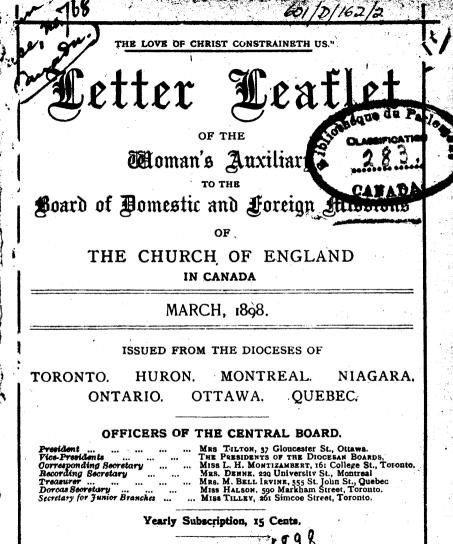
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"The love of Christ constraineth us."-2 Cor. v. 14.



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

Ask of me, and I shall give thee the heathen for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession.—PSALM II. 8.

Subjects for Prayer and Reading: March-Athabasca, Africa. April—Caledonia, B.C. and India.

AFRICA.

Equal in area to North America and Europe, this vast country contains about 170,000,000, or one sixth of the heathen population of There are various languages and dialects, 500 of which the world. have never been reduced to writing. The religion of the natives chiefly consists in the use of rites and charms to keep off the evil spirits. Idol worship is not much practised. With the crying call for help that the above figures sound in our ears, we, of the Woman's Auxiliary, have great cause for thankfulness that since this time last year, the Toronto W.A. has been privileged to send to Natal, John Nzipo, a native African, converted while in Canada, to minister to his own people; and the Montreal W.A. have undertaken the support of Mr. Borup, who has gone to work in Uganda. Let us all remember these two labourers most especially in our prayers during this month, not forgetting to plead that the way may be made for others to go from our midst to carry the lamp of Salvation, through Jesus Christ, to lighten the "Dark Continent." "The Lord is my light and my salvation," etc., etc. Psalm xxvii, 1.

ATHABASCA.

ST. JOHN'S MISSION, WAPUSKAW, Jan. 26th, 1898. MY DEAR MISS HALSON—I would ask that the following little incident may be set before the members of the W.A., who with such kind hearts and ready hands are seeking to further the work of our Church in the far north, and to strengthen the hands of their fellow workers in the Missionary field.

A bright cold winter's day, two trains of dogs wending their way over the wide expanse of snow that marks the Northern Wapuskaw Lake. We are on our way to visit Indian houses some ten miles distant from the Mission. We reach them about 11 a.m. After conversation and a meal, others gather in and we hold a service. The children in this house have been already baptized by us, there is no need to press this duty upon them. Late in the afternoon we get

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word that a heathen Indian, a little distance off, wishes us to go to his house. We know that his two children, and he himself, are still unbaptized. After our arrival the house is well filled, and I preach. taking the words of our Lord, Mark xvi. 15-16, pointing out that we, as Christ's messengers, had now, in their case, obeyed our orders; were they prepared to obey, and thus secure their salvation. The wife, who had already been baptized, was very anxious for her husband and two children to follow her example. The man, however, without offering any special reason declined both for himself and his children. After an earnest and prayerful attempt to persuade him, we had to give it up for that time. It was now late, the sun had set, and we had a long drive over the Lake before us; just as we were about to start the man said (very much as though conferring a favour) "never mind I will give you my three boys." Fortunately another train of does was obtainable, and we started with them back to the Mission. It was too dark to travel fast, and it was about half past nine, a late hour in these primitive wilds, before we reached home. Mrs, Weaver had almost given us up for that night, when we came pouring in hungry and tired. I wish every member of the Auxiliary could have heard her tone, almost of despair, as she gazed on these three tattered candidates for Christian training and instruction. "What is to be done. we have no suits left and no cloth to make any out of ?" It is the same cry at Lesser Slave Lake. Will the dear members of the W.A. pardon me for wishing, that when the ladies are at their busiest over wristlets and hoods and comforters, and all these little things, so easy and pleasant to make, they may be visited with just a twinge of conscience, through the recollection that after all, these are not the things most needed; and may I wish them the great, though hard earned, pleasure, after an hour or two of weary stitching at boys' uninteresting garments (tunics and trousers), of realizing that in that hour or two they have done so much more for aiding Christ's cause and furthering His Kingdom.

It is most important that our Missions should be helped in this respect. Our schools are not supported as those are on the Reserves, and Wapuskaw is without any help from Government.

I remain, ever yours most sincerely,

RICHARD ATHABASCA.

The following letter is on the same subject, from Mrs. Weaver :---

"Bishop Young is writing from here about our needs, and asked me to put in a line. We are indeed hard up for boys' clothes and dresses for the bigger girls of 13 and 14 years. At present we have not one big dress, and when the Bishop and Mr. Weaver returned from a visit to the end of the Lake, you can imagine my dismay at seeing three boys with them, and we had only one pair of pants, one coat, and two over-coats that would in any way fit them; fortunately we have a few shirts in stock, but clothes are a great

necessity. Our boys are about from 4 years old to 14, and we have eight, Long pants for big and little are the order of the day here, and great is the indignation when we put a pair of short pants on big or little. Good strong stuff of any dark color is best, in fact the stuff used for overalls would do very well for summer, and even for winter if we had under-drawers to go with them. Blouses are nice for the smaller boys, or ordinary coats, only let them be strong. For the girls any dresses would be acceptable. We have nine girls from 5 to 14 years. We have some dresses for the smaller ones, but none for the bigger ones. We have a fair amount of underclothing, but very few stockings, or socks for the boys—This seems a begging letter, but Bishop Young said you wanted to know just what we wanted-Braces too, of all sizes, I had almost forgotten those, and we have a time making them; we use an old bag, it answers the purpose very well. I have had two little Indian babies given to me. One, little Icel, was only four months old, but he has grown such a fine little fellow; he was two years old at Christmas, he is such an affectionate little fellow. Little Sarah is nearly four years old now, she is such a willing little thing, always anxious to help with whatever I am doing, We do indeed feel grateful for help received from our friends; without their aid we could not carry on the Master's work; so those at home help us more, far more than they realize. Asking for your prayers for our work and ourselves, and wishing you every new year's blessing,

Yours sincerely "In His Name," HATTIE WEAVER.

Branches authorized by their Dorcas Secretaries to work for Wapuskaw will take note of these special needs and endeavour to supply them as soon as possible. All Branches may well lay to heart the loving words of Bishop Young.

The following extract is from a letter giving the needs of Lesser Slave Lake, of which the Bishop also speaks: "Cloth or some sort of nice looking denim, not made up would be invaluable. If our friends will please remember the boys, try and forget the girls even, and send boys' clothes made up, or cloth, etc., for suits. See how boys abound."

It would be helpful for Branches preparing bales for Athabasca, to read over the Provincial pages for March, 1896.

In packing bales, great care should be taken to prevent any injury to contents, which the journey renders probable. Groceries should always be sewn up in strong cotton bags, or, if pessible, packed in tin boxes (those in which biscuits are sold, 3 lb. size, would be found very convenient) needles, pins, or any articles which would be ruined by contact with water, should also be put in small boxes. A casing of oil-cloth before the outer canvas would be found most beneficial, or an outer covering of tarred canvas. Breakable articles should be protected, and bales should not exceed 100 lbs, in weight, owing to the difficulties of transport. "Bales are used as 'buffers'' to break the fall of heavy boxes, etc. and the second states of the second states and the

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CHURCH WOMEN'S WORK IN ALGOMA.-(Con. fromFeb.)

Three Branches report something done for outside Missions. Port Arthur sent out a bale last winter, value \$30; Bracebridge contributed \$10 to Missions, and North Bay gave \$8 towards the support of a little girl in the Shingwauk Home. The total amount of money raised by these seven organizations from Easter 1896 to Easter 1897, was \$1,460.37. Two Branches were supplied with W.A. cards during the year and one with badges. Several Branches take the LEAFLET and have readings on Mission work at their monthly meetings. A few have also taken boxes for contributions to the United Thank-offering which is to be presented at the Triennial Meeting next year.

A. BEGG. Dio. Sec.

We heartily congratulate the Algoma W.A. on the above report, which shows how it is doing a quiet work for God, and striving to help other than themselves. We would assure those doubting Branches that their work is certainly W.A. work; Algoma being so completely a Missionary Diocese, quite on a different footing from the older Dioceses further east. We think that ere long an Algoma Diocesan Branch will be formed, when the various Parochial organizations will be gathered together into a united group, and so realize that "Unity is strength."

The following is from Miss Colles, Sec. Treas. of the Calgary W.A., from whom we are always so pleased to hear, and especially when the news of the Branch is so encouraging :--"You ask me to give you a fuller account of our work here. We meet once a month, and sew for two hours, but it was decided at the last meeting that during Lent we should have two meeting in the month, so that we hope to have enough things ready to fill a barrel with clothing before Easter comes. There are twelve members, which is an advance on last year. The Calgary members of the W.A. have many opportunities of seeing Indians. The Sarcee Reserve is only ten miles away, and at treaty time, when they come to be paid, they camp quite close round the town. That is the time the new bright blankets appear in their fullest glory, and very nice they look among the white men's sombre garments. We sent a bale of clothing, in November. to the Rev. A. Owen, at the Blood Reserve, Macleod. Boys' shirts, and a beautiful patch-work quilt, worked by Mrs. Bernard, our President, were the principal items. Now we are making shirts and girls' dresses, and we are taking care to give them very capacious waists, as we hear that the garments sent are very often too small. It would be well if the ladies in the east would remember this, and if they are in doubt as to the number of inches an Indian girl's waist measures, tell them to measure their brothers and not themselves. We had a request from Mr. Hardyman, asking for some necessary utensils to be used in his School at Bull Horn, a place about thirty miles from Macleod, on the Blood Reserve, and though we could not manage to buy all the things on his list, we sent him some."

