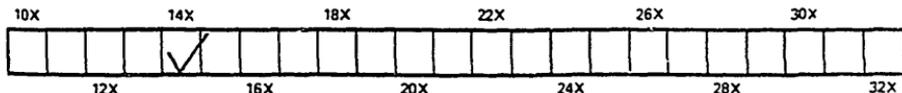


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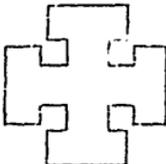
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O LORD JESUS CHRIST, who in the days of Thy flesh didst vouchsafe to accept the services of faithful women, we beseech Thee to grant Thy Blessing upon our endeavours to aid and encourage Missionaries. Put into our hearts the things that we should do and say to promote Thy glory, and further the object we have in hand. Grant that we may never be discouraged under difficulties, but go forward in faith and hope,—looking unto Thee. Have pity on those who know Thee not, on those who are far from the Church of their fathers in a strange land. Visit them with Thy Salvation. Hasten, we pray Thee, Thy Kingdom, that all may come to the knowledge of the truth. Hear and answer us O Lord, our strength and our Redeemer, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

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PROVINCIAL.

Twenty years ago the Church of England Zenana Society sent forth its workers to the women of India to tell the glad tidings, and to heal the sick. As time passed the field widened out into the regions beyond, and now China's daughters are brought within reach of the Saviour. Quite recently the Society has taken over the Chinese Girls' School from the Society for promoting Female Education in the East, so the lands of India and China are linked together at Singapore. Full and interesting accounts of the work are to be found in *India's Women and China's Daughters*, the monthly magazine of the Society. The January number gives news which cannot fail to cheer all lovers of missions. From Bengal we hear that two Moslem women have been won for Christ, and that two more desire baptism. A letter from China gives the touching and beautiful story of an old woman who gives up everything for the Lord, saying,—“As I have Jesus that is enough.” She is too old to be a Bible woman, but like Anna, we can say she speaks of Him to many. But not all is now brightness; the dark cloud of famine and plague hangs over India, and sometimes for lack of funds the hungry are sent empty away. And then there is another famine, not of bread, but of hearing the Word of the Lord, which has arisen in these days. We read of many who are hungering for the Word, but who must hunger still, until some one is sent to teach it. A glance at letters from abroad show urgent appeals for more workers; but while the cry comes for more the Society is compelled to send fewer because of straitened means. The need is great, workers are ready to go, but there is no money to send them, and retrenchment has become inevitable. *Retrenchment!* Can the Church at home allow that? Surely if those who have the responsibility of

money committed to them would but stop to think what the word means they would gladly respond to the call for help. Retrenchment means stations given up, the sick, the sad and the poor, left to despair and death. In view of this position of the Society, renewed efforts are wanted and, above all else, prayer. Pray ye therefore the Lord of the Harvest that He would send forth laborers unto His servant.

Miss Irene H. Barnes, Editorial Superintendent of the Society, and Miss Briston, C.E.Z.M.S. Missionary of Krishnager, are the selected delegates to the Ecumenical Conference in New York, April 21st to May 1st. They are anticipating with pleasure making the acquaintance of Canadian supporters of the C.E.Z.M.S., and will gladly place at their disposal any further particulars regarding the work of the Society, while in the United States of America.

Miss Jennie Smith writes from Japan that the Bishop has arranged for her leaving Yokahama on the 10th of March in the S.S. Stuttgart, going by England, and will therefore be in Canada about the beginning of June, and goes on to say that Miss Harmaguchi will be with her, "Let me say that Miss Harmaguchi is quite accustomed to public speaking, and wishes to give lectures, arrange meetings, or do anything that the W.A. may deem desirable to create or stimulate an interest in the Lord's work in Japan. We are both anxious to use the time spent in Canada to the glory of God, and furthering his cause. * * * It is considered rude here not to see guests even if one should be dying, so that I always have ladies who call shown into my bedroom when I am ill, so really have not had a proper chance to get well since my accident. * * * One thing gives me great pain that during my absence the dispensary will most likely be closed; it does not seem possible to carry it on without a foreign lady or experienced Japanese of strong moral character in charge of the young nurses in training. The "official" mission woman, if I may so term her, Iwama San is, however, to remain here, a very great help; she is an invaluable worker, a widow, 33 years old, with excellent knowledge of scripture and simpler forms of theology. Several times since beginning to write I have been interrupted; my last caller will amuse you, he is one of our Christians baptized on Easter Day; we all think a good deal of him, and I was very pleased when he asked me if he might have the honor of becoming my son-in-law! I asked him

which nurse he wanted, but he said, 'any that I chose to give him would be satisfactory.' Of course I knew it was the beauty of the school, and gave my consent at once, they will not be married just yet. I am very pleased, and feel that the girl will probably be doing more for the church in being the head of a Christian home than even as an official church worker, then, she will live in Nagano, and that is a good deal to us. You have heard of our Benevolent Society now numbering over one hundred members, the most influential people in town; we had a concert lately at which many Buddhist Priests were present; the fifteen hundred guests began to assemble about 1 p.m., and it was just 7 when our concert was over. We have an English Club here, the members are all the foreign missionaries, and the Japanese who speak English well; it has done much to make us friends with some of the teachers, who have here immense influence; a boy is taught to love, honor and obey his Emperor, his teacher and his parents; could we win the teachers to Christianity, it would be easy to have well filled Sunday Schools. Three teachers come to my Sunday Bible Class; leaving these men is a real grief, as nothing can be of such real bliss as to notice the first dawn of interest, and follow it up to the soul's awakening. * * * With regard to the LEAFLET I must say its present style is a great improvement. With kind regards to all friends." Miss Smith asks the prayers of the W.A. for her safe return to Canada with Miss Harmaguchi.

Letters from our Missionaries—Diocesan.

TORONTO. *From Mrs. Bourne, Essonville, to Cobourg W.A., Jan. 1900.*

"My neglect in writing has been caused by Mr. Bourne's serious illness; in the anxiety of watching and nursing for five weeks, I had little time for writing; I hope now my dear husband is recovering, though very slowly. The bale contained such a variety of kind and thoughtful gifts for us, for our people and the S.S. children of Ursa. There seemed to me more loving work and care expended than usual. The carpet is beautiful and makes our sitting room so comfortable, the slippers and quilt are delightful; many grateful thanks indeed; the cake was so much appreciated; Mr. Kettle came from Ursa and took the gifts for the Christmas tree. Your kindness to us has been very cheering in this time of trial and sickness. Mr. Bourne with myself again send Cobourg W.A. most loving thanks."

DOMESTIC.

QUEBEC. *From Ven Archdeacon Tims, Sarcee Mission, Calgary, to Miss Buland, December 14th, 1899.*

"We yesterday received the bales of which you advised us last month, and now I write to say how grateful we are to have such a nice lot of things for our children and adults this cold weather. The blankets will be very useful in our Girls' Home. I don't think they have ever had such nice ones before. We generally have to make shift with quilts without blankets, but they can never be so warm as those nice soft ones you have sent. I fear the children who get them will be much envied by the rest. We are also specially grateful for the mens' clothing. The men are so glad of the coats when they go to the hills to fetch fire wood for us, They have to go twenty miles nearly to get good wood, at least, they tell me it is that far. I know it takes two days. Will you please thank the members of your Branch for their kind help (you did not say which Branch you represent) and assure them we are grateful for their gifts."

TORONTO. *From Mr. Haynes, Peigan Reserve, to Hastings W.A.*

"Your bale was a very great boon, just at the time it was received we were badly off for clothing; please thank every member of your Branch who so kindly contributed to the needs of our children. You will be glad to know there are 24 boys and girls in the Home, and they do, indeed, get through a lot of clothing. We had a bright and happy Christmas, and at the present time are all well; God is blessing our efforts by some of the adult Indians coming forward for baptism, we ask your prayers that they may remain steadfast in the faith."

MONTREAL. *Miss S. F. Gilmore, Sec., Havelock, from Mrs. Geo. Ley King, Shingwauk Home.*

MY DEAR MISS GILMOUR,—“Will you please accept for yourself and kindly convey to the members of the Havelock Branch our warmest thanks and gratitude for their splendid bale of clothing and quilts which arrived safely and in capital order yesterday. It is a most useful bale, and the articles sent will prove of the greatest help to us. I desire also to thank you sincerely for the kind gifts so thoughtfully sent for Mr. King and myself. We have been unusually

busy at Shingwauk this summer, erecting the new Home for girls. The new building is three stories, built of stone to match the Shingwauk, and adjoining the west end of that building, and when completed (we hope the latter part of January, next), we shall have accommodation in the two Homes for 100 children. We need much in the way of equipments including factory cotton, sheets 90 x 50 inches, quilts and blankets for 25 beds to start with. If it is not imposing too much on the generosity of your Branch, might I ask the members, if their efforts are not otherwise pledged, to work for us this winter, and contribute a portion. I shall be most grateful if they can see their way to do so, and will gladly furnish any particulars desired. The admission of several new boys this fall brings our total roll up to 67; a large family to provide for, and keeps me more than busy planning and scheming to make ends meet. Generally speaking they are a very promising lot of lads, are wonderfully teachable and well behaved, and making excellent progress in the schools. The recently admitted ones are readily distinguished by their puny appearance, and our first care must be towards effecting an improvement in their physical condition."

