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CHRISTMAS GIFTS.

'Thou hast received gifts from men!' Ps. 68: 18.

Christmas gifts for thee,
Fair and free!
Precious things from the heavenly store,
Filling thy casket more and more;
Golden love in divinest chain,
That never can be untwined again;
Silvery carols of joy that swell
Sweetest of all in the hearts lone cell;
Pearls of peace that were sought for thee
In the terrible depths of a fiery sea;
Diamond promises sparkling bright,
Flashing in farthest-reaching light.

Christmas Gifts for thee,
Grand and free!
Christmas gifts from the King of love,
Brought from His royal home above;
Brought to thee in the far off land,
Brought to thee by His own dear hand.
Peace as a river flowing free,
Joy that in His own joy must live,
And love that infinite love can give.
Surely thy heart of hearts uplifts
Carols of praise for such Christmas gifts!

MISSIONARIES IN BRANDON.

Sunday, October 25th, was a red letter day in the history of the Brandon church. We had with us on that day two lady missionaries, Miss Hatch, from the Ramachandrapuram field, and Miss McLaurin, from Vuyyuru, two stations of our mission in India. They were on their return journey to India by the Pacific route after a much needed furlough. The privilege of listening to them and meeting with them was gladly welcomed.

Our Convention Reports we hope will be carefully read by all those who had not the privilege of attending the meetings.

Two thankoffering reports have been received, we hope the number will be largely increased this month as the money is greatly needed for the carrying on both of our Home and Foreign work. The Lord hath done great things for us whereof we are glad. Let us then, as we enter upon a new year's work, Expect great things. and attempt great things for God.

BOARD MEETING.

The first meeting of the new Board was held in the Aylmer Baptist church on Friday, Nov. 13th, at 10 a.m., Mrs. Booker presiding.

Extracts from some of our Missionaries letters were read, which show the great need for Bungalows for our lady Missionaries at Akidu, Ramachandrapuram, Vuyyura. If we would try to realize the discomforts to which our representatives in that hot climate are subjected at all times in their work, surely we would make such an effort, that the amount required would soon be in our Treasurer's hands. Look at ourselves—consider our lady missionaries! give as the Lord prompts, whether the little or the much, and the needed accommodation for efficient work, preparation and rest will soon be our missionaries.'

Estimates were then discussed for the coming year and passed as presented.

Miss Buchan was re-appointed Foreign Sec'y, and Miss Violet Elliot, Treas., by acclamation, with thanks for their valuable services.

An invitation from the Walmer Road church, Toronto, to hold our next Convention there was heartily accepted.

GRACE ALEXANDER, Sec'y, *pro tem.*

We would call attention to a book entitled "The White Letter," written by Mrs. Eva Rose York, known to many of us in her noble work in the Redemption Home. Rev. Dr. Withrow, in "Onward," says of it: It is a wonderful story of how God raised up the weak and fallen one and made her strong in His service. Yet it is not impossible, or untrue to life. There is much of the nobler side of life revealed in these pages. There is, too, something of the shallow and evil. It is a book that will broaden the sympathies of every reader.

It can be procured of Mr. Wm. Briggs, Methodist Book Room, Richmond St, West, Toronto. Price 50 cents. All profits over net of publishing to be devoted to W. F. Missions.