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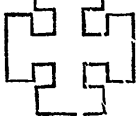
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MEMBERS' PRAYER.

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

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

REMEMBER AT NOON TO PRAY FOR MISSIONS.

Subjects for Prayer and Reading: November—Algoma, South America and Mexico. December—Diocesan; Corea.

EDITORIAL.

At the Triennial Meeting the report of the LEAFLET and Printing Committee advised changes in the arrangement of the reading matter, as shown in this issue. With the exception of Quebec, the LEAFLET Editors of each Diocesan Auxiliary were present at the meeting which endorsed the report; the proviso was added by request of Mrs. Boomer, of Huron, that at the close of six months, if the concensus of opinion to be taken by vote at the Annual Meetings of Diocesan Branches is numerically *adverse* to the change, a return to the arrangements of the past will be made. With this November issue the LEAFLET enters upon its tenth year. The Specimen Copy, printed September 1888, says of the proposed Auxiliary paper. *Its object is to promote a deeper interest in our work, by giving more publicity to letters received from our various Missionaries.*" We feel therefore that the first pages of our LEAFLET should adhere to their original intention. The lists of Diocesan Officers will be found in the order of the founding of each Diocese, letters and Branch news will follow a similar rule; we hope space may be given for "Notes and Queries." Many persons desire information upon various points, and should the Editor-in-Chief find such questions are sent in, the Query Corner will remain open up to the 22nd of each month. Our paper and type are improved, Mr. Parker, our printer, has remodelled the cover at his own expense, and the arrangement of reading matter gives us increased space, very little effort on the part of our Auxiliaries would bring up the circulation to 10,000 monthly. If "The love of Christ constraineth us," we will surely do our best to fulfil one of the direct

duties of the Auxiliary women, viz., to tell others of our work, and by means of the LEAFLET pages, an enormous amount of Missionary information is gained.

The Editor-in-Chief much regrets that the LEAFLET space at her disposal, obliged the Triennial Report to be very concise; and also apologizes to the Ottawa W.A. for inadvertently omitting to mention that they kindly placed their three pages for October, at the disposal of the Editor for the Triennial Report.

More advertisements are needed for the vacant spaces; the Provincial pages, as distinctively such, are given up, and the Editor-in-chief has to rely upon the proceeds of the advertisements to cover the cost of the four pages of reading matter, which we would all be reluctant to give up. Orders for suitable advertisements may be sent to the Editor-in-Chief, 83 Wellesley street, Toronto.

The Conference between the House of Bishops, the D. and F. Board and the W.A., held on Saturday Morning at the conclusion of the Triennial Meeting, in Montreal, will never be forgotten by those who had the privilege of being present, and the good results we may be sure, will, with God's blessing, be far reaching. At the request of the President, the Chair was taken by the Bishop of Montreal, the first speaker being the Bishop of Quebec. His Lordship after speaking in congratulatory terms of the work of the W.A., dwelt upon the need of perfect co-operation between the D. and F. Board and the W.A., in order to prevent loss and waste of energy, and suggested that a remedy to prevent overlapping in the work of distribution of funds would be that the officers of the Board should be ex-officio members of the Board of Management of D. and F., so that the opinion of the W.A. might be expressed and its operations more fully known. The Bishop of Ottawa also urged the need of frequent conferences between the two Boards, and a fuller understanding of the methods and plans of work carried on by the W.A. The Bishop of Montreal read the message sent to the W.A. from some of the Board asking that \$30,000 be raised by them Annually, and given in undesignated.

Mrs. Tilton then called upon a member of the W.A. from each of the Dioceses to express their opinion as to the feasibility of the plan outlined. All who spoke, while stating the desire of their Diocesan

Branches to afford the Board all loyal assistance possible, yet felt sure that the scheme suggested would be quite unfeasible. Mrs. Williamson for Toronto, and Miss Montizambert, spoke particularly of the fact that we do not, and never have worked independently, that all appeals made to us must have the sanction of the Bishop of the Diocese whence it comes; that our pledges are those that have been given us by the Board, or have been approved by them, and that most of the money given by the members of the W.A. is the result of self-denial in many little ways. The Bishop of Nova Scotia followed in a most affecting address, saying in the beginning that he thanked God for the Conference which had brought ones thoughts back from the deadening effect of Committee work to the living realization of the fact that the work to which we are pledged is that of saving souls. He thanked God also for what had been told of the great power which is in the work, and which leads on to the putting self aside for the Glory of God. He was not sure that it would be right or wise to urge any change of plan in the method of carrying on the work. The Bishop of Huron dwelt upon the fact of the importance of unity as apart from uniformity, all nature teaching the lesson of a wealth of diversity, and urged greater unity and the realization of individual responsibility. The Rev. Mr. Troop of St. Martin's, Montreal, was the last speaker, he also urging the importance of true unity of Spirit and of aim, while a diversity of operation was not only possible, but essential. The Bishops of Toronto and Niagara were also present, as well as a number of the Clerical and Lay Members of the Board of Management. Want of space has made it necessary to give but the merest outline of what one of the clergymen present afterwards described as "The most helpful feature of the Meeting of the Board," and but a foretaste of the many like Conferences which he hoped would be held in the future

Letters from our Missionaries.—Domestic.

QUEBEC.

Extract of letter from Mrs. C. S. Wilcox, Windsor, Nova Scotia.

"I wrote to Rev. E. Thomas, Fort Alexander, asking if they had received the bale of clothing. I have received a letter from him in which he says they got the bale all right, and Mr. Wilson, teacher,

wrote and acknowledged it, but the letter must have gone astray. Miss Sarah E. Millidge wrote to me, *re.* the missing bale, offering to make enquiries, etc., she is, as you may know, Diocesan Cor Sec., W.A., of Rupert's Land. Miss Millidge intends visiting Landsdown Mission in the summer, D.V., and will write us an account of the work done there. You might like extracts from the letter Mr. Thomas wrote. He says they need help, as there are many widows and orphans in his Missions who are very badly off indeed. *Extract* - 'I have a large district to attend to, comprising three Mission Stations and a distance of about one hundred miles. A great many are Christian Indins, and quite a number are still heathen, but, am glad to say, are slowly receiving the glad tidings of salvation, as it is in Jesus At Hole River I built a School House, and also repaired the teacher's house, and at Beech River started to build another, but was unable to finish it because I had to make a house at this Mission for Mr. Wilson We are expecting His Grace the Archbishop out here at Christmas, to hold a confirmation.' Mr. Thomas is most anxious to have a Christmas tree, and hopes for assistance."

HURON.

From Rev. Charles Weaver, Wapuskaw, to Mrs. Boomer.

My attention has just been called to a notice in the July LEAFLET of our not having acknowledged a bale sent from Walkerton The only way I can account for it is the difficulty in freighting; bales are shipped to us in summer and often we do not get them for a year; if they do not arrive at the Landing while the River is open, they remain there till spring. Even now at the Hudson Bay Company's warehouse, above the Pelican Rapids, in Athabasca, several bales are lying, which will have to remain there till sleighing time, as bringing in freight by canoe is very expensive and unsatisfactory. With regard to the bale in question, I acknowledged the letter I received about it, and intended to write again when we received it, but must have omitted to do so. I do not remember opening any bale marked from Walkerton, but we had three bales that had nothing by which we could identify them, so please thank these kind ladies very much and tell them I am very sorry indeed about the matter; I know it is very discouraging for ladies to do faithful work, and then hear

nothing of it, but if they knew the difficulty of freighting, and the chance way in which letters are sent out and arrive in, they would not wonder that we have occasional slips in the matter."

From Mrs. Spendlove, Fort Norman, July 4th, to Mrs. English.

I was so pleased to receive your letter two days ago, thank you for all the kind expressions it contains, and thank you most sincerely for bringing my letter before your Huron Woman's Auxiliary. We shall be most grateful to receive a bale of clothing for our poor Indians. I know it is difficult to get money to pay the freight, but rather than be without your bales, and the useful clothing they contain, we would bear the expense from Edmonton. Some of our poor old Indians are almost naked, and poor mothers are constantly asking me for something to cover their little children. Many a poor mother travelling through the woods, is expecting a little stranger for which she has no covering but a rabbit skin. No bale reached us last year from England, so I have had to give away what I could spare of my own clothing. I am never at a loss to turn old things into new, but I cannot make something out of nothing. This year has been full of trials and blessings. A dear little baby girl was born to us in September, and while she lived she was such a comfort to us, but she died in January. It was a most touching sight to see the savage Red Indian weep at her little grave as we sang "Safe in the arms of Jesus." We have been very busy but God has blessed our work. Our medical work has been much blessed. My husband has been building a nice church for the Indians, he having to be his own architect, carpenter, etc., with only native help, inferior workmen and tools, and scarcity of food. We have about 30 communicants here now, and hope ere long others will join us."

