

Women's Baptist Foreign Missionary Convention of Ontario West.

RECORDING SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The review of the work of the past year presents, as ever, some changes in the personnel of the Board, and much to encourage us to persevere in our endeavours to extend Christ's Kingdom.

Regretfully, we received the resignation of Mrs. Dadson and Mrs. Wm. Craig, both of whom are retained as honorary members, that we may have the benefit of their long experience in an advisory capacity, at least. These vacancies were filled by the appointment of Mrs. Wood, of Peterborough, and Mrs. Ellis, of Waverly Road, Toronto.

In December, Mrs. McLaurin notified the Board of her inability to longer fill the position of Foreign Corresponding Secretary, and Mrs. Wilson Fenton, was appointed to take up this work. Last September, Miss Norton asked for leave of absence for one year, and Miss K. S. McLaurin was appointed Editor-in-Charge during that time. It is the opinion of the Board that at no time has the "Link" been more interesting and instructive, and we all join in wishing our Editor a pleasant holiday.

At the time that the estimates for the past year were considered, the Board did not see its way to follow the example of the other societies and increase the salaries of our workers in India, but made provision to do this by means of a bonus of \$100 to such missionaries as had served two years or over, if our balance this year permitted us to do so. We are glad that we were able to carry out this scheme,

and also apportion some money to the Cocanada School. Three applications by women desirous to enter the work could not be considered, because of the lack of funds.

The Executive Committee for the year was Mrs. Urquhart, Miss Nasmith, Mrs. Bates and Miss Webster. Mrs. Firstbrook and Mrs. Glenn H. Campbell were elected at Peterborough as members of the General Board.

A slight readjustment of financial methods was made. The missionaries in India report quarterly and the General Board monthly to our Treasurer, regarding our share of the finances.

The educational side of the work has been strengthened by the appointment of a committee, who, in conjunction with representatives from the W. B. H. M. Society, have prepared programmes which have appeared in the "Link" and "Visitor" for the use of Bands, in order that a view of the entire work will be presented, and the funds equally divided.

Inspiration was given to our work by the visits of our missionaries—Miss McLaurin, Miss Mould, Miss McLeod, Mrs. Chute and Mrs. Gordon, who met with us from time to time as opportunity offered, and who helped us with their timely suggestions and interesting accounts of the work.

Reports were received from our missionaries on the field, full of hopefulness and the needs of the work. Miss McLeod is enjoying her furlough, and Miss Cameron, our missionary-elect, has received an appointment for one year in a hospital.