E. SMITH, for Rec. Sec.

FORMATION OF A BRANCH OF THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY IN BRITISH COLUMBIA.

DURING the sessions of Conference in May last, representations from the nine or ten Auxiliaries in British Columbia formed themselves into a Branch, and held a most satisfactory meeting, awakening fresh enthusiasm and strengthening the bond of union with their sisters in the East. Though prevented by distance from meeting often together, let us hope that a combining of effort in the service of our one Master may draw us into closer fellowship and love.

The following officers were elected:—President, Mrs. Walton, Victoria; 1st Vice-President, Mrs. Tate, Chilliwack; 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. Sexsmith, North Arm; 3rd Vice-President, Mrs. Betts, Vancouver; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Armour, New Westminster; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Jenkins, Victoria; Treasurer, Mrs. Wilson, Vancouver.

The following memorials, passed at that meeting, were received Sept. 11th.

1st. This Branch Memorial Committee recommend to the Central Board the desirability and full necessity of a trained nurse to assist the medical missionary and hospital department at Port Simpson.

2nd. Whereas all missionaries find great difficulty in doing the best possible for the benefit of the parents of the children under their care, as well as the children themselves, they are anxious to get substantial help from the Indian agent that will secure the children for regular attendance at school as well as binding the parents to keep the agree-

ments entered into upon the admittance of their children into the school.

And, whereas this is a very difficult subject to handle, since the Indians must be led and not driven, and whereas the Indian Department already feel the necessity of bringing the Indians under laws regulating civilized life, we would recommend that our Committee on Indian affairs (Mrs. Dr. Burns and Mrs. Cunningham), make some form of compulsory education a study, informing themselves of the steps that have already been taken, and be prepared to support or improve recommendations for the better development of aids to efficient mission work that may come from missionaries engaged in our educational institutions among the Indians.

4th. The British Columbia Branch wishes to express its appreciation of the work of the Woman's Missionary Society in the establishment of Boarding Schools and Homes in British Columbia, and would desire to call the attention of the General Board to the advisability of extending their work in this direction at all points where it is desirable to do so.

4th. That the annual meeting of our British Columbia Branch be held the first week in September of each year, and that all Auxiliaries be requested to close their books and send in their reports to the Corresponding Secretary not later than the last week in August.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed)

MARGARET JENKINS, Cor. Sec

UNIFORM STUDY.

SUBJECT: "Mite-box Service; or, The Blessedness of Giving."

"As good stewards of the manifold grace of God." 1 Peter iv. 10.

"She of her want did cast in all that she had." Mark xii. 44.

"Almsgiving is the salt of riches." Talmud.

Singing.—Hymn 467.

"What shall I render to my God
For all His mercy's store?
I'll take the gifts He hath bestowed,
And humbly ask for more.

"Thy lawful servant, Lord, I owe
To Thee what'er is mine,
Born in Thy family below,
And by redemption Thine."

Prayer.—That the women of the Church may freely give as they have received.

Singing.—Hymn 97, Epworth.

"Sing them over again to me," etc.

SCRIPTURE READING.

God's ownership. Psalm xxiv. 1; Psalm l. 10, 12; Hag. ii. 8; 1 Cor. vi., last clause 19, first clause 20.

Financial ability a divine gift. Deut. viii. 18; 1 Cor. iv. 7; Jas. i. 17.

Duty of those having this gift. 1 Peter iv. 10; 1 Cor. iv. 2.

What of those having this gift, but not having it consecrated? James v. 1-6.

Are any but the rich required to give? 1 Cor. xvi. 2; Deut. xvi. 17.

Where is tithing first mentioned? Gen. xiv. 20.

Give example of tithing in Gen. xxviii. 22.

What was the Jewish rule of tithing?

First.—One tithe, or tenth, assigned to the maintenance of the Levites.

Second.—Out of this the Levites were to dedicate a tenth to the tabernacle for the use of the high priests.