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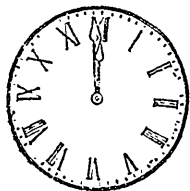
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"The love of Christ constraineth us."—2 Cor. v. 14.



PROVINCIAL WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

MISS L. H. MONTIZAMBERT, *Gen. Sec*

Ask of me, and I shall give thee the heathen for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession.—PSALM II. 8.

Subjects for Prayer and Reading: May—Saskatchewan and Calgary, Palestine, Assyria
June—New Westminster, B C., Japan.

TRIENNIAL MEETING.

The Fourth Triennial Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary is to be held in Montreal next September, at the same time as the Provincial Synod meets. Each Diocesan Branch has the privilege of sending its President (who is ex-officio a Vice-President of the Provincial W.A.), the three Diocesan members who are members of the Provincial Board of Management, and four delegates to the Triennial Meeting; making in all eight votes from each Diocese. It is earnestly hoped that not only the above mentioned but as many members as can, will arrange their summer outings so as to find themselves in Montreal at the time of this Triennial Meeting, at which all will be heartily welcomed.

We would ask our members to include in their thanksgivings the direct answer to the prayers of the W.A. that a teacher might be found for Onion Lake, Diocese Saskatchewan. Miss Phillips of Winnipeg has offered herself for this work, and left for Onion Lake early in April. Our friend Mrs. Young, of Athabasca, writing of the farewell evening given Miss Phillips in Holy Trinity School Room, says "She is a bright Christian, has a most loving beaming face, full of hope, so brave, and seems very suitable for the work she has undertaken." Mrs. Fortier and others who know Miss Phillips, speak most highly of her also. Mr. Matheson has undertaken to pay her salary out of his own small stipend, but we trust our W.A.'s will help him to meet the expense. If each Diocese will contribute \$20 a year the \$120 needed will soon be made up. How many will volunteer to contribute and help raise the \$20 in their own Diocese, now at once?

Mrs. Matheson, to whom we are indebted for much nice reading in the past, sends us the following from her far off home: "In looking over the LEAFLET I was wondering how many of its readers knew

where Union Lake was, or what the nature of the work being done there. Many of them do not realize that we are 200 miles from the nearest railway station, and only get our mail once a fortnight; we are so accustomed to this that it has ceased to be a hardship, but it will explain many seeming delays. For instance you might think a letter a long time unanswered or a bale long unacknowledged, but when you remember that a bale may lie some weeks or months at Saskatoon before some freighter puts it on his load for Battleford, and may again be there some time before any freighter leaves for Union Lake, which they will not do till they can make up a load, then you can understand how it is so long a time in reaching its destination.

In our work here we have the regular Sunday Services and visitations among the Indians on the Reserve. Mr. Matheson being both minister and doctor as he is needed, and besides the work on the Reserve he visits out-stations at Moose, Long, Frog and Island Lakes, respectively 80, 60, 25 and 35 miles distant. We have eleven children in the boarding School at present. To carry on the work we have had only the \$300 grant from the Indian Department as teacher's salary. but as I was teacher myself we turned this into the support of the children, and took in half-breed and non-treaty as well as treaty Indian children. And now I must tell you my main object in writing, which is to thank the members of the W.A. for the generous help they have given us. Without their aid we could not possibly have carried on the work, for the money, which being all needed for food, could not have clothed them also. We have never hesitated about taking a child for we knew we had never lacked anything, and believed our Father would not allow us to lack, and he never has. Since receiving recognition as a Boarding School the teacher's salary ceases, and instead we get a grant for the maintenance of each treaty Indian child of school age, and as this includes only three out of our eleven children, we will in the meantime have less money to carry on the School than heretofore. But in this I can say for Mr. Matheson as well as myself that we are not inclined to let this make any difference in our work, but will still take in any child whose parents are willing to give it to us, and whatever is needed for their comfort or ours our Father will supply out of His abundance. I do not mean that we are independent of such help as the W.A. has already given us, as well might the prophet have refused to take bread from the raven, saying 'God would feed him.' A few weeks ago Mr. Matheson went into a house on the Reserve and found two old women, sisters, utterly unable to help themselves, and one of them blind, a younger woman who never walks without a crutch, and who cannot see even to move about the room sat with them, and also her son a young married man who has been blind more than a year, and always has a lad to lead him about. A young woman with a child were the only other occupants of the house, and since his visit she has I believe another baby to care for. They

were almost destitute of clothing, and they had had nothing to eat that day. Mr. Matheson gave them some tea and fish, and he says he does not know when he felt anything more than to see that young woman snatch the fish and laugh. The next day she came up to the house, and when we caught sight of her she was working like a man at the wood pile, and before noon had cut about a cord and a half of wood; when asked what pay she wanted she said, 'What else would I want but fish.' You could not but feel sorry for some of these poor people and I am sure the W.A. would feel more than repaid for their labours could they see how the gift of a jacket, a skirt, or a making of tea is appreciated."

The Rev. E. Matheson, of Prince Albert, has been appointed Principal of the Industrial School at Battleford. We wish him every success.

Palestine and Assyria claim our thoughts this month—most interesting of all lands, because hallowed by having been the dwelling place of the Man Christ, and calling for no small share of our attention now, as we watch the rapid fulfilment of prophesy going on there in the present day. The Mission is in need of more help than ever owing to the return of the Jews to Palestine, and especially to Jerusalem, one of the most remarkable events of the day. Jerusalem is again a city of the Jews, and a grand opportunity presents itself for fulfilling the injunction to preach the Gospel "beginning at Jerusalem." The Rev. W. Sadler writes, "The Church in the Dominion of Canada has taken this year a still greater share in helping the Bishop in his work, and its large block grants have enabled him to develop new work on every single occasion that they have been sent." This should be an encouragement to do more than has been done before as the field and needs grow greater year by year. (For article on Palestine see *Church Mission News*.)

Mrs. Young writes, "We leave Winnipeg, if God wills it, on May 3rd. The Bishop has decided for me to travel with him, so I trust I may have strength and health for it and be made a great blessing. We shall be at the Landing about ten days before we go on the steamer, June 1st., down the Athabasca to Chipewyan first, then up Peace River and home by Lesser Slave Lake, hoping to reach the Landing about Oct. 1st., for the winter."

The Bishop of Moosonee and Mrs. Newnham, also leave this month for their northern home, but not together unfortunately. The Bishop starts on a visit to Fort Churchill, the most remote Mission in his Diocese, and if all goes well and everything fits in he may get back to Moose Fort in October, if not, he will be a prisoner up there until the ice melts again next spring. Mrs. Newnham, brave little woman that she is, goes due north taking a fortnight's journey in canoes accompanied by her three little children, two of them only six months old, and thus will get to Moose Fort for the summer. The worst part is

that once started on their respective journeys neither can hear of or from the other until they meet again, be it October or next spring. The anxiety and longing that will entail is almost more than we who have such frequent mails can realize. Surely many a W. A. heart will rise a fervent prayer that they may be watched over and kept in safety to meet again this autumn.

DORCAS DEPARTMENT.

Bishop Young advises the various Branches to have their special marks for the bales, for instance he is just writing the Rev. P. Mignot, Milton, Ontario, asking him to use the mark M, then if the Bishop saw a bale to the Rev. H. Robinson, at the Landing, with this mark on it he would know it was from Milton, and could inform the Branch that it was safely on its way and save long delay.

Miss L. H. Montzambert is leaving Toronto for a time, but her address will remain the same until further notice.

N. B.—The following was crowded out of Rev. Malcolm Scott's letter in last month's issue, page 576, March number.—

"Lists of two bales were sent us, so we know they started but have not reached us; I chiefly regretted them on account of the medicine they contained, having a very small supply in stock. Will you kindly ask the senders of bales please to place within each something to indicate who has sent it. It is not easy to know for a list of contents is not always sent by letter. Miss Herbert, now Mrs. Warwick, who joined us last summer is truly an acquisition and help in every way."

The General Treasurer Mrs. Irvine most earnestly requests that all money orders be made out to her as "Louisa Irvine." When her late husband's name or initials are given as at present, it causes much trouble and confusion.

It gives us great pleasure to quote the following from the *Qu'Appelle Church Monthly*, and who will not wish that the same may be said of them? "The Bishop, Mrs. Burn and Miss Body have left Qu'Appelle Station for two months or so. We are all very sorry to be without them for even that short time. We have learnt to esteem and love them; there is not a poor man, woman, laddie, or lassie in our congregation but looks on them as his or her special friends."

Rev. T. H. Pritchard, of Lac Seul, Dio. Rupert's Land, writes that he was promised a Communion Service from some Branch of our W. A., three or four years ago, but has never received it. Will whoever promised it let the Acting General Dorcas Secretary know if it has been sent or if the Branch would like to send it now, it is very much needed. Particulars regarding the "Missionaries' Communion Set" containing Chalice, Paten, Flagon, Flask, and Baptismal bowl in quadruple plate can be obtained by applying to the Acting General Dorcas Secretary, 1a Harbord St. Toronto.

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DIOCESAN MOTTO:—"Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might."

Subject for Reading and Prayer. May—Saskatchewan, Calgary, Palestine, Assyria.

AUXILIARY NOTES.

