

during the year for Foreign Missions, \$159.71. For Home, \$49.89. No. of women in churches, 499; No of contributors to Circles, 187.

**TORONTO ASSOCIATION.**—Last June, was formed at Stouffville, the Toronto Associational Society, embracing thirteen Circles. Since then seven circles have been formed with a total membership of over fifty at least. This is an addition to our strength, and although it does not make any perceptible difference in our funds at present, owing to some of the Circles having been formed only last month, still at the close of another year we hope to find the interest in missions much greater, and the contributions much larger than at present.

The new Circles formed are at Stouffville, Mineung, Josephine, Schomberg, 2nd King, Eversley, and Staynor, and these are small churches. In several other places the sisters are doing their utmost to arouse an interest in Home and Foreign Missions.

In the smaller and weaker churches the proportion of women who are members of the Circles, is far greater than in the larger churches. For example, in one Toronto church there are only fifty women belonging to the Circle out of one hundred and fifty who are members of the church. In another church the proportion is twenty-three out of one hundred and twenty, and in still another, fifty-one out of one hundred and sixty-seven. This is only one-third, and in one case not one-quarter, of the women professing to be Christians who take any interest in missions. Now see the proportion of women who have the missionary spirit in some of the smaller churches. In one, the missionary women number thirteen out of twenty-two church members, being over half the number of women in the church. In another, ten out of fourteen, and in another, twelve out of sixteen, or three-fourths of the sisters are helping the missionary work. It does seem as though something were wrong when those who have the greatest obstacles to overcome are the most in earnest, or at least a greater number are in earnest.

As the reports from Circles have been very late in coming in, it is impossible to state the exact number of members in our Associational District, but the following numbers are under rather than over the correct estimate; members of circles over 600; number of "LINKS" taken, over 400; amount raised \$1261.15. We hope that by the close of another year it will be found that the Associational Societies have done a good work in stimulating all the Circles within their influence, and of organizing many new ones.

BELLA T. ALEXANDER, *Director.*

### Report of Mission Bands.

Mission Band work is increasing in interest and usefulness year by year. From the tabulated statement given below it will be seen that the children show great earnestness of spirit and have proved their ability to be in no small measure a financial strength to the Society. Twelve new Bands have been formed this year that have reported to me. I believe there have been several others from which I have not heard. Two have ceased to exist—not from lack of interest on the part of the children but because no one could be found to take the responsibility of Leadership. There are in all 62 Bands, of these only 39 have reported; but these 39 Bands have contributed \$940.50. A small proportion of this amount was raised for Home Missions; a very respectable showing and indicates what can and will be the result, when parents and teachers give greater encouragement to the missionary training of the children.

I will not give the tabulated statement as some of the amounts do not correspond with the Treasurer's statements. Some of the Bands I presume, have counted their year from the time of their organization, and not by the missionary year, from Oct. to Oct. And again, suppose some Bands have either made other use of their money or have sent it to the General Treasurer. Should

not there be an understanding about where the money raised by Bands should go? As they are worked by the women, should not all funds be sent directly to the Treasurer of the Woman's Society.

J. E. DADSON, *Claremont, Ont.*

(In reading over the Secretaries Report we find that almost, if not all, of the Bands, mentioned at the meeting as not having been reported, were really included.—Ed.)

