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Letter Leaflet of the Woman's Auxiliary

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

PROVINCIAL WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

Editor Provincial Papers, MISS L. H. MONTIZAMBERT,
111a Harbord St., Toronto.

Subjects for Prayer and Reading. February—Columbia, B C.—China.
March, Athabasca—Africa.

Our Domestic and Foreign subjects for this month are oddly combined in a letter received from Jim Lee, Chinese Catechist at Victoria, B C. "Our Mission here has drawn many of my fellow countrymen to think of becoming Christians, but our great poverty makes it very hard work, and we that work cannot bear to think it is really more than likely that very soon the mission must be stopped, as the grant upon which we all lived has not come and we can get no help in Victoria. For myself I must seek my living either in the canneries or in the stores. We all think too that the Mission fund of the Church as well as that for Chinese work being empty, our kind Superintendent will have to leave the work he has helped to build up and into which he has thrown all his energy and strength. We have had to beg for fuel for our schoolroom as the snow has come and our scholars feel the cold. The Bishop is still very ill and sees no one. We are trying to keep the Mission up till he is able to do so, and we know his wishes. I feel very much inclined to go back to China and build a Church in my own village. I must do what little I can while I live for Jesus, and if it is God's will that I am to leave this work I shall still continue to preach the gospel to the Chinese wherever I may go. As you say, 'we may never meet on earth' but we shall all gather round our Father's throne and I trust to each of us may be spoken those blessed words 'Well done, good and faithful servant, etc.'" Your fellow labourer in Christ Jesus.

JIM LEE.

We trust our members will remember the Bishop of Columbia especially in their prayers, asking that he may be spared to carry on the work he has so ably begun. The need of prayers for China and its people are too palpable to all to need comment here.

Most interesting letters from Miss Paterson and others must wait over for want of space.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE GENERAL TREASURER OF
THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY, 1894.

It would perhaps be too much to expect that the rapid advance which has hitherto been the distinguishing mark of the W.A. should be maintained year after year without any check, and yet it was with a feeling of keen disappointment that the discovery was made that the sum total from the six Dioceses was slightly under last year's record ; but the responsibility for this does not rest equally upon all, for some of the Dioceses (to their honor be it said) have, this year, exceeded any of their previous efforts. One has given an unusually large amount to Home Missions thus lessening the Domestic and Foreign work very materially , only one has fallen short without any apparent reason. It appears to me to be a duty to draw your attention to two resolutions which were carried at the Triennial Meeting and have since been almost entirely ignored. The first and (from the Treasurer's point of view) most important, relates to the form of accounts. It was resolved that those Dioceses which work for Home Missions should present an entirely separate account of both receipts and expenditure (for Home Missions) as a sort of supplement to the Domestic and Foreign account. The neglect of this rule complicates the task of condensing the account for the Provincial W.A. more than any one, who has not tried it, can imagine. The other resolution of which no practical notice whatever has been taken, is the one referring to the Annual Reports of the different Dioceses. These were to be of uniform size in order that they might be bound in one volume. The question naturally arises in one's mind "of what use is the Provincial W.A. and why attend the Triennial Meetings if the decisions arrived at by that body are systematically set aside and neglected by the various Diocesan Branches?" It does not seem unreasonable to expect that Diocesan officers will take the trouble to acquaint themselves thoroughly with the action of the Provincial and then loyally carry out the decisions. The Church Children's Missionary Guild of St. Luke's Cathedral, Halifax, under the fostering care of Mrs. Crawford, who for several years was such an energetic and deeply interested member of the W.A. in Ontario and Niagara, have sent, at different times, \$23 to be forwarded to Miss Jennie Smith, Japan, Zenana Missions, and St. Barnabas' Home, Sarcee Reserve. It is to be hoped that this is but the beginning of a still greater activity and that it may lead to the revival of the Woman's Auxiliary in that Diocese. In presenting the account of money which has actually passed through my hands or the vouchers for it, I would like to say a word of explanation. There appears a large balance and unless the account is carefully looked into it may mislead you into thinking that this balance is at the disposal of the meeting and this would be most unfortunate.

First of all \$100 of this balance is the proceeds of two Life Memberships to be voted upon at the next Triennial. The four pages in the LEAFLET devoted to Provincial matters cost \$120 a year, the advertisement columns supplying about \$80 towards the payment, leaving \$40 to be found by the General Treasurer and this has not yet been paid (Oct.) Another matter which must be borne in mind is this—a much larger expenditure than usual will be incurred next year by the expenses of the Triennial meeting and the printing of the Triennial Report, you will see that it is absolutely necessary to exercise the most rigid economy unless some other means are suggested of raising funds for expenses. It has occurred to me that another page of advertisements added to the LEAFLET would be a fruitful source of revenue, but it may not meet with approval. It is, however, a suggestion perhaps worth considering if a better is not forthcoming.

Respectfully submitted, LOUISA IRVINE,

General Treasurer W.A., Oct., 1894.