Extract from letter from Mrs. Matheson, Onion Lake, Saskatchewan, to Mrs. Mitchell, St. Armand Branch.

"The articles in your bale were exactly what we needed; the sheets were very acceptable and I was pleased to get the flannel one; the children's clothes were all of sizes to fit them; the underwear came just in the right time; the groceries were a welcome addition to our pantry, and we wish to thank you again for reaching out such helping hands to us. The work goes on steadily; not so many children in the Home as last winter, but plenty to give us all the work we can do. Our new members of the staff are a great help to us, and we are so glad to have a teacher who can give full time and attention to that part of the work. My medical work is increasing and keeps me busy with my other duties. Last winter I had over 80 patients, but on the whole we have very little sickness, and the school children keep very well, and so far we have escaped all epidemics. There have been some changes in Government officials at Onion Lake, since the New Year; they are very fine people and we are glad to have them near us."

HURON. *Mrs. Reeve, Fort Simpson, Mackenzie River Diocese, writes to London, Cathedral Branch.*

"I have much pleasure in informing you of the safe arrival of your boxes; only one bottle of medicine and one of malted milk was broken. The Bishop is writing to Mr. Matheson, of the London Drug Company, who again has so kindly given us a valuable box of medicines. Yes, thank you, I am in fairly good health now, and I have nearly lost my cough. That hot water bottle is still a church goer, and a great comfort; I sit in the seat furthest away from the stove, and before I took the hot-water bottle to church, my feet were often stinging cold."

To Petrolea, Rev. W. G. White, Whitefish Lake, Dio. Athabasca, writes.

"Hearty thanks for the three bales; so many things sent were just what we needed at that time, and all were useful. Mrs. White was delighted to see the iron shovel, for we had nothing to take the ashes out of the stove with last winter but the garden spade. I think we appreciated the nice jams you sent this time more than the canned vegetables you used to send. The aprons were most welcome, we had not received many, and the women ask for them so much. I am giving 7 old women here a quilt each from the Petrolea bales. We hope to cut Mrs. Jones' cake on Christmas Day. We were very pleased to see the soap, it is a most valuable article here. Last Sunday was a red letter day, we had the opening service in our lately completed church. With the organ, a strip of carpet up the aisle and the Cree texts, our little house of prayer looked really quite nice. Our hearts were full of thankfulness to our Master when 75 Indians crowded in, the boys having to sit on the floor. I had received some new Cree manuals from our Bishop, which I handed round, and many of the men who understood the syllabic characters joined in the hymns as well as they could. As there will probably be a number of children fairly close to us this winter, I hope, D.V., as soon as the cold weather really sets in to hold a day school, giving each child a lunch at noon as an encouragement to attend."

The acting Editor is very sorry so many interesting letters kindly sent her have to stand over, but she hopes, D.V., to devote the Huron pages of the April LETTER LEAFLET almost entirely to letters from the mission field.

ONTARIO. *To Mrs. McFaul, Kingston, from Mr. Williams, Gordon Indian School, Touchwood Hills, Dio. Qu'Appelle, June 15, '99.*

I beg to acknowledge receipt of bale sent by the C. W. A. Society of St. George's Cathedral, Kingston, for which I thank you very much indeed; the bale arrived safely on the 11th inst., and will be a great benefit to us in our school. The children also wish me to thank you and all the kind ladies of your Branch for their kindness to them; I really do not know what we should do in our school but for the kindness of the W. A. in the east."

To Mrs. Bedford Jones, St. Peter's, Brockville, from Mrs. Hay, Fort William West, November 23rd, 1899.

"Your kind letter received this morning, and I hasten to reply to assure you that I did not receive your letter of last month. I have been thinking for days that I must write and tell you something of the use made of the articles you so kindly sent last spring; for a time I tried to remember what I did with each article, but failed; some were given to one of the sons of the clergyman's daughter I wrote to you of, to whom they were most acceptable. Shall I tell you their tale of woe before I go further? One son died in June, a boy of 13, the mother nursed him through his sickness and did everything for him, though she herself was in a very delicate state of health, and in September was very ill. They have lost two horses this summer and fall. They are in such financial difficulties that they had to sell hay the other day to keep from having things seized, and probably will need the hay for their cattle before spring. Another family of whom I wrote to you last spring, and one who received some of the comforts you so kindly sent, lost their only little boy in August. The doctor told Mr. Hay that it was lack of proper nourishment that caused his death. If we had only known it in time we should have tried to send them something for him, but God willed otherwise. The father, a careless, Godless man, has been doing better since the child's death; attending church regularly, and came with his wife to have their baby baptized. An old woman at Stanley has been suffering terribly from rheumatism; we found by inquiring she had not flannels to keep her warm; we have been thankful to provide something for her. Mr. Hay now has charge of West Fort; though it adds another station to his large field of labor, he is at home more, and that is a great con-

sideration in the cold weather. He goes on Saturday morning to Oliver and comes back here on Sunday for evening service, and when he cannot get down on a freight train, walks eleven miles. How very kind of you to enquire about our special needs, and how nice to have the bale shipped in time to reach here Christmas. Last year we had nothing at that time, and I do so like to remember people then, when children and all are looking for something. We have a Sunday School in Oliver with about 24 children; 10 at Stanley and about half a dozen at Slate River. Of course, we cannot expect you to supply all. The Prayer books will be most acceptable. We do use A. & M. Hymn books. Patricia is 11 years of age, or will be in January, and is growing very fast, measuring 5 feet. She will be pleased with any thing the young girls may choose to send her; she is fair, with blue eyes and light brown curls. We are so glad to be where she can attend school: she has only been to school a year and a half; of course I have taught her at home: she passed into the third book at midsummer and thinks she can pass for the fourth next year. I cannot find words to express my gratitude for your kind remembrance of us, and while helping us you are helping to lighten our good Bishop's cares, as you know he is sore pressed financially. The stipends are so small that when house-rent, fire and food are provided, there is not much left for clothing. We were only this morning discussing the ways and means and special needs, but God provides for us in a wonderful way, and I am sure He will bless those who practice the self-denial that I know many do, that they may help the missionaries. Please convey our kind regards to your workers. We have a Sunday school here of 35 children, but this school is self-supporting."

NIAGARA. *Extract from Rev. J. W. Tims, Sarcee Reserve to St. Jude's Junior Branch, Oakville.*

"Everything came splendidly and I don't think you could improve much on the way it was packed. We are very grateful for all the good things you sent. I am going down shortly to the Peigan Home and will then take a number of things that I think they will be glad of, and that we can do without, most of the girls' clothes for instance. There are about 22 Christians here now; there were just two four year's ago. We had a hearty Christmas service, and a little feast for them and the parents of the children in our Home who are not

Christians. Yesterday, about 30 old women came to have an article of clothing each and a little tobacco (they love tobacco) provided by some Calgary merchants. I wish your Branch every success in your work, and am sure that a blessing will be meted out to one and all from our Heavenly Father for your kindness to those who, many of them, are still afar off."

From Miss Symonds, Sarcee Mission, Calgary, to Rothsay Branch.

'I am taking Miss Crawford's place while she is having a rest, she is matron to the girls, eight of them, Thank you very much for your kind letter as well as for the bale; it shows you are interested in missionary work to have accomplished so much. I will get one or two of the girls to write in a few days, they are kept very busy with house-work and school; their names are, the four biggest, Lizzie Manyhorses, Annie One Spot, Fanny Grasshopper, Mary Big Crow, they wash and scrub, iron and sweep, set tables, wash dishes and help in the kitchen, taking a day each at different work, then we have prayers at ten in the morning, taken by Archdeacon Tims, we sing a hymn and have a reading with practical explanation and prayer; after prayers, school, the children listen very attentively. These four girls are about 13, 14 and 15. Fanny is very delicate just now and cannot do much work. The four younger ones are Polly Going-to-the-Crees, Bessie Crow-child, Sarah Big Crow and Daisy Grasshopper; these all help in many little ways in the work. Many of the things in your bale will be useful to Arch. Tims for the Indians. The quilts are always acceptable; the stockings and mitts were so nice and strong we gave them to the boys, as they need them most. We have seven boys, they live in one gable of the house and the girls at the other end, and then a long dining-room and kitchen divide us. When I gave the dried apples to Mrs. Marriott, who is house-keeper, she said 'I am glad to have those apples.' You see Mr. Tims has to use great economy to make ends meet, so every bit of grocery or household needs is most welcome to us. You would be surprised to see how nice and neat and good our children are in contrast to the people in camp; they read, write and speak English very nicely, and knit their own stockings and mitts. To-night they had a sum to work for their teacher in school to-morrow; it was to find out how many inches there are in 256 miles, 48 rods, 15 feet and 28 inches?