From Mrs. Stringer, Eskimo Camp, between Herschell Island and Peel River, May 31st, 1898, to Mrs. Newton, Strathroy.

"I am sure you would be amused if you could see me now, seated on some willows with my feet to the fire, and my portfolio on my knee, in our Eskimo Camp. It is my first experience of actually living with the Eskimo, it is rather a strange one, and I am glad it does not last always; I am afraid I would have a broken back ere long. They never think of sitting anywhere but on the floor; in fact

the houses are not high enough to have chairs. There are four families in the house with us, so our space is rather limited—we are fourteen in all. The stove, which has been made from sheet iron at the ships, is in the middle of the house and there are no partitions. The house is not high enough to stand upright in, except in the middle, but it is a very small space. You can imagine what close quarters we are in with the "Innuits," they are certainly raw material; etiquette is entirely out of the question; but this tribe is clean compared with others. We came to this camp about three days ago, and expect to remain still three or four. We are now about sixty miles from Herschell Island; we left there a week ago, and slept twice on the way, travelling by night and sleeping during the day. We had sunlight all night, so we might say there was no night. But it is impossible to travel in the day time, as the snow is so soft and the dogs find it hard work. We had nine dogs on our sled. Rowena was not very well on the way coming, but now she is enjoying herself with her friends the Eskimo; they all think a great deal of her. When we reached here we were quite played out, and our faces were, and are, red and sore with the sun and wind, and I was glad to get to an Eskimo Camp, where there was a warm stove and a warm welcome. Koonuh, the head of the family of three, whose bed is next to ours, is one of our encouraging natives, he is always anxious to be learning the hymns, and more about the Bible; it is in his boat we expect to go to the Fort. Yesterday and to day have been quite cold, and we keep the fire going pretty lively."

From Peel River, July 9th, Mrs. Stringer writes again.

"We reached here on the 16th of June, in a whale boat with the Eskimo; twelve of us, besides three dogs, so we were pretty well crowded. We are now comfortably settled in our new house here, Mr. Stringer built it, and it is roomy and comfortable. Peel River is quite a town now; eighty white men all bound for the mines have passed, and two-hundred boats, it is reported, are on their way here. But several of the men lose heart to find, on reaching here, that they have eighty miles of portage across mountains to make. Regarding our work, we have the good will of all the Eskimo, and whenever we have service for them, there is a good attendance."

ONTARIO.

To Mrs. Dobbs, St. Paul's, Brockville, from the Rev. George Bruce,
Fairford Mission.

"I am thankful to say that your valuable and useful bale of clothing arrived in good condition. I must say the articles of your model bale were highly appreciated; every article sent could not have been better selected. Ladies have a peculiar gift in exactly knowing the wants and needs of poor people, though they may be thousands of miles apart; it is needless to comment upon these things, every article was acceptable as well as serviceable. Sometimes I think our circumstances may hardly be understood by people living in a civilized country where things are easily obtained; but when, as we are now, over a hundred miles from the railroad, and when any article is required we have to sit down and count the cost. The linen thread which came in your bale was the cause of much rejoicing, we were destitute of thread at the time, as well as tea, sugar and ginger. Dear Mrs. Dobbs we cannot, or ever will be able to thank you and your kind co-workers for your unbounded liberality. Fairford and Sandy Bay owe lasting obligations to your kind Auxiliary, pen and ink cannot describe the good you are doing. You kindly enquire about Mr. J. Fabell having to pay \$2.25 for freight. *Nestbourne*, where the bales are landed, is a little over 100 miles from here, so it is the freight from there to here, another item. I could not charge you freight, I always paid it myself, feeling you did enough when you paid the bale to *Nestbourne*. I may mention that last Sunday I baptized an adult and an infant, the Sunday before two infants; in looking at the register, I find the number I have baptized is near 900 persons. I am now instructing the third generation, and I am not such a very old man for all this. We are expecting the Inspector of Indian Agencies, when the Schools will be examined. We are preparing the children in a small way; the subjects will be History, Geography, Grammar, Bible History, Arithmetic, Drawing, Writing, and Vocal and Instrumental Music. I may say this will be the first time for an Indian girl to play on the Harmonium. We received a second-hand one last Fall, no music books, but had to persevere under difficulties, and now Isabella can assist at the services on the Sunday."

NIAGARA.

From Mr. Dobbs, Lake St. Martin, to Miss Collier, Orangeville.

Speaking of the money sent the little blind boy, referred to in October LEAFLET, Mr. Dobbs says: "As his fiddling outfit was pretty well stocked, he determined to put it into wearables. He rigged himself out with a miscellaneous assortment of clothes, the trader, out of sympathy for the little lad's affliction, giving him much more than the money would ordinarily purchase. He was highly delighted with your kindness, and desires me to tell you that he is very grateful to you. The violin has been truly a blessing to him. Before he got it he ordinarily amused himself groping around for something to handle, wondering how it appeared and mystified when the appearances of various objects were explained to him. Once he caught hold of a snake and called out that he had found a living rope! He dropped it quickly upon some one crying out in alarm that it was a snake, and no more serious consequences followed than the fright he received. He has now, however, a more pleasant source of amusement, and never fails to derive the utmost pleasure and satisfaction from it." In closing Mr Dobbs suggests that a few *steel* strings sent him about Christmas would be an advantage to him.

From Miss Marsh, Onion Lake, Saskatchewan, to Mrs. Chadwick, Guelph.

"The household is reduced as Miss Philips and Miss Shaw, with all the children, except three boys and two girls, have gone camping a distance of 35 miles away. They are enjoying it immensely, and get lovely fish. A bear visited their nets one morning and carried off some of the fish. There are some boys of 15 and 16, nice looking boys, but so ignorant, some of them can read pretty well others only beginning—Roman Catholics, so of course have not been taught the Bible at all. Poor fellows they are so anxious to learn, just drink in what they hear. I often take some of the boys to a shady place and have a read with them, the Bible is so new to them one could hardly realize their ignorance. One or two have asked me to mark in their Bibles the part I was reading, that they might go over it again. They ask questions as we go on; it is a real pleasure to be able to teach them, I feel thankful for the opportunity.

What the W.A. does is really wonderful, always seem to send just what is required. We were short of buttons for pants, and had cut them off all the old ones. Well, last week a bale came in, in it was found a little bag of exactly the buttons we wanted."

OTTAWA.

From Mrs. Jones, Emmanuel College, Prince Albert, to Secretary St. George's W.A., Ottawa.

"Everything you sent is so nice and useful, and as for the tweed, it is splendid. I made a very nice little pair of trousers out of the piece of dark cloth you sent, and they were such a success, I intend to try and make up the tweed myself, which will be a great saving to the Archdeacon, who has so many expenses to meet. The little dresses which you thought would be too small, will do nicely by adding a flounce. Out of the blue flannelette we made such nice little pinafores and dresses; you cannot think how pretty the two little ones looked on Sunday. I was so glad to get the pillow slips, which we wanted very badly. I must not neglect to mention the most important articles, trousers, coats and over-coats, which are always so welcome, also the dresses, which fit so well and are made so nicely. indeed I cannot find words to thank you enough for everything.

Letters from our Missionaries—Foreign.

TORONTO.

Rev. H. Hamilton, Gifu, Japan, to the Girl's Auxiliary, Collingwood.

