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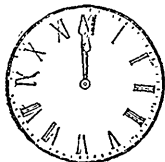
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PROVINCIAL WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.
MISS L. H. MONTIZAMBERT, *Ed. Proq. Pages.*

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. India.

The mention of the word "Athabasca," brings to many of our minds the well known faces of our dear friends, the Bishop and Mrs Young, noble, self-denying workers in the Master's cause in the great lone land so far to the north. Letters received lately from both the Bishop and his wife give very good accounts of themselves and the various missions. Speaking of the freight rates, the Bishop says, "If the ordinary freight rate between Montreal, Toronto and other eastern points to Winnipeg is 1 cent, I should calculate freight charges to here, (Athabasca Landing) including handling at Edmonton, at 4 cents per lb. From here the rates are much heavier. To Chipewyan 6 cts., to Vermilion 7 ½ cents, to Wapuskaw 4 cents, to Lesser Slave Lake 4 cents, to White Fish Lake 5 cents, to Peace River 5 to 5 ½ cents per lb. You will see from these figures what need there is for sending only useful things. Some bales have been almost a dead loss to the Missionary, after paying the heavy charges upon them. If our friends in sending the bales could kindly prepay the freight to Edmonton (many do) and send a cheque or P. O. order to my commissary, in Winnipeg, the Rev. W. A. Barman, to cover calculated cost from Edmonton to the designated mission, in doing so they would double the value of their gifts. In remitting kindly say for what mission or Missionary the remittance is for. Then again I would urge the importance of not only clearly addressing the packages, but by signed list of contents enclosed, and by letter of advice, stating name of Branch and sender, with weight, description, whether case, barrel, bale or sack, and some special mark such as **A** or **M** will greatly facilitate acknowledging packages and also tracing them when lost. Allow me, through you, once again to heartily thank the W.A. of Canada, not only for the generous, but useful and serviceable things

that form the great majority of their gifts to our missions. How useful and serviceful it would be difficult to recount. I am sure that in thus writing I am voicing the feelings of all my fellow workers in Athabasca."

Mrs. Young asks the following for the bales. Unmade material for dresses, gingham, plaids, prints, etc., cloth, strong and dark, factory cotton, white cotton, yarn, knitting needles (large size), threads, crochet hooks, (Indian girls love to learn crochet) towels, soap, groceries, granite ware, knives and forks, tins, etc., etc., boy's clothing, long trousers and tunics, girl's dresses, sensible waists, not Mother Hubbard; skirts 36 to 40 in., waists 28 to 30 in., pinafores, and aprons of all sizes and kinds (their value can hardly be expressed), large handkerchiefs, ribbons for Sunday, Christmas gifts, etc., When the Bishop was here he especially asked for small square shawls, saying they were universally used to wrap up the head in and were most comfortable.

*St. Peter's Mission, Lesser Slave Lake, Peace River District, N.W.T.,
January, 1896.*

DEAR MISS HALSON, Your letter of Oct 29 has just been two months on its way, and it will be towards the end of this month before the answer to it can reach you. You will not be surprised at such long delays in our answering letters when I tell you that we are sometimes 3 months without a single opportunity of communicating with the outside world. I fear the delays are sometimes attributed to neglect. Not unfrequently our letters are lost, which has led to misunderstanding. Thank you very much for your kind enquiries which I will try to answer without further ceremony. Our family consists of Mrs Holmes, myself and our little daughter, Mabel, just 13 months old, besides an Indian girl as servant. Our house is rather small, only 26 x 18 ft., with a kitchen attached. Any visitors coming have to sleep on the sitting room floor, and being as it were at a Junction, we are hardly ever long without one or more. Our buildings in this part of the world are constructed of hewn logs, boards, shingles and mud. Labor and provisions are about two thirds higher than in civilization, so that our buildings, though small, are raised with great difficulty and enormous cost. Our home is in size 24 x 30 ft., with a good sized kitchen attached. This winter, with crowding, it accommodates 27 children. Our teacher, Mr. Curry, of Huron College, Miss Durnall, matron, the cook and a poor blind woman whom we took in with her child. Mr Curry and Miss Durnall have a small sitting room on the ground floor, and each a small bed room up stairs. On one side of the hall is a large school room which serves as dining room, school room and boys' play room. On the other side is the girls' room and the sitting room mentioned above. The upper floor is equally divided

between Miss D. and the girls, and Mr. Curry and the boys. The cook, an Indian woman, and our blind friend sleep in the girl's room. Of course they have no proper bedsteads, so they roll up their blankets in one corner of the room ere the girls are down stairs in the morning. Boys number 15 and girls 12. The following is a list of the necessary provisions for the six winter months. 40 sacks flour, cost landed here, \$220.00; 4 sacks oat meal, \$24, 5,000 fish, cost \$140, 200 bush. potatoes, our own produce, cost of planting and gathering, \$40, 50 bush. turnips, \$10, 200 lbs. beef and bacon, \$20, 50 lbs tea, \$25. Besides this there is fuel, light, furniture and the cook's wages and board, \$70. This is a rough estimate, but there are many other incidental expenses which are not included; for instance, a hired man, whose wages and board for the year are not less than \$300. This amount of expenditure does not include summer support of the Home. A good half of my own time is occupied in outdoor work as well. To meet all these expenses, our grants from the Government and the C.M.S. amount to about \$800, the balance is all to raise by subscription or to stand against my salary, which is more often the case. I am thankful to say that we have always had a fair supply of clothing from the W.A. in Canada and the Church Missionary Leagues in England, though this is the first year we have had sufficient boys' clothing. No small amount is required for 15 boys. Stockings, socks and mitts we are very short of this time. Also winter caps for boys. Where there is any difficulty in sending suits for boys, the raw material is a good substitute, as the Indian women are able to make them up fairly well. Knickerbockers are nice for summer, but not sufficiently warm for winter. Both boys and girls wear long clothing here. Girls of 13 need almost women's size. Of those now in the Home their ages range from 3 to 14. I think Miss Durtnall has had great difficulty in supplying all the girls with aprons or pinafores. Besides boys and girl's clothing of all descriptions we need blankets, quilts, sheets and pillow cases, soap, combs, towels and medicines. Any table furniture such as tin ware or enamel ware would be most acceptable, where it is possible for any of our Christian friends to send it. Any kind of good clothing for either sex is most useful in our general mission work. There are also a number of poor and old women who are much in need of help. In one house where I spent a night not long ago, I saw a poor old Indian woman lie down to sleep in half an old dirty blanket on the hard floor and only half clad. How I longed to be able to give her a good warm quilt and a decent dress for a Christmas present. There are also many little children, infants, who are clad in nothing but a thin cotton dress in the depth of winter. Some of the Branches send their bales without any mark whatever to guide us in ascertaining where they have come from. We could acknowledge bales more satisfactorily if each Branch had its own distinct mark, or if they would enclose a card with the name of the Branch and address of the

Secretary. Some very carefully print the name of the Branch on the outside of the bale. I am thankful to say that our Home has already been a very great blessing to the poor Indian children. Out of 26 last winter, no less than 16 professed to have experienced a real change of heart; and only two or three have given us any cause for disappointment. The more I see of Indian camp life, the more am I convinced that our Homes are the only hope for the children. Humanly speaking, it is quite impossible for any child to grow up pure in heart or mind under such influences. There are many bright exceptions, but generally speaking, the whole atmosphere of the camp is polluted with immorality. About ten days ago I returned from the end of the lake, a distance of 70 miles, with four children for the Home. I left some of the Indians almost angry because I could not admit their children, and on the morning of our departure some of the poor little children were crying in their disappointment at not being able to accompany the fortunate ones, but I knew our accommodation was too limited to admit of more. I trust our dear Christian friends will plead with God for a rich blessing on our scholars this winter, and that those who have already yielded themselves to Jesus may be kept and grow in Grace. Mr. White will be in here in a few days so I will ask him to write you. May God abundantly bless you in your important office. Mrs. Holmes joins me, though late, in wishing you and your sister a very blessed and happy New Year. Yours sincerely,

GEORGE HOLMES.

We feel sure all our members will rejoice at the news received lately from Miss Smith, and will not forget to ask that God will abundantly bless this new formed foreign Branch of our loved W.A. "On the 7th of this month all the Church women here met at my house and we organized a Fugin Kwai, or Woman's Auxiliary to the Church in Nagano. Mrs. Midzuno, who is soon expected to join her husband, who came from Kobe to work in this Mission, was elected President; Mrs. Waller, 1st. Vice-Pres., Miss Smith, 2nd Vice Pres., Okagaki San, Sec.; Soga San, (the catechist's wife) Treas.; Ysutsui San, (the Bible Woman) and Miyaki San, District visitors; Hamaguchi San, and Tanaka San, District nurses; Okano San and Araki San were appointed Dorcas workers, their duty being to make garments for any poor in the congregation. We meet once a month, turn about in the homes of the members, and each committee must have a written report of its work."

This Branch can only stand in the same relation to us as the North West W.A.'s do, an independent Auxiliary, our D. and F.M. Board not having any jurisdiction in Japan. Still we cannot but feel to it as we do to the others, in the light of being the mother Auxiliary, and give it a cordial welcome as another member of our happy family.

[March, 1896.] **Toronto Diocese.**

Woman's Auxiliary to Diocesan, Domestic and Foreign Missions.

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

Athabasca Diocese was set apart in 1854. It lies directly south of the Diocese of Mackenzie River, and between the Diocese of California and the northern part of Saskatchewan, Calgary is to the south of Athabasca. The women of this Auxiliary are naturally much interested in Athabasca. Miss Perkes, formerly our matron at the Blackfoot Home, married Rev. Geo. Holmes, of Lesser Slave Lake, and Margaret Durnell, of Toronto W.A., is at work there also. Mr. Weaver, of Wabiskaw, is from Toronto. In the report of the Synod of the Diocese of Athabasca the Bishop says, "One of the leading features of Missionary enterprise in the present day is the increasing prominence of women shewn in it." The Bishop also in explaining the reasons for his removal from Vermilion, says, "Athabasca Landing is not only a favorable point for mail communication, both from within and without the Diocese, but is also the point where our Missionaries pass, both in coming and going." A letter from Mr. Weaver, of Wabiskaw, will be found on another page; also a little message of love, and a want from our dear Mrs. Young, the Bishop's wife.

Of Africa much might be written were space available. There are 17 Dioceses. The C.M.S. sent two Missionaries to Abyssinia in 1828, the S.P.G. founded Stillenbosch in 1838. The first Bishop was Dr. Gray, of Capetown. It is to Livingstone that we owe our knowledge of the interior of Africa. It is most difficult to realize the vastness of this field for Missionary enterprise. Africa is nearly 5000 miles from north to south, and the same width at the broadest point. Zanzibar Diocese, East Africa, has now 25 European Clergy, 5 native, 33 Laymen and 27 woman workers. They have two hospitals, 30 schools, 1,500 scholars, 82 Teachers. Nyasaland, also in East Africa, has 7 clergy, 24 native teachers, 13 Laymen and 4 women workers. The C. M. S. in Western Equatorial Africa show that 14 stations have been occupied. Several kings and chiefs over interior states and towns, of from 10,000 to 60,000 inhabitants, have asked that Missionaries might be sent to them. Great difficulty is the climate. Here Bishop and Mrs. Hill died last year. There are 5000 native adherents and 2,000 scholars. The S.P.G. founded the Diocese of Zululand, as a memorial to Bishop Mackenzie, who died in 1870; it comprehends part of the Transvaal. There are 14 European and 5 native Clergy, 30 workers, and 8 or ten young men under training. *Morning Calm*, for February,

gives us an account of Hausas' on the Niger. Surely the Women of the Auxiliary will, with much earnestness, remember the great needs of Athabasca and Africa in their readings and prayers during March. [Look in Aug., Sept., Oct., Canadian Missionary News, for 1895, for Miss Cartwright's paper on the "Universities' Mission, in Africa."—ED.]