LETTER LEAFLET.

[March, 1898.] Toronto Diocese.

DIOCESAN MOTTO: ---'' Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might.''

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The notes for Bible study have not been received.-[ED.] AUXILIARY NOTES.

The February Board Meeting at the Church of Redeemer was The hospitality and kindness of the Branch largely attended. members was much appreciated. At the noon hour. Miss Montizambert, Prov. Cor. Sec., gave a most helpful address on "Energy in Work." Many encouraging points were brought out in connection with our Auxiliary work. The E.C.A.D. was divided between the debt on the Mission Church in South Burleigh and the Blind School in Gifu, Japan, a gift which will be appreciated by our friends, the Rev. Heber and Mrs. Hamilton, who take charge of the school. The reports of the meeting of the supporters of the Blackfoot Hospital nurse and matron will, together with the statement of monies received and expended, be printed and sent to each Branch. The Branches of the Girls' Auxiliary and the Girls' Friendly Society did all, and more than all they were asked to undertake. Their banners were handsome and well made, and whatever short comings we may have been conscious of in the details of this meeting, we shall hope may not be found, should God spare us to see the Third Annual Meeting of the Blackfoot Hospital pledge.

Our warm congratulations are tendered to our sisters of the Montreal Diocese on their highly successful Annual Meeting. Mrs. Cameron, of St. Stephen's W.A., was in Montreal at the time, and at the request of our Dio. Pres., represented Toronto at the meeting. We rejoice to hear that \$100 has been voted towards the Chinese work in our own land.

The Annual Meeting is arranged for the 27th, 28th and 29th of April. We shall hope for a large attendance of delegates, and ask that special prayer may be offered at the Annual Meetings of the Branches, that the Diocesan Annual may be greatly blessed.

We are not as yet able to give full returns of the five cent offerings for Chinese work in our own country. For what has been sent and the many kind words accompanying the offerings, the officers of the Toronto Auxiliary are very grateful. The April Board Meeting will be only a morning one, and held in St. James' Cathedral School-house.

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Room 39, The Forum, Yonge Street.

Branches have promised for the following places.—Toronto—St. Peter's, Wapuskaw, April; St. Paul's, Battleford: St. James' G.A., Essonville, April; St. John's, Essonville, May; Church of Redeemer, Thunderchild's Reserve, May, and G.A. with Seniors; All Saints' M. C L., outfit Missionary's child; St. Matthew's, Shoal River. May; St. Simon's G.A., South Burleigh, April; All Saints', Whitby, Shingwauk Home; Collingwood, Peace River, May; Barrie Juniors, outfit Missionary's child; Havelock, Griswold; All Saint's, Whitby, Juniors, Temiscamingue, Nov.; Newcastle, Sarcee Home, Nov.; Barrie, Fort a la Corne, Nov.; Chester, Lesser Slave Lake; Bradford, Lac Seul, July; Lindsay, Hay River, April; Peterborough, Devon Mission, May; York Mills, Devon Mission, May. Branches have forwarded to the following places: St. George's G.A., Sturgeon Lake, I; Central Rooms, Russel. 1; Bradford, Duck Lake, Sask., 1. Juniors with Seniors; Orillia G.A., Peigan Home, 2. Batteau, Central Rooms, 1; St. Clement's, Uffington, 1.

Application having been made by Rev. E. F. Hockley, Red Crow's Camp, for a small font which he could carry about with him from place to place as his work is over a large extent of country, a member of the W.A. kindly sent the money to buy one, and before this LEAF-LET is in the hands of its numerous readers, I hope he will have received it and that he may find it of great use to him. The Junior Branch of the Church of the Redeemer, Toronto, are sending a Communion set to Rev. C. Lord, Apsley, for his new church at Hawley Settlement. A little boy writing from the South Camp Home, Blackfoot, speaks of the happy Christmas they all had, and how good Mr. and Mrs. Owen and the others, there, are to them. He says, "All boys like football, ball broke, would thank kind ladies to send us another. You ladies very good to us. I very fond of games. Mr, Stocken very good, nice gentleman."

FANNIE H. BANKS, Dorcas Sec.-Treas.

QUARTERLY REPORT, JUNIOR SECRETARY

A most interesting letter from Miss Tims was received by the Junior Secretary, written at intervals since last October, to her young friends of the Junior W.A., and another to myself, especially, dated January 15th. The first one was at once sent to Whitby, where St. John's Branch are preparing a bale for the mission, and being full of details as to the life and work at Hay River, I knew it would interest that Branch; it was also read by the Seniors there, as they are also helping Mr. Marsh, The St. John's Branch are also preparing part of a bale for Rev. Mr. Hockley, at Red Crow's Mission. The Havelock Branch, under the wise superintendency of Mrs. Fowler, are making suits for their Senior bale to be sent away in Spring. Quilts seem to be amongst the most precious articles sent to the missions, and work which can be well done by the children. Bradford reports a membership of 30, though the Secretary remarks that all the work is done by about half a dozen of the Willing All Saints', Whitby, is working for Mr. Hickland in the Workers. interesting mission of Lake Temiscamingue. Barrie reports the formation of a new Junior Branch with 26 members enrolled : they will make a complete outfit for the youngest child of Mr. Robinson of Peace River; a baby of 18 months old; and pledge themselves to give \$5 to the Educational Fund. Newmarket struggles on bravely, in spite of many disheartening obstacles, there being no Senior Branch there; they work under great difficulties, and are all the more to be encouraged and helped, which they are greatly by the monthly letter of their kind representative. Minden is in a similar situation, but work well, and sent a bale away about Christmas time. they also owe a great deal to the unfailing interest taken by their Both of these Branches are instances of the great representative. value of the letters from the monthly correspondents. Uxbridge Branch, under one of our faithful W.A. workers, has organized well, and report an average attendance of 10 at their weekly meetings. The children seem pleased and interested. The Gleaners of St. Peter's report an average attendauce of 21 at their meetings. Thev are working for a sale of work at Easter, the proceeds of which go to the support of a medical missionary in India; they have also taken up a pledge towards Margaret Durtnell's salary. They have sustained a sad loss lately in the death of one of their most devoted and energetic workers. -We have visited the St. Alban's Branch, and their practical interest in the three addresses they received was evinced by the young members taking up additional collecting cards for the Blackfoot Home.

MRS. FORSYTH GRANT, Junior Secretary.

ST. MARY'S BIBLE HOME, MATSUMOTO, SHINANO.

DEAR FRIENDS OF THE GIRLS' AUXILIARY,

"Just now Miss Paterson asked me to write a letter in haste, to tell you about the girls' life in Japan, as she wants to post it this afternoon. Finding this good chance, I can now have the pleasure of a few minutes talk with my dear friends who are so far away. In ancient times it was told that an education is not useful for the women, and all thought it is enough for the girls if they know how to cook and sew; but since the present emperor succeeded to the throne, that is from thirty years ago, it brought great changes to everything, and by and by people became to understand that the woman's education is very important. The girls at the noble class do not go to the school. They are taught the learning, sewing and music at home, from the teachers. Some of them do not go out of the door often, only twice or thrice in a year, even by carriage. But most of them go to the noble school, lately, with the servant or in their carriage. At the middle class, when the girls grow up to six or seven years old, the parents send them to the common school. After they graduate from that school, about eight years, some of them go to the higher school, if they want to become a teacher or they wish to receive the higher education: some enter the mission school to learn the English book; but in generally it is custom to learn the sewing about five or six years, though they are not intended to become a sewing teacher. It was called now a girl who received the complete education, if she learns the Japanese literature and science. English and Chinese book, music, sewing, cooking, eliquette, teaceremony, flower arrangement and knitting. At the lower class the girls cannot write or read even their own names, as they are obliged to help the family, doing some work at home or at the outside. Winter time they cannot sleep in the bed, and are working through the cold night as they have not any futon (a mattress). It was custom to be marry when the girl reaches to seventeen or eighteen years of her age, so people think it is too late if some be marry after twenty. and we often hear that many girls married earlier than fifteen. Thus, the girl's life is very short in Japan, and as I wrote above, the poor girl's lives are very pitiful, and not only for those girls, but even for the higher class I always feel compassion, because they dc not know the true happiness, and scarcely find a happy home as the Christians. Why is it so? It is only because they don't know of the true God. Now the female teachers of the common school are almost un-Christians, and some of them often teach to girls not to go to Sunday School. Thus the educated woman says these things. Therefore it is most important thing to let them know about Jesus Christ first. There are many mission schools now, but not enough to educate many If the girls who graduate these Christian schools are many, girls. surely the people can see the true light and they will understand and believe the Saviour our God' and also they can have the true happiness. I am extremely glad that He grants this Bible home to us, to educate the girls who must tell the good tidings of God to those who do not know about Jesus Christ. I have many things to write about . the girl's life, but now the time does not permit to write more, so I will close this writing here. I sincerely hope you will pardon this badly written letter and many mistakes in grammar. Dear friends. now good-bye. I hope we may meet each other sometimes. Please remember me in your prayers May many rich blessings rest upon you all." Yours very lovingly,-HIDE ICHIMURA.

From Mrs. Reeve, Fort Simpson, Mackenzie River Diocese.