REPORT OF JUNIOR STANDING COMMITTEE FOR JUNIOR WORK, 1893-94.

In submitting this, the second Annual Report of Junior work, your Convenor wishes to state her inability to present a correct statement of the work accomplished, owing to there being no uniform plan of reporting in the different Dioceses, it is impossible to gather an account of what has been accomplished under the present system. For instance, the C.C.M.G. of Ontario was unable to send my blank form filled in owing to the Parochial Branches not having a form of reporting, the Branches giving the value of boxes sent and not the money expended on them, obliged my leaving that out altogether. The money spent on Parochial work was so mixed with Diocesan, that all I can credit them with is some \$12 given to Foreign Missions, and Algoma, as seen in Ontario Treasurer's Report, and some \$180 for Diocesan Missions. Quebec also, I had to gather from the printed Annual Report, and could only find the distinct statement of \$10 for Foreign Missions, and \$25 for Mrs. Sillitoe and Miss Sugden; this last amount has therefore to go under miscellaneous, as the amount to the different funds was not specified. The money for Diocesan Missions is kept separate entirely in this report, and not included in the total amount given by the Juniors.

Until further notice the general Cor. and Acting Dorcas Secretary's address will be 1a Harbord St., Toronto, Ont., where she will be glad to see all to whom she can be of assistance in W.A. work.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT FOR 1894.

RECEIPTS.

Total Contributions—	
Diocese of Quebec....	\$2240 10
“ Toronto ..	6516 61
“ Montreal ..	1851 23
“ Huron....	4439 47
“ Ontario....	4040 05
“ Niagara ...	1905 14
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	\$18993 20

DISBURSEMENTS.

Domestic Missions—	
Dio. Algoma.....	\$3191 12
“ Athabasca	377 08
“ Calgary	2362 12
“ Columbia, B.C....	2 00
“ Mackenzie River	661 05
“ Moosonee	81 00
“ N. Westminster.	184 74
“ Qu'Appelle.....	69 44
“ Rupert's Land...	1381 70
“ Sa katchewan ...	244 75
“ Selkirk.....	50 00
Dioceses not specified	1188 75
Mission of Sabrevois.	50 00
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	9843 75

Foreign Missions—

India	10 00
Japan	1184 64
Mission to the Jews...	118 36
Zenana Missions	2337 72
Sundry	138 22
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	3788 94
Dioceses not included in Home, Domestic or Foreign, viz.—	
Newfoundland...	10 00
Nova Scotia.....	15 00
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	25 00
Missions Undesignated.....	83 18
Life Membership Fees	100 00
Education Miss. Children.....	631 62
Sundries	58 27
Total Diocesan expenses	1459 11
Total Balances in hands of the Diocesan Treasurer.....	3005 33
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	\$18995 20
Less Printers' error in our Report	2 00
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Total.....	\$18993 20

THE TREASURER IN ACCOUNT CURRENT WITH THE PROVINCIAL WOMAN'S AUXILIARY—1893, 1894.

To Balance from last account...	\$163 88
“ Proceeds of advertisements in LEAFLET	70 00
To Church Children's Missionary Guild, Halifax	23 00
To Sundry Reports of Woman's Conference in Chicago, viz.—	
Quebec 3 copies.....	\$ 75
Ontario 12 copies.....	3 00
Toronto 1 copy	25
Niagara 18 copies.....	4 50
Huron 1 copy	25
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	8 75
To Assessment 1893, Montreal and Niagara.....	20 00
To Assessment 1894, Toronto, Ontario, Huron, and Quebec	40 00
To Discount allowed on sale of Badges, since 1st January 1894	85
To Interest on Deposits to 1st March, 1894.....	4 60
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Total.....	\$331 08
By Editor of LEAFLET for Provincial pages from November	

Examined and found correct,

Quebec, Oct. 6th, 1894.

to May, inclusive at \$10 per month	70 00
Reports (56 copies) of Woman's Conference in Chicago, and express charges for same.....	11 49
Miss Jennie Smith, Japan, from Christ Church Mission Guild, Halifax	5 00
Colonel Lewis, for Zenana Missions, from Christ Church Mission Guild, Halifax ..	10 00
Rev. H. J. Stocken, for St Barnabas Mission, from Christ Church Mission Guild.....	8 00
Mrs. Sillitoe, New Westminster, returned her, as not been empowered to receive money from outside this Province....	5 00
Postage, Stationery, etc.....	16 99
Balance in hand, viz. Life Memberships	\$100 00
Expense Fund.....	104 60
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	204 60
Total.....	\$331 08

W. H. CARTER,

Member of Board of Management
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Editor TORONTO LEAFLET, MRS. A. E. WILLIAMSON, 83 Wellesley St.

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

Subjects for Reading and Prayer: February—Columbia, B.C., China.
March—Athabasca, Africa.

AUXILIARY NOTES.