Fine weather greeted the opening day of the ninth Annual Meeting of the W.A. of the Toronto Diocese. About 600 women assembled in St. James' Cathedral at 11 a.m. when the Holy Communion was celebrated. The Rev. J. Boulder with other city clergy officiated. The Rev. J. Plummer kindly taking charge of the music. After Roll call and announcements in St. James' School House, lunch was partaken of by about 450 delegates and friends. At 2.30 the business of the meeting began, reports were read by all the Secretaries and Treasurers, and the President delivered her Annual address, which dealt with the practical everyday work of the Parochial Branches. The address of welcome to delegates and friends was given by Mrs. Davidson, 1st Vice-President, and gracefully responded to by Mrs. Gibson, of Norwood. An extremely interesting paper on Corea, was given by Mrs. Hodgins. At 8 p.m. evening service was held in St. James' Cathedral which was filled to the doors; the music was most beautifully rendered, and sincere thanks are due to Mr. Schuch and his admirable choir for their kind assistance. The Rev. Prof. Clark gave an eloquent sermon upon the verse "She hath done what she could." Thursday, May 2nd, was another fine day. At 10.30 after hymn, creed, prayers,

with special intercessions, a most helpful Bible reading was given by Miss Stewart, of Orillia. The Life Membership money amounting to \$300, was balloted for, and went to the furnishing of the new Hospital on the Blackfoot Reserve, by a very large vote. The discussion upon "How can the spiritual life be deepened in the Parish and Home," was ably led by Mrs. Davidson, followed by Mrs. Boulton, of Toronto; Mrs. Walters, of Lindsay; Mrs. Greene, of Orillia; Mrs. Carry, of Port Perry; and others. Family prayer before breakfast, if only three or four verses with a Collect daily—courtesy in the family life, and in dealing with others—a readiness to efface self, and in the Parish to be ready to do the work you are asked to do willingly—strict care in the daily reading of the Bible, and private Prayer—endeavouring to acquire the practice of constant lifting up of the heart in prayer for our suffering fellow creatures, with a habit of giving thanks for daily mercies, were all ably spoken of, as likely to be of the greatest use in promoting a spiritual life. The nomination of officers by ballot practically resulted in an almost unanimous re-election of the officers, with the addition of Miss Osler, Convenor of P.M.C., and Mrs. Morgan, Secretary of the same, Mrs. Broughall, Convenor of Literature Committee, and Mrs. Mockridge, Convenor of Dorcas Committee. Mrs. Laurence Baldwin's paper upon "Missionary Heroes" was replete with information, delightfully put together. Miss Tilley arranged a twenty minute exercise upon the "Parliamentary way of carrying on a meeting" which should be most helpful to all who were privileged to listen, or to take part. Miss Osler's paper or address upon "The Lay women in the parish" was most instructive, and many requests were made to her for copies of the same. The public meeting in the pavilion was a great success, the Ministering Children's League, and Junior Auxiliaries turning out in large numbers, the views were excellent, and the singing of the children sweet to hear, they were all extremely well behaved, dispersing to their homes in a most orderly manner. Friday, May 3rd, saw the Schoolhouse again filled with earnest women. After the service of Praise and Prayer, Miss Lowe, lately from Aspdin, Algoma, gave the Bible reading, listened to with the greatest attention. The discussion upon the Parochial Missionary collections elicited much information as to the feasibility of this plan of regular systematic collecting of small offerings, Missionary facts came next, and was a most interesting item on the programme. Lunch was again provided, and equally well managed as on the two previous days. The appropriation of the E.C.A.D. money, \$60.40, deferred from the monthly meeting of April was then voted upon, and after much interested voting finally goes to aid the Piegan Reserve, where Miss Brown, our former Missionary is at work. The five minute papers by the Girls' Mission Band were all most interesting, it was a subject for great thankfulness to see so many girls at these meetings. The reception of the Thankofferings was a deeply solemn

event, and pathetic were some of the written words; childrens' offerings were also there, and one offering of \$20, "for the restoration to health of the Diocesan President" was touching to her in the extreme. The Doxology was sung, the Question Drawer opened, and questions answered, Minutes read and resolutions passed, after Special Prayer the ninth Annual Meeting of the Toronto Diocesan Branch of the W.A. closed with the feeling that all had been strengthened to persevere in this service for God even unto the end.

NOTES OF THE MEETING.

Miss Atkinson greatly assisted the meetings by acting as organist throughout all the Sessions. The little son of our E.C.A.D. Treasurer never flagged in his duties as page to the officers. The arrangements for the lunch were all that could be desired, and great praise was bestowed upon the Lunch Committee. The Secretary for Booklets, with her assistants, was indefatigable, and many booklets, maps, and cards of notice of the W.A. to be hung up in the Church porches, were sold. The Table of work shown by the Dorcas Committee was of great usefulness, showing the value of using up apparently useless articles. The Devotional and Spiritual aspect of the W.A., was, thank God, the key note of the meeting. The Toronto people felt greatly honored by the presence of visitors from Niagara, Huron, Algoma, and Ontario Dioceses. The Treasurer announced that the offering during the three days, including the Thank Offering, amounted to \$311.20. Miss Smith in Japan and Miss Durnell at Lesser Slave Lake are supported in a large measure by these offerings. Letters of loving sympathy were sent from the meeting to Mrs. Baker, Mrs. Ruttan and Mrs. Holland, and many fervent prayers offered on behalf of other dear members. The Work being done among the Jews in Toronto by a member of the W.A. was brought forward. Thank Offerings for the same were given, and thankfulness expressed that the women of the W.A. could find opportunities to help in promoting this great work. "They shall prosper that love Thee."

The Rev. Canon Osler, of York Mills, took part in the Holy Communion service, and gave the Auxiliary the great pleasure of visiting them at the lunch hour. Canon Osler has been an active, and much beloved clergyman of the Toronto Diocese since 1843.

The Lindsay members of the W.A. have sent two bales to the Blackfoot Home. To this bale the Sunday School children contributed 2 quilts, 4 yds. carpet, besides knitting hoods and mufflers. This special notice is inserted to show that it is always wise to interest Sunday School scholars in missions.

Weston is a Branch we desire to congratulate on its increased membership and payment of all pledged sums. A Junior Branch is at work. This Church and Branch has suffered a great loss by the death of Mrs. Crossland, an earnest helper in all church and missionary work.

DORCAS NOTES.

ROOM 39, THE FORUM YONGE ST.

Branches have forwarded to the following places.—TORONTO—St. Margaret's, Thunder Child's Reserve, bale; St. Peter's, 3 bales to Mr. Norquay, Frenchman's Head; 5 bales, Rev. F. Swainson, Blood Reserve; 5 bales, Mr. Weaver, Wabiskaw; 4 bales, Mr. Hartland, Greswold, 4 bales, Rev. Anderson, Dynevor, 2 bales, Mr. Pardoe, Novar; 3 bales, Rural Dean Lloyd, Huntsville; 1 bale, Mr. Hay, Magnettewan; 2 bales to clergyman's families, Toronto Diocese; bale to Mr. Tims, Blackfoot Reserve; Central Rooms, bale to Mr. Hay, Magnettewan, bale to the Sisters Toronto; All Saints', bale to Rev. E. Soward, Kinmount; St. John's, Toronto, bale to Rev. Canon Harding, Apsley. BRIGHTON—Rev. F. H. Hartley, South Burleigh. BRADFORD—Rev. Anderson, Dynevor. PORT HOPE—St. Mark's, bale to Rev. O. Owens, Gordon School; bale to Central Rooms. DUNSTROON—bale, Rev. A. J. Young, North Bay. PARKDALE—Church of Epipany, bale to Mr. Weaver, Wabiskaw. BARRIE—Bale, Rev. G. Gilmour, Rosseau; St. Phillips, Mr. Pardoe; Deer Park Juniors with Senior, bale, also outfit for girl in Wawanosh Home. Church of Redeemer, sec. sen.; Rev. E. Cook Cumberland. All Saints Mission Band, 2 bales, Rev. F. Swainson, parcel, North Bay; bale, Fort Vermilion; Emily, bale, Central Rooms, St. Simon's; bale, Rev. G. Holmes, Lesser Slave Lake; bale, Rev. E. Sargent, Qu'Appelle. PORT HOPE—St. John's, Arch Phair, Winnipeg. LINDSAY—Mr. Tims, Blackfoot Reserve. Holy Trinity to Central Rooms. Deer Park to Central Rooms. St. James Cathedral, Rev. Canon Harding, Apsley Juniors Mr. Teitlebaum, Saltcoats; St. Luke's Gordon School, to Mrs. Young, Athabasca.

FANNY BANKS, *Dorcas Sec.*

From an Indian Councilor to the Rev. A. Wright, of Fort a la Corne.

THE REV. WRIGHT. I will try to write in plain that you will read. First of all, to say I gave thankful to the Almighty in Heaven that he gave us ail in good health, spacky my family, big and small, all my grandchildren trappe. This is for I gave my glory and praise to the Almighty in Heaven every day. First to say, Mr. J. Dover, he is done well, and he is good Christian too. I like him very well, and Robert Umuperville he is done well too when he have a chance to keep services. We have once only communion since you departs here. Know who was coming Mr. Winters that day when he comes trable north windy, and his name is very true name, that time awfully cold till this day. I wish he to come again, may be it would be warmer or not. I had wend up the town, as I gone on a road I was very

bad, the same bad I had you see me, fearfully windy and cold, so I staying with John George Kennadys, so tolls me that same day is gone to have service there. O! what you think, we had communion with Mr. Winders, so thankful to the Almighty, so merciful He is for ever This my voige to go see the doctor, but I found one at crossing. They tolls me she here one woman doctor, so I wend and see her. So after examines me, the old man, her husband, got up and repair little box and andle on me. O, what you think, cramp, cramp, on me heard. O, what fun they had. So she gave me madicine. Since that time I feeling better Now, this is first time I feel long time. Only one marriage since you away, my brother-in-law Malcolm, his daughter with Tonie Ballandine Patrick Bretian very sick, very low, he will not gating better. You know that we are very sorrow for you when you are away, but we hope to see you now soon. Sorry I am very bad again. Beast wishes to you love and I hope she will love you as it goes the world.

Truly yours, BERNARD CONSTANT.

Beast wishes to you, my children and my wife. Write soon.

Extract from Rev. M. Scott's Letter, Vermilion, Athabasca.