AUXILIARY NOTES.

The February Devotional meeting was well attended. Many requests for special prayer were sent to the President during the month, also thanksgivings for answers to prayer, and for mercies received. These special intercessions and thankgivings are offered at the close of the Missionary Litany. Mrs. Davidson read a most helpful paper on the "Christians' source of Power, the Holy Spirit."

The February Board meeting was held in the Y.M.C.A. Hall, Parkdale, by invitation of the W.A. Branches of St. Mark's Church of the Epiphany, St. Anne's, and Mimico. In spite of a raging snow storm, there was a large attendance. The Bishop of Qu'Appelle addressed the meeting at 12 o'clock, taking the usual noonday reading and prayer. He told in concise words of the work in Qu'Appelle Diocese. All parishes are in about the same state of isolation, the loneliness of the Missionary and of the scattered settlers being very great. There are 18 Clergy. The population does not increase, but the people who are already there like it and remain. Regina is the largest city, 1,500 inhabitants. Clothing sent to the large interior Missions, is greatly appreciated. Saltcoats' Hospital greatly needed. Five new churches opened last year. Thirty-three churches and parsonages in the Diocese. The Bishop made an earnest plea for aid for Industrial School at Medicine Hat, for the Gordon Schools, which are doing excellent work. At Fort Pelly, to his deep regret, Mr. H. Dee and his sister have to return to England. \$106 is owing to Mr. Dee on his Mission House, Fishing Lake and Nut Lake are places where the Indians have never had a Missionary. For these Reserves—for the Gordon Schools, for Day Star's Reserve and for Fort Pelly—the Bishop asks special prayers to be made. The Rev. B. Bryan and the Rev. Chas. Ingles, kindly accepted the invitation of the W.A. to be present; the Clergy of St. Anne's and Mimico were unable to leave other engagements.

The Extra-cent-a-day money was voted at the afternoon session to the Rev. H. Dee, Fort Pelly.

The Annual Meeting was discussed and it was shown that the time was too short to allow of any change in the time for this year. Miss Tilley moved that the President be asked to write to all the Branches, explaining the matter. This has been done, and the Diocesan President asks that any Branch which has not received her letter will kindly let her know. The Annual Meeting will, therefore, be held

about the 22nd of April ; its success will depend upon the prayers and personal interest of our members. In connection with the Annual Meeting, the Diocesan Treasurer asks if Branches will kindly send her their money for pledges as soon as possible. The Blackfoot and Temiscamingue are especially in arrears. Times are bad everywhere, but a little extra effort and self-denial will enable each member to make her offering, not only the exact amount, but something over. Think of our own spiritual blessings and the bodily comforts we enjoy, and thankfully give as God has prospered you. Always remember "The Tithe is the Lord's."

LETTERS FROM OUR MISSIONARIES.

From Rev. A. Norquay, Frenchman's Head.

* * "Kindly convey to the Diocesan Board of the W.A. my most hearty thanks for the money voted (Extra-cent-a-day) which I received from Archdeacon Phair on the 23rd of January. I do, indeed, thank you all for this timely assistance which has enabled me to set men to work, and will be of such assistance to my Indian work." * *

Mrs. Young of Athabasca says, "We have received a nice parcel of books and do indeed thank kind friends for sending them. The Bible sent by an Associate member of Children's Ministering League, was indeed a treasure. * * Our church is not yet built, but the logs are placed in readiness. We do need a bell, and have a few dollars towards one. Many tell us they cannot come to church punctually, and a bell would be such a help. If we could get a little money and could have a bell like the one Mr Holmes had from a large store on King street, perhaps it could come before April. * * I do not exactly want to beg, but unless we make our wants known no one can know our need. * * Please give my love as a member of the W.A. to many dear fellow laborers. Pray for us as our heart's desire more and more."

Mr. Hines of the Pas, Saskatchewan, writes from England to say that he will be in Toronto on the way to the N.W. about the 7th of April. If any W.A. Branches would like him to address them, Mr. Hines asks that they will communicate with the Toronto Diocesan President, 83 Wellesley street, Toronto. Mr. Hines will gladly remain over for a week or ten days for this purpose.

From Rev. F. C. Ulbricht to St. Anne's W.A., Toronto.

"I beg to thank your Auxiliary in the name of the Aspiden Mission, for the clothing, etc., received at Christmas. At the request of the Archdeacon, the locum tenens having left, it devolved upon me to assist at the distribution of the articles among the four stations, per their churchwardens. We all thank you most heartily."

From Rev. Mr. Williams, Day Star's School, Kutawa P.O., to Campbellford W.A.

* * "The splendid bale of clothing sent by the Campbellford W.A. has just been received. It was a great pleasure to me to give the-

children such good warm underwear, and joy to them to receive the gifts, they send their best thanks. The reading matter and the Christmas cards are much appreciated. I will write later telling you of the clothing most needed and give sizes."

From Rev. C Weaver, Wabiskaw, Athabasca, to Leaflet Editor.

* * * "My salary is only \$500, out of this I must find food for some children. This is one instance. Two men went off hunting last Oct., one left us two little girls, the other one, they have to be cared for and by teaching and caring for their children we can get at the Indian. Apart from the buying, the cost of freight is very high—5 cents per lb. on food and bales. We find so many people come in expecting to be fed. Last Sunday we had ten besides all the Home children. It seems difficult to provide for all. We have taken in these children in faith, believing that our Heavenly Father will supply our needs. We have determined to take in all, trusting in God for the means of support. In a little time I must order in my supply of flour, etc., for next year, from the H.B Co., and help from friends would be a great boon. We have with us eight children from sixteen to two years. The mother of this last died in the summer. Many things are needed here, a wagon and more cattle, also poultry and pigs; we could provide more food than. Money can be sent for any of these needs, to the care of the Bishop, Athabasca Landing, N.W.T."

The Penetanguishene Branch received a very kind letter from Rev. Owen Owens, Touchwood Hills, thanking them for their bale, in which he describes in a most interesting way the work carried on in his mission. He lays great stress on the value of sending second-hand clothing, saying it is always most acceptable and serviceable. In conclusion, he says, "We work slowly. I have not come here to convert, that is the Holy Spirit's work. My work is to teach. Your part of the teaching is important, as by you and the W.A., the chief pillar of our Holy Faith—Love—is explained in a tangible form to the Indian mind. At first our Indian children cannot think of a number in the abstract, but if you ask them to add six horses and nine horses, they do so readily. In the same manner, talking of love, goodness and truth, is not very interesting to them, but when they see these things lived, they comprehend, and are drawn to them, even against their will."

REPORT JUNIOR BRANCHES.

I have great pleasure in announcing the formation of two new Junior Branches, Newmarket, with a membership of 27, and Havelock, with a roll of 40 members. Alliston, we trust, is re-organizing after a year's inactivity, and we hope to hear of a Branch soon in Bradford. So we have just cause for rejoicing, in that the children are helping to increase the Missionary zeal and work. I am also more than glad that

I have secured several representatives for the country Branches, and in no other way can the interest be more enlarged than in the fact of receiving a letter giving an account of the Board meetings and various items of Missionary news which could not otherwise be procured.

M. FORSYTH GRANT,
Sec'y Junior Branch.

HOW WE KEEP SCHOOL IN LIKOMA.

The African does not take kindly to figures but our little girls can do fairly long addition sums, as well as the exercise we dignify by the name of "mental arithmetic." In this latter fingers are brought into play, and what will amuse you more—toes, quite unincumbered by shoes, they prove most convenient. When a pupil's own set gives out she may be spied eagerly borrowing the toes of her immediate neighbor's to finish the calculations with. * * So far "J pens" are not fashionable, but each child has a penwiper of her own, which is in constant use, at first it must be owned, somewhat to her teacher's horror; the penwiper is her own woolly head, into which the pen is plunged every few minutes and rubbed vigorously. I now look upon it as a kind provision of nature. * * If ink gets spilt upon the table, it is wiped off with their own hands, no one being a penny the wiser. * Look for Likoma Island on the map, children, somewhere in Lake Nyassa.

DORCAS NOTES.

ROOM 39, THE FORUM, YONGE STREET.

Branches are working for the following places:—TORONTO—St. James' Cathedral, Mr. Norquay Rupert's Land, and Rev. F. I. H. Wooden, Innisfail, in May; St. Luke's, outfits; St. John's, Mr. Dover, Fort a La Corn; Church of Redeemer, Rev. D. W. McDonald, Thunderchild's Reserve, and also for a sale at Clairville, Toronto Diocese; St. Anne's, Labrador, in April; St. James' Cathedral (Juniors), Mr. Buckland Powassan, Algoma; St. Thomas', Rev. J. Matheson, Onion Lake, June. WHITBY—All Saints', Poor Man's Reserve, Qu'Appelle. OTONABEE—Blackfoot Home, November '96. COBourg (Juniors), Piegan Home.

Branches have sent to the following places:—TORONTO—St. Peters, Rev. J. G. Anderson, Dynevor, three bales; Rev. H. G. Stocken, Blackfoot Home, four bales, Rev. C. Weaver, Wabeskaw, three bales; Mr. Norquay, Frenchman's Head; three bales Mr. Hartland, Griswold, three bales; Archdeacon Lloyd, Huntsville, two bales; Rev. J. O'Malley, Atherley, three boxes; Rev. A. R. Mitchell, Brunel, two bales; Rev. Pardoe, Novar, two bales. Church of Ascension Sunday School, Mr. Hay, Magnetewan, Rev. C. Piercy, Burk's Falls, and Rev. H. Bourne, Essonville, toys. St. Cyprian's G.A. to Central

Room, one quilt; and Seniors one quilt also; King's Daughters one parcel. Church of Redeemer, Rev. Eccleston, Markeville, two bales, St. Mark's, Paikdale, Rev. T. A. Teitlebaum. Central Rooms, Mr. Millward, Aspden, per Archdeacon, Lloyd, one bale. Rev. C. Piercy, Buck's Falls, bale; Rev. A. Allman, Uffington, one box; and Rev. N. R. Williams, Brancepeth, Saskatchewan, bale. All Saint's, to Central Rooms, parcel; St. Simon's, Central Rooms, parcel, St. Thomas', Rural Dean Harding, Apsley,

FANNIE H. BANKS,
Dorcas Sec. Treas.

Extract Letter to Secretary, Church of Epiphany W.A., from Bishop of Mackenzie River.

