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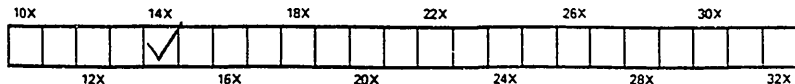
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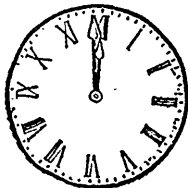
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Letter Leaflet of the Woman's Auxiliary

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

OCT., 1897



PROVINCIAL WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.
MISS L. H. MONTIZAMBERT, *Ed. Prov. Pages.*

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: October—
Selkirk, All Islands. November—Algoma,
South America and Mexico.

SELKIRK.

The story of the Gitkatlahs given by Rev. R. W. Gurd, in *Missionary Leaves*, is so interesting that as but few of our readers see that publication, we take the liberty of quoting parts of his letter.

"Looking back on the past seven months, the work on the whole has been highly satisfactory. Peter Haldane, my native assistant, has done well. He is a very promising lad, full of plod and energy, and very eager to learn. I take him four times every week. He is reading "Pearson on the Creed," "Boulton on the Thirty-nine Articles," Pinnock's "Scripture History," Greek Testament, Decimals, and Euclid. The Bishop is hoping he will be a suitable candidate for deacon's orders. If so, he will be the first native deacon in this Mission. A word about our little church at Claxton; it is pronounced the prettiest on the Skeena, and one of the prettiest in the diocese, and was built by the people themselves. It is not quite finished, but I am hoping to get it done this summer. When we first arrived here we found the women much behind the men in all religious instruction. This was remedied somewhat by my wife's introducing Bible classes and special meetings for women—*e.g.*, White Cross Society. An old Zimshean, Mrs. Rudland, a former helper of Mr. Duncan's, has given this branch of the work a great impetus. her Bible readings especially being of great value.

Signs of Progress—(a) *Material.* The whole village looks quite different. All the old roads and dirty houses have been swept away. It is a most pleasing sight to witness these Indians working gratuitously and willingly, day after day, in improving their village and homes and building their church. Christianity is a social power amongst them. Our new Church is now nearly complete, and very nice and comfortable it looks, the pulpit, communion rails, reading desk, lectern, and

font all made by the natives. Mr. Charles Todd, the Government agent for this district, a man of considerable intelligence, when visiting us here lately, stated that he "knew of no village in this district which had made such rapid and manifest improvement as Gitkatlah.

(b) *Moral and Spiritual.* On January 5th I baptized ten adults, till lately hoary-headed heathen, the last of the enemy to yield to Christ. The whole village is now nominally Christian. There is a wide-spread desire for knowledge, and especially the knowledge of Divine Truth to herald the good news to others. Many more are overjoyed with their newly found Lord and Master. Others, again, want to go too fast, to fly before they are fully fledged, to run before they can properly walk. To teach and control all these, at times taxes one's powers, but who would not have his powers taxed in such a work?

Some of these people are saints. There is an old chief here, named Moses, who has been paralysed for ten years. He is the rightful chief of the Gitkatlahs, a splendid example of Christian patience. I never visit him without learning some lesson from him. He was wishful to attend Divine service in the new Church, and so, on October 18th, he was carried into the church "borne of four." Catching a sight of this aged Simeon in the Temple, I introduced an innovation into our usual service. After the sermon and closing hymn, I invited the whole congregation to engage in silent prayer. The solemn spell was broken by the voice of this saintly chief, who, in audible tones, offered a short prayer, and then started singing in his own tongue: "Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace." The whole congregation joined in the hymn still kneeling. I need scarcely add that the innovation made a great impression upon all who were present. Moses's wife, Emily, is a remarkable old woman; she works equal to a man. She shoots deer and ducks, chops wood, collects native food and dries it, fishes salmon and halibut, and seems very much attached to her invalid husband.

RUSSELL, MANITOBA.

Might I ask, through the LETTER LEAFLET, for a little help for this Mission. We have erected this summer two nice little Churches, one at Binscarth, and one at Balmerino, after a great struggle, because we are only poor. We need pews for them and a shelter for horses during service, as our winters are very cold; and the Good Book says, "A merciful man is merciful to his beast." If any of your readers can, will they help us and send a donation to me at above address, and I shall be so grateful; also for any bales of clothing etc., etc., for our Indians and others, I should be very thankful. Remember "He that hath pity on the poor lendeth unto the Lord."

GEORGE GILL.

Rev. James Taylor, St. Marks' Mission, Sandy Lake, writes as follows: The chief reason that has urged me to write at present is due to a visit from His Lordship Bishop Young and Mrs. Young, of Atha. Bishop Young is visiting the Diocese of Saskatchewan this summer for Bishop Pinkham, who is attending the Lambeth Conference in England. The Bishop and Mrs. Young have been very much interested in seeing the work of this Mission. On July 11th His Lordship confirmed nine candidates who came forward for confirmation, and administered the Holy Communion to 53 persons. Mrs. Taylor has succeeded in raising enough money for the purchase of a new organ, which has been lately bought from the Karn Organ Co., and is a great help to our services. We have also had a bell donated to this Mission by the Hudson's Bay Co. But in order to carry on the work successfully, we need help in the way of money as well as clothing from Christian friends, and I now beg leave to specify some of the pressing requirements of this important Mission (1). A building to be used for church gatherings of every kind, such as lectures, mother's meetings, reading-room, Sunday-school, Christmas tree, and magic lantern entertainments etc., etc., is very much needed. The sum of \$300 would help very much towards it. (2). St. Mark's Church requires repairs, viz. a new roof, siding, ceiling, wainscoting and painting. The sum of \$270 is needed for this purpose. (3). The Mission-house is fast going to decay, and unless repaired soon, will be uninhabitable. The sum of \$250 is required to put it into proper repair. (4). I have been very much encouraged by the promise of the present minister of the interior, of a reserve of land to be surveyed near Sandy Lake for our Indians now living at Stony Lake and Big River. We need a Church for these Indians. It will require \$600 to build it.

I should be very glad if the Woman's Auxiliary would be willing to help me in the obtainment of one or other of these objects.

DORCAS WORK.

A paper on "Dorcas work," written by the Pro. Dorcas Sec., and read at Niagara's last Annual Meeting, has been printed by the Literature Committee of that Diocese. Most interesting, clear, practical and helpful, it ought to be in the hands of *every one of our fifteen thousand odd members*. A perusal of its lucid explanations of some matters which have hitherto greatly hindered a fair distribution of our help, would soon put an end to these difficulties, and criticisms now brought upon our W.A. be rendered impossible. We trust all will provide themselves with a copy by applying to the *Literature Secretary of their own Diocese*, who has them for sale or who can procure them.

The sudden death of Mrs. Morris, eldest daughter of the Bishop of Saskatchewan and Mrs. Pinkham, seems doubly sad in that the

Bishop is still absent from Calgary. The deep and sincere sympathy of the W.A. has been expressed to Mrs. Pinkham, and we know is truly felt.

The Provincial Corresponding Secretary begs to notify the members of the W.A., and others who may wish to communicate with her, either in person or by letter, that she has moved one door west of where she lived recently, and her address is now 161 College Street, Telephone, No. 2804.

It was the privilege of the Provincial Corresponding Secretary to be present at the Quarterly Meeting of the Niagara Diocesan Board, held in Thorold, September 23rd. The large number of members meeting together in the pretty church for the solemn, quiet partaking of the Holy Communion, and the interest shown at the meeting, which occupied the afternoon, were undoubted evidences of a very live Missionary spirit among the women of Niagara Diocese. The kind arrangements made for entertaining were much appreciated by the visitors.

Tha Rev. Stanley Stocken has been ordered change and rest, and will pass the winter in Toronto. We ask for him the earnest and faithful prayers of our members that he may be restored to health and enabled to return to the work for his Master, at Red Deer Mission, Dio. Sask—800 square miles in extent.

MISSIONARY STATISTICS.

The following interesting items we clip from an exchange. They should set the most thoughtless Christian to thinking, especially if read in connection with the command of Jesus in Mark xvi. 15.

"The chief religions of the world may be classified according to the number of adherents, as follows: Christianity, 450,000,000; Confucianism, 390,000,000; Hinduism, 190,000,000; Mohammedanism, 180,000,000; Fetishism, 150,000,000; Buddhism, 100,000,000; Spirit Worship, 50,000,000; Shintoism, 20,000,000; Jews, 8,000,000; Parsees, 1,000,000."

"The following shows the distribution of missionaries in the chief mission fields: China has one ordained missionary to each 733,000 of population; Siam, one to each 600,000; Corea, one to each 500,000; India, one to each 350,000; Africa, one to each 300,000; Japan, one to each 215,000; Burma, one to each 200,000. Nearly all the missionaries in Africa are around the coast. In Central Africa and the Sudan, there is as yet only one missionary to each 5,000,000 people."

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AUXILIARY NOTES.

Bishop Thornloe of Algoma is coming to hold a Missionary Meeting in St. James' Schoolhouse, on Thursday evening, 21st inst., by special invitation of the Auxiliary. It is hoped that every member in the City will try to be present.

The Tenth Annual Report of the Woman's Auxiliary, in the Diocese of Rupert's Land, has been received by the Editor of the TORONTO LEAFLET, and earnest congratulations, with many thanks, are returned to the Corresponding Secretary for the same. The Report is well printed and deeply interesting. As LEAFLET Editor in-chief, the Editor may be permitted to express her gratitude for the extended circulation of the LEAFLET throughout this Diocese, and earnestly does she trust that at no distant day the LEAFLET may bear on its cover the words, "Issued by the Church of England Woman's Auxiliary of the Dominion of Canada." The Rupert's Land women are indeed "With good will doing Service as to the Lord."

The Lindsay Branch desire to correct a statement made in a recent LEAFLET, that they gave \$5 to St. George's Church, Cameron. It was given to their own church at Lindsay.

Our Branches are now resuming their meetings with regularity, after the summer lull. Will they please remember the duties of the Auxiliary women at these meetings. To *Pray* for Missions, to *Read* about Missions, to *Talk* about Missions, to *Contribute* to Missionary objects, especially to the Pledges (or promised grants made by the whole Diocesan Branches), and finally to *Sew* for needy Missions.

