

years, so that a younger woman might surmount the interest of the work better, and about us all do all we could to make the oxilery more successful than ever before, that we all felt ashamed of our selfish thoughts and went home cammer than we could have thought possible if we had known before hand what would be.

We prayed over it as she said and worked as best we could, but all the time a feeling that a big mistake had been made, and our work was on the down grade.

It is now onto three years now and Riverside oxilery numbers seventy, including Mrs. Deacon Stubbs, and sends away two hundred dollars a year for furren missions and gives a good deal for home work too. Our whole church is growing more and more in favor of missions, and we are doing better every way. Why, it is as if we had raised from the dead, since Mrs. Pinket started that missionary society, and we've converted more of the home heathen than in all our history before.

We have all learned some things of late, too. We have found that no one person is necessary to the success of God's work; the fact that one woman knows all about a thing is no proof that some other woman, even maybe younger, don't know just as well and even maybe better; there may be more than one set of women can run the same society successfully, even maybe more so.

As our good pastor said when I told him of it: "Evolution may demand revolution and revolution may hasten evolution." KEZIAH KRINKLE.

### Annual Meeting of the C. W. B. M. of Ontario.

(Concluded from last issue.)

The business of the C. W. B. M. was resumed, the President in the chair.

Greetings were received from sisters in Maritime Provinces and the London Auxiliary. The following committees were appointed: Programme for Auxiliaries, Miss Stephens, Mrs. Trout, Mrs. Miller; Woman's Column in newspaper, Mrs. Lhamon, Miss Rioch, Mrs. Cameron.

The Corresponding Secretary read the annual report of the Board.

The report of the Auditing Committee showed a balance on hand. For Home Missions, \$6.80; for Foreign Missions, \$32.39. The report of the Committee on Enrolment showed a total attendance of 49, composed of officers, 5; delegates, 22; visitors, 22. The Committee on Resolutions submitted the following report: (1) We are grateful to our Father in heaven

for His gracious leading through the past year. Through His providence but one of our pronounced workers has been called from us since we met in London last year. Sister Bella Sinclair, of Blenheim, has since passed from her labor to her reward. "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord. They rest from their labors and their works do follow them."

(2) We rejoice that so goodly a number, the representatives of so many auxiliaries, are with us in the sisterly fellowship and counsels of this convention, regretting, however, the absence of three members of the Board. We are grateful also for the spirit of kindness and mutual regard that has characterized our deliberations. We have expressed our differences squarely, but respectfully, as we had a right to do, and we shall be but the better acquainted, standing higher in mutual esteem, because of such expressions of differences, and also because of the gracious unanimity with which the results of our deliberations have been received.

(3) We commend the faithful and efficient work of our sister, Mary Rioch, in Japan, and we bespeak for her in coming years the kindly remembrance, the earnest prayers, and the liberal support of the sisters of the C. W. B. M. of Canada. Moreover, we most earnestly recommend the enlargement of her work by the granting of a helper to her at the earliest possible date, said helper to be the most competent within our reach, and to be chosen so far as possible in harmony with the wishes of the sisters in the Maritime Provinces.

(4) We commend the earnestness of our Superintendent of Children's Work and her efficiency. We advise auxiliaries to adopt the plan of asking volunteers from their numbers who will undertake to visit the Mission Bands once or twice yearly, prepared with some biography, missionary news, or other kindred subjects, which shall be interesting to the children and helpful to the Superintendent.

(5) The committee recommends that the O. C. W. B. M. reconsider at their next annual meeting the question of delegate representation in their annual conventions, feeling that none but representatives from auxiliaries and life members should be authorized to act as delegates.

(6) Resolved, that greetings be sent from this organization to the sisters in the Maritime Provinces, when they shall be met in convention in the coming August, and that we appreciate their mutual fellowship with us in our Master's work of love, wherein we seek to save some.

(7) Also that our greetings be sent to the National C. W. B. M. of the United States in their coming convention in the city of Springfield, Illinois.

(8) That we express our hearty appreciation of the kindness of our sisters in this city for their generous hospitality in opening their homes and their hearts to us in entertaining this convention.

MRS. LHAMON, Convener.

The officers elected for the year 1896-7 are:

President, Mrs. S. M. Brown, Warton.  
1st Vice-President, Mrs. M. Baughman, Toronto.

2nd Vice-President, Mrs. Oliphant, London.

3rd Vice-President, Mrs. E. McClurg, Ivan.

4th Vice President, Mrs. Campbell, St. Thomas.

Recording Secretary, Bessie A. Parkinson, Eramosa

Corresponding Secretary, L. V. Rioch, Hamilton.

Treasurer, Jennie Fleming, Owen Sound.

Superintendent of Children's Work, Mrs. Lediard, Owen Sound.

On motion it was resolved that we contribute \$10 through Bro. Paul to Bro. Reinhart's mission, said contribution to be taken from the collection taken up after Bro Paul's lecture.

A notice of motion was given to amend constitution at next annual meeting, namely: That Art. 2 be amended to read thus: "Its object shall be the spread of the Gospel in foreign lands." Also that in by-law No. 2 the phrase, "who is a Disciple of Christ," be omitted. Also in by-law No. 3 the phrase, "who is a Disciple of Christ," be omitted.

BESSIE A. PARKINSON,  
Rec. Sec., pro. tem.

### China Letter.

DEAR BROTHER MUNRO: The picture on your front page of June 15th is excellent, and Christ is surely going to remove the evils—the waves in the tempestuous sea of life. A few days ago a poor blind woman, a beggar on the street, brought a poor little boy with a large abscess completely crippling him. I have him in the hospital and have operated on him. According to the theory of some, his calamity is due to sin, but I cannot see it in that way, as he does not drink or gamble, and is not vicious, being only twelve or thirteen years old. Who is the sin-

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ner? In the story of Dives and Lazarus, Dives was certainly the sinner and Lazarus the innocent. Dives is the sinner here as he usually is at home. Dives is in the church. If the church could free herself from the men who rob their fellows by usury and land grabbing, and engage in all forms of monopoly which are sucking the life-blood of the masses of the people, it would be a blessing. It will need the whip of knotted cords, and Henry George has taught us how to use it.

I saw a poor fellow lying in the hot sun yesterday and seemingly about to die. I took him to my hospital and am treating him and he is not dead yet. I continually have a number of such. My plan is to bleed the rich when they come to get treated so as to get money for this purpose, and if they squeal I quote the Chinese proverb: "The big fish eat the little fish, the little fish eat shrimps and shrimps eat mud," and say you are a big fish and I only want to scrape a little flesh off you to stick on the little fish.

I am getting now so as I can get several hundred dollars a year from the big fish for this purpose. When it gets to be as hard for the rich to exist in our glorious country as it will be for them to get into the Kingdom of Heaven, then will begin the enfranchisement of the world. New Zealand and New South Wales, and perhaps Deleware, are beginning to make the big fish—land sharks, mine owners, timber barons, railway and telegraph monopolists, usurers—tremble for their interests and the day of freedom dawns, and "this day our daily bread for all of us."

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