"When in Toronto, I stated that as we were pretty well supplied with bales from England, and that as we were so far from the railroad and the expense of carriage so great, it would be better to send bales to those nearer at hand, and money to us and I pleaded for money rather than bales; my impression now is that I made a mistake, and that had I asked for bales we should have received them and money as well; and not only that, but I am afraid we have lost a great deal of prayer and sympathy, because I am sure that much of both goes with the making, packing, and despatching, of the various articles which are distributed so widely and generously by the various Branches of the W.A. There is also another consideration, that I have now five co-workers from Ontario, which was not the case when I was there; viz., the Rev. T. J. Marsh, Miss Marsh, and Dr. Reazin, at Hay River; and the Rev. T. O. Stringer, and Mr. C. E. Whitaker at Fort McPherson, besides Mr. C. Camsell who was born here. The Rev. Archdeacon McDonald, and the native clergymen who are also Canadians. I will therefore correct the mistake I made, and say, that we will now be very glad of bales and of the accompaniments above mentioned. The following are always useful and in demand, and allow me to add that owing to the expense of carriage it is economy to send good strong useful articles; by the time it reaches these northern stations a common thing costs nearly as much as a good one, and does not wear half so long, and is not half so useful. Mr Stringer is now in Ontario, and he will probably be able to mention articles which are particularly useful at his station. At Fort Simpson we need a thick carpet for the Church as the floor is very cold in winter (and my wife says she would like a striking clock as it would be a companion for her when I am away) the carpet need not necessarily be all the same pattern. . . . Articles always in demand:—Shirts for men and boys (coloured), pants (not knickers) for boys, petticoats (warm), for women and girls, those for women should have three widths of flannel, and band from 30 to 36 inches; dresses for girls, high neck, long-sleeves, and long skirts, aprons of stout bright coloured cotton; worsted

stockings for women and children. babies dresses with long sleeves and high neck, gay and also dark spotted handkerchiefs, warm hoods for children. It may be well to add that the freight charges from Edmonton northwards are, to Hay River, 10½ cts. per pound; to Fort Simpson 11½ cts per pound; to Fort Norman, 13½ cts. per pound; and to Fort McPherson, 16 cts. per pound. Perhaps you will kindly have this put in the LEAFLET so that our needs may be more fully known."

Where to apply and to whom for

Leaflets and all payments for the same—Mrs. Williamson, 83 Wellesley Street.

Members' Cards and Badges—Mrs. Cummings, 44 Dewson Street.

Booklets, W.A. Envelopes, etc.—Mrs. Burritt, 86 Wellesley Street.

Parochial Missionary Collection Books, Collecting Slips, Envelopes—Mrs. Morgan, 274 Dovercourt Road.

P.M.C. Magazines and "Church Evangelist," also "Canadian Churchman," for which special rates are offered to Members of W.A.—Mrs. Hubert Macrae, 11 Borden Street.

Girls' Auxiliary—Miss Cayley, representative, St. George's Rectory, Toronto.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT.—20th Dec., 1895 to 20th Jan, 1896.

RECEIPTS.

P.M. Collections

Total amount received from each Branch.

Ashburnham	\$ 7 40
Barrie	31 50
Brighton	2 70
English Settlement...	20
Cobourg	10 40
Mimico (two months)	29 75
Orillia	29 95
Penetanguishene	6 72
Peterboro	67 60
Uxbridge	3 15
Toronto, St. Luke's	51 50
" St. Stephen's	17 58
" St. Cypran's	3 20
" Ch. Ascension	4 90
" St. Margaret's	10 60
" St. Simon's	26 70
" St. Peter's	25 00
" St. Paul's	24 60
" Deer Park	9 60
" St. Mark's, P'kdale	18 70
" St. Mary Magdaline	3 55
" St. Philip's	3 25

Toronto—

Trinity Church.....	5 45
All Saints'	43 14
Ch. Redeemer	32 85
St. Anne's	45

Total P.M.C. \$469 84

Diocesan missions W.A.

Streetsville	2 00
York Mills	5 00
All Saints' Girls Auxiliary T.	1 00
Trinity Church, Toronto.....	10 00
Anonymous	1 00

South Burleigh.

Rev. F. Hartley—St Alban's S.S. 10 00

Temiscamingue

Toronto—

All Saints' Girls Aux.....	1 00
St. Thomas'	5 00
Deer Park	30
St. Simon's	3 55
St. Luke's	45
Sale of Doll Mrs Osler Tor.	5 00

Shingvauk House.

St. Alban's, a Friend..... 2 43

TREASURER'S STATEMENT.—Continued.

Rupert's Land, Elkhorn H.	
Bonanville	5 00
Blackfoot Home.	
Omenee.....	10 00
Orillia.....	95
York Mills.....	6 00
Toronto—	
St. Cyprian's.....	30
St. Thomas'.....	5 00
Trinity Church.....	5 00
Deer Park.....	45
St. Simon's.....	1 28
St. Luke's.....	45
St. Peter's, for Marian.....	12 50
Matron's Salary.	
St. Simon's.....	1 25
St. Luke's.....	20
Streetsville.....	5 00
Qu'Appelle—Rev. H. Dec;	
Donations.....	2 12
Mackenzie River.	
Trinity Church, Toronto.....	10 00
Rev. J. O. Stringer.	
Church Redeemer, Juniors.....	1 44
Athabaska.	
Matron, Lesser Slave Lake—	
St. John's, Toronto.....	5 00
All Saint's, Girl's Auxiliary.....	1 00
Indian.	
Medical Missionary.	
Miss G. Benson.....	1 00
Mrs. G. F. Blake.....	1 00
Miss Marsh.....	1 00
St. James' Cathedral.....	3 00
Japan.	
Medical Missionary—	
All Saint's, Girl's Auxiliary.....	1 00
Wycliffe Missions—	
Trinity, Toronto.....	5 00
Rev. J. C. Robinson—	
Church Redeemer Juniors.....	1 44
Rev. Heber Hamilton—	
Mrs. Alexander.....	2 50
Nagano Church.	
St. Thomas', Toronto.....	10 00
Education Fund.	
Toronto—	
St. Simon's, Mrs. Becher, for	
C.B.....	5 00
St. Cyprian's.....	2 00
St. Thomas'.....	10 00
Anonymous.....	1 00
Church Redeemer S.S.....	10 00
Deer Park.....	1 10
St. Simon's.....	1 95
St. Luke's.....	20
All Saints', Girl's Auxiliary.....	1 00

York Mills, Mrs. Osler.....	5 00
Two gentlemen' \$5 each.....	10 00
Rent Central Room.	
Toronto—	
St. Thomas'.....	2 00
St. George's.....	6 00
Deer Park.....	30
St. Luke's.....	20
Life Member.	
St. Luke's, Mrs. Fitzgerald.....	25 00
Member's Fees.	
Emily.....	1 60
Mimico.....	1 60
Rosemount.....	1 60
Miscellaneous Fees.	
Miss Lamond Smith.....	10
Miss Georgie Burritt.....	10
Self Denial Fund.	
York Mills.....	1 00
Collingwood.....	2 10
St. Mary Magdalene, Toronto	40
Niagara, towards Lithograph	
stone.....	43
Collection Monthly Meeting.....	7 25
Extra-cent a-Day Fund.....	38 83

Total W.A. \$266 37

EXPENDITURE.

Extra cent a-Day Envelopes.....	90
Blackfoot Home.....	48 08
" " support of children.....	62 50
Miss Philip's Salary.....	30 00
Literature Com. for mite boxes.....	10 00
Nagano Church, Japan.....	10 00
Bishop or Qu'Appelle for Mr. Dec.....	40 95
Rev. J. C. Robinson.....	1 44
Rev. H. Hamilton.....	2 50
Japan, Wycliffe.....	5 00
Mackenzie River.....	10 00
Piegan Home.....	16 00
Mr. Hartley, South Burleigh.....	10 00
Shingsvauk Home.....	2 43
Temiscamingue.....	48 05
P.M.C. Undesignated.....	110 13
" Diocesan.....	283 42
" Algoma.....	37 13
" North-West.....	10 00
" Foreign.....	4 00
" Rupert's Land.....	3 60
" Mackenzie River.....	5 00
" " Wycliffe.....	2 02
" " Rev. J. O. Stringer.....	38 74
" Japan.....	4 52
" China, Rev S. Boyd.....	7 90

\$799 31

[March, 1896.]

Huron Diocese.

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

With sincere regret we announce the death of the only little son of the Rev. James and Mrs. Ardill, the active President of the Owen Sound Branch of the W.A. Mrs. Ardill will have the sincere sympathy of all her W.A. sisters, and may the blessed assurance that the little one is “safe in the arms of Jesus,” enable her to bear the sorrow and the loneliness

The *pro tem* Editor of the LEAFLET takes this opportunity of thanking those Branches which have so promptly collected and remitted to her their LEAFLET subscriptions for 1896. Some have considerably increased their number of subscribers, some have not quite reached last year's number, but “hope to do so in time.” One lady, who in sending the subscriptions regretted the loss of six subscribers, has already sent in four more, and another such whole hearted worker writes, “We had lost two subscribers, so I set to work to find two to replace them, and succeeded in getting *three*.” It is coming to be more and more felt that no W.A. member who is interested in the work, can afford to be without her LEAFLET. And in this connection, the Branches are urged to subscribe for at least one copy of that excellent paper the *Church Evangelist*, subscription \$1 per annum for W.A. members—the Woman's Auxiliary page of which contains every week much valuable matter excluded, by want of space, from our own little monthly messenger.

The following communication has been received from the Secretary of the Literature Committee, “The first edition of the babes in the Woods” is all sold, and orders for one hundred copies are waiting to be filled: the second edition is in the printers hands, and will be ready long before the March LEAFLET is out, and I hope

to find as ready a sale for it as for the first." Miss Newnham is to be congratulated on the appreciation of her pamphlet shown by the messages accompanying the orders. "I am delighted with it, please send me twenty copies" "I always felt that I wanted to hear more about those twins." "One seems to see Mrs. Newnham in her quiet way distributing comforts to the Indians. "It is so graphic."

Mrs. Boomer desires to acknowledge most gratefully \$15 from Montreal Diocesan Treasurer, towards Central Education Fund, viz., Mrs. Holden's Sunday School Class, \$8; Mrs. Holden, \$5, two members Montreal W.A., \$2. Further, Miss, Battersby, \$4; Mrs. Kingston, \$1; a friend \$1; Mrs. Newman, \$2; and from St. Ann's Branch, London, some useful gifts for the little Missionary Daughters.

The mother of the poor little child with the hare-lip writes:—"It is with a grateful heart that I ask you to thank, through the medium of the LEAFLET, all the ladies and children who have helped me in my pressing time of need, and I trust that the kindness they have shown to my child will be blessed to themselves."

FROM THE MISSION FIELD.

