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SUBJECTS FOR PRAYER.

Missions in China—North Formosa, Honan. Prayer for the Missionaries, Native Ministers, Helpers, and Teachers, and for Work in the Hospitals.

Re-Arrangement of Work.

ACCORDING to provision made by Constitution of the Society, two Secretaries have been appointed in addition to the existing staff of Home, Foreign and Recording Secretaries. These are the Secretary of Supplies and the Secretary-Treasurer of Publications.

The Home Secretary, Mrs. Shortreed, will continue to carry on the general correspondence with the various branches of the Society, but will no longer have charge of the LETTER LEAFLET.

All correspondence relating to the sending of goods to the North-West, or other Mission fields, will be conducted through the Secretary of Supplies, Mrs. Hugh Campbell, 194 Richmond Street west, Toronto.

Communications respecting the literature of the Society and the MONTHLY LETTER LEAFLET, should be addressed to Mrs. Telfer, 72 St. Albans Street, Toronto, the Secretary-Treasurer of Publications. In accordance with result of correspondence, it is

understood that the LETTER LEAFLET will in future be paid for; the cost is only twelve cents per annum. Life Members and Missionaries of the Society will, however, continue to receive a free copy.

Auxiliaries and Mission Bands will henceforth send all their orders for the LETTER LEAFLET and make their payments through the Secretaries of Presbyterian Societies. The Presbyterian Secretaries will be expected to make returns with remittances to Mrs. Telfer, whom also they will notify before the 15th of each month as to the number of copies of LETTER LEAFLET required by their respective Presbyteries. Subscribers not in Presbyterian order will be supplied on application to Mrs. Telfer, who also will furnish extra copies and back numbers at the usual rate, (one cent each.)

CENTRAL INDIA.

Report of Medical Work and School—Canadian Mission.

INDORE, FEBRUARY 26TH, 1889.

DR. ELIZABETH R. BEATTY, DR. MARION OLIVER.—The Mission year, which a few more days will bring to a close, has been with us one of steady advance. We have cause for great thankfulness in looking back over the past twelve months. In many ways we have been led to realize that our strength is not being spent in vain. A patient ear and a sympathizing word, when the tale of bodily suffering is poured forth, comforts the poor sick woman and then she is ready to listen to our message of life and love eternal. Many a poor suffering woman's face have we seen brighten when told of that home "where all sorrow and sighing shall be done away."

We have had two baptisms during the year. One of these, Punabai, is a widow who has been employed by us as a servant in the hospital for the past nine months. She has proved a willing and obedient servant, and though her grasp of divine truth is not very clear yet, she is growing and striving to show by her life that she is indeed a child of God. The other, Tulsabai, was brought to the hospital nearly ten months ago entirely blind, and suffering greatly from chronic disease of the eyes. She was almost thrown upon our charity by her people. Has for some months been a professing Christian, but was not

brought forward for baptism until a few weeks ago, in order that we might be assured that the hope of being cared for was not leading her to a professed belief in Christ. Being convinced of her sincerity, she was baptized at the same time as Punabai. Her people have since given us considerable annoyance in seeking to carry her off, and cause her to go through some abominable ceremonies in order to be again received into caste. However, through the kindly aid of one of the native judges of Indore city, we have been enabled to get the matter satisfactorily settled before a magistrate, thus setting her free from any further interference from them. Two things in this matter we feel to be special cause for thanksgiving. One, that a woman of age and having no husband cannot be hindered from openly becoming a Christian, and the other that among the city authorities are to be found men like Judge Mangesh Rao, willing to undertake that justice be done. This, too, in the city of Indore, where not many years ago Mr. Wilkie had a hard battle to fight before he was allowed to tell of Christ inside the city limits.

The attendance at the dispensary here adjoining our bungalow has fallen off somewhat this year, owing possibly to our having put a small charge on the medicines, but the chief cause is doubtless the increased attendance at the city dispensary. This year the number of out patients at both dispensaries has averaged above 900 per month, being almost double that of last year. Our returns for the year are not yet made up, but with house visits, in patients and out patients, we will have a total of not less than 11,500 treated during the year.