"I had not been well for a long time and did not go to Red River as soon as I expected. But, at last, I forced myself to go. I felt very poorly the first day and could hardly walk, so we did not go very far. The next day I felt better and could walk farther. I had Robert Jones with me. We walked on snow shoes, each hauling one sled with bedding and provisions. We made our camp in the spruce. Shovelled off the snow with our snow shoes. Then put down spruce brush and built a good fire of dry logs, which we eat down. Boiled our tea kettle, had our supper, and spread our blankets. I had one blanket and one deer skin robe. We chatted by the fire and at last went to bed. Robert got up several times during the night to replenish the fire to keep us from being frozen. 'Vell! we slept fairly comfortably and next day continued our journey. When we arrived at Red River, Robert went back to Vermilion and I hired an Indian (old Peachemao) with his dogs to haul my sled. Our first journey was out to the Cariboo Hills. The journey there and back to the Red River, took three days (70 miles). The first night we stayed at a camp where the Indians were called Pa and Ma, there were four children (boys) All they had to eat that day was one rabbit. The father was away hunting, but came home with only one bird called 'Whisky Jack.' They went three times to see their snares, but only found this one rabbit. Poor things, how hungry they were, but how grateful for a share of our bread and meat. We had only provisions for three days with us, so left there with only *one* meal in *one* bag and two days before we could reach Red River. These boys with their

parents listened so intently to the story of Jesus' love to man. I can yet see these four boys with their shining eyes drinking in each word I said. Next night we got to the camp of another Indian. We had nothing to eat, and the squaw, after cleaning a rabbit, made a bannock (her hands did not look as if they had been washed for years). I did not dare to look at what I eat when the food was cooked, so shut my eyes and ate. We next went 35 miles down the Peace River, and six miles inland to two camps. One woman was so clean and tidy we stayed there two days, and taught them the whole time. They were very pleased to have us with them. We were fed on moose meat and gave them bread in exchange. Forty miles walk brought us to Red River. I was tired when we got back. Next morning was Sunday, but I started to visit another camp about 25 or 30 miles off. Got there just before dark. Old Peacheman said, 'We will make camp in the spruce, we won't go in the tent. I know they are very dirty.' So he made camp and I went to the tents. They had exactly ten children, the oldest about fifteen or sixteen years of age. The father has several wives. The children had hardly seen a white man before, but they were not afraid of me after the first shock of seeing so big a moustache. Before long they were all chattering round me, telling me their little bits of news. But they are all wild and rude. They don't mean to be, but are really so. The father was not at home—about four days travel distant, waiting for wind to kill moose. There were no rabbits where he was; he was nearly starved, These had very little to eat. The next morning they had only two rabbits for eleven of them to eat. I gave them bannock. There was another tent in which were three women and one man. I baptized the three women. The man was already baptized. All these in both tents listened most attentively when I spoke and sang to them of Jesus. Next day at noon we left for Red River and got there in the night. Next morning I left Red River at sunrise for home. Went nearly fifty miles hauling my sled, and arrived at Vermilion the day after with feet sadly blistered by my snow shoes. I can hardly step around."

(From a letter of Mr. Scott's to his children.)

From Miss Brown to Diocesan Treasurer, Pigeon Reserve, McLeod, Athabasca.

"Yours received by last mail. We shall be so glad when the knitting machine really arrives, is set up and is in good working order. At present I have my hands so full—taking care of little Alice, and dressing the sores of the others—that I find it impossible to accomplish half the sewing that the girls require, and that they cannot do themselves, so that I should not have had time to begin work on the

knitting machine if it had come directly here I was so much in hopes that a bale would come with clothing in it to fit Mary, our largest girl. I have had great difficulty in keeping her dressed at all comfortably. She is doing her very best to help me, and is remarkably patient for an Indian girl, when she sees how little time I can spend in sewing for her. I believe that the Hinchliffes intend leaving England sometime this month, or next, but we have not heard definitely. Mr. Hinchliffe wrote that he was not getting much help, times are so hard, and he has no church society to back him or encourage him in his efforts to arouse an interest in *this* little mission. Each society does its best to promote the interests of its own men, and you can understand how "*orphaned*" he must feel under his peculiar circumstances. I wish it were possible for him to return and be in Toronto in time for your Annual. We could tell you so much that ought to be known, and perhaps an appeal from him would stir up the hearts of many and make them more earnest in their prayers for us. Your earnest and constant prayers are what we need *most*. Then help will surely follow. Scrofula is visible in about one half of our children, and one cannot tell in how many more it may soon develop. At the time of entering the Home I think that, with one or two exceptions, they would have passed the medical examination, that is *now*, but was not *then* required before admitting a child into the Home. I suppose that none of the present generation are free from the taint of that terrible disease, and it only requires very little to develop it. Colds and coughs are getting to be dreaded, and we have not been free from them since the New Year, and I believe that most of the illness we have had, and still have, is largely owing to the want of sufficient warm clothing and the lack of a vegetable diet. We have done our best with the means we have had to provide both for the children, but have not succeeded. The boys often have bad colds, caught by putting on thin shirts or socks in place of warm ones they had taken off, or by getting wet feet. Most of them have no boots, and when their moccasins get wet they are like cold poultices on their feet. We have had scarcely any vegetables for them this winter and no milk even for their tea (we often have had none for our own). Mr. Hinchliffe has never had means to put up good substantial fences, though he did the best he could with the help he had, but the cattle broke through, and after once getting a taste of the potato tops, broke through again and again, night after night, till they ate off all in the field, and finally trampled the ground till there were no potatoes left in it. Afterwards, Mr. Hinchliffe bought as many as he could afford to pay for, but most of them turned bad in the cellar and had to be thrown away. We think they must have been chilled before they were brought here, as they were never very palatable from the first. We cannot expect the children to be well and strong without sufficient warm clothing and

good wholesome food, and we cannot have vegetables without *good strong* fences. We need them around the garden, potato field, pasture and children's play grounds. But fencing is only one out of many that are required to make our work a success. Do you wonder then that I am anxious to have Mr. Hinchliffe make strong, earnest appeals for help, or that I ask for your earnest prayers. I must not close without trying to give you a little brighter picture than the one I have just given you of our affairs. Until yesterday, Alice had not been home for about a month, though her father lives very near by. He told me that while his wife was ill, he did not wish Alice to go home as his house was very bad for her and she might be very ill. During that time Alice had a tiny little brother sent there, and another, a *beautiful* child, about two years old, sickened and died. The father tried to keep news of the illness and death of the child from Alice, but at last (three days after the funeral) her young deaf and dumb sister informed her. Soon after Alice's father came in and she asked him if it was true. He told her that her little brother had gone to the Creator's home and was *happy there*, and she *must not* grieve. On the morning of the child's death he came in to see me (he would not see Alice, as he was in mourning, i.e., he had on only an old blanket, besides a shirt and hat). As soon as he could speak, he told me that his child had died in the night and said, 'Perhaps he has gone to the the Creator's home and that I shall go there too, bye and bye.' Then he told me how earnestly and constantly he had prayed to 'the Creator' to cure his child, if he thought best, but if not to take it to his beautiful home. He was just heart broken over the death of the child, and then he has before him constantly the fear of losing dear little Alice. But we know that it all will work together for his good in the end and he will yet realize this and thank our Heavenly Father for the discipline. At the same time *our* responsibility is not lessened, we must do everything in our power to not only *cure* our sick ones, but also to *prevent* illness. Alice has scarcely any appetite, but she likes apples, and as long as I could get any for her she asked for them several times during the day, eating only a small piece at a time. She was very disappointed the other day when Mr. Mason returned from town with none. There were none in McLeod and I have sent to Calgary, but fear I shall not be successful even there.

P.S — We are not much better off for tubs than they are at the Blackfoot Home. We have two small ones that are used for washing and scrubbing floors, and then, almost every night, *bread* is made in one or both of them."

Huron Diocese.

DIOCESAN MOTTO—*“ Looking for and hastening unto the coming of the day of God.”*

AUXILIARY NOTES.

It being necessary that action should be taken without delay in the matter of selecting a successor to Miss Wilson, at Omoksene, our President called a meeting of the Emergency Committee on 6th April, to lay before its members communications from Rev F. Swainson, Miss Wilson, and Miss Aldridge, in connection with the permanent appointment of the latter as Huron's Lady Missionary there. The letters stated that circumstances had occurred which prevented Miss Whitelaw's name remaining as a candidate, but that Miss Aldridge was willing to give up her post as matron, and to accept the position of teacher, one for which both Mr. Swainson and Miss Wilson consider her eminently fitted. In accordance with this, the following resolution was carried.—“ That acting under the recommendation of Mr Swainson and Miss Wilson, be it resolved that Miss Aldridge be accepted as Miss Wilson's successor, and that a letter be written by the Corresponding Secretary, gladly welcoming her to the position, although deeply regretting Miss Wilson's withdrawal.” Instructions were given to the Treasurer regarding the necessary remittances, etc. A very favourable impression was conveyed by the letters of Miss Aldridge, and it was felt by those present that in nearly every particular a most worthy successor had, in God's providence, been found for our dear young Lady Missionary, the loss of whose valuable services all alike so deeply deplore. The passing of the Resolution at our Annual, providing for a gratis distribution of membership cards, having brought to headquarters a veritable avalanche of requests for same, it was suggested that there may have been some misunderstanding regarding it. The attention of Branch Secretaries is therefore particularly called to the necessity of sending in with the application for cards, the name of each applicant for same, accompanied by a statement that all membership dues, have been paid, for although the card is free, it is intended to be so only to those who are duly qualified members. Will Presidents of Branches kindly make this clearly understood at their forthcoming meetings? . . . Miss E. S. Manigault, Librarian is very anxious to trace one of the most valuable books belonging to the Library, which has been for some time missing.

"None of self, but all of Thee." Will subscribers search for same? Mrs. Smith (Literature Sec.), recommends the following:—"The Deacon's tenth." "What we owe, and how to pay it." "Two Thank-offering envelopes," and "Mrs. Bartlett's Thankoffering." [Send for them,—Ed.] . . . In the April number of the Canadian Church Magazine will be found Miss Battersby's beautiful paper on "Tithes," read at the Annual Meeting.