We have had several baptisms. The first Sunday in this year Fanny and Daisy Grasshopper were baptized, and just as the service began the father walked up and wished to be baptized, too. He had been talking with the Archdeacon about it, but the Archdeacon thought he had better instruct him a little further first, but he would not refuse him when he had courage to come up before us all and several Indians. Their primitive ways made one inclined to smile. As the service began another Christian Indian, Mark Crow-child, walked up and quietly pushed Grasshopper a little nearer to the Archdeacon and closer to his daughters, then went back, but quietly returned and whispered in Grasshopper's ears the responses he should make in the Blackfoot Indian language. It seemed so nice to see the interest taken in each other and in the service. I don't know where Rothsay is, if you were near enough to get Miss Crawford to come and speak to you, you would enjoy it I am sure; she has worked very hard to train these girls well. Please give our best thanks to the W.A. members and to your Sunday scholars."

From Annie One Spot, Sarcee Home, to St. Andrew's, Grimsby, Junior Branch.

"My Dear Friends,—I should like to thank you for the clothes which you kindly sent me. I like them very much. Two print dresses you sent, I wear them, and I change them about. I wear one every week, because they get dirty quickly. I let one down to-day and faced it and grey one I keep it for only Sundays and the other dress I do not wear it yet. I thank you for the ribbons, soap, handkerchiefs, seeds, needles and spools of cotton. I like to play with my dolls and dress them. I make my dolls' clothes myself. One of my dolls got leg broke and one feet brake. I am making a quilt. I think you sent the pieces. I do a lot of work. I can wash, iron, scrub, make the bread, puddings, cakes, and pies, and sometimes I make the butter, churn and wash the dishes, tidy the rooms, sew and mend. I can read and write and spell and do other things. In the morning we wash before school and we get ready for school and when we go in school we sing first and say creed and we sit down and we read around in Bible and we pray too, then we begin with our lessons, and sometimes one of the girls come out to iron or wash. We had two little black kittens. Some flowers are come out, we like to pick them up.

My father, mother and sisters are not be baptized. My brother and his family are been baptized, one little boy is here in school. I hope my father, mother and sister and her family will become Christians too. My other brother is in the Industrial School ; he comes over sometimes and I see him for a little while. I have a nice Holy Bible and Prayer Book, My seeds did not come up yet. I planted them very early. I must close my letter now,"

OTTAWA. *From Mr. Haynes, Victoria Home, to Mrs. Pinkey, March.*

" I am very sorry I have not acknowledged your welcome bale before now, but may say at the very outset it was the best bale of boys' clothing we have received, and I gratefully thank you for the same. I scarcely know where to begin with such a bale of clothing as you sent, it was first-rate from first to last, everything most useful and well packed. It takes a great deal to clothe 24 children. The girls' dresses are very nice, and the style they were made is the one which suits the children best. It is very good of the ladies of your Branch to take such a kindly interest in our work, and I can assure you it is fully appreciated. There is many a happy face in this home with the nice pants and dresses and those fine, warm and bright quilts. There have, I am sure, been many willing hands at work on them." *From John Sanders, Biscotasing, to Miss B. Parmeley, St. John's F. W.A., Ottawa.*

" I now desire to express my cordial thanks to you and the members of your Association for your thoughtful kindness to us, as to send so many things suitable for general use and the most acceptable Christmas gifts. The quilt, hand towels, boys' shirts and under-flannels, and girls' petticoats are things we are glad to receive and are always greatly appreciated. I am also very glad that you sent so many bags of candy and prettily dressed dolls; were it not for these things our Christmas presents to the Sunday School children would have been necessarily small. As the children exceed the number of bags of candy we divided some into two shares for small children, as we could not very well divide the dolls in that way, we had just to present them whole to the most deserving. Some of our people had really a hard time last winter, indeed we think that as many as five or six individuals likely starved to death for they never came back at the end of the hunting season with the rest."

From John Sanders, Biscotasing, to Miss L. Edwards, Franktown.

"The bale of clothing which the kind ladies of St. James' Branch dispatched last month for the benefit of my mission has reached here safely and in good order. I feel that I can never thank you enough for your kindness and thoughtfulness. We have just unpacked the bale and are so pleased to see such nice quilts, the thick ones are just the kind for the Indians in order to keep the poor things warm during the cold season; the thin ones are not less appreciated, because they will answer for summer. We are deeply thankful for the rag carpeting, it is so much needed in the missionary's house. At this place there are no less than five poor Ojibeway widows belonging to the church, two of which are nearly helpless. There are over thirty widows of the said tribe in my mission, a number of orphans and some old men, all needing charity."

From M. Williams, Gordon's School, to Miss Eaman, Wales, Ont.

"I am in receipt of three bales of clothing shipped from your Branch, for which I thank you very much, as the contents will be so useful to us, especially the quilts; my wife says they are beautiful, she also made the remark 'that those people know how to quilt!' Our school is going along nicely, indeed; a marked progress is noticeable in all branches, especially in cleanliness and morals. I hope that you were not getting anxious about the arrival of the bales, as it is hard for us to get a freighter sometimes, being so far from the station; we could not possibly get a man to go seven-five miles unless he were sure of a load, so you see we have to watch any chance that may turn up to get the goods to their destination."

FOREIGN.

HURON. To the Diocesan Treasurer, Miss Leslie, writes from Foo-chow.

"I have much pleasure in acknowledging your kind letter of Nov. 11th, enclosing such grand help for the work out here. Very many thanks to the Matching Circle of the King's Daughters of Stratford. The money for the Bible-women I am applying to the support of a woman in whom I am much interested; she used at first to attend our Industrial Class in the city; she then became more interested, was baptized, and joined the Station Class, from which she passed into the woman's school, but was not able to stay her full time, because, being a widow, she feared leaving her only son all alone at home, in

case he should get into bad company; as she did not finish her course, she cannot be put on the roll of Bible-women, still it is true to call her by that name, for she is so truly in earnest, we believe, in her Christian profession, so we have given her a day school, work she can do in her own house; and on Saturday afternoons, and sometimes on other days, one of the city ladies (our missionaries there) takes her to visit and teach in the neighboring houses; please pray much for her that she may be blessed, and used in bringing the children and others to the Lord Jesus. The little blind girl is quite well; I have just been getting a warm coat for her, for this is our cold season. She is at present in the hospital, not because she is ill, but because unfortunately just now we are obliged to close our Boarding-schools, in consequence of a very virulent fever having broken out. Your child, I am thankful to say, is not one of the sick ones, and is very happy where she is, with her dear Miss Barr, the Lady Missionary who first rescued her from the streets. The contribution you sent is a real help towards her expenses; of course we have to provide all her food, clothing, school-books, and little necessaries such as soap, towel, comb, bedding, etc. Miss Kirkby is quite well, and has passed her first examination grandly. Please thank Miss Hay for her kind note sorry I have not had time to reply."

ALGOMA.

QUEBEC. In a letter to Miss Burstall, Treasurer of St. Michael's Branch of W. A., acknowledging \$40 sent to him for the Bishop Sullivan Memorial Fund, the Lord Bishop of Algoma says, "The money, \$40, was given to me when I was in Quebec. The contribution is a most acceptable addition to our Fund. We are truly grateful to the St. Michael's Branch for this and many other kindnesses."

TORONTO. *Extract of letter from Rev. A. J. Young, Manitowaning, to Secretary, St. Simon's G. A.*

"The contents of the case have been very much appreciated by all who have been fortunate in participating. The various garments were all carefully and well made, just what was wanted, very useful and helpful to our poor struggling settlers in the woods. Please accept yourself and convey to all the members of the Society the thanks of myself and my people for their bountiful generosity and useful gifts. Manitowaning, or Man-ne-too-ah-uing, which is the

In lian, is the oldest mission in the Diocese. The church here was built in 1849; the clergyman was the Rev. Dr. O'Meara, afterward of Port Hope. He opened up the mission, which was purely pagan Indians, taught them Christianity, and when he left thirty-five years ago there was a large and flourishing congregation of Christian Indians. The church yard contains the remains of Indians buried in 1838. After the signature of the treaty ceding the Island, with a small exception, to the crown, the Indians immigrated to different parts of the Island and the north. Those settling at Tucker Creek, Garden River, White Fish, Bird's Island. This mission from that time has been to the whites. I have three out-stations attached. South Bay, a fishing station on Lake Huron, The Slath and Hilly Grove. Through the generosity of S.P.G. in giving in a grant from the 'Marriott bequest,' we are building a church at the Slath this summer. We are not strong here. We might have been, but the church has missed her opportunity, and now it is too late. Our Indian missions are languishing for want of friends to carry on the work and the Indians who have been evangelized through the teaching of our clergy are finding spiritual homes elsewhere."