Wherever our house patients have been cases requiring several visits, we have been able to do irregular Zenana work, but with the exception of one or two houses, we have not attempted to continue regular weekly Zenana teaching.

Our hospital, though so small and unpretentious in its appointments, has been a great help to us. During the year, 89 patients have been taken care of in the three small rooms which comprise our hospital accommodation. Yeshudabai, the matron, has been most painstaking and kind, alike thoughtful for the bodily and spiritual welfare of the sick under her care. We were obliged to discard all the native bedsteads with which we supplied the rooms, as they became too thickly populated, and so have now only mattresses laid on the floor.

In October we opened a dispensary in Oojein, putting it in charge of the wife of the native Christian doctor, who has carried

on the men's dispensary in that city for the past two years. She has had nearly three years training in the Agra Women's Medical School, and though young and inexperienced, promises to be very useful. Twice a month one of us goes up and remains four or five days. The need of a doctor for the women is very pressing, but at present we cannot see the way clear to leaving all the Indore work in the hands of one. During the nine weeks of 1888, above 600 patients were treated, and in January of this year more than 400, thus showing that they are willing to take advantage of what is being done for them.

SCHOOL WORK.

The school left in our charge when Miss Ross returned to Canada has been removed to a more convenient part of the city, and to a more imposing building. Two teachers have been added to the staff, and one woman more to call the children. The latter is the wife of one of the native Christians, and is proving herself a good worker. Having been of very low caste, the Hindu girls at first objected to being brought by her, but quiet persistence has overcome all that. The school is going on prosperously, thanks to the patience and energy of our native Christian teachers. Miss Sinclair is preparing to take charge of it—has indeed already begun to work in it. The average attendance for the past six months has been above seventy. There are now good classes in the third and fourth readers, and six of these have begun English. We provided copies of Matthew's Gospel for these two classes, so that they might read the daily Scripture lesson in class, and were pleased to see that most of the girls brought an anna, and bought the Gospel for themselves. Last year the girls committed to memory the Ten Commandments, Lord's Prayer, the Beatitudes, and several other passages in Matthew's Gospel. This year we have taken up the Golden Texts.

Girls' schools have also been opened in Oojein—one in the Marathi part of the city, which is taught by the wife of one of the Christian teachers in the boys' school. She has been trained in the Girls' Boarding School at Ahmednagar, and has had some experience in teaching. She has now twenty girls gathered together, nice, bright-looking, tidy little Marathi girls. The gentleman from whom we rent the school room has taken a deep interest in the opening of this school. Tyebai, the teacher, goes thrice weekly to give a lesson to his wife and sister-in-law in their home.

The school for Hindi and Mohammedan girls is held in the afternoon in the room which during the morning forms the waiting room of the dispensary. Here the girls, now about forty in number, are taught either Hindi or Urdu. The teachers of this school are the woman who has charge of the dispensary and the wife of another of the teachers in the boys' school. True, all the children in these two schools are but beginning to learn, but the outlook is very hopeful.

CANADIAN NORTH-WEST.

Rev. W. S. Moore's Report—Muscowpetung's,
Reserve, Regina.

MARCH 6TH, 1889.

IN answer to your request for a report of our Mission here during the past year, I beg to offer the following :

And first, in regard to our Mission work among the Indians themselves, I may say that services have been held alternately on the three Reserves through an interpreter. Piapot offered us his house to preach in, and we do so, and both he and his headmen generally are present. We have baptized four children, one of them a grandchild of Chief Pasquah. We held communion at our school on the last Sabbath of December, when eight sat down to partake of the memorials of Christ's Death and Resurrection, one of the number being a daughter of Chief Pasquah, who had been baptized by the R. C. Church, but who, on her conversion during the year, joined with us.

Services are held every Sabbath in our Mission building, which are attended by the children and a few white people, Mrs. Lash and daughter being constantly present.