Miss Inkster, of Winnipeg, a constant reader of the LEAFLET, writes as follows: "I enjoyed my trip to the Pas very much; it was the first time I had ever been among the Indians, or had a chance of seeing what a blessing the bales the W.A. send out must be. Each place I was at—Grand Rapids, Cedar Lake, and the Pas, (this last a very large Reserve, where all the Indians are Christians) have been greatly helped by the W.A. The Sunday service at the Pas impressed me so much; the school master taught them an English hymn, and to see those tattered little Indian children singing so earnestly and reverently, brought the tears to my eyes. I felt that their praise went straight to God, and was pleasant in His sight." The Bishop of Mackenzie River writes to Mrs. Boomer, that the "box of comforts" sent by the W.A. last April reached him in September. He says "I wish, through you, to thank our thoughtful Huron friends for their kindness in sending such a lot of useful and acceptable things. The coffee and cocoa was particularly welcome, as I had forgotten these when ordering my supplies from Winnipeg, and I do like a cup of coffee for breakfast, and so does my wife. Everything seemed just what we wanted. Am I to understand that the Huron W.A. would be willing to send something of that sort every year? If so, may I say that anything in the grocery way you would like yourselves if you were here ("A home-made cake or two" my wife suggests) is very acceptable. I am inclined to think that more prayer, sympathy, and interest are called forth when such like gifts in kind are sent, than

when money is given. Still, it must not be forgotten that the latter is essential. Nearly all my co-workers in the Diocese are Canadians, five are from Ontario, and for the support of some of them, I am entirely dependent on voluntary contributions. I have to thank Huron for \$20 sent with the box, and other small sums received during the year." In his annual circular letter, after enumerating many causes for thankfulness, the Bishop writes, "Notwithstanding the addition to our numbers, we are still short handed; Forts Resolution and Wrigley are without Missionaries, and two other posts ought to be occupied. From Fort Laird a special request has come for a Missionary to be sent there. But I can only lay our needs before the Lord, and, with my co-workers toil patiently on till further help can be sent. A French priest is putting up a house on Fort Wrigley, at present we are on equal terms, but unless we too can have a Missionary there, it is to be feared that we will lose our converts. I commend our work and workers to your prayers, and ask that 'prayers, intercessions and giving thanks' be made for our converts, and for those who are feeling after the truth." To the *Girl's Havergal Band* of the Memorial Church, London, Archdeacon Mackay, of Emmanuel College, writes:—"I thank you most sincerely for your bale, the contents of which were very acceptable. I have appropriated the rag-carpet for my study, it is a great comfort after having had only the cold boards. The Matron is very glad to have the rug in her room, and Mrs. Mackay fully appreciates the nice quilt, and the bundle of bits. I was especially glad of the coats and shirts. We are very short of boys' clothing, and it is so expensive to buy. We try to keep them decently clothed; they were ragged and dirty in their native homes, and unless we afford them better surroundings and accustom them to personal comfort, and a presentable appearance, we cannot expect them to rise to a higher standard of living. The Indians here live in tents with a hole at the top to let out the smoke, they squat round the fire in the day time, and at night simply stretch themselves out, with all their clothes on, and cover themselves with a blanket. When they build houses, as a rule, they only introduce into them their former tent life, so you can understand what important factors in our work are clothing, bedding, and surroundings generally. I have been among Indians from my youth up, and engaged in work among them for nearly forty years; I know their language and modes of thought, and find them responsive to any effort for their good, and I am deeply thankful to any one who will help in a work than which I know of no work better worth doing, and that surely is acceptable in the eyes of Him who came to seek and save that which was lost." To *Aylmer Branch*, Archdeacon Mackay writes, "Your bales were very welcome, especially the clothing for men and boys, and the quilts, without which we should have been short of bedding for the winter. You speak of your gifts as a small offering, to us they constitute a by no means small offering. *Your*

organization is becoming more and more a support and a blessing to the Missionary work in the North West; it is not merely a help, it is a dependence, for the boarding-schools, which are so important a feature in the Indian Mission work, could not be sustained under present circumstances, without the help of the W.A." To the Girl's Havergal Band, Memorial Church London, Miss Aldridge writes, acknowledging the receipt of an outfit for "Louie":—"We are all in admiration at the quantity of clothes (over 60 articles) we seldom get as large outfits as that. Louie is a loving little girl, always ready to help, and one in whom I feel a special interest; her father died long ago, and about a month ago her mother died, her last words being a message to me to be kind to Louie and take care of her. I wish you could see our children, what a welcome they would give you! They ask so often about 'the ladies who send the bales'." To Mrs. Boomer Miss Aldridge writes, "The work here goes on steadily, my children are making progress in many ways, and grow daily dearer to me. The elder ones are getting very helpful, and the little ones try so hard to be of use. If anyone asks what sort of underclothing we want for our children, please say there is nothing so useful as flannelette, it is easy to wash." To the *Petrolea Branch*, Mr. White, of St. Andrew's Mission, White Fish Lake, Athabasca, writes:—"I thank you very much for your two fine bales. The quilts are excellent; they are in great demand here. The medicines are very good and most welcome. Please thank Mr. Denham for his liberal gift, nothing more useful than the itch-ointment could have been sent. I have used the healing ointment with great success for cuts. One woman who had chopped her foot with an axe was able to walk again in a week. The boys clothing was eagerly sought after, and the warm petticoats and jackets were much liked by the women. May I say all clothing for Indian women should be on a large scale; jackets very wide across the shoulders, and they generally want to get two petticoats to make into one to suit their long steps. Thank you for the coffee, cocoa, and sugar—cocoa is a splendid drink in cold weather. I am most grateful for the liberal supply of cups, plates, spoons, and knives. The people here make their living by trapping, and trading furs with the H.B. Co., but they are most improvident. They get a little work packing and freighting for the H.B. Co. The people here and at Wabuskaw are the poorest in the Diocese. They will always listen to God's word read to them, and attend the services, they say their fathers told them about God, but they know nothing about His Son Jesus Christ, who came to die for them. They are still very superstitious—we can only pray that the Holy Spirit may shine into their poor dark hearts. I am quite out of note-books, having not as yet found one in any bale; they are so handy for noting down Cree words and phrases." Principal King, of the Shingwauk Homes, writes to *Strathroy*:—"Your bale reached us at a time when we were greatly in need. The boots and"

clothing requiring mending can be easily converted into suitable garments by our tailor boys and shoe makers; they are valuable to us and I thank you for them. Please thank the lady who made the quilts, shirts, coat, etc., for Willie Sands." The Rev. A. Grasset Smith, Muncey, writes:—"I wish through the LEAFLET to thank all those who have helped towards the success of our Christmas trees. It is always an anxious time trying to make ends meet, and suit the needs of all, and I am thankful to say we have happily been able to do so this year. We had announced the date of our Christmas tree; the day arrived, and we had only a very few things for a large school, but, going to the station, I found a box had just come that more than supplied our needs for that tree. The same thing happened with our tree for St. John's, and these circumstances brought very forcibly to our minds our Lord's rebuke 'O thou of little faith, wherefore didst thou doubt?' Our thanks are tendered to the Sunday Schools of St. James', St. George's, and Christ Churches, London; to Mrs. F. Smith, Miss A. Smith, Miss Crane and other friends in Windsor, to Mrs. Boomer, who though just returned from Bermuda, did not forget Muncey, and to Huron's little Missionary Daughters for the dolls they dressed.

AMONG OUR BUSY BRANCHES.

The Dorcas Secretary reports the following bales sent out from Jan. 15th to Feb 15th; some were shipped much earlier, but not reported till after Jan. 15th: To Rev. F. Swainson—St. Paul's Cathedral one; London Memorial, G.H.B., one. To Mr. Hartland, Griswold—St. James', Stratford, two; Christ Church, Chatham, two. To Rev. E. Matheson Battleford—St. James', London, S.M.B., one; J.M.B., one. To Archdeacon Mackay, Prince Albert—London Memorial, G.H.B., one. To Rev. D. Macdonald—Bevie, one. To Rev. A. Chowne, Algoma—Brussels, one, St. Paul's, Tuscarora, one; Walton, one. To Mr. J. Hope, Battleford—Hensall, one. To Rev. A. Cobb, Algoma—All Saints' Mission, one. To Rev. T. Prichard Lac Seul—Ailsa Craig, one. To Rev. J. Badger—Hyde Park and Byron, one. To Mr. P. Macdonald, Sweet Grass Reserve—Seaforth, one.

From the Branches comes following items: BERLIN—We are working for Rev. D. Macdonald, Thunder Child's Reserve, he wrote asking us to help him. We have 20 members, all of whom take the LEAFLET. BRANTFORD—The Grace Church Mission Band, organized in November, 1895, sent off in December a box containing new books, dress goods, stockings and mits, candies and marbles, to the Rev. J. Bunn, Westbourne, Manitoba; and has received from him a letter thanking them most gratefully, especially for the books. BRUSSELS—We sent a well filled bale to the Rev. A. Chowne, for Christmas;

before we packed it, our Junior Branch had a pleasant Saturday afternoon in the school-house, when the boys and girls of the Sunday school came freighted with gifts out of their own possessions, to be sent to the children of Mr. Chowne's Algoma parish. Then we had hymns and recitations by the children, and two short Missionary addresses, and children and grown people, who were there in goodly numbers, went away with happy hearts, realizing the truth of our Saviour's words "It is more blessed to give than to receive." at WALTON, another appointment in this parish, the women who are not a W. A. Branch, but a Guild working for the Church, sent a bale, containing several splendid quilts, also to Mr. Chowne; and also before parting they had a social evening, inviting all the parish and putting their work on exhibition, that it might give those indifferent or altogether uninterested in Mission work an object lesson, and they realized a nice little sum to meet the expenses of the bale. Our prospects in connection with W. A. work are bright for this year. CHATHAM (Christ Church)—We sent a bale in December to the Rev. J. Hartland, containing quilts, carpet, clothing and groceries. A Mission Band has been formed, which meets every week, there are about 20 members, and they work so earnestly. They have sent a very nice bale to the Rev. F. Swainson. DELAWARE—We have sent an outfit—clothing and bedding, value \$30—to a boy in the St. John's Home, Gleichen. HENSALL—In September last, we sent two barrels to Mr. J. Hope, Battleford, containing six new quilts, several new dresses, coats, trousers, vests, stockings, mitts, combs, darning-needles, yarn, thread, soap, and a great many other useful articles. We are now preparing another bale. INGERSOLL—We held our tenth Annual Meeting on January 8th. The Treasurer's report showed that the receipts for the year past amounted to \$46.63. Two bales were sent in the fall to the Rev. T. Prichard, Lac Seul. The Branch was addressed during the year by the Rev. A. Murphy, the Rev. J. C. Robinson, and by Mrs. Boomer. In September a special Missionary Meeting was held, at which interesting and instructive papers were read. A Thank-offering envelope was sent to every woman in the parish, with a written invitation to the meeting. A bale is now being prepared to be sent away early in spring. LONDON (All Saints' Mission Chapel)—We held eighteen meetings during the year, the attendance was good, and the interest has increased. Last year we had but ten members on the roll, this year we are commencing with seventeen. We have not been able to send a bale yet, but we made four quilts, two pairs socks, and one jacket, for the bales sent out by the Memorial Church Branch. Our receipts during the year past amounted to \$90.97. As this Branch works for its own Mission Chapel, of this sum \$25 was paid into the building fund, \$29.42 for furnishings and care of the chapel. The receipts for W. A. work amounted to \$36.55; \$22.65 of which were members' fees, the remainder the result of special