*From Mrs. Smitheman, Schreiber, to Mrs. Newman, St. Stephen's W.A.,
December 28th, 1899.*

"The boxes arrived yesterday. Oh, how glad your lovely presents will make the children! Everything is so superior, and the candy lovely. We shall have a lovely tree; the men will get ties and the young men the animals to raise a bit of fun. Mr. Smitheman started this morning up the line towards Port Arthur, and I had the pleasure of doing up four parcels of clothing, toys and candies. They will be a wonderful surprise to the Finn families; they have never been remembered in such a way before. Mr. Smitheman is anxious to remember all the babies he has baptized, and he will be able to do so. Next week he will take large parcels to White River, Black River and Heron Bay; there are families of 8 and 10 children. On Christmas Day he gave the Nipegon Indians their Annual treat. St. Mark's Church, Hamilton, has sent a bale, specially for the Indians, every year since Mr. Renison's time. It is a great delight to us to give the things, and we are so grateful to your kind W.A. We can make use, and good use, of all that comes. There is a poor family

here who never beg nor complain, but they have a hard fight. The husband is a stone mason, and tries to make both ends meet by keeping the rink during the winter; when he has provided food there is nothing left for clothing. The wife is quick with her needle, but she has five little ones, the oldest 7 years. I am sure you will be pleased to hear that I have fitted them all out. Three of the children get to Sunday School regularly. She was most thankful and begged me to send her thanks to the kind ladies of Toronto. Now for myself; let me thank the dear friend for my darling Sydney's cutfit; it fits him so well, and has made a little gentleman of my wee boy, and taken a load off my mind for month's to come. The cloak from Mrs. Merritt fits me beautifully, and is very welcome; please give her my warmest thanks. The parcel for Mr. Smitheman, from Mrs. Allen, contained his favorite jam, and cocoa his pet beverage, and the peppermint creams that he specially likes for his throat. Marjorie was delighted with one of the red dresses, and the pinnies and the cardigan jacket fitted Percy out for school. I am indeed blest, and all through the kind friends in the East; a thousand thanks would be too little."

From Mrs. Atkinson. Port Sydney, Muskoka, to Alliston W.A.

"Since Mr. Atkinson broke his arm I do the correspondence for him; he can take his services now; we are so glad of help for our out-stations; many are very poor in the scattered country places; our nearest railway station is Wherson, 2½ miles distant; Mr. Atkinson's stations are Ufford, Beatrice, and Parkersville; there are over 100 children from the Home in this mission, and the little things are so pleased with a Christmas gift. Our little girl, aged 5, is a constant sufferer, needing much care; we have a boy of 7. Living here is expensive; groceries and clothing are very high. Mr. Atkinson says there are several old women for whom he would be so glad of tea or some little thing to give them. We do need Prayer Books and Hymn Books."

OTTAWA. From Rev. G. Ley King, Shingwauk Home, to Miss Nellie Slack, Arnprior.

"Will you please accept for yourself, and kindly convey to the members of the J.W.A. our most sincere thanks and gratitude for the very acceptable bale of clothing, quilts and Christmas gifts, which much to our delight reached Shingwauk safely on Christmas Eve.

We are greatly pleased with your kind gifts, everything sent is most useful, the quilts and clothing especially so, and will prove of the greatest use to us. I desire also to thank the members for the splendid lot of games, toys, candies and books, all of which we are holding in reserve for our Christmas tree to be held on New Years day, and which will tend very materially to its success. Our new Home for the girls is progressing; it adjoins the west end of the Shingwauk Home, and is built of stone, with red brick facings to match the latter. We hope to have the building habitable by the 31st of January, inst. When completed, the two institutions will accommodate 100 children. It is our great ambition to be able to take in and care for this many."

Diocesan Branch Notes and News.

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

PAROCHIAL REPORTS. Cathedral—A large bale containing clothing, groceries, &c., has been sent to Mr. Edwards, Thunder Child's Reserve, Saskatchewan. Mrs. Lennox Smith has been appointed Vice-President, Mrs. Herbert Smith having resigned owing to her absence from Quebec. We have eight new members. Coaticook—Meetings held regularly, except during December. We have 23 members. We hope to awaken new interests in the good work, that needs so much help. Lennoxville—Meetings held regularly, average attendance 11. A special meeting held 27th October to receive Miss Halson, whose address was most excellent. A bale containing clothing, two quilts and a few Christmas gifts was sent to the Shingwauk Home in December. Levis—Meetings held regularly. A letter of grateful thanks from Mrs. Troop, Matron Dynevor Hospital, for bale sent in September. In November \$1.64 (from three mite boxes) sent to Dio. Treasurer, \$15.15 realized from an Entertainment given by our members. In December \$5 was sent to Dio. Treasurer, towards Miss Smith's salary, Japan. Lower Ireland—Meetings well attended considering the difficulties to be overcome, distance, &c. We are sorry to have lost, by removal, two of our most worthy members, Mrs. Johnson and Mrs. Elliot. We have a number of completed articles on hand which we intend sending for the aid of Missions. Marbleton—We have had no meetings since November owing to sickness. Intend to resume work next week for the same

mission, Rev. T. Stocken, Calgary—We have several garments finished. Three new members have joined us. St. Matthew's, Quebec—A quarterly meeting 13th November, 16 members present. We undertook to send a bale of clothing to half-breeds Mission, to be designated by Dio. Dorcas Secretary. Christmas week evening meeting, Tea was provided by lady Superintendants and much enjoyed. In November, outfit for three Indian girls was sent to All-Haliows' School, Yale, B.C. Also large collection of fancy articles to Mrs. Dart, wife of Bishop of New Westminster, for a sale. Three sets of kneeling pads given to our Branch by St. Matthew's Guild are to be sent to Mrs. Grisdale for Diocese of Qu'Appelle. Melbourne and Richmond—Owing to storms and illness no meetings held. The death of John Venn, our boy, has for a time deprived us of a special object. We hope the Dorcas Secretary, Miss Bennett, will soon give us information which will help us to decide on our future work. St. Michael's, Quebec—Quarterly meeting, October 24th, Rev. Mr. Watson gave an address on Mission work. \$8.64 received from Mission bags. \$40 given to Bishop of Algoma for Sustentation Fund. Letter of thanks received. New Carlisle—Five meetings held since last Report. Attendance nine. In December by our Auxiliary Sale of work we realized \$31.51. Sent to Diocesan Treasurer \$26.51, \$4 of which is to go towards salary of Lady Missionary, Japan. \$22.51 undesignated. Monthly meetings during winter. Paspébiac—Monthly meetings held, attendance very good. We are now making quilts. Hope soon to hear of arrival of bale sent to Rev. Edward Thomas, Fort Alexander, in October. St. Peters'—Resumed work in September, attendance fair. November. sent two bales of warm and useful articles of clothing, &c., to St. Barnabas Home, Calgary. Ven-Archdeacon Tims gratefully acknowledged them. Riviere du Loup—Owing to illness and bad weather no meetings. Hope to hold one this month. Sherbrooke—At October meeting, resolved to send \$35, formerly sent to Mr. Hinchliffe, was to go to Bishop of Algoma for Sustentation Fund. To be due on Feast of All Saints.

The Editor's sincere thanks for letter of Missionaries sent her. No Diocesan Mission work can be reported in Auxiliary returns. Report of Dio. work should be sent to Secretary of Church Helpers.

A Quarterly Diocesan Meeting of this Branch was held on January 24th. Mrs. Hunter Dunn presided. After the reading of the Minutes and Reports, Mrs. D. Ross read a most interesting and instructive paper on the "Chinese in America," by Mrs. McLeod Moore, of Montreal.

Letters were read from the Bishop of Algoma and Mrs. Baldwin, giving the names of some Missionaries' children, who might be suitable for the Auxiliary to educate. As the sum promised annually is not sufficient to meet the expense, viz., \$100 per annum, the Treasurer was asked to invite those Branches, which do not contribute to this and the other pledges, to do so.

Much disappointment was expressed at so few Branch reports being sent in, and the Editress of the LEAFLET was requested to urge all Secretaries to send Quarterly reports, no matter how short. Mrs. Dunn reminded the members of the Service to be held the 1st Tuesday in each month at 10.30 a m. in the Cathedral.

DIOCESAN RECORDING SECRETARY.

Referring to the above, the Editor thinks that if the members of the Branches at all realized the feeling of blank disappointment felt at the meetings when the President calls the name of a Branch and the Representative has reluctantly to answer "No Report," they would be sure in the future always to send a Quarterly Report and make sure that it reaches the Representative *in time* to be read at the meeting. Only short extracts can be printed in the LEAFLET owing to limited space. Several Reports have come to me since the meeting—excellent Reports, which it is much to be regretted were not read before the Quarterly Diocesan Meeting.—ED.