The big box for Mrs. Bompas, to which so many of our members contributed, started on its long journey to the Upper Yukon River on 20th instant. It weighed 300 lbs., and contained a few articles of good clothing, the small knitting machine from the seven little girls of Thorndale Sunday School, with \$2 worth of yarn from the M.C.L.'s. of the Memorial Church London, a very large quantity of condensed foods in tins, curry powder, spices, ginger, pepper, medicines, plasters, spools, pins, hair pins, needles, fish hooks, candles, etc. A smaller quantity, (with the donation of \$20, to the care of Dean Grisdale for supplementary purchases in Winnipeg), was also despatched for the Bishop of Mackenzie River. It will be a very long time before we can hear of the safe arrival of either consignment. [The \$10 just received from New St. Paul's, Woodstock, is gratefully acknowledged.—Ed.] . . . With reference to the *Plea for Huron College*, which is issued by the permission of our Bishop, and will probably be in the hands of every Branch President before this issue of the LEAFLET is out of the Press, Mrs. Baldwin thus encouragingly writes.—"The Bishop wishes me to thank you for your earnest purpose for Huron College; put down \$25 for the Bishop and myself, and we join you in the prayer that this effort may have the blessing of God resting upon it." Thus sanctioned, thus prayed for, thus practically helped by our President, is it too much to hope that every Auxiliary sister will send in some small offering to save from collapse the Divinity College of our Diocese, the fountain head from which should come the supply for all its Parochial and Mission needs? Let us as individuals, even if we cannot as an organization, "help Huron College." Remember the first response which came to the appeal made on its behalf at our Annual Meeting was not from one of our larger or more wealthy congregations, but from the young and struggling All Saints' Mission Chapel, of the Memorial Church parish. All Saints' says; "We have not only got the \$5 we promised, but we hope soon to have more for Huron College."

ECHOES FROM OUR ANNUAL.

No. 1. "Whilst listening to some of the questions asked at our Annual, the idea struck me would it not be a good plan if instead of the usual long Papers, shorter ones, say five minutes each, on the specific

duties of Diocesan or Branch officers, and on special phrases of our Missionary work might be substituted? Some who are too diffident to speak might write suggestively, and the discussion thus opened up would be both instructive and interesting to Delegates from outside Branches who come to London eager to learn and to carry back something definite to their members. Is not the misunderstanding regarding our pledges a proof of the need of some such distinctive motive for our papers and discussions?"

No. 2. "May a Delegate who heard the splendid report of the Education Committee venture to congratulate it upon the success of its efforts, and the economy of its management? How so much could be accomplished with so small an outlay passes my comprehension. Was it not an oversight that when the subject of our pledges was brought up at our Annual Meeting no one recalled the fact that by a large majority the work of the education of Missionaries' children had four years ago been accepted by the W.A., and was therefore as clearly 'a pledge' as those of which distinct mention was made? Dear sisters, when apportioning your funds *please* lay aside some small sum for this fund; imagine that you have seen, as I have, the bright happy faces of our little Huron daughters, and listened to the pathetically grateful letters of their self-denying parents, and you will need no reminder of your duty to this cause likewise."

No. 3. "I wonder if others were struck, as I was, with the noble example set us by the King's Daughters in the prompt fulfilment of their pledge of \$100 for the support of the Lady Missionary at Kanyengah, thus proving that although Missionary work is not, as with us, the primary object of their Order, yet that it is very near their hearts. Let us learn a lesson of faithfulness from our sister organization." [One more token of their loving alertness reaches us and must here be recorded. The news reached the King's Daughters of Miss Kerby having lost her cow, they quickly sent her a donation of \$16 towards the purchase of another to supply its place.]

No. 4 Two Echoes ask if it could not be possible to have the Annual Meeting at a later season? [A difficult problem how to avoid conflicting dates, Semi-Annual, etc., etc.]

No. 5. Was it clearly understood that the Life Membership presented to Mrs. Craig by the Young Ladies' Guild of Christ Church, in Memoriam of her dear young daughter, Ænone, [was designated to take the place of the first Memorial proposed, *i. e.*, a Tablet in the Church? Mrs. Craig devotes the money to furnishing a cot for a child at the Omoksene Hospital. Surely the more touching tribute of the two.

No. 6. Our Branch omitted a motto in our Thanksgiving envelope; it should have been. "Of Thine own have we given Thee." [Let that be our W.A. watchword for the month.—ED.]

MISSIONARY LETTERS.

To Delaware Branch, Rev. J. Miller, of Fort Alexander, writes.—“Dear Mrs. Auld, your kind letter afforded me much comfort and encouragement just when I much needed it; your bale of clothing came safely in good time for Christmas. I feel almost ashamed to allow you to pay freight as suggested in your letter, but I fear I have no alternative when I look at my present pecuniary condition, for through practical sympathy with my poor Indians, my expenditure has greatly exceeded my income. All your gifts were most appropriate. The personal clothes were much needed, and I can safely say that but for these things at this time, great distress would have been suffered. The dear fingers that made or in any way helped to provide the beautiful and warm quilts may feel sure that what they have done for these people they have done it unto Him, whose children they are. All the things are not quite distributed, but will be, discreetly, as needs arise. In cases of sickness my wife attends to their wants, and does all she can to help in many ways, such as instructing how to prepare food, making and mending, treatment of children, knitting, etc. In winter much of this entails her going from place to place by dog train, and she says want of children's things, even feeding bottles and rubber tubing is keenly felt, as these things would sometimes save serious trouble. This Christmas, for the first time at the mouth of Winnipeg River, the little building was nicely decorated, the Indian women making artificial flowers from bits of colored cloths, and the men, who had given up hunting for the time, carried suitable brush, and came and put it up in such a way as to make the effect very pleasing. It was impossible to put up a Christmas tree, and many of your kind gifts had therefore to be arranged carefully marked at one end of the room. Our meeting took place in the evening of Dec. 24th, when the place was well filled, most of the people as usual sitting on the floor, the Service in Indian and distribution of gifts lasting about three hours. I also had my usual midnight service on New Year's Eve, ending about 1 a.m., when Mrs. Miller gave all present tea and buns. At this last named meeting the Indians used to bring their guns and rear them around the building outside, and when the service ended went out and fired them, but this year they came unarmed. The glorious gospel is proclaimed here in different ways and at different times, and we think it wrong to omit the smallest opportunity.”

Rev. A. F. Mills, of Bulls Horn Camp, Blood Reserve, thus writes to Kingsville Branch.—“I deeply regret that I have not been able to write and thank you all for your kindness in sending such a fine bale of useful garments, which surpassed my most sanguine expectations. It arrived at a very opportune time, as the weather was very cold, and the majority of my 21 pupils were lightly clad in very dirty, torn, and threadbare garments, and were suffering intensely from the cold, not

one of them possessed a change of clothing; but *thanks* to the arrival of your precious bale, this distressful state of affairs was much alleviated. My school and house are situated at Bull Horn Camp, in the Upper Blood Reserve 20 miles from St Paul's Mission, and 32 miles from Macleod. This is the largest Reserve in the N.W.T., and has more Indians residing thereon than any other Reserve in Canada, and consequently should receive help accordingly. The adult Indians on this Reserve adhere very strictly to their old traditions, and with these not a great deal can be accomplished, but it is with the rising generation that we are anticipating glorious results. If we reach the parents, it will only be through their children. Only those children and Indians who are destitute and really deserving of help received contributions of clothing, as it does not do to distribute clothing indiscriminately. Now about those warm and pretty quilts—they have proved invaluable, they have delighted the hearts of the children and parents alike, and I wish that I could thank each lady personally who helped to make them. I would like to know if there are any more self-sacrificing ladies in your Diocese, who would undertake to get another bale even if it should take two or three months for it to mature? I wish, dear Mrs. Mallott, that you could see and view with the same pleasure and satisfaction that I do, Mary (13 years,) Minnie (11 years,) Edith (8), Carrie, (12), wearing those nice dresses, hoods and mittens, etc. Of course I reminded the poor creatures that the ladies of Kingsville W.A. were their benefactors, and since then they are asking every day 'when will the good ladies send another box?' These children appreciate the kindness of persons who help them, just as much as I do, and are now attending school regularly. May you be blest, and continue to work with renewed zeal and faith in the Saviour."

Mrs. Bruce, of Fairford, Manitoba, thus writes: "We are very pleased to hear (from Archdeacon Phair), of the interest and sympathy taken by the kind ladies of Canada in Mission work. I write at his suggestion. We should be very glad of cups and saucers, common earthenware plates, etc., rare articles here and prized much. I have seen many poor creatures using fruit cans for cups, and have invariably supplied a newly married couple with cup, saucer, plate, knife and fork, which is considered a grand marriage gift. Such little additional comforts raise the poor Indian up to a more civilized mode of life. Address letters Fairford P.O., via, Lundyville, Lake Manitoba. Freight via, Westbourne, M.N.W. Railway." [A good idea not only for Fairford but elsewhere.—Ed.] Miss Aldridge, successor to Miss Wilson, as Lady Missionary at Omoksene, thus writes to the M.C.L.'s of the Memorial Church London, who sent clothes to Nora, as well as Card, Badge, and letters signed Round-robin fashion: "Our little Nora was so pleased at your thinking of writing to her, and you would all have felt well rewarded for all your trouble if you could

only have seen her delighted little face when her clothes were unpacked. She was especially pleased with the little boots, for she had never worn boots before, and she is so proud of them. Of course you know that all our Indian children wear mocassins that their parents make for them. Enclosed is Nora's letter for you that I have written exactly as she told me. She is only a very little girl and cannot write letters yet, but you have here, word for word, what she wishes to say to you. I think you will know what she means. You see she does not know much English yet. She is a very bright, clever little child, and generally very good. She has been about a year and a half in the Home, and is very happy here. Now, I wonder, could that industrious League of yours manage to clothe one more little girl for us? We should be so glad if you could, for we have so many little ones to provide for, and very often we are short of clothes for them, and we have to do such a lot of mending every day to keep them at all tidy. Do you know how many little girls we have? 26, and the eldest is only about fourteen." . . . Nora writes:—"Dear all girls, me very glad see your letter. Thank you for giving me clothes, me like the dresses very much, and boots and stockings and hood and handkerchief. Me very sorry Miss Wilson go away, she very sick. Me very glad Miss Wilson come back, me love Miss Wilson very much, me very happy here. Every day me go to school, me no know it read, very soon me know it. Me no can write, me little girl, only Nora me write. Me love you very much; you very kind send me clothes. Me pray to God every night, me love God and Jesus. Me like it that ribbon, Sunday me put it on. Sometimes me good girl, and sometimes me bad girl. Nora's letter for you." NORA.