At the first monthly meeting of each Branch the subject of the "United Thankoffering," of the individual women in each Diocese, should be discussed, and some decided action taken on the matter. This offering is recognized as the outcome of the thankfulness felt by so many women for the blessings which have come to them, owing to their connection with the Woman's Auxiliary. *How many of us feel that in looking on the things of others, we have thereby been aided in*

the bearing, of perhaps, heavy anxieties at home. We think we are trying to do good to our heathen brethren in distant, or near at hand lands. Do we ever stop to realize that in thinking and planning for their benefit, we have often unconsciously to ourselves, become more cheerful, more able to bear little worries, and *because* we are Auxiliary women, more ready to give up our own way, and to live the great life of sacrifice for others. Dear women try to think over your many mercies, and let your "Thankoffering," which is to be given to the Hospital work in Nagano, Japan, be a gracious and willing response to the realization of the blessings which have come to us by means of our Woman's Auxiliary.

DORCAS NOTES.

Room 39, the Forum, Young Street.

Branches are working for the following places: Dixie—*Arch-deacon Phair, Winnipeg, Dec.*; Port Hope (Margaret Mission Band)—*Mr. Sinclair, Hole River Mission*; Collingwood—*Temiscamingue, November*; Millbrook—*Rev. C. Lord, Apsley, Dec.*; Whitby, (All Saints)—*Wabigoon School, Dec.*; York Mills—*Shingwauk Home, Dec.*; Cobourg—*Mr. Hay, Dunchurch, Dec.*; Trinity Memorial—*Dynevor Hospital, Dec.*; Newcastle—*Sarcee Home, Nov.*; Deer Park—*Rev. A. Allman, Uffington, Dec.*

Branches have forwarded to the following places: Millbrook—*Blackfoot Home, 3*; Collingwood—*Rev. E. Thomas, Lansdown, 1*; Orillia—*Blackfoot Home, 1, Blood Reserve, 1*; Creemore—*Lac Seul, 1* Sunnyside, Ashburnham—*Sarcee Home, 1*; Creemore (Juniors)—*Lac Seul, with Seniors.*

Among the articles asked for in Algoma this year, are Communion Vessels for two different Missions, Communion Linen, two surplices, also an Altar Cloth and hanging for a church. Perhaps one of the city churches might have hangings they could send which have been used in their own church. I shall be glad to receive either contributions in money or blankets towards the appeal for 12 pair of blankets, at Yale School, B.C. They are very much needed before the cold weather sets in. Mrs. Dyke Parker, wife of the clergyman at Halcro, Sask., writes that she takes the Sunday School, with the help of one or two of the older pupils to hear the lessons of the younger ones, and says, "I wonder if there are any little girls who could send me a packet of old Christmas or other cards for the children here. I give them small cards for attendance, and when they bring me six I give them a nice card to keep, and they are pleased with such a little. If you have any way of making this small want of mine known, I shall be so grateful; as I find it hard to keep up the supply." The address is Mrs. Dyke Parker, Halcro. . . . When sending articles for Christmas trees, will the Branches try and send as many Bibles, Prayer and hymn books, as possible; so many of the clergymen ask specially for them.

FANNIE H. BANKS, *Dorcias Sec. Treas.*

PRESENT NEEDS AT BLACKFOOT HOSPITAL.

For women, 6 warm nightgowns, material for dresses, thick flannelette, pretty and bright if possible but not too light, 3, 4 and 5 yard lengths, stockings of all sizes. Old golf and bicycle stockings would make grand leggings. Men and boys' flannelette shirts, all sizes, trousers and socks, old coats, and overcoats and caps would be very useful, old cotton and old tableclothes always wanted—sheets tear up well for bandages. Bundles of pieces the size of handkerchiefs, but not hemmed, of old cotton or print, or anything soft, would be very useful, they can be burned when used. Bundles of cut patches ready for sewing, and 5 yard lengths cheap material for lining quilts, these would while away many an hour for the women. Needles, thread, pins cotton-batting (used constantly over dressings). Games like Noah's Ark, soldiers, blocks, checkers, etc., any game not needing reading amuse grown men and women as much as children. Picture books and illustrated pictures are looked at day after day with the greatest interest. Rice is given with the rations, but cornstarch, sago, dried fruits, washing soda, blue, starch, tea of course is always acceptable. One or two quart pitchers would be very useful, as soup, tea, etc., is constantly being sent to the out patients in the Tepees. Granite pails would be better, but they are expensive, they bring tin pails back so dirty it is hard to keep them sweet and clean.

Letter from Rev. W. G. White, Lesser Slave Lake, to Mrs. Banks.

Very many thanks for the two useful bales you sent us. We only got them about the end of June. The men's socks, mitts, boys' shirts and clothes are especially acceptable and useful. Please thank all the kind contributors to these two most useful bales. We were very glad to send Miss Durtnell off, about two weeks ago, in Brick Bro's boat, for a much needed holiday. All the children are now under Mrs. White's care, eight of them as well as our little baby girl. Our garden's look well, but I fear we shall be a long time making our hay, the grass is so short. We have been very free from flies of all sorts this summer. The N.W.M. Police are up here now, I am not sure where they are going to be stationed. I hope they will be able to check the distribution and sale of liquor among the Indians and half-breeds. Thanking you all again for your kind gifts, and hoping, D.V., to write again next winter.

Mrs. Dyke Parker, Halcro, Sask., after very warmly thanking the members of the Central Rooms Branch, and others, who contributed to the bale, sent more particularly for the use of the clergyman's own family, says, "Mr. Parker's Sunday duties consists of morning prayer here at St. Andrew's, 10.30, dinner; St. Leonard's, which is nine miles down the river, afternoon service, 2.30, then back here for a hurried cup of tea, and seven miles off to Red Deer Hill for 7 o'clock

service, and generally home again late in the night, making 32 miles of driving besides taking three services and playing the organ as well, at two of them; so you may fancy how tired he is on Monday. For fear of wearying you I will conclude, but not before I tell you that your loving gifts and wishes do cheer us and make us feel that we are not forgotten by our fellow workers and sisters in Christ, and we pray that you may be rewarded by a rich outpouring of God's blessing upon you and all. Hoping to hear of a little help of our Sunday School, Church, and poorer brethren, and with heartfelt gratitude for what you have already done.

When the Queen was crowned the Fijians were savage cannibals. Last year the Christians of Fiji sent \$4,000 to help Indian famine. Part of a world's regeneration, the incoming of a new heaven and a new earth.

From Miss Davis, All Hallows' School Yale, B.C., to Diocesan Pres.

Knowing how interested the Auxiliary is in our Indian School, I thought you would like to hear something of the work and closing for the summer. On the evening of July 13, all friends were invited to be present at the entertainment and prize-giving to the Indian children. The School-room was very pretty with wreaths of maple leaves and white flowers. The Indian girls wore pink cotton dresses, and were so bright and happy, it was a pleasure to look at them; they sang several pretty school songs, such as "The Violet Rainbow," "God bless thee Canada," etc., and went through a "Musical Ring Drill" most creditably. The juniors recited "The Pussies' Tea Party," "The Conceited Chicken," and other pieces, with great spirit. Then the elder girls played some selections, such as Tanhauser's Grand March, and duets. [It is important to teach these girls music—Ed.] The prizes were presented by the Chaplain, Rev. Mr. Croucher, and the list may interest you: Rose pupil teacher, 1st prize; V. Standard—Scripture and General Proficiency, Agnes; General Satisfaction, Agnes; General Proficiency, Annie. IV. Standard—Good Conduct and General Proficiency, Josephine. III. Standard—Good Conduct, Jane; General Proficiency, Sophy; Needlework, Mary. II. Standard—Proficiency, Katie; Scripture, Matilda; I. Standard, Proficiency, Emily; Needlework, Sarah; Garden work, Christine. We closed with the National Anthem, and all went away much pleased with the progress and attention of the Indian girls. For my own part I can say, I have seldom met with such a number of children so attentive and anxious to please their teachers in every way. The children reflect great credit on the training and attention that the Sisters of All Hallows' School have so carefully bestowed upon them. I have promised to remain another year, and felt sure you would all be interested in hearing of the good work accomplished by this Mission. The Government pays a small sum which barely

supports the children, all their clothing, etc., has to be supplied by the kind donations of friends. Frocks and under-clothing suitable for children from 10 to 14 are badly needed this winter. Will you dear friends and sisters of the W.A. help in this matter, and let us hope for a bale this coming Christmas. Here I am interrupted by Sister Amy, who says, "we don't any of us like asking, but could you tell our Toronto friends that we do so badly need bedsteads for the Indian Dormitory, those we have are literally falling to pieces from long use (they are wooden)." They will cost with freight \$10 each, and small donations towards this purpose would be most acceptable. I trust dear friends you will excuse my asking, but knowing how much you *have* done, and how willing the Auxiliary is to help in every way, I did not hesitate to lay these pressing needs before you. I have a large class of Indian girls on Sunday, and would be very glad of a few Scripture texts or cards to give them, they are so expensive at the Coast and so little variety. Please give my kindest regards to all members of the W.A. from their friend and formerly fellow worker in St. Thomas' Church, Toronto.

Miss Margaret Durtuell, writing to Diocesan President under date Sept. 14th, says, "The box of presents for myself, and letters, arrived safely at Athabasca Landing. They were all what I wanted, and so acceptable. Please thank Mrs. Kenny for all the nice things she sent me, also Mrs. Banks for the most useful salve. I am in hopes of reaching Lesser Slave Lake about the end of this month, and am taking back with me a helper from near Edmonton, the daughter of a farmer. She will come for a term, and is well recommended. Please give my affectionate remembrances to all the ladies of the W.A. that I had the pleasure of meeting, and accept again my warm thanks for the kind and loving remembrances sent to me at Athabasca Landing.

From Miss Tims, Hay River, to Diocesan President, June, 1897.