"Two splendid bales reached us in September, from Toronto. No letter or notice of their dispatch has reached us, and we do not know from whom they came. One bale was very wet and the name almost obliterated, but we fancy we can make out St. James' Cathedral, Toronto. Some articles were badly stained and mildewed, especially a beautiful white tablecloth sent by Mrs. Dewdney, and the red and white patchwork quilt. We were so sorry that your nice gifts should The serge and made up clothing received little be so damaged. damage. Will you please return my grateful thanks to the lady who has sent me the handsome striking clock, which will be a most cheerful companion for me during the Bishop's long absences from home; the glass was broken, but the clock now ticks merrily in my sitting room. The slates were broken, and the needles and many of the pins ruined. I do not at all like to mention these things, but it is better to let you know; it is such a waste of your energy, generosity and kind heartedness. May I now suggest that bales for the far North West be wrapped in waterproof or tarred canvass, and then covered with a strong outside wrapper. We live so far from civilization, and incoming goods are roughly handled, besides being greatly exposed to the weather and to accidents in the rapids. Nothing breakable or crushable should be packed in a bale. Bales on the " transport " are used as buffers to break the fall of heavy boxes when thrown from the shoulders of the men who are loading up. Groceries should be sewn up seperately in strong cotton bags. Pearline, oatmeal and pepper are not at all a serviceable mixture. Please pardon me for these remarks and suggestions, but as I have always heard that the officers of the W.A. are very business like women, I felt sure you would wish to hear in what manner your kind gifts can be protected from waste and damage. Most gratefully do I thank you all for your kind thoughtfulness and hearty generosity. All the gifts are most valuable and useful. Most of the small undergarments have already been given away. Winter has set in very early (November). and so far is very severe. Small warm shirts with long sleeves, and little high dresses are greatly sought after, I do, indeed, most sincerely and gratefully thank you all."

Rev. J. W. Tims, Sarce Reserve, writing to the W.A. Branch at Beaverton, says:

"We are so grateful to your members for the many useful things Most especially glad to see those *trousers*. We have more difficulty in finding trousers for our boys than anything else: The quilts are most acceptable. The Christmas gifts we were so pleased to have the dishcloths and thread—indeed everything was so useful it is difficult to mention one more than another." Mrs. Rolston of Dynevor Hospital. Man., writes to the Stayner Branch.

"We do, indeed, thank all the kind helpers for all the nice and useful articles in your bale. The cold weather brought much sickness to the Reserve, and all clothing is needed. The hospital is prospering and has been made more comfortable by many improvements."

From Rev. 7. Eccleston, Little Current, Algoma, to Bradford W.A.

"We received your bale in excellent condition. We thank you most heartily for the things marked for my wife and myself. Please convey our warmest thanks to the Junior Branch for the things marked ' for the missionary and his wife.' Your bale is the best in kind that I ever received, for the men and boys' clothing has helped me to overcome that great difficulty; something to keep them warm."

From Shingwauk Home to Holland Landing Branch W.A.

"Your box of clothing arrived in capital order; we were more than glad to receive your kind gifts, especially the boys' flannel shirts, and quilts. All that was sent will assist us much in our need. We have seventy boys in the home now, and I am thankful to say not one sick boy amongst them."

From Rev. Owen Owens, Fort Pelly, Assa., to Lakefield W.A.

"There is not an article in your bale that will not be useful. We find it difficult to express our gratitude sufficiently. I think I told you before that we had some very poor, old, and now Treaty, halfbreeds amongst our people, to whom a little clothing is a real charity. I am afraid the take of fur by our people will be immensely small, as the snow has been very deep, so trapping will be hard, and they cannot move about much, having all the little children with them. Our Church goes on about the same, only that the Fort Pelly congregation has so increased, that I go there every other Sunday now. The settlement 30 miles to the south is increasing, so I have to go there more often. Ours is still a day school, but I am trying, but with poor success, to get a Boarding School. Please tell the members of the Lakefield Branch of our gratitude on behalf of these poor people."

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR MONTH.

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[March, 1898.]

Duron Diocese.

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IN MEMORIAM

A very loving and devoted worker has been lost to the Woman's Auxiliary,—Mrs. George Pattinson, President of the Preston Junior Branch, entered into rest on Sunday morning, February 13th. Of her the rector writes, 'It is a great loss to the community, to the church and to the Woman's Auxiliary, but it is a greater loss still to her husband and the little children for whose sake, though willing to go if it was God's will, she would like to have stayed a little while longer.'' She was a quiet, gentle worker, always ready to help; especially, she gathered *the children* round her, and planted the good seed in these young hearts which, God grant, it may bear fruit a hundred fold in years to come; and her loving mother's heart went out in sympathy to our missionary children. May the loving Father in heaven comfort those who mourn her, and help her own children and those she taught in His faith, fear and love.

AUXILIARY NOTES.

These further particulars concerning the programme for our Diocesan Annual Meeting are commended to the consideration of LEAFLET readers, specially to that of Branch Presidents and Delegates. On Thursday morning, March 31st, at 10 30 a.m., the meeting will be addressed by Mrs. Matheson, of Onion Lake: the devoted missionaries there are so well known by reputation to our Branches that Mrs. Matheson is sure to be warmly welcomed among us. *Re* China, the following resolution of the Board of Management will be submitted to the Annual. Moved by Mrs. Beomer, seconded by Mrs. Moorehouse, and *carried*, "That this Committee would recommend to the Annual Meeting the advisability of accepting the proposition that the Woman's Auxiliary, of the Diocese of Huron, should unite with the Gleaners' Union in sending a Lady Missionary

to China, till such time as it is able to support a Lady Missionary of its own." The members of the Committee of Education of Missionaries' Children, are informed hereby that the Annual Meeting of that Committee will be held at the Memorial Church Rectory, at 7.30 p.m., Monday evening, March 28th, when it is earnestly hoped all members will make a point of being present. In this connection, Mrs. Boomer desires to state that she has received from the Montreal Diocesan W.A.M.A. a cheque, in advance, for \$124.14, for the expenses of its Missionary's child, Weston Ford, coupled with the information that the members are preparing a year's outfit for him. Shall not our Huron Branches bear our Missionary children-who" are profiting to the utmost of their powers, of the advantages afforded them-as lovingly in mind? And have our Branch Secretaries fulfilled, or are they about to fulfil without delay their duty of lightening, as much as possible, the labors of the Hospitality Committee? Have the names of delegates been duly forwarded to the Convener of that Committee, Mrs. Hill, the Rectory, Grosvenor Street, who has kindly consented again to undertake her onerous task? In regard to the Thankoffering to be presented to the Lord Bishop at the session of Wednesday morning, LEAFLET readers are reminded that it is decided that this year the thankofferings should be for the Triennial, as we have for two years in succession given free-will offerings, it is only fair that we should, for one Annual, devote all our offerings to the Triennial Thankoffering (see February LEAFLET, page, 109). In conclusion let us all pray earnestly for a special blessing on our Annual Meetings, that God would show us how we may do our helping work most efficiently, and grant to each and all of us to be faithful, devoted and self-abnegating.

Mrs. Boomer desires to acknowledge, gratefully, subscriptions rom LEAFLET readers and other friends, including the little ones to the amount of $3_{31.50}$ for the little lame child at Fort a la Corne. It is hoped that substantial help, in the form of nourishing foods and tonic medicines, may reach him by the spring boats from Winnipeg. Who will help?

The Diocesan Dorcas Secretary has received a communication from the Provincial Corresponding Secretary, stating that the missionary in charge at Omoksene has sent in an appeal for a new range, and asking if Huron W.A. can supply it. It will be proposed at the Annual that a sum of money in the hands of the Diocesan Treasurer, which remained over from the purchase of the knitting machines for Omoksene be applied to this, equally useful, purpose. Those Branches which contributed so liberally for said knitting machines, are asked to consider this matter and decide before the Annual if they are willing that this balance of their contributions be given towards the needful range.

HURON DIOCESE.

FROM THE MISSION FIELD.

LEAFLET readers are asked carefully to consider the subjoined letters, as reference will be made to them at our Annual Meeting. Bishop Reeve, of Mackenzie River writes, November 17th, to Mrs. "The work at this mission, Fort Simpson, continues Boomer. encouraging. My wife and I have been busy teaching; my adult scholars have committed to memory several chapters of the New Testament; her's have learnt the Lord's Prayer. Creed, Decalogne and other prayers and hymns. There has been a good attendance at church, both week-days and Sundays, two adult baptisms, nine additional communicants, and an accession of two Roman Catholic families. At Wrigley the work was carried on by Mr. Webb under a terrible difficulty-shortness of food. Daily Evening Praver was held, the young taught in school, adults instructed as opportunity offered, a coupled married, a woman and six infants baptized, medicine was given to the sick, and the famishing received a little food. Two Romish Priests are now established there. I travelled to Fort Norman, alone, by canoe, holding service on the way at several Indian encampments, and giving much pleasure by gifts of a little tea and doses of medicine. To their great disappointment as well as mine, that almost constant adversary, shortness of food, had driven most of our Norman people to their summer hunting grounds before my arrival: the communicants without the refreshments of the Lord's Supper, three couples without the blessing of the church on their marriage, and infants unbaptized. Mr. and Mrs. Spendlove are there now, and will care for them. At Hay River, Miss Marsh was laid aside by illness most of the summer, but she and Miss Tims carried on the work of the mission most efficiently during Mr. Marsh's absence: he returned in August with a help-meet and lay helper, so I trust he will be doubly successful. It is sad to have to say that there seems every prospect of very hard times for our Indians this winter; the rabbits have failed so completely that some of our poor people scarcely know where to look for food." To Mrs. English. Treasurer of the Extra-cent a day Fund, Mrs, Spendlove writes from Fort Norman. "We have recently returned from a visit to England, my husband's health having broken down after 18 years' work in the mission field. We left all our dear children with friends in England, but I am expecting a little stranger in February; there is no doctor nor white woman here, but as in the past, so in the future, God will care for me. The C.M.S. requested us to labor among the poor Indians far down on the Mackenzie River; we are 600 miles from the north of Great Slave Lake, close to the arctic circle. These poor Indians are pitiful and need every care. If you could, through the Auxiliary, send us a bale, it would be most thankfully received. We have had nothing from Canada for some years, and at this mission we have mostly Protestant Indians. We have now with us in the

house an Indian, his wife, and seven children needing help. I would be so glad if you could make our work known. We can only send our letters twice a year." These letters suggest much matter for the serious consideration of every Branch, and every member; for it is the duty of every Branch that is organized, and every member who enrols herself, to give thought as well as material help to the work of aiding and encouraging missionaries; so few of our Huron bales go to that desolate far north where they are so sorely needed. We all know why-it is that difficult problem of freight charges; probably most of us have heard at our meetings that dejected chorus, 'oh, but the freight,' that annihilates the compassionate enterprising member who would like the bale to go to Bishop Bompas or Bishop Reeve, or to Moose Fort, or to Mr. Stringer, or Mr. Scott. But could we not send our bales further afield by means of co-operation. Would not Branches in the same Deanery, within driving distance of each other. unite to make up bales for the far away missions, and share the freight charges? Nearly all our Branches send out two bales every year, Might not one be part of a co-operative bale? Try and think it out dear women of the Auxiliary.

