

The other special meeting, on Oct. 3rd, was held in Olivet Church, to consider the estimate for the coming year. The following recommendation was moved and seconded: That the Board sustain the appropriations as presented and that \$1500.00 be raised, as a forward movement.

Three meetings for prayer and the appointed, "Days of Prayer" have been observed.

The semi-annual day of prayer held in the First Baptist Church on April 13th was an occasion of great interest. About 150 persons sat down to a banquet after which a special exercise was introduced called "A Feast of Candles." A seven-branched candlestick stood in the centre of the principal table. Mrs. F. L. Orchard presided. In a few words, she told how Moses was directed by God to make a seven-branched candlestick to give light in the Tabernacle. This candlestick was to be made of pure gold and exactly according to the pattern given on the Mount. She said, we might, with much profit, light seven candles, that would shed light on our missionary work and problems. As the leader lighted each candle, one by one, seven Circle members spoke on various points of Spiritual enlightenment. These were: **Information, Training, Steadfastness, Giving, Enthusiasm, Transformation, and The Great Pattern.**

After the addresses, the remaining half hour was spent in prayer, while the various branches of our Home and Foreign work were presented at the Throne of Grace, and our hearts were deeply stirred, for the success of our Mission work.

An afternoon meeting of the ladies of the Baptist Churches of Montreal was held in Olivet Lecture Room on June 4th, to welcome our beloved missionary, Miss Annie E. Murray, this being her first meeting, with us, since her return from India. Miss Murray was full of enthusiasm for her work and very hopeful for the future.

Two lectures were given during last winter, in aid of the Expense Fund of the Board, one by Sub-Lieut. Harold Griffith, the subject being "Fifty Thousand Miles on a British Destroyer," in the Temple Baptist Church; the other by Major, the Rev. Cannon Shatford, in the Olivet Lecture Room, subject: "Some Impressions of the War." Both lectures were very largely attended and most interesting, and the net sum of \$100.50 realized. Quarterly reports from our missionaries in India, have kept us in touch with their work; also the reports from the Superintendent of Bureau of Literature, showing an increased demand for literature and helps, on our women's work.

The reports from the Superintendent of Bands have been encouraging, several new Bands have been organized, and the interest in missions of the young people of our church has been stimulated.

Reports have been received from time to time of the progress of our Young Women's Circles and we are encouraged to believe, that this work will grow to be a great part in our Society.

On invitation, our Board was represented at the Annual Meeting of the Montreal Presbyterial, and at the Diocesan Auxiliary, by Mrs. F. S. Orchard.

We extend our sympathy to those friends, who have been called upon to mourn the loss of loved ones, and as a Board we have lost a valued member and friend in the passing away of our sister, Miss Margaret Clarke, who, for many years, was an active member and deeply interested in our Society and its work.

At the Quarterly Meeting last June, all realized the need for greater earnestness in prayer for our missionaries and for the increase of funds in our treasury to meet our many demands. The members were asked to form a prayer Circle and to observe the noon hour for this purpose.

As we review the events of the past year, our hearts are filled with gratitude and praise to God, for His great mercies to our missionaries, for the success of all our work, and that He has heard and answered our prayers and our treasury has been richly supplied, so that we have been able to meet all our appropriations, in full.

Respectfully submitted,
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