You will want to hear of our work; of this I may say we have plenty. At present we are house-cleaning, and I am running in and out, first in the school-room superintending the children's lessons, then getting dinner, and so on, with Indians or their wives coming constantly, and of course must be seen, we have to be very careful to treat them all alike, as they get very jealous. They are watching anxiously for the home-coming of Yati (the minister) of whom they are very fond, there will be great rejoicing when he comes. To-day I have had five little services, attended by between forty and fifty Indians. I read and told them of the parable of the Sower, and they were most attentive. One reading was at the old Chief's, he and his wife are very attentive, then I went to a poor old widow, she has been ill a long time, and, with her son, is very glad to have me come to read and pray. We have now come from the school house, where we have been singing hymns—the Indians are so fond of hymns—we had

fourteen all singing. Our dear Bishop wrote to say he could not come until the second trip of the steamer, and then Mr. Marsh will be home. I think I told you of one of the Indians getting out logs for us to finish our new kitchen, and also to make some new furniture. Two boys, as they are called, although young men, sawed them for us, and we have now two thousand one hundred and fifty feet of lumber, and are very proud indeed of it; out of this we have made a cupboard for milk, and a large box to hold supplies, it is six feet long, so we can make up a bed upon it if necessary. Every spare moment lately has been spent in the garden, which means so much to us; we added about an acre this spring, and are planting potatoes and cabbage. We have mustard, cress, radish, carrots, etc., all are up except parsnips and turnips. I have made a hot bed and have plenty of things coming on. We had to get the Indians to help with the garden, all the oxen in the place, but one, died last winter, and it is slow work plowing with only one ox. The Indians are very anxious to work, some days we would have ten or more asking for work; our rule is to give work to all who ask and a meal with it, so you see we sometimes had very lively times. They always want me to work with them, and were much amused when I showed them how to plant potatoes, and to dig.

June 23, I have been too busy to finish this, but must tell you we are so glad of pictures, some one sent us the large rolls they use for infant classes at home, and they have been such a help; the Indians never tire of looking at pictures, and are so pleased to get one for their very own. We can teach them Scripture truths so much better when they look at the picture. The mosquitoes are terribly bad this year, worse than flies at home. I must ask you to return humble and earnest thanks to our Heavenly Father for all His goodness to me since I came here. I never had better health, and slowly but surely I feel that God's Word is winning its way into the hearts of the people. Last Sunday the old Chief's wife said she was thankful to me, but her heart was very bad; then some of our boys went to sleep during the service, and "Sunrise" gave them a severe lecture, telling them they came to hear of God not to sleep, that it was a sin to sleep in God's House. Give my love to all W.A. friends, ask them to continue most frequent in prayer that God may bless our work and many souls be brought into His Church.

LENDING LIBRARY.

New books lately received:—Church History, 4 vols., *Wordsworth*; Armenia and her people, *Filian*; The light of Melanesia, *Montgomery*; Not by Might (India), *A.D.*; Behind the great Wall, *Irene H Barnes*; Fridtjof Nansen, *Bain*; Narcissus (A story of Martyr times); Missionary in the Witness Box, etc. Branches or members desiring books, address Librarian W.A., 17 Richmond Street West, also for booklets, envelopes, money boxes and covers.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT

From 20th of July to 20th of September.

RECEIPTS.

Diocesan.	
Toronto—	
St. Matthew's.....	\$ 5 00
St. Peter's, for Rev. A. Gadd.	50 00
St. Alban's Cath. Fund.	
St. Luke's.....	2 25
Matron's Salary	
Columbus.....	3 00
Blackfoot Home.	
York Mills.....	6 00
St. Alban's Cath. Juniors.....	5 00
Ashburnham.....	1 25
Blackfoot Hospital.	
Springfield on the Credit.....	1 50
St. Margaret's.....	3 00
St. Alban's Cathedral.....	2 50
Contents of boxes.....	2 50
Donation, H. B. O., Cobourg.	5 00
Bowmanville.....	5 00
Moosonee	
Church at Montizambert—	
St. Stephen's Girls.....	5 00
Japan Med. Missionary.	
St. Alban's Cath Juniors.....	5 00
Work sold for Miss Paterson by Mrs. Boyd.....	50
Starving Children of India.	
Donation, per Miss Merritt St. Catharines.....	16 25
Per Mrs. Williamson—	
Miss Austin, Quebec.....	10 00
Woodstock.....	5 00
York Mills, Mrs H. B. O.....	5 00
Miss M., Perth.....	1 00
Special Envelopes—	
St. Mark's, Parkdale.....	9 40
St. Philip's.....	14 76
St. Philip's S. S.....	6 00
Grand Valley.....	12 17
St. Luke's.....	20 00
English friend.....	5 00
All Saints', Toronto.....	1 05
Donations, per Ch. Evangelist.....	22 00
Hazeldean, a friend.....	50
Belle Isle, E. Wade.....	1 00
Church of Epiphany, Toronto.....	22 46
Mrs. Wilson.....	1 00
St. Simon's.....	22 53
Hospitality Fund.	
Donation.....	25
Mrs. Hoskin, Deer Park.....	1 00
Education Fund.	
Miss Dorothy Heywood, Eng.....	10 14
St. Simon's.....	90

Extra-cent-a day Fund.....	50 20
Collection monthly meeting.....	3 88
Interest Dominion Bank account.	24 85
	<u>\$389 24</u>

EXPENDITURE.

Rent Central Room.....	10 00
Extra expenses of John Nzipo to Zululand.....	4 81
Treasurer's postage.....	3 00
Secretary's postage.....	5 00
Salary, Miss Isabel Turner.....	75 00
" Miss Alice Turner.....	50 00
" Matron Blackfoot Home.....	75 00
Peigan Home.....	1 00
Calgary Indian Homes.....	5 50
Blackfoot Home.....	27 99
Goods for Blackfoot Hospital.....	4 43
Hospitality expenses from Fund.....	13 00
C.C.M.A., Foreign.....	3 00
Japan.....	25 00
Rev. J. C. Robinson's Yoro In.....	5 00
Rev J. R. S. Boyd, China.....	9 00
Miss Thomas, S. America.....	7 00
Rev. F. Hartley, South Burleigh.....	5 00
Hallburton Parsonage.....	10 00
Ursa Mission.....	20 00
Algoma Mission Fund.....	41 00
Shingwauk Home.....	6 25
Education of W. B.....	50 00
" Algoma boy.....	70 00
" girl.....	25 00
Salary Rev. A. Gadd.....	50 00
Rowseell & Hutchison—	
Cash book.....	25
Receipt book.....	15
1000 Offertory envelopes.....	50
300 Treasurer's statement.....	} 7 25
300 Junior ".....	
350 Senior ".....	
200 E.C.D. post cards.....	3 00
1000 Annual Reports.....	142 20
Provincial Life Member's fee.....	50 00
" Board, annual payment.....	12 00
Rev. H. Hamilton's Mission.....	10 10
Railway expenses Matron Black- foot Home.....	53 94
Do., extra.....	5 00
Church, Montizambert, Moosonee.....	5 00
Dorcas postage.....	10 00
Hallburton Parsonage.....	50 20
Rev. A. Allnan.....	5 00
	<u>\$954 68</u>

[Oct., 1897.]

Huron Diocese.

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

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On the 1st of September a Missionary meeting, in London, was addressed by the Rev. S. H. Phillips of the C.M.S. Mission in the Province of Fuh-Kien, China. He was very closely connected with the late Rev. R. W. Stewart, and himself narrowly escaped with his life at the time of the Fen-Cheng massacre, arriving on the scene while the vegetarians were still carrying off the spoil from the burning Mission House. He was accompanied by Mrs. Phillips, who, as Miss Alice Hanhin, worked at Hing-Hwa Fuh-Kien Province, for the C.E.Z.M.S., and will now go with her husband to work under the C.M.S. at Kien, in the north western part of the Province. Mrs. Phillips appeared in the Chinese dress adopted so frequently by Lady-missionaries, as they find that their European fashions have so great an attraction for their pupils that it is very hard to gain their attention for the teaching. Both the Lord Bishop of Huron, who introduced Mr. Phillips, and the Missionary himself, dwelt on the many difficulties which, in China, beset the path of those who go there in obedience to the Master's parting command. First among these is the intense hatred the Chinese bear to foreigners, specially to the English, and who can wonder or condemn? for is not the *desolation* of China caused principally by the tons and tons of opium poured into it by England? this Christian country's evil gains from which amount to seven or eight millions of pounds sterling per annum; and in vain the more thoughtful of the Chinese implore against this iniquitous trade. Another difficulty lies in the fact that China has a literature. In dealing with the Chinese we are not dealing with heathen savages, but with a pagan people who have grand traditions of ancestors who were learned and "cunning artificers," taught and led by sages whose teaching has come down to us, when *our* British

forefathers were somewhere on a par with our North American Indians of to-day. Can we not all understand how hard it must be for the Chinese to reconcile the two-fold action of England, the opium on one hand, the Missionaries on the other. But by God's mercy the good work, nevertheless, gains ground. In 1843, there were only six Missionaries to China, now it is almost impossible to number them. The great need in China is Women Missionaries to work among the women, women are so looked down on in China, a woman is nothing, she is scorned and ill-treated. The girl-babies are simply *killed*. A *convert* was once heard to say "I am going to strangle my little girl," and in answer to remonstrances and entreaties, replied, "I did not know it was wrong—oh no, I will not do it now." Her child's name was "nobody wants you,"— I only kept her because I had not any other." Of the barbarous custom of binding the feet, Mr. Phillips said that it is done because it is an old custom, an all-sufficient reason in China, it is supposed to have originated in the cruel behest of a lame empress, jealous of her more fortunate sisters. The Christian converts do not bind the feet, but it is difficult to undo them when it has once been done. Though a most untruthful people, the Chinese are strong believers in contracts, and as their children are betrothed under contracts which stipulate the size of the feet, it means to a convert who gives in on that point, ridicule, risk, and loss of money. An old woman of 75 unbound her feet for example's sake, despite the pain caused by losing the support of the bandages. Instruction is given to the women by means of "station-classes," to which they come for three months, and then returning home teach others. The difficulties are many, they are very ignorant and find it hard to commit what they are taught to memory. The absence of good roads in the country is another hinderance to the carrying on of the work. In a population of 17,000,000, China has only 40,000 Christians; but still the Kingdom of the Lord springs up we know not how."

AUXILIARY NOTES.

