

**Nominating Committee reported:** Mrs. W. D. Scott, President; Mrs. Chas. Smith, 1st Vice-President; Mrs. Dougald Brown, 2nd Vice-President; Miss M. A. Nicholls, Directress; Miss Jackson, Assistant Directress.

Collection, \$8.24.

At 9 a.m. the women met for conference. Mrs. C. G. Smith, in a talk on LINK and "Visitor," showed the benefit and necessity of not only subscribing for, but reading these organs, for efficient work in our Circles.

Mrs. Hamilton gave some helpful hints on obtaining new members in a talk on "Interesting Women in Our Circle Work."

Miss A. Walton presented the subject, "A New Standard of Giving," in an interesting way, and the conference closed with a discussion on "Mission Band Work, led by Miss Jackson, in which valuable hints to Band leaders were given

L. WESTON, Sec.

Miss Day, of Owen Sound, sang sweetly "His Eye Is on the Sparrow."

We were pleased to have with us Mrs. Zavitz, of Toronto, who brought before us in her own clear style the work of Home Missions among the foreigners of our land, and among the newer settled parts of the provinces especially. As we followed her through the Mission fields, we were made to feel more fully the need of more work and money for the carrying on of this great work.

Rev. and Mrs. Shantz favored us with a duet, "My Only Hope."

The Foreign Mission address by Miss Selman was listened to with delight as she described the wonderful change that had been wrought by God through His missionaries among the women and girls of India.

Meeting closed with prayer. Offering, \$13.84.

J. MACLEAN,  
Assist. Sec.-Treasurer.

**Owen Sound.**—The Annual Meeting of the Circles and Bands of the Owen Sound Association met with the church in Durham, June 13th. The morning session opened with the President, Mrs. Pickard, in the chair. After singing and prayer, Mrs. Wylie read the scripture from Luke, 8th chapter.

The Director's report was very encouraging. Total raised during the year by Circles, Bands and Y.W.M.S., \$566.01, an increase of \$96.70 over last year.

A splendid Bible reading on Systematic Giving was read by Mrs. Thompson, of Owen Sound.

The officers elected were: Director, Mrs. Judson Macintosh, Owen Sound; Assistant Director, Mrs. J. W. Thompson, Owen Sound; President, Mrs. A. E. Pickard, Wiarton; Vice-President, Mrs. Sinclair, Meaford; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. J. A. Graham, Durham; Assistant Secretary-Treasurer, Miss J. MacLean, Durham.

The afternoon session opened by scripture reading by Mrs. McEwen, Wiarton. Mrs. C. Brown delivered the address of welcome, which was responded to by Mrs. Pickard. Greetings were also received from Presbyterian, Methodist and Anglican Societies, Mrs. Macintosh replying.

Mrs. Day opened discussion on Band work, which was very instructive.

**Canada Central.**—The Circles and Bands of the Canada Central Association held their 29th Annual Meeting at Carleton Place June 19, 1917, with 37 delegates in attendance. Mrs. McLaren, Directress, reported the total offerings for the year \$1,179.72, an increase of \$58.32 over last year. A Mission Band has been organized at Athens. The membership of our Circles is now 65 per cent. of the women of our churches. Miss Margaret Washburn, representing the H. M. Board, drew lessons from the story of Esther on our opportunity and responsibility "at such a time as this." Mrs. M. Stevens, representing the F. M. Board, read extracts from letters from Miss Murray, Miss Hinman and Miss McLaurin, and their appeal was for more prayer, more interest, more money. In the evening Rev. C. L. Timpany spoke of various ways in which the missionary seeks to live Christ among the Telugus, and so gain a hearing for the Word.

**Ottawa.**—The Annual Meeting of the Circles and Bands of the Ottawa Association convened with the Osgoode Baptist Church, June 19th, 1917, at 2 p.m. Twenty-four delegates from Circles present, and five from Bands. Twenty-four Circles in Association and twelve Bands. Amount raised during year for Foreign