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

The February Board Meeting was held by kind invitation in St. Stephens' School House; as usual we were most hospitably entertained; everything possible to aid in making the visitors feel at home being carried out by the members of the Branch. The noon day reading was given by the Rev. G. Kuhring, on the three fruits of the Spirit, "Long Suffering," "Gentleness," "Goodness," and was replete with helpful thoughts. We greatly appreciate the kindness of our Clergy in giving us this portion of their time. Mr. Stocken of

the Blackfoot Reserve, came to say good bye, as he was returning home next day. The Extra-cent-a-day money was voted to Mr. Stocken to purchase a carpet, making, &c., for furnishing the little Church just built on the Reserve as a memorial of Mrs. Stocken's parents. Mr. Stocken has been most kind in visiting the Branches who contribute towards the Blackfoot Home Pledge and Matron's Salary. Mrs. Hickman, recently returned from China, also gave us a very interesting account of the customs of these people, showing their bitter need of Christianity. It was announced that the Annual Meeting would be held (D.V.) on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th May. The list of Branches contributing to the 19th Century Fund, with amounts, is printed in this LEAFLET; should there be any error, kindly communicate with the Treasurer, 15 Rose Avenue, Toronto. To those who offered willingly to this Fund and to the Blackfoot Hospital Salaries, the Officers of the W. A. return grateful thanks. The meeting on the 5th of February for the Blackfoot Hospital supporters was well attended, and the offerings given with enthusiasm. The reports from the Hospital were encouraging; we hope to send them to our friends before long; the young people of the G. F. S., the Girls' Auxiliary and the Juniors were well represented. The money given by Juniors is for maintenance of the Hospital; the Pledge is for salaries of trained Nurse and Matron, and freewill offerings are given towards the salary of the third nurse, Miss Esam. Kind donations last year made up this required sum, \$180, and for this coming year we still require the help of our friends in this matter.

Will our members remember to plead most earnestly in daily prayer to our Heavenly Father, that the terrible famine in India may be relieved, and that the war in South Africa may be overruled to the spread of Christianity among the Native tribes.

Books in W. A. Library, 563 Yonge Street, on India.—Hindu Women; Life of Henry Martyn; Life and Letters of A. I. O. E.; Days of Grace in India; Under the Palmyras; Not by Might; Behind the Purdah; England's Mission to India; A Loneless Mail from Ceylon, India; The Hill Tribes of India; Among Bengal Boys in Forts of Darkness; Among the Mountains of Kashmir in journeyings oft, Facts about India (Leaflets).

Library Free to all Branches. Application can be made to Miss

Boyce, Librarian, 704 Spadina Avenue. Toronto. Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at 563 Yonge Street.

The following Magazines can be obtained through Miss Boyce.—

* Canadian Church Magazine, 50c.; Algoma Mission News, 50c., Moosonee Mail Bag, 25c.; South American Magazine, 25c.; Jewish Mission Intelligence, 50c.; Church Mission Gleaner, 40c; The Mission Field, African Tidings.

* The Canadian Church Magazine has in each number Articles on the W. A. Subjects for Reading and Prayer for Month.

QUARTERLY REPORT OF JUNIOR BRANCHES.

(Continued from February LEAFLET.)

So much can be done by a kindly visit from Seniors when the Branch meets; or bright, story reading, the giving of some Mission news easy of comprehension, the giving of small gifts to "Help with the Bale," and the encouraging of the Members Prayer and Catechism. There have been several changes in and out of town. Minden, I grieve to say, has disbanded entirely, sending as a farewell gift, a Parcel of Clothing to the Central Rooms. St. John's, Peterboro', is helping their near-by neighbour of Youngs Point, and will contribute to the much wanted Font there. The members are much interested in the welfare of the Bale of Medical comforts for the Japan Hospital. Port Whitby inaugurates purely Missionary meetings every other Saturday during the summer, the members taking it in turn to conduct them, and thus "We learnt a great deal about Missions." The Junior Treasurer kindly invites all the Officers and representatives of Juniors to meet at her house. The question of the "Century Thankoffering Fund" was fully discussed; it is decided that the Childrens' Offering shall be presented at their Annual opening May 2nd; each Branch to send their offering in a small bag, with the name of the Church, Place, and Branch clearly embroidered or marked thereon. One of the City Branches thought it best to take a separate Treasurer for the Fund, and each member will hope to bring 1 cent each every week until the presentation.

Sales of work have been held by Church of Ascension, St. Peter's and St. Simon's. St. Margaret's gave a Tea to 95 children at Christmas, and a "Picture Lecture" was kindly given by Mr. Wood. The Branches of All Saints', Church of Epiphany, Church of

Messiah, and St. Albans' have been visited, and a new Branch is reported at St. Matthias', where a "Birthday Party" was held. The Junior Officers were well represented at the great "Thank-offering" Service in St. James' Cathedral. M. FORSYTH GRANT,

Diocesan Secretary, Junior Branches

19TH CENTURY FUND.

Atherley	\$ 2 00	Christ Church, Deer Park	16 25
Asuburnham	8 00	St. Clement's, Leslieville.....	5 00
Baillieboro	4 00	St. Cyprian's	7 25
Banda	1 25	Church Epiphany.....	12 00
Barrie	15 00	St. George's	35 00
Bateau	7 00	Grace Church	5 00
" Church Workers	1 25	Holy Trinity	16 00
Beaverton	7 75	St. James' Cathedral	96 35
Bolton	1 00	" Y. W.	17 00
Bond Head.....	1 50	St. John's.....	24 10
Bowmanville	6 25	St. Luke's	101 00
Bradford.....	9 40	St. Margaret's	31 30
Brighton	5 35	St. Mark's, Parkdale	44 25
Campbellford	12 30	St. Mary Magdalene	21 00
Cavan, St. John's, Ida	5 15	St. Matthew's	7 00
" Trinity Church.....	3 50	St. Matthias'	17 00
Chester.....	6 75	Church Messiah	4 00
Churchill.....	3 50	St. John's, Norway.....	5 00
C. bourg	43 00	St. Paul's.....	10 75
Collingwood	31 00	St. Peter's	31 00
Columbus	3 25	St. Phillip's.....	25 00
Cookstown	5 00	Church Redeemer	12 00
Coulsons	2 25	St. Simon's.....	135 50
Creemore.....	3 25	St. Stephen's.....	28 00
Dixie.....	10 25	St. Thomas'	58 15
Duntroon	4 00	Trinity Church	11 50
Eglington	7 60	West Toronto, St. John's.....	4 00
Emily	1 50	Thornhill.....	2 25
Hastings	3 00	Uxbridge.....	8 00
Humber Bay	1 50	Whitby, All Saints'	7 00
Innisfil.....	7 00	" St. John's	6 00
Lakefield	6 00	York Mills	5 00
Loydtown	6 25	Girls' Auxiliaries:	
Markham	4 75	Collingwood	6 50
Millbrook	2 00	Markham	1 00
Mimico.....	5 35	Toronto—	
Nowcastle	6 00	All Saints'	11 65
Omemece	6 00	St. Alban's	5 25
Orillia	11 50	St. Anne's	5 00
Otonabee	2 50	Church Ascension	7 00
Penetanguishene	2 50	St. George's	5 00
Peterboro, St. John's	27 00	St. Luke's	6 00
Port Hope, St. John's.....	12 00	Church Messiah	75
Springfield	3 00	Church Redeemer	5 75
Stayner.....	2 25	St. Simon's.....	6 40
Shanty Bay.....	5 00	St. Thomas'	7 35
Sutton West	1 25	St. Stephen's G. A.	6 25
Toronto—		W Toronto, St. Mark's.....	5 75
All Saints'	62 50	Individual Members	30 50
St. Alban's Cathedral.....	18 30	Offertory	37 86
St. Anne's	9 35	Mrs. Burnett, B.C.	1 00
Church Ascension	30 00	Thankoffering "The Woods".....	25 00
St. Bartholomew's	3 45		

P.M.C., JESSIE HOSKIN, *Sec.-Treas.*—June 11th, to Feb. 8th, 1900.

Ashburnham, St. Luke's	\$ 1 20	St. Margaret's	4 60
Cavan, St. Thomas'	7 10	St. Paul's	11 75
Colborne, Trinity Church	6 55	St. Peter's	60 50
Deer Park, Christ Church	11 20	Church Redeemer	27 30
Orillia, St. James'	15 40	St. Thomas'	16 10
Ot-nabee, St. Mark's	20 00	St. Stephen's	14 55
Penetanguishene, All Saints'	5 39	St. Thomas'	14 55
Uxbridge, St. Paul's	9 90	Trinity East	15 15
Victoria Road, St. Thomas'	2 50		
Toronto—			\$404 32
St. Alban's Cath.	13 20	DESIGNATED.	
All Saints'	17 20	Diocesan	\$339 07
Church Ascension	5 90	Algoma	12 95
St. Anne's	18 40	North West	25 20
St. John's	68 95	Foreign	25 85
St. Luke's	7 53	Zenana	1 00
St. Matthew's	5 25	Chinese, B.C.	25
St. Mark's, Parkdale	13 60		
St. Mary Magdalene	9 55		\$404 32

MONTREAL] DIOCESAN MOTTO—“*Go work to-day in my vineyard.*”