The Diocesan Dorcas Secretary, Miss Gower, writes, "I am enclosing you a copy of Miss Halson's (the Provincial Dorcas Secretary) paper on Dorcas work. *We are sending copies to all the Branches, I hope they will be carefully studied, and conscientiously acted upon.*" Dear Presidents of the Huron Diocesan Branch of the W. A., will you not all see to it that Miss Halson's most clear and concise paper is read and fully discussed at our meetings would it not be a good plan to read it in full at our *business meetings*, and then read and discuss the various matters touched upon at our *sewing meetings*, where there sometimes seems to be rather a lack of suitable subjects of conversation, thus affording a loop-hole for the admission of subjects not very suitable for a missionary sewing meeting. Miss Halson's kindly

and eminently practical paper will be more than welcome to many W.A. workers who have felt, without being able to remedy them, the immense difficulties which confront our Provincial and Diocesan Dorcas Secretaries, who have fretted about the Missions whose wants were overlooked or very inadequately supplied by our Branches, or have felt twinges of conscience because they knew their own Branches were yielding to the influence of those "dangerous guides, the feelings," instead of adhering to the rules of our Association. It is always the old story over and over again. "Evil is wrought by want of *thought* rather than want of *heart*." Miss Halson's paper supplies a long-felt need, and all our eager Branches and earnest workers will be thankful to her for the great help it cannot fail to afford us. Your Acting-Editor would specially draw attention to clause *third*, on the third page of Miss Halson's paper—she is always only too glad to appeal through the pages of the LEAFLET, but where the appeal is for bales, surplises, etc., she would *prefer* having the sanction of our Diocesan Dorcas Secretary.

Mrs. Boomer acknowledges very gratefully \$5 from Mrs. Puddicombe, of St. Paul's Branch, to be divided thus: \$3 to Education Fund, \$2 to Mackenzie River; also \$3 54, the contents of the Lambeth Sunday School Mission-box, which "the scholars would like to go towards the Education Fund." Such offerings are a source of great satisfaction to the Education Committee and its Convener, and to all who are interested in this good work; children's help for children is so welcome and appropriate, and an earnest of good and faithful work to be done in the future; an earnest that God's work will be carried on ever more faithfully and effectually when our feeble efforts have ceased. In connection with children's work, a communication kindly sent by the President of the *Ailsa Craig* Branch comes in opportunely. It is entitled "A talk with mothers," and was addressed by Mrs. Miller, mother of the Principal of Ridley College, who for the last 20 years has been engaged with her husband in mission work in North-Hastings County. Mrs. Miller said: "In long years of mission work of the Church, both in the old land and Canada, I find among the young people a great amount of ignorance concerning the present work of the Lord. Now then, as Church workers, what a responsibility rests upon us. My idea of teaching and interesting the young, is, *begin at home* by gathering the children round the table some part of the day on Sunday. In some parishes where there is only one service this plan could be very easily carried out. Engage them in studying the different Mission fields, China, India, Japan, and so on; have maps and other helps to illustrate, and better acquaint them with the work of our Missionaries to-day; give out questions to be answered by them the coming Sunday, so that each one will have to search for himself or herself for information. Also have the mite-box placed on the table, and ask each one to *earn* for it one cent a week. Many

mothers are often puzzled how to keep their children from finding the Lord's day tiresome, because its week-day plays are laid aside, and they are supposed to be quiet on Sunday, when sometimes we find them becoming deceitful, by trying to do things against their parents wishes." Do not Mrs. Miller's words remind us of the Resolution passed at our last Triennial meeting (it was moved by our own Diocesan President), "that, as members of the Auxiliaries we should be prepared to use all our influence for the better observance of the Lord's Day, realizing the solemn fact that the tendency of the time is to make light of this most holy institution, and desecrate the sacred day by the introduction of amusements and pursuits totally at variance with God's strict command to *keep it holy*." A writer in a Church paper of the United States says, "Heretofore the Church rival in the contest for the possession of Sunday has been *labour*, the time is in sight when her rival will be *amusement*." "The Sunday Question," as it is called, is a problem, that like many others, can be nowhere more effectually dealt with and solved than in the home, the early home training of the children is what tells on, and influences every succeeding generation; if the good seed is sown and fostered there, God's work will be faithfully done in the greater world outside the home.

In reference to the statement made in the September LEAFLET, that the daughter of the Rev. J. Boydell, Bracebridge, would be the child educated by the I.H.N. Society, of Montreal, Mrs. Boomer has forwarded a letter from that Missionary, saying that as there would be some unavoidable delay in sending his daughter to London, he has arrived at the conclusion that it would only be just to let some other man profit of the benefits so kindly offered to him, adding, "there are many even further removed than I am from the possibilities of an education of any type." One of our Life Members, in responding with a gift of books to Mrs. Boomer's appeal for volumes to form a small library for our Missionary children, writes, "I do wish you every success in your work for the children, and may God put it into the hearts of those who have plenty, to give you what you require for them."

BRANCH NOTES.

The Dorcas Secretary reports following bales sent out from August 15th to September 15th:

Uffington, New Hamburg, one, *Peace River*, Owen Sound, one; *Dynevor Hospital*, Stratford (St. James'), one, *Sandy Lake*, Strathroy, one; *Cumberland Mission*, Strathroy, one.

PORT DOVER—"On Saturday, Sept. 4th, we packed two bales, one for Fort a la Corne, the other for Emmanuel College, and sent them off to the station. On Monday morning about 2 o'clock the station, with all its contents, was burnt to the ground, and the labour of a

whole year reduced to ashes, but we grieve most for the poor people who, during the intense cold of next winter, will miss the warm clothing. In the bales were seven new quilts, two of them pieced by a dear old lady of 85, another completely made by a member who had been ill and unable to attend our meetings for nearly a year; two were the work of our Girl's Auxiliary. The bale for Emmanuel College contained among other things, our boy's outfit—he is now 13 years old, the son of a deceased Missionary teacher and catechist. The Girl's Auxiliary had taken such pleasure in providing warm underwear, ties, shirts and handkerchiefs; they had also contributed 17 new warm petticoats, and six surprise-balls, in bags, for the girls in the college. There were also several small gifts for our boy, George Henry Hope, a new Prayer book, and a little boy had sent his own game of Go-bang." . . . Assuredly the sympathy of every W.A. worker will go out to the Port Dover Branch in this trial, the first of the kind that has ever befallen a Huron Branch, for we all know how we love our bales, even as if they were living things; we know the pleasure there is in gathering through the year the things to go in them, and the amount of time and labour bestowed on their contents. These were such splendid bales—your Acting Editor had the privilege of inspecting their contents—containing 181 good articles of men and boys' clothing, 93 articles of women's and girls' clothing, 29 articles of infants' clothing, besides 37 pairs mitts, sheets, pillow-slips, groceries, etc.; and we must remember that the Port Dover is not a large city but just a *village* Branch. The actual value of the bales was at least \$200, and that sum would not replace all they contained. In a later letter the President writes, "We had a special meeting and decided to do the best we can towards getting another bale for the College, already some things have been sent us and people seem so sorry for us, that I am in hopes we shall be able to make quite a good parcel." With regard to the Fort a la Corne bale, the Diocesan Dorcas Secretary writes, "Christ Church London has already sent an excellent bale to Fort a la Corne, and New St. Paul's, Woodstock, has one nearly ready which I think they will be willing to send there, and two bales is all Huron is asked to supply to this Mission," Thus in our *Auxiliary* work we help each other, but still the loss has been great; and many will think regretfully of all that warm clothing lost to those needing it. What an incentive our W.A. work is to us, is proved by the loving energy with which the Port Dover Branch has set to work at once to do what it can to remedy its misfortune. Woodstock (Old St. Paul's)—We had the great pleasure of giving a Life Membership and gold badge to our esteemed Recording Sec., Miss Anna Frizelle, at our closing meeting in July. It was a tribute to her faithful and most efficient discharge of her duties as Recording Sec., an office she has held by a unanimous vote at every Annual Meeting time. Our Branch was formed nine years ago.

FROM THE MISSION FIELD.

The President of the Old St. Paul's, Woodstock Branch, has received the following interesting letter from Bishop Bompas, "Our position here is somewhat peculiar, some 30 years ago since, when our Mission on the Yukon first commenced, the Indians here were very wild, foolish, ignorant heathen, and untaught. They are now—by God's grace and power, not our own—taught, tamed, civilized, Christianized and elevated. They worship regularly on Sundays and week days in our little School Church, to the number of about 100; reading in their own tongues their Bibles, Prayer and hymn books, The country is now over run by white miners in search of gold, and these, alas, are sceptical and irreligious, not, as we would wish, Christian patterns to the natives in a heathen land. We work, however, as God may enable us, to prosecute evangelizing work among both whites and Indians, and we trust that yet, by God's grace, a good work may be accomplished among *both*. The funds of the English C.M.S., with which we are connected, are not applicable for work among whites, for this latter work we are therefore almost entirely dependent on contributions from Canada. We have now two Missionaries from Canada, who are both designated for work in the neighborhood of the new mines, but we have not yet received sufficient means for their support, so that the \$10 you sent us is very valuable." To St. Jude's, Branch, Brantford, which had written to Omoksene, *re*, the children it clothes there, the new Missionary-in-charge, the Rev. A. de B. Owens, writes, "Right glad I am that you all take so hearty an interest in things up here. This is a stoney place, therefore hard on shoes and knees, also a bushy place, therefore hard on clothes in general. Again lots of horse-back riding makes *clothes rags* very quickly. The girls are much quieter and do not make such raids on clothes, but really the amount of boys' clothes we consume is endless. I am going to convert a lot of girl's cloaks (which the girls cannot be persuaded to wear) into boy's clothing by aid of a pair of scissors and a sewing-machine. We had a big *pow-wow* some days ago, in regard to sending the big boys to the Industrial School at Calgary. Six chiefs sat down to dinner with us, and behaved like gentlemen. They are very fond of their children, and do not like them to go far away. The children are, for the most part, amiable, but lazy, never having been accustomed to work. We have an efficient staff who are doing good work among them." "An Algoma layman" states in the *Church Evangelist*, that an unmarried man can live in Algoma on \$250 in comparative comfort, and keep a horse, and then goes on to say, "To some these figures may appear ridiculous, but I speak from practical experience. *Many a wealthy man or woman in Eastern Canada could give this amount annually towards the support of a Mission, and never feel the want of it*, and one would expect it would be a matter of thankful gratification to many a Christian man and woman, who

cannot go themselves to preach the Gospel, to send a substitute in whose work they would have an equal share. To feel that they had a Mission of their own would awaken new and gladdening interest in their lives, and would afford them a satisfaction, when life closes in, *to which no personal display or social expenditure can supply any parallel*. Let us hope that the day is not far off when some well-to-do member of the Church will lead the way to this inexhaustible well of Christian joy." Amen.