To the Strathroy Junior Branch the Bishop of Algoma writes acknowledging the gift of communion vessels given by Sister Magdalen, of Hamilton, in memory of her brother, the late T. A. Keefer, and forwarded by the above Branch. "I am glad to learn that you are so warmly interested in missions. The vessels will be very useful indeed to the church at Callender. The congregation is a small one and the people not able to do much for themselves." In this connection the following extract from the Algoma Mission News is quoted, to show that near home, as well as far afield, the need is urgent and pathetic. "While at Gore Bay the claims of Silverwater were laid before the Bishop. The time was short, the distance long, the roads bad, and the rain pouring down, but he felt he must go, and drove there through deep mud travelling there all day and receiving a watm welcome at the house of Mr. Kemp, one of the leading farmers. Δn impressive service was held, the people gathering from the country round, and after service the talk began. Would the Bishop come again? What could he do for them? Could he send them a clergy. man? And then the people told what they had done for themselves. They had bought and paid for a church site, they had cut down trees and taken the logs to the mill; they had made a kiln and burnt the necessary lime for foundation wall and plastering. All they asked for was help to support a clergyman. ' There are sixty of us,' they said, 'and we will do what we can, but we cannot do all.' It was with a sad heart that the Bishop was obliged to say that he had not, at present, the means to help them. And will not everyone who loves and values church privileges be sad at heart in reading of these families at Silverwater, who must fore-go them." Let us when we come to that clause of our members' prayer, "have mercy on those who are far from the church of their fathers," make special intercession on their behalf, and that of hundreds of others similarly situated, that we and others may be inclined and enabled to help them.

BRANCH NOTICES

DRESDEN-We held our Annual Meeting on December 14th; we have had a very successful year. Our Auxiliary has been organized seven months; we have 17 members and 21 subscribers to the LEAFLET. We have paid \$4 in pledges and hope soon to prepare a LONDON (All Saints)-On Dec. 14th, we had a Missionary bale. Entertainment which was very well attended; the S.S. children and the children of the M.G.L. brought presents for a Christmas tree for the Muncey Indians. All showed the deepest interest and brought these gifts in the true missionary spirit. Four large boxes were sent EXETER-We were much gratified at to the Rev. J. Ball. Muncey. receiving news of the safe arrival of the bale sent to the Peigan Mission where its contents were much approved. The Jumiors were much encouraged by the praise bestowed on their contributions, and their cake was pronounced delicious. SEAFORTH-Sent a bale to the Rev. D. D. Macdonald, Thunderchild's Reserve; it contained 21 yards rag carpet, 8 quilts, dresses, cake, 11 pairs socks, 8 pair mitts, shirts, etc., all new, also much secondhand clothing. The interest seems to be increasing by the quality not so much as the quantity of the articles sent in for the bale; 9 pairs socks were knitted by one member in the spare moments of her very busy life, and we hope to do more this vear. BRANTFORD (Grace Church) - This Branch sent a large bale to the Rev. J. Anderson, Dynevor, in December; it contained q quilts. 14 dolls, a large number of bags, containing needles, thread, soap, etc. . a quantity of groceries and lots of articles for the Christmas tree. The Stewart Club, Boy's Branch, which resumed work in October with new members and renewed interest, are sending a bale to the Blood Reserve. CHATHAM (Christ Church)-We sent a bale to Mr. Gill, Russell. Our Branch keeps up a great interest in the work. We held our Annual on January 6th with a good attendance, all much in DURHAM-We began our weekly sewing meetings on Jan'y earnest. 5th, to continue till May, when we hope to have a nice large bale ready. INGERSOLL-The Junior Branch has made a great start, and work one afternoon every week; the members are few but full of enthusiasm. They have helped to fill the Senior's bales, and have paid their pledges. Once a month a literary and social meeting is held at the houses of the members; after devotional exercises, business is discussed, a missionary letter read, followed by a short musical programme. Then the members give their offerings to the Treasurer and tea is served by the hostess. In this way the interest is not allowed to flag nor the Treasury to diminish, and the members are full of hope for future usefulness.

LETTER LEAFLET.

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[March, 1898.] Montreal Diocese.

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

TWELFTH ANNUAL MEETING.

Those who have attended our Annual Meeting from the very beginning, in our day of small things, twelve years ago, and later, will have noticed with gratification, how, as we have emerged from our initiatory stages, our incongruous and often slovenly attempts at a Business Meeting have gradually developed into order, neatness and harmony; and how these essential qualities were characteristic, in a marked degree, of our late Annual gathering. There was no confusion; all went smoothly from first to last, and as a delegate remarked "we seem to have grown into our work." Not that we do not need to, and hope to, grow into it better still from year to year. But though the work is ever expanding, ever increasing, it is true—and we thank God for it—that we are getting to understand it better, to grapple with it more intelligently. Let us recognize the source from which this power comes. "They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength," "My grace is sufficient for Thee."

During the year just passed, it must be acknowledged that our special Devotional Meetings, the quiet half hour in which, before approaching our business sessions, we have drawn near to Him in prayer and the study of the word, have been greatly blessed to us in our souls and in our work, Laus Deo.

At 11.30. on the first day, Tuesday, 15th February, 250 Communicants partook together of the Holy Eucharist, administered by the Lord Bishop, Dr. Norton and the assisting clergy in the Cathedral. The Bishop, having previously addressed the Auxiliary and assured them of his deep and abiding interest in the work, as well as his appreciation of the Jubilee Thankoffering of \$350 towards the invested capital of the Widows' and Orphans' Fund of the Diocese. At 2.30 the Convention met for business in the Synod Hall, the Bishop presiding. After prayer and the singing of the Auxiliary Hymn-

> "The love of Christ constraineth, O let the watchword ring; Till all the world adoring, To Jesus feet it bring."

the roll was called and letters of greeting read from Canon Empson, on behalf of the Synod, and from the Provincial and several Diocesan Boards of the W.A. Mrs. Cameron, a member of the Toronto W.A. and correspondent of the Canadian Churchman, conveying Toronto's sisterly greeting. The President then read her annual address. After cordially welcoming the delegates and ascribing the success of the past year to Him who has been our helper in our going out and coming in, she went on to say: "Dear delegates the success of this meeting mainly depends upon yourselves. While it is true that we arrange a programme so as to ensure despatch and order in our proceedings, it does not follow that you are relieved of your responsibility. If you have come here in a prayerful and receptive attitude, looking for and expecting a blessing, the result will be that there will be life and power given unto us, but if your spirit be one of coldness and criticism it cannot but make itself felt."

During the year she had visited seven Branches, and personally had received inspiration from each visit. Suggestions were given for the more effective working of both the Junior and Senior Departments. General Missionary intelligence should be given to the children, so that they might take an intelligent interest in the school or mission they were assisting, and when possible, they should correspond. with the missionary for whom they were working. A letter from a real missionary would create unbounded enthusiasm amongst the children—or a photograph of the Mission-school, Church, etc. Miss McCord's services, as Corresponding Secretary, were gratefully acknowledged, and regret expressed that owing to the growth of the Dorcas work, which absorbes so much of her time and thought, she has found it impossible longer to continue to hold the dual offices, and had therefore handed in her resignation as Corresponding Secretary, to the Board. Encouraging reports had been received from Miss Shaw and Miss Phillips, the W.A's. Missionaries at Onion Lake. and from Miss Smith, the W.A's. Medical Missionary in Japan, and Miss Paterton at Matsumoto, in the same country. Also from Weston Frost, our own particular little Missionary boy, whose examination papers and home life testified to attention to study and good conduct. Mrs. Boomer and the Misses Penny were gratefully thanked for their unremitting care for and personal supervision of Weston. Through the instrumentality of the energetic President of the I.H.N. Society, the members of that Society had assumed the education of a young girl, the daughter of a clergyman, and, though not a Branch of the W.A., were graciously working in co-operation with us. The Zenana work in India and China, the Hospital and other work in Japan, and in our own Dominion; and work among the Chinese in British Columbia, were all commended to the support of the Branches.