Second, in regard to our school it has under God's blessing been steadily increasing, and never so full as at present. The children are progressing favorably with their work. I might say our average this quarter is 25.90. The children can repeat the Lord's Prayer, several of the Commandments, and some other portions of Scripture.

Third, in regard to clothing I have to thank the many kind friends who assisted in sending this, and may say as a test of how it was appreciated, that there is not a particle of it left either made or unmade, and until another similar gift comes to hand next fall, clothing for our children will be entirely out o

ur own funds. (I may say that with the approval of Prof. Hart, we are getting a uniform of dark blue and white for all our children.) If I would suggest anything in regard to the most suitable clothes for another year it would be :

For the Reserves, similar to last year, as much as you can.

For the School, grey cotton, grey flannel, navy blue worsted, and any navy blue cloth or other material, blankets and quilts ; all these will be most gratefully received, and prove a great blessing and assistance to us in our work.

I may say that after a year of very many trials, Christ's cause on these Reserves has prospered, and our Mission under the Divine blessing has been firmly established, and the means has been in the largest measure due to the labors of your Society.

Statement of Mission Work on Cote's and Keso- Koos Reserves, 1888-9.

REV. G. A. LAIRD.—The past year has been a busy one, and I might say marks an era in Mission work, or rather in the work of education on these reserves. The unsatisfactory day school method has given place to a better one, that of the boarding school. Through the liberal provision made by the F. M. C., we have been enabled to complete a substantial boarding and industrial school. The building, which is 26 by 38 and two stories in height, contains nine rooms. It is capable of accommodating some thirty children.

Situated as we are, about seventy miles from railway communication, this entailed no little labor. The lumber, most of which was purchased in Winnipeg, was brought by train to Russell, the terminus of a branch of the M. & N. W. R. R., and was freighted the balance of the way on wagons by the Indians. The greater part of the lime used in plastering was burnt on the mission premises under my supervision. The stone for the foundation and a plentiful supply of sand and gravel were obtained near at hand.

The school was opened for the reception of pupils on the 28th of January, and at once more than the number for whose board the Government has made provision were taken in. We are glad to be able to report that the new system gives promise of much success. There have been twenty-seven pupils regularly in attendance since the opening, besides several day scholars, and

this number can be largely increased so soon as we secure additional accommodation and the necessary Government aid for their board. The children are contented and happy, and are making very fair progress.

The boarding system, although bringing with it a large amount of additional outlay and labor, is without doubt by far the best means which has yet been devised for the training of Indian children. Some of the advantages are the following:—It secures regularity of attendance. The children are kept clean and properly clothed. They are taught order and cleanliness. They get a sufficient amount of wholesome food at regular intervals and in an orderly manner. Although allowed to visit their parents occasionally, they are in a large measure removed from the baneful influences of their homes. They learn to work, and gradually get removed from their minds the false idea, so common among the Indians, that work is degrading. It is surprising what an effect discipline of this kind produces in a short time. They soon learn respect both for themselves and their teachers. Obedience is secured not altogether through fear, but because it is felt to be a duty to obey, and becoming behaviour takes the place of rude impertinence.

With regard to Mission work proper, I have nothing of a very special character to report. Services have been kept up regularly during the year at four different points, and the general interest has been maintained. The attendance on the part of many is regular, and a quiet earnestness pervades our services, which would indicate that the preaching of the Word is not without its effect. We have held two communion services, both of them large and interesting gatherings. The summer communion was held during the visit of Prof. Hart and Rev. Messrs. Baird and Flett. At that service three were admitted to the membership, and at our last communion four young persons were received on profession of faith. They underwent a pretty thorough examination, and showed considerable acquaintance with Bible truth. This brings the number of names on the communion roll up to twenty-eight.