In accordance with the request made at the Annual Meeting, the following from Mrs. Stewart, of Ku-Cheng, Foo-Chow, China, is inserted. Date Dec. 10th, 1894: "My dear Mrs. Baldwin,—Your kind suggestion that I should send you now and then topics for special prayer has been in my mind much to-day, and I feel that I must write and tell you of our great need. You will of course have guessed that owing to the war between China and Japan, Chinese people are in a state of great unrest, and hardly know what to expect from day to day. In this part of the Fuh Klen Province a new source of danger has arisen. A secret Society which has been slowly growing for two years, has suddenly become very active and is rapidly increasing in numbers, some hundreds have joined them within the last few weeks, and they are daily growing in numbers. The Mandarin has no power to check them, he made an attempt a few weeks ago, and his house was soon surrounded by an angry mob, who said they would pull it down if he did not agree to all their wishes. At last the poor man yielded, as he was quite terrified and actually allowed his own Secretary to be beaten, merely because the mob demanded it, and then liberated a few of their number he had imprisoned, and sent them

home in state in Sedan Chairs. This victory over the Mandarin has made them very bold, and they say quite openly they can now do as they like. They have many times threatened to burn down our houses and either kill us or drive us away, but the Lord has kept us in perfect peace; we realize fully that we are safe in *His keeping* for we have no human power to trust to. The Mandarin can no longer help himself so there is no protection from him, and the officials at Too-Chow are powerless; such consternation prevails owing to the Japanese victories. But we know nothing can hurt us without our Father's will, and we feel quite content. Our little girls aged ten and twelve sometimes feel the strain rather, and when people begin talking of possibilities, they feel rather frightened, but even this the Lord is using for good, for it is teaching them to turn to Him for help and comfort, as they never would in peaceful days. We feel most for our poor Christians, and it is for them I want specially to ask you to pray. Even now many are having a time of severe testing, and much worse may come if the war is prolonged. The heathen think they have now a good chance of injuring them, as the Government is quite unable to take their part at present. Some have had their crops of rice cut down and carried away before their eyes; others have been beaten, and one poor man had his shop attacked and everything he had carried off. We know that those who are grounded and settled in the Faith will not be moved, but we feel so much for the enquirers and those just lately come out of heathen darkness. "God is able to make them stand." Will you join with us in asking that all this trouble may lead to great spiritual blessing, and that the Christians may be given courage to bear whatever may be the Lord's will to send them? Will you also pray that this Secret Society, which is doing so much harm, may be in some way broken up and not allowed to injure the Lord's work in this place. They are going to have a great gathering of some hundreds of these conspirators at this city in about a fortnight, and we are praying much that the Lord will keep them from doing any harm. They threaten all sorts of things, but we know they cannot carry it out unless God permits them. The Consul is anxious we should all leave these inland Stations, and go down to the Treaty Port for safety, for he thinks if Pekin is taken there may be a general rising of the people and then the 'foreigner' would be the first to suffer. But so far we cannot see that it is the Lord's will we should leave our posts, and we fear it would much discourage the Christians if we did so. The Lord will guide day by day, and we want simply to follow His will. Will you pray specially for two dear men, leaders in the Church here in Ku-Cheng; the first is named Ling Sing-mi, he is an ordained clergyman, the Pastor of our Church in the city, and head of the Ku-Cheng district work under my husband? Will you pray that he may be given wisdom and strength at this time of trial, that God may bless him that he may be a blessing to others? The other is

a man named Li-Daik-ing, also a leader and also a very good man. Will you ask that he too may receive much blessing through this trial and learn to trust God more fully than ever before? We are all well in health thank God. My husband had one attack of illness since the summer, but is now well again; he is constantly busy and indeed can hardly get through the work of these two great Districts. Will you ask the Lord to send more men, men fitted and prepared by Himself? Our warmest thanks for your sympathy in our work."

Owing to pressure of other matter no room can be made for Branch notices this month, always a matter of great regret, but it is better to wait, than to do them the injustice of overcrowding. Your Editor would like too, to have told of her pleasant visits to Petrolia, Strathroy, Watford and Delaware, and of the signs of growth and earnestness of purpose visible at each. She will not readily forget the hearty welcomes accorded her. At one of these meetings she was told of one young lady driving to fetch far away members to their meetings, an example worth following. Several Missionary letters, and accounts of meetings at Branches must also be held over.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

General Fund.	
Bervie	\$ 80
Petrolia.....	2 50
Lambeth	1 40
Zenana.	
London, S. Paul's extra rc. p. d.	1 15
Lady Missionary, N. W.	
Strafrod, extra rc. p. d.....	62
Port Dover	3 00
Watford	1 00
Lady Missionary, Japan.	
Watford	50
Lion's Head.	
Port Dover.....	3 00
S.P.C. Jews.	
Ingersoll, Bible and Prayer Union	4 85
Kanyeugeh	
Port Dover... ..	1 00
St. Thomas'	1 00
Watford	50
London, St. James'.....	2 00
From the Order of King's Daughters, per Mrs. Tilley towards buying a cow.....	16 00
Indian Homes.	
London Mem. Ch. S.S. (Elkhorn)	18 75

Arctic Sales.

Windsor	5 00
Per Mrs. Boomer	16 85
Mrs. Baldwin	5 00
Woodstock, New St. Paul's...	10 00

Relief of Newfoundland

Clergy.

Mrs. Boomer	5 00
A Friend	5 00

EXPENDITURE.

General Fund

Stamps, Postcards, etc.	1 95
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Education

To Mrs. Falls.....	37 00
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Kanyengah.

To Miss Kerby	25 00
From the Circle of King's Daughters, towards paying for cow.....	16 00

Arctic Sales.

To Mrs. Boomer	70 85
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Indian Homes.

Elkhorn	18 75
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Montreal Diocese.

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DIOCESAN MOTTO :—" *Go work to-day in my Vineyard.*"

AMONG THE BRANCHES.

(Condensed from Annual Reports.)

CATHEDRAL.—Members, 64 ; S.M., two meetings held since Feb. except during summer months ; attendance most regular. Officers, Hon. Pres., Miss Moffatt ; Tres., Mrs. Norton ; 1st, 2nd and 3rd Vice-Pres, Mrs. Gault, Mrs. Cook, Miss Mitchison ; Trea., Miss N. Campbell ; Sec., Mrs. Deane ; Collector, Miss Kerry ; Lit. Com., Miss Whitehead ; Papers, Mrs. Norton, Mrs. Roe. Buyers and cutters for Diocesan box, Mrs. Carsley, Mrs. Adams ; for Indian box, Miss Stetham, Miss Lindsay. Christmas tree Dept., Mrs. Cook ; Badges, Miss Ellis. Delegates Diocesan Board, Mrs. Deane, Miss Mitchison. Missionary papers have been read by Mrs. Roe and others, and addresses given by Bishop of Moosonee, Lady Aberdeen, and Mrs. A. Carus Wilson ; also interesting letters from Missionaries in the Home and Foreign Fields. Contributions in money have been sent to Zenanas, Washakada, support of Piegan Indian girl, Moosonee, Deep Sea Mission, Home Missions, etc. Large box of useful articles was sent to Clergyman's family in Diocese ; barrel of goods to Little Pines Reserve ; Christmas trees to Poltimore and Piegan Indian Schools ; bale and stole to Clergyman in Diocese. Are now working for Piegan Mission, Mrs. Lindsay, and the Diocese. A great many useful donations have been sent in and are gratefully acknowledged, especially continued assistance from an absent member (Miss Williams). A resolution expressive of the loss sustained by the Cathedral Branch, by the death of Mrs. Houghton, was unanimously passed. Receipts, \$240.14 ; Disbursements, \$240.14.

OTHER CITY BRANCHES.—(*Alphabetically.*)

ALL SAINTS'.—Members, 14; L.M. one; meetings to date, 14. Pres., Mrs. Evans; 1st and 2nd Vice-Pres., Mrs. Campbell, Mrs. Swift; Sec. Treas., Mrs. Cameron; Delegates to Diocesan Annual, Mrs. Ballard, Miss Swift. Receipts last season, \$70.98; Disbursements, \$52.22. Receipts, Oct. '94 to Feb. '95, \$53.74; Disbursements, \$30.93. Girls' Guild meets fortnightly (weekly during Lent). Warm clothing and other articles are being prepared for Mission bale. **GRACE CHURCH**—Members, 25; meetings since last report, 10; average attendance, 12. Pres., Mrs. Ker; Vice Pres., Mrs. Nilson; Sec. Mrs. Manning; Treas., Mrs. Corner; **LEAFLET** Sec., Mrs. Gay. Interest in Mission work constantly increasing; bale of clothing and bedding sent to Piegan Mission, and another in course of preparation; a pair of blankets sent to Samaritan Free Hospital for women in city; donations of money to Japan and to North West; also from St. Catherines' Guild, parcel of 29 articles of clothing and eight picture books, to Miss Brown, Piegan Reserve; also from M.C. League to Miss Brown, two quilts, and other articles, and to Harvey Institute, 17 articles of childrens' clothing; and to Protestant Infants' Home, 39 articles. Receipts, \$84.37; Disbursements, \$82.52. **ST. GEORGES'**—Members, 51; meetings weekly from Nov., 94 since last report. Eight bales and box of toys have been sent to Missions in our own and other Dioceses, also two parcels of clothing to needy cases in the country; a few articles to Emmanuel College, Prince Albert; and a Communion Cloth, beautifully made and embroidered by Miss E. Evans, to Rev. L. M. Tucker, Vancouver. Some new books have been added to the Hospital Library, and the members attend faithfully to this department of the work. Dean Carmichael is thanked for supplying funds for the carrying on of the work, and many friends for donations for the same. Receipts, \$143.90. Balance \$26.33. **ST. JOHN EVANGELIST.**—Pres., Mrs. Wright; Hon. Vice-Pres., Mrs. Bompas; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Swinborne; Sec., Hon. Mrs. Wand; Treas., Mrs. Torrance. 29 working meetings since last report, 82 new articles of cloth-

ing made, and many second-hand garments repaired or adapted. Bales have been sent to All Hallow's Mission, Yale, B.C.; to Rev. Harold Dee, Fort Pelly, Qu'Appelle; and to Mrs. Burn, wife of the Bishop; and for Christ Church sale of work, a large box of useful and fancy articles. Donations from many kind friends, and from the Guild of the Holy Children and St. Mary, are thankfully acknowledged; and special mention made of donations for box for Qu'Appelle. 26 copies of LEAFLET are taken, and the Secretary says: "It is indeed a valuable help in our work, giving as it does for the small sum of 15c. a year, a full account of the work done by the Woman's Auxiliary, also the needs and appeals for help from the different Missionaries." Receipts, \$130.43.