Mrs. Foster, of Klowlton, replied to the address. The delegates had come she said, expecting a blessing. If the Blessed Master is where two or three are gathered together in His name, it was neither presumptious or irreverent to expect that as we confer fogether over the work we had been permitted to do for Him, and devise means for still further extending our lines in obedience to His Divine Command, we should claim the fulfilment of His promise, "I, if I be lifted up will draw all men unto me" The country Branches deeply regretted Miss McCord's resignation. Her patience, promptness and pains-taking qualities in the discharge of her duties, were amply recognized. The stimulus of a visit from the President and Secretary of Dorcas work was cordially solicited. Mrs. Everett. Rec. Sec. submitted her report. There were now 61 Branches, eight had been added during the year. Eight Regular, eight Preliminary, three Executive and four Special Meetings had been held. Of the latter one, in which the Gleaners had participated, was to bid God speed to the Rev. K. Borup, who had gone as a Missionary to Uganda. St. Matthew's W.A. having assumed his support. Another special was to receive the report of the Jubilee Thank-offering committee, by whose efforts the \$350 presented to the Bishop to increase the invested capital of the Widows' and Orphans' Fund of the Diocese, was raised. At this meeting was also submitted and approved the Jubilee Address, which was afterwards sent to her Majesty. Addresses had been delivered, during the year, by Bishop Dart, of New Westminster : Archdeacons Lofthouse and Phair, and Rev. L. W. Tucker, and to the presence among us of these and other Missionaries, the increased diffusion of Missionary literature, and the monthly devotional meetings, might be largely attributed the success of our year's work.

The Corresponding and Dorcas Secretary, Miss A. McCord, reported 88 bales of goods sent out during the year to the following Algoma, 20; Athabasca, 7; Calgary, 8; Moosonee, 5; Dioceses : MacKenzie River, 1; QuAppelle, 9; Rupert's Land, 13; Saskatchewan, 8; Montreal, 17, Cash value of new material, \$898.10. The total number of articles included 78 quilts and ten blankets, 105 yards of rag carpet, and more than 200 yards of un-cut material. Church furnishings, etc., had been sent as follows : To Rev. A. J. Cobb, North Seguin, Algoma, I surplice from the Church of the Advent, Westmount; To the Bishop of Algoma, Sault Ste. Marie, I set embroidered Communion Linen and I silver Chalice from St. John Evangelist Branch; to Rev. J. Pardoe, Algoma, 3 dozen prayer books from St. Paul's, Lachine; to Athabasca, 1 large Hymnal Companion, with music, and 1 small one; Mrs. Young, Athabasca Landing 2 doz. hymn books, I small prayer book; to Rupert's Land, I organ for Rev. E. Bassing, Shoal River, from Mrs. Hollis and friends ; Diocese of Montreal, silver Communion vessels to Bristol, from St. John the Evangelist. Mrs. Dawson, Dio. Treasurer, reported the receipts for the past year, \$2,857.76; disbursements, \$2 844.47; distributed amongst the following Dioceses : Algoma, Athabasca, Saskatchewan, Mackenzie River, Selkirk, Rupert's Land, Moosonee, New Westminster, Montreal; and in the Foreign field : Zenana Missions, Indian Scholarships, Japan, Jews, Lepers, and C.M.S. to the heathen.

Officers for the current year were then elected as follows: President (nominated by the Bishop), Mrs. A. Holden; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Everett; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Mills; Dorcas Sec., Miss A. McCord; LEAFLET Editor, Mrs. Evans; Secretay Junior Branches, Mrs. Brander. Executive Committee (nominated by the Bishop), Mrs. Carmichael, Mrs. Evans, Mrs. R. Lindsay, Mrs. Norton, Mrs. Hollis, Mrs. Cole, Mrs. Mills, Mrs. W. Hutton, Miss Moffat, Mrs. Pennell, Mrs. D. W. Ross. Delegates to Triennial' Meeting, Mrs. Holden, Mrs. Evans, Mrs. Everett, Miss McCord, Miss Dawson, Mrs. R. Lindsay, Miss Mudge and Mrs. Stephens, Waterloo. Substitutes; Mrs. A. Carus-Wilson, Mrs. Lloyd, Mrs. Pennell, and Mrs. Foster, Knowlton.

The following Branches reported and sent delegates-City: Cathedral-Mrs. Norton, Miss Mitcheson, Mrs. Denne. Advent-Mrs. Fisher, Miss Cobban, Mrs. Yarker. All Saints'-Mrs. Evans, Mrs. Campbell, Mrs. Swift, Grace Church-Mrs. Ker. Mrs. Watson, Mrs. Brighton. St. George's--Miss Mudge, Miss E. Evans, Miss S. St. John Evangelist - Mrs. Roe, Miss Hague. St. Durnford. Matthias'-Mrs. Douglas, Mrs. MacKenzie. St. Martin's-Mrs. Troop, Mrs. Lloyd, Miss Thornton. St. Luke's-Mrs. Cunnyngham, Mrs. Lamb, Mrs. Loverin. St. Stephen's-Mrs. John Carson, Miss Carson. St. Thomas'-Mrs. Spicer, Miss McGregor. Trinity-Mrs. Wallace, Mrs. Finney. Country .: Aylmer-No delegate. Cowansville-Mrs. Elliott. Calumet, Dunham, Farnham-Miss Mussen, Miss Starke. Frelighburg-Miss C. Davidson. Franklin-Miss Ames. Grenville-Mrs. Wade. Havelock-Mrs. Ball, Mrs. Dousley, Miss Fiddes. Huntingdon-Mrs. Hyde, Miss T. Bradford. Knowlton-Mrs. Foster, Mrs. Belknap. Lacolle------. Lachine-St. Stephen's. Mrs. R. C. Thornloe, Mrs. H. T. Evans; St. Paul's, Mrs. Henry, Mrs. Glackmore, Lakefield, Mille Isles, Napierville, Onslow-No delegates. Papineauville-Miss Leila Robinson. Sorel. Shawville. Parkenam-No delegates. Shrewsbury-Miss Hattie Good. Sweetsburg-Girls Branch, Mrs. Elliott, Mrs. Bulman; St. Andrews, Miss M. Albright, Mrs. _____. St. Armand-Mrs. Mitchell. St. Lambert _____. St. John's P.Q.-Mrs. Trotter, Mrs. Perchard. Waterloo-Mrs. Gilmore, Mrs. D. Lindsay, Mrs. Slack. Waterloo Girls-Miss Richard, Miss Cook.

All the pledges of the past year were renewed, viz., Miss Shaw and Miss Phillips, Onion Lake; Miss J. Smith, and Miss Paterson (Training School), Japan. Educational (Weston Frost); and a new pledge, viz., \$roo for work amongst the Chinese in New Westminster, was taken, making a total of \$527.00.

The offertories during the Convention, including the service on the first day, amounted to \$40.34.

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[March 1898.]

Miagara Diocese.

DIOCESAN MOTTO .- "Lo / I am with you alway."

OFFICERS: Hon. Pres.-Mrs. DuMoulin: President-Mrs. H. McLaren Balquidder, Hamilton: Vice-Presidenta-Inst, Miss Ambrose: and, Mrs. Wade; Treasurer-Mrs. Webster, 256 McNab St. North Editor LEAFLET-Mrs. T. W. Reynolds, Drawer 47, Hanlton. SCCRETARIES: Recording-Miss E. Counsell, 211 Jackson St., West, Humilton; Oorresponding, Mrs. J. M. Stewart. 150 Victoria Ave. S., Hamilton: Organizing-Mrs. Houston, Niagara Falls; Doroas-Mrs. Sutherland, 171 Hannah Street West, Hamilton; Junior-Mrs. Ker. St. Catharines; Sc. Treas. Lil. Com.-Miss A. Gaviller, 70 Main St. Hamilton; Uniform Badge -Miss Ferres, 216 Herkimer St., Hamilton; Treasurer Extra-cent-a-day Fund-Mrs. Sevell, az Bold St., Hamilton:

Miss Counsell, Rec. Sec., and her family, are assured of the deep and sincere sympathy of the officers and members of the W.A., in their recent sudden bereavement. To the Branch at Orangeville, which has lost one of its most valued members, Mrs. Webber, their and Vice-President, the same sympathy is extended by the Board to her sorrowing family.

BRANCH NOTES.

PALERMO—The Pres. writes, "God in his goodness has blessed us beyond my expectation, for it (the formation of the Branch) has put new life in us all. Besides the very nice bale sent Rev. Mr. Chowne, just before Christmas, we have now ready for the weaver about 14 yards of rag carpet, to be sent to Rev. Mr. Percy. Burk's Falls." Besides this the Branch at Palermo has paid off a debt of \$40 on the Church, and are getting in a new Chancel window to replace an old painted glass one.] ROCKWOOD-This Branch which was only organjzed in October has already sent a valuable bale, weighing 140 lbs., and valued at \$18, to Mr. Johnson, Rainy River A letter from him to Rockwood appeared in Feb. LEAFLET. BARTON (Holy Trinity)-Held their annual meeting on Feb 17th. The old officers were re-elected by acclamation. HAMILTON (St. Thomas')-The Sec. writes, "We had a good meeting on the 24th (Jan.), 36 being present. Mrs. Stewart read a short address asking Mrs. Champ's acceptance of a Life Membership and badge, 'as a mark of the affection and esteem' in which she is held by the members of the Branch of which she has been so long the valued President. A week or so later Mrs. Champ entertained the Branch at her own house to 5 o'clock tea, where all had the pleasure of seeing her wear the gold badge. GRIMSBY-" The Grimsby Branch of the W.A. mourn the loss, by death, of three members within a few months, Mrs. Sherlock, mother of our first Medical Miss. to Japan; Mrs. Alexander, our past Rec. Sec., who leaves a large family and husband to mourn her loss; and Mrs. W. Lewis, who also left a young family. Our W.A. are holding weekly sewing meetings, and hope to make glad the hearts of two Missionaries in the spring."

NIAGARA DIOCESE.

ORANGEVILLE—Miss Tuck, who has been Supt. of the J.B. ever since it began, has returned from California and resumed her duties. OAKVILLE—Miss Millidge, writing to B., says, "it is delightful to answer all the appeals, but we could not do this without the aid of our Eastern sisters. It seems as if we were doing the work directly for the Master, for he says 'In as much as ye did it unto one of the least of these ye did it unto me.'" MILTON—"Had an interesting address from Miss Montizambert at a recent meeting. There was a good turn out of members, and the Branch has every reason to feel encouraged."