"Very many thanks indeed for your donation of \$4 towards our Blind School work. My sister will have told you that on arrival in Japan it more than doubled, becoming \$8.12 of Japanese money; you can't buy as much with one dollar Japanese as you can with one dollar Canadian, however, but in some things it goes nearly, if not quite as far. For instance, the assistant teacher in our school, who works every morning, gets a salary of only five Japanese dollars a month, and the pupils who board in the school only pay \$3.60. Japanese, per month for their food; I think it would be very difficult to feed a young Canadian on 12 cents a day, no boarding house keeper could do it at all events. I shall tell you, then, what we intend

doing with your money. There are a great many blind girls, as well as boys and, of course, girls, as well as boys, need an education and to know how to make a living, even though nearly every Japanese girl gets married, the wives in the poorer households, not only have to keep house, but to help the husbands make a livelihood as well. At present we only have one dormitory in our Blind School and no room for another. It is not a large room, only 12 by 18 feet, and there are seven students living in it; you see, then, that we have no way of helping the blind women. Living in some other house and coming in the morning for lessons is not very satisfactory, as there are many things to distract them in the other houses, and on rainy days it is very hard for a blind person to get out and find her way to school, and rainy days are plentiful in Japan. If the girl comes from a distance she would have to stay at a boarding house, and boarding houses for the blind are very few and very bad, and another reason, the strongest of all, is that those who live outside cannot be told of Christ Jesus our Lord and influenced for Him as those in the building can, not only that, but those with whom they live would be generally opposed to Christianity and would do all they could to keep them from learning of Christ and coming to Him. We wish them to enlarge our building so that we can have a dormitory for women as well as more room for men; \$600 would buy the land and house adjoining ours and would give us plenty of room for a long time to come; I mean Japanese dollars, so that only 300 Canadian dollars are needed, you have given me \$4 of that. \$5 came from a W.A. thank-offering and \$6 balance from the extra-cent-a-day fund sent us by the Toronto Diocese W.A. in April last, to pay off the debt on our present building, so you see I have already one-twentieth of the money needed. I am going to ask you to ask the Lord, that not only yourselves, but many other women and girls may be made both willing and wise-hearted to help in this work. Please read the 35th chapter of Exodus and you will see what I mean. 'It was only the offering of a willing heart that was pleasing to the Lord;' some who were willing had, perhaps, little or nothing to give, but some of these had wise hearts and they made the things needed, even spinning the coarse goat's hair for the tent cover. Nothing was too hard for the willing heart, nothing too great, and nothing too small, and if there

be first a willing heart it is accepted according to that one hath, not according to that one hath not. I am glad none of you are blind, and you are glad, too, I think, and so you will from thankfulness to the Giver of all good, gladly help your sisters in darkness, not only that they may have more of this world's gladness, but that their eyes may see the King in His beauty."

Extracts from Miss Thomas' letter, South America.

" July 1st.—It was a very cold morning, there was a white world outside. No, not snow, but frost; the ice was not all gone off the pools of water by 9.30, although the sun was shining brightly. It is a strange Dominion Day. 2nd.—About 7.30 a.m. we started for Temuco, after the first mile or so of ploughed ground the road was not so bad till we got within about two miles of our destination. Then there was a frightful mud-hole with a carreto stock in it, I dismounted and crawled through the fence, walked round to the other side and met Mr. Class who had brought the horses through. As we were very late on the way back, I came through it on horse-back; the ground went straight down 18 inches, the hole is 4 or five feet wide, and then the ground went straight up again, from there on the mud was, at least, 4 or 5 inches deep nearly all the way, so we could not go very fast. There are three streams to cross near Temuco, the Cantin which has a bridge across it, the Pichi-Cantin, which has to be forded I put my left knee above the pommel, or my foot would have been in the water. There was a strong current, and the stream is about 50 feet wide. The last one is narrower but deeper; there is an old bridge across it. It was about ten o'clock when we got to the hotel. I was shown into a sitting-room. Houses here are built in the form of a hollow square with a court-yard in the middle into which all the rooms open, there was no fire anywhere near, but a girl came and asked me would I like a brazero, that is an iron basin on three legs with burning charcoal in it. I did not think it made me much warmer; however, I succeeded in drying my skirt a bit, which was pretty wet and muddy; then I wrote a letter, stopping every little while to thaw out my fingers over the charcoal. We got away for home about four o'clock, it was much pleasanter riding than in the morning, the sun went down about five o'clock, and it was 6.20 when we got here. I felt much better after the ride than I expected to."

MONTREAL.

"We regret that time forbids our securing more of Mr. Borup's journal; we hope to publish the remainder shortly. It will be remembered that Mr. Borup's salary is paid by the members of the Ladies' Aid, St. Matthias, Westmount. Their Secretary kindly furnishes the following: May, '98.—"Bishop Tucker arrived safely looking well; they had suffered from no illness on the whole journey up country, and had not been 2 months on the way, having come nearly 200 miles by rail. We had a most pleasant afternoon together. The restored peace in the country was naturally a source of great joy to the Bishop. The deaths of our brothers had been hard blows to him. He is full of hope for the future work in Uganda, and wishes to call in conference of all missionaries in Uganda to discuss plans for future operations. May 15th—The Bishop had promised to hold a confirmation here to-day; 120 candidates were presented—all adults—about an equal number of men and women. They are only a part of those who are to be confirmed at this station. The service began at 9 a.m. lasting till 12.30. About 275 remained for Holy Communion. It was a most impressive service. Mr. Baskerville interpreted for the Bishop, so those of us who do not understand much Luganda had the benefit of the English address. We had several conferences together concerning the work in Uganda. We had a blessed and most happy time together all the day. There were eight European missionaries together here, something which has not happened before, but we could not but feel that the Lord has brought us together."

ONTARIO.

Extracts from letter of Miss Jennie Smith, Nagano, Japan, to Miss Muckleston, Kingston.

"We are anxious waiting to hear from the Triennial, and wonder what the thankoffering will be. I hope it will be sufficient to enable us to begin building at once. The land is already purchased; a beautiful spot adjoining the church property, and there is between \$400 and \$500 (Canadian currency) in the bank towards the building fund. It is very gratifying to see the interest some of the English residents in Japan, not missionaries, have taken in our work. Some

of the ladies from Tokyo are organizing a bazaar in aid of the new hospital, and already many things have come in to the Secretary, Mrs. Silver Hall. Hama Guchi Onani San, the nurse I referred to in my last letter has just come back imploring me to take her once more under the protection of the mission; she firmly told her father that she would never marry an unbeliever and so has broken with her home forever. It is very brave of her for she loves her father dearly, and her social position, were she to remain at home or marry the man that has been selected for her, would be a very high one. Now that she has chosen the right path I feel sure that God will direct and bless her, and prepare a way for her to fit herself more fully to carry on His work. I wish we could be certain of her going home with me, but one must be patient. It has been a busy summer with us, dysentery has been epidemic. Two of our nurses are now on duty at a town fifteen miles from here, where the Canadian Church Mission has a resident Catechist. I had between three and four weeks holiday at Karnizana and enjoyed it so much; it was a great treat to attend the services in the little English Church that was built there years ago by Bishop Bickersteth for the Church Missionaries and other English residents who might spend the summer there. I think I have already told you that this place is a mountain resort, about three hours journey from Nagano."

Letters from our Missionaries—Algoma.

TORONTO.

From the Bishop of Algoma to W.A., Deer Park.

"Absence from home will account for the delay in my acknowledgement of the parcel of Altar Linen sent by you for one of our Algoma Churches. Pray thank your members for this beautiful gift. There is no proper set at Sturgeon Falls, I have, therefore, decided to present it to that church."

From Geo. King, Shingwauk Home, to Mimico W.A.

"I beg to acknowledge, with deep gratitude, the valuable bale of clothing, bedding, etc., so kindly sent. The bale reached us safely.

Everything sent is most acceptable and will assist us much in our need. We were glad, indeed, to get the quilts and sheets, and I desire especially to thank you for the boys' cottonade pants and canton flannel drawers, which, if I may be permitted to say so, are so well *cut and well made*, and the material used what we should have chosen ourselves had we the means to buy. The chamber and kitchen towels supply a long felt want, and Mrs. King is at this moment marking them for their respective departments. It was most kind and thoughtful to send the *absorbent cotton*, and for us a very happy thought for we finished our last roll only a few days ago, and rarely a day passes but what it is needed. Will you also please convey to the children of Humber Bay Mission our warmest thanks and appreciation of their generous gifts of books and toys which will afford so much pleasure and amusement to our little ones."

MONTREAL.

Apropos of this letter we quote from the "Evangelist" for Oct., 1896.

"In 1889, Temiscamingue was adopted by the W.A. of Toronto, they undertaking the salary of a catechist for this district."

To Mrs. Holden.

"I write you on behalf of the Bishop of Algoma's fund which pay the clergy, builds parsonages, and aids in building churches. My Mission of Temiscamingue embraces a portion of your Diocese of Montreal. Before I left last month I had collected \$58.51, and by giving this to the treasurer have succeeded in getting as much funds from the town of Ville Marie, Lake Temiscamingue, as completed a common hall, in which we have the rights of the Church of England to hold Divine Service. The Bishop seconded my action, thus for the Montreal side this great advantage is secured. I have ministered to the wants of the Montreal side since 1896. The people are all poor, except two or three, and unable to contribute much towards the support of a Missionary. My salary is paid partly from the Bishop's fund, partly by the W.A. of Toronto; these ladies give \$250, leaving \$150 to the Bishop. I feel surè when your noble W.A. considers the case they will extend a helping hand to our dear Bishop in his efforts to supply the spiritual wants of these poor settlers. In this distant

outpost, between the Dioceses of Algoma and Montreal, the Missionary works with his life at stake, especially on the great lake of Temiscamingue. The boats are all frail craft with a few Indian canoes. The lake is subject to stormy gusts of wind, and though one may start without a ripple on the water, suddenly a storm may pass over, the water become furiously boiling and the waves so great as to swamp a large boat unless skilfully managed. I am now in my native city (Belfast, Ireland,) on my holidays, and await the return of church members from the sea to urge the claims of our poor Diocese in far off Algoma. From what my dear friend, Mr. Dean Carmichael, tells me, I feel confident you will do all you can for Algoma. There is a debt of \$4,000 impending over the Bishop's head." Your sincere friend,—JAMES HICKLAND.

From Shingwauk Home, to Mrs. Stevens, St. Luke's Branch, Waterloo.

"DEAR MADAM,—You will be glad to learn of the safe arrival of your valuable bale. Everything sent is most useful. We were particularly glad to get the bedding, boys' flannel shirts, cloth clothing and cloth and fur caps, and indeed feel grateful to the merchant who so generously contributed. The women's cloth jackets and ulsters will be distributed among our Indians who will gratefully appreciate their warmth and comfort. We are settling down to steady routine work after six weeks vacation, and pupils and staff alike, are fully determined that there shall be good results to show at Christmas. During vacation each boy works half the day at his trade or some kind of manual labor, and has the other half to himself. Our boys thoroughly enjoyed their holidays, the weather was perfect, so they spent much time outside. Games of all kinds, bathing and boating were freely indulged in. Four of our elder boys have recently been discharged; one has gone to Ottawa, where he hopes to obtain work; another is with a merchant in Detroit, and the two others have gone home to assist their father on the farm. Four younger boys have taken their places, three of whom are brothers and orphans. I am sorry to hear of Archdeacon Lindsay's resignation; he has been a staunch supporter of our work for many years."

GEORGE LEY KING, *Principal.*

Diocesan Branch Notes and News.

QUEBEC.

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

Owing to the following most important information, the Parochial Reports must be held over until our next issue of the LEAFLET.

A Quarterly meeting of the Quebec Branch of the W. A. was held on October 19th, about forty members being present. The President urged regular attendance for the coming year, and begged members to try and bring their friends. Several appeals were read, but could not be responded to for want of funds. Most excellent reports of the Triennial Meeting were read by Mrs. Hall and Miss Edith Carter. Letters having been received from the Bishop of Saskatchewan and Calgary and Archdeacon Tims, objecting to the step taken by the Quebec Branch, *re* withdrawal of aid to Indian Schools and Homes, the Secretary was instructed by a unanimous vote to write the following to the Bishop of Saskatchewan:—"The Quebec Diocesan Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary, wishing to act in all loyalty to the Board of Missions of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, decided to withdraw its aid to Schools and Homes in view of the resolutions passed by the Board of Management at the meeting held, *viz.*—In February, 1897, the order of business dealing with appropriations being taken up, it was resolved that the Indian School money remain undistributed as the Board has no information on which it can take action. In April, 1897,—That no appropriation of money to Indian Homes be made until the Board has received further information concerning their position and needs, and that a committee be appointed to gather the information required. In October, 1897,—That the Secretary do respectfully signify to each Bishop the great difficulty experienced by the Board in appropriating its funds in the absence of information as to the definite needs and means available from all sources, and do further represent to each of the Bishops that the Board will, for the future, confine its aid to those Dioceses whose Bishops may be good enough to make formal application to them, setting forth in definite form the work and object for which they desire aid, with any amount already available for it, and using for this purpose the schedule adopted by the Board. That

this schedule be also forwarded to all Bishops in the North West, with a copy of the above resolution, intimating that the Board meets twice a year, in the autumn and the spring. That the Quebec Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary believe that at the present time a considerable sum to the credit of Indian Homes is held by the Board of Management, undistributed, for want of information; the Quebec Branch know that this money was not distributed at the last April meeting of the Board; the action of the Board in September has not yet been received. It is to be borne in mind that there is a continuous appeal from all quarters for contributions for Church work—Home, Domestic and Foreign. That the Quebec Branch, Woman's Auxiliary, consider themselves as trustees for the monies collected for Domestic and Foreign Missions and, as such, must appropriate the funds raised, in the way that seems to them right, after weighing the circumstances connected with each appeal. The cry of most suffering from want of money is constantly heard, and as every appeal can not be met, the most urgent must first receive attention. In order to act intelligently the Woman's Auxiliary must be supplied with full information. If you will, therefore, answer the following questions, the Quebec Branch will be able to form an opinion as regards the assistance you ask:—

- 1.—Name of the School or Home?
- 2.—Number of resident pupils?
- 3.—Number of day pupils?
- 4.—Name of persons in charge?
- 5.—Number of persons employed, teachers, workers (not teachers) etc.?

Financial statement for last year, viz., the day 1897, to
the day of 1898.

1.—Government Grant.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$
2.—Received from Board of Missions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$
3.—Received from Woman's Auxiliary	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$
4.—Contributed by other Missionary Societies	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$
5.—Contributed in the Diocese	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$
6.—Stipends and salaries not included under any of the above heads.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$
7.—Received from all other sources.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$
							Total	\$

Also be good enough to say what was received in clothing, stores, etc., etc., during the same period.

TORONTO.

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

The October Board Meeting was held in St. Peter's Parish, and in spite of unfavorable weather was largely attended, and our hostesses spared no pains to make all feel at home in their comfortable school-house; and to show their well known missionary zeal was by no means confined to the foreign field. We welcomed many visitors, Mrs. Irvine, of Quebec, Provincial Treasurer; Mrs. Fortin, President of the Ruperts' Land Auxiliary, also Mrs. Dewdney, from St. John, N.B., being our greatest strangers. Reports of the Triennial were presented by our officers and delegates, each one dealing with a different aspect of the work. The noon Bible reading was on the second clause of the member's prayer, "Grant Thy blessings upon our endeavors to aid and encourage missionaries." Miss Tilley showed from many portions of the Bible how God's blessing or reward is promised to those who sow beside all waters. Much of our work is helping those who have but little to brighten their daily lives. We are told of a certain woman named Lydia, she encouraged missionaries by offering them the hospitality of her house; we are told by an Apostle how Phoebe refreshed his spirit; our work has refreshed many in the mission field. St. Paul says, "These things which are sent from you have refreshed it," and the reward "My God shall supply all your need." We all felt drawn much more closely to the W.A. of Rupert's Land when we were privileged both to see and hear their Mrs. Fortin, their earnest President. Will Branches contributing to the Blackfoot Hospital Boxes or to the pledge for Nurse and Matron's salary, remember that the year for this pledge closes on January 30th, 1899; we hope to hold our Second Annual about the first week in February, when the offerings will be presented at the meeting and reports from the Hospital read. The account of the first Blackfoot fair, got up entirely by the Indians, and sent by Miss Alice Turner to the Cor. Sec. for the Board Meeting, was extremely interesting; it is at present going the round of Branches. A former Mission girl, Edith Harrington, now Mrs. Red

Earth Man, got first prize for her baby, and Mr. Axe got first prize for potatoes which he then presented to the Hospital. The holding of this fair gives a wonderful proof of the power of Christianity in civilization, when we remember the story of this tribe even twelve years ago. For information as to the Girl's Auxiliaries, apply to Girl's Auxiliary Superintendent, Miss Osler, 83 Wellesley Street. Junior Treasurer and Blacktoot Hospital maintenance boxes, apply Mrs. E. F. Blake, 449 Jarvis St.

Subject for Devotional Reading, December 8th, "To promote Thy glory and further the object which we have in hand."

The Extra-cent-a-day money was voted at the October Board meeting towards building a log church at Wapuskaw; it will be sent to the care of the Bishop of Athabasca.

