

largely attended, for she had many friends and relatives. Miss Wyckoff was a member of the Woodhouse Methodist Church, and an earnest worker for the missionary cause. She was a collector for the General Missionary Society for many years, and as a member of the Woman's Missionary Society she was ever asking for new members. She was deeply interested in our Mission Band, having a Branch Mission Band at her house, composed of boys and girls who stopped there on their way home from school. She was very much pleased to hear them sing, and repeat their missionary texts. The children met once a month during the past year, and at our last meeting in November we had decided to pass over the winter months on account of the short days and begin again in the spring. She was looking forward to meeting them again, but God, in His wisdom, has transplanted her to "the Garden of the Lord." She will doubtless be at the Beautiful Gate, waiting and watching for those of us left still to work for the dear Master.

LILLIAN SMITH, *Cor. Sec.*

#### WESTERN BRANCH.

THE attention of the members of the Western Branch is called to the following resolution passed at the Branch meeting: "That district conventions be held at the same time and place as the financial district meeting, the Organizer to be responsible for the call of such meeting. The meeting not to exceed one day. Delegates to defray their own expenses."

In furtherance of this resolution the Executive recommend that the Conference Organizer be requested to write to the District Organizers, asking them to arrange for a District Convention at such time and place as they deem suitable, inviting delegates from all Auxiliaries and Mission Bands, also the wives of the ministers, and delegates from every circuit in the district.

Mrs. Phelps, Mount Pleasant (Mohawk P.O.), has been asked to prepare a programme for an afternoon meeting. She will be glad to receive suggestions from any one interested in District Conventions. Will the members try to make this "new departure" a success?

A. G. MCMCHAN, *Rec. Sec.*

#### WESTERN BRANCH EXECUTIVE.

AT a meeting of the Executive held in London on Friday, March 21st, Mrs. E. E. Williams, of Galt, was appointed Treasurer of this Branch in place of Mrs. Detlor, whose resignation was accepted. The following resolution was passed: Moved by Mrs. Fowler, seconded by Mrs. Langford, "That we present our most cordial thanks to Mrs. Detlor for her efficient and cheerfully rendered services to this Society. We regret extremely that she is called to another field of labor, and we are thus to be deprived of her able management of our funds. We affectionately assure her that we shall continue to be interested in her welfare, and to follow her with our prayers that God may abundantly bless her in her new home."

A prize banner is offered by the Branch to the Mission Band having the largest number of members in proportion to the membership of the church, the fee in full to be paid by each member. The banner will be presented at the annual meeting, and held by the successful Band for the year.

All moneys should be sent to the newly appointed Treasurer, Mrs. Emma E. Williams, Box 634, Galt. In sending reports, will the Treasurers of Auxiliaries be careful to fill out the blank forms, giving name of the Auxiliary, the Treasurer's name, post-office address, etc.

ELIZA CUNNINGHAM, *Cor. Sec.*

#### TESTIMONY OF A "CIRCLE WORKER."

"THOUGH I cannot feel that I ever did much for the Circle, yet I *do know* that it has done a great deal for me. It was there that I first became interested in missionary work and began to ask the Lord to show me what I could do to help to spread the Gospel. I will never forget the lesson I learned at one of the meetings.

I had spent a whole week in praying for myself. I was passing through a great trial, as I thought, just then. But that night, when I heard of some of the trials the missionaries were enduring for the cause of Christ, and realized how much they needed our prayers, I felt ashamed to think that I was so selfish and so forgetful of the Master's cause as to spend a whole week praying over my own interests. Since then I have realized the blessing that comes from forgetting self while we pray and work for others. Praise His name."

#### ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND, WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

AT the regular monthly meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of St. John's West Circuit, held December 3, 1889, a consultation was held on the best means of realizing the \$50.00 for the education of our Japanese protege, O'Seyi Amga O'Seyi San. We had only 60 cents, and one lady proposed giving two cents each to the members as talents to be used for the Master, and that at the general public meeting each one should render a written account of her use of the talents.

We held our annual public meeting on Friday, March 14, at 8.15, in George Street basement, with a crowded audience. Mrs. Steer, President, in the chair, did her work well and faithfully, first giving out the grand old missionary hymn 707, "Jesus shall reign where'er the sun;" a solemn, appropriate prayer by Mrs. Whycombe; a song by Mrs. C. P. Ayre; then a most interesting and instructive paper on "Missions," by Mrs. A. T. Steer, followed by hymn 438, "Listen, the Master beseecheth," etc.; then an original reading by Mrs. Samways, given well, which I give, should you see good to publish:

#### FOR THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY MEETING.

To ladies fair and gentlemen,  
 And little children here,  
 A welcome from our heart of hearts,  
 Deep as a ringing cheer.  
 You come to-night to hear the tale,  
 In simple language told,  
 Of talents in the form of cents,  
 By women turned to gold.  
 There is not much of poetry  
 In how those cents were turned,  
 But there's a world of solid sense  
 In what those cents have earned:  
 A world of *sweetness* in the tale  
 Of industry's advance,  
 Of delicate manœuvring,  
 Of finesse and finance;  
 Of effervescent pandering  
 To taste in drinks delicious;  
 Of luxuries for house and home,  
 Proposed in hour auspicious.  
 We thank the friends who bought our wares  
 With generous hearts and hands,  
 And now give place to those who tell  
 The tale, just as it stands.