

have covered their connection with the Band; others have been added, the number now being fifteen. The first year of our work we raised \$10, by fees and sale of a quilt. Last year, the amount raised was \$32, which, as our Band is a Union, was divided among the different denominations, namely: Baptist, Methodist, Presbyterian, Congregational and Episcopalian, to be devoted to Foreign Missions. An auxiliary band of children called "The Little Helpers," was organized in 1886, now numbering fifteen. The money is raised by fees, banks, and the collections taken up at our annual meeting concerts. The Band edits a paper called the *Maple Leaf*, the matter of which is purely missionary, contributed by the members of the Band, each of whom, in turn, is elected editor.

Looking over our four years' work we feel encouraged to work on in the mission cause, and although our efforts seem small and weak, yet God is able to give the increase and we trust that by faithful striving, we may earn the "Well Done" of the Master.

SCIRIE E. SMITH, *Cor. Sec.*

BRANTFORD, ONT. On Tuesday evening, Nov. 13th, the ladies of the Park Baptist Church Mission Circle held their first public meeting since the Circle's inception, in the church, when a large number were present, and very interesting addresses were delivered by Mrs. McLaurin and Miss Frith, our returned missionaries, upon the work in India, and Mrs. A. R. McMaster, of Toronto, upon Home Missions and Grande Ligne work, and the addresses were interspersed by music by the choir. The Secretary read a report of the Circle since its organization two years ago, showing that it organized with eleven members, and has nearly forty, with an average attendance of eighteen at their meetings, which are held the first Thursday afternoon of each month. New members are joining every month, and interest in the work is steadily increasing. The money which is raised by the Circle is equally divided between Home and Foreign Missions, and \$25 a year is given towards the support of Miss Priscilla Beggs, a Bible-woman in India. Besides the regular monthly meetings, three Union meetings are held during the year, when the three sister Circles, viz., the First Church, East Church and Park Church Circles join together and are entertained in turn by each other, when an interesting programme is prepared in which members from each Circle take part in addresses, papers and prayers that God will bless our work, and an enjoyable and profitable time is always spent. The object of the Circle in holding a public meeting is to try and arouse the interest of others in Mission work, and we intend holding one annually. A number have already joined our Circle this year, and others have signified their intention of doing so, so we look forward with hopefulness to a far more successful year.

JEAN S. MORTON, *Sec.*

WYOMING. On Tuesday evening, November 20th, the Annual Meeting of the W. B. H. & F. M. Circles and Children's H. M. Band, was held in the Wyoming Baptist church. After the chairman's address, the secretary's report was read, which was very encouraging. The treasurer's report was as follows: H. M. Circle, \$11.37; F. M. Band, \$8.02; F. M. Band, Missionary Boxes, \$15.00; F. M. Circle, \$22.95; collection at public meeting, \$5.20; making a total for the year, \$62.54. Besides this \$4.50 and one package of carpets, quilts, etc., was sent to Grand Ligne Institute. After the reports John McLaurin gave a very interesting address, telling the sad story of the condition of the women of India. Three lit-

tle girls followed with a dialogue, "What children can do," among the beautiful and touching hymn "Over the ocean wave," in closing. A reading was given by W. E. Norton, and a recitation entitled "A Birthday Offering," by Miss Jackie Norton, both of which were well rendered. Two fine selections of music entitled "My Bible," and "We will do what we can," were sung by Mr. Holbrook and the Misses Holbrook, which helped to make the meeting the best yet held by the Circles and Band. Proceeds of meeting \$22.50.

E. PARK, *Sec., F. M. C.*

MOUNT FOREST MISSION BAND. - Organized about six weeks ago with twenty-eight members, and we now have forty. The children are enthusiastic in the work. We meet every two weeks; a programme consisting usually of songs, readings and recitations, also of missionary instruction, by our president, Mrs. Westervelt; fee, one or two cents a month, also freewill offerings. Officers: Pres., Mrs. Westervelt; Vice-Pres., Miss M. Jack; Sec., Miss Mattie Falk; Treas., Miss Grace Stovel; Collector, Miss Ora Gregory.

MARY WALKER, *Sec.*

MILTON, QUEEN'S CO. The Society here, though small, is working earnestly and praying for increased consecration. In accordance with the change in the constitution of the W. B. M. C., made at Wolfville in August, our Society has undertaken to raise money for Home as well as Foreign Missions, and in the furtherance of this object we propose to give, each month, a social entertainment at the houses of the different members of the Society. A large number of us met at the parsonage on Tuesday evening. After a few minutes spent in social conversation an interesting programme was rendered, consisting of music and readings, at the close of which the pastor made a few remarks and offered prayer. A collection was then taken, amounting to \$3.50. A few minutes more spent in a social manner brought to a close a pleasant and we trust profitable evening.

M. R. CRANDALL.

New Circles.

DELTA. Home and Foreign Mission Circle, organized Sept. 26th, by Miss Frith. Officers: Mrs. Allyn, Pres.; Mrs. Sirell, Vice-Pres.; Mrs. Omar Brown, Sec.; Miss E. Stevens, Assist. Sec.; Miss J. E. Donant, Treas.; Mrs. Luther Stevens, Miss Julia Allyn, Com. Present membership 22.

PLATTVILLE. - A Home and Foreign Mission Circle was organized Dec. 20th, by Miss Frith, with nine members. Officers: Miss E. A. Starnaman, Pres.; Mrs. J. Baird, Vice-Pres.; Miss J. Baird, Treas.; Miss L. Daniel, Solicitor; Miss M. A. Witmer, Sec. We call our Circle "The Frith Circle."

FREDERICTON, N.B. - I am glad to be able to report the formation of another Aid Society. On the 24th ult. Mrs. March came up from St. John, and we drove ten miles to Nashwaak, where we held a women's meeting according to appointment. About twenty-five sisters were present, and the Master was with us. We had scarcely hoped that a society would be the outcome of the effort; however, our lack of faith was rebuked when, on the question, would they like to organize, being asked, thirteen sisters rose to their feet, thus signifying this to be their desire.