I may also mention that during a late visit to one of the heathen houses, the head of the household informed me that a number of the heathen party were thinking of applying for baptism. But as might be expected, we have a good deal of opposition to encounter. One old heathen quite lately told me that some one had been advising them not to come and hear us

preach, but he hoped the people would not listen to such advice, as for his part he liked to hear God's Word. Thus the heaven is gradually working. So far this year there have been nine baptisms.

How the Clothing was Received at Mis-ta-was-is.

ARMADALE MISSION, MARCH 12TH, 1889.

MISS C. B. MACKAY.—I must now write to let you know all about the arrival of our goods.

I was kept very busy for two weeks distributing and clothing my pupils, while my father attended to the wants of old women. Our goods came in good time. The weather was very mild most of the winter, consequently the children got on very nicely; some of them were very poorly clad, but they did not mind a little cold. The presents were given out; the little girls were greatly delighted with their dolls, scrap books and toys; there were dolls enough for all the smaller girls, so there was no jealousy between them. I have thirty enrolled at present; during the winter I had twenty-eight.

The organ is just splendid. We have it in the church. The Indians were greatly surprized and delighted to see and have the like in our church. I have taught the children to sing hymns; they take great interest in the work taught them.

We also clothed Net-Maker's Band, the Indians I wrote to you about. They came here shortly after we received the goods; we gave them a good supply. They were very much pleased and thanked us again and again, and asked father to go to hold service with them; they said they were never tired of hearing the good man talk.

Our chief (Mistawasis) is well, but is beginning to look feeble; he is always cheerful. One evening he came in while I was playing over some hymns; he sat down near me. I was playing one of his favorites (Nearer, My God, to Thee); he said he would never get weary singing that hymn. He has a wonderfully strong voice for an old man. I told him I was going to write to the ladies that sent us the goods. I asked him if he had any message to send. It would take me too long to write everything he said. He is such a good old Christian; his words of thankfulness were good and noble. He said to thank you and all the kind Christian ladies that took part in sending the goods

every year, not for his sake alone, but for the sake of all his people; he extends his thanks to all your members.

My father and mother join me in sending many, many thanks, for all the good, noble work you are doing for our Indians. I wish to thank the dear little girl, Georgie Nicholson, for the kind interest she has taken in our work; my girl pupils were very much astonished when I showed them the work of a twelve year old girl; we thank her again and again for the good and generous gift to our Indian babies. We can only hope and pray that the Lord Jesus may reward her. Our Father will reward all for the good, noble work they are doing.

Assiniboine Reserve.

INDIAN HEAD, MARCH 15TH.

MR. J. MCLEAN.—I am glad to inform you that my interpreter, Mr. John Thunder, continues to give good satisfaction. He is a good interpreter, a willing worker, an efficient assistant at school, and an expert at both vocal and instrumental music. We hold service every Sabbath, and so far have had an average of thirty-eight. They listen attentively and appear interested, but this is as far as any of them have yet gone. The children assist us in singing your Gospel hymns in the Sioux language. Their parents, instead of being opposed to this, appear to be quite pleased with it, and some who will not attend themselves send their children.

We have a class of young men who are being taught every evening to read their own language, as I believe that if ever they are to receive impressions of Divine truth, it will be through the medium of their mother tongue. Soon I hope to provide some of them with Dakota Testaments and a monthly Dakota paper.

As on other Reserves, the Roman Catholics are feeling their way before them, and initiating schemes to get in the thin end of the wedge, which, if successful, may result in much injury. For example, the Rev. Principal of the Fort Qu'Appelle Industrial School has given a number of sheep on shares to one of our Indians, and he supplies our squaws also with contracts of knitting. Now, nobody believes that with the help of fifty or sixty boys they cannot take care of the few sheep entrusted to them by the Government, and nobody believes that they cannot do their own knitting, when they have knitting machines and many little hands that should be kept employed.

Progress at Round Lake School.

ROUND LAKE, WHITEWOOD P. O., ASSIN.,
MARCH 5TH, 1889.

REV. HUGH MACKAY.—All the boxes and bales of which you have written have been received, and you do not know how thankful we are that the Lord has put it into the hearts of so many to pity the children of the prairie, and to help the poor Indian of the North-West.