collections. Of this \$6 was given to Huron College, and all the Diocesan pledges were paid. Is not this small Mission chapel Branch an example and an encouragement to all W.A. workers. Mission chapel congregations are not wealthy congregations, yet the members' fees of these ten members amounted to \$22.65. PRESTON—We have had a most grateful letter from Mr. Holme.—it puts new life into one. STRATFORD (Home Memorial)—Our Mission Band of four members sent a bale to Rev. F. Swainson, in December containing ten yards of carpet, and eight quilts. Well done, dear little faithful four. STRATHROY—To Mrs. Lenfesty, the Diocesan Treasurer, writes.—"I think great credit is due to your Junior Branch for the help they have given us in redeeming our pledges. They have done nobly. SARNIA —In December this Branch held an afternoon tea at the residence of Mrs. Robinson, at which we cleared \$7.35. In October we sent a bale valued at \$37 to the Shingwauk Homes. On January 8th, we held our 9th Annual Meeting. The receipts for the year amounted to \$109.90. Mrs. King, wife of the Principal of the Shingwauk Home, and Mrs. Wilson, wife of the President of the Elkhorn Home, were formerly members of St. George's congregation. The work in which these Christian ladies are engaged should receive the sympathy and support of the Canadian Church. WINDSOR—All Saints' Branch, assisted by the Junior Branch, and the King's Daughters, sent two large bales to the Rev. A. Cobb, Algoma, containing children's clothing, toys, candies, and medicines. Mr. Cobb writes:—"On behalf of myself, my family and many members of my Mission, I must tender our warmest thanks. The medicines will be a great benefit, and the cake (this was purchased by the self-denial money of the Juniors) looks very nice, and will make many mouths water at our Sunday School festival. WALKERTON—We are greatly encouraged, having gained several new members since the beginning of the year, and have begun work with more vigor. We are working for the Shingwauk Home; making sheets, than which, Mr. King writes, we could do nothing better. WILMOT—We had a good Annual Meeting on the 6th January. On the last Sunday of the month our Rector preached the annual sermon to the Branch, from Mark iv 3, "and she brake the box, and poured it on His head"—dwelling on the thought that as W.A. workers we must endeavour to get beyond the *motive for action*. Mary had no thought of what she was doing being right; it was because her heart was filled with love to Jesus that she poured the costly ointment on her Master's head. A goodly number of our W.A. members were present, and partook of Holy Communion together. [Would it not be well for every W.A. Branch to follow Wilmot's example—many do probably—and have its annual sermon and corporate Communion; for is there not some danger of the busiest and happiest Branches sometimes, in their eagerness to be *doing*, letting the *Martha*-spirit predominate over the *Mary*-spirit.]

TREASURER'S REPORT.

RECEIPTS.		
General Fund.		Lucan
Thorndale	\$ 2 50	Lucan W., W.S.
Aylmer	2 00	Walkerton
Woodstock, O.S.P.	25	Hensall
Strathroy, J. B.	2 00	Lambeth
Ailsa Craig	1 00	Petrolia
Preston	1 80	Port Burwell, J.B.
Berlin	3 80	Algoma
Brussels	30	Wilmot, Extra ic. per day ...
London, St. George's	70	Aylmer
London, St. James'	20	Stratford, St. James'
Lucan W., W.S.	70	Petrolia
Hensall	1 00	Education.
London, Christ Church	2 00	Stratford, St. James'
Petrolia	2 20	Lucan
Seaforth	1 80	Lucan W., W.S.
London Memorial Ch., G.M.B.	2 85	Lambeth Sunday School
" St. John Evangelist, J.B.	1 25	Per Mrs. Boomer
Durham	1 50	Lion's Head
Clinton	1 00	Ailsa Craig
Windsor	2 50	Preston
Zenana.		London, St. George's
London, St. George's	60	Princeton
Princeton	1 00	Chatham, H.T.
Lucan	4 00	Stratford, St. James'
Lucan W., W.S.	1 00	Walkerton
Hensall	1 00	Hensall
Petrolia	2 00	Port Burwell, J.B.
Durham	1 00	Petrolia
London, Mrs. Eccles for Miss		Windsor
Ling	50 00	Warwick
Windsor	1 00	S.P.C. Jews—Woodstock, N.S.P.
Mackenzie River.		Miss. Board—Woodstock, N.S.P.
London, St. Paul's	5 00	Rupert's Land Miss. on Fund.
Lucan, for Rev. J. O. Sainger	10 00	Stratford, St. James'
Lady Missionary N.W.		Bishop Bompas—Haysville S.S.
London, St. Paul's	2 00	Kanyengeh.
Aylmer	5 00	London, St. Paul's
Ailsa Craig	1 27	Ailsa Craig
Preston	3 00	Preston
Mitchell	1 00	London, St. George's
Princeton	1 00	Woodstock N.S.P.
Chatham, H.T.	10 00	Chatham H.T.
London St. Paul's J.B.	2 50	Lucan
London, Christ Church	5 00	Walkerton
Lucan W., W.S.	1 00	Lambeth
Walkerton	1 00	Petrolia, Junior Branch
Hensall	1 00	London, St. John Evang., J.R.
Lambeth	70	DISBURSEMENTS.
Petrolia	5 00	General Fund—To R. Southam
Forest	4 00	Stamps, Post Cards
Durham	9 00	Zenana
Owen Sound	10 00	Algoma
Lady Missionary, Japan.		Algoma
London, St. Paul's	2 00	S.P.C. Jews
Aylmer	1 00	Algoma Superannuation Fund
Mitchell	1 00	Rupert's Land Mission Fund
Woodstock N.S.P.	5 00	Bishop Bompas
Princeton	1 00	Mission Board
Chatham, H.T.	10 00	Lion's Head
London, Christ Church	2 00	Education—To Mrs. Falls
		Literature—To Mrs. Smith

[March, 1896.] **Montreal Diocese.**

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

"Thank God and take courage" These words, with the accompanying watchword, "Be of good courage and He shall strengthen your heart," from which our Bishop addressed the members of the Womans' Auxiliary at the opening service in the Cathedral on February 13th may well be repeated here, in this our necessarily brief review of the Annual Meeting; for surely we have indeed cause to thank God and take courage. To trust Him for His promised "strengthening" and to go forward in full confidence that as increasing opportunities of usefulness are opened out before us, so the desire to avail ourselves of them may be quickened, and the way in which to do it, so as best to promote the glory of God may be shown us.

After partaking of the Holy Communion in the Cathedral, the delegates and members of the various Branches repaired to the Synod Hall, where luncheon was served on this and each successive day by the Montreal Refreshment Committee. At 2.30 p.m. an adjournment was made to the Library, where the first business Session was inaugurated by the singing of the grand, familiar hymn,

"The Church's one foundation
Is Jesus Christ her Lord."

This was followed by the recitation of the members' prayer in unison, and the remaining portions of the Auxiliary Litany. Next came the calling of the roll and the reading of greetings from the sister Branches of Quebec, Ontario, Toronto, Huron and Niagara. Mrs. Holden, the President, then read her annual address. Beginning with words of welcome to the members, delegates and friends, and gratefully acknowledging the blessings bestowed by the Divine Giver, during the ten years of our existence as an Auxiliary, now just completed, she urged upon all their obligation to help on the mission cause by praying for missions, by learning about missions and by giving to missions. The junior work might, she said, be called our weak point, as it had not as a whole made the advance that might reasonably have been expected, though some Branches indeed had reported good work. A constitution for juniors had been adopted containing provision for the better carrying on of this important branch of the work, and also for the affiliation of our Ministering Children's Leagues with the Auxiliary. The Auxiliary Education.

fund, which provides for the education of the children of missionaries residing in the isolated parts of Algoma and the North-west, where no educational advantages exist was warmly commended to the support of the Branches, and a more general adoption of the extra-cent-a-day plan recommended as a means of meeting the expense. If 30 or 40 members would adopt this plan one child at a time might be maintained and educated. A plea was made for the Auxiliaries' special pledges, members fees, printing fund, Japan Lady Missionary and Washakada. Some of the Branches were behind hand in their returns, and this had left the Diocesan Board in an embarrassing position. The LAFLET was strongly recommended to the support of the Auxiliary. Mrs Everett, Recording Secretary, also dwelt upon the failure of some of the Branches to recognize their responsibilities, and the consequent shortage in the hands of the Treasurer to meet these special claims. On the whole the progress during the year was satisfactory. There are now 55 Branches, 1,180 members and 15 life members.

Mrs. C. E. Dawson, Diocesan Treasurer, reported the receipts for the past year \$1,632.58, disbursements \$1,632.80; balance \$9.78. Miss McCord for the junior work, reported 17 Branches; 3 new ones having been formed during the year. The election of officers was then proceeded with, and in spite of the protest of the retiring Board, the ballot was not taken, and the old officers were returned by acclamation. The name of Mrs Brander, however, being substituted for that of Miss McCord as secretary of junior work, Miss McCord finding her duties of corresponding secretary too onerous to permit her to hold a second office. Miss L. Mudge then read a very instructive paper on Persia, describing the geography of the country and the Religion, manners and customs of the people. At the close Miss Mudge received a vote of thanks. From 5 to 7 a reception was given in the library of the Synod Hall, by the Montreal Auxiliary to the delegates and friends. This was largely attended and was a thoroughly enjoyable affair. Among the guests on the occasion, and also at the business sessions, we had the pleasure of welcoming Miss Atkinson, of Toronto and St. Catherines, and Mrs. Beckett, of Sherbroke, both enthusiastic Church workers, with whom the Auxiliary at once felt itself on common ground. Indeed this annual re-union presented, as it always does, opportunities of personal intercourse and friendly interchange of thought, which no mere business meeting could afford, and hence our annual "At Home" is always looked upon as one of the most helpful as well as most agreeable features of our gathering.

