

Report of The Literature Department, W. B. F. M. S. Year Ending October 15th, 1926

Since Anniversary, birthday and jubilee are the words of this Convention, the Literature Department would like to add its quota to the general celebration. On searching the annals of the past we find that it is 35 years since this department was instituted as the Bureau of Literature, under Mrs. C. W. King, and this is the fifth full year's report presented by the present Secretary, and since the Foreign Department has been on a business basis at 66 Bloor St. W.

And just here, like the others of our Society, we wish to acknowledge our debt to the past. Mrs. King, now of Walkerton, began and carried on the work for about 10 years, and is still one of our most loyal and inspiring friends. Mrs. R. C. Dancy, of Toronto, then took the work, and her faithfulness, and particularly her generosity, are often remembered as we use certain accessories

Amount of cash received	\$ 609.72
Balance, Oct., 1925	29.29
	\$ 639.01

Oct. 22nd, 1926.

We have had some much needed printing done this year. Two Biographical sketches of the Misses Robinson and Jones, have been written for us, and the sketch of Miss Baskerville has been revised until it looks like new. Another leaflet which you will all surely welcome, is "THE HOPE OF THE WORLD," a sketch of our Educational work in India. Miss Laura Craig kindly wrote this for us. Everyone needs these 4 leaflets, as well as other new ones we have bought, and added to our stock this year.

The Lace Department has greatly exceeded our expectations. We have sent out some 45 parcels to be sold in other towns, and the total sales have been \$771.02. This is nearly \$225 more than last year. We have been

around the office, and we are very thankful to her. Then came Mrs. Moor. The great love and the wise work she put into our department, makes the office still redolent with the fragrance of her loving devotion. This last five years the business has increased wonderfully, but on account of changed conditions it is not fair to compare it with the past. The Secretary humbly and gratefully acknowledges, that under God, this great growth is mainly due to the wise foundations laid by these noble women, on whose building the superstructure can be raised.

The results of the past year are not so great as we would like to report, but we can see that the calls on our department are changing very much in character, and we have every reason to believe that we have been able to serve our Circles more, even though the figures may not show it.

Disbursements	\$ 553.38
Balance Oct., 1926	85.63
	\$ 639.01

Audited and found correct,

Eva Nasmith.

able to send back to India about \$600. We are surprised and so thankful that we are able to help the Indian women this way.

SERVICE is the word, printed in capitals, of this Department, and any help we can render is most cheerfully and gladly done, so tell your Circles not to hesitate in making enquiry. We would express our sincere gratitude to those who have so willingly helped us this year, and ask for your co-operation for the future, that we may serve more effectively for the sake of Him whom we love.

Respectfully submitted.

Edith Dale,
Secretary.