From Mr. Ley King, Shingwauk Home, to Miss Blakeney, Cayuga.

"The bale of clothing, etc., so kindly sent by the St. John's Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary, Cayuga, reached us safely. We were indeed glad to receive it; and heartily thank the members for the very useful and acceptable articles sent. The second-hand cloth clothing, under flannels, nice warm socks, stockings and mitts, are just what we most needed, and will assist us much in our need. To-day is Inspection Day, and the day for giving out every-day clothing, and we are indeed thankful to have the contents of your bale to fall back upon. Our boys seem to have a wonderful knack of wearing out their clothes in a remarkably short space of time, especially mitts, socks, and stockings, and in this respect, I suppose, are pretty much like boys all the world over. Of course, many of them are working out of doors and doing rough work, such as handling lumber, sawing and chopping in the bush, and farm work, and some allowance must be made for them."

From Rev. J. Pardoe, Novar, Muskoka, to Sec. of St. Barnabas Branch. St. Catharines.

"The two barrels of clothing sent by your Branch reached me quite safely, Please convey our heartiest thanks to all who contributed. We are glad to receive such a generous supply of shirts, trousers, vests, etc., for boys. All the articles contained in the barrels are of the very greatest use; and will speedily be distributed to the poor people of the Mission. The groceries will be most helpful to the recipients; and please thank especially the two children who gave the cradle and the toys, which will give great joy to some of our backwoods little ones."

From Mr. Ley King, Shingwauk, to St. Thomas' Juniors, Hamilton.

"The valuable bale of clothing, books, groceries, etc., so kindly sent by the Junior Branch of St. Thomas', arrived safely and in capital order. We are most gratified, and I beg you will convey to the members our warmest thanks and approciation of their kind gifts. You could not possibly have sent more useful articles. The secondhand clothing, quilts, boys' flannel shirts and woolen mitts, are most acceptable. The books will form a nice addition to our library, and

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our boys will thoroughly enjoy reading them during the long winter evenings. Mrs. King is delighted with the splendid box of groceries, and wishes me to especially thank you for them, and also for the carpet, which is so beautifully made; and certainly does your junior members great credit. Last, but not least, permit me to thank you for the quilt for myself, it was most kind and thoughtful of you to send it. I have been trying to guess who put those two boxes of candies in the bale, but as I do not know the members personally, have been obliged to give it up. How our boys will enjoy them."

Extract of letter from Rev. H. Robinson, Peace River, to Mrs. Stewart, Cor. Sec.

He acknowledges receipt of \$90.30 through Rev. W. A. Burman, for the Church School Building (voted to him at the last annual meeting), and says, "Please accept our grateful thanks for your valuable gift; funds have come in so slowly we have not yet finished it. The white settlers have done all they can, some by working at the building, and others by subscriptions of money, but we yet need \$100 more before the building will be clear of debt. We are so anxious to have it finished. I am continuing the work, trusting to our loving Father who is able to move the hearts of those that carry the purse, to supply our need. Church furniture, bell, and carpet for Chancel 12 feet square, is also needed."

Extracts of letter from Rev. A. Allman, Uffington, Algoma, to the Church of Ascension Juniors, Hamilton.

"It affords me much pleasure in answering your kind letter to inform you that the bale has come safely to hand, Mrs. Allman has unpacked the same, and we have both feelings of appreciation and thankfalness to express to your members. The 'wool sealette jacket.' which was especially sent for Mrs, Allman, will be of great service; and I beg to assure you that it is accepted willingly and gratefully. I have been thinking what a good and noble work it is in which your Juniors spend their time; I have no doubt they understand the sweetness of the Master's words, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.' Still many who live in this bush District are greatly blessed and comforted in receiving, and I am sure thank God sincerely for putting it into the hearts of so many of his more fortunate followers to send help in time of need to those who are less blessed."

From Miss Eva Young, Athabaska Landing, to Mrs. Hobson, Church of Ascension, Hamilton.

"Mr. C. White, who has been staying with us until the track for dog-trains to Lesser Slave Lake was safe, left on Tuesday, (Dec.) His brother sent in two dog-trains, and as the expense is considerable, quite $\$_{50}$, every nerve was strained to pack in everything on the sleighs that would be useful for their work. They have 28 children in the school, nearly all boys, and they were almost destitute of garments for them. Happily we had some boys' suits in a bale sent from England, and we depended upon your bales to make up the full weight these sleighs carry. We have made up so many fresh bales from them, and now the very last article of clothing has, I believe, gone in these last sleighs. Everything has to be sewn up in sacks of one particular size and length, in fact, when these sacks are complete, they look like so many corpses. If any one from the South had walked into our house the other evening, they would have received quite a shock, these ugly objects were to be seen in every corner of kitchen and sitting room. The provisioning such a party for, at the least, an eight days journey, is no light matter. Mr. White made his own bread, but Mrs. Young has had her hands full with the other things needed for them. It was an interesting sight to see them start, the dogs look the picture of mournful resignation while they are being harnessed to the sleigh, but seem to recover their spirits when actually The Mission Church is being painted throughout to prevent the off. boards from warping, so school is held for the present in the house. A great many children come now, mostly Crees, Half-breeds rather. All the children, except one well to-do boy, receive a large piece of bread or bannock with molasses or dripping, when we can get the latter, before they leave. This entails much baking for Mrs. Young, in addition to what we use ourselves. Lately too, we have rarely been without visitors, we have had as many as four at one time, so you will understand that we do not lead idle lives even as regards the mere housework. Last night, just as we were finishing tea, a large funeral party of Crees arrived from Batiche Lake, my brother had to hurry off with them to the cemetery. It was guite dark. Fancy, the boy, a young fellow of one and twenty, had been dead nearly a month. Afterwards the whole party came in to supper, and staved for reading and singing. As soon as I can possibly find time, I hope to gather together the materials, or rather classify them, for a small Cree primer, we need one so much. Our winter work lies almost wholly amongst the half-breeds living immediately around us. One of my Sunday School scholars, a very sweet looking half-breed, actually comes to both services, as well as to the Sunday School in the afternoon (two miles from her home). She would not miss coming for anything. It is wonderful to see the change that comes over these girls after they have been brought under Christian influence and teaching. At first they seem almost like wild creatures, a sullen dogged look in their faces, as if they were accustomed to being treated always like dogs, probably the case; then gradually they seem to soften, and intelligence dawns in the mind, bringing with it happiness and brightness. I am struck, only to day, by the changed look on one girl's face about whom we were saying, only the other day, that really she hardly looked like a human being, she smiled back at me and looked so utterly different I was astonished."

LETTER LEAFLET.

[March, 1898.] Ontario Diocese.

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

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All the officers were present at the February Board Meeting, and a large number of representatives. The Cor. Sec. read letters from the Rev. Mr. Godden of Belleville, Mrs. Sexsmith, Selby, also from the Prov. Cor. Sec., enclosing an appeal from D. D. Macdonald, Thunderchild, Sask. He writes, "The house I am living in has become so out of order that I had to borrow the Indian Dept. farm house to live in for the winter. The Dept. may require it at any moment; then I do not know what I should do. Anyway, I expect to leave it in the spring, and something will have to be done to the old mission house. I will require \$300 to do it with. The case is very urgent." This appeal is endorsed by the Archdeacon in the absence of the Bishop of Rupert's Land. The Prov. Cor. Sec. says,-" Please let me know if you can respond to this and to what extent." A letter from the Rev Austin Smith of Sharbot Lake, Dio. Ont., was read. He asks for help towards securing an altar frontal and a font for his new church. The Sec. for Junior work spoke of badges for the C.C. M.G. It was decided to have red ribbon with the letters stamped on end. Prescott has undertaken to do Ontario's part of Muriel Bell's outfit, with the exception of one serge frock that has been undertaken by the Juniors at St. James', Kingston. The Extra-centa-day Treasurer reported \$2.79; this was voted to the Shingwauk Home toward an organ for which Mrs. King had become personally The President spoke of the Annual Meeting in June, to responsible. be held at Bellville, and asked members of the Board to think over the arrangements to be made in connection with it, The LEAFLET Editor reported an increase in the number of subscribers. The Spirit of Missions and the Moosonee Mail Bag now are taken by the Board.

BRANCH NOTES.

(From the Rural Deanery of Grenville).

PRESCOTT has had 5 business and 12 working meetings since August, with an average attendance of 12. On the 19th of January, the first of a series of weekly Missionary Teas was held. MERRICK-VILLE has monthly business meetings; during the cold weather

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sewing meetings are suspended, the members working at home as a rule. NORTH AUGUSTA re-organized Oct. 14th, and have a membership of 25. Three business and nine sewing meetings have been held; among the numerous articles prepared for the spring bale are six quilts. Nine LEAFLETS are taken. KEMPTVILLE's report tells us that Miss Cheber, for some time their faithful Secretary, has resigned office, having been away from the parish for several months. A bale has been sent to Biscotasing, Dio. Moosonee. Burrett's Rapids takes mine LEAFLETS.

DORCAS NOTES.

TRENTON J.N.A. sent a large bale to the Peevor Settlement, near Bancroft. Dio. Ont. TRENTON-A bale to Shingwauk Home, Dio. Algoma. NEWBORO'-A bale to Goulais Bay, Dio. Algoma, 50 yards of carpet was sent in this. NEW DUBLIN sent a bale to Hollow Water River, Dio. of R.L. BELLEVILLE (St. Thomas) sent a bale to Blackfoot Reserve, Dio. Calgary.

