

# Letter Leaflet of the Woman's Auxiliary

*"The love of Christ constraineth us."*—ii Cor v 14

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## PROVINCIAL WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

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Not many days after the receipt of this number we will be called upon to celebrate the anniversary of the Birth of Our Lord Jesus Christ, the greatest missionary that ever lived. The President and General Officers of the W.A. unite in wishing every member a Happy, Holy Christmas, fraught with many blessings from our Saviour-King, and may we all learn of Him how best to "be about our Father's business" in the many spheres in which we are privileged to serve Him.

The General Corresponding Secretary regrets exceedingly that the third paragraph in last month's LEAFLET, referring to the request of the Board of Management regarding appeals, has proved itself capable of so much wider a reading than it was her intention to convey. The appeals spoken of were simply those which have hitherto been sent simultaneously to each Diocesan Secretary, and to the Church papers; almost word for word the same and really amounting to a circular letter. In no way was there any intention of interfering with the interesting and most valuable correspondence existing between missionaries, branches, or individuals, a curtailing of which would be most disastrous in many ways. The more we hear from the "field-workers" the better, but when it came to be a case of copying, the Board was anxious to relieve those whose time is more valuable than that of the General Officers, hence the request.

Many loving words of sympathy have been received for "our Mrs. Irvine," and the kind inquiries of many members to which when forwarded to her, the following reply was received. "Please accept my most grateful thanks for your loving sympathy, and forgive me if I cannot write more fully. The sympathy of one's friends is very sweet and I wish I could more adequately thank you all, but it seems as if I was deprived of the power and ability to do so, though I appreciate it and am very thankful for it. I feel sure that the many prayers offered for me have been answered by strength being given me to bear, and that I can see through all the sorrow, the Father's loving Hand."

The warm congratulations of the W.A. have been sent to Dr. Mockridge, Secretary-Treasurer of the D. & F. Mission Board, upon his appointment as Canon of St. Alban's Cathedral.

The Lord Bishop of Moosonee writes thus of his Diocese and may it be the last time that the Church people of Canada can merit such a reproach: