# SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT

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METHODIST CHURCH, CANADA,

FOR THE YEAR

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# EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Held at Mrs. Jas. Gooderham's, Feb. 8th, 1887.

There were present, Mrs. D. Kerr, Mrs. Rosebrugh, Mrs. Carman, Mrs. S. J. Hunter and Mrs. Gooderham, who presided, and Mrs. Hunter was appointed Secretary of the meeting.

After prayer by Mrs. Kerr, the first item of business presented was the fact that Miss Cartmell had sent in her resignation. After a short conversation it was resolved: "That as an Executive we express our deepest sympathy with our dear Miss Cartmell, and fully understand and appreciate the feelings that prompted it, but feel that we cannot now accept it unless her health make it absolutely necessary."

It was then stated by the President that Miss Spencer's health had become impaired by contracting a severe cold while moving into the new school, and that it seemed absolutely necessary to send another teacher as soon as possible to relieve her. It was therefore decided to send one, and that the President and Corresponding Secretary form a committee to select such an one.

Resolved, "That we desire to express our sincerest sympathy with our dear Miss Spencer in her recent illness, and to assure her that our earnest prayers are offered to Him who 'doeth all things well' for her speedy recovery. We also desire to express our entire satisfaction at the wonderful success that has attended the work in Japan."

Resolved, "That in view of the fact already stated in our Annual Meeting, that we have \$1000 placed at the disposal of this Society to open another school in Japan, and the fact that the Japanese had offered to give thirty yen a month and a house if we send a teacher to take charge, therefore we consider these facts as Providential and feel it to be our duty to accept both of these offers, leaving the business of securing a suitable teacher for this new school in the hands of the President and Corresponding Secretary."

A conversation followed in reference to a school in British Columbia, Miss Laurence having presented her claim and purpose to commence such a school at the Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers. It was

thought best to appoint a committee to find out more in reference to this work. It was therefore moved, seconded and carried, "That as Miss Laurence has not yet secured a building, therefore we leave the matter of appropriating the sum necessary for beginning a Girls' Home at Nanaimo with the following committee: Mrs. Rosebrugh, Mrs. Strachan, Mrs. S. J. Hunter, Mrs. Carman and the President, with the understanding that this Home be the property of the Woman's Missionary Society. We also empower this committee to secure Miss Laurence or some other suitable person as matron."

The President then presented a memorial from Rev. John Huntingdon in reference to a band of Indians who had remained faithful to Methodism without any special help. The deepest sympathy was manifested by all present, and after some conversation it was resolved to ask the daily papers to publish it. It was also resolved that, having received this application and not being authorized by the constitution to undertake any new work without a special donation, we recommend that it be brought before the next meeting of the Board, as well as the application of Rev. Mr. Green, and be favorably considered.

Mrs. Willmott's paper on "Proportionate Giving" was the next subject of conversation, and it was decided to print 2000 copies and distribute them as widely as possible amongst the Auxiliaries, also Mrs. Cunningham's "Programme for Entertainments or Quarterly Meetings."

Owing to a little disturbing feeling among some of our workers in Auxiliaries and Mission Bands it was thought well to pass the following resolution: "That the Auxiliaries and Mission Bands be requested to confine their efforts in mission work to the objects named by our Society at the last preceding Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers, and that any missionary wishing aid from our Society for his work be requested to communicate with the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Strachan, 113 Hughson St. n., Hamilton, and not with the separate Auxiliaries and Bands, as has frequently been done in the past."

The subject of a "Form of Engagement" for missionaries to sign before leaving for their field of labor was discussed and Mrs. Carman appointed to draft a sample for approval, also the establishing of a Literary Fund, to include that of the Leaflet now existing, but no action was taken in the matter.

The meeting was closed with prayer, each one feeling that the Holy Spirit had been vouchsafed and praying the conclusions arrived at might be loyally sustained by the Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers.

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# METHODIST CHURCH.

Held in Bridge St. Church, Belleville, Ont., Oct. 18th, 19th and 20th, 1887.

The first session was opened at 2 p. m. with devotional exercises, conducted by the President. Mrs. Hooker read a portion of Scripture and Mrs. Russ led in prayer.

In answer to the roll call the following officers and delegates responded: GENERAL OFFICERS—Mrs. Jas. Gooderham, Pres.; Mrs. Dr. Carman, Vice-Pres.; Mrs. Chisholm, Rec. Sec; Mrs. E. S. Strachan, Cor. Sec; Mrs. Dr. Rosebrugh, Treas.

Western Branch—Mrs. Dr. S. J. Hunter, *Pres.*, Hamilton; Mrs. A.Cunningham, *Cor. Sec.*, Stratford; Mrs. Fowler, London; Mrs. Burns, St. Thomas; Mrs. Detlor, Clinton; Mrs. Russ, Milton; Mrs. Hooker, Simcoe; Mrs. Saunby, London; Mrs. Jackson, Jarvis; Mrs. Owrey, London; Mrs. Sharp, Brantford; Mrs. Freeman, Port Stanley; Mrs. McGibbon, St. Catharines; Mrs. McMechan, London.

CENTRAL BRANCH—Mrs. Dr. Williams, Pres., Toronto; Mrs. Dr. Briggs, Cor. Sec., Toronto; Mrs. Willmott, Toronto; Mrs. Dr. Aikins, Toronto; Mrs. Thompson, Toronto; Mrs. Gundy, Toronto; Mrs. Bascom, Uxbridge; Mrs. Brett, Toronto; Mrs. McKay, Toronto; Mrs. Lewis, Belleville; Mrs. Sherin, Lakefield; Miss Wilkes, Toronto; Miss Adams.

EASTERN BRANCH—Mrs. W. E. Ross, *Pres.*, Montreal; Mrs. T. G. Williams, *Cor. Sec.*, Pembroke; Mrs. Jno. Torrance, Montreal; Mrs. Lloyd, Ottawa; Mrs. Geo. Taylor, Gananoque; Mrs. Woodcock, Brockville; Mrs. Wm. Skinner, Kingston.

Nova Scotia Branch-Mrs. S. E. Whiston, Cor. Sec., Halifax.

N. B. AND P. E. I. Branch-Miss Minnie Palmer, St. John, N. B.

Rev. Dr. Williams, General Superintendent of the Methodist Church, was introduced and conveyed to the Society the greetings and congratu-

The work of this Woman's Missionary lations of the General Board. Society had been an inspiration to the parent Society and to the whole The General Board had placed \$250 at the disposal of the Society for the maintenance of a place of refuge for Chinese girls in Victoria, B. C., and had also resolved to call the attention of the Government to the state of things there which ought not to exist. There were four thousand Chinese in Victoria who were living in great degradation, but the Board contemplated putting up a suitable school or mission house for the Chinese in that place.

The opinion of the General Board is that it would not be wise for this Society to take over the building at Morley at present, good and suffi-

cient reasons being given for this advice.

The Crosby Girls' Home was spoken of, and some additional help recommended for Mrs. Crosby.

The Board does not recommend building a home at Chilliwhack, and

thought none was needed at Nanaimo.

The French school had been a great success, where the girls had furnished \$339 towards their own support during the year. The General Board intend to have a French institute at as early a date as possible. They also recommended that in any new work undertaken by this Society, consultation be had with the Committee of Consultation and Finance.

Four thousand dollars had been granted by the Board towards building a church at Azabu, Tokyo, and \$1000 towards a church in Tsukiji.

Several questions were asked Dr. Williams as to certain missions, concerning which he promised to make inquiries and report to the Executive.

On motion it was resolved that the thanks of the ladies be presented to Dr. Williams for the valuable information given, asking him also to express to the General Board the thanks of this Society for the grant of \$250 towards the care of the Chinese girls in Victoria.

The Minutes of Executive meetings and decisions of Executive Committee by correspondence, were then read and received, discussion upon

the different points being deferred till a later period.

The reports of the Corresponding Secretary and the Treasurer were then read and adopted.

All joined heartily in the singing of a hymn, after which the President gave her address, which was full of gratitude for the abundant success of the year, and replete with encouragement for the future.

Mrs. McLean was then introduced, representing the W. F. M. S. of the Presbyterian church (western section), and conveyed the greetings of the Society to this meeting. She congratulated the Treasurer on her report, which showed such a good balance on hand. Speaking of the work, Mrs. McLean said that she found that those ladies who did the most for foreign missions were also deeply in earnest in what was known as home mission work.

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Mrs. Chown read a letter of greeting from the Belleville Baptist Circle, and Mrs. Dunnett conveyed the greetings of the Woman's Christian Association.

It was moved, seconded and carried, that the Nominating Committee consist of three from the Western Branch, three from the Central, two from the Eastern, one from Nova Scotia and one from N. B and P. E. I.

On motion it was decided that the following be the Committees—on Memorials, Courtesies, Appropriations and Modes of Work.

The report of the Crosby Girls' Home was then read by the Corresponding Secretary, and also the statement of Rev. J. McDougall, concerning the Orphanage at Morley.

On motion the various financial reports were directed to be sent to the Committee on Appropriations.

Several memorials were then read, which were referred to the Committee on Memorials, after which an invitation was extended to all delegates and visitors, with their entertainers, to remain to tea.

The doxology was sung and the benediction was pronounced by Rev. J. Learoyd, after which the meeting adjourned.

#### WEDNESDAY MORNING.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. Dr. Fowler. The minutes of previous session were then read and approved.

The following resolution was presented and carried: "We, the ladies of the General Board of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist Church, meeting in Belleville, having heard of the sudden and unexpected death of Rev. Dr. Nelles, Chancellor of Victoria University, would desire to convey to Mrs. Nelles and family our deep sympathy in their sad bereavement, and to express our high appreciation of the late Dr. Nelles as a Christian minister and leader of the educational interests of the Methodist Church."

The Nominating Committee reported its members to be, from the Central Branch, Mesdames Williams, Thompson, Willmott; Western Branch, Mesdames Hunter, Fowler, Burns; Eastern Branch, Mesdames Ross, Torrance; Nova Scotia, Mrs. Whiston; N. B. and P. E. I., Miss Palmer. Mrs. Williams, Chairman; Mrs. Burns, Secretary.

#### COMMITTEES APPOINTED:

MEMORIAL COMMITTEE—Mesdames Burns, Detlor, Hunter, Cunningham, McKay, Bascom, Briggs, Carman, Skinner, Ross, T. G. Williams Whiston, Misses Wilkes and Palmer.

COMMITTEE ON COURTESIES-Mesdames Aikins and Russ.

ON APPROPRIATIONS—Mesdames Rosebrugh, Gundy, Whiston, Lewis, Fowler, Thompson, Strachan and Ross.

ON MODES OF WORK—Mesdames Carman, J. A. Williams, Brett, Cunningham, McMechan, Torrance, Hooker, Willmott, and Miss Palmer.

After other memorials and resolutions had been read and referred to appropriate committees, Mrs. Dr. Aikins extended an invitation from the Metropolitan, Toronto, for the Annual Meeting to be held there next year. The invitation was accepted with the thanks of the Society.

The report of the French work was presented by Mrs. W. E. Ross, and it was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

The hymn, "Work, for the night is coming," was then sung, after which the Reports of Branches were read.

The hour for the testimony meeting having arrived, Mrs. T. G. Williams was requested to take charge. A hymn was sung, after which, interesting and helpful testimonies were given by several.

The session was then closed by singing the hymn, "Blest be the tie that binds," Mrs. Gooderham pronouncing the benediction.

# WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

Mrs. Dr. Aikins, Toronto, led the devotional service. The Secretary read the minutes of the morning session, which were approved.

The Corresponding Secretary read a communication from the General Board, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

COPY OF THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

"A communication was received from the Woman's Missionary Society in reference to the Chinese Home and Refuge in Victoria, Vancouver Island.

"In view of the importance of the work designed to be accomplished, as set forth in the report forwarded from Victoria through the Woman's Missionary Society; and, whereas, the Woman's Missionary Society is giving support to this enterprise to the extent of \$35 per month, it is recommended that this Board place the sum of \$250 in the hands of the Treasurer, subject to the order of the Woman's Missionary Society, as an earnest of our appreciation of their efforts.

"It is further recommended that this Board respectfully suggest to the Woman's Missionary Society that if it be in harmony with their views, and other work to which they are committed, they take this Chinese work wholly into their hands; and, inasmuch as the Woman's Missionary Society desired that this Board advise them as to the lines of labor they sionary Socie with each oth

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(Signed) "E. B. RYCKMAN,

" Sec'y of Com.

"The above report was received and adopted by the General Board.

"T. G. WILLIAMS,

" Sec. of Board."

This was in response to the following letter:

"To the General Board of Missions of the Methodist Church:

"Being desirous of working in perfect harmony with your plans for the advance of the mission cause of our Church, we wish your counsel in reference especially at this time to the Indian and Chinese departments.

"You are aware that we contribute annually towards the support of the Crosby Home and the McDougall Orphanage, but we do not feel that it is our province to undertake wholly an industrial institution (as the latter aims to be), nor are we able with our other heavy claims to erect suitable buildings.

"A very strong request has been made that we establish a school at Chilliwhack, B. C., and the Rev. C. M. Tate has sent an estimate of the cost—building and furniture, \$2,000; two acres of land, \$200; matron's salary, \$400, and \$50 annually for each child.

"During the year a very startling revelation has been made of the condition of Chinese girls in Victoria, which has aroused our indignation, and at the same time the poor victims have claimed our sympathy. To understand the case fully, I refer you to the accompanying report of the work sent to our society by the Rev. J. E. Starr.

"We wish to know how best to proceed, or whether you can undertake any part of this work, in the way of building or otherwise. In dealing with the government we are persuaded that you will best know how to act, and will have a greater influence.

"As our annual meeting occurs the week following your own, we would be grateful for a communication from you that might help us in our decisions.

"Yours respectfully,

"E. S. STRACHAN.

"HAMILTON, Oct. 8th, 1887."

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A report of the school in Tokyo, Japan, was then read by the Corresponding Secretary, and the estimates for the coming year, which were rerered to the Committee on Appropriations.

A very interesting report on evangelistic work in Japan was read by Miss Cartmell, dating from the beginning of her labors in that country.

A duet, "Tell it again," was then sung by the Misses Cummings.

The Corresponding Secretary read letters from Mrs. Tate, in regard to a home for Indian girls at Chilliwhack, B. C. After some conversation it was resolved, "That a certain sum be sent Mrs. Tate for this purpose, amount to be left to Committee on Appropriations."

Requests were made from two Mission Bands as to objects they wished to support. Some discussion ensued, when it was agreed that the matter be deferred until after the reading of letters concerning the Chi-

nese work.

These were read and contained statements so shameful and revolting as to cause a thrill of horror to run through the meeting, and deepened the impression already in the minds of the Board that something should be done at once to remedy this evil and to rescue these poor Chinese girls.

The letters, on motion, were referred to the Memorial Committee.

Mrs. Burns, Secretary of Memorial Committee, reported on the following:

1. From Dundas Street Auxiliary, London-

"We, as an Auxiliary, beg to memorialize the Branch in the interest of one of our Indian missions not yet adopted by our W. M. S. We do this believing that such assistance as is imperatively needed in this and similar cases, can only be rendered by women, and therefore properly belongs to the work of the W. M. S. For instance, the supplying clothing for the destitute women and children is, and must be, the work of the women of our church, and as several of the Auxiliaries are sending donations of clothing and money to the Blood Indian Mission School, which clothing or money being collected for a special purpose and outside the regular funds of the Auxiliary, cannot be credited as income, it was moved, seconded and carried, that we memorialize the Branch to take such steps as may be necessary to place the Blood Indian Mission School on our list of assisted missions."

The Committee recommend that, owing to the scarcity of information concerning the Blood Indian Mission, and in view of the advice given by Dr. Williams from the General Board of the parent Society, concerning the contemplated foundation of Industrial Schools, the Board of Managers do not take up this as a portion of the work of the Society.—

Carried.

2. From the Mitchell Auxiliary-

"Whereas, in view of the amount and importance of the work done, it is our opinion that the number of members on the Executive Committee is too small. We think it desirable that the number be increased or

its powers limited."

On this memorial the Committee (of the Western Branch) would recommend that a committee be appointed annually in each Branch, with which the Executive could consult in the event of any important emergency or the taking up of new work.

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Moved that this report be accepted.

Moved in amendment that the word "could" be omitted from the memorial, and that it be referred back to the Committee.

The original motion prevailed.

3. "Whereas, the minutes of Executive meetings held during the year, or between the Annual Meetings of the Board of Managers, are not in detail in the Annual Report, the Western Branch would recommend that hereafter the transactions of each meeting be inserted in full in said Annual Report."

The Committee recommended that the memorial be adopted, but that the words "in full" be expunged, and that the reports be printed in the

same manner as the reports of Annual Meetings.

The report of the Committee was adopted.

On motion the meeting adjourned.

#### THURSDAY MORNING.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. Brett, Mrs. Gundy reading a portion of Scripture.

Minutes of previous session were read and approved.

Memorial Committee further reported through its Secretary:

4. "That this Branch (Western) request the Board of Managers to amend part of Sec. 1, Article 5, respecting delegates to the Board, that for the Western and Central Branch the rule be one for every 200 members."

Recommend that this be not entertained.

"With reference to Mr. Starr's letter requesting help for the Chinese girls, the following deliverance was given by the Branch: Resolved, that this meeting request the General Board to listen to this cry and give all the help that is in their power. Also, that we approve of the action of the Executive Committee in making the grants mentioned, and while not committing ourselves to the support of the home, would recommend that the Government be petitioned to stop the traffic in young Chinese girls."

Decide to allow this to be laid over until the memorials from other

Branches on this subject be heard.

6. "Whereas, the present quarterly cards for the Corresponding Secretary are to a certain extent misleading as to the membership, we request that they be withdrawn or altered, and only annual reports be sent in from Corresponding Secretaries of Auxiliaries."

The Committee recommended that the preparation of form of card be

left with the Committee appointed to prepare Treasurers' forms.

Recommended that this report be received.

7. "That we express our high appreciation of the ability shown by Mrs. Parker in the editing of that part of the Outlook devoted to the work of the W. M. S., and we request that she may be allowed still larger space."

That this request be approved.

8. "With reference to Mrs. Tate's letter, asking that we establish a home for Indian girls at Chilliwhack, it was moved, seconded and carried, that this matter be left in the hands of the General Board."

That as action has already been taken by the Board of Managers, no

action is necessary by this Committee.

#### MEMORIALS FROM AUXILIARIES.

Referred by the Central Branch to the General Board.

I. From Spadina Avenue Auxiliary-

"Whereas, from statements of certain of our ministers who have recently visited Victoria, B. C., it appears that white men are allowed to purchase Chinese women for the most degrading purposes; and, whereas, as a Society we have been requested to found a home for the reform of such women, therefore, resolved, that we, the members of this Auxiliary, request our General Board to take such steps as in their wisdom may seem best, to bring the matter before the public and the Government, with a view to securing such legislation as shall put a stop to this worst form of human slavery."

2. From the Eastern Branch-

"The Eastern Branch heartily sympathize and approve of the action of the Executive Committee of the Board of Managers in making a small grant to the home for Chinese girls in Victoria, and would request the Board to take into consideration the advisability of petitioning the Government to enforce the laws to abolish the iniquitous traffic now carried on in Chinese girls."

In accordance with the memorial of the Spadina Avenue Methodist Auxiliary re Chinese work, I desire to move that this General Board of the W. M. S. direct a letter to be sent to the Women's Missionary Societies, respectively, of the Presbyterian, Baptist and Episcopalian Churches, respecting the purchase and sale of Chinese girls by white men on the Pacific coast, stating the question fully to them, and asking their co-operation with us in a petition to be laid before the House of Commons at its approaching session.

Also, That a committee be appointed and instructed to prepare, according to the usual formula, such petitions for circulation by Auxiliaries and ensure their being presented to the House at its approaching session. In the event of the other churches co-operating in the circulation for signatures, said committee to forward to them the usual printed forms. It might be well to authorize the Treasurer of the General Board to pay

the expense of printing such forms, and the postage.

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"That, whereas, information has been received that there is a traffic in Chinese girls in British Columbia for immoral purposes, and that an attempt is being made to rescue them from this dreadful life and bring them under Christian influence and training, therefore, it has been resolved that we present to the Board of Managers a memorial to this effect; that a portion of the funds go to the support and maintenance of such a home or institution, also agreeing that whatever monies so used shall be in excess of present amount forwarded."

That we recommend that a committee be appointed by this Board of Managers to consult with Dr. Sutherland and the bodies mentioned, and carry out the suggestions as to petitions to the Government, said committee to consist of Mesdames Gooderham, Briggs, Thompson and

Aikins.

On motion the report of Committee was adopted.

It was then moved, seconded and carried, that the matter having been favorably considered by four out of the five Branches of the Society, Sec. 2, Art. vi of the Constitution be now expunged. The article reads, "The President of each Auxiliary is by virtue of office a Vice-President of the Branch in which she resides."

Mrs. Chandler was introduced to the Board and spoke  $\varepsilon$  few words of greeting and of cheer, urging greatly the presentation of the cause of Woman's Missonary Societies before the different Conferences.

On motion it was resolved that special rules of procedure be printed in connection with programmes for future Annual Meetings. These rules of procedure were left to a committee consisting of the President, Recording and Corresponding Secretaries.

It was resolved that the Secretary provide ribbon badges with the name of the Society printed on them, for use next year by the delegates, to be purchased by them and worn during the sessions of the Board.

On motion the names of Mission Bands were ordered to be published in report.

Resolved, that another teacher be sent out to Japan.

Moved, seconded and carried, that Mrs. Parker be re-appointed editor of our department in *Outlook* for ensuing year.

The Committee on Memorials reported further:

On the consideration of Mr. Starr's memorial it was recommended that Mesdames Gooderham, Briggs, Thompson and Aikins be a committee to consult with Mr. McLaren, Q. C., and present to the Minister of Justice the request referred to in memorial at once, and that the said request be signed by the President and Corresponding Secretary on behalf of the Board of Managers.

The following resolution was also presented:

"That having heard the memorial of Mr. Starr on behalf of the enslaved Chinese girls in Victoria, B. C., and being strongly assured of not only the permission of the General Board, but of their desire, we recommend to the Board the advisability—the necessity—of obtaining a home for them. In view of the advice of the General Board we would not recommend the Society to build."

4. From Spadina Avenue Auxiliary-

"That while we rejoice in the enlargement and growth of our Missionary Society, we feel that it would greatly conduce to the interest of our members if the representation from Auxiliaries to Branch Meetings were increased. We therefore recommend the question of increased representation to the Branch Meeting."

Recommended that this memorial be not entertained.

5. From the Picton Auxiliary-

"We, the members of this Auxiliary, recommend that a committee be appointed to wait on the editors of the *Christian Guardian* and *Outlook* and ascertain if they will enclose the tract on "Christian Giving, No. 2," by a layman, in each paper for one issue. If this request is granted, that the same committee be authorized to procure the requisite number as soon as convenient."

To be entertained, and Miss Wilkes be appointed to carry out the re-

quest of the Memorial Committee.

#### REQUESTS TO THE GENERAL BOARD.

From the Central Branch-

r. That a Supply Committee be appointed by the Board, to whom all applications for clothing, etc., shall be made, and whose duty it shall be to apportion to Auxiliaries and Mission Bands desiring special work, the providing of the clothing necessary to meet, as far as practicable, the wants of the applicants.

2. That the Board accede to the request of Mrs. Crosby and Miss

Knight, for an assistant for Miss Knight.

3. That the names of the annual members be not printed in the re-

port.

4. That if it should be decided by this Board to print the names of members, that a special column be provided for subscribers of over \$1.

In regard to the foregoing,

1. Referred to Committee on Modes of Work.

- 2. That this request be strongly recommended to the Board for consideration.
  - 3. Recommended not to be entertained.
  - 4. Resolved that the reports remain as now in use.

The following from the Eastern Branch-

That the Board of Managers be asked to prepare schedules for Mission Bands, similar to the schedules prepared for the Auxiliary, as it is felt that the work of the Bands is not fully recognized.

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The report of the Committee was adopted.

A list of requirements for missionary candidates with questions to missionary applicants, in use by the American W. F. M. S., was adopted with slight alterations.

In reference to Treasurers' books, as provided for at last Annual Meeting, Mrs. Detlor reported as follows:

The Committee appointed recommend that the heading of the forms now in use by W. M. S. Methodist Church, and "Quarters to end 15th December, March, June and September," be printed on cover of book prepared for Treasurers of Auxiliaries, said books to contain leaves scheduled, as forms now in use, in duplicate, perforated for easy detachment, one to be sent to the Branch Treasurer, and the other to remain in book for reference. The sources of income to remain the same, total amount raised, expenses, interest, and total amount sent to Branch Treasurer. Name signed in full; heading same as in use; all Treasurers of Auxiliaries to use cash book.

We would also recommend that the forms for Corresponding Secretary be altered, the totals of each quarter, 1, 2, 3, 4, to have total expenses placed under them and subtracted from total income, showing the total amount to Branch Treasurer.

The form of Quarterly Cards as amended, was also ordered.

The report was adopted.

Mrs. Burns and Mrs. Detlor were requested to look after the necessary printing in connection with this report.

#### THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

Devotional exercises were conducted by the President, Mrs. Bascom leading in prayer.

Minutes of previous session were read and confirmed, after which the Committee on Memorials reported through Mrs. Burns:

"A scheme proposed for the establishment and maintenance of an institute at Chapleau, a divisional station on the C. P. R., in the District of Algoma, for the purpose of educating and training the Methodist Indians of that territory in the precepts and doctrine of the Christian religion and in the arts of civilized life.

It is proposed to conduct the institute in such a manner as to secure the proper protection of the women and girls among these poor children of the forest from the immoralities which too frequently result from their contact with the white population.

1. Buildings are required for teachers' residence, school purposes, and for public worship. The cost of such buildings will be about \$1200, including furniture.

2. The institute will be suitably located on the shore of a lake, suffi-

ciently far from Chapleau to secure isolation.

3. It will be under the superintendence of the missionary of our Church stationed at Chapleau, and the teacher will serve as his inter-

4. A suitable teacher has been found who understands the English and Indian languages. The great want of the hour is the money to erect and furnish buildings. Two hundred dollars have already been subscribed toward the object.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

S. HUNTINGTON."

North Bay, April 1st, 1887.

Mr. Huntington's memorial read and considered. As the building of school houses, churches, and teachers' residences are asked for, and as that is not in our line of work, we recommend that it be not entertained.

The Reaper's Mission Band, of Brunswick st. Church, Halifax; the Coralline Mission Band, of Grafton st. Church, Halifax, and the Cheerful Givers" Mission Band of Guysboro, N. S., recommended, that a uniform sum be fixed, on payment of which any member may become a life member; and further, that such sum be \$5.00, and that any life member of a Mission Band in connection with the Society, shall be eligible to become a life member of the General Society on payment of the sum of \$20, instead of the usual sum of \$25.

In regard to this memorial, it was recommended that the first clause be adopted and added to the Constitution of Mission Bands, and that all from the words, "and that any life members," be not entertained.

#### MEMORIAL FROM N. S. BRANCH.

It has pleased God to greatly bless and prosper our work at the Crosby Home. Much of the prosperity is due to the unremitting diligence and vigilant care of the matron, Miss Knight.

The affliction which has overtaken Miss Cartmell and threatened Mrs. Large, warns us of the danger of suffering our co-laborers in the Mission Field to injure their health by overwork, and thereby deprive us of their

services.

It is self-evident that one person cannot oversee all the details of domestic life in a family of twenty, nearly all quite young; prepare the entire wardrobe, hats and shoes excepted; teach the rudiments of cooking, sewing, chamber work, etc.; lay in and dispense provisions, medicines, etc.; enforce practices necessary to civilization; inculcate habits requisite to decent and law abiding citizenship; exert an all pervading influence, and rear the children in the nature of Christianity.

In view of these facts, and being well advised, that Miss Knight, in striving to accomplish all thus required of her, has already found her health considerably impaired, and though much recruited by her late

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We, the members of the N. S. Branch, do earnestly request that anassistant be granted the matron of the Crosby Home as speedily as possible.

Recommended that it be entertained and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

The report of the Committee was adopted.

A letter from Mrs. Semmens, the wife of a missionary, concerning the Mission at Norway House, was read by Mrs. McKay, when it was proposed and carried, that the letter be printed in *Guardian* or *Outlook*, and be also referred to the Committee on Supply.

The Committee on Modes of Work reported the following resolution to be accepted:

"That a programme similiar to that prepared on Japan by Mrs. Cunningham be prepared on the French and Indian work. Mrs. Ross to provide the former and Mrs. Cunningham the latter."

They recommend: "That, in order to equalize the distribution of supplies to Missions, a Supply Committee be appointed, with whom Missionaries wishing for goods and Auxiliaries desiring to supply the same, shall be requested to communicate; and that the Auxiliaries shall be credited with the goods sent, but in no case shall the funds of the Auxiliary be used for the purchase of material or the payment of freight. We also recommend the Pres. and Cor. Sec. of Central Branch, with Mrs. Dr. Bull, Mrs. Irving Walker and Mrs. Willmott, be the Committee."

They recommend that Miss Cartmell take at least six months' rest in consideration of the state of her health and the arduous duties she has discharged.

It was recommended that each Branch appoint a lady to prepare a paper for their next Annual Meeting on "The best methods of conducting Mission Circle Meetings," so as to promote the spiritual and intellectual growth of the members, as well as to deepen their interest in the cause of Missions.

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They recommend that a tract in the form of question and answer be prepared on our own Missionary work in its different departments.

They also recommend that delegates be appointed from the other Branches to their Annual Conferences, as has been done in the Western Branch, to represent our work to the Assemblies.

This report was presented by Mrs. Willmott, and adopted.

The Committee on appropriations reported through Mrs. W. E. Ross:

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Support of Six Students	140 00		
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Moved and carried, "That, as the amounts appropriated are in excess of the funds on hand, the said excess be provided for by the next year's income."

Mrs. Dr. Aikins stated that the Metropolitan Church Society were prepared to contribute \$500 towards the support of still another Missionary to Japan, who is to be known as the Metropolitan missionary.

Moved and carried, that we accept the very kind offer of the Metro-

politan to support another Missionary in Japan.

On motion, it was carried, that this Society gladly bear the travelling expenses of that teacher.

Miss Wilkes reported as to the Leaflet Fund: Receipts, \$47.16; amount remitted to General Treasurer, \$42.65; expenses, \$4.57.

Mrs. Chisholm presented the World's Woman's Christian Temperance Union petition to the attention of the Convention, when, upon motion, it was decided that it be spread upon the table and receive the signatures of the Board of Managers on behalf of this Society.

The election of Officers was then proceded with:

President, -						MRS.	JAMES GOODERHAM.
Vice-President,	-		-			"	Dr. CARMAN.
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Miss Morgan was introduced to the Convention, and said a few words in relation to her consecration to this Missionary work. On motion, it was decided that Miss Morgan be engaged to go to Japan.

It was moved and carried, that Miss Leake, of Parrsboro, N. S., be corresponded with, with a view to securing her services as Matron for

the Chinese Home at Victoria.

It was decided that 3,000 reports be printed, and the preparation of the same be left with Mrs. Strachan, Mrs. S. J. Hunter and Mrs. Dr. Rosebrugh.

Resolved, that Miss Wilkes be instructed to prepare the leaflets for the year, and that the bills for the same be sent to her and not to the Treasurer.

Moved and carried, that Mission Bands be supplied with letters and leaflets the same as Auxiliaries.

Moved and carried, that the leaflet on "Our Work" be revised and 10,000 copies of it be published and sent out to Auxiliaries. The names of our Missionaries to be published in this leaflet.

Resolved that we instruct our Cor. Secretary to write to Dr. Sutherland calling his attention to some irregularities in the receiving of the *Outlook*.

It was decided that the printing of the monthly letters be continued, and the matter of preparation be left with Mrs. Strachan.

Votes of thanks were passed to the Ministers, the Press, to Mr. F. W. Watkins for auditing the Treasurer's account, to Dr. Withrow for donations of S. S. papers to the school in Japan, to Mrs. Cunningham for programme for public meetings during the year, to the Trustees and Choir of the Church, and especially to the solo singers in the evening meeting.

A rising vote of thanks was passed to the ladies of Belleville for their kind hospitality, and also to the young ladies for the bountiful lunch

provided each day.

Mrs. Lewis replied in suitable terms on behalf of the Belleville ladies.

It was decided that the week of prayer (first week in January) be considered "self-denial" week, and that the funds thus raised be kept separate.

The Eastern Branch is to respond to address of welcome next year.

Nova Scotia Branch is to present a paper.

The thanks of the Convention were given to Mrs. Graham for her excellent paper, and it was decided to have it printed in the Outlook

The motto chosen for the year, was Mal. iii: 10, "Bring ye all the tithes," etc.

Mrs. Chandler, on invitation, offered the closing prayer, and the Sixth Annual Meeting came to a close.

ADDIE CHISHOLM, Rec. Secretary. On Tuesday evening the Lecture Room of Bridge St. Church was crowded with delegates and friends of the Woman's Missionary Society. Rev. John Learoyd presided. An address of welcome was given by Mrs. Dr. Carman, to which Mrs. Whiston, of Halifax, responded on behalf of the Society.

A valuable paper, "One Church for the Mission Field," prepared by Mrs. Graham, of Exeter, was read by Mrs. Detlor, after which Miss Cartmell gave an interesting account of the Girls' School at Tokyo, and

the progress of evangelistic work in that place.

A large audience assembled in the Bridge St. Church on Wednesday evening, to hear the principal address of the Convention. Rev. Jos. Young in the chair. Miss May Donely sang, "I know that my Redeemer liveth," after which Mrs. Kennard Chandler, of Ocean Grove, N. J., was introduced. She gave an earnest, stimulating address as she pictured scenes in heathen lands witnessed by herself, and referred to the apparently weak instrumentality which God was making so powerful—namely, woman carrying the Gospel to her sister, shut in otherwise from its blessed light, and closed with an urgent appeal for a larger membership and more generous subscriptions to this Society.

Mrs. W. E. Ross, Montreal, sang with pleasing effect, "Forever with the Lord," and after a collection the meeting closed with the benediction.



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#### REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

If "out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh," surely thanksgiving and praise to God cannot but be the first expression of the Sixth Annual Report of this, the Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist Church in Canada.

Blessings spiritual and temporal have abounded. Souls have been saved—our highest reward—lives of precious workers have been spared, favor with the people has been continued and increased, the way has been opened into new fields, which we have been invited to occupy and cultivate, and contributions have been given, if not equal to our desires and the overwhelming needs, yet in gratifying advance of the previous year. We may well "thank God and take courage."

The work in the Crosby Girl's Home has been faithfully carried on under the painstaking care and devoted labor of Miss Knight. There are at present twenty (20) children, sixteen (16) of whom have been in the Home during the whole of the year. Their ages are from 6 to 18 years, except the one year old baby. The elder ones attend the village school, and give evidence of marked improvement.

The McDougall Orphanage has sheltered ten boys and eight girls. One of the former, aged eighteen, went away with his friends across the mountains in the early part of the year. Of these, the appropriation from our Society would cover the support of fourteen. They are generally making very satisfactory progress.

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During the summer a plain small building was erected by the Rev. Mr. McDougall, on the Orphanage land, about three miles from the original Home and the Indian school. There the children have learned something of farm work, but they have not had the opportunity for much study.

The French work was never so encouraging as this last year. All the room available in the school at Actonvale was in demand; the expenses were largely met by the fees. The educational training and the home management were highly satisfactory, and, best of all, fourteen of the students were converted to God.

The Girl's School in Tokyo, Japan, has been very abundantly blessed. It has been crowded to its utmost capacity with eager students (127 boarders and 100 day pupils), and, as will be seen by the report from that mission, the current expenses have been covered by the receipts from the Japanese themselves. Above every other blessing we are rejoiced to record that during the year fifty (50) souls have been converted and baptized. There are now sixty-five native Christians in the school, meeting regularly in class, and evidencing by their lives that they have passed "from death unto life." The scholastic-standing of the school is such that admission has to be refused to many merely on account of want of room. Under the continued efficient management of Mrs. Large, and with the earnest devoted labor of her associates, we can speak of progress and look for increased prosperity.

We are pained to have to record that through ill health Miss M. J. Cartmell, our pioneer in Japan, who hoped to devote her life to work in that country, was obliged to return to Canada, but her devotion, thought and energy laid well the foundation of our grand work there, which we trust will be permanent. The evangelistic department, to which latterly she gave her chief attention, has already resulted in greatly strengthening the native churches, and in training Christian women to work among their own people.

The early months of the year were a time of great anxiety to the Executive Committee. The return of one missionary in broken health, and the knowledge that Miss Spencer, while bearing an undue amount of responsibility, and doing much more than should be required of any one, was suffering severely from lung trouble, made the time seem very long until another helper could be sent. At length, in May, our workers

in the field were gladdened by the coming to their aid of Miss Hannah Lund, of Woodstock, Ont., who has already proved herself adapted to the work, and found

great satisfaction in it.

During the year an offer was made in Toronto of a thousand dollars, for the special purpose of opening a school in some other city in Japan. Shidzuoka was recommended; a building free of rent, and contributions insuring the Society against loss for two years were offered. The Executive concluded that this opening should not be disregarded, and Miss Cunningham, of Halifax, N. S., was happily secured, and but re-

cently reached Japan to undertake this important work.

At the last Annual Meeting, provision was made, if the way opened, to establish a school for Indian girls at Nanaimo, B. C. During the early spring months, however, letters came, giving the opinion of several ministers in that Conference, that at present the urgency for that work was not so great as on behalf of some poor Chinese girls in the city of Victoria, B. C., and urging the necessity of immediate help for the latter, and the wisdom of having the location for an Indian Home discussed at the B. C. Conference before action was taken. A full statement of the Chinese work will be made at the proper time. After consultation and deliberation, it was decided that we should give some help until the annual meeting, when the question could be fully discussed. Eight girls have been rescued from their terrible bondage and are now in a home, and the opportunity is held out to us to lead them to a pure and useful Christian womanhood. The school for Indian girls was not by any means discarded, only action was delayed.

Our home work has been expanding, but not so rapidly as we desire. If the women of our church would only make themselves more familiar with the needs of all these hungry hearts, surely more would unite in this effort to publish the glad tidings.

TABULATED STATEMENT OF THE SOCIETY'S GROWTH.

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#### WESTERN BRANCH.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY FOR 1886-87.

At the last annual meeting of the Western Branch, Mrs. Burns was appointed to the office of Corresponding Secretary, but, finding that her health was not equal to the work it involved, she resigned, and in June it was given into my hands for the balance of the year.

During the year the Hamilton Auxiliary has divided, and new auxiliaries have been formed in Guelph, Aylmer, St. Thomas, Tilsonburg, Waterdown, the Wesleyan Ladies' College, Hamilton; Charing Cross, Owen Sound, Caledonia and Eden Mills. Mission Bands have been formed in Simcoe and Eden Mills. Word has been received that auxiliaries have just been organized in Teeterville and Brussels, ready for work next year.

We report for this year a total of 46 auxiliaries and 11 Mission Bands.

The Statistical and Treasurer's Report of Western Branch will be found on the following pages:

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# WESTERN BRANCH-TREASURER'S REPORT.

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#### FIFTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE WESTERN BRANCH.

The Fifth Annual Meeting of the Western Branch assembled in the Trafalgar St. Church, Mitchell, on Tuesday, October 4th, at 2:30 p.m., and continued October 5th. After devotional exercises, conducted by the President, Mrs. S. J. Hunter, the roll of delegates was called, when thirty-nine answered to their names; this number was increased to forty-two on the following day, together with several visitors from the adjoining towns.

Miss Ford read an address of welcome, to which Mrs. Sharpe, of Brantford, responded. Encouraging reports from numerous auxiliaries were received, and a large

number of resolutions and reports as to methods of work were adopted.

A consecration meeting was held for an hour, conducted by Mrs. Van Benschoten. It was a season of blessing and power, and had to be adjourned before nearly all had

spoken who were wishful to take part.

The speaker of the evening, Mrs Van Benschoten, of Newark, N. J., gave a most earnest and affectionate address, urging upon all Christian women the consecration of every power to the Master's service. This lady is no stranger among us, and each succeeding visit does but fix more firmly her hold upon Canadian audiences.

A collection of \$25 was taken up, and the meeting closed in the usual way.

The following officers were elected:

President: Mrs. S. J. Hunter, Hamilton.

Vice-Presidents: { Ist, Mrs. Fowler, London. 2d, Mrs. Messmore, Brantford.

3d, Mrs. Russ, Milton.

Recording Secretary: Mrs. McMechan, London. Corresponding Secretary: Mrs. Cunningham, Stratford.

Treasurer: Mrs. J. C. Detlor, Clinton.

#### REPORTS FROM AUXILIARIES.

#### CENTENARY CHURCH.

In this, our first report, it is a matter of thankfulness that the Woman's Missionary Society, inaugurated in our church seven years ago, has been so blessed of our Heavenly Father, that now there is work enough for each church to carry on an auxiliary of its own. That it was wise thus to divide is shown in the increase of members and in the interest taken in our work. An address given by the Rev. Dr. Sims, and one by Miss M. J. Cartmell, our returned missionary, together with the meeting of the Board of Managers, held here last October, have given an impetus to our work which is still felt. It is with regret that we record the death of Mrs. F. W. Watkins, sr., who has been connected with our Society as a life member from its organization.

#### CENTENARY MISSION BAND.

Our meetings have been well attended. Many out of their daily earnings have given what they could to help on the good work. A juvenile branch has been started,

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#### HAMILTON.

The past year has been one of change, but fraught with good results. The ladies of the Centenary withdrawing, has led to an extension of the work and multiplied the workers. We regret to record the death of Mrs. Joseph Campbell, who, when the Society was organized in Hamilton, was among the first to become a life member. Our monthly meetings are interesting and profitable. An envelope entertainment added to our funds, while a hundred copies of the "Outlook" have been circulated.

#### GODERICH

shows a slight increase in membership.

#### PARIS

reports an increase both in numbers and amount raised. The programme, "An Evening with Japan," was very successfully carried out, and added considerably to our funds. Mite-boxes have been introduced with good effect. We hope to do still better things next year.

#### SIMCOE

reports progress. Three entertainments have been held, the object being to create an interest in our work, while the amount realized augmented the funds. A mission band, composed of boys and girls, has been formed, and is doing good work.

#### BRANTFORD

finds its monthly meetings a means of blessing, and the letters and leaflets productive of much good. Our mission band, formed last year, through the efforts of Mrs. Messmore, has done nobly, having added nearly \$50 to our funds.

#### ST. THOMAS IST.

We are thankful to be able to record another year of progress. In February a most satisfactory union meeting of both auxiliaries and mission bands was held. A box of clothing, tinware, crockery and garden seeds was sent to the McDougall Orphanage; also a box of clothing to Rev. John McLean, principally through the efforts of the Gleaners The Mission band, the Gleaners, report progress in their work, and are looking to greater things for the coming year.

#### CHATHAM.

During the year two parcels of clothing have been sent to the North West. Miss Knight writes encouragingly of our adopted Indian girl. Our membership is two less than last year. One, our first president has been taken to her reward. We find the interest in our work increasing, which leads us to hope for better things.

#### STRATHROY

reports an advance in income and increased interest in our work.

#### ST. CATHARINES.

Our work during the year shows an increase, both in membership and interest. Our mission band also reports a very successful year.

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#### OTTERVILLE.

Though we cannot report an increase in membership, yet the growing interest taken in the monthly meetings leads us to hope that the future will be more encouraging.

QUEEN'S AVENUE, LONDON,

report an increase of membership and funds. This year's income has been raised chiefly by generous donations of members and membership fees. Mrs. Dr. Eccles gave this year, as last, \$60 for support of Bible woman in Japan. Mrs. Ware's class gave \$60 for same purpose. Mrs. Abbott \$4 for French work. A class of juveniles jut forming, and called Gleaners, \$15 for McDougall Orphanage. Mrs. M. A. Saunby, \$25; Mrs. Wm. Saunders, \$4.75; Mrs. Dr. Eccles, \$10: W. H. Parsons, \$5; Mrs. Wm. Glass, \$4; thank offering, \$1; thank offering, \$1; Mr. Frank Nelles, \$3; Self-denial boxes per Mrs. Gregsten's class, \$10.

#### OUEEN'S AVENUE MISSION BAND

have had a successful year. Our chief objects of work are the support of a Bible woman in Japan and a girl in the Crosby Home. We have, however, been able to raise more than that amount, and have handed \$229.33 to the treasurer of our auxiliary.

#### DUNDAS STREET, LONDON.

The year has not been barren in results, though we cannot report much increase in membership and income. Our funds have been augmented by \$52.75 from our Mission Band. We have also sent a valuable package of clothing to Rev. J. McLean, which was done without trenching on the funds of the Society.

#### JARVIS.

has been prosperous. We organized at Nanticoke in February, and now every appointment on the circuit is interested, holding their monthly meetings, and once a quarter holding a general meeting. All of these meetings are well attended. Miteboxes are used, and one entertainment has been held.

#### CLINTON

finds that the letters from our missionaries, read at each meeting, giving us an insight into the work being done, has increased our zeal for missions, and has led us to renewed personal consecration, while our hearts go out in prayer and sympathy for our missionaries.

#### INGERSOLL.

Report shows an increase. Two life members have been added to the list. Mrs. Kettlewell, our former minister's wife, being presented with a certificate of life membership before leaving.

#### MITCHELL

reports an increase in income and in membership.

#### MITCHELL MISSION BAND

organized two years ago, and composed of the young people of our churches, is still prosperous. Our monthly meetings partake somewhat of the nature of a literary entertainment, missionary in its character, while our choir take great care in furnishing suitable music. The letters from our missionaries read at these meetings, and the papers on different countries and missionaries, prepared by our members, are especially interesting; and we trust that the knowledge and inspiration thus gathered will go with us through life, and who knows but that some of our members may thereby be led to ofter for the missionary field.

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#### ST. GEORGE

has held its monthly meetings. The letters and leaflets have done us good. We are indebted to Mrs. Messmore for a stirring and instructive address.

#### DUNDAS

reports an increase. A larger attendance at monthly meetings. Have found that the distribution of leaflets through the church the Sabbath before our meeting has greatly promoted the interest in our work. In December we sent a box of clothing and bedding to the French Institute.

#### THOROLD

suffered from financial depression during the year, but hopes the next report will more encouraging.

#### FINGAL

reports progress. Mrs. McMechan was with us at our annual meeting, and read an able paper on the progress of our work. We are preparing a box for the McDougall Orphanage.

#### HOLMESVILLE

has advanced in membership and income.

#### OAKVILLE

says: We are hopeful, but not satisfied. The slight decrease which our returns show is owing to a mission band being formed; but as they have been doing earnest work, the loss to the auxiliary has proved a gain to the Society.

#### OAKVILLE MISSION BAND

have had a successful year; our meetings are interesting; we have short papers on missionary work; we find our mission band a blessing to us all.

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#### HARRISTON

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#### THE GROVE.

One of our members has been called home during the year. Our meetings have been a blessing to us.

#### GORRIE

has had a good year, and reports progress.

#### NIAGARA FALLS

reports an advance in membership and income.

#### NIAGARA FALLS SOUTH.

Our numbers have increased and a true missionary spirit pervades our auxiliary. In December we had a visit from Mrs. Osborne and some members of her school, which did us good. Our hearts have been grieved by the death of our little Japanese girl, O Kami San, whom, though we had not seen, we loved.

#### ROCKWOOD

says: The fear expressed by some that our work will interfere with circuit claims, has not been realized in their case. That the Lord has blessed their circuit work as never before, and the funds for all purposes is ahead, while we find that the interest in the missionary cause is growing. We have also a successful mission band numbering 50. Our young people are becoming interested in this great work.

#### STRATFORD.

The work of the past year has not been as encouraging as we would like. Many of our members have removed, but we hope for better things.

#### ST. MARY'S

reports an increase in membership and income. The programme, "An Evening with the Japanese," was very successfully carried out. Mrs. VanBenschoten's address did us good. We have felt that the Lord was with us.

#### MILTON

has had a successful year. In January we had an address from Miss Laurence, late of Kit-a-Mat, which awakened among us a greater zeal in missionary work. We also held a public meeting in March, and find these a simple and effective means of increasing the interest among those who attend.

#### UNION

reports continued interest in the work, our sympathies being especially elicited for the Crosby Girl's Home.

#### ST. THOMAS CENTRAL

was organized last October by Mrs. Dr. Carman, with a membership of 29. Our meetings have been times of blessing. We hope for greater results in the future.

#### GUELPH.

Our auxiliary was organized in February. We have not organized as we had hoped, but there is a prospect of better things.

#### TILSONBURG.

Our auxiliary was organized in February. While we have done a little to help on the good work, we trust we shall accomplish more in the future.

#### AYLMER.

Our auxiliary was formed in February. Has been endeavoring to do something to help on the good work.

#### WATERDOWN.

Auxiliary was formed in April by Mrs. Strachan and Mrs. Dr. Hunter, when 14 ladies joined. We are encouraged to go on.

#### WESLEYAN LADIES' COLLEGE, HAMILTON.

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Our auxiliary was organized in March by Rev. Mr. Kerr. We have 14 members, while our mission band numbers 35. Our meetings are well attended, and the young people are becoming interested.

#### OWEN SOUND.

Auxiliary was organized in May by Mrs. Campbell. We held a public meeting, which was addressed by Mrs. Allen from the States, and by Mrs. Rogers, of the Presbyterian Society here. Since that time our prospects have brightened and we hope in the coming year to show a record far ahead of this.

#### CHARING CROSS

organized in June under Rev. E. Scott. A great interest is taken in the work, and we want to do more for it.

#### CALEDONIA.

We have not much to report, as we only organized in June, when visited by Mrs. Strachan. We have a membership of 21, which another year we hope to see increased.

#### ALMA COLLEGE, ST. THOMAS,

reports that a growing inverest in the work is manifested in the school, and confidently expect, as a result, not only that financial aid will be given, but that devoted missionaries, trained here, will help to carry on our Master's work, both at home and abroad.

#### FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CENTRAL BRANCH.

Last year we had good cause to rejoice over our success, and this year also, it has pleased our Heavenly Father to accord us His blessing. The result has been sufficient to encourage us in the duties which we have been called upon to perform in this noble work of aiding to reform and regenerate members of our own sex.

We have succeeded during the past year in adding seventeen new societies to our list, nine of which are auxiliaries, and eight are mission bands. Two of these auxiliaries are in Toronto, and were formerly part of the Western Auxiliary; one is in Spadina Avenue church, and the other in Euclid Avenue church; the others are in

Port Hope, Norwood, Bobcaygeon, Castleton, Peterboro, Schomberg and Trenton. Mission Bands are in Madoc, Peterboro, Barrie, Belleville, Streetsville, Albert College, Belleville, and the Ontario Ladies College, Whitby, and a children's band in the Metropolitan Church.

Violet is the only auxiliary which has withdrawn.

Mrs. Dr. Williams and Mrs. John Harvie organized Schomberg.

Mrs. Massie organized Castleton and Trenton.

We are greatly indebted to these ladies for their valuable services.

The present number of auxiliaries is 39, and 19 mission bands, total 58. Ordinary members, 1289; life members, 64; mission band members, 753; total, 2106.

Total amount received by Branch Treasurer, \$5,036.92, an increase of \$970.82 over last year.

The Fifth Annual Meeting of this branch was held in the Central Church, Toronto, October 13th and 14th, 1887.

Mrs. D. Kerr, President, occupied the chair.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President: Mrs. Dr. Williams, 30 Maitland Street.

Vice-Presidents: 

Ist, Mrs. D. Kerr.

2d, Mrs. Gooderham.

3d, Mrs. Dr. Carman.

Recording Secretary: Mrs. J. B. Willmott, 46 Bond Street.

Corresponding Secretary: Mrs. W. Briggs, 21 Grenville Street.

Treasurer: Mrs. R. Brown, 412 Jarvis Street.

# TREASURER'S REPORT OF CENTRAL BRANCH.

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# CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT OF CENTRAL BRANCH, 1886-1887.

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# REPORTS FROM AUXILIARIES.

# METROPOLITAN, TORONTO.

The Metropolitan Auxiliary acknowledge with thanks the successful year just closed, the fourth of its existence. Seven monthly meetings have been held; these have been characterized with deep spiritual feeling. We have 122 annual members, and 15 life members. One of our members very generously gave \$500 toward the new school in Japan; \$300 was received from the Mission Circle. Our total receipts for the year are \$1,419.78. We are hoping to support a lady missionary in Japan; two-thirds of the amount required are already guaranteed. We have to report the formation of a Mission Band among the children.

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# WESTERN AUXILIARY.

Nine monthly meetings have been held, with an average attendance of forty-three. Members, 76; life-members, 5. Income, \$414.45; increase, \$62.41.

# QUEEN STREET MISSION BAND.

We have a membership of 101. We had eight business meetings with a good attendance. Amount remitted to Branch Treasurer, \$150.00.

# CENTRAL CHURCH AUXILIARY.

We are glad to be able to report that during the year just closing, we have made much progress. In membership there has been an increase of eleven, showing that a new interest has been awakened, while the receipt of a number of donations indicates additional activity on the part of our members in urging the claims of missions. Members, 53; I life member. Amount contributed, \$116.66. Donations: Mrs. T. H. Bull, \$10 (special for Japan); Mrs. (Rev.) Jones, Cobourg, for McDougall Orphanage, \$10, for Crosby Home, \$5; "Cash," Windsor Hotel, New York, \$10; Mrs. (Rev.) MacCallum, special for Miss Spencer's School, Japan, \$5; Mrs. G. M. Lee, \$5. Total, \$45.00.

# CARLTON STREET AUXILIARY.

In presenting the Third Annual Report of the Carlton Street Auxiliary, we are glad to say that we are going forward, and prospering. We have 13 ordinary and 5 more life members than last year, and the income of the society has increased a little. The officers and members of this auxiliary are more determined than ever that by God's help they will "work while it is day, for the night cometh when no one can work." Mission Band: members, 46. Amount contributed, \$46.10.

# ELM STREET AUXILIARY.

Four years ago this Auxiliary was organized, with a membership of fourteen (14), to-day the membership is 51, an increase of 18 having taken place during the past year, and prospects for the coming year are equally bright. The total amount of money raised this year was \$117.15.

# EASTERN AUXILIARY.

Our Auxiliary at the close of the year numbered 105 annual members, 11 life members, and contributed \$617.81. The average attendance at monthly meetings has been about 16. The interest in the work is steadily increasing.

# SHERBOURNE STREET MISSION CIRCLE,

Membership, 85. Amount contributed, \$180.00.

# BERKELEY STREET MISSION BAND.

Membership, 66. Amount contributed, \$69.73.

# SPADINA AVENUE AUXILIARY.

This auxiliary was organized by Mrs. Blackstock, November 23d, 1886, having previously been united in the Western Auxiliary, including Queen Street and Dundas Street. At our first meeting twenty members were enrolled; we now have fifty, including three life members. The missionary intelligence received from month to month has cheered our hearts, and we felt that

"The morning light is breaking On dark benighted lands, The river of Salvation, Shall roll o'er desert sands."

# MILLBROOK AUXILIARY.

Held 9 monthly meetings. Eight members. Contributed \$12.

### NAPANEE.

We are pleased to report a small increase in our funds this year, although a slight decrease in our membership. One of our highly esteemed members contributed \$30, \$25 of which constituted her niece a life member. We send \$108, praying that it may aid in forwarding our Master's cause in the great mission field.

# NEW CASTLE.

We are happy this year to report an increase in our membership, but regret a decrease in our funds. We have great reason to be thankful for an increased interest in the work. We have 17 members, an increase of three over last year. In March we had an entertainment, and raised \$8.80, part of which was for the McDougall Orphanage, and the balance for the society. Total amount contributed, \$21.10.

# BARRIE.

The number of members is less this year than last. Our average attendance is not large, but our meetings are interesting, and those who do attend feel much more interested in the mission work. At an afternoon tea we had present Mrs. Rev. J. Blackstock, who told us many interesting things of her work in India, where she had been a teacher in the girls' schools for about fifteen years. Amount raised, \$65.62. Our Mission Band, the "Barrie Gleaners," has been organized only six months; membership, 21. The members deserve much praise for their earnest efforts to raise funds. Amount raised by Mission Band, \$15.46.

### PICTON.

We are glad to report a growing interest in this great work. Our meetings have been well attended, and considerable has been done to arouse interest in the community around us. The increase in our membership has been very encouraging, and we are glad to say that the contribution is much larger than last year. Ordinary members, 54; life members, 3. Amount contributed, \$116.00.

# BRAMPTON.

At the close of our fifth year as an auxiliary of the Woman's Missionary Society, we are led to review the progress we have made since our organization, when we started with a membership of 26; we now number 62. Our income the first year was \$70, this year it is \$204. Total amount raised during the five years, \$647. We are very grateful to our Heavenly Father for His kind providence, and we are trying to give our offerings as an act of spiritual worship, laden with the prayer that they may

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### FOXBORO.

Owing to local circumstances meetings not held regularly. We have an increase of one member. Contributions, \$12.50. Membership, 10.

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We are sorry to report such a small increase in membership, but glad to say that our interest in missionary work is increasing. "The best of all is God is with us," for which we thank Him and take courage. Members, 13. Amount contributed, \$30.

# CASTLETON.

This auxiliary was organized in December, 1886. Membership, 28. Income, \$16.35.

### LAKEFIELD.

Each meeting of this auxiliary has been a season of blessing. We feel encouraged. Our membership is 21, an increase of five, including one life member. Amount contributed, \$74.95.

### LINDSAY.

The work done by our society this year has been very small indeed, owing principally to the re-building of our church. Members, 16. Amount contributed, 221.

### BATH.

This auxiliary was formed in November, 1886, with a membership of six. We are enabled to report an increase of two members, one life member, and a Mite Box contribution of \$2.55. Amount sent to Branch Treasurer during the year \$37.70.

# BOWMANVILLE.

Our membership and finances are rather behind last year. We have been interested in reading the letters from our missionaries. Membership, 23. Amount contributed, \$49.61.

### BOBCAYGEON.

Have held 8 monthly meetings. Members, 6. Amount contributed, \$8.16.

### STREETSVILLE.

We report twenty members, two more than last year, one being a life member. Income for the year, \$92.09, mite boxes bringing in over \$11. Eleven monthly meetings held, which were fairly well attended.

# MISSION CIRCLE.

Our mission circle was organized April 14th, 1887. Number of members, 10; with 4 honorary members. Amount contributed, \$6.60.

### UXBRIDGE.

The report from our auxiliary this year is encouraging; our members are learning more of our mission work, and have the cause more deeply at heart. On Sept. 2, a mission band was formed with 20 members. We have also a mission band for children. We have held II monthly meetings and I public meeting, and have raised \$76.59. Membership, 45.

### NEWMARKET.

Members, 22. Income, \$40.50.

# EUCLID AVENUE.

The Euclid Avenue auxiliary of the Central Branch was organized December 4th, 1886. Eight meetings have been held with an average attendance of eight members. Seven ladies took mite boxes, by the use of which \$11.35 were collected. Total membership for the year, 31. Ten dollars was paid by one of the members towards defraying the expenses of a teacher to Japan. Total amount contributed, \$52.35.

# SCHOMBERG.

This auxiliary was organized by Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Harvey, May 17th, 1887, with a membership of 30, one life, and 29 annual members. Members' fees, \$42; contents of mite boxes, \$6.17. Total remitted, \$48.17. Our society is working nicely. The money has been paid in willingly, all seeming to be anxious to do a little towards helping on this grand movement. We have held five monthly meetings, all being profitable and interesting, for which we thank God and take courage.

# NORWOOD.

This auxiliary was organized by Mrs. Finch, of Toronto, on October 22d, 1886. We hope for an increase of zeal and effort for the coming year, and earnestly pray that we may be enabled to do more for our Master. In December we distributed 14 mite boxes; proceeds, \$11.94. Membership, 10. Amount contributed, \$28.99.

### BRIGHTON.

During the first part of the year this auxiliary was quite successful in work and in increase. Membership, 18. Amount contributed, \$19,56.

### GEORGINA ISLAND.

This society held nine meetings during the year. The interest has been fairly well sustained; we have had some discouragements, but with the Divine Help we intend to persevere. Members, 38. Amount contributed, \$33.15.

# BELLEVILLE-BRIDGE STREET.

We are pleased to report a growing interest in this work. Have held 8 monthly and 2 public meetings; average attendance, 12. Membership, 75; life members, 2. Amount remitted, \$96.61.

# BELLEVILLE.

The Jubilee Mission Band was organized in connection with Bridge Street Church, Belleville, in April, 1887. There have been three meetings up to this time, which have been well attended. The present membership is 45. The money in the hands of the treasurer amounts to \$7.55.

# BELLEVILLE TABERNACLE.

This auxiliary has held eight monthly meetings, and two public ones in connection with the Bridge St. auxiliary. We have lost some members by removal, by union with the Albert College Mission Band, and for the first time in our history as an auxiliary have we been called upon to mourn the departure of one to the "Better Land," Mrs. Thos. Holgate. Willingly and faithfully she did her work, till the Master called her, and with tears for our loss we mingle smiles of rejoicing at her gain. We have two donations of five dollars each for the new school in Japan. Number of members, 21, including 3 life members. Amount contributed: by Tabernacle auxiliary, \$28.05; by U. C. S. S. Mission Band, \$14.50. Total, \$42.50.

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# UNIVERSITY CHURCH S. S. MISSION BAND.

This mission band is in connection with our Sabbath School, and is composed almost entirely of children, numbering 20, their contributions of five cents a month netting the sum of \$10.95; from their mite boxes they also gave \$3.55, making a total of \$14.50 for this band, which they wish to go for the McDougall Orphanage.

# ALBERT COLLEGE MISSION BAND.

The young ladies of the College formed a mission band in March, 1887; they held three monthly meetings, and made some preparation for a public missionary entertainment, but, owing to extra work for the closing examination, were obliged to lay it over till the fall. They are very much interested in the Ladies' School in Tokio, Japan, and decided to ask for their money to be used towards the purchase of the piano spoken of in one of Miss Spencer's letters. Though but a few months in existence, death has entered their ranks, and taken their energetic and devoted Secretary, Mrs. Holgate. It has been a severe blow to them, but when they recall her words of advice and cheer, they take heart and rally to this work by her so beloved. "Though dead she yet speaketh." Number of members, 12. Amount raised, \$10, including a donation of \$5 by Mrs. Cowie.

# PORT HOPE.

Our beginning was small, but our growth in numbers and influence has been steady. We have 35 members, and have added \$60.35 to the general fund. Monthly meetings have been regularly held.

# REPORT OF MISSION BAND OF PORT HOPE.

The mission band was organized some months ago with a few members. Our plan of work has been semi-monthly sewing meetings. Membership, 26.

# PETERBORO.

Was organized in March, 1887. Membership, 29, with an average attendance of 12. We have held 4 regular meetings. Amount remitted, \$17.05.

# "TIRELESS TOILERS" MISSION BAND OF PETERBORO.

This band was organized in March, 1887, with a membership of 25. Our plan of work has been to hold sewing-meetings bi-monthly, filling in the alternate weeks with a monthly meeting and a prayer-meeting.

# OSHAWA.

There is a growing interest in the work. Monthly meetings have been held regularly. Membership, 30. Amount remitted to Branch Treasurer, \$63.80.

# ORONO AND KIRBY.

Membership, 23; Life members, 2. Members of mission band, 68. Amount remitted, \$45.10.

# ONTARIO LADIES' COLLEGE, WHITBY.

This mission band has a membership of 36. Amount remitted to Branch Treasurer, \$58.71.

# MISSION BAND, MADOC.

This band was organized during the latter part of March, 1887, with a membership of 74. There are at present about 108 names on the roll. The funds raised to the present (including a free concert given in July) amount to about \$23.

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# EASTERN BRANCH.

# REPORT OF BRANCH SECRETARY FOR 1886-87.

Another year of missionary effort, with all its grand possibilities, is brought to a close, and we are all "nearer the bound of life, where we lay our burdens down." During the year we have frequently been encouraged by receiving good tidings from auxiliaries of an increasing interest in missionary work. The new auxiliaries are Gananoque, Spencerville, Ross, Mallorytown, Cataraqui, Perth and Carp. The record of the year is with God; may He hasten the day when we shall all see clearly our duty in this matter, and hear distinctly the old command, "go work to-day in my vineyard." The number of auxiliaries in the Eastern Branch of the Woman's Missionary Society in 1886 was 13. and 4 mission bands. This year we report 7 new auxiliaries, with a loss of one auxiliary, Westmeath, which became a mission band. This year we report 19 auxiliaries and 8 mission bands, an increase of 6 auxiliaries and 4 mission bands.

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# FOURTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE EASTERN BRANCH.

The Fourth Annual Meeting of the Eastern Branch was held in the First Street Church, Cornwall, October 4th and 5th. The President, Mrs. W. E. Ross, gave an instructive and inspiring address. A paper on "Chinese Women in Canada" was read and discussed. Encouraging reports were received from all the auxiliaries and Mission Bands.

At the evening meeting, Mrs. D. E. Brown, in graceful and fitting words, welcomed the Branch to Cornwall; and Mrs. Adams, of Kingston, made suitable reply; Miss Frith, a returned Baptist Missionary from India, and Miss Cartmell, gave interesting

addresses.

Officers for the ensuing year:

President: Mrs. W. E. Ross, Montreal (re-elected).

1st, Mrs. Nicol, Montreal.

Vice-Presidents: 2d, Mrs. Whiting, Kingston.
(3d, Mrs. T. G. Williams, Pembroke.

Recording Secretary: Mrs. J. F. Abbott, Cornwall.

Corresponding Secretary: Mrs. T. G. Williams (re-elected) Pembroke

Treasurer: Mrs. McRossie (re-elected) Kingston.

# REPORT FROM AUXILIARIES.

# MONTREAL AUXILIARY.

The monthly meetings have been regularly held; some of them have been most interesting, and although the attendance has been as large as in former years, yet it falls very far short of what we desire to see it. The Home Committee has met very often, and given hours of perplexing thought to the details in the management of the girl's school. In this connection we cannot refrain from speaking in grateful acknowledgement of the arduous labors of Mrs. Nichol, our esteemed President, and of Mrs. Shaw, our indefatigable Cor. Sec. While all the committee have done what they could, these two ladies have been in "labors more abundant." Two entertainments were held during the year; an "At Home" and an "Evening with Longfellow." Number of members, 143; life members, 7. Amount contributed, \$365.06.

YOUNG LADIES' WESTERN BRANCH, ST. JAMES STREET, MONTREAL.

During the past year the membership numbered sixty-one, an increase of nineteen over the preceeding year. Average attendance at monthly meetings, 19. Through the kindness and hospitality of several ladies, very enjoyable socials were held during the winter. A very generous parcel of materials for fancy work was sent to Miss Knight early in November. Many an offering has found its way into our mite-boxes, as they yielded the handsome return of \$58.62; public meetings, \$106.50. Total amount contributed, \$181.42.

KINGSTON.

God has crowned the labors of our society with success. Public prayer services, at which short addresses were given by our ministers, proved a means of much spiritual good, while liberal collections were taken up at each.

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### KINGSTON MISSION BAND.

There have been ten regular monthly and several special business meetings held during the year. At several of our regular meetings, we had interesting literary exercises on Japan. In November we held an Industrial Exhibition, and in March we gave an Orange Reception. Mite-boxes taken by a few of our members added a nice little sum to our treasury. Total amount contributed, \$125, sixty dollars of which is appropriated to the support of a Bible woman in Japan. Members, 43, including two honorary members.

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It is with much regret we are obliged to report a decrease of both members and funds. We are not disposed to make many fair promises, but we are confident that there is in the hearts of our members a quiet determination to more than make up the decrease during the coming year. The Outlook has a large circulation, which is not confined to our own congregations. Mr. Clark delivered two of his popular lectures, the proceeds amounting to \$40. Our membership numbers 36. The amount sent to Treasurer during the year, \$158.50.

# GANANOQUE.

This auxiliary was organized in October, 1886, by Mrs. W. E. Ross, President of the Eastern Branch, who also organized our mission band. God has blessed us abundantly during the year. Our membership numbers 28. Amount sent to Branch Treasurer, \$111.

### PEMBROKE.

This auxiliary has been in existence for two years. We have to report the same number of members as last year—namely, seventy-one. We have held ten monthly meetings during the year, two public meetings and three entertainments. Our mite-boxes contained \$16.20. We have sent to the Branch Treasurer the sum of \$157.84, an increase of \$11.17 over last year. We thank God fort he past, and hope to be able to do greater things for Him in the future.

### PERTH.

We joined the ranks of the Woman's Missionary Society in the month of June, 1887. We have entered the work hopefully and thankfully. We report a membership of 14, and sent \$29 to the Branch Treasurer.

# MORRISBURG.

We are sorry we cannot report an increase of membership this year, there being only thirteen, but these are regular attendants, and take an interest in the work. Thirty-five mite-boxes have been distributed, and they add materially to the funds.

# CATARAQUI.

This auxiliary was organized October, 1886, by Mrs. E. Chown and Skinner, of Kingston. Owing to the illness of our President and several of our members, we cannot report the progress we desire, yet we are thankful for the past and hopeful for the future. Amount sent to Branch Treasurer during the year, \$16.96.

### SPENCERVILLE.

This auxiliary was organized Oct. 10th, 1886, by Mrs. T. G. Williams. The monthly meetings have been kept up, with an average attendance of 6. It is with deep sorrow we record the death of our beloved President, Mrs. J. Connell. She is missed by all; we feel her place can never be filled, she was such an earnest, faithful worker, but the Master saw best to call her away. She has gone to her reward.

### GREENWOOD.

This society has been in operation for two years, and we are glad to report a growing interest in the work. Eleven monthly meetings have been held, which were very interesting and fairly well attended. Our auxiliary has met with a great loss, in the death of Mrs. James Coburn. She was a sincere Christian, and the most cordial supporter of the auxiliary, from the time it was organized, and even on her death bed did not cease to take an interest in the cause she loved so well, donating five dollars (\$5.00) to the funds of the society. Amount sent to Branch Treasurer for the year, \$55.43.

### KEMPTVILLE.

In our report of last year we hoped to increase our membership and remittance to the Treasurer, and have not been disappointed. We report 27 members, an increase of 13. Amount sent to Branch Treasurer, \$27.90, an increase of \$12.36. During the year a mission band has been organized, with a membership of 25.

# CORNWALL.

This year we cannot report an increase in membership, but our funds are in advance of last year. A greater interest has also been manifested, and we are looking forward to the future with feelings of encouragement.

# FARMERSVILLE.

Gladly we report an increase of \$6.50 from the Farmersville Auxiliary. Amount sent to Branch Treasurer during the year, \$16.50.

# MALLORYTOWN.

We have only been one year in existence, and hope to be able to report better things next year. Number of members, 11. Amount sent to Branch Treasurer, \$24.37.

# RENFREW.

Notwithstanding many discouragements, we report this year a membership of 14, and have remitted to Branch Treasurer \$14.

# BEACHBURG MISSION BAND.

Report a membership of 14, and have remitted to Branch Treasurer \$7.

# ROSS (PORTAGE DU FORT MISSION).

This auxiliary was organized September 15th, 1886, by Mrs. F. G. Lett. Owing to uncontrollable circumstances only five meetings have been held during the year. Interest in missionary work has increased among the members. Amount sent to Branch Treasurer during the year, \$8.



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Time on its "restless wing" has borne us through the changing experience of another year. As our thoughts go back over the time that has elapsed since our last Annual Report, we can recall many evidences of our Father's loving kindness, and we would give expression to the gratitude which fills our hearts, in the glad song, "Oh, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good."

We are glad to report an extension and growth, five auxiliaries and one mission band having been added during the year; Auburn, Parrsboro, Canso, Dartmouth, Hantsport and Truro Mission Band.

Again the Master has honored us beyond our highest hopes, in calling another of our number into the harvest field. Miss Cunningham, as our representative, will make our Japanese sisters seem like quite near neighbors, and the interest our members have ever manifested in the Japan work will be still further deepened.

Miss Knight's failing health has been a source of anxiety to us. We feel that in view of the pressing needs which surround her, that she should have immediate assistance. We earnestly pray that the requisite help may be granted to her.

"Woman's Missionary Day," on the Berwick camp grounds, is a leading feature in our work for the year. Our Branch was well represented, and the services throughout the day were largely attended. Miss Cunningham's presence at the afternoon meeting, just on the eve of her departure for Japan, added greatly to the interest of the occasion. The influence received at this meeting, carried to the different localities represented, will, we trust, result in added numbers to our ranks during the coming year.

Our cup of blessing has been mingled with sorrow. Early in the year the Death Angel called from us a willing worker, Mrs. Dr. Hamilton, President of Canning Auxiliary. She has bequeathed to those who knew her worth, a sweet and precious memory of a life well spent in the Master's service.

It will be seen by our statistical report, that a large proportion of our work is done by littles. But the Redeemer's kingdom is not won by sudden triumphs, it is little by little that progress is made. It was very little the poor widow cast into the sacred treasury, but "the story of her generous giving has ever since wrought like a charm in prompting others to give to the Lord."

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# THIRD ANNUAL MEETING OF N. S. BRANCH.

The Third Annual Meeting of this Branch was held in Providence Church, Yarmouth, Oct. 10th and 11th. The President, Mrs. S. F. Huestis, in the chair. The Cor. Secretary reported several new auxiliaries and mission bands. The Treasurer's report showed an increase in the receipts of \$403. The Branch has also given the fifth lady missionary to Japan. Others will gladly go to any part of the field, should opportunity offer.

Reports from auxiliaries and mission bands demonstrated forcibly the results attained, when faith and works blend. The steady progress of our cause and the great difficulties overcome, imparted renewed courage. Greetings from kindred societies in sister churches and from the N. B. and P. E. I. Branch, elicited the usual degree of

The public meeting in the evening was blessed with a large and appreciative audience, good music and a good collection. The address of welcome was given by Mrs. Killam, of Yarmouth; the reply by Mrs. T. D. Hart, of Berwick.

The local mission bands rendered aid by singing and recitations.

The invitation from Windsor for the next annual meeting was accepted.

The same officers were elected.

LILLIE SILVER, Rec. Secretary.

Halifax, October 19.

# EXTRACTS FROM REPORTS OF AUXILIARIES IN THE N. S. BRANCH.

# HALIFAX NORTH.

In presenting our report for the past year, we regret that it has not been marked We enter upon a new year with fresh courage and by a larger measure of success. renewed resolves. At our July meeting, Dr. Carman kindly addressed us. Several of our city pastors were also present, and a very pleasant and profitable season was spent. We have added to our list, four life members since last report. During the year, death has twice entered our ranks, calling from labor to reward, first our dear aged sister, Mrs. McNutt, and very recently Mrs. Northup. Both were deeply interested in our work, and we will sadly miss their generous co-operation.

# REAPERS' MISSION BAND.

Time in its rapid flight has again brought us to the time where we, as Reapers, having garnered our sheaves, must pause and consider what the harvest has been. During the year our interest in missionary work has not grown less, and the meetings of our band have been both pleasant and profitable. We have endeavored to make our programme for the hour spent together of such a character that even the youngest members might take part. Forty-three mite-boxes were distributed among our members, and the amount realized from these is \$86.33. Total amount raised during the year, \$180. Although our receipts are not as large as last year, yet we hope our humble efforts may help to hasten the time when "every kindred, every tribe, shall crown Him Lord of all.

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### HALIFAX SOUTH.

The year has brought our auxiliary many tokens of Divine favor; but has also had its meed of sorrow. Four new life members are added to our list, but in common with the parent society we have sustained a great loss in the death of our true friend and generous helper, Geo. H. Starr. We have again received honor from the Master in the call and commission of one of our members, to the work in Japan. During the year we have held ten monthly meetings and four public meetings, including the Branch last autumn, and a farewell meeting to Miss Cunningham.

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# CORALLINE MISSION BAND.

This has been our most successful year, and we give the praise to Him, who "hath done great things for us whereof we are glad." Our membership has increased considerably. A Children's Band was also formed during the latter part of the winter, a branch of the "Coralline." We have more than doubled the amount raised last year. Our Easter Offering Concert, entertainments, and last, but not least, our miteboxes, have given us reason by their success to look for still greater things.

# GUYSBORO.

Quietly but surely our interest in mission work is deepening. Our number has increased one-third. The last public meeting we held was well attended, and we trust there was work done there for the Master, which we pray He may bless with actual results. There is a fresh impetus in the work of our mission band, with added numbers.

# WINDSOR.

We have not been able to meet as often as we would have wished, owing to ill-health of some of our officers, and long-continued illness in families of some of our members. Our hearts have been cheered as we have heard of the progress of the work. In response to an intimation of some of the wants of the Crosby Home, a parcel of useful material was forwarded to Miss Knight at Christmas, by some of our young people. Amount contributed, \$70.20.

### HORTON.

We feel thankful to be able to report a growing interest in the cause of missions among our members. Our monthly gathrings have been sweet seasons of blessing to our own hearts. We have enjoyed reading the letters from our different missionaries. They have seemed like links binding us to them and their work. During the year we have held four public meetings, over which our President has presided. We begin a new year with new hopes, and a promise of two new names.

### AMHERST.

The past year has been a fairly successful one. We have felt our knowledge of the need of missionary effort increasing; but regret that our average attendance is so small, and that the interest is not more general among the members of our Church and congregation. We have had two entertainments, realizing \$22.40. We acknowledge with gratitude a thank offering of \$1.

# PROVIDENCE CHURCH, YARMOUTH.

We feel encouraged in sending our Second Annual Report. A fervent missionary spirit has been apparent, and though our membership has not been so large as the previous year, still those who have attended have been blessed in the work. Our purpose to raise funds sufficient to maintain a Bible woman in Japan for the year, and one girl in the Crosby Home (the latter by the Earnest Gleaners) has been successful. Amount contributed, \$150.03.

# WESLEY CHURCH, YARMOUTH.

In looking back over the past year, we find it has been one rich in blessing. Our meetings have been both instructive and interesting, owing to the energetic efforts of our President. We have lost two members by death, and one by removal. We hope that as the years go by, we may more earnestly and understandingly enter upon the work that lies befor us.

WESLEY CHURCH MISSION BAND.

During the past year our band has increased from forty-five to fifty-one. Our monthly meetings have been held regularly. We have had in connection with our band, two entertainments, and have assisted at a public meeting held by the Woman's Missionary Society.

TRURO.

Looking back over the year, we can note some progress. Small it may be, but we remember that the good Master once said, "She hath done what she could." We also have done what we could, and we know our Heavenly Father blesses all such efforts. During the year a mission band has been organized, which has contributed \$16 to our funds. We go on, hoping that future efforts will be more successful, and our missionary cause crowned with abundant blessings.

# OXFORD.

Looking over the past year, we have every reason to be encouraged for the future. Our meetings are held more regularly, and the interest seems to be deepening, as shown by the numbers present. We know that the call to work in the missionary vineyard is as urgent as ever, and the means for their support may be multiplied.

# CANNING.

We cannot report any accession to the membership of our auxiliary. In fact the number is smaller than at the beginning of the year. Since the death of our beloved President, Mrs. Hamilton, we have found it impossible to keep alive any interest whatever. The outlook for the coming year is very encouraging, and we oan but trust that our dark days have passed. We earnestly hope that we may yet be able to do good work in this corner of the Lord's vineyard.

# BERWICK.

In presenting our report for the year, we cannot help feeling grateful to our Heavenly Father for the guidance and strength He has given us. Our monthly meetings have, indeed, been seasons of refreshing, quickening our missionary spirit, and increasing our knowledge of the lands that are out of Christ. Our quarterly public meetings likewise have been very beneficial. Through God's blessing on the means of grace, our members have steadily increased, until now at the close of the year, we have just one more than double the number with which we began, As God has so abundantly blessed our efforts in the past, we trust our prayers will be more earnest, our faith stronger and our endeavors greater.

# RITCEY'S COVE.

The year just closed has not been as prosperous as we would wish, yet we trust our labor has not been in vain. We regret that the interest in Woman's work for woman in the missionary field, is not more general among the members of our Church and congregation. We have felt that our little monthly gatherings have been the means of increasing our knowledge of the need there is for missionary effort, and also stimulating our zeal. We have lost two members by removal, and have added four for the year. We have but a small amount to contribute, but with it go many earnest prayers, that our Heavenly Father's blessing may rest upon our society.

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A year ago we organized with seven members. We are glad to report an increase. In our weakness we took this for our motto, "Our sufficiency is of God." Our monthly meetings have always been interesting and instructive; the members doing their part willingly. The many items of interest contributed by them have greatly increased our knowledge of and love for missions. We feel that our auxiliary is under the blessing of Heaven; and with our loving Father, who deems nothing small if done for Him, we leave our first year's effort.

# CHRISTIAN WORKERS' MISSION BAND.

Our band was organized on the self-denial principle. We find it much more blessed to give, when it costs the giving up something for Christ's sake. During the year we have had one public meeting and two entertainments. We received a very interesting letter from Miss Knight, which increased our interest in the Crosby Home. With the aid of the auxiliary, we will be responsible for the maintenance of one of the little ones. We have named our little girl, and this has quite interested our members.

# AUBURN.

It is just a year since our auxiliary was formed, with twenty members. We have added seven, and lost two by removal. We feel from our success in the past, encouraged to go on, knowing that our Saviour is looking with approval upon our efforts.

### PARRSBORO.

Our auxiliary was organized January 12th, 1887, with but six members. Our second meeting found us with an increase of ten. Since then, two more names have been added. The attendance at our meetings has been very good, but there has not been as much zeal manifested as we would like. We trust that in the coming year more interest will be awakened.

# CANSO.

Our auxiliary was organized in February, 1887, by our pastor, Rev. F. A. Buckley, with a membership of seven. During the six succeeding months, the membership has increased to twenty-nine. Twelve mite-boxes have been distributed among our members, to be called in September, 1888. A deep interest in mission work is evinced, and our hearts are glad in the thought that we are helping in a measure to spread the gospel of Jesus.

# DARTMOUTH.

After the annual missionary services of 1887, held in the Methodist Church Dartmouth, it was thought advisable by the ladies of the congregation to form a Woman's Missionary Society. A meeting was called at the residence of the pastor, Rev. W. C. Brown, and although the attendance was small, there were enough present for a beginning. Since that time, meetings have been held monthly, with varied success and interest. There is not that enthusiasm we should like to see; but comparing our membership with that of other Churches, we find the proportion very good, and our membership is slowly but steadily incresing.

# HANTSPORT.

As our auxiliary has only been organized a short time, we are new in the work. Our membership is small, but the interest, we hope, will grow. We who have met in our monthly gatherings, have reason to thank God for them. They have been truly "seasons of refreshing." Thus far we have not been able to hold any public meetings, and so have but little to contribute, but with it we send our earnest prayers, that God may bless the use of it to His own glory.

# NEW BRUNSWICK AND PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND BRANCH.

SECOND ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

As we present the report of another year's united labor, our hearts are filled with gratitude to our Heavenly Father for the progress made throughout the Branch.

There are but seven auxiliaries, and three bands. The auxiliary in Summerside

There are but seven auxiliaries, and three bands. The auxiliary in Summerside has for the present ceased to exist. One has recently been formed in Point du Bute. Although the branch is comparitively young, having completed only its second year, yet the word that comes from each part of the work shows a determination to grow in number and activity.

Letters have been sent to a number of circuits in our Conference, strongly urging that an effort be made to form an auxiliary in each place, but with no success, except in one instance, Hillsboro, where there is the prospect of one being organized this fall.

In the monthly meetings a greater interest has been manifested in regard to the letters from different parts of the mission field, and the number of *Outlooks* taken has been larger than that of last year.

As a whole the funds have been in advance of last year.

We earnestly pray for the speedy accomplishment of the prophetic word: "All nations whom Thou hast made, shall come and worship before Thee, O Lord; and shall glorify Thy name; for Thou art great, and doest wondrous things: Thou art God alone."

LAVINIA M. STEWART, Cor. Sec.

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# SECOND ANNUAL MEETING OF THE N. B. AND P. E. I. BRANCH.

The Second Annual Meeting of the New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island Branch was held in the Centenary Church, St. John, on October 5th and 6th, 1887. At the morning session of the first day, the chair was taken by the President, Mrs. Shenton; Mrs. McMichael conducting the devotional exercises.

Eight delegates answered to the roll call, and we were sorry not to have with us

representatives from St. Stephen, Cornwall and Tryon.

The address of welcome was given by the President of the Centenary Auxiliary, Mrs. McMichael, and responded to by Mrs. Johnson, the President of the Charlottetown Auxiliary.

The President, Mrs. Shenton, made an earnest appeal for more workers and re-

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The report of the Corresponding Secretary, who has been untiring in her efforts to extend the cause, showed that this Branch comprises seven auxiliaries and two mission bands, whose interest in the work is steadily increasing.

The Treasurer reported a gain of 30 per cent. over the previous year.

The recommendatiou of the Memorial Committee of the Board of Managers of 1886, "That the last clause of Section 2, Article VI., on Branches, be expunged," was accepted.

The election of officers resulted as follows:

President: Mrs. C. E. McMichael, St. John, N. B.

Vice-Presidents: 

Mrs. Job Shenton, Charlottetown, P. E. I.

Mrs. Johnston, Charlottetown, P. E. I.

Mrs. George Campbell, St. Stephens, N. B.

Recording Secretary: Mrs. C. C. Gardiner, Charlottetown, P.E.I., Corresponding Secretary: Miss F. E. Palmer, St. John, N. B.

Treasurer: Miss Hattie Stewart, Sackville.

Auditor: Mrs. Turner, Bedique.

Miss Stewart's invitation to the Branch to hold its next annual meeting in Sack-

ville was gladly accepted.

The loud call for help from the Chinese girls in British Columbia touched all our hearts, and we felt here was a strong incentive to greater diligence and renewed consecration.

F. E. PALMER, For Rec. Sec.

# EXTRACTS FROM REPORTS OF THE AUXILIARIES IN THE N. B. AND P. E. I. BRANCH.

# ST. STEPHEN'S.

In looking over the past year, we feel that God has not only blessed our efforts in this auxiliary, but our hearts have also been gladened by news from the mission field, hearing of what God is doing there. We had been encouraged by the enlargement of our membership roll this year. Benefits have arisen from our monthly missionary prayer meeting.

### CHARLOTTETOWN.

The membership here has not increased during the past year, with the exception of the addition of one life member. There has been much interest shown at our monthly meetings in hearing of our little girl in the school at Tokyo. One entertainment was given in the year, at which \$20 was raised, but our funds have been chiefly derived from membership fees. The mission band has done noble work.

# BEDEQUE.

The monthly meetings here have been well attended during the past year, and the interest in the cause of missions has been steadily increasing. The membership has increased somewhat, and our hearts have burned within us as the Master talked with us by the way. The Missionary Outlook has been highly prized, being taken by fifty families on this circuit.

# SACKVILLE.

We are thankful to say that our numbers have increased, and the finances the same, only in a greater degree. The work among us has been somewhat encouraging. Two of our members went about collecting articles to send out to the McDougall Orphanage, and they succeeded in getting quite a large box. This, we hoped, would help to reach the hearts of many outside the auxiliary. The Outlook is taken this year by twice as many as last year. The results of our public meeting, which we held in the winter, were very encouraging, especially as it was the first we had ever had. We have been very much pleased that at length we have been able to form an auxiliary among our friends in Point de Bute, and we hope often to interchange friendly visits.

# TRYON.

We feel rather discouraged here, from the fact of our number being so small. The zeal and love for mission work is so weak, but we sincerely hope for better things, knowing that as it is the Lord's will, He will cause the weakest endeavor in His work to prosper.

# CORNWALL.

Here we are few in number, but we are glad that although we are but two years' old, yet we have been able to raise as much money as we have. The reason that we have had so few meetings during the last year, is that we are so scattered, some having to come even three miles.

# ST. JOHN, CENTENARY.

In looking over the past year, we are quite encouraged. The monthly meetings have been well attended; average attendance, 20; and the missionary spirit is reviving in our midst. We had a public meeting, the collection amounting to \$12; and in November we had a missionary social, at which Dr. Williams gave an address, and although the night was stormy, yet the attendance was good. We greatly regret the departure of our late President, but hope that her inspiring zeal and enthusiastic power may be productive of as much good elsewhere as it has been here. We have put forth great efforts to have auxiliaries formed in the other churches of our city, and in failing have invited them to join us, but in meeting with no response, can only hope and pray that ere long all may be awakened to a deeper sense of responsibility in the Master's work.

# ST. JOHN EAST, NEWFOUNDLAND.

Members' fees, \$36; one life member's fee (Mrs. W. F. Burns) \$25; reports sold, \$1; public meeting, \$18.50; sociables, \$25; donation, Mrs. W. F. Burns, for Crosby Home, \$25; donation, Miss Leake, \$4.80; mission band for O Yo San, \$50. Total, \$185.50. We regret that our income is less than that of last year. We trust we may report better things next year. Our monthly meetings are regularly held.

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Waterdown	13 75
W. F. College, Hamilton	18 50
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Helen and Kate Stewart's Mite Box (Palmerston).	
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Newmarket	41 00
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Brighton	19 30
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Mrs. H. Gooderham	10 0	00		
An Invalid Lady, per Rev. J. H. Locke	20 0	00		
A Friend, per Mrs. Stobbs	10 0			
Miss Lawson, Whitby	6 (			
Mrs. Scott, per Mrs. Fawcett	5 0			
Mrs. Rutherford per Rev. G. Washington	2 (			
A Friend, per Mrs. Briggs	1 (	00		
Annual Branch Meeting, 1886	46 8	27		
Quarterly Meeting, January	14			
April	18			
"At Home," Metropolitan Church	41			
Reports, per Mrs. Briggs				
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	\$5,036	39		
Expenses	109	92		
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			\$4,927	53
Eastern Branch:				-
Montreal	\$365	06		
Kingston	219			
Brockville	138	60		
Pembroke	157	-		
Gananoque	III			
Ottawa	139			
Greenwood	55			
Cornwall	46			
Morrisburg	37			
Kemptville	25			
Farmersville.	IO	1.5		
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Guysboro	70 11	
Windsor	44 00	
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Lighton	52 73	
Wesley Church, Varmouth	103 50	
Providence Church, II	150 03	
Amherst	42 20	
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Canning	20 18	
Berwick	82 00	
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Oxford	49 48	
Digby		
Auburn	70 75	
Parrehoro	15 32	
Mahone Bay	14 35	
Canso	27 00	
Dartmouth	65 25	
Hantsport	5 00	
Collection at Branch Meeting	37 83	
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N. B. and P. E. I. Branch:	\$99 61	
St. John's Centenary Church	104 00	
St. Stephen		
Charlottetown	138 90	
Tryon	17 75	
Sackville	100 00	
Bedeque	63 62	
Cornwall	55 12	
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Newfoundland, St. Johns, East		112 50
Newfoundland, St. Johns, West		107 60
Winnipeg District		6 00
Qu'Appelle "		7 00
Collections at Annual Meeting		
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		63 00
Leaflet Fund		42 65
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# EXPENDITURE.

By Japan	\$6,005	67	
French Mission	1,200		
Crosby Home	800	00	
McDougall Orphanage	700	00	
Chinese Mission, B. C	315	00	
Delegates' Expenses	253	68	
Mite Boxes	29	IO	
Printing Reports	218	90	
Letters and Programmes	112	20	
" Order and Receipt Book	3	75	
Postage and Bank Charges	23	73	
Balance, being cash deposited in the Hamilton			
Provident and Loan Society Bank	10,950	12	
		\$20,612	15

# MEMORANDUM REPORT OF LEAFLET FUND, 1886-87.

# RECEIPTS.

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Oct.	23	-To ba	lance on hand\$6	50
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Jan.	21.	n	Brockville Auxiliary	56
		**	Gananoque "	50
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	26.	11	First Methodist Church, St. Thomas Auxiliary	50
	26.	11	Kingston Auxiliary I	
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	3· 8.	44	St. Johns, N. B. Auxiliary	50
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	21.	11	Dundas " 3	00
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	IO.	**	Morrisburg "	50
	IO.	11	Montreal " I	-
	IO.	- 11	Cornwall " I	-
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# LEAFLET FUND-Continued.

Mar. 16. To Cash Tabernacle (Belleville) Auxiliary	Mar. 16. To Cash Tabernacle (Belleville) Auxiliary.   1 50	1887				Amount Bro	ught F	orward.					\$26	61
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# MISSIONARIES OF WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Entered upon the work.	NAME.	ADDRESS.	Former Residence.
Dec. 27th, '82	JAPAN. Miss Martha J. Cartmell, (returned on account of ill health, April, 1887)	113 Hughson St. N., Hamilton	Hamilton, Ont.
Feb. 26th, '85	Mrs. Eliza Spencer Large.	Jo Gakko, 14 Torii Zaka, Azabu, Tokio, Japan.	
Ap'l. 15th, '85	Miss Maud Cochran	" " "	Toronto, Ont.
Jan. '86		11 11 11	. 11
Sept. 24th, '86	" S. Aggie Wintermute		St. Thomas, Ont
May 31st, '87	" Hannah Lund	11 11 11	Woodstock, "
Sept. 15th, '87	" Janie Cunningham .	Shidzuoka, Japan	Halifax, N. S.
	Mate Morgan	Azabu, Tokio, Japan	Brantford, Ont.
July 23d, '82	Miss Hendrie, Married		Brantford, Ont.
Sept. 1885		Port Simpson, B. C	Halifax, N. S.
	Mrs. Roy	Actonvale, Que	Frankrister V
1887	Miss Annie Leake	Victoria, B. C	Parrsboro, N.S.

# NAMES OF MISSION BANDS

OTHER THAN CHURCH NAMES.

66	The	Gleaners,"	St.	Thomas,

"The Gleaners," St. Thomas,
"Tireless Toilers," Peterboro.
"Jubilee," Belleville.
"Christian Workers," Digby.
"Reapers," Halıfax.
"Coralline," Halıfax.
"Earnest Gleaners," Yarmouth.

# AMOUNT RAISED SINCE ORGANIZATION.

1881-1882													 							\$2,916	78
1882-1883																				4,281	19
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# REPORT OF CROSBY GIRL'S HOME.

PORT SIMPSON, B. C.

It is with thankfulnes to the kind providence that has been always mindful of our needs that I submit to the Annual Meeting a statement of the financial position of the "Home." Considering the number of girls in residence and the means at our command, I am sure it is unnecessary to say the most rigid economy has been exercised.

The nine months' account rendered a year ago showed a balance on hand of \$60.66, but, as I think I stated at the time, there were outstanding accounts which could not then be settled, additional stores required for the winter, and the full year's account closed in December with a deficiency of \$137. This has, however, been covered by contributions that have come in since, and again we have a small balance on hand, but it must be remembered that we have still to lay in our stores for the winter, of clothing, provisions and fuel. I would like to say, also, that the contributions that have come to us, either directly or through the mission rooms, have in every case been unsolicited, and not unfrequently they are sent anonymously.

The account for the year stands as follows:

# RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand, September 22d, 1886  January. 1887, Woman's Misionary Society, per Mrs. Rosebrugh.  April, 1887, from Mission Rooms  July, 1887, Woman's Missionary Society, per Mrs. Rosebrugh  From other sources	275 400	00
Total	\$1,314	16
Expenditure.		
Miss Knight's salary Household expenses	\$400 837	00 45
Balance on hand, September, 1887	\$1,237	
	\$1,314	16

We take this opportunity of thanking the Woman's Missionary Society for the support they have given us, and I feel confident that if the members of the committee could see the work that is being done, they would feel that the money is well spent. Of that Miss Knight will report more particularly.

I would recommend to the favorable consideration of the committee the urgent need that an assistant be allowed Miss Knight, as I intimated in a previous letter. The work is far too much for Miss Knight's health, and unless help comes, I fear she will break down before long. I do hope the ladies will kindly consider the case and do all they can to meet it as soon as possible.

As to the salary such an assistant would require, I would venture to suggest \$350. Considering the cost of living, that is as low as it could fairly be put.

Trusting that the approaching annual meeting may be a very successful and happy one, and that Divine guidance may be vouchsafed throughout.

I am,

Most faithfully yours,

E. J. CROSBY.

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As I have been writing every quarter, there is not much that is new to write about. The year has been a satisfactory one, on the whole, and we have much cause for thankfulness; the loving Father above has blessed our efforts and helped us in every time of need. Some have gone out from us, but not as many as during the previous year. The first was a little girl, whose mother was very anxious to place her in the home, but never seemed satisfied afterwards to have the child away from her. The poor little thing has been in delicate health ever since she left the home, and the last I heard of her, she was suffering from curvature of the spine; had she been left with us she might, with proper care, have become stronger, but I fear the poor mother, with all her love, will be able to do very little for the child. The other girl who left us was in the Home for three years; she was about 14 years of age, and very useful in some ways, but never gave us much encouragement otherwise, as she was easily led into deceiving; but we sowed the seed, and can only trust now that the Master will cause some fruit to grow to His glory. Another of our older girls left to go to her uncle's home, but she was very home-sick and unhappy for months after; the uncle became ill, and fearing he might die, asked Mr. Crosby to take Sarah back again. We do not usually take them back when they leave in opposition to our wishes, but as the girl was surrounded by the worst influences possible, and there seemed no hope of saving her if we left her there, we wrote and told her she would be welcome if she liked to come. The poor child seemed so glad to be back, it was a real home coming to her. Of all the mercies of the year I feel more thankful for this one, for it seemed when Sarah left that she was going to certain ruin; and when at Essington a few months ago, I was told her friends were urging her to go to Victoria, but she was very desirous of doing right, and by God's blessing we hope to see her growing up a useful When she returned, another girl about the same age came to the Christian woman. home. As she was exposed to the same evil influences we were glad to have the privilege of rescuing her. This makes our number twenty. The highest number we have had through tee year has been twenty-one. I notice in looking over the names, that one of the little girls left shortly after my last year's report was written. It was a cause of great regret to me to have the child go, as the mother will not be likely to train the child as she should; she does not attend school now and has probably forgotten all she learned during her short stay with us. It is hard work at times to keep down the discouraged feeling when the children are taken away just as they begin to improve and I have learned to love them, but I comfort myself with the thought that they are the Good Shepherd's lambs, and He is more anxious to save them than I am, and it may be the seeds that seem lost may yet bring forth an abun-You ask me about their progress in school, I think they learn quickly and remember well. I am often taken by surprise to find a child with a Bible trying to learn "the big girl's verse," whom I did not think had fairly conquered the difficul-When school is over, it is quite a usual thing to hear, "where ties of the alphabet. is Miss Knight?" and when the question is answered several will come running to me with their slates to show me their sums or copies, or perhaps a letter which they have written for me. Some days ago I was much pleased with one of these letters written by one of my most thoughtless. It ran something like this:

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"I want to tell you I am getting on better in school now. I have been very careless, but I am going to try and be better and get on with my studies, and that is all I have to say."

Sometimes the English is rather puzzling, but generally does them great credit. I never find fault, as I am not teaching them just then, and they come to me for encouragement. All their difficulties and troubles in school are brought to me, as I have always tried to make them feel I am interested in all that concerns them. Our summer has been a delightful one, so we have spent many days on the beach or in the woods after berries. It seems so needful for the health of these children that they have plenty of out-door exercise, and many fine days I have given them a holiday, and leaving the work have spent the entire day out of doors. During my absence in May and June, they were out a great deal, as that is the finest time of year at Simpson. I regretted

being away from them, but Mr. and Mrs. Crosby and Miss Reinhart took such good care of them that I had no need to mourn over leaving them motherless. My trip away did me much good; rest was all I needed, as the winter had been such a tyring one. The baby is growing nicely, and is the pet and plaything of the household; she is over a year old now, but does not walk, probably because there are too many to nurse her. The children are all getting ready for Christmas work. We hope to have a tree, and as I have plenty of material for fancy work, owing to the kindness of the friends who have sent us parcels, we expect to have some very pretty work. When Christmas work is talked of, the first question always is, "What shall we make for Mrs. Crosby?" and I think, of all their pleasures, the one of preparing some little gift for her stands first. I long to give more time to the old and sick of the village, as they are always so pleased to have us visit them, and also to give more to the children in teaching them many things that they do not learn in school, and that will be useful to them bye-and-bye. But, unless I have more help, I cannot do more than the ordinary work of caring for the children and keeping things running smoothly. The girls are all obedient and entirely under control, and there is among them a contented, happy spirit that helps me greatly. The elder ones seem always anxious to help me, and are indeed very useful. I will add a list of the names and ages of the children, also the length of time they have been in the Home. With much love to all the friends who are interested in our work. I remain,

Yours very sincerely,

# AGNES KNIGHT.

	AGE.	TIME IN HOME.
Victoria Louise Picton	18	Returned I year ago.
Hannah Webster	17	8 years.
Sarah Williams	15	5 years.
Rebecca Starr	15	18 months.
Jessie Davids	13	5 years.
Betsey Webster	12	3 years.
Eliza Lawrence	12	14 months.
Priscilla Harris	12	14 months.
Angelina Harris	10	II months.
Lucy Baxter	11	17 months.
Erie Simcoe	10	5 years.
Sarah McDonald		5 years.
Mary Johnson	10	5 years. 14 months.
Tillie Barnard	8	20 months.
Matilda McKay	. 7	14 months.
Martha Harris		
George Blackhall	7	3 years. 8 months.
Dollie Robinson	1	3 weeks.
Jane MacKay	14	15 months.
Harriet Edgar	10	15 montus.
Nelly McDonald	6	
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# REPORT OF McDOUGALL ORPHANAGE.

The following is a statement of returns and disbursements in connection with the McDougall Orphanage and Training Institution for the year 1886 and 1887.

To amount of maintenance and purchase of necessary implements and building:  By total amount of returns up to Sept. 1, 1887		
Amount of deficit for year	\$546	04

Morley, Alberta, Sept. 26th, 1886.