Letters from Algoma and extracts from Miss Louie Thomas letters from South America, will furnish subject matter for reading and prayer during November. Pray earnestly that the spiritual prosperity of these places may visibly increase, and that God will put it into the heart of some one able, financially, to do so, to aid Algoma in her efforts to place the funds of the Diocese on a more satisfactory basis, and more especially pray that the Bishop may have funds given to him to send a missionary to the long neglected Nipigon Indians.

Branch Secretaries will please remember that the LEAFLET year for Toronto W.A. begins in November; to diffuse missionary intelligence is our third defined duty, therefore, dear women of the W.A., increase the number of LEAFLETS taken in each Branch; we must read and learn of missions, if our great motto is truly in our hearts. "The love of Christ constraineth us."

The Junior Branches are now just assembling again for work, and it is earnestly hoped that the Senior Branches in every parish will do all in their power to encourage and assist their young helpers. No amount of outside interest can equal that which should be given by those whose life experience and knowledge of W.A. work in every phase, both spiritual and temporal, should be of inestimable benefit. A visit from the President of the Senior Branch when the children are at work, a short, bright reading or address with practical hints as to methods on giving of time and money, items of missionary life, both from our own Diocese and abroad would be of incalculable good

and serve to develop the latent interest which only wants the right word in the right place to come to the surface. I have had a good many answers to the cards I sent to each Branch asking what work they would undertake, but not all I could wish. Some of the Branches are only now beginning, and from others I shall doubtless hear later. Six Branches will work for the Blackfoot Home and Hospital; several will help in sending gifts to Christmas trees, rag carpets and warm quilts, those treasures in the missionaries' homes, are being finished up in time for the cold weather. All Saints' Peterboro, is being re-organized into a working Branch. A few Branches will take up pledges, and we trust more will follow. Representatives are asked for by several Branches out of town, as these feel that in no other way can they be brought into touch with the Diocesan Board, and in many cases the monthly letter is of as much service as a Board Meeting to us in town. The Junior Secretary is glad to hear at all times from the Branches, and trusts that the proud position of reporting at the Triennial that Toronto Diocese leads the way may ever be maintained by them. M. FORSYTH GRANT, *Dio. Sec.*

MONTREAL.

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

SELF DENIAL WEEK is fast approaching; how many of us will remember it until it is a thing of the past, and with a sort of conscience-smitten feeling, we say to ourselves, “ Oh dear, it has gone again and I have nothing to show for it!” It is quite natural that to many workers in the vineyard it seems impossible to give one penny more than they do, and in some instances this may truly be the case; but, on the other hand, there are amongst us, very many who by self denial could increase, were it ever so little, their offerings to the Lord. If we give only of our surplus what we do not need and of which we never feel the loss, we miss the re-actionary blessing upon our own spirits. Moreover, we believe, and that firmly, that in some mysterious way, God blesses in the using money given from the heart and only made possible to give by a prayerful setting aside of our own wills and desires. Believe me, dear sisters, the pennies pruned from your own needs are, in God's eyes, of more value than the hundreds given because it is the correct thing to be philanthropic. Remember

then that self denial week commences the first Monday after St. Andrew's day, and let all take note that last year the entire offering amounted to something like \$2.50, all of which came from one country Branch. Another subject to which we would like to draw the attention of all, is the matter of the LEAFLET. It was arranged at the Triennial to do all that is possible to make the LEAFLET more interesting, and in every way more valuable, so valuable, indeed, as a missionary magazine, that no W.A. worker can afford to do without it. In this we must unite to aid each other, and all Branches are heartily invited to co-operate with the Editor in this work. All items sent from Branches are, of course, interesting, and we are always pleased to insert such, but we cannot but feel that very often the pages of the LEAFLET too much resemble a Dorcas report, being filled with bales and rumors of bales. While this is, no doubt, interesting and necessary, we cannot but wish that a little more spiritual life might appear, that we might hear sometimes of the souls of the people we try to benefit, as well as of their bodies. Now if the Branches would, in writing, regarding the bales so generously sent, ask the missionary in replying to give some little account of his work amongst the Indians or wherever his field should lie, and of the spiritual condition of those amongst whom he is thrown, or of their habits and manner of life. Then if these letters could, from time to time, be sent to the LEAFLET, we feel sure the interest would be greatly increased. We would beg that all Branches would regard this as a hearty invitation to co-operate with us in this matter; but at the same time please note that all letters, etc., must be in the hands of the Editor not later than the 17th of each month.

HURON.

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

In Memoriam

WOODSTOCK (New St. Paul's)—It is with great sorrow that we record the death of Mrs. Canfield, a most loving and devoted member of the W.A., and also a willing and earnest church worker, who entered into rest September 19th, sadly missed and much regretted by all the members of the W.A.

The semi-Annual Meeting of the Board of Management was held in the School-room of Christ Church, Petrolia, on Thursday, October 6th, and the session was opened punctually at 2 p.m. by the rector, the Rev. W. Craig, with a hymn, reading, prayer, and a kindly address of welcome. The roll was called and mention made of letters of regret from several Branch Presidents unable to be present. The President voiced the sympathy of the meeting with members recently bereaved, and with the family of the late Mrs. Canfield of Woodstock. Mrs. Lenfesty's (Strathroy) notice of motion, asking that Branches be qualified to receive contributions for Diocesan Missions was put to the meeting and carried; the President stating that a clause to this effect inserted in our Parochial constitution, had accidentally been omitted in our Diocesan constitution. When in the minutes of the Emergency Committee the resolution of sympathy and thankfulness to his Lordship, the Bishop, after his accident last April was read, it was moved by Mrs. Craig and seconded by the meeting, standing, that the Branches express their heartfelt endorsement of this resolution, and ask to be incorporated therein. The President stated that Miss Kirkby had been appointed Huron's Lady Missionary to China, and was on her way thither. Her passage and outfit are provided by the Kuniong Fund, the Huron Diocesan Branch of the W.A. being responsible for her salary, \$500 per annum. Some account of the Triennial Meeting was then given; the President said that Huron had this year had its full representation and had voted solidly, working in perfect harmony. The two notices of motion from Huron, one asking for a uniform name for Juniors, and one asking that the Triennial Meeting may not be confined to Montreal, as necessitating changes in the constitution, were referred to the Triennial Meeting of 1901. The W.A. having been asked to raise \$500 for Miss Paterson's Home in Japan, \$80 was asked of the Huron Diocesan Branch as its share per annum, but the delegates refused to incur this liability, Huron having its own Lady Missionary in China to maintain. The sum of \$18 per annum, towards the modest yearly salary of \$120 for John Nzipo, the young Zulu, who came to Canada with some Barnardo boys, was educated at the Shingwauk Home and has returned to Africa to work as a missionary among his own people, was awarded; this appeal to the W.A. is made by the Bishop of Natal, and our Huron workers

will be glad to know we have taken up definite work, if even on a very small scale, in Africa. Mrs. Boomer and Mrs. Tilley told of the interview with the Bishops *re* their wish that all W.A. monies should be handed in to the Board of Missions *undesigned*, which resulted in the W.A. retaining its privilege of designating its monies, but it is urged at the same time, to endeavor to do more *undesigned* work. The thank-offering at the Triennial in 1901 will, at the suggestion of the Bishops, be given to the Chinese Mission in British Columbia. Mrs. Boomer alluded to alterations about to be made in the LEAFLET, which she had opposed; these will be tried for nine months, and will be voted on at next year's Annual Meetings. It was moved by Mrs. Finkle (Woodstock) and seconded by the meeting, "That this meeting desires to give expression to the fullest appreciation of the stand taken by the Huron delegation to the Triennial." A paper on "Lion's Head Mission" was read, followed by a resolution, carried unanimously, "That all the Free-will offerings presented at our Annual Meeting next March be devoted to the wiping out of the Lion's Head debt." This debt which amounted, at the time of our last Annual Meeting, to \$712 is one we cannot repudiate; a copy of the resolution will be sent to all our Branches, and it is earnestly hoped that it will meet with a generous response. We raised in 1893, upwards of \$1,000 for Algoma, can we do less for our own Diocese? At 5 p.m. the Lord Bishop gave a Bible reading in the church, after which a most bountiful tea was daintily served in the school-room. At 8 p.m. a general Missionary meeting was held, addressed by the Revs. T. Davis, of Sarnia, and W. Craig, of Petrolia; Mrs. Boomer, who spoke of her recent visit to the Blood Reserve and other places, and by the Lord Bishop. A very hearty vote of thanks was tendered to the ladies of Petrolia for their hospitality extended to the delegates, the one thing regrettable in connection with the meeting being the shortness of the time allotted for it.