The Dorcas Secretary's Report in our last issue should read, "Trinity Church, Brockville, sent a bale to Webbwood, Dio. Algoma," not "Christ Church, Brockville." This bale weighed over 200 lbs. and among the articles contained 20 yards of carpet. Yarker sent a bale alone, not with Camden East, as reported.

Will the Branches kindly take note of the Rev. Austin Smith's appeal to the Board. He is building a church at Sharbot Lake Mission, and applies to the W.A. for a font and altar frontal, or for assistance in procuring them. The Dorcas Secretary will be glad to receive contributions, and suggests that those Branches that are favored with a re-fund of treight may be able to spare a little for this worthy object.

A Union Meeting of the Kingston Branches of the W.A. was held in St. James' Schoolroom, on Tuesday, February 15th, and though a very stormy evening, there were a large number present. Reports from the various Parochial Branches were read and the Seniors, who were well represented, gave encouraging accounts of their work. The Rev. O. Crisp of Portsmouth, gave a most interesting and instructive address on "Women's work for Women," and the Rev. G. L. Starr of the Cathedral, spoke very earnestly regarding the duties of self denial and prayer, urging the members to make the most of the opportunities afforded them during this season of Lent, and to remember the missionary work of the Church in their prayers.

St. John's Mission, Blackfoot Reserve, to Mrs. Northrup, St. Thomas Church, Belleville.

"Please thank all your members for the trouble they have taken over the things, which will be very useful. I am always specially

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glad to see anything in the way of boy's clothing; it is harder to provide for our boys than our girls, and women's jackets are no use to us, as our children wear capes. Our Homes are, I think, getting on very nicely, though we have not as many children as we would like to see; those we have are much improved, both in manners and work. Our ten little girls, now, do all their own washing, ironing and baking, and some of the cooking and mending. The parents are much pleased to see them learning this kind of industrial work."

To Miss Bleasdell, Trenton, from Rev. A. Cooke, Keetawa, Assa.

" I write to acknowledge the receipt of your very welcome bales, they were, as usual, detained at our station, Qu'Appelle, which is, as perhaps you know, 80 miles from here, and as there is no regular transport it is too expensive to send a man or make a special trip for even four or five bales, so we are obliged to wait and watch for the chance of some one bringing a load here, and get our things thrown in with them. The chances get fewer after the snow falls, and this accounts for the delay more than anything else. Everything in the bale was in good order, and I think your skill in packing, even to the finishing touches, can well be recommended to any who may be green to this business. I hope to write soon again, and am sorry that you should have been kept so long in ignorance of the where abouts of your bale."

TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Domestic Missions.	
Cataraqui Lady Miss. N.W \$	2 00
Picton, " " on acct.	1 02
Trenton, " " "	2 47
Burritt's Rapids ""	1 30
Belleville, St. Thomas', for	•
support of Phillip, Peigan	
Mission School	6 25
Bancroft C. C. M. G. towards	, i i
Education of Missionary's	
Child	4 00
Child Extra-cent-a-day Fund	2 55
Foreign Missions.	
Cateraqui, Lady Missionary,	
Japan	2 00
Trenton, Lady Miss., Japan	I 50
Burritt's Rapids, Lady Miss.,	- 3-
Japan	1 50
Diocesan Missions	- 3-
Belleville, S. Thomas', voucher	
Rev. T. Leech fer Dungan-	
non and Mount Eagle Miss.	5 00

Diocesan Assessments.

Cataraqui C.C. M.G	50
Shannonville, Member's Fee.	10
Fredericksburg C.C.M.G.	60
Belleville, S. Tho's'. C.C.M.G	2 00
Oso Station, Member's Fee	30
Picton	4 00
Picton J.W.A	80
Trenton J.W.A	1 25
Selby	30
Picton C.C.M.G	1 35

Total\$ 40 79

EXPENDITURE.

Paid Rev. J. Hinchliffe	86	35
Paid Rev. J. Hinchliffe " Provincial Treas., Provincial	Ĩ.	•
Assessment, Ontario Diocese	12	50
Extra-cent-a day Fund voted to	•	-
Silver Water Mission, Diocese	•	
Algoma		55
P.O. orders and postage	2	16
Total de		.6

CHARLOTTE A. WORRELL, Treas. Ont. W.A.

OTTAWA DIOCESE.

[March, 1898.] Ottawa Diocese.

DIOCESAN MOTTO :-- " God is love. "

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A regular monthly meeting of the Board was held in Grace Church vestry, Feb. 14th, at 3 p.m. The Cor. Sec. reported five letters and three postals received, seven letters and one telegram sent. Her correspondence included letters from Mrs. Merkley, Morrisburg; Mrs. Rogers, Kingston; Mrs. Bell, Miss Montizambert. The Dorcas Sec. read a detailed account of bales sent out, and read letters from Cornwall, Fishing Lake, Moulinette, Perth, Arnprior. Letters were also read from C.C.M.G., St. George's Church, Ottawa; Arnprior J.W.A., and from Sec. of Junior work. During Miss Parris absence from town the Dorcas Sec. will attend to the Junior work. The Sec. of Literature reported receipts for month, \$12.95; expenditure \$1.49; 20 new subscribers to LEAFLET; letters received, 12; postals, 9; letters written, 6; postals, 9; two requests for literature answered. Reports were read from Branches in Lanark, Pembroke and Renfrew.

The members then adjourned to the Church, where they had the pleasure of listening to an interesting address by the Bishop of Algoma.

DORCAS STATEMENT.

An outfit of clothing was sent to Muriel Bell, Diocese of New Westminster, by the city Branches of Ottawa. Grace Church, one bale to Rev. G. Bruce, Fairford, Diocese of Rupert's Land. Refund of freight for three months amounted to \$53.55.

C. F. GREENE, Dorcas Sec.

LENDING LIBRARY.

The Sec. of Literature has much pleasure in stating that a most generous grant of books has been made to the Library of the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge. This Society, in answer to a request endorsed by the Bishop of Ottawa, having forwarded their catalogue with instructions to order books to the amount of twentyfive dollars. She also acknowledges with thanks, the receipt of "Lights and Shades of Missionary Life" (or Travels, Sketches, Incidents, and Missionary efforts during nine years spent in region of Lake Superior) by Rev. J. Pitezel. The Secretaries will kindly enter this book in their catalogues. Any Branch not yet in receipt of a catalogue of books, etc., in the Library, will please notify the Sec. ot Literature, as one of the catalogues went astray and has been returned

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to Secretary. All contributions to the Library should be sent to Sec. of Literature, 22 Gloucester St., Ottawa.

BRANCH NOTES.

EGANVILLE reports fifteen members so far, and each one is an active working member. Take fifteen LEAFLETS. Working for Rev. Mr. Norquay. CARLETON PLACE reports balance on hand of \$10.12. Mrs. Elliott gave a short reading on Mission work in India. LEAFLET Sec. read notes on subject for month. ALMONTE-J.W.A. sent fifty dollars to Japan. OTTAWA-Ven. Archdeacon Phair addressed two of the W.A. meetings when he was in town.

From Rev. John Badger, Puckahm, Sask., to Secretary of Crysler, W.A.

"Many thanks for the bale you so kindly sent me, I was pleased to get it, and it was most useful. You must know that I am an Indian and nearly all my work is among them. I can preach in English but not so well as in my own language. So you see I am in a position to make good use of anything you may be able to send me. Auything that will help to keep the Indians warm I shall be glad to receive."

From Rev. A. Kettle, Touchwood Hills, Kutawa.

"I have to thank you very much for parcel containing curtains, etc., for my use at Fishing Lake. The clean white and red will make my shanty look very cheery. I am not, however, at Fishing Lake this winter, as I had to take charge of the Mission here, it is an old standing one, but has been without a priest for some time. I shall be returning to Fishing Lake in the spring, unless I go to England for the summer. Our Mission here is among half-breeds and pure Indians; some are Christians and others not so. They are a very difficult people to deal with—the old story of learning the white man's vices and retaining their own as well. We have a bording-school of 23 boys and girls, which is largely maintained by Government, and we receive splendid gifts of clothes from the W.A. in Eastern Canada. I should very much like to see the November LEAFLET to which you refer."

From E. A. Anderson, The Mission House, Mattawa, to Sec. Grace Church W.A.

The contents of the bale are just what we needed, and will prove most acceptable to our poor. The quality is excellent. Please convey to the donors our most grateful thanks for their prompt response to my appeal. It is an encouragement to know that the members of the W.A. are taking an interest in the work of the Church's outposts; it helps one to realize that the communion of saints is a reality in more senses than one."

Extract of letter from Mr. Ley King, Shingwauk Home, to Secretary of St. George's W.A.

"The four bags of clothing, sheets, material, etc., so kindly sent by the St. George's Branch of the W.A., arrived yesterday. Mrs King, one of our teachers and myself, stayed up last night and unpacked them after the boys had gone to bed. We were more than pleased with everything sent. The splendid sheets, pillow-cases, boy's shirts, mitts, and flannelette material, are most acceptable, and will assist us much in our need, and I beg you will please convey to the members our warmest thanks and appreciation of their kind aid. Our boys are busy to-day decorating the Chapel and Shingwauk; each boy has different artistic ideas and seems bent on carrying them out; it is most difficult to get them to work uniformly. They are, of course, looking forward with considerable pleasure and excitement to Christmas, and are just a little bit difficult to control, as you might imagine nearly 70 boys would be with holidays and Christmas festivities in We hope to have a good Christmas tree for them. Mrs. King view. and I are going into town to-morrow to invest the \$5 kindly sent by the Dorcas Society of St. George's. Again assuring you of our gratitude, etc., etc.

Extract of letter from Mrs. Smitheman, Korah P.O., Sault St. Marie, to Secretary of Grace Church W.A., Ottawa.