# REPORT OF McDOUGALL ORPHANAGE AND TRAINING INSTITUTE FOR QUARTER ENDING SEPT. 30TH, 1887.

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2	Etta Noole	14	Cree, W. F. L	. 3	- 11
3	Susan Ear	14	Mountain Stoney	. 3	"
4	Agnes Jacob	II	11 11	3	11
5	Flora Baptiste	II	11 11	3	11
6	Adaline Salter	10	Cree	1 0	11
7	Jane Viola Ear	8	Mountain Stoney		11
8	Rebecca Salter	8	Cree	3	"
9	Isabella Meyers	10	German Cree	11/2	11

The average attendance has been 17.75.

During the quarter just terminated, the boys have been engaged during the morning in having, harvesting, and gardening, and looking after the cattle, and during the afternoon both boys and girls (1.30 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m.) in school work, and have done fairly in every department.

The girls have attended to all the household duties, as we have no servant, and the results of their labor reflect great credit on both themselves and the matron, for they have become adepts in house cleaning, washing, baking and milking, and pretty good in mending; they all knit, some so excellently that they carried off the first and second prizes at the Calgary Agricultural Fair.

Certified correct,

JOHN McDougall.
JAS. A. YOUMANS,
Principal.

# FRENCH WORK.

When we presented the report of the French work last October, we had only completed arrangements for opening the French Mission School for girls, at Actonvale.

It is with gratitude that we are able to report the success of the school during the year. It was opened with eighteen pupils, and soon filled up to twenty-five, the largest number we could accommodate. The teacher, Mlle. Vessot, found the girls to improve rapidly; some who were unable to read on entering the school could read fluently before leaving, and those who were farther advanced, having been in the city for one year previously, made equal progress, for all were anxious to improve.

Better than this, there were conversions during the year to the number of fourteen. Better than this, there were conversions during the year to the number of fourteen. These girls (who were R. C.) seemed to be truly changed in heart and life during their stay, and were found giving their willing testimony in social meetings, as to the power of Christ to save.

Is not this result worth all the time, patience, trouble and money spent during the year? Some think this work small and insignificant, but let us measure it by the Divine standard, which assigns infinite value to the saving of but one soul, and we shall no longer be doubting or discouraged.

As to the current year, we are beginning the school in the same building, without enlargement, for, although it was intended to enlarge, and money was at hand for the purpose, yet we have delayed until the Annual Meetings are held this fall, when, after due deliberation, the best course to pursue may be decided upon, so as to proceed early in the spring with the work.

Owing to the resignation of Mlle. Vessot, another teacher has been engaged after careful inquiry, and during the ensuing year we commend to your sympathy and prayers Mrs. Roy, an English lady, who for fourteen years has been teaching in French and English, and who has been the means of bringing many to Christ.

We are glad to be able to add that she is a devoted member of the Methodist Church, and we have every reason to be assured that her services will be a blessing to

The house is still in charge of Rev. Mr. and Mrs. DeGruchy, to whose faithful care the past year's success is largely due. I must not forget to mention that the pupils contributed \$320 during the past year.

We greatly appreciate the kind sympathy with which this work is regarded throughout the Society, and are anxious to do well what is expected of us in the way

of supervision.

Continue, dear sisters, in your prayers to remember this work, and to join us in confidently expecting that the fire thus kindled may become a blaze that shall run through the French Canadian people, burning up the rubbish of superstition with which their lives are filled, and attracting all hearts to Christ, whom now they see but dimly; and when the great day of reckoning arrives, it may be counted that many souls were brought to a knowledge of the truth through your prayers and gifts and sacrifices.

Respectfully submitted,

S. SHAW, Cor. Sec.

1886, September 28

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# FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF FRENCH WORK.

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# REPORT OF GIRL'S SCHOOL.

AZABU, TOKIO, JAPAN.

Last week I got through my account for the year, and I think it is wonderfully good; by it you will see that we have about paid our running expenses; everything in fact but our own salaries. Considering everything, this is more than we could really have expected, as there were so many, and there will be many furnishings, etc., to put in our new building. I will try, as last year, to explain a few of the items to meet the many questions which may be asked, but before doing so, let me just say no other school in Japan has ever made the same record we have this year in

The Sundries Account received includes bank interest, Yen 8.76, also Sundries Expenditure, the money for clothes, etc., for our supported girls. Repairs Account includes last summer and this summer's house cleaning account. This year's house-cleaning cost yen 115.00, and there was no painting done. As we gave one coat everywhere last year, the amount came up to 225 yen. Furnishings has the matting for the new house, piano, \$325, tuning, \$20; the music fees meet these, and pay what was due on the piano purchased about fifteen months ago, on which there was a balance still due when I sent my last account. In this also are library, table, chairs, book-case, etc., lamps for all over the new building, the safe, stoves, and many other items, four rain water puncheons. Books Account (Expd.) includes the Japanese books we purchased here with the money raised by the girls. (Receipts) includes the money raised by the girls, and we intend to add to it the money kindly given by Mr.

Botterell. The jinriki account is my own, when out on school business, expenses to Yokahama on bank business, and Dr. McDonald's medical visits.

You will see the taxes are much higher than last year, and they will be still higher, as hitherto schools were exempt from a large portion of the levied tax; now we are treated as others. I will draw \$500 on my return to Tokio; this will carry me

through until Christmas, I think, unless much is required for Shidzuoka.

The estimates for the coming year are not much different from last year's. We would like to add several thousands to these for the purchase of land, where we would have more playroom, and thus be able to avoid the daily walks through the dusty streets, followed often by a mob of dirty children, whose rude and often disgusting remarks the students and teachers are compelled to suffer. Also a few more for the erection of a new building on the new land, and now, we think, we know what we want. I have written you pretty fully on this question, and Miss Cartmell can add all I have left out. We do all hope the Society can see its way to vote us funds to move in this matter, if the Parent Board will take our present buildings off our hands at a reasonable rate.

The Evangelistic Department will call for a larger expenditure than last year, as whoever takes it up must have an interpreter. I am now making inquiries for one for

this department, also one to go to Shidzuoka with Miss Cunningham.

I will turn now to the School Report. Since school re-opened last September, two hundred and eighty-nine (289) names have been entered on the roll. The average attendance for the last term, 207. Of these, five have removed to different parts of Japan, each taking with her a certificate of standing from our school. Three we dropped at the close of the last term, two for idleness, and one for disregard of our regulations relative to Sunday attendance. There are so many anxious to attend school, and willing to obey our rules, that we feel justified in taking this course. One, Kami Sakakura, has gone to the better land; we laid her to rest in sure and certain hope of a blessed resurrection.

Fifty-two have removed for various causes, leaving, so far as we now know, two hundred and twenty-eight of our old students for the coming year; probably a few of these will drop out, but their places will be filled at once, as many are only waiting

permission to enter.

Our Financial Report, I am sure will be cheering to all, but the spiritual side still more so. I reported last year two teachers and fifteen students, Christians, gathered in since the opening of the school. We now number sixty-five Christians; four of those were Christians before they entered our school. I enclose you the list of their names and the classes into which they are divided. Each quarter has shown an increase of the number of those converted until this last one, when they have doubled May our record for the year on which we are soon to enter be more than double that which we now, with thankfulness to the Giver of all Good, send you. God has been in our midst blessing and leading to Himself not the students alone, but He has been proved by each of us, your agents here, an ever present help in time of need.

We cannot rejoice, as last year, that the shadow of Death has not rested upon us, but even though we have been called to bid farewell to one of our number, we had the blessed assurance from herself again and again that "all was well, there was nothing but light in the Valley of Death for her;" one link from our chain here is forged in Heaven; may each and all, when called to go, be led to join the one, not

lost, but gone before. Our School and Sunday Regulations are a little different from last year; feeling that we were not doing all we ought to do to make the Sabbath observed by our daily students, we inserted a regulation requiring every student to be present at Sabbath School and preaching every Sunday; absence must be accounted for by letter; any student absenting herself three Sabbaths in succession, without giving a satisfactory reason to us, can be dropped. We have found this to work well, one only being dropped. Our Sabbath attendance the last term has averaged over two hundred, the other terms in the same proportion. We also required all students entering before the 15th of the month to pay full boarding fees; tuition fee is always the same, 1.00

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Mrs. Aiso together. They meetings a wee the Bible and k at their homes e some place whe there as in N adopted our sty springs, and say yen, if but for one day; after the 15th, half boarding fee. We paid the cook but for the number of days a student was present for meals, thereby giving us a little amount to pay for dining room and kitchen furniture; this will account for the boarder's receipts being larger than expended.

The religious services are: Sunday School, 9 o'clock, a.m.; preaching, 10 a.m.; prayer meeting, 4 p.m.; English singing, 5.30 to 6 p.m., and evening service at 7.

The little ones, led by Yamamaka started a prayer meeting of their own, from I to 2 on Sunday afternoons; the first had ten or twelve present, the last Sunday there were over forty. This meeting is always a means of blessing to me. Miss Midzuno was asked to attend this and help them, which she has done very regularly. Some of the larger girls have formed into a Bible-class, held at the same hour, so, though our Sunday seemed full, they have made it still fuller. Miss Midzuno and two of the students are teachers in the Azabu Sunday School; Mrs. Aiso and one student go to Shitaya Sunday School, one with Miss Maud Cochran to Ushigomi. As well as the above there is a weekly prayer meeting on Wednesday at 3.30, and each class has its appointed time of meeting. But this is not all, our Christians are earnest workers among their fellow students. As our hearts open up to each other I learn more of their work and know of special seasons of prayer they often have for the conversion of some whom they know to be "almost persuaded." God has been pleased to hear these prayers and many have been given them. In the educational work good progress has been made. Misses Lund and Wintemute have now in consideration what our Graduation Class shall be, and how the studies for each year shall be divided. They have almost decided on a modified third class certificate, Ontario standard; of this, Miss Wintemute, who is our secretary for educational work, will write you later. On our return home our work for the year will be divided. Miss Lund will probably have the evangelistic work and some school work as well. We do regret that our fourth lady is not to be here for opening. We would have welcomed Miss Morgan with open arms; we also hope you may see your way clear to appoint another lady to Shidzuoka.

The Japanese school staff consists of three lady teachers, Normal school graduates, a sewing teacher, a gentleman translator, who has also acted as my teacher, a gentleman teacher of Chinese, also a Kauji business manager and general interpreter, three assistant teachers, who are English students; two servant women and one servant man; these are for school work, and have nothing to do with our house. The dining-room and kitchen work is let out by contract, and we have found it to work

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Engilish tuition only in return for her services.

Some changes will be made in the above for the coming year. I will take the entire business of the school in my own hands, assisted by our present matron. This is thought by our Japanese friends to be the most beneficial course for the school, and will prevent all danger of money troubles, or opportunities for "squeezing." Another assistant teacher must be added; she is already engaged. As we are not employing a Jinrikishi man this year, another man servant will be needful to draw water for the bath, keep the yard clean, make fires, clean windows, etc. The man we now have I must use a great deal as my own especial messenger.

The highest salary paid has been to Mr. Tsuyuki, thirty yen per month. For the evangelistic work, a lady interpreter will be required, she will have sufficient time in

the mornings to teach two ladies.

Mrs. Aiso and Chika Okawa returned last evening. We had such a nice talk together. They have both been busy workers all the summer. They have had two meetings a week, in the church at Numadzn for the women, teaching them to sing, the Bible and knitting. Aiso San said that, aside from these, there were women visited at their homes every day. She said, "I am tired out." Ochika San spent a week at some place where preaching has but lately been commenced, and taught the women there as in Numadzu; adding hair-dressing to the rest. Our ladies in Numadzu adopted our style of hair-dressing a year ago. These two spent one week at some hot springs, and say that was all the resting time they had. This was not told complain-

ingly nor boastingly, but with pleasure that they had been able to do so much. If all our Christian girls have been equally good workers, what times of blessing these

holiday seasons may be made!

We desire to express our deep sorrow, that Miss Cartmell's health was still so poor as to render her return home necessary, but, knowing how heavy her sufferings were while here, we cannot but rejoice that she is in a healthier air, and among her home friends." Our prayer is that she may be restored to health and have many years of service yet for the Master. We rejoice that another lady has been added to our We would not have asked for one better suited to the work, nor for one whose heart is more fully given up to the interests here. We hope ere long to greet one more. Next Saturday the boarders will assemble again. We are to have two daughters here of Duke Somebody, recommended here by Viscount Yamao, when the father feared a home education might make them proud. There are over forty waiting for admission; as we have not yet heard from all our old students, we do not know how many can enter.

We ask in conclusion for your prayers for each one of us here. Our lot is a joy-We feel it no sacrifice to be here, yet there are times when we hunger for the associations of home church life, the Sabbath home services, where we can gather with those of our own land, and can understand the words spoken, and thus

gain new thoughts and fresh food.

May the annual gathering be to each of our sisters a time of profit and pleasure. How eagerly we shall look for word from your meetings, and how often in thought we shall be with you there! May our Father's presence be felt; may you and we be kept by His power, until we shall meet around the throne above.

Yours in this glorious work,

E. SPENCER LARGE.

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# EVANGELISTIC WORK IN JAPAN.

This dates from the beginning of my labors there. I had not been many weeks in the country before a weekly Bible class for women was opened, and visiting commenced, as I found opportunity in the homes of the people. Few can realize the sense of utter helplessness and inability to do anything that oppresses the missionary just entering a new field. Everything is strange, you are separated from those you wish to attract to yourself by race prejudices, habits and customs, which, if not

respected, widen the breach, and more particularly by the language.

In the spring of 1885, the school in Azabu was in working order, or sufficiently so to allow of my thoughts following their bent. I was oppressed by my inability to reach more of the women of the churches, and through them the neighbors and friends who knew not the Gospel. Every opportunity I could get I urged the women to try and induce some others to come and hear the preaching. The burden grew heavier upon my own spirit, the feeble effort I was making in the weekly Bible class seemed so futile; I knew few ideas could be gathered from my lispings of the language; I knew too, if the earnest Christians among those who attended the class would only understand and embrace their privilege, they could do infinitely more by visiting in the homes where they could find admittance, by telling the story of the Cross as it had reached their hearts. Then, as soon as an interest had been awakened, read the Bible and invite to the services, where the Scriptures would be expounded. I was made happy by seeing some respond. At the Annual District Meeting of that year, I talked to the Japanese pastors of the importance of getting the women of their churches at work. They spoke of the women's ignorance, and the difficulties in the way. "A woman's place was in her home; the cares of her home and children would leave her no time, etc." Still I urged, and was rejoiced to find Mr. Hiraiwa understood me, and said he knew one woman in Hamamatsu, who was very zealous, and had already brought several of her friends to church. I offered to make her a small allowance monthly that she might afford to give a little time systematically to the visiting, if he would superintend her work, and guide her as much as possible in studying for it. This was done as an experiment, therefore I did not use Society funds till I knew if it was sufficiently successful to justify me doing so. In the fall, Mr. Yamanaka recommended Mrs. Hiyama as Bible-woman for the Ushigomi Church, Tokyo, and Mr. Asagawa recommended Mrs. Wadda for the church in Kofu.

I drew up a set of rules for the guidance of the pastors as well as the women, for it was impossible for me, on account of the churches being scattered, to superintend the work in person. I knew, if it was done well the pastors must take it as part of their own church work, guide the Bible-women, and help to qualify them for the work required, as the pastors had the work to do, and could best judge of the capabilities of the helpers. I had them define a three years course of reading, upon which they are to make an annual examination. The first was held this year in May, and the results sent me show that attention has been paid to my requests, and I have no doubt the stress laid upon this will awaken thought, stimulate to the most intelligent effort on the part of the Bible-women and increase the confidence of those who observe their work, at the same time accomplishing my desire in making the Japanese pastors feel that the success of the work largely depends upon them, and that the lady missionary in charge will look to them as responsible. The experiment has proved to them as well as to me, that this department will grow into a most valuable auxiliary in building up the churches. But it needs wise superintendence, and by a person who will not be impatient during the day of small things, who will constantly add stimulant with encouragement to the workers, who are inclined to be themselves too easily discouraged by the slow results and the frequent rebuffs they meet in their house to house visitation. If it is ever possil persuaded that those they seek duct services, s teresting and a tion, and the d

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Though s Oyabu San be it is ever possible for the lady missionary to visit the churches in the interior, I am persuaded that even her presence would cheer and gratify the Bible women there, and those they seek to influence. If she is able to take an interpreter with her and conduct services, she will be able to give new ideas, making the social services more interesting and attractive. This brings back to me my own aspirations in that direction, and the discipline of heart that came with the frequent disappointment.

My inability lessened the expenses of the year. Out of the appropriation of \$400, only 213 yen, 825 sen, were expended, as shown by the financial statement.

Much as it might be desired to have one lady devote her time exclusively to the Evangelistic work, the pressure of the Educational Department will make that impossible at present, unless the school is reinforced. The success of the future depends upon the schools. From them our well instructed workers are to come—already coming—for out of the Azabu School go every Sunday teachers for the various Sabbath Schools; but Mrs. Large hopes that the burdens and responsibilities of the school may be so divided that one of their number may have sufficient leisure to give even more attention to the Evangelistic work than it has received in the past. I would recommend the Board to give the ladies there power to provide as best they can for the needs of this department.