ST. LUKES'.—Members, 23; meetings 22 Pres., Mrs. Cunningham; Sec.-Treas., Mrs. Lambe. Bale of clothing sent to Washakada, also partial outfit for Indian girl; considerable material given to poor of parish Junior Guild has been started with membership of 35 It is intended to hold a sale and devote proceeds to Missions. Receipts \$29.05.

COUNTRY BRANCHES.

AYLMER.—Pres., Mrs. Driscoll; 1st and 2nd Vice. Pres., Mrs. Much, Mrs. Flatters; Cor. Sec., Miss McMullin; Rec. Sec., Miss Palmer; Treas., Miss Petrie. Members, 14, meetings monthly, well attended and interest well sustained. Sent bales to Fraser River, (flood sufferers) and Rev. F. H. Mills, Blood Reserve, Alberta. LEAFLET taken by nearly all members, who seem to be very much interested in it. Girls' Junior Branch progressing rapidly under their Pres., Miss J. Martin; and Treas., Miss B. Gaston; members, eight, meetings weekly; realized \$11 by sale, and devoted it to parish Fund, sent box of clothing, material, fruit, candy, etc., to Rev. W. C. Dilworth, for Sunday School Christmas tree; meet regularly for work under management of Miss and Mrs. Judge, Mrs. Driscoll, and Miss Petrie. Collected \$3.50. In July, W. A. realized \$17 from lawn social, and donated it and \$25 previously raised to parish fund. Receipts, \$17. Disbursements \$25. COWANVILLE.—Pres., Mrs. Buzgell. Mrs. J. Gibson; Sec.-Treas., Mrs. J. McKinnon. Members, 19; meetings, seven, works in connection with Trinity Church Guild. Sent box of warm clothing, new material, quilts etc., and \$17.10 for purchase of chair for self, to Miss Brown, Piegan Reserve. In one section of parish Girls' Auxiliary, and in another Girls' Friendly, 19 LEAFLETS are taken. Receipts, \$86.93. CLARENCEVILLE.—Members, 25; Meetings monthly. Pres., Mrs. Robinson, Vice.-Pres., Miss Alice Danberry; Sec.-Treas. Miss Derrick; Cor. Sec. Miss Green; Rec. Sec., Miss Billings. Sent box

to Miss Brown, Piegan Reserve, Fort McLeod. Receipts, \$12.79. CALUMET.—Members, 13; meetings, fortnightly. Hon. Pres., Mrs. Harris; Pres. Miss Munro; Vice.-Pres., Miss L. Whinfield; Sec.-Treas., Miss J. Whinfield. Great unity of purpose, and much interest manifested; are preparing bale for Elkhorn. Receipts, \$19.90. DUNHAM.—Pres., Mrs. Bourne; Vice.-Pres., Miss W. S. Baker; Sec.-Treas., Miss E. D. Baker. Members, 15; meetings, 10; attendance very good. Sent bale of useful articles to Miss Brown, will work this year for same. Receipts, \$35.95. (*To be continued.*)

After this month the regular meeting of the Diocesan Board and of the City Branches will be discontinued for the summer, but all correspondence will be duly forwarded to those of the Diocesan officers who may be out of town, and will receive as prompt attention as possible. We hope our Branches are remembering the General Thankoffering for September Triennial, (see paragraphs two and three, Montreal Division, April LEAFLET). And Oh! let us remember that it is not the dollars and cents that will bring the blessing, but the spirit in which they are offered. "The Lord loveth a cheerful giver." Truly we have received freely, let us give, "That Thy way may be known upon earth, Thy saving health among all nations." "For His dear sake who loved us," Oh! if only we could give in some measure commensurate to that love. But we cannot. We *can*, however, *saturate* our offerings with our prayers, and we can see that what we bring shall cost us *something*. Some little sacrifice, that He will accept if made for love of Him. The rich can make their offering larger as well as the poor, self-sacrifice is possible for all, and God has deigned to approve it. And think what it is for which we are to offer up our thanksgiving—A United Church for Canada! A step towards the great end for which our Saviour prayed, "That they all may be one." Lord hasten that time, and help us to hasten it, while we may.

A HINT FROM LACHINE.

"I am starting a flower Mission to take place in September, giving 1st and 2nd prizes for best five plants, 1st and 2nd for best grown box of seeds. Got 30 names. Plants to be sold, and proceeds to go to Missionary fund in the fall." Extract of letter from Mrs. Redfern, Sec. Lachine Junior Branch, to Mrs. Holden.

The following, with a request for its insertion in the LEAFLET, was sent us last month, too late for the April number. Mrs. Much will have the sympathy of her sisters of the Montreal Auxiliary in her sorrow. May He who sent the blow console and support her.

"The home of one of our most earnest workers, Mrs. Much, of the Aylmer Branch of the W.A., has been saddened by the sudden death of her youngest son Athol, who after a very short illness was called to meet his Maker. To the family we extend our deepest sympathy."

Niagara Diocese.

Editor, Mrs. T. W. REYNOLDS, Drawer 47, Hamilton.

DIOCESAN MOTTO.—“*Lo! I am with you alway.*”

Subjects for Prayer and Reading. Saskatchewan and Calgary,
Palestine and Assyria.

The Ninth Annual Meeting of this Diocese was held on the 23rd and 24th April, and was as successful as its predecessors, about 90 delegates being present. The programme announced in April LEAFLET was carried out. The sermon on Monday evening being preached by Rev. G. Forneret, from the text, “She hath done what she could,” St Mark xiv : 8, and the Holy Communion celebrated on Tuesday morning by the Rev. Canon Sutherland, assisted by the Rev. A. J. Garden, Nanticoke. The President’s address was listened to with much attention. She said, “She would like every woman in the church to belong to the W.A., and that she believed want of knowledge was at the bottom of want of interest.” In closing she thanked the officers for their work during the year and expressed regret at the removal of Mrs. Newcomb, former Sec Treas Lit Committee. Mrs. Saunders, Guelph, replied, likening the objects of the W.A. to a triple chain—diocesan, domestic, and foreign—and believed the formation of Junior Branches added much strength.

A letter from the Bishop was read, asking that some means be devised whereby the interests of the parishes and diocese might be identified with the W.A., as some thought these suffered through the interest of the women being drawn off to D and F missions. A committee was appointed to confer on the subject, and on Wednesday the following report was brought in: That the constitution might be amended to include parochial and diocesan objects without interfering with work already undertaken. With this proviso a Branch might be established in every parish. It was urged that each woman, as a church woman, should do her part for parochial and diocesan as well as domestic and foreign missions. Greetings were received from Toronto, Huron, Montreal, and Quebec dioceses and from the Gen. Sec Prov Board, expressing her desire that there should be during next year “more prayer, more self-denial, more consecration.” The

reports of Parochial Branches, which in most cases was read by the secretaries, showed that work had been well maintained throughout the year. The reports of Diocesan officers were as follows:—*Treasurers'* total for Senior Branches, \$1,987.34. Grand total from all sources, \$2,352.26. *Recording Secretary* reported 855 Senior members, 538 Juniors, total 1393, an increase over last year of 302. Life members 13. There are 44 Branches, 29 Senior, 15 Junior. *Organizing Secretary* reported formation of two adult Branches at Glanford and at Fergus, and four Junior, viz., at Grimsby, Burlington, All Saints, Hamilton, and Guelph, Chippewa, and Cayuga re-organized. *Dorcas Secretary* reported 80 bales sent to N.W., at a total expenditure of about \$110.13. *Corresponding Secretary*—In June Miss Foley had been replaced by Miss Dunlop as teacher and that it requires \$50 to support a child in one of the Homes. *Junior Secretary's* report showed a membership of 538, more than double last year's, and a total expenditure of \$260.92. 340 members' cards and badges have been asked for. *Sec. Treas. Lit. Com.* showed that there are 725 copies of LEAFLET taken in the Diocese, and in this connection we might mention that the Board authorized the Com. to accept the offer of the S.P.C.K. of a grant of books, with a view of forming the nucleus of a library. Among the other resolutions was one to this effect, that "This Board ask every member, Senior and Junior, to give one cent a month to each object for which the Auxiliary has pledged itself to pray." Mrs. Hamilton spoke to the resolution, saying that if the 1000 members gave one cent each the Board could depend upon \$240 yearly, and that if sister dioceses would adopt it what a power it would be. She suggested that it be called "Missionary Duty Fund." A resolution to co-operate with other Auxiliaries to get reduced freight charges from the railways was left to be brought up by Niagara delegates at the Triennial. The officers were all re-elected for the ensuing year, and the following delegates to the Triennial. Mesdames McGill (Oakville), Fessenden (Ancaster), Miss Halson and Miss Gaviller; substitutes, Mrs. Merrit (St. Catharines), Mrs. Stewart and Miss McLaren. The Life Membership fees were divided between the following objects: Diocesan Mission, Widows and Orphans' Fund, Bishop of Qu'Appelle's School. Mrs. McGill spoke of the thank offering at the Triennial, suggesting that each President appoint a good collector and try and raise \$1.00 each per member. Mrs. Williamson, President of Toronto Auxiliary, being present was asked to take a seat on the platform. Upon being asked to speak she said that each member should read the LEAFLET three times—1st, ordinarily; 2nd, anxiously, 3rd, with an object—and recommended that at parochial meetings each should come prepared with some fact about missions. On Tuesday afternoon there was a most interesting address by Mr. Yoshiro Sayeki on "The Missionary Outlook in Japan." He is a convert of the Rev. J. Cooper Robinson, and was introduced to the

audience by Rev. A. J. Garden of Nanticoke, with whom he has been spending the last two months. He said among other things, "All people in this country know there is a Holy Scripture and have heard of Jesus Christ, but in Japan only 40,000 out of 40,000,000 have ever heard the good news. Just 1 Christian to 1,000 heathen. In the year 1854 few could do more than read and write, now in Tokio alone there are 360 grade grammar schools and 103 colleges throughout the country. They have all modern improvements, telephone, electric light, etc., and could they only have the light of the gospel of Jesus Christ now they might soon become Christianized." He closed by uttering these words, "There is no true potency but that of help, nor ambition but ambition to save," and asked all to pray that the "Gospel might have free course and be glorified in Japan." On Wednesday Miss Durand, Queenston contributed a most helpful paper on "How to promote and sustain interest in Missions," Her theme being threefold—"In *thought, word and deed.*" Typewritten copies can be had by application to Sec. Treas. Lit. Com., 211 Jackson St., Hamilton. The usual votes of thanks concluded the meeting.