On February 20th, 21st and 22nd, Montreal held in the Synod Hall her Annual Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary, presided over by the Bishop of Montreal, and our gracious and tactful President, Mrs. Holden. The result must have been gratifying to all. The number of delegates was good, and the attendance at all the meetings, despite the very unpropitious weather on Thursday, was unusually large; in fact, the 14th Annual Meeting may be fairly reckoned a great success. As usual, the opening Service with Holy Communion was held in the Cathedral by the Lord Bishop, many of the City Clergy taking part. After the Service the special “19th Century Thank-offering” was taken up, amounting in all to \$190. The Bishop gave as usual a most earnest address upon “Faith in God,” surely peculiarly suitable to the Missionary character of the work when so much faith is required. Strangely enough this subject later in the day seemed to merge into the ideas brought forth by Miss Mudge and the Rev. Ernest Smith, of Baltimore, who kindly addressed the Ladies; the former taking “Willingness to Serve,” (though her paper was really upon “Excuses,)” and the latter “Perseverance in Service.” Surely three Stages of Spiritual Growth. The Rev. Mr. Smith caused some amusement by his statement that until he was asked to speak at the Womans' Auxiliary he had had no idea that such a Body was in existence outside the United States. In the evening of the same day the Rev. Principal Hackett spoke

at some length to the interest of all upon the "Needs, Methods and Results of Missions," illustrated by many beautiful lime light views of Mission Hospitals, &c, which added not a little to the interest of his lecture. On Wednesday morning Mrs. Day opened with a Devotional Meeting of much careful study and beautiful thought upon a text from Job—Acquaint thyself with God. Later in the same day Mrs. Troop, senior, who has recently returned from Dynevor Hospital, spoke with great interest upon the work there, and its immense value to the Indians, both bodily and spiritually. Mrs. Troop dwelt also upon Miss Lockhart's failing health, and the deep and immediate necessity of procuring for her an Assistant Hospital Nurse, that she might be enabled to continue her good offices. The Hospital is in a condition to do good work, exquisitely clean, and receiving regular visits from a generous minded physician, who drives out during each week. The results of Mrs. Troop's appeal will appear in the distribution of rebate-money given hereafter. Letters from Japan, read by Mrs. Mills, speak of encouraging progress there; in evidence of which we may mention a Benevolent Society which has been formed at Nagano, as well as a Woman's Auxiliary recently organized among the Japanese at Matsomuto. At the conclusion of business on Wednesday afternoon, an adjournment was made to the large Hall down stairs, where several ladies representing various City Churches, and under the auspices of Miss Jackson and her Junior W. A. had on exhibition a really valuable collection of articles from foreign lands—India, North America, Japan, and many others; an exhibition calculated to bring these far-away countries plainly before the minds eye, and reflecting much credit upon its promoters. During this exhibit, Miss Lily Lyman, a returned Missionary, gave her personal experiences of Child Life in India. As many of us know the sorrows of the little child-widows of India are almost beyond belief in the closing year of our 19th century, and must, it would seem, be an incentive to aid in the Zenana work. Miss Lyman's address was made more interesting by the appearance of several little Maidens in the costumes of Indian women. The "Century of Missions" was most ably treated by Mrs. MacLeod Moore, who took the first half, and Mrs. Day who developed the latter. Truly these papers led from Darkness to Dawn, and gave to

women especially a keen idea of what the Gospel of Christ has done for the World. The usual City and Country Branch Reports were read ; the new printed form proving a step of much wisdom. Most of the pledges have been well filled, but even in this most vital matter there is a little room for improvement. A subject of much interest, which gave rise to some little discussion, was the division and destination of the money rebated by Government upon Bales to Indian Stations, and of the 19th Century Thanks-offering. It was, however, eventually decided to the satisfaction of all to divide the Rebate Money, \$96, equally between the expenses, which are very heavy, of sending a Bale to the Rev. Mr. Spendlove in the Artic Circle, and the payment as far as possible of an Assistant Nurse for Miss Lockhart, of Dynevor Hospital. Mrs. Troop's proved a "Word Spoken in Season." The Thanks-offering of \$190 was also divided equally, but in three parts between the Indian Famine Fund through the Zenana Mission, Bishop Bompas, and the Rev. Mr. Brewer, of Montreal Diocese. A very pleasant little point of the Annual was the presentation by the Bishop to Mrs. Dowling from the members of the Branch of a Life Membership. Mrs. Mitchell, of St. Armands, at the request of the President, kindly read some very pretty original verses upon the various mottoes of the dioceses, two of which have already appeared in the LEAFLET; all culminating in the one word which we all need to remember *opportunity*, "Go work *to-day* in my vineyard."

The Officers re-elected by ballot were—President, Mrs. Holden (appointed by the Bishop); Mrs. Everett, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Mills, Corresponding Secretary; Miss McCord, Dorcas Secretary; Mrs. Marling, Treasurer; Mrs. Kohl, LEAFLET Editor; Miss Gomery, LEAFLET Treasurer; Miss Jackson, Sec. Junior Work.

TORONTO.

"Whatsoe'er we find to do, do it with our might,"
 Is Toronto's golden rule guiding them to right;
 Warning those that love to linger on the toilsome way.
 Not to slumber or be slothful, but to work away—
 In the vineyard of our Master, for the night will come,
 When no man can work, and our life is done.

[HURON] DIOCESAN MOTTO—"Looking for and hastening unto the coming of the day of God."

New St. Paul's, Woodstock, Branch of the W.A., has sustained a great loss by the death of Miss Beard, who for many years was a faithful member, and whose untiring labours on behalf of the relief and assistance of those in the mission field will be long remembered.

Programme of the 13th Annual Meeting of the Huron Diocesan Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary,—Tuesday, March 27th, Quiet Day—11 a.m., St. Paul's Cathedral, Holy Communion, address by the Lord Bishop. Cronyn Hall, 3 p.m. to 4.30, Hymn, Prayer, Bible reading by the President; Papers—by Miss Battersby, "Daily Communion with God;" Mrs. Merton Shore, "Why young women should give themselves to Christ;" Mrs. Griffin, "A Mother's Responsibilities;" Mrs. Brocker, "Love for Jesus, for Souls and for the Master's Work;" Petitions for Prayer; Hymn: Benediction. 7.30 p.m. to 9.30—Paper on "Deanery Co-operation," by Mrs. Ward. 8.30, Intermission for social intercourse. 9, Question Drawer. Wednesday, March 28th, Cronyn Hall—9.30, Board of Management meeting. 10.30, Opening Exercises, Roll Call, Reports, President's Address, Election of Officers and Delegates to Triennial Meeting. 1, Luncheon. 2.30 p.m. to 5.30, Address, Mrs. E. Baldwin, Prov. Cor. Sec.; Conference of Officers and Delegates; Question Drawer 8 p.m., General Missionary Meeting, the Lord Bishop in the chair; Addresses by Rev. — Grubb, "Chaco, South America," and Rev. G. Stocken, "North-West;" Collection. Thursday, 29th, Cronyn Hall—10 a.m., Unfinished Business. Noon Address by the Bishop. Thank-offering for the Century Fund. 1, Luncheon. 3 p.m., Missionary Correspondence. 4.30 to 5.30, Meeting of the Junior members of the Auxiliary.

The attention of the members of our Branches is called to the *Special Devotional Meeting* to be held, D.V., on Tuesday, March 27, from 3 to 4.30 p.m., when it is earnestly requested that special meetings be held by all our Branches simultaneously with the meeting in London. Our Branch Presidents are asked to make arrangements for these Devotional Meetings, and all our members are asked to make a point

of being present, and taking part in the prayers and meditations, and to make special intercession for the Annual Meeting, that a very manifest blessing may rest on its deliberations. There are *comparatively* few who can be present at the meeting, but shall not all seize on this opportunity of meeting together at the Throne of Grace, in the steadfast faith that God will hear us and answer us according to His infinite mercy, and our great need. Let nothing hinder us; if there seem to be difficulties in our way, they are there that we may overcome them, God helping and guiding us.

The Convener of the Hospitality Committee is Mrs. Moorehouse, the Rectory, Hill Street, South London. If there are any of our Branch Secretaries who have not yet sent in the names and addresses of their delegates to Mrs. Moorehouse, will they kindly do so without delay.

Mrs. Boomer, Convener of the Education Committee, requests all the members to meet at her house, 538 Dundas Street, on Monday evening, March 26th, to consider the report to be presented to the Annual Meeting. Mrs. Boomer further extends a very cordial invitation to all Presidents and Delegates interested in our missionary children to visit her on that evening, to meet the Committee and the children.

At a meeting of the W.A. Branches held in London, a standing vote of sympathy with the Bishop and Mrs. Baldwin in their recent trials by sickness was passed; all Branches will heartily endorse that resolution, thankfully adding to it one of congratulation at his Lordship's recovery.

In view of our approaching Annual Meeting, the Rev. A. Owen, Omoksene, sends following appeal: "An outbreak of scarlet fever on the Blood Reserve draws attention to the necessity of the hospital being made fit for use in winter weather; isolation in cases of infectious diseases is a pressing need in Indian Homes. We hope the Government may make us a grant for this purpose, but we would speak specially to the W.A. of our urgent need for a *trained nurse*, desirable at all times, but in cases of epidemics, which overtax the hard-worked staff, and, from the necessity of isolating those who tend the sick, interfere with the work, simply indispensable. May we not

again ask whether there is not somewhere a trained nurse who would be willing to give herself to this work? We feel sure that if such a one could be found, it would be possible to find her salary, for 'the silver and gold are His.' "

Mrs Falls, Treasurer of the Education Committee, sends follow ing letter, which came to her from the President of one of our most active Branches, and which she commends to the prayerful consideration of all W.A. women: "Our Branches here take a real interest in the Educational Fund, always contributing towards it. But I saw so much in the LEAFLETS, and heard Mrs. Bocmer at our Deanery Meeting speak of the special offer of \$50 towards educating Mr. Hawksley's child, that I had a faint hope that we might be able to do a little extra for this object. I think the educating missionaries' children is a noble work, and so womanly; and it is not supported as it should be by the majority of our Branches. We are by no means satisfied with ourselves, but there are so many worthy objects. One of our members said to me after our last meeting that she would like to give a little more, that was why I wrote to you for information and I thank you for so promptly answering."