"Mr. Smitheman posted a card to you announcing arrival of the bales, and now I must try and thank you all for your great kindness in so bountifully proviving for our wants. I had no idea that we should have so delightful a Christmas. All the things are so useful and so very welcome. We should never be able to clothe the children with what we get in Algoma. The people are miserably poor, and I often think they do not give as much as they ought to. Bishop Thorneloe, however, is trying to imbue them with a better feeling, and I am sure, by degrees, he will see favourable results. You cannot imagine with what pleasure we heard of the carpet coming. We should have had to get some covering for our floors and now this very pretty carpet will give us great comfort. The beautiful silk body fitted me perfectly. I should like my warmest thanks given to the kind friend who sent it. The boys' clothing was very nice, and was much needed. Mr. Smitheman sends best thanks for his share of the good clothing. I did not apply for much help, this year. from Miss Halson, so we have not the quantity of warm things to dispose of that we had last year, but we were remembered with a goodly supply of Christmas things for our trees, from St. James' Cathedral, Toronto. Algoma should be deeply grateful to the older Dioceses for all their kind help. It seems truly marvellous to us, who have only seen it for a short time. Mr. Renison says he has experienced this great kindness all his Missionary life in Algoma. Thanking each and all, etc., etc.

Will the Branches kindly send the letters they receive to the Editor of LEAFLET (22 Gloucester Street, Ottawa), before the 17th of the month.

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[March, 1898.] Quebec Diocese.

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

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A quarterly meeting of the Quebec Dio. Board W.A., was held on Jan. 26th---Mrs. Hunter Dunn presided. After the ordinary business of the day the correspondence was read. There were several appeals, which are to be considered at the next meeting; they were from the Rev. Geo. Gill, Russell, Manitoba, who wants furnishings for two Churches, and a horse shelter; from the Rev. D. D. Macdonald, Thunder Child's Reserve, whose Mission-house is so much out of repair, that it will take \$300 to put it in order; from some settlers, Silverwater, Manitoulin Island, asking for assistance in building a Church--This appeal is endorsed by the Bishop of Algoma. A very interesting account of the work of the Home, Sarcee Reserve, Calgary, was read from Miss Symonds, in it she mentions how much boys' clothes are wanted there. The Secretaries informed the meeting that Mrs. W. Hunt, Sherbrooke, had accepted the office of Secretary to the Iunior Branches.

Quarterly Report of Lit. Com., Jan, 26th, 1898.—A fair amount of Literature has been received, and parcels sent to Peninsula, Gaspe, Riviere du Loup, Actonvale, Richmond, Shigawake, Kingsey, Black Lake, Sandy Beach, and Paspebiac. Your Secretary would be glad if members would supply Clergymen with literature, sending it direct, and she will be happy to give them the names of the recipients. Will members having magazines kindly forward them to St. Matthew's Parish Room? (Signed) M. C. MCCORD, Sec. Lit. Com.

St. Mary's Bible Home, MATSUMOTO, SHINANO, Nov. 25th.

DEAR MRS. PATTERSON HALL—As the Quebec W,A. have generously promised \$30 yearly towards the support of the Japanese Bible Home, I am pleased to be able (at last) to tell them something about the work. The Home was opened on September 20th, with four girls, three of whom came from different parts of Shinshu, the other girl I adopted after I had been a year in Japan, the three first mentioned are supported by the Auxiliaries. I have since taken another girl, who is supported by Mr. Kennedy. I found that it was

impossible to do without a Matron, and therefore appointed a girl from Yokohama, who has been with me two years as teacher and Mission worker, the Home and Matsumoto Mission paying her salary between them. It was necessary that girls of heathen minds should have some one in authority over them, and as their future Bible work would take them to rough parts, it was necessary that they should learn to help themselves, therefore under the direction of the Matron • they learn to cook, sew, etc. The Matron helps daily in the School, giving the Bible lesson, which she prepares with me; she takes the girls to the woman's meeting, teaches in the Sunday school, and visits the Mission weekly. We also intend holding English classes twice in the week, by this means we hope to draw some school teachers and older girls, which will, in time, open their homes to the visits of the teacher. These classes will be taught by the Matron, so you see how useful she is, in fact I could not do without her. You might be inclined to ask what work I do inside the Home, not very much; I am the head, therefore all must be referred to me, and I have to see that everything is properly managed. But much of my time is taken up in holding classes for young men; it is a work I like and in which I am successful, and I trust it may open the way for Christianity. Most of my pupils are young men from the High School, and one is a master in the School. I get some interesting cuttings from Church papers, which I am going to have translated in Japan. Mrs. Williamson has written to me about having the W.A. Mission Prayer in Japan, as being a bond of union between us. I shall have it done at once, and the girls of the Home will use it morning and evening, when we have prayers in the little Chapel in Mr. Kennedy's Home. I should like to tell you of our Thanksgiving service, held yesterday. It was a public holiday, being the first day that the Empress eats new rice, and to many of the Japanese the Empress stands in the place of God. The two rooms which have, at present, to be our Church, looked very pretty with all their floral decorations and festoons from the ceiling, with

little bunches of yellow grain (rice), etc., etc., the whole effect was quite lovely. But I must tell you something about the rice, which was given by a young man, in whom we take great interest; he was in my English class, and came, with some others to read "Pilgrim's Progress." He is not yet a Christian, but deeply interested, and if left to himself would soon become one; he is an only son, and his people are strong Buddists, but even with all this, we hope he may, ere long, become a Christian. Last year he gave us rice for the Harvest decorations, and this year, when the heavy rain destroyed so much of the grain, he said that the field from which he had taken the grain for the service of God, had escaped all injury, and he felt that it was because God had blessed it; so this year again he brought his offering. It was intended to hold the picnic for the children after the service, but it turned out wet, so they could not have their walk up the hill. They all came out here and were photographed, and they had their feast in the Japanese rooms, having games, etc., which they apparently enjoyed. I had, a short time since, some photos taken of the Home ; being rather large, I sent all to Mrs. Williamson ; there is one intended for you, which I hope you and the other members of the W.A. will like. We would be very thankful for any monthly magazines after friends have finished with them; my English classes would greatly enjoy them. I have told them of the "Boys' Own Paper," and they are anxious to see it. Fearing that our own spiritual life might suffer from hearing prayers only in a foreign tongue, Mr. Kennedy has arranged to have English prayers daily in his little Chapel, and the Holy Communion every Wednesday, at 10 o'clock. I think one of our greatest dangers here, is, that while teaching others, we ourselves should grow cold. I so often think of a sermon that was once preached to the W.A., the text of which was, "They made me the keeper of the vineyard, but mine own vineyard have I not kept." Pray therefore that we may not grow cold, and that our faith fail not. . . With kind regards to yourself and all the W.A. members, and wishing you every blessing in the coming year. (Signed) S. PATERSON,

QUEBEC DIOCESE.

DORCAS REPORT.

Since the last Quarterly Meeting Branches have sent bales to the following Missions: Oct., SHERBROOK Jrs.—Mr. A. E. Wilson, Elkhorn, Rupert's Land. Nov., COATICOOKE--St. Barnabas Home, Calgary; QUEBEC (St. Peter's)-Rev. S. Stocken, Sarcee Reserve Calgary; Dec., Cathedral-Rev. J. R. Matheson, Onion Lake, Sask.; LEVIS-Rev. G. Lay King, Shingwauk, Algoma; QUEBEC (St. Matthew's-Rev. H. J. Stocken, Blackfoot Home, Calgary; Rev. G. Gilmour, Rosseau, Algoma; Rev. H. French, Hspdin, The Diocesan Branch, a cassock to Rev. Wm. Robertson, Birtle, Rupert's Land.

MARY A. BENNETT, Dio. Dorcas Sec.

BRANCH REPORTS.

St. Matthew's, Jan. 7th, 1898. Quarterly meeting held Nov. 13th, 20 members present, \$5 voted towards Miss Phillip's salary; parcels from St. Sylvester and Leeds were added to, and sent to the Rev. W. H. French, Algoma; 2 barrels were sent to the Blackfoot Homes, also a barrel to the Rev. G. Gilmour, Algoma. A "Bargain Sale" was held at which over \$91 was realized. Ven. Archdeacon Phair addressed a meeting, on the Indian Missions, etc., there were 28 present; the collection was given to the Archdeacon.

(Signed) CAROLINE M. HALL.

Levis Branch: A missionary meeting was held on Dec. 2nd at which the collection, with the bags, amounted to \$5.72. A box of Christmas gifts was sent on Dec. 4th, to the Rev. G. Ley King, Shingwauk Home, and \$5 sent towards Miss Smith's salary, Lady Missionary, Japan. Received Dec. 13th, a letter of thanks from Rev. G. Ley King. A bale sent Jan. 8th, to the the Rev. D. D. Macdonald, Thunderchild's Reserve, has not yet been acknowledged.

(Signed) MARGARET SEWELL, Sec.

St. Michael's: Weekly Dorcas Meetings held regularly, and two barrels will be sent off before annual meeting; decided to send money instead of clothing to the Rev. G. Gilmour. This Branch is at present working for Touchwood Hills and Blood Reserve, but if other places are more in need the members will gladly work for them instead.

(Signed) MAY E. LLOYD, Asst. Sec.

Richmond and Melbourne, January 14th: But little to report since last meeting; are ready to begin work for the Indian boy (John Venn) whom we have agreed to clothe for a year, and hope to have everything ready to send away before Easter. Sent last month, through Miss Anderson, \$5 towards the Education Fund.

(Signed) EMMA L. CROMBIE, Sec. Treas.

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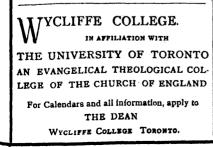
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