The following was sent too late for April number by Secretary of Niagara Falls: "It is with unfeigned regret we have to record the passing away on the 13th March of Mr. William Tench, beloved husband of our dear Auxiliary sister, Mrs. W. Tench. To her and her sorrowing family we would extend our heartiest sympathy."

NOTES OF THE ANNUAL.

While other Branches were well represented, it was noted specially that the new Branches, Glanford and Fergus, sent three delegates each. An invitation to Grimsby for the Quarterly Meeting in June was accepted, also one to Georgetown for September. The table of Literature under the charge of the energetic Sec. Treas was well supplied and many sales made besides free distribution of missionary leaflets. Lunch was served in the Guild room each day, the tables being prettily decorated and the wants of all well supplied. After the meeting on Tuesday the visiting delegates were taken by special cars on the Street Railway and the Incline to the top of the mountain. The "At Home" given by St. Mark's Branch in the Public Library building was a great success: the room was crowded and the programme excellent. The illustrated lecture on Japan by the Rev J. Cooper Robinson, which closed the proceedings, was thoroughly appreciated. There was hardly standing room, the larger proportion of the audience being children. About 14 coming in from Ancaster. The collections at the meetings amounted to a goodly sum, \$15 being voted to Mr. Robinson and a grant to Mr. Sayeki for return expenses to Japan. (Any further contributions to the object will be thankfully

received by Rev. A. Garden, Nanticoke.) The Jun. Secretary has received following appeals: From Mrs. Canning, St. Barnabas Home, Calgary, asking help from Juniors to purchase a cow. She says, "I think milk is so necessary for our Indian children as they are all far from strong. Mr. Stocken hopes to have his new Home open in June, and how nice it would be if we had a cow to start with. You will be glad to hear my girls are very much improved since they came to us a year ago. Such poor little things as they were, all in rags, dirt and torn blankets, now so bright and happy. Nine girls have been ill with German measles. They are fond of sewing and are never so happy as when they have pieces of print to make bags of." Mrs. Canning asks for text cards for Sunday classes, stockings and pinafores to fit girls of eight and ten, and particularly for "15 sun-bonnets, as their hoods are much too warm for summer"—she would prefer them red or blue. From Rev. Owen Owens, Touchwood Hills: "Our present needs are clothing for girls and women for summer. Our shelves are nearly bare of girls' dresses, petticoats, pinafores, aprons and chemises for the elder girls. Coats, vests, hats and pants for boys of from six to twelve, are urgently needed, also boots for all. Boots are very expensive here. Those in Ontario at \$1.00 cost here from \$1.75 to \$2.00 wholesale. There are 20 day scholars and 5 boarders, and 5 more we must enroll next month as they come of school age. The pupils' homes vary from homes of communicants, Indian Christians, to that of obstinate heathen." He encloses measures of girls which can be had on application to the Junior Secretary. Miss Baker, Cor. Sec., Oakville Branch, has received acknowledgment of bale sent to Miss Millidge, St. John's Coll., Winnipeg, for distribution to various missions. Miss Millidge says: "What a magnificent bale that was! It took *four men* to get it into Trinity School house where we do the packing. It was such a boon and we had such a delightful time making up the bales from it. I must congratulate your Branch on these beautiful quilts." She also mentions that the W.A. of Rupert's Land is affiliated with the Synod, and new Branches are being formed where members have promised to collect regularly. In further acknowledgment of this bale, Mr. Moar, teacher at Lake St. Martin Reserve says: "I am greatly thankful. It is a grand blessing and help to these Indians, as they are really hard up in every respect. May God bless you in your noble work." Mr. Carrington, Delean, says: "I have received a bale of nice warm clothing from Miss Millidge. Everything is much appreciated by us here. We were rendered destitute by being burnt out. We lost everything we had and no home for some time. Our crop was so small this year we were not able to buy clothing for the cold weather. The nice warm bed-rugs are most acceptable. Will you please thank everyone who contributed such good gifts."

Ontario Diocese.

DIOCESAN MOTTO:—" *She hath done what she could* "

Subjects for Prayer and Reading for May: Saskatchewan and Calgary, Palestine and Assyria.

The time draws near for our Annual Meeting, so let all the Branches prepare for it, by sending clear definite reports to the officers, and that promptly. The officers are all very busy women, and much trouble can be saved them by a little thoughtfulness.

At the last Board Meeting attention was called to an error in the last report. The Parochial Constitution, paragraph six, page eleven, allows a choice of *one* or *two* delegates to the Annual Meeting, but according to a resolution on page eighteen, it should read, *one* delegate.

An appeal was read at the Board Meeting, from the Rev. A. Nicholls, of Medicine Hat, for \$600 to finish building a school. Support is promised for the children. The children (30) are ready and waiting, and the teacher is anxious to begin.

REPORTS FROM BRANCHES.

AMHURST ISLAND—Since the Amhurst Island W.A. was organized in May, 1894, we have had monthly meetings, the members taking the work home. In November we sent a bale to the Shingwauk Home, value \$35 (new material). Our W.A. now numbers 14 members. Mrs. Tighe is President, and Mrs. R. D. McDonald is Secretary. Mr. Lawler, Principal of the Shingwauk Home writes: "The things are just what we require, and so many of them are suitable for Christmas, they will be kept to gladden the hearts of the children on that day. We trust that the W.A. will not grow weary in well doing, but will devise some means of aiding us continually, say by the support, or partial support, of a pupil, as of unsupported pupils we have, unfortunately, only too many."

BATH—The monthly meetings are held regularly. We have a monthly text with meditation, and interesting readings on the monthly subjects and other topics. Miss Brown has asked

for sun bonnets for the little girls, so we will make them and send them by Mr. Hinchliffe, who will stop in Belleville on his way to the N.W.

BELLEVILLE—On Tuesday evening, March 26th, the W.A. and J.W.A. of St. Thomas' Church, Belleville, held an exhibition of clothing at the Church Hall. Both Guilds have been working for the Piegan Reserve, and have a bale to be proud of. The J.W.A. has an entire outfit for Eva, the little Indian girl they clothe annually, and support her as well, together with the help of Mr. W. B. Northrop, who gave half the money. The W.A. made clothing of a general character, and three beautiful quilts; medicine and soap were also given. They also exhibited a knitting machine, given by Mr. Northrup, for Mrs. Tims, Blackfoot Reserve. Addresses were given on this occasion by the Rev. Canon Burke, the Revs. D. F. Bogart and Blacklock, and Mr. Northrup spoke a few words of encouragement to the W.A., who are always delighted to have him present.

BROCKVILLE (St. Paul's)—The Annual Meeting of this Branch was held on April 4th. Holy Communion was celebrated at 9.30, the Rector giving a short address on the words "Like Him." In the afternoon the business meeting was held. Two splendid bales have been sent away during the year to Missions in Algoma and the North West. The sum of \$8.30 was handed in towards the Thankoffering for the Consolidation of the Church. The same officers were re-elected with the exception of the Cor. Secretary, who felt obliged to retire on account of living out of town; Miss M. Davis was elected to her place. A clock was presented to Mrs. Dobbs, the President, with an address "Hoping that the hours it numbers, may be filled with happiness and crowned with God's richest blessings."

CORNWALL—Both Senior and Junior Branches were present at the early Celebration on Easter Day. The J.W.A. have re-elected Miss Pettit as Superintendent. A bale will be sent shortly from the united Branches to the Rev. J. Sanders, Biscotasing

KINGSTON—The Annual Meeting of the city Branch was held in St. George's Hall, Mrs. Buxton Smith in the chair. Reports showed that \$754.08 had been contributed during the year, including the

amount spent on materials for the bales. The officers were elected as follows: Pres. Mrs. Buxton Smith, Rec. Sec., Mrs. R. J. Carson; Cor. Sec., Mrs. R. Vashon Rogers. A very interesting illustrated address followed, by the Rev. J. Cooper Robinson, from Japan, which was much appreciated by the large audience present.

OTTAWA—The Annual Meeting was held on April 16th. Litany and Holy Communion, with an address by the Rev. H. Pollard at eleven, followed by a business meeting at three, in the Hall, closing with a sociable cup of tea, provided by the ladies of St. John's, filled up the day. Reports showed a membership of 322 for the W.A.—that of the J.W.A., and three Branches of the C.C.M.G., was not given. The total receipts amounted to \$411.58. The Dorcas Secretary reported that fifteen bales had been sent from the different parishes during the year. The officers were all re-elected, Mrs. J. R. Armstrong, 282 Gilmour street, having accepted the post of Cor. Sec. during the course of the year, owing to Miss Whitcher's absence from town. The names of Mrs. Soucks and Mrs. Bailey were added as Vice-Presidents. Short addresses were made by the Archdeacon, who was in the chair, by her Excellency, Lady Aberdeen, who spoke as one who had in travelling in Egypt, Zululand, Australia, and the North West, made a study both of the necessity for Mission work, and of the good results which follow it. Her Excellency spoke very encouragingly to the juniors, and excited their interest by giving an account of four poor little slave boys, whom his Excellency and herself had adopted and educated at one of the Mission schools in Zululand. She spoke of the loneliness and isolation of the Missionaries, and how much pleasure could be imparted by a visit from a traveller, or by a letter or book sent by mail. Mr. Pollard, speaking from the point of view of the D. and F. Board, made a strong appeal for all money being sent into the Board unappropriated.