On Wednesday, September 28th, a valedictory meeting, at which Miss Kirkby, previous to her departure for China, was present, was held in Bishop Cronyn Hall, London. In his address the Lord Bishop of the Diocese said, "There are three gifts men make to God—their prayers, their offerings, and, greatest, best of all, themselves. This is the gift our Lady Missionary to China gives to-night, and the

Lord accepts this gift of herself for His service, and we all rejoice that this dear Christian lady has thus come forward. Mrs. Isabella Bird-Bishop began by opposing missions, now she is their most earnest advocate, moved by what she saw in her wonderful travels, of the awful misery of the women of India China, and all the dark places of the earth. Their lives are so dismal with no outlook from the darkness—our Lady Missionary goes to carry brightness to them, to bring smiles where no smiles were before. I say to Miss Kirkby, 'go forth,' to you, 'send her forth with your prayer,' and then however great her loneliness and depression, she will feel she is borne up by the prayers of God's people," Miss Kirkby, who spoke very simply and pleasantly, told how it had always been her wish to go to China, but a wish that seemed impossible of realization. When the tragedy at Ku Chung took place, it seemed as if all hope was at an end, but through that very tragedy had come the opening up of the way for her; first the kindness of Mrs. Stewart's family who had accorded her so hearty a welcome when she went to be trained for the work, then the resolve of the Huron W.A. to send out a missionary. Several of our W.A. members have had the pleasure of meeting Miss Kirkby, and speak of her as a consecrated Christian, thus confirming the impression she made on those present at the meeting. After Miss Kirkby, Mrs. Boomer addressed those present as follows: "We hardly dared to hope that so comparatively soon we should have seen the realization of our efforts, the answer to our prayers. Miss Kirkby is *our* substitute in the mission field of China, we must hold up her hands with our prayers, our warm sympathy and our letters; let her feel that she lives in our hearts, and that we shall follow, with the very deepest interest, every step she takes in the carrying out of her blessed work. I do not think she looks like one to be easily daunted, trusting in a strength beyond her own, she will go forth hopefully, and by-and-by "bring home her sheaves." Let us not fail her, *we* have *our* part to do, and, by God's help we will do it. We will ask her to write to us from time to time, especially for our Annual Meeting, when our Branches will be eagerly looking for news of her and her work.

ONTARIO.

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

The October Board Meeting was held on the first Monday of the month, in the Cathedral class-room. The Missionary Litany was said and the roll called. The Recording Secretary gave a most interesting report of the Triennial Meeting recently held in Montreal. A letter was read from Archdeacon Bedford Jones, telling us that our Organizing Secretary, Mrs. Bedford Jones, has become a Life Member in the Provincial Board. The members of the Ontario Board warmly welcome their first Provincial Life Member. A letter was read from sister Amy relating to little Muriel Bell: also one from the Secretary of J.W.A. at Trenton, giving some very encouraging facts relating to their work. The Branch Notes come from the Rural Deanery of Lennox and Addington. The Camden East Branch is busy making preparations for holding a Deanery Conference. The President writes that they hope to have the Rev. Mr. Waller with them upon that occasion. Gananoque has been preparing a box of clothing for Johnny Fisher, of the Gordon Schools, and their Annual Sale, on behalf of the Peigan Reserve, will shortly be held. A letter from Bath tells us that work is going on there. The President of Trenton Branch, writes, " Our Branch has sustained a very great loss in the death of Mrs. Clarke, one of our most zealous and active workers. The doctor says death was caused by paralysis. The call came to her while reading a paper that she had prepared, at my request, on Qu'Appelle Diocese. We had a large meeting and she appeared slightly nervous, so that when she hesitated all thought it nervousness, but in a moment we saw it was serious; she was taken to her home and the doctor summoned, but she passed away in about two hours, never regaining consciousness, it was such a sad ending to our meeting, but we can say in the words of the hymn 'Father in Thy gracious keeping, leave we now Thy servant sleeping.' " Miss Jenny Smith writes from Nagano, Japan, to ask if any of the W.A. Branches will be willing to assist them with contributions towards a sale of work in aid of the New Hospital. She says fairly large parcels can be sent from Canada to Japan through the post office, at small cost; any thing in the way of table linen, fancy bags, embroidery, etc., from

Canada, she says, will be a great attraction; she adds, "I hope some of the Branches may take the matter up." The sale will be some time between Christmas and Lent. Any postal matter should be sent not later than January 1st. The address of the Secretary of Bazaar is, Mrs. Silver Hall, No. 9 Tsukiji, Tokyo, Japan.

NIAGARA.

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

NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE.—On Thursday, September 15th, this Branch had a very enthusiastic meeting, 40 members present, and presented Mr. Morson, the oldest member, with a Life Membership and badge, on her leaving to live in Toronto. The Secretary writes, "How we shall do without her I do not know, she is so energetic and has such an influence over all." The following extract of letter from Miss Wilson, Salt Springs, has been received by this Branch. "You will, I fear, think us ungrateful and neglectful as we had no idea your parcel was here till a few days ago. We are so sorry, and can now only hasten to thank you so very much for everything. How good you are always to us. Our little sale is to be in September and we are so especially glad of the little hoods and garments, just what we wanted. So many thanks." BARTON (Holy Trinity) has commenced work again; four new members being added to the roll, GUELPH—St. George's Branch entertained the Board at the postponed Quarterly Meeting on October 14th. The proceedings began with an illustrated lecture the night before by Rev. J. G. Waller, on Japan. Notwithstanding wet weather, there was a good attendance and the lecture was much enjoyed. On Friday there was a celebration of the Holy Communion by the Ven. Archdeacon Dixon, assisted by the Rev. Mr. Ballard; then followed the business meeting, which after the usual opening exercises, was addressed by Mrs. Lett, President of the Branch, in a few cordial words of welcome. At noon Mrs. DuMoulin gave a few thoughts from Ephesians v., 1-2., taking the word followers as translated *imitators*. Two appeals were read from Chappleau, Dio. Moosonee, and from the Bishop of Algoma. The E. C.A.D. money, \$7.41, was voted to the latter. Niagara has agreed to help provide the salary of a lady to replace Miss Paterson in Japan,

and has been assessed \$12 towards the support of John Nzipo in Africa. Excellent reports of the Triennial were presented from Mrs. Gwyn, Mrs. Leather and Miss A. Gaviller. A very able address on the question, "Should every church woman be a member of the W. A.," was given by Miss Osler, Toronto. Three reasons which could easily be remembered by the word p. c. r.—pleasant, expedient, and right—were adduced, and the benefit to the parish clergyman and individual were instanced as *Parish, Parson and Person*. In order to draw all women into the work one must lay aside all caste prejudice, personal prejudice, pique or sense of injury, and all work together for the common cause. Mrs. Fortin, President of Rupert's Land W.A., told in an interesting way of the work there. They have been organized 11 years and have now 59 Branches with prospect of increase. Speaking of the Indians she said, "Many of them are grand men, honest, enduring, and with a keen insight into character; their faith is great and puts us to shame." A most excellent arrangement was made in providing lunch at a restaurant, whereby much trouble must have been saved to the ladies in charge. Five o'clock tea at the rectory brought the day to a close. The collections amounted to \$17.30.

NOTICE TO THE BRANCHES—We regret that it was impossible to get out the usual monthly papers on the subject for reading and prayer for October. The Sec.-Treas. of the Lit. Com, would feel obliged if books taken from the Library would be punctually returned when read. A great deal of expense and unnecessary work is entailed upon her by thoughtlessness in this matter.

OTTAWA.

DIOCESAN MOTTO :—" *God is love.* "

All applications for books or literature should be addressed, in future, to the Secretary of Literature, c/o Rev. E. A. W. Hannington, Synod office, Carleton Chambers, Ottawa.

PEMBROKE—(W.A. Deanery Meeting)—On October 1st., we had the pleasure of welcoming among us our Diocesan Organizing Secretary, who had come from Ottawa to encourage our Branch as well as to hope that other parishes in the Deanery would be induced to form

Branches of the W.A. We began our meeting in our pleasant Guild room at half past two, and after having sung a hymn, the President read a portion of scripture, which was followed by prayer ; the President then read a short address, after which Miss Green addressed the meeting, her earnest words being listened to with much attention by all present. Interesting papers were read by two members of the W.A. A pleasant feature of the afternoon was a conference of the Bishop of Ottawa and clergymen of the Deanery of Pembroke with the members of the W.A. Each of the clergymen spoke on the work of the W.A., and we hope in the near future that both Cobden and Beachburg will have their own Branches of the W.A. EGANVILLE—A conference of members of the W.A. in the Deanery of Renfrew, was held in the Parish Hall, Eganville, on Wednesday, October 5th. Nearly all the members of the Eganville Branch were present, besides other women of the congregation and visiting delegates from Arnprior Mrs. Coleman, Deanery Secretary, and Miss Butler; Mrs. McCallum, Combermere, Miss Green, Organizing Secretary, and Miss Maud Whiteaves, LEAFLET Editor, were present from the Diocesan Board, and gave very interesting addresses. The conference met for two hours in the morning and two hours in the afternoon, the time being well occupied in discussing the work and methods of the W.A. Two or three new members were added to the Eganville Branch, and an invitation given the Organizing Secretary to visit Renfrew and revive the Branch there. Combermere also expressed a wish to have, at least, a J.W.A. formed in their parish. The Bishop and clergy of the Deanery who, with some of the lay workers were holding the Annual Deanery conference in St. John's Church, visited the Auxiliary; in the afternoon his Lordship gave a very earnest address, and short addresses were also given by the rector, Rural Dean Bliss, and Rev. Messrs. Coleman and Quartermaine. The Bishop closed the meeting with the benediction. The prospects of the W.A. in the Renfrew Deanery are becoming more and more encouraging. OTTAWA.—The First Conference of the W.A. in Carleton Deanery was held in Ottawa, Oct. 13th. There were representatives from Billing's Bridge, North Gower, Archville, Manotick, March, and from the six city Branches, viz., Cathedral, St. John's, St. George's, St. Alban's, Grace Church and St. Barnabas'. Mrs. Garrett, a Diocesan member from St. Luke's parish,

was present and also Miss Moles from Arnprior. The morning session was held in S. George's school-room; Mrs. Tilton, owing to Mrs. Hamilton's illness, took the chair, Mrs. Bliss, Deanery Sec., being absent, Mrs. Newcombe was appointed to take the minutes. The Organizing Secretary gave an account of her visit among the Deaneries, which was most encouraging. Mrs. Perley read a most interesting and helpful paper, written by Mrs. Griffin, on "The relation of the W.A. to the church." A member from each parish was called upon to express her views on the different topics suggested in the paper, and a lively discussion ensued, the point most discussed being the difficulty of managing a sewing meeting properly: some found it helpful to read, others found it impossible. It was very clearly demonstrated that at the sewing meetings not a stitch of work should be done till the meeting had properly opened with prayer. Mrs. Green then read a paper on Dorcas work, giving some valuable suggestions regarding her department of the work. She advised the Branches whenever it was possible to re-elect their Dorcas Secretaries as much confusion arose from change of officers. She also explained that every effort was made to ensure a rightful and proportionate distribution of the bales. In the case of a Branch not wishing to work for the Missionary allotted them, they had only to write to the Dorcas Secretary, and she would assign them some other mission. Miss Whiteaves gave a short address on Literature and LEAFLET; reminded members that one of the objects of the W.A. was to diffuse missionary intelligence; indicated a few ways in which this could be done; urged a more systematic and interested reading of the LEAFLET which was the official organ of the W.A., suggested that the news just to hand in the LEAFLET might be discussed at the sewing meetings; concluded with the request that the different Branches would use their influence to induce every member of the W.A. to subscribe to the LEAFLET. Mrs. Styles, of March, gave an interesting account of the formation of the W.A. in her parish. Meeting adjourned at 12.30. The afternoon session was held in St. Alban's school-room, 47 ladies present. Miss Parris spoke on Junior work, Mrs. Tilton endorsing her remarks, spoke of getting into the habit of working for missions. A report of the Triennial Meeting, written by Miss Baker, was then read; after some discussion on the account given, Mrs. Tilton spoke of the Synod

Journal, and of the necessity of becoming acquainted with our own Diocese. The Bishop and the clergy attending the Deanery meeting, suspended business, and came in to have a conference with the ladies on Auxiliary work. The Bishop took the chair and addressed a few words to the meeting. He said he was glad to note an increased activity in church work: regretted that many of the clergy were strangers to the work of the W.A.; stated that he would like to see a W.A. established in every parish in the Diocese; explained that he was anxious to carry out in his Diocese the suggestion that there should be regular periodical conferences between the W.A. and the clergy. His Lordship also stated that all monies were spent judiciously, and that the work of the W.A. was in every instance authorized by the Board of Domestic and Foreign Missions. He then asked the different clergymen present to state their views about the work of the W.A., and hoped the members of the W.A. would also speak freely and answer any objection raised. Some of those who took part in the open discussion which followed were:—Ven. Arch. Bogart, Rev. G. Bonsefied, Billing's Bridge; Rev. D. Clayton, Manotick; Dean Lander, Rural Dean Scantlebury, Carp; Rev. W. Stiles, South March; Rev. F. Squire, Archville; Mrs. Tilton, Miss Humphreys, and Miss Green. The meeting was then closed by the Bishop. The members of the W.A. appreciate highly the Bishop's kindness in affording them the opportunity of discussing so fully many points in reference to the workings of the W.A. They are also glad to hear that a Branch is to be formed shortly at the Carp.

Dorcas Reports.

TORONTO

Room 39, The Forum, Yonge Street.

Branches have promised for the following places;—Toronto—St. Margaret's, *Emsdale*; St. George's G.A., *Murillo*; St. Thomas' G.A. *Rosseau*; Church of Redeemer, *South River*; St. Paul's Juniors, *Thessalon*; Church of Redeemer G.A., *Sturgeon Falls*; St. Margaret's,

Lesser Slave Lake in May; St. Alban's G.A., All Saint's, Trinity East, and All Saint's Mission Band, to *Blackfoot Home*; St. Thomas' Yale, St. Mary Magdalene, *Gordon School*, Church of Ascension, *Dynevor*. St. Peter's, *Dynevor*, St. Simon's, *Essonville* and *Kinmount*, St. Simon's G.A., *South Burleigh*. St. Thomas' *South Burleigh*; St. James' Willing Workers, *Canon Harding, Apsley*; St. Mary Magdalene, *Kinmount*; St. Luke's, *Rev. C. Lord, Apsley*; Church of Redeemer Juniors, *Silver Water*; Collingwood, *Gore Bay*, November; St. John's, *Whitby, Manitowaning*; *Whitby Juniors, Marksville*; St. Mark's, *Port Hope, Marksville*, November; *Holland Landing, York Mills*, and *Brighton, Shingwauk Home*; St. John's Peterborough, *Thessalon*; *Bolton, Uffington, Mono Mills, Central Rooms*; St. Mark's, *Toronto Junction. G.A., Blackfoot Hospital and Home*; *Uxbridge, Blackfoot Home*, *Eglinton, Barrie*, and *Collingwood Juniors, outfits Blackfoot Home*; *Orillia G.A., outfit Blackfoot*; *Orillia Seniors, outfits two boys, Kissock Home*. *Newcastle, Sarcee Home*; *Ashburnham, Sarcee Home*; *Deer Park, Yale*; *Eglinton, Kutawa*; St. Mark's, *Parkdale, Saltcoat's Hospital*; *Lakefield, Fort Pelley*; *Chester, Lac Suel*; *Springfield, Arch, Phair*; *Cobourg, Essonville*; *Millbrook, Cheddar*. Branches have forwarded to the following places:—*Holy Trinity, Toronto, Hay River*; *Mimico, the Bishop of Algoma and Emmanuel College*. The Dorcas work has begun in all the Branches, and I hope and believe from letters received, with fresh energy after the summer's holiday. Many outfits have been undertaken for children in the Blackfoot Home in particular, that Reserve having been undertaken specially by Toronto Diocese; we wish also to give some help to the other Homes in the Calgary Diocese. Sunday-School children in the back parts of our own Diocese and Algoma will be looking forward to the Christmas trees, and it is hoped that these sending bales to these places will not forget that part of the work; it has proved in the past, not only a pleasure to the children themselves, but also a help and encouragement to the teachers and, more especially, to the clergyman who works there under many disadvantages, and needs often as we ourselves do to pray that he may not be discouraged under difficulties.

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

HURON.

The Diocesan Dorcas Secretary reports following bales sent out . To *Sandy Bay*, Gorrie, 1 ; *Clandeboye*, 1 ; *Peace River*, Owen Sound, 1 ; *Fairford*, Millbank, 1 ; *Sarcee Home*, London (St. Paul's Junior) 1 ; *Blood Reserve*, Windsor, 1 ; *Sheguiandah*, Brookholme, 1 ; *Cedar Lake School*, London (St. James') Senior and Junior, 2. Woodstock (Old St. Paul's) has sent to Dynevor Hospital a box containing 18 jars of fruit, jelly, and tea, and a bale containing following articles, 2 pillows, flannelette sheets, 8 quilts, night-shirts, dressing gown, factory cotton, cushion, mat for floor, surgical bandages, box of carbolated gauze, cotton batting, quinine capsules, kidneywort. mustard, also dried fruits. Another bale sent to Omoksene with an outfit for a boy, consisting of 3 suits of clothes, 2 suits underwear, 2 pair boots, 5 shirts, night-shirts, caps and flannelette sheets, all new, also 3 pair new trousers, 8 quilts, 16 hoods, and a quantity of men's good second-hand clothing. (Certainly Old St. Paul's Branch has remembered the boys). LUCAN had a very good first meeting after the holidays, when the members accorded a warm welcome to its new President, Mrs. Thomas, wife of the rector. A large bale will shortly be shipped to St. Paul's Mission with nearly everything new and of good strong material, heavy flannelette, etc.

MONTREAL.

Grenville Branch sent 1 bale to Rev. A. deB. Owens, Kissock Homes, Blood Reserve, 31 new articles, 2 quilts, 15 yards carpet, 18½ yards new material, 34 second-hand. Waterloo, 1 bale Shingwauk Home, 85 new garments, including 2 quilts, 1 pair blankets, 15 yards material, 10 second-hand. Sweetsburg, to Dynevor Hospital, 43 new garments, 9 second-hand, 4 quilts ; the Girls' Auxiliary of Sweetsburg sent in this bale 50 new articles of clothing. St. George's Branch, a portable silver font to Bishop Reeve, Mackenzie River ; "Sunbeams," Junior of St. Matthias', Westmount, bell to Mr. John Favel, Sandy Bay, Rupert's Land. We must call special attention to this bell, no more suitable gift could have been decided upon. It is the first bell sent by any Junior or, indeed, we think, by any Branch, so these "Sunbeams" have justified their name by the brightness of their idea.

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TORONTO.

From 20th September, to 20th October, 1898.

RECEIPTS.

Temiscamingue	
Trinity Church, Toronto	\$ 50
St. John's, Peterboro	8 00
St. Mark's, Parkdale	10 00
Mrs. Osler	1 00
Blackfoot Hospital.	
Chester	2 50
Campbellford Girls	3 60
St. Margaret's, Toronto.....	10 00
Blackfoot Home	
Trinity Church, Toronto	2 00
St. Cyprian's, Toronto	60
York Mills	6 00
Miss A.	5 00
Matron's Salary.	
Trinity Church, Toronto	50
Bolton	6 50
St. John's, Peterboro	2 00
Miss Clara De Can	1 00
Peace River	
Collingwood, refunded freight	5 94
Margaret Durtall's Salary	
Mrs. Osler	1 00
Moosonee. (Mrs. Lofthouse)—	
C.M.	5 00
Miss Paterson's Training	
Home. Matron's Salary—	
Thankoffering, Mrs. Banks...	2 00
Japan Medical Miss.	
C.M.	5 00
Anon.	1 00

Chinese in B.C.

C.M.....	10 00
St. Mark's, Parkdale	25
Triennial Thankoffering.	
Donations per Mrs. William-	
son.....	9 06
St. Luke's	10 00
St. Mark's, Parkdale	50
Education	
Trinity Church, Toronto	1 25
St. Cyprian's.....	2 00
Mrs. Worts.....	20 00
Domestic Missions—C.M.....	10 00
Rent—Trinity Church.....	50
Extra-cent-a-Day Fund	70 81
Collection monthly meeting.....	7 59

\$221 10

EXPENDITURE.

Miss Thomas, S. America	\$ 2 00
John Nzipo, Zululand.....	30 00
Sidney Pritchard.....	5 50
Rev. Lofthouse, Moosonee	10 00
Selkirk.....	10 00
Diocesan	25 00
Peace River.....	5 94
Wabuskaw Church	70 81
Triennial Thankoffering	19 06
Badges	1 25
Rent	10 00
Postage (Secretaries).....	17 00

\$205 56

ALICE GRINDLAY, *Treas.*

MONTREAL.

RECEIPTS.

Members' Fees, Granby	\$ 2 40
Life Member, Mrs. David Lindsay	25 00
Waterloo	
Mrs. Reuben Taylor	1 00
Mrs. Dumaresque	1 00
Mrs. Holden	1 00
Printing Fund	
Havelock, Russeltown P.O....	1 00
Granby.....	1 00
Onion Lake, Sask.	
Miss Shaw's salary—	
Sweetsburg.....	3 00
Miss Philip's salary—	
Sweetsburg.....	50
Chinese in B.C.	
Sweetsburg.....	2 00

Saltcoats Hospital

In Loving Memory of A.J.C....	5 00
Zenauas	
Miss Snow and Miss Mont-	
gomery, per Miss L. Mudge	2 00
Japan. Miss Paterson—	
Havelock.....	2 00
Sweetsburg	1 00
Thankoffering, hospital, Japan	232 10
Medical Missionary in Japan—	
Sweetsburg	3 00
Extra-cent-a-day Fund.....	30
For Triennial Meetings—	
Hospitality	72 75
Refreshments.....	63 93

\$409 98

MONTREAL—Continued.

DISBURSEMENTS.		Dominion Printing Co., for alter- ing Hymn cards	
Thankoffering towards Hospital in Japan, per. Mrs. Beli Irvine ...	\$232 10	Printing.....	25 00
Quebec Assessment	12 50	Postage for Recording Sec.	5 00
Medica! Missionary, per Mrs. Holden	30 00	Postage for Treasurer	47
Shingwauk Home.....	25 00	Telegrams.....	75
Saskatchewan Diocese	30 00	Hospitality and Refreshments...	120 42
Witness, for advertising Arch- deacon Lofthouse's meeting ...	90		\$487 14

JESSIE DAWSON.

HURON.

RECEIPTS.		Blenheim.....	
Aylmer.....	\$ 1 60	Lucan	2 50
Lucan	1 60	Lion's Head Debt—Cathcart..	2 00
London, Christ Church.....	2 00	Sidney Pritchard	
Zenana		Returned by Miss Montizambert	8 00
London, Christ Church	5 00	Mrs. Spendlove's bale	
Lady Miss., China		Ingersoll.....	1 00
Aylmer.....	2 00	Rev. T. O. Stringer's bale	
Collection at special meeting.	7 90	Berlin	5 00
Mrs. De la Hooke	1 00	Kauyengch	
Lucan	1 00	Aylmer.....	1 00
Lady Miss., N.W.		Circle of King's Daughters, per Mrs. Tilley	25 00
Aylmer.....	5 00	London, Christ Church.....	1 00
Lucan	2 50		
London, Christ Church.....	5 00		
Lady Miss., Japan			
Aylmer.....	1 00		
London, Christ Church.....	3 00		
Algoma			
Aylmer.....	5 00		
Ingersoll	1 00		
Lion's Head			
Aylmer	4 00		

DISBURSEMENTS

General Fund—	
Stamps and Post Cards.....	\$ 1 62
Lady Missionary China—	
Deputation expenses	5 00
Sydney Pritchard—	
To Miss Penny	14 00

ONTARIO.

RECEIPTS.		Belleville, St. Thomas'	
Domestic Missions		Brockville, St. Peter's, Pro- vincial Life Membership (Mrs. Bedford Jones)	50 00
Education Fund—			\$104 00
Trenton Juniors	\$ 8 00		
Lady Missionary, North West—			
Brockville, St. Paul's	40 00		
Foreign Missions			
Miss Smith's Hospital in Japan—			
Trenton Juniors	4 00		
Zenana Missions—			
Trenton Juniors	3 00		
Lady Missionary, Japan.....	10 00		
Diocesan Missions			
W. and O. Fund—			
Trenton Juniors	5 00		
United Thankoffering.			
New Dublin	4 00		

EXPENDITURE.

Provincial Treasurer, Ontario's Triennial Thankoffering.....	\$170 08
Amy, Sister Superior, Yale, for Missionaries' child.....	25 00
Printing postals and programmes	10 00
Dorcas Sec. for postage	3 00
Cost of P.O.O. and postage.....	13
	\$208 21

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