In the report of the Committee appointed by the Lambeth Conference to consider the subject of Foreign Missions, we find the following: "Turning to the methods by which the propagation of the Gospel is effected, we thankfully note a rapid increase in the number of women who are giving themselves to the service of the Missionary Church, a service in which a special and honourable place appears to be reserved, in God's providence, for such devotion, especially at the present critical point in the Church's growth. Under many forms of national life and custom, *it is only by women, that women on whose influence so much depends, can be reached*, and this constitutes a pressing call to the women of our communion to offer themselves for this work." Does not this speak to us women of the Auxiliary, for cannot we all do *something* towards sending out and maintaining these women who go forth to minister to women. Let no one withhold her *something* because she wants it for some selfish end, or because it is so little. Let us sow our little seeds in Love, and Prayer, and Faith, for it is God who giveth the increase.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

RECEIPTS.		
General Fund.		St. Thomas..... 2 00
St. Thomas.....	\$ 2 30	Lambeth S.S., Mite Boxes..... 3 54
Chatham, Ch. Ch.....	2 50	Mackenzie River
Wilmot, Life Mem. Pin.....	2 50	London, St. Paul's 2 00
Zenana.		Lion's Head.
St. Thomas	8 30	Chatham, Ch. Ch..... 4 00
Lady Miss, China.		Bishop Bompas.
Woodstock Old St. Paul's—		Woodstock, Old St. Paul's—
Life Membership.....	5 00	Life Membership..... 10 00
Lady Miss, N.W.		Kanyengeh.
St. Thomas.....	10 00	Brantford, St. Jude's 2 00
Lady Miss., Japan.		St. Thomas..... 1 00
St. Thomas.....	4 00	Chatham, Ch. Ch..... 1 00
Omskene Hospital.		Miss Young, Japan
Woodstock Old St. Paul's—		Kingsville..... 2 00
Life Membership.....	10 00	DISBURSEMENTS.
Education.		To Post Cards 2 00
London, St. Paul's.....	3 00	Miss Ferris, Life Mem. Pins.. 7 50
Brantford, St. Jude's.....	5 00	Mrs. Bell-Irvine—
		Provincial Assessment Fee. 12 50

[Oct., 1897.]

Montreal Diocese.

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

Our President, to whose large hearted zeal is mainly due the originating of the fund for the educating and maintenance of Montreal's first Missionary ward, little Weston Frost, is very anxious that the interest in this good work should be more generally diffused amongst our Branches. The accounts received from Mrs. Boomer, the school reports regularly forwarded, and Weston's own little letters, so full of gratitude and affection, speak well for the success of the undertaking. Mrs. Boomer writes to Mrs. Holden, under date 7th Sept. "I am sending on Weston's little note announcing his safe return to London. The move from Sheguiandah to Garden River has been accomplished, and the work entailed by the move is the excuse given for silence. Weston looks splendid, he has grown big and stout, and seems delighted to be in London once more, in spite of having had a good time at home. . . . Weston was promoted to a higher class. I am so gratified with all our children." So far very little has come in for the remittance, now due; and the President earnestly appeals to the Branches and to individual friends for help. A little from each would relieve present anxiety. Please let it be forthcoming.

In the city, all W.A. meetings are intermitted during the Summer, and W.A. work is almost at a standstill until the Autumn, but in the country where different, and meteorologically speaking, happier conditions exist, the Summer is often the season of greatest activity, and we hear of social gatherings, combining W.A. work and neighborly intercourse, of regular business meetings, of Missionary and W.A. gatherings, of "Entertainments" for Missionary or W.A. purposes, and of increased effort in the Mission cause. So it is that from Havelock comes the report of the appointment, on August 9th,

of Mrs. Dowling, as President of the Branch, in room of Mrs. Busthard, deceased, and of Mrs. G. W. Busthard as Vice-President. "Both these ladies," writes the Secretary, "are well qualified for their respective offices, and the work cannot fail to prosper under their judicious management." The Branch held a Missionary Meeting on September 3rd, when addresses were given by the local clergy, and a paper on Dorcas work by Mrs. Ball. Miss Fulton, of Franklin Branch, presided at the Organ, and the Auxiliary Hymn was used. The Branch has again to mourn the death of one of its members, Miss Roberts, who though an invalid "was engaged in work for the bale almost up to the last." She rests from her labours now—Verily "a much needed rest." Miss M., of Farnham Branch, reports a successful "Jubilee Social" for Parochial and W.A. purposes, \$51.21 was netted, and pledges will be paid immediately. Miss Slack has been appointed Sec., and Miss Starke Treas. Miss M. considers the outlook most encouraging. "We are," she says, "stronger as a Society than in the past; the members of our Junior Branch have had no meetings yet, but are very anxious to begin."

FAREWELL SERVICE AT ALL SAINTS'.

On Sunday evening, September 5th, a farewell service was held at All Saints' Church Montreal, on the occasion of the departure of Mr. Fred. Swindlehurst for the Mission Field of Moosonee. In his sermon the rector, Rev. Canon Evans, alluded to the fact that since the autumn of 1891, when as a mere lad, young Swindlehurst first attended All Saints', he had never been absent from his place in Church or Sunday School, except during the last year, when he had assisted at the Sunday services in one or other of All Saints' Branch Missions—an example to many, so called, Church goers who run from one place of worship to another, week after week. Mr. Swindleham will be the youngest worker in Bishop Newnham's Diocese, having barely come of age. He is to live at Moose Fort, study the Indian Language, teach the school and assist as lay reader in the Sunday services. He

will be greatly missed from All Saints', where he has endeared himself to young and old alike by his kindly disposition and sterling character. The Sunday School Teachers and Bible Class presented him with a beautiful desk, fitted up with all kinds of writing materials, as a token of their earnest good wishes. Their heartfelt prayers will follow him into the "Great Lone Land."

The following from Rev. Canon Empson, Clerical Secretary of Synod, explains itself:

DIocese of MONTREAL, Synod Office, 16th Sept., '97.

DEAR MRS. HOLDEN—In the accounts submitted at the meeting of the Executive Committee on 14th inst., there appeared an item of \$343.10, the donation of the Montreal Woman's Auxiliary to the Widows' and Orphans' Fund, and the following Resolution was unanimously adopted. "That the Executive Committee desire to thank the Montreal Woman's Auxiliary for their donation to the Widows' and Orphan's Fund of the Diocese, and for their continued and successful effort in Church work." It affords me much pleasure to convey this Resolution to you, and to the Auxiliary through your kindness.

Believe me to remain ever truly yours,

J. EMPSON, *Secretary.*

Mrs. A. Holden, President of the Montreal Womans' Auxiliary,

The Auxiliary tenders its sincere sympathy to Mrs. A. Carus Wilson on the death of her sister, a valued missionary of the C.M.S. in India.

W.A. LETTER BOX.

From Rev. J. Maggrah, Islington Mission, via. Rat Portage, Ont., to Miss Neve, Cor. Sec. All Saints' Branch, Montreal, May 25th, 1897.

MY DEAR MADAME—I received both your post card and letter prior to the arrival of the large bale you very kindly sent to this Mission, which contained many useful and nice articles;

and which will be a great benefit to those who badly need a covering of some sort in the winter season. I thank you all for your kind remembrance of my poor scattered flock, and also personally for the nice presents to myself. Please convey my gratitude to the kind donors.

I am yours faithfully,

JNO. A. MAGGRAH.

AFTER A W.A. MEETING.

(Continued from September LEAFLET.)

We know that there are certain properties common to all matter, and that one of these is Indestructibility. Nothing is lost, nothing is ever wholly destroyed; in some form or other it lives again; there is an unceasing resurrection going on around us, and what is death to day is life to-morrow in some other form. The very dust of our bodies, atom on atom, ere it shall incorporate anew in the final resurrection, enters continually into the life of the grass blade, and the flowers that spring above it. And so God has ordered in the sentient world—In His Church. There can be no death. There is life; though in forms perhaps that we scarcely recognize—and though it seem like death. The time comes, and the dew from heaven drops, and the sunlight glints, and the dry husk bursts, and the bud swells, and flower and fruit appear.

And now from sea to sea and coast to coast in the Dominion, wherever you see the little cross of silver or of gold, you may know that its wearer, if she be faithful, is trying to help on—*On Auxiliary lines*—the cause of the Crucified; is ministering of her substance to the necessities of those who are lifting up the One Cross, the True Cross, to a perishing world; is helping to build the Temples where His name "Shall be glorious"; the "Homes" where His ignorant are gathered in and reclaimed; the Hospitals where the soul's diseases and those of the body, are sought to be healed together. That to prairie wilds and Arctic wastes and Islands and Continents, to which, but for her connection with this Association, she might scarcely have given a thought, her hands are being stretched out in kindly kinship, and her sympathies and her prayers and her offerings are going forth. And note—it is not alone the rich in this world's goods, nor the socially or intellectually distinguished, nor the carelessly liberal who give without a thought, that are carrying on this work. No. These are in it, and it would not be complete without them, but there are others besides, others to whom a cent (given) means a sacrifice, who cannot give anything without *denying themselves*, yet who do give, and will give to the end.

Ed. LEAFLET.

To be continued.

[Oct., 1897.]

Niagara Diocese.

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

OFFICERS. *Hon. Pres.*—Mrs. DuMoulin; *President*—Mrs. H. McLaren, Balquidder, Hamilton; *Vice-Presidents*—1st, Miss Ambrose; 2nd, Mrs. Wade; *Treasurer*—Mrs. Webster, 256 McNab St. North; *Editor LEAFLET*—Mrs. T. W. Reynolds, Drawer 47, Hamilton. *SECRETARIES: Recording*—Miss F. Counsell, 211 Jackson St., West, Hamilton; *Corresponding*, Mrs. J. M. Stewart, 150 Victoria Ave. S., Hamilton; *Organizing*—Mrs. Houston, Niagara Falls; *Dorcas*—Mrs. Sutherland, 171 Hannah Street West, Hamilton; *Junior*—Mrs. Ker, St. Catharines; *Sec. Treas. Lit. Com.*—Miss A. Gaviller, 70 Main St. Hamilton; *Uniform Badge*—Miss Ferres, 216 Herkimer St., Hamilton; *Treasurer Extra-cent-a-day Fund*—Mrs. Sewell, 21 Bold St., Hamilton.