SYDENHAM—We organized last autumn, but as yet no work has been done. We hold our monthly meetings regularly, and read papers on the various Mission fields, and especially those places which are appointed for the month. When we organized we had eight members, since then five more have joined our number.

WALES—The Annual Meeting of Wales W.A. was held on Tuesday, April 2nd, when the greatest interest was shown by all present, and everything passed off very satisfactorily. Four new members were enrolled. During the past year twelve monthly meetings and fourteen special ones for work were held. The Treasurer's report was very interesting, showing that \$101.92 had been received, and \$93.25 expended. April 10th being the Anniversary of the formation of our Branch, the members will meet for Holy Communion at 9 a.m., and also spend the afternoon working for the bale, and assemble again at 7.30 p.m. for evening service.

DORCAS REPORT.

BARRIEFIELD—Sent to Madoc, Dio. Ontario, one bale, cost material \$10; 16 new garments, 10 second-hand, quilt, six yds. flannelette, three pieces Altar linen, black wool, embroidery.

BROCKVILLE (St. Peter's)—To the same place, 33 new, 29 second-hand garments, books, magazines, cards

HAWLEY—Has sent a parcel, contents two quilts, ten pillow-cases, and eight second-hand garments. Cost material \$2.43. (It is to go with a bale from Napanee later on.)

BELLEVILLE (St. Thomas' J.W.A.—Has sent a bale to the Piegan Reserve. Cost Material, \$9.47; 26 new garments, three second-hand, quilt, soap, combs and bags. **ANNIE MUCKLESTON, Dorcas Sec.**

TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

DOMESTIC MISSIONS.—		RECEIPTS.
Kingston St. James' W.A., Lady Miss. in North West		\$25 00
Belleville, St. Thomas' J.W.A., for education of Missionaries' children		5 00
Belleville, St. Thomas' W.A. Blackfoot Home, (Laundry purposes) Dio. of Calgary.....		5 00
FOREIGN MISSIONS.—		<u>35 00</u>
Perth W.A., Lady Missionary in Japan (additional)		5 00
Belleville, St. Thomas' W.A.		12 00
Merrickville W.A.		2 00
MISSIONS UNAPPROPRIATED —		<u>19 00</u>
Archville W.A.		2 00
DIOCESAN ASSESSMENT.—		
Archville W.A.		65
Yarker W.A.		50
Pembroke C.C.M.G.		1 25
Merrickville W.A.		1 25
Belleville, St. Thomas' W.A.		4 30
“ “ “ C.C.M.G.		55
“ “ “ St. John's J.W.A.		70
Picton W.A.		4 00
“ J.W.A.		1 00
“ C.C.M.G.		1 00
		<u>15 20</u>
	EXPENDITURE.	<u>\$71 20</u>
Quarter's Salary to Miss R. Brown, Piegan Indian School, Diocese Calgary		75 00
Handed Ontario Sec. D. and F. Missions.....		22 50
		<u>\$99 50</u>

ALICE L. ROGERS, Treas. Out., W.A.

Quebec Diocese.

DIOCESAN MOTTO:—*"Ye have done it unto Me."*

HYMN FOR W.A. MEETINGS

BY A MEMBER.

Lord, we Thy servants true
Assembled here to-day,
For guidance from Thy Spirit blest,
In hope, believing pray.

On us Thy grace bestow,
Direct us by Thy will,
That we may others' burdens bear,
And so Thy law fulfil.

To us Thy wisdom give,
With love expand each heart;
That each may gladly bear her cross,
And humbly do her part.

And grant to us success -
In all we do for Thee,
Till we rejoicing hear Thee say,
"Ye did it unto Me."

This hymn is adapted to the music of A & M, 380.

QUARTERLY MEETING.

A quarterly meeting was held on Wednesday, March 25th, at 2.30 o'clock. Present, Mrs. Hunter Dunn, President; and about fifty members. The meeting opened with a hymn and with prayer. The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed, and the Secretaries' reports read. The Treasurer reported \$78 received in answer to the Special Appeal for further contributions to the Janan and Education Funds.

The following letters were read: From Rev. L. Williams thanking the members for the resolution passed at the last meeting; from Mrs. Falls, and Miss McCord; from Miss

Montizambert recommending an appeal from the Rev. Owen Owens, extracts from which were read from the *Church Magazine*, (January number); from Mrs. Ready, about some tracts of which she had heard. For full particulars the members were referred to the February LEAFLET, page 543.

An appeal was read from Archdeacon Phair, of Rupert's Land, for help for the Indian Missions, and also one for help towards completing a school under the direction of the Bishop of Qu'Appelle. As the Treasurer had \$40 on hand, the meeting voted \$15 to the first of these pressing needs and \$25 to the second.

Letters were also read from Mrs. Robertson and Mrs. Carpenter, and then the offerings were taken up, and the Branch reports read.

It was decided that the Annual Meeting should be held on Tuesday, May 28th, when the Synod meets. The meeting closed with the Doxology.

We are glad to hear of the formation of a new Branch at Marbleton, where some friends of the Auxiliary have taken the LEAFLET for the past two years.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING.

As before stated the Annual Meeting will be held in Quebec, on Tuesday, May 28th. It is hoped that all members will try and be present at the opening service of the Synod in the Cathedral, at half past nine on Tuesday morning, when there will be a celebration of the Holy Communion. The business meeting and lunch will be held in St. Matthew's Parish Room. We hope to see more delegates and friends from the country Branches than last year, and arrangements have been made to provide hospitality for a large number.

QUARTERLY REPORT.

The Dorcas Secretary reports the following sent off:—

CATHEDRAL.—One bale to the Rev. J. R. Settee, Sandy Lake Mission, Saskatchewan.

ST. MATTHEW'S.—One barrel to Rev. Malcolm Scott, Fort Vermilion, Athabasca, also one barrel to Mrs Grisdale, and one box to the Rev Owen Owens, Touchwood Hills, Qu'Appelle.

ST. MICHAEL'S.—One barrel to Mr. A. E. Wilson, Elkhorn, Manitoba.

The Literature Secretary has received a package of Magazines, and has sent them to Sandy Beach and Peninsula, Gaspé, Scotstown, St. Sylvester, Black Lake, and has more to send any one wishing for them.

ACTONVALE.—Meetings held regularly With great regret the death is recorded of Miss E. H. Lowle, a most earnest and energetic member, and Corresponding Secretary to the Branch.

COATICOOKE.—A most encouraging report. In 1893 the Branch was organized with seven members, it now numbers 27; and nearly all wear the Silver Badge. In December a barrel was sent to the Rev. H. G. Stocken, Sarcee Reserve, where a boy is being clothed by the members.

COMPTON.—Hopes to contribute to the Thankoffering Fund, and has sent \$5 to the Education Fund.

COOKSHIRE.—Meetings held regularly and well attended, and any money left over after the pledges have been fulfilled will be voted at the Annual Meeting.

DRUMMONDVILLE.—Meetings held regularly besides work done at home. Several members have subscribed to the Thankoffering Fund.

INVERNESS AND CAMPBELL'S CORNER.—A barrel is being packed for the North West.

LENNOXVILLE.—An extract is sent from a letter from Mr. George Ley King, Principal of the Shingwauk Home. "The contents of your barrel will be fully appreciated, and all the articles sent are most useful, and what we most require. Clothing of all description made up is preferred, and all knitted articles to the yarn, for we have so many children in this Home entirely unsupported, the clothing of whom necessitates more sewing and making up of material than the girls can themselves manage.

LEVIS.—A letter of acknowledgement has been received from Mr. G. E. King, Principal of Shingwauk Home for Indian Children, thanking the Branch for the box sent to Mr. Irvine at Christmas.

CATHEDRAL.—The sewing meetings have been well attended, and a large bale of clothing sent to the Rev. J. R. Settee, Sandy Lake Mission. Several valuable donations have been received. Circulars in connection with the Thankoffering have been sent out.

ST. MATTHEW'S.—A Missionary meeting was held in the Parish room in January, and a most interesting address given by the Rev.

Canon Von Iffland. In January a barrel was sent to the Rev. Malcolm Scott, Athabasca; and in February one to Mrs. Grisdale for Missionaries in Rupert's Land, also a box to the Rev. Owen Owens, Qu'Appelle. \$103.50 has been received towards the Thankoffering Fund.

ST. MICHAEL'S.—Meetings held regularly, and in February a barrel was sent to Mr. Archibald Wilson, Elkhorn, and one will soon be ready for the Rev. Owen Owens. On March 19th, a quarterly meeting was held, and the President spoke a few words with reference to the Special Appeals and Thankoffering Funds. Canon Richardson then gave a most interesting address on Japan. Some of the contribution bags were given in, and their contents amounted to \$9.56.

ST. PETER'S.—Meetings held regularly. The first Sunday in Lent contribution boxes for Foreign Missions are given to the Sunday School children to be brought in on Easter day.

RICHMOND AND MELBOURNE.—Annual Meeting held on March 5th, and all the officers were re-elected.

RIVIERE DU LOUP.—Early in December a barrel of clothing was sent to the Indian Mission at Lake St. John. Fourteen members, and eight take the LEAFLET. A meeting held on Feb. 25th, but only two or three present owing to the weather.

SHERBROOKE.—Two meetings held this quarter, and \$11.96 collected by the monthly collectors. Special Appeal read, but it was decided that the money already pledged was as much as could be promised just now.

WEST FRAMPTON.—Regular Meetings held, and a parcel will be sent away in May. Twenty-one members.

WINDSOR MILLS.—Monthly meetings held as usual, and one new member joined.

JUNIOR BRANCHES.

RICHMOND AND MELBOURNE.—Regular Saturday meetings held, average attendance fifteen.

DRUMMONDVILLE.—Meetings regular, members eight.

LENNOXVILLE.—Four meetings this quarter, average attendance, seven.

ACTONVALE.—Meetings regular every fortnight. One "Log cabin quilt" finished and another begun, also articles of clothing.

SHERBROOKE.—Members making an outfit for an Indian child.

WINDSOR MILLS.—Regular weekly meetings, and good progress made with a quilt.

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