### WOMAN'S BAPTIST FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF ONTARIO.

*Receipts from September 20th to October 23rd, inclusive.*

East Zorra, M.C., \$1.50; St. George M.C., \$12.10; Gobles Corners M.C., \$13.63; Port Hope M.C., \$16; Clear Creek M.C., \$9 (for this Mr. Travis \$6, Mrs. Nelson \$1, Miss Lena Haskins 80c, remainder by the Circle); Stouffville M.C., \$7; Paisley M.C., \$23.50 (\$20 of this to support Anna, a Bible woman, on Mr. Craig's field); Hamilton M.B., \$18 (for the support of Charles Burder); Hillsburg M.C., \$5.73; Harriston M.C., \$2.14; St. Thomas M.C., \$11; Alexander Street, Toronto, M.C., \$28.47; Guelph M.C., \$22 (towards making Mrs. Thomas Couch a life member); Guelph M.B., \$3 (balance for the support of Krupporth); Thedford M.C., \$2; Meaford M.C., \$2; Campbellford M.B., \$6 (for Samuella School); Cramah M.C., \$6.32; Emerson, Man., M.C., \$7; Lewis St., Toronto, M.C., \$5.25; Dundas M.C., \$11.35; Grimsby M.C., \$3; Mrs. A. Miller, Kincardine, \$1; Aylmer M.B., \$5.24; Hagarville M.C., \$3; Hartford M.C., \$15; Malahide & Bayham M.O., \$3.20; Uxbridge M.C., \$9.73; Bloor St., Toronto, M.C., \$26.25; Campbellford M.C., \$8; Paris M.C., \$10.70; Paris M.B., \$2.73; Brantford, E. Ward, M.C., \$4.60; Brantford, E. Ward, M.B., \$1; Claremont M.C., \$9; Collingwood M.C., \$3; Line Church M.C., \$2.75; Mrs. Taylor's Children's Miss. Box \$1.25; Port Hope M.B., \$5.50; Woodalee M.C., \$5; Dahfield M.C., \$10.28; Southwold M.C., \$2; Sparta M.C., \$12; St. Mary's M.C., \$5; Hamilton M.C., \$45.65; Lakefield M.C., \$14; Thamesville M.C., \$7; Woodstock M.C., \$14; Springford M.B., \$1.70; Uxbridge M.B., \$3.02; Beachville M.B., \$3; Belfountain M.C., \$2; Schomberg M.C., \$1.68; Rodney M.C., \$1.43; Port Perry M.C., \$4; Jarvis St., Toronto, M.C., \$72.05; Thornbury M.C., \$1; Parkhill M.C., \$3.70; Bridgen M.C., \$7; Forest M.C., \$9; Ailsa Craig M.C., \$6.25; Wyoming M.C., \$9.70; 1st Lobo M.C., \$6; London, Adelaide St., M.C., \$28; London, Talbot St., M.C., \$22.91; Mount Brydges M.C., \$4.75; Plympton Township M.C., \$8; Calvary Church M.C., \$7; Strathroy M.O., \$14.75; Sarnia M.C., \$16; Tecumseh M.C., \$2; 2nd King M.C., \$2.32; Clear Creek Miss. Boxes, \$4.10; Peterboro', Grace McDonald's Miss. Box, \$2.25; Simcoe M.C., \$5; Boston M.C., \$12; Mrs. Newton, Kincardine, \$1; Windsor M.C., \$1.50; Windsor S.S. Children, 50c.; Beverley St., Toronto, M.C., \$6.30; Beverley St., Toronto, M.B., \$1.30; Mrs. J. W. Lator, Oranville, \$5; Portage La Prairie M.C., \$10.61; Scotland M.C., \$14; Hagersville M.C., \$3; Beamsville \$45; Port Arthur M.C., \$2.25; Eversley M.C., \$2; A Friend, Charlotteville, \$2; Harrow M.C., \$10; Mrs. Timpany, Woodstock, \$5; Springfield M.C., \$7.75; Bookton M.C., \$4. Total, \$592.15.

JESSIE L. ELLIOTT, *Treas.*

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### WOMEN'S B. F. M. SOCIETY OF EASTERN ONTARIO AND QUEBEC.

*Receipts from June 20th, to October 19th, 1886.*

Montreal, (Olivet) \$11.50; Cornwall, \$21; Perth, \$11; Osgoode, (including \$17.80 for Zenana House) \$57.16; Coaticook, \$57.05; Ottawa, \$30; Almonte, \$19; Montreal, (First Baptist) \$47.62; Daleville, \$35; Sawyerville, \$19; Abbott's Corner's, \$11; Magog, \$17; Hull, \$12.75; Morrisburg, \$12; Dominionville, \$12; South Gower, \$22.25; Kemptonville, \$7; West Winchester, \$20.10; Beale Plain, \$4; Maxville, \$7.50; Buckingham, \$10; Ossabuck, \$5; Roxboro' (including \$6 for Zenana House) \$13; Barnston, \$26.70; Inverness, \$16; Brookville, \$8. Total, \$511.62. MARY A. SMITH, *Treas.*

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