 QUARTERLY MEETING.

The quarterly meeting of the Board was held on Sept. 23rd, at Thorold. The delegates were welcomed at the station by members of the local Auxiliary and conveyed to the Church, where Holy Communion was celebrated by the Rector, assisted by Rev. Mr. Skey, of Merriton. Between 70 and 80 were present. After the service the delegates were entertained at lunch in the house of Mrs. Saxter. She was assisted by the other members of the Branch as well as by the young people of the Guild, and every one vied with another in kind attentions to the visitors. No trouble had been spared to make everything go off well; and we are sure the ladies of Thorold must feel that their efforts were successful. The business meeting was in the school room, and was well attended. Mrs. Spencer read a most cordial address of welcome, to which Mrs. McLaren responded. Letters from the Mission field were read by the Cor. Secretary and the Organizing Secretary. Reported the formation of two new Branches. These were the re-organizing of the Branch in St. Barnabas', St. Catharines, with the following officers. President, Miss Berchall; Vice-President, Miss Marling, Secretary, Mrs. Lancaster. A membership of 8, with one Life member, Miss Hare, makes a good beginning. The other Branch is at Stewartown, with the following officers. President, Mrs. Johnson; Vice-President, Miss E. Morrison; Secretary, Miss W. G. Thomson; Treasurer Miss C. Bell, delegates, Misses L. Appelbe, and E. Willis; and the Dorcas Sec. reports this new Branch has already sent two bales valued at \$46.07. The formation of a Junior Branch in Stewartown, appears in the Junior Secretary's Report. A paper on "Woman's work in the Church during the Victorian era," was read by Mrs. Holden, in which she

ably contrasted the state of the Church at the beginning of the Queen's reign with what it is now. Miss Montizambert gave a most interesting account of her visit to the Indian Homes in the N. W., last year, and spoke of the very marked contrast between a heathen Tepee and one occupied by Christian Indians. Cordial votes of thanks to the Thorold Auxiliaries, and to all who contributed to the success of the meeting, were passed unanimously. The offertory in the church amounted to \$8 31, and the collection at the meeting \$5.06. Two visitors were present from Huron Diocese, and were cordially welcomed. A photograph of the delegates was taken by Mr. Spencer, after lunch at Mrs. Baxters.

QUARTERLY DORCAS REPORT.

QUEENSTON (St. Saviour's)—To Rev. Mr. Pritchard, Lac Seul, one barrel. HAMILTON (St. Mark's)—To Day Star's Reserve, one box. GUELPH (St. James')—To Rev. Mr. Tansy, Somerset, one barrel. DUNVILLE (St. Paul's)—To Rev. H. Cockrane, Jack's Head, two bales. NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE—To Rev. E. F. Wilson, Gauge's Harbour, one bale. GEORGETOWN (St. George's)—To Rev. G. Homes, Lesser Slave Lake, one bale. STEWARTOWN (St. John's)—To Rev. Mr. Weaver, Wapuskaw, two bales. STAMFORD (St. John's)—To Rev. F. H. Pritchard, Lac Seul, one bale. GRIMSBY (St. Andrew's)—Rev. R. H. Bagshaw, Rainy River, two barrels and one box. THOROLD (St. John's)—Mr. Hines, Shoal Lake, three bales. ANCASTER (St. John's)—Archdeacon Tims, one bale. During the last three months seventeen bales have been sent, containing 479 new and 313 second-hand garments, 118 miscellaneous articles, 26 quilts, 63 yards rag carpet or new material—\$181.62 has been expended exclusive of freight.

JANE SUTHERLAND.

DORCAS LIST FOR 1897-8.

ALGOMA—Burk's Falls, Rev. C. Piercy; Emsdale, Rev. A. W. H. Chowne; Garden River, F. Frost; Indian Mission, North Bay, Rev. A. J. Young, North Seguin, Rev. A. J. Cobb; Novar, Rev. J. Pardoe, Port Sidney, Rev. A. R. Mitchell; Schreiber, Rev. E. Lawlor, Sheguiandah, Indian Miss. Uffington, Rev. A. Allman; Nepigon, Rev. E. Lawlor; Shingwauk Home, G. Ley King. AIHABASCA DIOCESE—The Bishop, Fort Vermilion, Lesser Slave Lake, White Fish Lake, Peace River. CALGARY DIOCESE—New Westminster, All Hallow's, Yale. QU'APPELLE—Day Star's Reserve, Gordon Schools, the Bishop, Fishing and Nut Lake, Kutawa. RUPERT'S LAND DIOCESE—Crane River, Dynevour, Fairford, Jack's Head, Lac Seul, Long Sault, Poplar Park, Somerset Washakada Home, Winnipeg W. A. SASKATCHEWAN—Red Pheasant's, Devon Miss., Onion Lake, Emmanuel Coll., Montreal Lake.

QUARTERLY JUNIOR REPORT.

OAKVILLE (St. Jude's)—Rev. R. E. Coates, Poplar Park, \$5. HAMILTON (Ascension)—Zenana Missions, \$2.45. GUELPH (St. James's)—Rev. R. S. Coates, one bale, total, \$26.69. ANCASTER (St. John's) Archdeacon Tims, one bale, \$10. GUELPH (St. George's)—One bale Rev. G. Holmes, \$15.08. GRIMSBY (St. Andrew's)—Seventy cents to Rev. R. H. Bagshaw, Rainy River, to purchase window blinds. Through the efforts of Miss Bradley, Georgetown, a Junior Branch has been formed at Stewartown, with a membership of fifteen. Mrs. J. H. Morrison, Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent, Miss W. G. Thomson, Treasurer, Miss M. Nixon, Secretary, Miss Edith Thomson.

Niagara Juniors will be pleased to hear that in a late letter from Sarcee Home, their cow (Niagara), is quite well and very much appreciated.

Extracts of letters received June, 1897, by the Church of Ascension Branch, Hamilton, from Miss Young. She thanks the members warmly for sending her so many things for her personal use, and says, "I feel it is quite a responsibility receiving so much kindness from those who are so deeply interested in Mission work. I take comfort in the thought that it is not only a warm practical interest, but also, and above all, a prayerful one, extending to all those who will benefit by your work." On July 6th she wrote again in case the June letter had gone astray and said, "My brotner and Mrs. Young left us on Jubilee Day, we find the time flies whilst they are away. I had one Sunday of responsibility which passed off very well, we had quite nice gatherings both morning and evening. Last Sunday Mr. Marsh and his bride were here. He very kindly took the services, we quite enjoyed his simple and helpful addresses. We have at present Miss Durnall, matron of the School at Lesser Slave Lake, also Osborne Scott, staying with us, the latter such a merry boy of sixteen keeps us quite alive. I very much enjoy correcting the proof sheets of St. John's Gospel, I find the verses are impressed upon my mind very vividly in consequence of going over them again and again, and it is becoming comparatively easy to read the syllabics, in fact I almost prefer them now to the Roman characters for my own reading when studying Cree. In a letter dated August 11th, to Miss Emsworth, President of Junior Auxiliary, she says, speaking of the bale sent, "Everything sent is most useful indeed, exactly what we most needed. I do indeed thank most warmly the very kind members of the Junior Auxiliary for all their work, we value much the great interest they have taken in our work." Miss Young has been taking the services in the Church during the absence of the Bishop, and though sometimes "almost sick with nervousness" has been wonderfully helped. She says, "I try to make our gatherings as informal as possible, I sit at a

little table below the tiny reading desk and speak very simply, yet the difficulty is to adapt oneself to the very varied style of people who come. I have been taking for the morning Bible readings, the various names given to our Lord, as throwing light upon his work and character. For instance "Jesus" coupled with "Lamb of God," "The Good Shepherd," "The Light of the world," "The Man Christ Jesus," and find these subjects rich in teaching. In the evening I take different subjects. The Landing is simply crowded at present with people off to the Yukon; 200 more are expected in."

DIOCESAN TREASURER'S STATEMENT

From June 11th, 1897, to September 23rd, 1897.

RECEIPTS.		Tax on Fees.	
Offertory at St. James', Dundas...	\$ 7 36	St. George's, Lowville, add.	10
Collection " " " " " "	7 70	St. John's, Stewarttown	70
Japan Med. Miss. Fund.		Educational Fund.	
St. John's, Thorold.....	5 00	All Saints', Hamilton.....	1 00
St. Thomas', Hamilton.....	1 50	Expense Account.	
St. George's, Georgetown.....	5 00	Sec. Treas Lit. Com. for Dor-	
Cathedral, Hamilton, O.F. ...	3 00	cas papers	9 00
St. Andrew's, Grimsby.....	5 00	Missions to Lepers.	
North West Missions.		St. Mark's, Hamilton.....	25
Hamilton—			<u>\$170 19</u>
Cathedral, for Piegan Home...	5 00	Vouchers.	
S. Thomas', for Mrs. Matheson	2 27	Ascension, (H) Miss Young's	
Ascension " " " "	2 00	salary, Athabasca.....	62 50
All Saints'	3 00	St. Jude's, Oakville, for	
A Member of Grimsby, for		Rupert's Land M. Fund.....	7 25
Piegan Home.....	5 00	St. Thomas', St. Catharines,	
Oakville, St. Jude's, Juniors,		for Mackenzie River	3 00
for Rev. R. E. Coates.....	5 00		<u>\$242 94</u>
All Saints', Hamilton, for		EXPENDITURE.	
Rupert's Land M.F.	25 50	Expense Account.	
All Saints', Hamilton, for		Travelling expenses of speakers	
Saltcoats	1 10	to meeting	2 25
Extra-cent-a-day Fund.		Printing Account, Programmes,	
A Member	25	Annual Reports, etc.....	55 75
Ascension, Hamilton	1 23	P.O. orders and Registration ...	69
Cathedral, Hamilton, L.M....	1 23	Postal cards	25
Diocesan Missions, special.		Engrossing Resolution, etc.....	5 40
Burlington, St. Luke's Juniors	5 00	North West Missions.	
St. Mark's, Hamilton	12 00	Mrs. Matheson, Onion Lake ...	7 27
All Saints', (H) additional ...	2 50	Arch. Tims for Piegan Home...	25 00
Cathedral " " " "	10 00	Rev. R. E. Coates from St.	
Miss McLaren and friends,		Jude's Jrs., Oakville	5 00
additional	11 20	Rev. G. Rogers for Rupert's L.	
Missionary Duty Fund.		M.F., from All Saints' (H) ...	25 50
Cathedral, Hamilton, O.F.....	3 00	Diocesan Missions, special.	
Lady Missionary's Fund.		Rev. R. A. Robinson, Fergus ...	100 00
Cathedral, Hamilton	14 00		<u>\$227 12</u>
St. Thomas', Hamilton.....	4 00		
Zenana Missions.			
Ascension, Hamilton	7 85		
" " Juniors	2 45		
St. James', Dundas	1 00		