Friday morning was mainly devoted to the reading of the City and Country Branch reports. These all shewed gratifying progress, particularly in the amount of goods sent out not only to distant

missionary points, but to needy parishes in our own Diocese. Mrs. Dawson for the Diocesan Dorcas Committee reported 93 bales of clothing and other articles distributed as follows: Diocese 30, Calgary and Sakatchewan 17, Qu'Appelle 4, Algoma 7, Athabasca 7, Mackenzie River 1, Moosonee 3, Washakada 21, Rupert's Land 3, an increase of 9 bales over last year's consignment. The LEAFLET Editor reported on the fifth year of Montreal's connection with the LEAFLET. In 1892-3 the subscription list stood at 300, covered by 19 Branches, 10 city and 9 country. Now there were 653 subscribers, distributed among 12 city Branches, 19 country, and 120 individual subscribers. The LEAFLET treasurer reported satisfactorily on the financial condition of the LEAFLET. All expenses had been met, and there was a balance in hand to begin the year. In the afternoon Rev. Mr. Stringer gave a short account of his work among the Esquimaux, relating some interesting incidents of the early efforts of Bishop Bompas, who first visited these wandering tribes 6 years before, and whom they had ill treated and refused to listen to, telling him to leave them and never to come back; but whose words they had afterwards remembered, and now affectionately cherished his memory. Mr. Stringer made an earnest appeal for workers, men and women. Results were not always to be measured by numbers. There was a blessed work to be done amongst these heathen tribes, which only eternity would fully reveal. The Corresponding Secretary read letters from Mrs. Boomer, Mrs. Young, and others. A paper on Diocesan Methods evoked considerable discussion on town and country ways of work, conducting meetings, raising and apportioning money, &c. Many of the country delegates contributed valuable information. The Bishop recommended all the Branches to have missionary readings at their meetings. The president asked for an expression of opinion from the delegates as to how they would like the delegates to the next Triennial to vote when the question of the designation of the freight money to be refunded by the Government should come up, and a unanimous wish was expressed that it should be given to the Algoma Superannuation fund. After a full discussion it was decided to withdraw the grant to the Washakada Home at the expiration of 6 months from date; the need for help being, it was felt, greater in other quarters where there was no Government grant or assistance from any outside source. At the same time it was emphatically affirmed that no dissatisfaction was felt with Mr. or Mrs. Wilson, the Principal and lady Matron of the Home, and sympathy was expressed with them and the other inmates in the trial through which they had lately passed in the destruction by fire of the Washakada girls' building. A long and animated debate followed on the question of how to insure the payment of our special pledges by all the Branches. The matter was warmly taken up, St. John's, Farnham, Waterloo, Huntingdon, St. Armand, St. Andrew's, Knowlton and

Lachine, among the country Branches, and the city Branches generally, taking part, and a resolution on the subject was moved and carried—the delegates agreeing to bring it before their Branches and elicit from them suggestions as to the best way of enforcing a general proportionate giving. Later in the afternoon Mrs. A. Carus Wilson gave an address on the Missionary Conscience of the Church. Mrs. Lindsay moved and Miss McCord seconded a vote of thanks. Mrs. Lindsay mentioned some interesting facts in connection with her late husband Rev. Rural Dean Lindsay, who was one of the first of the S.P.G.'s missionaries in the Diocese to resign his grant from the Society and cast himself for support on his people.

The increasing severity of the weather as night fell prevented many who wished to do so, from attending the Missionary meeting with which the Annual closed. Those who did brave the cold and storm were well repaid, and we much regret that space does not permit us to attempt any report of the eloquent addresses of Miss Ben-Oliet and the Rev. Mr. Brooks, who spoke respectively and with equal fervor on Jerusalem and the Jews, and Turkey. At the close of the meeting the Bishop who presided proposed that the offertory be given to the Armenian Relief fund, which proposal was enthusiastically acceded to.

The Huntingdon Branch W. A. had a very successful meeting on Monday Feb. 25th, in the Lecture-room of St. John's Church. Miss Ben-Oliet delighted the large audience with her graphic accounts of life in Jerusalem, and the progress of Christianity among the Jews. Much sympathy and interest in this Branch of Mission work was manifested, and the lecturer, on returning to her home, must feel herself strengthened for renewed work by the warmth of feeling displayed, while her hearers were excited to renewed efforts in helping forward the Master's work.

Two errors occur in January LEAFLET. Page 94, Paragraph 2, "Communion Table" should be Communion Cloth, and "appeal was met" should be appeal was read.

As the friends of Valleyfield might conclude from the inadvertent errors that the needs of the mission had been supplied, we draw attention to them at this our earliest opportunity.

The summary of Branch reports will begin in our next issue.

We were sorry to miss for the first time since their existence as a Branch, our Havelock delegates. Their report shewed good work, but we missed the delegates.

[March, 1896.] **Niagara Diocese.**

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

 Subjects for Reading and Prayer: Columbia, B. C., and China.

At the February Board Meeting a resolution of condolence was passed to the family of the late Mrs. Thomson. She is the first Life Member to be taken from the W. A., and her loss will be much felt by the members. We are again called upon to offer sympathy to a valued member, Mrs. Fessenden, who has sustained another bereavement in the recent sudden death of her husband. The late Mr. Fessenden was well known for his deep interest in Missionary work.

Preparations are now being made for the Annual Meeting which will be held about the middle of April, the date to be definitely fixed by the Committee. Arch. Tims, of Calgary, will address meetings in this Diocese from the 23 to 28 of March, after which he has to return to the N. W. Members should bear these meetings in mind, as they will be a great stimulus to the cause of missions in the N. W.

DORCAS SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Niagara Falls, South; St. George's, Georgetown, St. Thomas', Hamilton, St. James' Fergus; St. Mark's, Hamilton and the Juniors of Stoney Creek, united in sending 1 bale to the Rev. Mr. Wilson, Washakada Home, Ekhorn, containing 46 new and 20 secondhand garments, 5 quilts and \$1 of groceries; cash for new material \$25.45, freight 2 50, total \$27.95. St. John's, Stamford, report sent to S. Peter's Home, Hamilton, 23 new and 5 secondhand articles; cash \$4.80, freight 45; total \$5.25. St. Mark's, Niagara-on-the-Lake, to the Washakada Home, 35 new and 5 secondhand garments, and 5 miscellaneous articles; material \$6 10; freight \$2.81; total \$8.94.

JUNIOR SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Another Junior Branch has been added to our numbers. St. Jude's, Oakville. Too much praise cannot be given to Miss Smith through whose exertions chiefly, the Branch was formed. Following are the officers:—Supt., Miss Irene Sutherland; Asst. Supt., Miss Enma Smith; Sec., Miss Dora E. Hillmer; Treas., Miss Margaret H. Smith. First Life Member of a Junior Branch is Miss Jean Marjorie McLaren. Church of Ascension is to be congratulated on leading the van in this matter. St. John's, Thorold. Christmas bale, Rev. J. Pardoe, Novar, Algoma. Specials, 25 books. Total spent \$9 00. Church of Redeemer, Stoney Creek, parcel to Washakada Home; special, 3 heavy quilts. This Branch was only organized this fall. Cathedral Branch reports spent on Christmas bale to Rev. C. Piercy, Burk's Falls,

\$5.35. Total for the month \$42.21. Mr. Owens writes to St. Mark's Orangeville, *re* Emma Cochrane's outfit. "Allow me to thank you all for your splendid gift, both of clothing and books, it is impossible to particularize anything in a bale so useful, those who directed you have very good ideas of our needs." This Branch is at work on a second outfit for Emma, Rev. J.-A. Cobb to same Branch *re* Christmas sale. Our Christmas tree proved a decided success. All present enjoyed themselves and were greatly pleased with the gifts. At the close three hearty cheers were given for their generous friends at Orangeville." Rev. A. Chowne, to St. Luke's, Burlington "I cannot thank you sufficiently for your thoughtful care in what you have sent, as all is of value. I cannot begin to tell you the pleasure the gifts afford the children as well as parents and friends." Total receipts for month \$26.75; expenses \$25.58.

From Mr. Ley King, Principal Shingwauk Home, to Mrs. Thompson, Cayuga:—

"We were glad indeed to receive on Christmas Eve., the very acceptable bale of clothing so kindly sent by your Branch of the Junior W.A. Will you please thank the respective donors, and tell them that we are most grateful, and appreciate very much the contents of their bale: especially welcomed were the quilts, flannel underwear, shirts and socks. The boys are thoroughly enjoying their holidays, and did so appreciate the Christmas tree held in our Drill Hall last night. Tuesday the 31st has been the day selected for the distribution of prizes won at the last examination. Among the prizes are six pairs of skates given by Mr. Hayter Reed of the Indian Dept., Ottawa, on his visit to the Shingwauk recently. Wishing you and the members of your Branch a very happy New Year.

Extracts from Mrs. Wilson's letter to the Members of the W.A., Niagara-on-the-Lake;

DEC. 30TH, 1895.

"What can you think of my having been such an age writing to thank you for your great kindness to us. We received the mail parcel with petticoats and stockings safely, also the parcel by express containing 35 articles for all of which will you accept our most grateful thanks. With regard to the other clothing, we are not in the destitute state we were just after the fire, the different societies of the Church have helped most nobly, of course, the principal ones being the W.A. What an amount of good they do! I enclose Peter's measurement; his clothes were not burnt, nor the Boy's Home. This is such a busy time of the year, at any rate, but situated as we now are, it makes it much harder. I have not been in bed till 2 a.m. since the fire. We are beginning to feel quite worn out, but after this week hope to take things easier. My eldest baby was very ill with Bronchitis at the time of the fire; we had just put a poultice on her, when the men

rushed into my bedroom and said, 'You must take these children out as soon as possible, this building is going too.' It seemed awful to take her out into the cold, cold night, and she was very ill for some time after, and we were terribly anxious, but thank God, her life was spared. We can never be too thankful that no lives were lost. I feel as if I should never have got over it if any of the Indian children had been burnt. The children had their tree and enjoyed it so much. We always try to make everything as bright and joyous as possible for them at Christmas. I hope you will forgive my seeming negligence. Peter is very well, I enclose his letter. Again thanking you for your very great kindness, and wishing you all a very happy New Year."

Extracts of letter from Rev. F. A. Mackay, Emmanuel College, Prince Albert, to Miss Champ, St. Thomas', Hamilton.

In acknowledging 2 sacks of clothing says, "You did send us a nice assortment of useful things. It was so very kind of you to send the dolls, they will give abundant pleasure. I am glad the photograph pleased you. One of our friends here told us that the pupils were too well dressed, implying that if they had appeared more poorly dressed the sight would evoke more sympathy and call out more help. But I think if we try to have things looking creditable, although we are straightened for means, right minded people will think us more deserving of help than if our pupils presented a poor appearance. They are, of course, got up in their best for the occasion, but the frocks the girls had on were all made by the matron herself, and were their first frocks over a year ago. Thanks to you and your helpers they will have other best frocks now. I was very glad of the night shirts for the boys; now for the first time we shall have enough for the changes needed. . . . The mission work you are helping is my life work. I have been engaged in it nearly 40 years, and I hope to continue in it as long as God spares me. I love the Indians. I am familiar with their language and modes of thought, and have always found them responsive to efforts for their good. I know of no other work better worth doing, and I believe there is no work more acceptable in the eyes of Him who came to seek and to save that which was lost. At our Mission station we teach them to know and believe in Him and the Gospel is the power of God to salvation, even in the Indian wigwam, but what a poor life they live! You know, of course, what a wigwam is like. An arrangement of poles and skins or birch bark, circular at the ground and conical upwards where the poles meet, and there is an opening for the smoke to escape. The fire is in the centre and the inmates squat round it in the day time. When sleeping time comes, we can hardly call it bed time, they simply lie down side by side in the same way, drawing over themselves such covers as they may have, but always in their ordinary clothes" * * *

DIOCESAN TREASURER'S STATEMENT

From Jan. 9th, 1896, to Feb. 13th, 1896.

RECEIPTS.	
Collection at meeting, St. Thomas School Room, Jan, 9th	\$ 1 79
North West Missions.	
Collected by Dorcas Sec. for Rev. Mr Tansey, Somerset	5 50
Japan mission. Rev. J. C. Robinson.	
Ascension (H) from a member	10 00
Board Tax on Mem. Fees.	
Ascension (H)	5 00
St. George's, St. Catharines	1 20
Cathedral (H) additional	20
St. John's, Cayuga	60
St. Mark's, Niagara-on-the-Lake	2 40
Christ Ch., Niagara Falls	1 45
Lady Missionaries' Fund.	
Ascension (H) for teachers at Onion Lake	1 00
Cathedral (H)	3 00
St. Mark's, Niagara-on-the-Lake	5 00
Christ Church, Niagara Falls	4 00
Missionary Duty Fund	
St. John's, Stamford	1 00
Cathedral (H)	27
Cathedral Rupert's Land	50
Zenana	50
" Diocesan	25
Japan Med. Miss. Fund.	
St. George's, Georgetown	5 00
Junior Br. through Sec	50
Cathedral (H)	2 35
St. John's, Cayuga	2 00
St. Mark's, Niagara-on-the-Lake	4 65
Christ Church, Niagara Falls	10 00
Miss Smith's Dispensary, Japan.	
St. George's, Georgetown	3 00
St. Paul's, Glanford	1 00
Cathedral (H)	1 25
Christ Church, Niagara Falls	2 00
Missy's Daughters' Fund.	
Cathedral (H)	5 25
Rupert's Land Mission F.	
St. Thomas's, St. Catharines	2 00
Mackenzie River Miss. F.	
St. Thomas, St. Catharines	10 00
Jew's Missions	
St. Thomas', St. Catharines	2 00
Life membership Fees.	
Ascension (H) Jr, Miss Jean M. McLaren	25 00

Hospital at Salt Coats, Assn	
Cathedral (H)	2 00
Zenana missions	
Ascension (H) for Miss Colman	60 00
Self Denial Fund.	
St. John's, Cayuga	1 15
St. Mark's, Niagara-on-the-Lake	35
Cathedral (H)	1 73
Mrs. McGill, Oakville	25
Elkhorn Home, Man.	
Christ Church, Niagara Falls	2 00
Stamford M.C.L	2 00
A Friend, Niagara Falls S.	1 00
Rev. Mr. Swainson, Blood Reserve	
Mrs. McGill, Oakville	1 75
Expense Account	
Interest from Bank	9 11
Sale of Badge, Jr.	18
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Vouchers	
Ascension (H) R.L. Indian Miss Fund	19 00
Ascension (H) Stewart Memorial Fund	14 65
Nov. 21st. Mrs. McGill for Mr. Sayeki, Japan	2 00
St. George's, St. Catharines, Zenana	13 00
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EXPENDITURE.	
1896.	
Jan. 13	By Rev. Mr. Tansey, Somerset
	5 50
"	By Mr. S. Mortimer, Treas C.C.M.S. for Japan M. F. Rev. J. C. Robinson
	10 00
Jan. 22	By Mrs. Irvine, General Treas W.A., towards Lady teacher at Onion Lake ...
	17 00
Jan. 28	Mr. S. Mortimer, Treas. C.C.M.S. for Mackenzie River
	10 00
"	G. Midgeley, printer, for Treasurer's Forms
	1 50
"	Postage stamps & P. cards
	1 00
Feb 4	By Freight on bale to Rev. Mr. Wilson, Elkhorn, Man
	2 50
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	\$47 50

A. WEBSTER, *Diocesan Treas., N.W.A.*

[March, 1896.] **Ontario Diocese;**

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

Subjects for Prayer and Reading for March : Athabasca and Africa.

We wish all our readers could have heard the encouraging account which Mr. Tims gave of the Piegan Mission to the Board. He explained that too much must not be expected, for that, on account of Mr. Hinchliffe's having been the first to acquire the language, the work is only, one may say, of four years' duration. Henry M. Stanley, in the Feb. Century Magazine, writes of Missions in Africa, "It is true, though strange, that for the first six years or so, very little visible effect is produced by Missionary teaching and influence. The mind of a pagan descendant of innumerable centuries of pagans appears to be for some time impenetrable to the Christian doctrine, and, no matter how zealously a Missionary may strive with him, he continues to present a wooden dullness, until by and by there is a gleam of interest, he catches the idea, as it were; and the interest becomes infectious and spreads from family to family, and converts multiply rapidly. "Cast thy bread upon the waters for thou shalt find it after many days." To go back to Mr. Tims, He said that he had visited the Reserve in Dec., and was surprised at the improvement he saw. The children could read and write well, could answer readily questions about God the Father, and about the life and work of our Lord: they were tidily dressed. The Mission building was the centre of a little village, for the Indians liking Mr. Hinchliffe, were building their log houses within reach, and the Sunday Services were attended by the Indians as listeners, if not as worshippers. Miss Brown was spoken of as a most devoted worker; she and Mrs. Swainson are the only ladies who, so far, have any command over the language. A great deal was said about the bales, and the way in which the distribution of clothing is made, but this is something with which we are more familiar. Jack Strong Buffalo

case was spoken of hopefully. His conduct is exemplary, and it may be, that his old superstitions will not tempt him again. Ontario Diocese was urged to continue its interest in this Mission, to pray more and more, and to believe that the answer will come in God's good time.

The appeal for a hospital at Saltcoats which was published in Feb. LEAFLET (page 111) was read to the Board. It will we hope, touch the hearts of some among us, who have special reasons for thankfulness to God, for the skill and kindness of our doctors and trained nurses, or for the alleviations of prolonged suffering afforded by late medical discoveries.

The following has been received by St. Patrick's Guild, Brockville, from the Rev. Albert Tansy, Somersct, Man.

MY DEAR BOYS,—I hope you will pardon me for not writing sooner to thank you and your fellow members of the Guild for your very pretty and useful gifts for our Christmas tree. But though my thanks are a little late, they are none the less sincere. I do not know what we should have done without them, so that you have the knowledge that you have made many hearts light and happy for Christmas. Could you but have seen the faces smiling so brightly and happily, and have heard the hearty "thank yous" as they received their gifts, I am sure you would have felt more than repaid for all the trouble you must have gone to in order to make up such a quantity of pretty Christmas presents. Mrs. Tansy wishes me to thank you for the pretty handkerchief you so kindly sent her. Gladys was delighted with her doll and buggy, and has been telling every one since about it. I must now thank you for the kind donation of \$1.70 (one dollar and seventy cents) you so kindly sent me. I am going to spend it on a book, as books are very scarce out here, and money is still more so. So that when I have a few dollars to spare, which is not often, I buy a book or two. I may tell you that for the past three years, I am over \$500 00 behind in my stipend, so that you will know how much I value your gift, and now I shall gladly buy a book with it. Your Clergyman would also understand such a position. I must now close, thanking you again on behalf of our school children, Mrs. Tansy, Gladys and myself, and pray that God will make you useful as boys, and good and noble men, when you grow up.

About thirty Chinese, in Ottawa, who are members of a Sunday School Class, taught chiefly by the Presbyterians, gave a supper to their teachers just before Lent began. After supper a programme of music and readings was carried out, and an address was read by Hum Quoon, part of which was as follows:—"We are strangers among you from a far country, and if it were not for the pleasant words which we receive from the people of this and other churches,

we would, indeed, be lonely sometimes. It is a little over five years since I left my native land, then I could not speak a word of English. It seems almost-impossible that I could learn to speak it at first, but you have made it easy for me, and are helping many others to master the language, and so be able to read the good book that tells us about Jesus dying to save sinners from every nation. There are some of us without a teacher, and I believe that if some more of you could spare the time, that God would bless your work. I hope that the Lord will bless you for treating us as He would have us treated."

BRANCH NOTES.

CATERAQUI Branch of the W.A. was formed in 1894. We have 10 members with an average attendance of 5, and meet every Wednesday p.m. at the different member's houses. We worked for a small debt on the Church until Christmas, after which we began to work for our bale which we sent to the Rev. J. G. Anderson, West Selkirk. One thing in the bale deserves special mention. A little boy five years old saved his pennies during the year, and bought some little presents to send in the bale for the "little missionary," as he called him, meaning the missionary's little boy. Another, a lady friend, made a donation of a large Christmas cake, to send in the bale. OTTAWA has had several interesting addresses from missionaries during the last month. Dr. Grenfell of the Deep Sea Mission, will always be heard with pleasure. His enthusiasm is infectious. He spoke in the Normal School to a crowded house. Arch. Tims addressed the Board in the afternoon and a public meeting in St. John's Hall in the evening. Great disappointment was felt at the absence of the promised illustrations, but the slides were not finished in time; and finally, Rev. Mr. Stringer gave his interesting lecture about the far North, showing views of Herschel Island, the Midnight Sun, etc. Letters were received from Mr. Lofthouse, from Churchill, acknowledging the receipt of clothing sent from Ottawa, in one of which he says, "The Bishop's visit to us during last July was a real time of enjoyment and rich spiritual profit, and will long remain a pleasant memory to us, after being four years without ever coming in contact with a fellow worker, one's spirit does long for Communion of Saints. I don't think there is any other station in any part of the great Mission field, where the isolation is so complete, but we have reason to believe that God is blessing the work, and we can, and do rejoice that Christ's Kingdom is being established in the frozen homes of the North." PERTH is preparing for its Annual At Home. This and several other Branches had the pleasure of hearing Arch. Tims.

"The Babes in the Wood" is decidedly interesting and can be had at the rate of 5 cents a copy from the Sec. of Lit., 5 Arthur St., Ottawa. New and improved self-denial boxes also on hand.

DORCAS REPORT.

KINGSTON (St. Paul's) sent to Combermere, 1 bale, cost material \$4.10; Freight, 56 cents, 11 new garments, 51 secondhand, 1 quilt. BARRIFIELD sent to Flinton, 1 bale, cost material, \$11 75; freight, 35 cents; 61 new, 11 secondhand garments; dolls, toys, candy, scrap-book, etc. KINGSTON (St. James') sent to the same, 1 bale, cost material, \$11.30, freight, 35 cents; 31 new garments, groceries, toys, books, etc. BELLVILLE sent a parcel to Bancroft, freight, 60 cents. BROCKVILLE (Trinity J. W.A.) sent to Pittsburg, 1 bale with 52 new garments, 15 secondhand, surplice, quilt dress goods, groceries, value \$35. (The above are all places in Ont. Diocese.) NEWBORO sent to the Piegan Reserve, Dio. Calgary, 1 bale, cost material, \$19 60, freight \$4.60, with 30 new garments, 29 secondhand, 5 quilts, blankets, books, etc. GARONOQUI to the same, 1 bale, cost material, \$13.00; freight, \$4 00, with 7 new, 12 secondhand garments, 4 quilts, 11 yds. flannelette, books and pictures, plum pudding, etc

ANNIE MUCKLESTON, *Dorcas Sec.*

TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.			
Domestic Missions.		St. Thomas, Belleville W.A.	
St. George Cathedral W.A.		Mission of Bancroft.....	1 00
Kingston, special for Piegan		Diocesan Assessment.	
Miss. add.....	1 00	Pembroke C.C.M.G.	85
Ottawa W.A. "	13 50	Balderson W.A.	70
Caterquai W.A. "	3 00	Total.....	\$64 05
Prescott W.A. Chinese Miss.			
New Westminster	10 00	EXPENDITURE.	
Foreign Missions.		Sent to Mrs Boomer for Educa-	
Perth W.A. Lady Miss., Jap...	10 00	tional Fund from J.W.A's. of	
Prescott W.A. " "	10 00	Deseronto, Carleton Place, Perth	
Diocesan Missions		and St. James' Kingston	22 50
Pembroke W. A. Mission of		Cost of Money Orders	41
Petewawa	10 00		
			\$22 91

The Treasurer wishes to explain to the Branches why a special appeal has been made to them lately for extra contributions towards the salary and work of our Lady Missionary in Japan. It is, that the Board of Domestic and Foreign Missions has requested the Woman's Auxiliary to aid them in sending an extra \$400.00 greatly needed for Miss Smith's work. This sum divided among the Auxiliaries of the several Dioceses, makes Ontario's share \$75.00. This, in addition to the \$150 00 previously given, makes the sum required \$225.00 and it is to meet this that the special appeal has been made, the Board feeling that no request of the Board of Domestic and Foreign Missions should be refused, if it is in our power to grant it. The Treasurer would also beg to remind the Branches that their three *obligations* are the payment of their Diocesan Assessment, and of a stated sum for the salaries of our Lady Missionaries in the North West and Japan, and she would ask those who had not done so, to kindly send in their dues as early in April as possible.