Many Indian homes have been made glad by your contribution, and many a shivering body clothed. May all those who have thus assisted in alleviating pain and lifting up a people from the bondage of idolatry and superstition, receive the benediction of Him who said "I was naked and ye clothed Me." A few facts about our school may be of interest.

We had during the year an average in our home of about thirty; twenty of these are the children of treaty Indians. For treaty children the Government has been giving us a grant of \$30 for each child for the year. We expect this amount to be increased to \$60 for the present year. We trust we have been enabled to do some good during the year that is past. Many of our scholars have made good progress in their work. There are a number who are able to speak and write English, who can read the Bible and understand anything said to them in plain English. I may mention Eliza, Virginia, Henry, Eliz, Donald, John, Marzaun, Eliza N., Barbara, Sarah. Also, I may say that most of the house work has been done during the past three months by our scholars—washing, ironing, baking, cooking, scrubbing, cleaning, etc., etc.; also cutting and hauling of wood and hay; stables kept in order and other farm work; also, we could boast of having some first prizes from the Provincial Exhibition for knitting, etc.; also of raising the best wheat and the fattest cow about this locality.

Some of those who were with us are now married and settled in their own homes, and we trust show a contrast to the pagan home.

We have our Sunday school each Sabbath, and the work here is interesting. We take up the regular Sunday school lesson, the Golden Text, Shorter Catechism, and other verses committed to memory. The singing is good and hearty, and we trust with a few from the heart. We have also our regular family worship morning and evening. The work of the day begins at seven, and

each hour of the day these children are with us. They come to us with their joys and sorrows, with their difficulties and trials. The Lord help us to lead them heavenward.

The supply of clothing has been good; our children have been all well clad, and many of the poor on the Reserves have been helped. I need not say how much this noble work of the W. F. M. S. has been appreciated, not only by the Indians, but also by those who see their need and who wish for their good.

Our work of gathering in the children of the prairie has extended during the past year. We have now a boarding school at Fort Pelly, another at Birtle, another at Mus-kow-pe-tung's, and another at Piapot's Reserve, and another at File Hills.

I trust the W. F. M. S. may press on in the good work in which it is engaged. May it be instrumental in awakening the Church to think more than ever of the foreign field, and to extend the kingdom of our blessed Master in the dark parts of the earth. May our sympathy go out more than ever to India and China and Formosa and the Isles of the Sea, and may we follow with our prayers and sympathy the brethren and sisters who have been honoured in being sent out, and let us not forget that we have pagans in our own country.

I plead for the poor Indian and for the pagan children of our own Canada. When shall it be said there are no pagans in Canada? The Lord help us as a Church to "Go with the name of Jesus to the dying, and speak that name in all its loving power."

Notice from Supply Committee—Season 1889.

Clothing for Indian women and children in our Canadian North-West. Presents and prizes for the children attending our Mission Schools in India, and also for pupils in connection with Missions in Demerara and the New Hebrides.

THE NORTH-WEST.

Dear Friends,—The Board of Management has tried to make the best possible arrangement for affording you an opportunity to supply this need of the Indians.

For the sake of order and convenience to Presbyterian Societies, three divisions of the work have been made, as follows:—Division No. 1 provides for Boarding Schools only, of which there are five. Division No. 1 (a) provides for Day Schools, or smaller

schools along with the Reserve, of which there are *eight*. Division No. 1 (b) provides for the Reserves alone, or scattered Indians, quite apart from the schools; there are *eight* of these also.

Lists of articles particularly required have been forwarded to Presbyterian Secretaries, but in a general way warm cast off flannel dresses for women, strong, warm, cast off clothing for school girls and boys of all ages, yarn and knitting needles, and some blankets and quilts, are required for all the Reserves. When new goods are sent it is now preferable to have them unmade.

Committees having the work in charge will notice shipping directions at the close, which should be minutely followed in order to avoid mistakes and to enable the Board to be certain that the freight, which has to be paid from terminal station (in some instances) to the Reserve, is sent from Auxiliaries and Mission Bands in connection with the W. F. M. S.

The allotment is as follows :—

In Division No. 1: The Societies in Hamilton Presbytery to provide for the Boarding School at Round Lake Reserve. About fifty children. Rev. Hugh McKay, Mr. and Mrs. Jones, a young lady and the native assistants, Missionaries.

The Societies in Peterborough Presbytery to provide for the Boarding School at File Hills Reserve. About thirty boys. Rev. Alexander, Mrs. and Miss Campbell, Missionaries.

The Societies in Toronto Presbytery: For Boarding School, Muscowpctung and Pasquah Reserves. About thirty children. Rev. W. S. and Mrs. Moore, and Mrs. Hocking, Missionaries.

Toronto Presbyterian Society will also provide for other necessities that may occur.

The Societies in Stratford Presbytery: For Boarding School on Côte and Kesekoo's Reserves. About thirty children, boys and girls. Rev. Geo. A. and Mrs. Laird, Missionaries.

The Society in Guelph Presbytery: For Boarding and Industrial School at Birtle, Manitoba. About thirty children, boys and girls. Mr. G. G. and Miss McLaren, Missionaries.

Second Division No. 1 (a). The Societies in Bruce and Sarnia Presbyteries: For Mistawasis Reserve and School. Thirty children, boys and girls, besides women and the old and feeble people. Rev. John, Mrs. and Miss C. B. McKay, Missionaries. Population 208. A heathen band of 45 persons is also assisted spiritually and with *clothing*, by Mr. McKay.

The Societies in Brockville Presbytery: For Piapot's Reserve

and School. Five or six little girls, a number of old and feeble people. Miss Rose, Missionary.

The Societies in Glengarry Presbytery: For Assiniboine Reserve and School. Thirty children, also women and the old people. Mr. and Mrs. John McLean, and Mr. and Mrs. John Thunder, Missionaries. Population about 130.

The Societies in Chatham Presbytery: For Portage la Prairie, Manitoba, Boarding School. About fifteen girls and a few boys, and the old and feeble among the Indians of the neighbourhood. Miss Walker and Miss Fraser, Missionaries.

The Societies in London Presbytery: For Stony Plains Reserve and School. Population about 160. Mr. and Mrs. Magnus Anderson, Missionaries.

Third Division No. 1 (b). Lanark and Renfrew Presbytery: For Round and Crooked Lakes Reserves. Women, and the old and feeble. Population about 900. Rev. H. McKay.

Ormsdown Auxiliary and Mission Band, to assist Chatham Presbytery: For women, and the feeble in neighbourhood of Portage la Prairie. Miss Walker.

The Societies in Owen Sound Presbytery: For File Hills Reserves. Women, and the old and feeble. Whole population about 400. The children are provided for. Rev. A. Campbell.

The Societies in Winnipeg and Brandon Presbyteries: For Okanase Reserve and School. Rev. G. and Mrs. Flett, and Rev. Donald McVicar, Missionaries.

The Societies in Huron Presbytery: For Rolling River Reserve. Women, and old and feeble. Total population about 200. Mr. Flett.

The Societies in Orangeville Presbytery: For Rosburn Reserve. The old and feeble and women, in a total population of about 200. Mr. Flett.

The Societies in Saugeen Presbytery: For Sioux Women and children near Prince Albert. Total Indians, 150. Consign to Rev. Dr. Jardine.

The Societies in Maitland Presbytery: For Sioux Reserve, Beulah Women, and the old and feeble. Children otherwise provided for. Rev. John McArthur.

The Societies in Paris and Whitby Presbyteries: For Muscowpetung and Pasquah Reserves. Women, and the old and feeble. Rev. Mr. Moore.

The Societies in Lindsay and Barrie Presbyteries: For Côte and Kesekoo's Reserves. Women and the old and feeble. Rev. G. A. Laird.

The Societies in Columbia Presbytery: For a Mission in the New Hebrides.

The Societies in Ottawa Presbytery: For Demerara. Gifts and prizes for S. S. children; also a small parcel for Trinidad.

The Societies in Kingston Presbytery: For our schools in Central India. Gifts and prizes.

TIME FOR FORWARDING TO NORTH-WEST.

Societies preparing for Stony Plains, Prince Albert and Mistawasis, should forward at as early a date as possible. Those preparing for Reserves along or near the railways, about the 1st September.

DIRECTIONS FOR SHIPPING.

1st.—Parcels from Auxiliaries and Mission Bands to be sent, prepaid, to one or more central places in the Presbytery, to be re-packed by the Committee appointed by the Presbyterial Society.

2nd.—The Committee will put second-hand clothing and new clothing into separate bales or boxes, as *full rates are charged on the new*. Bales of 100 pounds, or over, cost proportionately less than smaller parcels.

3rd.—Let the packers have the missionary's address painted on, and in a corner the words "To be left till called for." A letter should be put into each bale or box, containing the names of Societies contributing, the station at which shipped, and the shipper's name, but not requiring a special answer from the missionary.

4th.—When all are ready, let the shipper notify Mrs. Hugh Campbell, Secretary of Supplies, 194 Richmond Street West, Toronto, stating *exact* number of bales or of boxes, how many of them contain *second-hand clothing* and how many, new, and the name of C.P.R. station from which they are to be shipped. If the packing centre is not on the Canadian Pacific line, the bales must be shipped to the nearest station on that line for re-shipment to the North-west. This can be done by a friend, if the shipper cannot conveniently go, or by special arrangement with the C.P.R. freight agent at that place. On being notified of the number, the Board will at once make it known to the officials, who will instruct their freight agents to forward *second-hand goods at half rates*, which must be prepaid (full rates prepaid on the new) to the station next the reserve for which intended.

Note.—Money for the purpose of paying freight may be raised in any way which the Presbyterial Society or its Committee thinks best.

5th.—Let the Secretary be *at once* made aware of date of shipment and total weight. Send her the shipping bill and keep a copy. The Missionary is then officially notified by the Board of the goods having been forwarded, and he is instructed not to pay any freight that may be charged by mistake, without investigation.

Sometimes long delays and mistakes are occasioned by the omission of any of these little items.

INCREASE.

IN Peterborough Presbyterian Society—A Mission Band on the 12th of April, by Mrs. Craick.

IN Guelph Presbyterian Society—The “Gardiner” Mission Band, April 20th.

IN Brockville Presbyterian Society—Iroquois Auxiliary, April 18th, by Mrs. Blair and Mrs. Farrell.

IN Winnipeg Presbyterian Society—An Auxiliary by Mrs. Campbell and Mrs. Copeland, May 6th.

NOTICES.

THE Board of Management meets on the first Tuesday of every month, at three o'clock p.m., in the Managers' Room, Knox Church, Toronto. Members of Auxiliary Societies, or other ladies interested in the work and desiring information, being introduced by a member of the Board, are cordially invited to attend.

Letters concerning the organization of Societies, and all matters pertaining to Home work, are to be addressed to Mrs. Shortreed, 224 Jarvis Street, Toronto. The Home Secretary should be notified *at once* when an Auxiliary or Mission Band is formed.

Letters asking information about missionaries, or any questions concerning the Foreign Field, as to Bible readers, teachers or children in the various Mission Schools, should be addressed to Mrs. MacMurchy, 254 Sherbourne Street, Toronto.

Letters containing remittances of money for the W.F.M.S. may be addressed to Mrs. James MacLennan, Treasurer, 10 Murray Street, Toronto.

All requests for literature may be sent to Mrs. Telfer, 72 St. Albans Street, Toronto.

All requests for life membership certificates should be sent to the Recording Secretary, Mrs. G. H. Robinson, 625 Ontario St., Toronto.

PUBLICATIONS.

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