A. WEBSTER, Dio. Treas.

[Oct., 1897.] **Ontario Diocese.**

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

OFFICERS: *Hon.-President*—Mrs. Lewis, Kingston; *President*—Mrs. Rogers, 148 Barrie St., Kingston; *Vice-Presidents*—Miss Gildersleeve, and Mrs. MacMorine, Kingston. *SECRETARIES: Recording*—Mrs. F. Prime, Johnston St., Kingston; *Corresponding*—Miss Daly, 298 Brock St., Kingston; *for Junior Branches*—Miss Lewin, Johnston St.; *Literature and Editor LEAFLET*—Mrs. Buxton Smith, Kingston; *Dorcas*—Miss A. Muckleston, 296 King St.; *Extra-cent a-day*—Miss K. Wilson, Union St.; *Treasurer*—Mrs. Worrrell, 242 Brock St.

No one can have read the Encyclical letter of the Anglican Bishops assembled at Lambeth, or the Foreign Mission report of that great gathering, without being struck with the special importance accorded to the Mission work of the Church. In their Encyclical the Bishops say that the subject should be "in the thought of every one who calls himself a christian, that no ordinary service should be considered complete that did not plead, among other things, for the spread of the Gospel." They continue, "We are beginning, though only beginning, to see what the Lord would have us do, He is opening the whole world to our easy access; and as He opens the way, He is opening our eyes to see it, and to see His beckoning hand

The second clause of the *Provincial Constitution* of the Woman's Auxiliary tells us that "The objects of this association shall be, by means of united intercessory prayer, and systematic effort, to diffuse Missionary intelligence, and increase Missionary activity among the women of the Church." Now that our meetings are being resumed, and work arranged for the winter, let us endeavour to keep these objects well in view. Will the Branch Presidents urge upon members a more general and faithful observance of the Auxiliary requirements regarding intercessory prayer; and if we would really pray earnestly, we must try and learn what is going on in the Mission field. We need to remember that unless we obtain some little insight into the great work that is being done in different parts of the world, we cannot continue to be interested in that work.

We hope the Branches, in arranging to meet their various pledges, will bear in mind the *offering* to be made at the *Triennial* of 1898; our *Provincial Editor* asks in the September LEAFLET to think deeply over that date, and realize that it will be the last *Triennial* in this Century. She adds, "Shall we not double our efforts in three ways—by yielding ourselves more completely to the Holy Spirit; by praying more earnestly, and including in our petitions, not only the Missionaries, but that each one of us may be a missionary in our own sphere."

The regular Board Meeting was held on the second Monday in September; owing to work having been suspended in many parishes during the summer months, there was but little business to report. Cards had been received from the Pro. Treasurer, and Miss Montizambert, Pro. Cor. Sec. The latter in acknowledging receipt of Annual Report, says, "I am sure you all feel thankful that your first divided year has been so blessed, and it will give you courage and impetus for further development." The attention of the Board was directed to the "Extra-cent-a-day" Fund, now a recognized part of the W.A. work in the Diocese. The Branch Presidents are asked to bring this method of saving money before the members, Miss R. Wilson, Union Street, Kingston, is the Treasurer for this Fund. Mrs E. P. Crawford, of Halifax, formerly Dorcas Secretary for Ontario Diocese, was warmly welcomed to the Board Meeting. St. Luke's Halifax, has a very flourishing Branch of the C.C.M.G. Cordial votes of thanks were tendered to Miss E. Muckleston, for her services at the Annual meeting as acting Treasurer; and to Miss May Saunders for so kindly editing our LEAFLET pages during the summer months.

The Secretary for Literature will be very glad to assist Branches to procure reading matter when desired. She has now on hand interesting papers written by members of the W.A. on Mission work in *Algoma, Selkirk, Corea, Uganda*; an account of *Church Work in Florence*, written by a member also, Miss Brown's and Miss Phillipp's annual Reports, and a most interesting account of a visit to the *Peigan Home*, written by Miss Montizambert. Any of these if asked for, will be gladly forwarded.

The LEAFLET Editor wishes to thank the Branches for the very prompt manner in which they have sent in their subscriptions, and in many instances increased the number of Subscribers. In future kindly make all money orders for LEAFLET payable to Louisa C. Smith.

From Rev. T. H. Dobbs, Sandy Bay Reserve, Fairford, to Mrs. Rogers, Kingston.

The bale of quilts, which you so kindly sent me, came to hand to-day quite safely, and in excellent condition. On behalf of the Indians I thank you very much for them. It is very difficult to get anything up from Raeburn to this place. Upon receipt of advice, *re.*, arrival of bale there, I had to write to the station Agent asking him to send it on to Westbourne, and I had to write to a gentleman at Westbourne asking him to send it on to me. It is very gratifying to know that the Church, through her various Associations, is alive to the needs of her poor adherents in the wilderness. Services are held regularly twice each Sunday, and are well attended. Many of the Indians engage in public prayer, and at the services I generally get one of them to read out the hymns and start the singing. The Indians here are all Christians, there are no heathens on the Reservation. They live

by fishing and hunting; the homes are mostly heated by open fire-places; there is something cheerful and animating in sitting around the open fire, you experience a feeling of comfort and satisfaction that is never present when sitting near a stove, and the open fire-place helps to keep the Indians in good health, bad odours being drawn off by it and escaping through the chimney. I have a well attended School, the number of pupils on the register is 25. While the Indians are much in advance of what they once were, it is as yet too early to expect that the characteristics which centuries of usage have made part of their mental condition can be quite eradicated, but reaching a higher plane of life is only a question of time, they are all the time trying to copy the ways of their more enlightened white brethren, and on the whole I think it is but fair to them to say that they have made good progress. Some of them try to perform every duty devolving upon them, and while they may fail in doing it elegantly, the attempt in itself, betokens an earnest desire to improve. The reservation is nicely situated, and well wooded, though there is no farming land, but for stock raising it would be hard to find a better place; there is an abundance of hay, and cattle thrive. Fish is the principal food of the people.

Extract of letter to Miss Lucy Betts, Portsmouth, from Rev. E. Hockley, the Kissock Home, Blood Reserve, Macleod.

Like your bale last year everything is first class, and shows that much time must have been spent by your members. I desire to thank you all most heartily for the practical help you have given. Thank Mrs. Walkem, Mrs. Watts, and Mrs. Appleton for personal gifts; during the cold weather the aid of the W.A. is a great comfort. Some of our youngsters would have been cold at night had it not been for the quilts sent from the East. I have had the pleasure of examining your gifts, and I can assure you that both the Catechist and myself were greatly delighted to see such a quantity of most useful articles. The Bishop has put me in charge of the Indian Home (64 children) as well as the work on the reserve. I feel my shoulders hardly broad enough to carry such a responsibility. I know we can count on the W.A. helping us; at times we find it hard to maintain the finances.

Until 1841 the Church of England sent no Bishops beyond the limits of the *Empire*. Now we can point to strong Missions in Borneo, in China, in Japan, in Madagascar, in Corea, and in the Isles of the sea.

In 1837 there were seven Bishoprics in foreign parts owing allegiance to the See at Canterbury, and in the United States sixteen, all in the Eastern States, the respective numbers now are ninety-two and seventy-eight—170 in all.

[Oct., 1897].

Ottawa Diocese.DIOCESAN MOTTO :—" *God is love.* "

OFFICERS: *President*—Mrs. Hamilton, Christ Church Rectory, Ottawa; *1st Vice-President*—Mrs. Tilton, 37 Gloucester St.; *2nd Vice-President*—Mrs. Pollard, Park Avenue; *Treasurer*—Miss Cath. E. Baker, 5 Arthur Street **SECRETARIES:** *Recording*—Miss Humphreys, 288 Daly Avenue. *Corresponding*—Mrs. W. Fitzgerald, 260 MacLaren St. *Dorcas*—Mrs. G. M. Greene, 483 McLaren St.; *Literature and Leaflet Editor*—Miss Whiteaves, 22 Gloucester St; *Junior Work*—Miss Parris, 84 Victoria St.; *Organizing*—Miss A. B. Yeilding, 370 Slater St.

The September Board Meeting was held the second Monday in the month at 3.30 p.m., the Vice-President in the chair. Mrs. Bate, in the absence of the Cor. Sec., read the correspondence, which included (1) a letter from Mrs. Fitzgerald, Prout's Neck; (2) a letter from Mrs. Boomer, enclosing very encouraging letters from Rev. Mr. Young, Rev. Mr. Allman and others, in reference to the education of Grace Young and Minnie Allman. This budget of letters is to be forwarded to Ontario Diocese. If Ontario is willing, the choice of the child to be educated will be left with Mrs. Boomer. The LEAFLET Editor reported receipts for the month \$7.37, expenditure, 41 cents; new subscribers to the LEAFLET, 16. Received 9 letters and 2 postals, wrote 11 letters and 6 post cards. The Organizing Sec. read a postal from Rev. Mr. Saddington, Richmond, expressing warm interest in the W.A. and his desire to organize a Branch. Also a letter from Rev. J. N. Hunter, Vankleek Hill. Report, organizing forms, etc., have been forwarded to Mr. Hunter. Reports were read from Christ Church Branch, St. George's, St. John's, Grace Church, Fenaghvale and Cornwall.

From F. Favell, teacher, Crane River, Manitoba, to Mrs. Mitchell, Grace Church, Ottawa.