[March, 1896.] **Quebec Diocese.**

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

A Quarterly Meeting of the Quebec Diocesan Branch was held in the Cathedral Church Hall, on the 22nd of January, at 2.30 p.m. Letters were read from Miss Halson about Dorcas work, and the rules to be obeyed by Branches wishing to send their bales, etc., to Indians free of freight charges; from Rev. Stevens and others thanking the W.A. for papers and magazines sent to them; from Mrs. Ready regarding the C.C. Magazine. An appeal, endorsed by the Bishop of Qu'Appelle, from the Rev. Mr. Teitlebaum, asking for \$2,000 to build a hospital, was read. Resolutions as to meetings being held on the first Tuesday in each month were carried. The Branches were reminded that money saved during the week of self-denial is to be sent to the Diocesan Treasurer—that maps of the N.W. can be had from the Diocesan Treasurer, upon the payment of 25 cts. for express. The Dorcas Forms and Indian Rules were left over till the next meeting. The following resolution was moved by Mrs. Williams, seconded by Mrs. Hunter Dunn, That 'he members of the Quebec Diocesan Branch of the W.A. desire to place on record their sense of the deep loss this Branch has sustained in the death of Miss Roe, one of its most earnest and devoted workers, and that the members take this opportunity to express their sympathy with her family in their affliction—Carried, all standing. A copy of this resolution to be sent to Mrs. Roe. A resolution of thanks to Miss Burstall for her services as Editress of the Quebec pages of the LEAFLET, was moved by Mrs. Von Iffland, seconded by Mrs. J. Hamilton, and carried.

BRANCH REPORTS.

ACTONVALE—Our meetings have been held regularly since October, with one exception. We made up our bale to send to Archdeacon Tims, Calgary, but owing to the heavy charge for freight, have decided to wait until our bale is large enough to weigh one hundred pounds, as we can send that amount for the same price. CATHEDRAL—Since our last quarterly meeting we have sent a valuable bale containing quilts, blankets, and clothing, to Rev. D. D. McDonald, Thunder Child's Reserve. The contents of another bale are ready to be sent off. The weekly meetings have been well attended, and many members have sent in large donations of new and second-hand clothing—\$3.50 has been collected towards Miss Philip's salary. LOWER IRELAND (Clapham P.O., Juniors)—Our work has been progressing quietly but satisfactorily, the monthly meetings have been

regular and very well attended, proving our interest in our work. Information is requested as to the new system of paying freight, also about the rules as to sending articles to Indians, also correct address for school at Medicine Hat, and that at Elkhorn. [Write to Dorcas Secretary, Miss Bennett, St. Genevieve Street, Quebec.—ED.]—COATI-COOKE—Our usual meetings have been held, sometimes a large attendance, sometimes few. One large bale sent to Rev. Stanley, J. Stocken, Sarcee Reserve. Since the report was sent a letter thanking for the bale which arrived safely was received. The members are working for their bale to be sent in the fall. DRUMMONDVILLE—Regular monthly meetings are held. A bale of goods was sent to Rev. A. Cooke, Kutawa, Assinaboia, in October, which reached him safely. We have one new member. INVERNESS—Our meetings have been held regularly at the usual place (Mrs. Tencarre's) with the general attendance. We have some new members since we made our fee five cents instead of ten. We are greatly interested in our work, but our Branch is small, Sec. W.A., Campbell's Corner. LENNOXVILLE—Our regular monthly meetings have been held as usual—we are glad to report two new members. In November we raised \$50 to present Mrs. Roe with a Life Membership, in recognition of her long and untiring interest in the work of the Auxiliary, and as a mark of our esteem and affection for herself. In December we sent a bale of new and second-hand clothing to the Elkhorn Indian Home, to aid them in their distress caused by fire. We have sustained a deeply felt loss in the death of our late Secretary Miss Roe; although she had been absent from this place for nearly two years, the influence of her work and life has ever been present with us. The deep affection in which she was held, was manifested by the large attendance at her funeral, and the signs of grief on so many faces. The twenty members of the Junior Branch, which she had organized, and amongst whom she had laboured most faithfully, walked in procession; it was most touching to see many of these little ones overcome by their feelings and crying bitterly. The Archdeacon and Mrs. Roe and Mrs. Jarvis, have our most heartfelt sympathy. LEVIS—On the 14th December a barrel of new clothing, toys etc. etc., was sent to the Wawanosh Homes, Sault St. Marie, Algoma, and on the 1st of January, 1896, a very gratifying letter of thanks was received from the Principal, Mr. G. J. King. MAGOG—We have sent one bale and one barrel to the Black River Mission; containing clothing and little things for a Christmas tree. ST. MATTHEW'S—A Quarterly Meeting was held on the 5th November, when \$5 was contributed towards the salary of Miss Philips, Onion Lake—\$20 were voted for the Piegan Home. A number of members joined the two cents a month movement. On November 19th, a reception was held in honour of Mrs. Tilton, Miss Montizambert, and Miss Tilley. A barrel of clothing, groceries, drugs, etc., has been sent to the Rev. Malcolm Scott, Diocese of

Athabasca; also one to the Ven. Archdeacon Mackay, Diocese of Saskatchewan, for Emmanuel College; and a bale containing ten wadded quilts, made and donated by one of our members, and half a dozen knives and forks, a donation has also been sent to the Rev. H. G. Stocken, for the Blackfoot Homes, Calgary. January 20th, a missionary meeting was held in the Parish Room, and addressed by Archdeacon Tims; the collection, \$32 82, was handed to him for the Indian Homes in his Diocese. Letters received from Mrs Stocken, Blackfoot Reserve, and Mrs. Grisdale, Winnipeg. ST. MICHAELS—A Quarterly Meeting was held November 13th, at 8 p m; Mrs. Von Iffland spoke on the subject of the Extra-two-cents-a-Month Fund. A resolution of condolence on the death of Miss Forsyth was carried, all standing. Canon Von Iffland spoke, and introduced the Lord Bishop, who gave a most interesting address on Mission work. The Mission bags were given in, their contents amounted to \$11 70. PASPEBIAC—Two meetings have been held since the last report was sent. In November last a bale of clothing was sent to the Rev. E. Thomas, Fort Alexander, Manitoba. QUEBEC (St. Peter's)—Meetings are being held regularly, fairly well attended. At the December meeting, with work and donations, two barrels and one box were filled, and shipped to the Indian Home, on the Sarcee Reserve. They have now been acknowledged. On the 18th a Missionary meeting was held in the S.S. room, Archdeacon Tims kindly gave a most interesting address on Mission work in his Diocese, which was much appreciated by the members present. We deeply regret to report the death of one of our most valued members, Mrs. C. E. Morgan, who from the formation of our Branch was one of its most devoted members, ever ready to further efforts in Mission work. Her loss will be deeply felt by us all. SHERBROOKE—Since our last report we have had three meetings, Oct 29th, Nov. 22nd, Dec. 31st. The children's monthly collections amounted to \$19 16, \$25 were sent to Mrs Wilson, Elkhorn; \$15 to Miss Smith, Japan. Twenty-five cents a year are paid by some as the Two-cents-a-Month contribution. At the October meeting it was decided to notify, by card, the clergy to whom we had forwarded money, also the Central Board, for their use, and that they be requested to acknowledge the same to the senders, by card.

Extracts of letter from Rev. Stanley F. Stocken, to Mrs. Donke, Secretary W.A., Coaticooke.

St. Barnabas' Mission, Sarcee Reserve, Calgary, N.W.T. "I am afraid you have been wondering during the past few weeks if ever I intend to keep my promise and write you a good account of our Christmas festivities, but I have been so very busy with heaps of correspondence, besides lots of other work, that I must beg you

to forgive me for being so late. I really forget whether I have thanked you for your beautiful bale, if I have I am sure you will not mind my thanking you again, for it is indeed worth ever so many thank yous, everything was really most useful—The Indians do not wear collars—I was especially delighted with the cups and saucers, as we were greatly in need of some at the time, we do value the quilts too, *so much*, this cold weather, it is very kind of you to send us so many. Then too I really don't know how to thank you all enough for the beautiful outfit for Peter, everything was really splendid; and all so nicely marked with his name—He was *so* delighted when he received them. And now dear Mrs. Doake, may I ask you and all my other kind friends in Coaticooke, to especially remember these poor children and their people, and very especially your own little charge, Peter—martyr-wounds, before the Throne of Grace, that they may soon be brought to rejoice in those lasting joys which flow from a knowledge of Jesus as a *personal* Saviour, Shepherd, Priest and King, and pray for us workers too, 'That the word of the Lord may have free course and be glorified.'"

[I have omitted the account of the Christmas and New Year's feasts as it was printed in the Niagara pages for February almost word for word.—ED.]

LEVIS—On January 17th, the members of this Branch were favoured by a visit from the Venerable Archdeacon Tims, of the Diocese of Calgary, the well known Missionary to the Blackfoot Indians. To welcome him, and to give him an opportunity to tell of his work, a public meeting was called in the Model School. It was largely attended, and the Rev. J. Thompson, Rector, took the chair. Mr. Tims possesses in an eminent degree the power of winning and retaining the attention of his audience, and as he told the story of his efforts to evangelize the Blackfeet, and incidentally of the hardships he endured and the dangers he ran while discharging his duties, he was listened to with the utmost eagerness. The singing of Missionary hymns under the leadership of Miss Piton, the organist of the Church, was very hearty, and added much to the pleasure of the meeting. A collection was taken up, and the proceeds given to Mr. Tims in aid of his work; a number of collecting cards were distributed; and the Rector promised, in behalf of the Sunday Scholars, that an effort should be made by them, to supply half the funds necessary to maintain a child for a year in the Indian School. At the close of the proceedings a vote of thanks to Mr. Tims was moved in a few earnest words, by the Rev. T. W. Fyles, S.P.C.K. Chaplain, and seconded by Mr. Simmons, Churchwarden. The meeting has left a good impression, and the members of the Branch are greatly encouraged by the interest it has awakened.

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