

## CIRCLE REPORTS.

TORONTO.—On Thursday, Oct. 25th, a Union meeting of the Women's Mission Circles of our Baptist Churches in Toronto, was held in Jarvis Street Church. Members from practically every Circle in the City were present, and so large was the attendance that the commodious school-room of the Church was quite filled. The meeting was one of intense interest, the chief features of the afternoon being addresses by Rev. Dr. Gordon, of Montreal, and Miss L. R. Jones, Missionary-elect to India. Dr. Gordon's subject was Grande Ligne Mission, his address was a powerful one, dealing with the French Mission work as a necessity, first politically, second educationally, and third religiously. His straightforward, appealing presentation of the subject held everyone in sympathetic interest to the end. Miss Jones' address, followed, and those who did not already know and love her, did so before she had finished. Simply and directly she told of her desire, her call and her decision to go to the foreign field. She leaves now with the love and sympathy of every woman who had the privilege of hearing her that afternoon. At the close of the meeting tea was served, and a happy hour spent in a social gathering. Altogether, it was one of our most profitable gathering and meant much towards the strengthening of the tie between all our Mission Circles.

L. M. S., Sec.

NEW SARUM.—On Wednesday evening, Aug. 15th, we held an open meeting of our Circle and Band. The President, Mrs. Newcomb occupied the Chair. The meeting opened by a short address by our President, which was followed by music given by members of the church and congregation. Some very interesting and helpful papers were given by Mrs. Rinch, the Assistant Director, and others. Reports of the year's work which was very encouraging, was given by the Secretaries of the Circle and Band. Light refreshments were served at the close. A Silver Offering was taken, amounting to \$9.50.

J. GILBERT,

Secretary.

MONTREAL.—The Day of Prayer for Home and Foreign Missions was observed in Montreal by a united Prayer Meeting, held in the French

Baptist Church. Amid the downpour of heavy rain a few from each of our churches assembled and poured out our hearts to our Heavenly Father on behalf of the various Missions connected with our denominations. The presence of the Master was in our midst and a blessing will follow our prayers.

J. C.

CHATHAM, WILLIAM STREET. — Under the capable and painstaking President, Mrs. McDonald, our Circle has had a very encouraging and prosperous year, from Oct. 1906, to Oct. 1907. We have held 12 regular meetings, where Miss L. Greene took up the study of "Lux Christi," a book on India. We held one open meeting, where the public listened to very excellent papers on the different missions stations. We also held four quarterly meetings at the following homes: Mrs. Houston, Mrs. Hanna, MacAuley and Beusen, where the Watch Tower Theme was carried out and, in addition, we had letters read from the following missionaries: Mr. Woodburne, India; Mr. Peer, New Liskeard; Mr. Leabeau, Quebec, and Mr. McLachlan, of Smyrna, Subject, "The Island of Patmos as he saw it when on a Visit." Mrs. Hanna read the 1st Chapter of Revelation, where God revealed Himself to John, the beloved disciple, when he was driven in exile to that lonely island. This letter revealed many touching incidents. Mrs. R. Flater, of California, a former member of our Circle, spoke on giving the tenth of our substance unto the Lord, she also spoke of the life of Wm. Colgate. Mr. Matthews, our Pastor, spoke a few well-chosen words along the line of Mr. McLachlan's letter, comparing it to our church work, the main point being to seek souls for Christ, that alone would count in the Kingdom of God. Special music and a lunch served at each of the quarterly meetings made them profitable and sociable. The Circle also met to sew for a box to be sent to New Ontario, valued at no less than \$50, we had 43 new garments, 10 new quilts, besides good second-hand coats, etc. The Rev. J. J. Ross, of Toronto, kindly gave us a Lecture and Stereoptican Views of Rome, the city of Seven Hills. Sent \$80.94 to Foreign Missions; \$48.90 to Home Missions, total \$129.93. For all these blessings we give thanks to God.

MRS. J. E. OLDERSHAW,

Secretary.