" I write to notify you that the two bags of clothing sent me for the Indians of Crane River, have reached us in due order and good condtion. It is needless to say that the clothing was received by the Indians with gratitude, and the old chief asked me to thank you in his behalf. I am not

forgetting myself to send you and the kind ladies of your Branch my heartfelt gratitude, as such assistance materially helps me in my work, which I trust God to abundantly bless. In conclusion may the Father of Mercies bless the good work which the noble ladies of Canada have in hand."

Extract of a letter from Rev. W. Butler, Combermere, to Mrs. Gault, Cornwall W.A..

"Since I have had charge of this Mission I have received two or three bales of clothing, and I think yours is certainly the best received. Everything in it is certainly of the very best, and useful, in fact some of the clothing is too good for the country. Much money and time must have been spent in collecting such an excellent bale; and to you, on behalf of the Mission, I must tender our many thanks. I am sure there is not another Mission in this Diocese which is poorer than is part of this over which I have charge. I will try to do my utmost to distribute the articles where I think they are most in need of them. It is the intention of the good Bishop to remove me this summer as soon as the parsonage is built and paid for. Whatever is undistributed at that time will be transferred to my successor. The carpet also was safely received, and will be quite an acquisition to the furnishing of the parsonage. I trust my successor will treasure your kindnesses. May the Master who has put such love in your hearts for your fellow creatures give you strength to continue the good work you have already accomplished."

From C. A. Lindsay, Thunderchild's Reserve, to Mrs. Leoney, St. John's Branch, Ottawa.

All the Indians and myself thank you and all the kind ladies that helped in making up the things that were sent to me in the three bags, and hope it will not be the last time that I will receive such nice things from all the kind ladies of the W.A. Trusting that you will thank all the ladies that work for us, for me and my fellow workers in Christ. The people are very hard up here; and they are always thankful for

any help they receive. The Roman Catholics have a Mission here as well as us and are working hard against us, so we would be glad of all the help the kind ladies can give us from Eastern Canada. With kind regards, etc.

BRANCH NOTES.

FENAGHVALE—Monthly meeting held August 19th. Letters were read from Mrs. Fitzgerald and Miss Nicholson, Ottawa, and a post card from the Diocesan Treasurer. A report of the Board Meeting sent by Fenaghvale's representative was also read. The Committee reported the purchase of material for a quilt. An article on the W.A. as an Educator, was read by Lady Ritchie. The Bishop's address to the Synod and Dr. Roe's sermon were read by Rev. F. W. Ritchie, who also gave some information about Moosonee.

OTTAWA—The August meeting of St. John's Church Branch was very well attended. The Cor. Sec. read a letter from Rev. Mr. Lindsay. The Treasurer read an article on the United Thankoffering. It was decided that every member should hand in a new garment for the bale at the September meeting. Readings were given on Moosonee and Greenland.

DORCAS REPORT.

New Branches applying for work are Fenaghvale, Plantaganet, Vankleek Hill and East Hawkesbury. Hawkesbury has been revived and is working for Rev. A. Cook. Moulinette sent bale valued at \$27.95 to the Gordon Schools. Freight refund for the month, \$16.28.

C. F. GREENE, *Dio. Dor. Sec.*

TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.		Foreign Missions.	
General Fund.		Donation for Chinese and	
Coll. at July Board Meeting...\$.48	Indian work, New West-	
" Sept. " "	50	minster Diocese	10 00
Assessment fees—		Almonte J.W.A., for Church	
Hawkesbury	35	building at Nagano, Japan.	50 00
Fenaghvale.....	35	Total.....	\$83 43
Carleton Place	3 40	EXPENDITURE.	
St. Margaret's, Janeville ...	50	Illuminating Jubilee address.....	2 00
Balderson	60	Postage Dorcas Sec.	1 00
L'Original	60	One quarter's salary, Miss Brown,	
Donation.....	2 00	Peigan Reserve.	75 00
Lady Miss., North West.		D. Kemp Esq., Treasurer Algoma	
Janeville	2 00	Diocese	1 65
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The first of the monthly meetings of the Diocesan Branch will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 5th, when we hope to see a large gathering of members. The weekly and monthly evening meetings will again be resumed in the different Branches. We trust that they may be well and largely attended, and that a continued and steady attendance may be looked for at all the ensuing meetings. It is very disappointing, as also discouraging, to earnest workers, to see their fellow members gradually losing interest in that in which they made so good a start—with them as with a school boy's copy-book, we would wish to see a visible improvement as the work progresses. It is a small thing to give two hours weekly to mission work, and think of the results! How many a far off parish benefits by the work accomplished at these sewing meetings? We can picture the opening of a bale, and the eager and expectant looks on the faces of those who have the unpacking of it. We know ourselves, the pleasure we derive from any trifling gift sent to us through the post; but what is this compared to the joy and excitement caused by the arrival of a barrel or bale? Dear friends, don't give up this good work while you can give your time and help, a day will come (and it is not so far off) when you may not have either to offer—we don't keep our health and strength for ever; therefore while we have both let us put them to a good use.

It may be well to remind our members now, at the beginning of our working season, after the long summer holiday is over, of some of the most pressing of our responsibilities; and foremost amongst these comes our pledged assistance to the support of the Lady Medical Missionary in Japan. This is

absolutely the only definite work which the Board of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society has given us—their Auxiliary—to do, and we are bound to do it. It is true other fields of labor may attract us more; or we may have more personal interest in places nearer home, or perhaps some new place, hitherto untrodden ground, may possess a charm which novelty alone can give; but still we are in honour bound not to neglect or throw over the established work which depends upon our support for its very existence, merely to gratify a whim or indulge a personal preference. The Board rely upon us, their Auxiliary, to carry out loyally any work which they may give us to do, and it ought to be our pride and pleasure to fulfil their expectations. The Board has been very considerate in allowing us to work, to a very great extent, as an independent Society; we give or withhold as we please, without any reference to the Board, and settle our plans without considering whether these plans are such as would meet with their approval. Surely when so much latitude is allowed us, the very least we can do is to take up the small amount of work which they ask us to do, and do it heartily and faithfully. It must be remembered that the Diocesan Branch, though responsible for the money for the Medical Missionary in Japan, has no funds of its own, and depends entirely upon the Parochial Branches for supplies.

The following is a letter received by the Editor, from the Secretary of the Sherbrooke Branch of the W.A.; we regret that she should have such a complaint to make against those whom the Branch has benefited. Let us hope that this is an exceptional case, for what is worth accepting is surely worth acknowledging:—

August 16th,

DEAR MRS. SMITH—It is a grievance with us that we do not receive letters from any one that we help, so we find that our interest often flags, and the question so often arises that if we sent our money ourselves, we would have answers, and we would be more interested. I adopted the plan of writing to the people themselves when we send money, and asking them to acknowledge it, but no one has done so, and we feel very

much hurt about it. I have looked over the few letters that I have, but do not find any of them very interesting—I enclose two, one from Miss Tucker acknowledging the Life Membership we presented her with, and the other is about a girl whom we have assisted for years, but are now finished with.

Believe me, sincerely yours, A. N. WORTHINGTON.

ST. PETER'S MISSION, Lesser Slave Lake,

Peace River District, Athabaska, July 16th, 1897.

DEAR MRS. HALL.—Thank you for your letter of Jan. 26th. We received your welcome barrel of things about the last day of June. It came up on the H.B. Co.'s second steamer, they seldom bring anything for the missionaries the first trip. It is surprising what a number of good things can be packed into a barrel, until one begins to take them out. Please thank the ladies of St. Matthew's Branch for their most welcome gifts, everything was good and useful; especially the women's skirts, boys' shirts, and babies' garments. Our school broke up the last day of June. Miss Durnell, the matron, left for a holiday and much needed rest and change more than two weeks ago. We have the children with us now, in all a family of eight, besides our little daughter, who is three weeks old. Our average number of children during last winter was 28, and 36 in all were under our care and tuition during the school session. I hope, God willing, to write to you again next winter and tell you something more of our work here. This letter is to acknowledge your generous gifts to this Mission. Let me say here that it would be impossible for us to carry on this work without such assistance. Thanking you all again.

Believe me, Yours sincerely, W. G. WHITE.

ST. LUKE'S MISSION, Vermilion, Athabaska, July 22nd, '97.

MY DEAR MRS. HALL.—We were delighted to receive your immense bale of goods the other day. Very many thanks to your Branch for this their great kindness and thoughtfulness to us and our people. Will you excuse my not going at present into details, *re.* the articles. I am sure I cannot express my thankfulness for the medicines, they are just exactly what I wanted, the bottle of tincture of iron

seemed to be worth its size in gold; but all the medicines were exactly what we wanted. The canned fruit and packets of groceries were a pleasure indeed to receive. We were quite out of corn-flour and the like, we had not ordered any this year, feeling we could not afford it; but our Heavenly Father kindly put into your hearts to supply our need. The things all came in good order, not even a bottle broken. We are in our usual health, Mrs. Scott about as before from rheumatism, is hardly able to do anything. My daughter being now at home is a great comfort. This is holiday time for the school, we have only three children with us at present. Our work among the people is progressing, though perhaps slowly. I have lately returned from a trip to Wapuskaw, Mr. Weaver's Mission, I was away thirty-four days, the distance from here is about 400 miles—journey was by canoe—I had one man with me, I found it quite a hard trip. However I hope some good was accomplished. We have had a very dry season, crops are very light; we have had really no rain until last week. We hope to be remembered by you again as the season comes round. Mrs. Scott is exceedingly pleased with the fur cloak, just the thing she was desiring; we think it would be as well not to send any more fur jackets, we have sufficient for our own use, and they are not prized by others; perhaps they could be disposed of to greater advantage elsewhere. Remnants and pieces of material not made up are very useful indeed, and would be most acceptable. A few men's shirts, cotton or woolen, we have a number of old men who are in need of such articles, a few pairs of pants for the same. Of course, girls and boys clothes we always need for our school children. I do not know the weight of the bale, but I would inform you that the freight from Edmonton is a dollar less per hundred pounds this year, so that the freight charge now is \$7.50 per one-hundred pounds. I hope that you will be able kindly to pay this, as I assure you I have not the wherewith to do it, I paid for the W.A. sales last year, but must forbear this season.

I am sincerely yours, MALCOLM SCOTT.

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