

## Woman's Auxiliary Department.

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### THE FIRST AUXILIARY.

On the 16th of April, 1885, the Board of Missions was in session in Ottawa when a deputation of ladies waited upon them, and one of their number addressed the Board as follows:—

*My Lord, Reverend Fathers in Christ and Members of the Domestic and Foreign Board of Missions:*

We come before you as a small deputation of churchwomen of Ottawa to ask your consideration of woman's work in connection with your Board. There are in the Church to-day Marys who have chosen the better part. There are the restless, serving Marthas, who only want the opportunity to do something for Jesus, the Magdalenes who tell the story of our blessed Lord's resurrection, the Phoebes who convey messages of love and Christian greeting, the Tryphenas and Tryphosas, Dorcas who are never weary in well doing, Priscillas who are occupied in shewing the way of the Lord more perfectly;—yes, in the Church of Canada from Victoria to Sydney, there are women longing to labor more abundantly to consecrate all their talents to the Lord's work. And knowing this we ask that as the Apostles of old recognized the women of their day as laborers with them, you, our beloved Fathers in Christ, may recognize the women of the Church of Canada and give your hearty and earnest consent that there should be established in connection with your Board a *Woman's Auxiliary*; that you will consider before separating the best and most practical method of work in every way facilitating the formation of branch Auxiliaries in the different Dioceses and Parishes. We are assured that the women of the Church are prepared to accept whatever plans your Board may consider the wisest for the promotion of Missionary effort and the advancement of our Master's kingdom.

We are very faithfully and in the love of Christ.

Your co-workers:

FANNY M. J. FOREST,	HARRIET MUCKLESTON,
ANNIE M. POLLARD,	GERALDINE STEWART,
ROBERTA E. TILTON,	JESSIE BELL.
ANNIE MATHESON.	

After a few words of encouragement and sympathy from the Lord Bishop of Ontario who was in the chair, the ladies retired, when it was moved by Venerable Archdeacon Jones, seconded by the Bishop of Algoma, that this Board has received with unfeigned gratitude to God the deputation of ladies initiating the formation of a Woman's Auxiliary Association. Most heartily the Board wishes

this important movement God speed and will welcome the co-operation of all our Christian sisters in the Church of this Ecclesiastical Province in carrying out the noble object of our Missionary Society.

Subsequently the following resolution was passed by the board:

Moved by the Secretary, seconded by Mr. Walkem, that this Board has heard with pleasure of the formation of a Woman's Auxiliary Society in connection with the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Church of England in Canada, and highly recommend that the ladies of Ottawa who have so vigorously, commenced the work do proceed with it on the full and hearty authorization of the Board itself. Carried.

THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY TO THE DOMESTIC  
AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF  
THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND IN  
CANADA.

#### General Committee.

Mrs. Medley, Fredericton; Mrs. Binney, Nova Scotia; Mrs. Williams, Quebec; Mrs. Lewis, Ontario; Mrs. Sweatman, Toronto; Mrs. Sullivan, Algoma; Mrs. Baldwin, Huron; Mrs. Hamilton, Niagara; Mrs. Pollard, Mrs. Stewart, Mrs. Forest, Mrs. Bell, Mrs. Matheson, Mrs. Muckleston, Mrs. Tilton, Secretary.

#### Diocesan Committees.

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NIAGARA.—Mrs. Hamilton, Mrs. Mockridge, Mrs. E. Martin, Miss Bellhouse, Mrs. McGiverin, Secretary.

Nova Scotia, Fredericton Montreal and Huron Dioceses have active associations for Missionary work, but they are not yet organized as Auxiliary Branches.

### A GENERAL MEETING.

A general meeting of the "Woman's Auxiliary" to the Board of Domestic and Foreign Missions, will be held in Montreal in September, at the time of the Provincial Synod.

All women interested in the work of Missions, will be made welcome.

The special object of this meeting being to organize the Woman's Auxiliary for the Ecclesiastical Province of Canada, the committee desire as general a representation of church women as can find it convenient to attend.