SARNIA.—We held our Annual Meeting in January, the Rector presiding. Our cash receipts for the year were \$239.55. We paid all our pledges, and contributed to new ones. Two bales were shipped, one to Brokenhead Mission, the other to Rosseau. We held three afternoon teas, at which we received a goodly sum of money. In July we presented Mrs. R. Jones with a Life Membership, and held our Thankoffering service in October, when \$28.63 was collected. Mrs. Falls sent us two letters from Miss Kirkby, which were very much enjoyed. INGERSOLL—We held a reception, which was a splendid success, for Miss Crawford, formerly an active member of this Branch, now laboring as a missionary among the Sarcee Indians. Miss Crawford's very full account of her work, full of touching incidents was listened to with rapt attention by the over two hundred ladies present. Refreshments and a programme of music followed the address. Miss Crawford will spend a couple of months visiting friends, and will then return to her noble work among the Indians. DRESDEN—We held our third Annual Meeting in December. The number of our members is less than last year, owing to some having

left town, but our financial receipts are larger, and much greater interest is manifested. The Rector, Rev. A. Griffin, both expressed the pleasure it gave them to see the ladies showing so much interest in the great cause of missions. Miss Hughes gave an interesting address on the "Diocese of Huron." Our Branch receives a number of missionary papers. THORNDALE—The reports read at our Annual Meeting were very encouraging, for they shewed an increase of interest in the great cause of missions. We have 26 members and 32 subscribers to the LEAFLET. We sent a bale, value \$24.40, to the Rev. J. Badger, Perch Alm Lake, Sask., also a case of medicines. All present at our Annual resolved to make, by God's help, this year 1900, still more prosperous in this work. SOUTHAMPTON—We are doing nicely. The Junior Branch sent three quilts and some shirts in our bale to Pincher Creek. STRATFORD (St. James' Branch)—The Annual Meeting was held in December, when our Treasurer reported, on the whole, a successful year's work. Our cash pledges (in amount \$125) have been met. In June we sent five bales to St. Peter's Mission, Lesser Slave Lake, valued at \$112.43, one was contributed by our Junior Branch. We have decided to work again this year for this mission. We meet weekly for work, with a short Bible reading, prayer, and missionary news, and hold a business meeting, with Bible lesson, by the Rector, monthly. The great draw-back is the low average attendance. MUNCEY—We sent two quilts, 7 shirts and one skirt to Omoksene. CHATHAM (Holy Trinity)—We sent a bale to Rev. Mr. Gander just before Christmas, 20 new, 42 second-hand garments, besides 9 yards flannel, a good supply of groceries and literature. One of our devoted members sends following. "I saw in the February LEAFLET a suggestion that missionaries should write, only every six months to the Dio. Cor. Sec. I would suggest that this be left to the missionary to decide, for I think they are only too glad to acknowledge our bales. Those who belong to a country Branch know how much it means to receive a letter direct from the missionary who has received our bales. In the country, where we hardly ever see a missionary direct from the mission field, we would find it hard to have to wait six months. I think if every Branch would send writing materials and stamps, it would help our missionaries, and let us do all we can to aid and encourage them in every way."

[ONTARIO] DIOCESAN MOTTO:—" *She hath done what she could.*"

The February meeting of the Board was held in St. George's Hall. The Prescott Branch of the W. A. sent a satisfactory report of the work from October to February; fifteen meetings having been held with an average attendance of eleven. The first Missionary Tea took place at Mrs. LaBatt's on February 7th, and it is intended to have similar gatherings weekly until the work is completed for the Easter bale, which is to be sent to the Rev. C. J. Pritchard, Cedar Lake. In December last two fine bales were sent to the Indian School, Yale, B.C., the contents of which gave great satisfaction, special mention being made of the quilts. MERRICKVILLE—This Branch meets weekly during the Summer months to sew, and in September sent a box to Little Pines Reserve. The regular monthly business meetings are kept up during the cold weather, but the sewing is done by the members in their own homes. An offering is taken up at the meeting, the proceeds being used to purchase materials. Mrs. Forneri was elected President at the November meeting.

[NIAGARA]. DIOCESAN MOTTO.—" *Lo! I am with you alway.*"

The Monthly Meeting of the Board was held in the Vestry of St. Mark's Church on Thursday, February 8th, preceded by a celebration of the Holy Communion. In the absence of the President and 1st Vice-President, the Chair was taken by Mrs. Leather, 2nd Vice-President, who discharged the duty to the satisfaction of all. Two new Life Members were announced, Mrs. Sewell and Mrs. Ker, St. Catharines. The reports included that of the E. C. A. D., which amounted to \$5.59. Mr. E. Martin, President of St. Mark's Branch, urged the members to remember the starving millions in India. The Dio. Treasurer already has a small sum contributed to that object. It would be well for all who intend to help to send in the money without delay. The Board had the pleasure of an address from Miss Crawford, Sarcee Home, who also addressed the following Branches in the Diocese during her visit:—St. Jude's, Oakville; St. Thomas Cathedral; United Junior Meeting in Church of Ascension; Daughters of the King Church of Ascension, Hamilton; St. James', Dundas; St. Andrew's, Grimsby; St. George's, St. Catharines; Christ Church, Niagara Falls. That those who have not heard Miss

Crawford may be in touch with those who have; we give some letters from the Sarcee Reserve in this issue, reserving others we have received for next month. It has been decided to hold the Diocesan Annual Meeting on the 23rd, 24th, and 25th April, D.V. The Service to begin on Monday evening, instead of Tuesday as is usual.

[OTTAWA]. DIOCESAN MOTTO:—"God is love."

The Monthly Meeting of the Diocesan Board of the W.A. was held in St. George's School-room, Monday, February 12th, Mrs. Tilton presiding. Among those present were the Hon. Pres., Mrs. Hamilton, and Mrs. Domville, Rothesay, N.B., whom we welcome as a new Diocesan member. Interesting reports were received from the Branch at Almonte, Clayton and Fenaghvale, all are doing a very good work indeed. It has been decided to establish an Extra-cent-a-day Fund in connection with the W.A. of the Diocese, Mrs. Fitzgerald, Cor. Sec., to act as Sec.-Treas., until the Annual Meeting. Branches are reminded that all LEAFLET subscriptions should be sent to Miss Burpe, who is LEAFLET Treasurer, as well as Sec. of Lit. Member's Cards should be applied for through Mrs. Fitzgerald, Cor. Sec.

It will be most gratifying to the W.A. members of the Diocese of Ottawa, to learn that two of its members, now living at North Port, Washington Territory are active in Church work in that part of the Vineyard; there is no church; a clergyman comes once in 3 months or so, but the Church-women have formed an Auxiliary or Guild as well as a Sunday School. In a recent letter from one of our sisters, she says: "We are going to have such a treat here on Sunday, we are actually going to have a clergyman here, the first for over three months. B. and Mrs. L. have a little Sunday School, and we ladies have a Guild. On the 23rd of December we had a doll sale, and cleared \$125, this goes towards building a church." It is true that she who can be useful in her own home and parish can be useful anywhere.

We have just learned, with regret, of the death of Mr. G. M. Greehe, Barrister, who entered into rest, Thursday, February 15th. Our hearts go into loving sympathy to the bereaved wife and other members of the family. Will the members of the W.A. remember Mrs. Greene, our Dio. Dor. Sec., and Miss Greene, Dio. Org. Sec., in this their hour of trial?

Dorcas Reports.

[TORONTO] Central Work Room, 563 Yonge Street.

Branches have promised for the following places: Toronto—St. Peter's, *Wapuskaw*; St. Alban's, *Fort a la Corne* for *Eranspath*; Church of Redeemer, *Devon*; Church of Epiphany G. A., *Lesser Slave Lake*; St. Thomas' G. A., *Brunel and Beatrice*; Holy Trinity, *Shoal River*; May, Mimico, *Dynevor Hospital*; May, St. John's, *Kinosota*; April, Deer Park, *Lytton Hospital*.

Branches have forwarded to the following places: Toronto—St. Luke's G. A., Christmas gifts, *Apsley*, and for sale at *Gravenhurst*; All Saints', *West Fort William*; St. George's, *Essonville* and *Baysville*; St. Cyprian's, *Sarcee Home*; St. James' Cathedral, *Apsley*, *Kovah*, *Goulias Bay* and *Schrieber*; Campbellford G. A., *Blackfoot Hospital*; St. John's, Peterborough, *Emsdale*; Columbus, *Blackfoot Howe*; Oshawa, *Garden River*; Central rooms, *Webbwood*; Millbrook, *Apsley*.

Juniors: St. Margaret's, *Powassan*; St. Simon's M. C. L., outfit Missionary's child.