The monthly reports I required from each Bible woman gave me at first simply the names of those visited and the number of times they went to the same place. I was unreasonable enough to feel the time long till something more was mentioned. I tried to inform myself of what was being done by watching how many names were repeated month after month, and was delighted to find I could understand the difficulties the women were meeting. Many would make them feel they were unwelcome, and their names would not appear more than once. Others would enjoy the break upon the monotony of home seclusion, but worldly cares would prevent an intelligent hearing. But perhaps you would like to hear the quaint, concise renderings of the later reports.

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Mrs. Nagai says: "I had a talk with Suye, wife of police Tikitara San. She seems to be impressed with the truth, attends the preaching room, grows in faith and studies the Bible.

Toshi, wife of Dr. Toyama, grows in faith, asks for baptism for herself, two sons and two daughters.

Later.—Her parents do not permit her to be baptised, but she still continues to grow in faith and study of the Bible. She began to offer some money and comes to the preaching room every Monday and Thursday."

Mrs. Hiyama says: "Rokugo San is a noble woman, has many servants, and attends Sunday school with her two daughters and two maidservants; later, Rokugo San, often visited, but some insurmountable obstacle lies before her way. Many servants wait on her. She is rich in the things of this world. May she be led to the way of salvation. God grant she may come to church again. Visited Konishi and Shimidzu San's mother, talked about salvation and read the Bible.

Often visit Takeda's wife. A Greek Christian daily comes to her and persecutes her. The meaning between the Greek and Protestant is not clear. She is much troubled. I pray God she may learn the true salvation. I thank God I was able to talk to people. Please pray God for my work."

Mrs. Murata, Tsukiji Church, says: "Visited Oyaha San. This sister has some faith, but her husband dislikes Christianity. Visited again; she was sick, but heard me gladly. Next visit, her husband at home, therefore, too busy for me to talk to them. Besides the Friday meeting in Tsukiji, have a weekly meeting in Kuramitsu. Only a few attend, but their interest increases. Visited Asano San, read the Bible and prayed. The family seem to hear gladly. Visited those not present at the meeting. Attended Ushingome for examination. Saw both Saito San and husband. After we had conversed on what has one to do in Christian religion and a few other subjects, we offered prayer. At another house, talked about salvation of the soul, read the Bible and prayed.

Though some do not come to believe the doctrine yet, they study the Bible. Oyabu San believes both Christ and His doctrine; but her husband, being a very

busy merchant, never listens to Christian teaching. I am very sorry that he does not like Christianity without any reason but his own ignorance; and I am earnestly praying to our Lord for Mrs. Oyabu."

Mrs. Wadda, Kofu, says: "Both Mrs. Toyobara and Mrs. Unno have greatly increased in their faith in the Lord and will attend the services. Mrs. Endo starts

to study the Bible, and attends the Church regularly."

Mrs. Wadda gives few items in her reports, but makes the greatest number of visits, recording and giving names of 35, 40 and even 71 visits in one month. Mr. Tsuchiya values her work highly. Says she does much good. She is the poorest and most illiterate; yet constrained by the love of God and the personal joy of salvation, began telling her neighbors and friends before we heard of her.

Mrs. Sabashi was appointed as Bible woman for the Azabu Church just before I left Japan. I have had the joy of watching her Christian life from the beginning. I knew she couldn't fail to do good from her cheerful account of what she knew of

Christ.

From her reports I learn of two who have received baptism, and seven more who are candidates. Her reports speak for themselves, and Mrs. Large most highly

commends her.

That the pastor of Hamamatsu asks for a Bible woman and recommends one of his congregation, pleases me very much, as it shows the pastors are seeing how to put to good account the natural outcome of life among these members in Christ. No words can express my gratitude, that the Lord has vouchsafed to accept and bless the feeble efforts put forth in this evangelistic work, and fulfilled His promise to make His followers "fishers of men."

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OF THE

# WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

OF THE

# METHODIST CHURCH.

# ART. I.—NAME.

This Association shall be called "THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST CHURCH."

# ART. II.—OBJECT.

The object of this Society shall be to engage the efforts of Christian women in the evangelization of heathen women and children; to aid in sustaining female missionaries and teachers, or other special laborers in connection with mission work, in foreign and home fields; and to raise funds for the work of the Society.

# ART. III.—MEMBERSHIP.

The payment of one dollar annually, either at one time or in instalments, shall constitute membership, and twenty-five dollars given by one person at one time, or in instalments during the year, shall constitute a life membership.

# ART. IV.—ORGANIZATION.

The organization of this Society shall consist of a Board of Managers, co-ordinate branches, and auxiliary societies, to be constituted and limited as laid down in subsequent articles.

# ART. V.—BOARD OF MANAGERS.

Section 1.—The management and general administration of the affairs of the Society shall be vested in a Board of Managers, consisting of the President and Corresponding Secretary of each branch,

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and delegates from each branch in the proportion of one to every hundred members, which delegates, together with two alternates, shall be elected at the branch annual meetings, said meetings to be held within two months before the meeting of the Board of Managers. Said Board shall meet annually or oftener, at such time and place as it shall annually determine. The President of each branch is by virtue of her office a Vice-President of the Board of Managers.

SEC. 2.—That the Officers of the Board of Managers shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, and Treasurer, these to be elected at the annual meeting of the Board.

SEC. 3.—To transact business during the year, the Officers of the Board of Managers with the President of each branch shall ex officio form an Executive Committee, five of whom shall form a quorum.

SEC. 4.—The duties of the Board of Managers shall be: (1) to take into consideration the interests and demands of the entire work of the Society, as presented in the reports of the branch Corresponding Secretaries, and the estimates of the needs of mission fields, to ascertain the financial condition of the Society, to appropriate its funds, to devise the means for the carrying forward of the work to be undertaken by each; suggesting the amounts to be raised, employing suitable missionaries as the work may require, designating their fields of labor, and examining the reports of those employed. (2) To appoint a committee to arrange for the publication of an annual report of the work of this Society. (3) To transact any other business that the interests of the Society may demand, provided all the plans and the directions of the Board shall be in harmony with the provisions of the constitution.

## ART. VI.—BRANCHES.

Section i.—Branches may be organized according to Conferences. This plan, however, may be changed by an affirmative vote of three-fourths of the Board of Managers present at any annual meeting of the same.

SEC. 2.—The officers of each branch of the Society shall consist of a President, three or more Vice-Presidents, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, and an Auditor. These, with the exception of Auditor, shall constitute an executive committee for the administration of the affairs of the branch, five of whom shall be a quorum.

SEC. 3.—The President or one of the Vice-Presidents shall preside at all meetings of the branch and of its Executive Committee. She shall sign all drafts upon the treasury before they are paid.

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of the consistbranch, The Recording Secretary shall notify all the meetings of the branch, and of its Executive Committee, and shall keep a full record of the proceedings.

The Corresponding Secretary shall, under the direction of the Executive Committee, conduct any official correspondence with the other branches, with its auxiliaries, hereinafter mentioned, and with the Secretary of the Board of Managers, and shall endeavor, by all practicable means, to form auxiliary societies within the prescribed territory of the branch. It shall also be her duty to present to the annual meeting of the Board of Managers a report of the work of the branch during the year, for publication in their annual report.

The Treasurer shall receive all contributions to the branch, keeping proper books of account, and shall forward the money quarterly to the Treasurer of the Board of Managers.

SEC. 4—The Executive Committee shall meet at the call of the President and Secretary as often as may be necessary, to transact any business that may arise between the annual sessions of the Board.

Sec. 5.—No branch shall project new work, or undertake the support of new missionaries, except by the direction or with the approval of the Board of Managers.

SEC. 6.—Each branch may make its own by-laws, regulating its own meetings and those of its Executive Committee, also any others which may be deemed necessary to its efficiency, not inconsistent with this Constitution.

# ART. VII.—AUXILIARY SOCIETIES.

Any number of women contributing at least one dollar each annually, may form a Society auxiliary to that branch of the Woman's Missionary Society within whose prescribed limits they may reside, by appointing a President, one or more Vice-Presidents, a Recording Secretary, a Corresponding Secretary and a Treasurer, who together shall constitute a local Executive Committee.

# ART. VIII.—RELATION TO THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

SECTION I.—This Society shall work in harmony with the authorities of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Church, and be subject to their approval in the employment and remuneration of missionaries or other agents, the designation of fields of labor, and in the general plans and designs of the work.

Sec. 2.—All missionaries or other agents supported or aided by this Society shall be approved, before appointment, by the constituted auth-

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## ART. IX.—CHANGE OF CONSTITUTION.

This Constitution may be changed at any annual meeting of the Board of Managers by a two-thirds vote of each branch delegation, notice of such amendment having been given to each branch before its annual meeting; but Art. VIII shall not be changed except with the concurrence of the General Board of Missions of the Methodist Church.

## BY-LAWS.

1. The Corresponding Secretary of each Branch shall be required to furnish in her report, in schedule form, to the annual meeting of the Board of Managers, the following items:-

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Number of Mission Bands. Number of Mission Band Members. Total Number of Members. Number of Public Meetings. Number of Monthly Meetings. Average Attendance Monthly Meetings. Total Number of Meetings.

Also a list of Life Members and Annual Members, and the report of the Branch Treas-

- 2. Each Branch Treasurer shall furnish the Corresponding Secretary an annual report, in schedule form, of monies received by her quarterly, and the sources of income.
- 3. The General Treasurer shall publish each quarter, in the Outlook, the monies received by her.

# RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, "That to prevent confusion in returns of the total number of members in the Auxiliaries, the names of life-members be retained in the auxiliary where they paid their fee, unless they wish otherwise, and in case of removal, a certificate of life-membership, signed by the President and Recording Secretary of the General Board of Managers, be given, and such member be entitled to all the privileges of membership in the auxiliary where she may reside, and that all contributions from life-members be entered as donations to the auxiliary, and that the names of life-members be published in the annual report, with the place of residence attached."

Resolved, "That the sum of twenty-five cents be charged each life-member wishing a certificate."

Resolved, "That the annual meeting of the Board of Managers be held in the third week of October, leaving power with the President and Corresponding Secretary to postpone to the fourth if necessary."



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# Auxiliary of the Woman's Missionary Society

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# ART. I.—NAME.

This Association shall be called "THE ...... AUXILIARY TO THE ..... BRANCH OF THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST CHURCH."

## ART. II.—OBJECT.

Its object shall be to aid the Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist Church in its work of engaging the efforts of Christian women in the evangelization of heathen women and children; to assist in sustaining female missionaries and teachers, or other special laborers in foreign or home fields; and to raise funds for the work of this Society.

# ART. III.—MEMBERSHIP.

Any person paying annually the sum of one dollar, at one time or in instalments, to the funds of this Society, shall be deemed a member, and as such shall be entitled to be present at the annual meeting of the Society, and vote at the election of Officers and Board of Management. Twenty-five dollars given by one person at one time, or in instalments during the year, shall constitute a Life Membership.

# ART. IV.—OFFICERS.

The Officers shall consist of a President, one or more Vice-Presidents, a Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, and Treasurer, to be elected from among the members at the annual meeting.

# ART. V.—COMMITTEE.

A Committee of ....... ladies shall be appointed annually, who, with the Officers, shall conduct the affairs of the Auxiliary during the year.

ART. VI.—ANNUAL MEETING.

An annual meeting shall be held in the month of September, at which the reports of the Secretary and Treasurer shall be presented, an abstract of which is to be forwarded immediately to the Secretary of that branch of the W. M. S. to which the Auxiliary belongs; Officers and Committee elected for the ensuing year, and such services held as may tend to promote the objects of the Society.

# ART. VII.—FUNDS.

The funds of this Society shall be derived from membership fees, the proceeds of missionary socials, sewing circles, or the like, and from voluntary donations by friends.

# ART. VIII.—Appropriation of Funds.

After meeting necessary local expenses, the funds raised by the Auxiliary shall be transmitted quarterly to the Branch Treasurer, to be applied to the support of such part of the work as the Central Board of Management may indicate.

Note.—Any Auxiliary having a preference for any special department of the work is at liberty to designate it.

# BY-LAWS FOR AUXILIARIES.

r. It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all the meetings of the Society, and to supervise its general interests. She shall call special meetings upon the request of three members, and shall be ex officio a member of all standing Committees. She shall sign all drafts upon the treasury before they are paid.

2. It shall be the duty of the Vice-Presidents to perform the duties of the President in the absence of that Officer, and to aid in devising means for the efficiency of the Society.

3. The Recording Secretary shall keep a fair record of the proceedings at all meetings of the Society or Committee, and give proper notice of all special and stated meetings.

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4. It shall be the duty of the Corresponding Secretary to report quarterly to the Corresponding Secretary of the branch the number of members, the amount sent to the branch Treasurer for the quarter, and any other items indicating the state of the Society. She shall, in connection with the Recording Secretary, prepare the annual report.

5. The Treasurer shall receive, hold and keep an account of all money given to the Auxiliary, and shall transmit the same quarterly to the

branch Treasurer, not later than the 20th of the month.

6. Meetings of the Society for prayer and business shall be held..... Once a quarter, if practicable, a public meeting shall be held, in which reports shall be read, addresses given and every effort made to increase general missionary intelligence and zeal, as well as earnestness in the special work of the Society.

7. There shall be a standing Committee of three or more to provide literary exercises of a missionary character for monthly and quarterly

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8. If an office becomes vacant by death, resignation, or removal, it must be filled by the appointment of the Committee, until the next an-

nual meeting.

9. Each lady connected with this Society shall try to induce others to become members, and shall do what she can to add to the general interests, remembering in prayer daily the Society, its workers, missionaries, orphans, or other special interests.

10. At the annual meeting of each Auxiliary in September, delegates to the branch annual meeting shall be elected in the proportion of one for every Auxiliary numbering twenty-five or under, and two for every

Auxiliary numbering fifty or more.

# ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR MONTHLY MEETINGS.

Devotional Exercises.

2.—Reading and Approval of Minutes.

3.—Report of Treasurer in writing.

4.—Report of Corresponding Secretary.

5.—Reports from members of what they have done for the good of the Society during the past month.

6.—Unfinished Business and Enrollment of New Members.

7.—Miscellaneous Business.

8.—Adjournment.

# MISSION BANDS.

1. An association of young people, banded together to aid the Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist Church, shall be called a Mission Band Auxiliary to the Missionary Society of the church in which it is found, or to the Branch in whose territory it is.

2. Anyone may become a member of the mission band by the annual payment of twenty-five cents.

3. The Officers of a band shall be a President, Secretary and Treasurer, who shall be elected annually.

4. The duty of the President shall be to preside at all stated meetings, and to have a general oversight of the work of the band.

5. The duty of the Secretary shall be to keep a record of the proceedings of the band, and make an annual report to the Missionary Society to which it is auxiliary, or to the Branch in whose bounds it is.

6. The Treasurer shall receive and hold all funds, paying the same annually to the Treasurer of the Auxiliary or the Branch in which the Band is formed.

7. Each mission band must select an appropriate name not already in use, and report the same to the Society to which its money is sent.

8. Any mission band numbering forty members or over shall be entitled to one representative at the Branch annual meeting, but she shall not be eligible to any office in the Branch, or election to the Board of Managers, except she be a member of an Auxiliary.



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# REQUIREMENTS FOR MISSIONARY CANDIDATES.

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1. A missionary candidate must believe herself divinely called to the work of a foreign missionary, and assert her belief that she is actuated only by a desire to work in accordance with God's will.

2. She must here indicate her ability to work in a foreign field by Christian usefulness at home.

She must declare her intention to make foreign missionary work the service of her effective years, and agree to give at least five of these years of continuous service, as a single woman, to the work of the Woman's Missionary Society, unless prevented by ill health; she must also assert her willingness to labor in any field, though her preference is always to be taken into account.

4. She must furnish satisfactory testimonials in regard to scholarship, and we regard some experience in teaching and a knowledge of medicine and nursing as desirable qualifications.

5. The age of a candidate must not be less that twenty-two years, nor more than thirty. A thorough intellectual training, with a facility in acquiring languages, and a remarkable ability for Christian work, may be considered as a sufficient reason for deviation from this rule.

6. Financial and executive ability, and power of adaptation to circumstances, are essential qualifications.

7. She must present a certificate of health from a competent physician, and give satisfactory answers to the medical questions.

8. Resolved, "That every missionary candidate be required to sign the following contract:"

1st, I, ...., agree to conform to the above requirements and conditions while in the employ of the Woman's Missionary Society, and failing in this, to refund the amount of outfit and passage money.

and, After the adoption of a missionary candidate, she shall be regarded as under the direction of the General Executive Committee.

# QUESTIONS TO MISSIONARY APPLICANTS.

1. Do you trust that you are inwardly moved by the Holy Ghost totake upon you the work of a foreign missionary?

2. Do you desire and intend to make this your life work, and are you willing to labor in any field?

3. Have you any experimental knowledge of salvation through the atonement of Jesus Christ our Lord?

4. Have you an earnest desire to win souls to Christ, and how has this desire been manifest in the past?

5. Do you believe in the doctrines of the Methodist Church, as set forth in the Book of Discipline of said Church?

6. Have you a thorough English education?

7. Have you studied Latin or any modern language; what proficiency have you made, and do you readily acquire the same?

8. In what schools have you taught, and with what success?

9. Have you a knowledge of music, either vocal or instrumental?

10. What is the condition of your health?

11. Have you ever been married? If so, is your husband living?

12. Will you answer by testimonials to each of these questions?