Some of the members of St. Luke's Branch gave Rev. Canon Stocken surplices for two Indian Catechists on the Blackfoot reserve. St. Thomas' gave a Paten, and a member of Central room Branch Communion linen for the new Church on the Blackfoot reserve, built as a memorial of Mrs. Stocken's parents by some of their family. Surplices have also been given to Rev. Mr. Rocca of the Italian Mission, Toronto, and to a student who goes out to take duty in our diocese.

FANNIE H. BANKS, *Dorcas Sec.-Treas.*

[ONTARIO]. Belleville (Christ Church J. W. A.),—Bale to Ompah, Dio. Ont.; Newboro—Bale to Baysville, Rev. Mr. Hazlehurst, Dio. Algoma, this among other valuable articles had 35 yard's carpet: Trenton—Bale to Bull Horn's Camp, Blood Reserve, Rev. E. H. Hardyman, Dio. Calgary.

ANNIE MUCKLESTON, *Sec.*

Treasurers' Statements.

TORONTO—From January 20th, to February 20th, 1899.

RECEIPTS.			
Ashburnham	\$ 2 00	Bond Head.....	1 50
Atherley	5 00	Bradford	5 00
Barrie	15 00	Bowmanville.....	8 00
Belleboro	5 25	Cavin, St. John's.....	5 00
Bolton	1 00	" Trinity	7 71

MONTREAL—From Dec. 28th, 1899, to Jan. 31st, 1900.

RECEIPTS.

True Balance in Bank as per Statement Jan. 4th.....	\$244 85
Cash in hand.....	65
Members' Fees.....	35 30
Printing Fund.....	8 50
New Westminster Chinese in B.C.....	28 25
Japan, St. Mary's Bible Home.....	28 75
" Medical Missionary.....	38 2
Educational, Weston Frost.....	4 56
Extra-cent-a-day Fund.....	9 09
Zenana Missions.....	7 50
Diocesan Missions—	
Church at North Clarendon.....	3 00
Rev. R. Brewer, River Desert.....	00
Special appeals.....	5 00
Sheltering Home.....	10 25
Sask., Miss Shaw's salary.....	31 75
" Miss Phillip's salary.....	4 25
Uganda.....	1 00
Dynevor Hospital.....	2 00
Self-denial Fund.....	4 86
Literature Fund.....	1 00
Life Member's pledge to Scholarship.....	50
W.A. Prisoners' Aid Association.....	5 00
Triennial Thankoffering.....	4 00
Life Member's Fee, Mrs. Robert Lindsay.....	25 00
Washakada Home.....	5 00
Diocese of Moosonee.....	5 00
Algoma.....	10 00
Shingwank Home.....	10 00
Mite Box collection at meeting, January 4th.....	1 70
Interest received from Bank.....	3 71
	\$675 82

DISBURSEMENTS.

Mrs. Hetherington, Treasurer W. A. Prisoners' Aid Association...	5 00
Special appeal for country Clergyman, per Mrs. Cunningham.....	8 00
Mrs. Flanagan, Ahuncic.....	1 00
Mrs. M. H. Gault, Treas. Sheltering Home.....	10 25
Sask., Miss Shaw's salary, last quarter, per Rev. A. S. Matheson.....	30 00
Deposited in Bank, for education of an Armenian Child.....	32 75
Rev. G. F. Wilson, Washakada Home, Elkhorn, Man.....	5 00
Rev. R. C. Brewer, River Desert P. Q.	5 00
W. R. Haynes, Esq., Peigan Indian Reserve.....	7 85
For Lepers at Pakhoi Missions, China, per Henry Mudge, Esq.....	6 75
Bishop Reeve, Mackenzie River, per Rev. J. G. Baylis.....	20 00
Dom. Printing Co., (on account) per Mrs. Lepage.....	17 00
Assessment Fee to Provincial Bd., per Provincial Treasurer.....	12 50
Self-denial Fund, per Mrs. Bell-Irvine.....	13 95
Postage for Recording Sec.....	2 00
Caretaker, Synod Hall, Jan & Feb.....	2 00
Board of D. & F. Missions, per Mrs. Elliot, Treasurer.....	7 54
Uganda, per Miss Mackenzie, Treas. St. Matthias' Branch.....	1 00
Balance in Bank.....	447 12
Cash in hand.....	41 11
	\$675 82

S. MAUDE MARLING, *Treasurer.*

ONTARIO.

RECEIPTS.

Domestic Missions	
Kingston St. George's Cath.—	
North West Missions.....	\$ 2 70
Algoma Missions.....	5 40
Miss Phillip's salary.....	2 00
Kingston, St. James'—	
North West.....	5 75
Algoma.....	7 00
Elgin—Lady Miss., N. West.....	2 00
Foreign Missions	
Kingston, St. George's—	
Zenana.....	1 55

Jewish.....	1 00
Kingston, St. James'—	
Zenana.....	3 70
Jewish.....	5 30
Belleville, St. Thomas'—	
Lady Missionary, Japan.....	15 00
Prescott, Lady Miss., Japan.....	10 00
Eigin " " ".....	1 50
Alice Roger's Memorial F.	
Catarqui (additional).....	1 60

ONTARIO—Continued.

Indian Famine fund

Kingston, St. George's Cath...	50
" " St. James'	5 00
St. John's, Portsmouth	1 00
Elgin.....	3 00
Bath	4 00
Extra-cent-a-day Fund	5 00

Missions Unappropriated

Kingston, St. George's Cath...	7 55
" " Self denial Fund	75
Trenton, Self denial Fund ...	70

Diocesan Missions

Kingston St. George's Cath...	2 55
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Diocesan Assessment

Pictou	2 50
Miss Ellis, Yale, B. C. (Dio- cesan Member)	25

EXPENDITURE.

Paid Prov. Treasurer	\$40 00
" " Printing Annual Reports ...	39 75
" " 200 Receipt Cards for Treasurer	3 00
Postage	02
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	\$82 77

CHARLOTTE E. WORRELL, *Treas.*

NIAGARA—From January 11th, to February 5th, 1900

RECEIPTS.

Collection at meeting in All Saints' Hamilton	\$ 4 43
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North West Missions

Hamilton, St. Mark's, for Rev. D. Curry.....	1 00
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Diocesan missions

Burlington, St. Luke's	5 25
Palmer, St. Luke's	6 50
Hamilton Cathedraal, L.M. ...	5 00
Stamford, St. John's,	3 50
Hamilton Cathedral	4 00
Grimsby, St. Andrew's (add). ..	25
Hamilton, All Saints'	5 25
St. Catharine's, St. George's. ..	5 00

Extra-cent-a-day fund

Dundas, St. James'	1 00
Hamilton, St. Thomas'	1 22
" " Ascension	57
" " Cathedral	1 00

Tax on members' fees

Palermo, St. Luke's	80
Bart n, Holy Trinity (add) ..	15
Hamilton Cathedral (add) ...	05
Stamford, St. John's (add) ...	05
York, St. John's	80
Niagara Falls, Christ Ch. (add)	10
Fergus, St. James'	25
West Flamboro, St. Andrew's	35
Milton, Grace Church.....	85

United Thankoffering

Palermo, St. Luke's	1 90
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Life members' fees

Hamilton, Ascension Juniors, Mrs. Sewell	5 20
St. Catharines, St. George's, Mrs. Ker	14 80

Educational Ed.

Hamilton St. Thomas'	10 00
" " All Saints'	1 25

Lady Missionaries' fund

Hamilton, St. Thomas'	1 00
Hamilton Cathedral	1 10
Grimsby, St. Andrew's (add). ..	25
Hamilton, All Saints'	1 35

Japan. Medical M. Fund—

Hamilton Cathedral	60
Grimsby, St. Andrew's (add). ..	25
Niagara Falls, Christ Church	10 00
" Miss Smith's Dispensary.— Hamilton Cathedral	20

Self-denial Ed.

Grimsby, St. Andrew's	3 95
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Indian famine fund

Niagara Falls, Christ Church	50
A friend	2 00
St. Catharines, St. George's..	3 00

\$104 72

EXPENDITURE.

Jan. 11th—Rev. D. Curry, Atha.	\$11 00
Expenses to meeting	3 35
Jan. 17th—Mrs. Irvine, Prov. Treas. For Japan Medical M. Fund.	150 00
" " Miss Smith's Dispensary	75 00
" " Provincial Assessment ...	12 50
" " John Zippo, Natal	12 00
" " Miss Phillip's, Sask.	17 00
Mrs. Bomer, London, Ont., for Sidney Pritchard	5 00
Post office order	04
Jan. 31st—Postage express, etc., Mrs. Ker	1 13

\$287 02

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Notes and Queries.

Answer to Query No. 3 in January LEAFLET—The Cycles are procured from Rev. Canon Spencer, Kingston.

Answer No. 4—Each Diocesan Auxiliary has rather a different system of managing their Diocesan Board Meetings.

Question No. 1—Will you kindly tell who should conduct an election, when the President is unable to do so?

Answer—The Vice-President.

Question No. 2—Is it right for absent members to vote by proxy for election of officers in a Parochial Branch?

Answer—No.

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