The work among the Chinese in Victoria, Diocese of Columbia, should engage our hearty prayers this winter, for while it has been carried on with unlooked for success in the face of untold difficulties, yet it is now hampered and hindered for want of funds. The native Catechist has never wearied in his work, although for some time no salary has been paid him, and he is a poor man. Another subject for prayer is, that if it please our Heavenly Father, Bishop Perrin may be restored to complete health and strength. Subjects for special prayer for China are to be found in almost every daily newspaper—the result of this terrible war, and its effect upon the native Christians and the Missionaries, as well as upon the heathen. When will the W.A. have its own Missionary in China?

It has been decided by the Board, that as the W.A. year for the Parochial Branches ends in March, it is wiser to postpone commencing the new work in connection with the P.M. Collections until April. In the meantime an explanatory circular will be sent to the Parochial officers, together with the collecting books, envelopes, forms, etc. It is urged that the preparatory work of making a thorough canvas of each parish, putting the needs of the Mission field before every member of the congregation, be undertaken by members of the Parochial Branches who are themselves enthusiastic in the cause, and that it be done as soon as convenient. Subscriptions for the Missionary Magazines should be solicited also.

The Quarterly Meeting is to be held at Lindsay, on the 12th Feb., Mrs. Tilley of London, will give an address; Mrs. Wright of Fort a la' Corne, will give an address in the evening—we look forward to a delightful day. Devotional Meeting will be held at 10.30, Wednesday the 13th, in St. James' Schoolhouse, and Monthly Board Meeting at All Saints' School House, 14th inst., at 10.30 a.m.

The January Board Meeting, held in St. Philip's schoolhouse, was in spite of a most stormy day, largely attended, and much good work was done. The Devotional Meeting held the previous day was well attended, and Miss Osler's address on "Motives" both helpful and instructive.

It is sad to hear from Rev. J. W. Tims, that while the opportunities for Missionary work among these hundreds of uncivilized heathen Indians on the Blackfoot Reserve, are opening out every day, yet the contributions of Christians to the support of the same, have this year fallen off considerably, even the bales have been much fewer, and the supply of toys, and boys' clothing in particular, is barely sufficient for the Homes, while the poor children on the Reserve are left without any. Every Missionary and worker on the staff has given up voluntarily from a fifth to a tenth of the small salaries they receive to help meet the debts, but even yet they are pressing heavily, and the financial strain in addition to all the responsibility and work, is more than any Missionary should be called upon to bear. The respect and affection Mr. Tims has won from the Indians, who formerly attempted his life more than once, is perhaps one of the best tributes to his worth, while his work in first reducing their language to writing, and then bit by bit giving to them the Word of God in their own tongue, is something for which the whole Church may well thank God. The assistance his Blackfoot grammar and dictionary gives those who now attempt to learn the language, can be best appreciated by those, who like the Rev. J. Stocken, had to learn it, as did Mr. Tims himself, without any such assistance whatever. \$2,000 are needed to pay the debts on the Homes and the Reserve, and pay the running expenses. Let us pray and work and the money will shortly be paid.

Miss Alice Turner, left Toronto on Friday, Jan. 18th, for voluntary work at the girls' Blackfoot Home, for some months at least. Whether her physical strength will be sufficient can only be ascertained by a trial, but even if she cannot remain, the insight she will gain into the work, its encouragements and its needs, would be of great benefit to the W.A. The prayers of all the Members are asked for Miss Turner.

DORCAS NOTES.

ROOM 39, THE FORUM, YONGE STREET.

Branches are working for the following places.—TORONTO—St. Mary Magdalene's, for Rev. O. Owens, Touchwood Hills, Qu'Appelle, All Saints' Juniors, Rev. H. Bourne, Essonville, St. Philip's, Rev. G. Holmes, Athabasca, April. PARKDALE.—Church of Epiphany, Rev. J. Hinchliffe, Piegan Reserve, April. ORILLIA.—Mission worker, outfit Annie McDonald, Rupert's Land, January.

Branches have forwarded to the following places :—PARKDALE.—St. Mark's, Rev. E. Soward, Kinmount, bale. Trinity Memorial Band, Rev. G. Stocken, bale. TORONTO.—St. Thomas', Rev. G. Gilmour, Rosseau, bale, All Saints', Rev. H. G. Stocken, bale, Nipissing Village, Algoma, bale, St. Luke's, Rev. E. Soward, Kinmount, bale, Church of Ascension Sunday School, Rev. E. Chowne, Emsdale, box, Church of Redeemer, Rev. H. P. Lowe, Aspdin, bale. DIXIE.—Rev.

J. W. Tims, Blackfoot Home, Bale. ALLISTON.—To Central Rooms, parcel. Central Rooms—Rev. H Bourne, for Christmas tree, box, to Rev. D. Johnston, Temiscamingue, bale. OMEMEE.—To Central Rooms parcel. Central Rooms.—Rev. Rural Dean Chowne, bale. CANNINGTON.—Mr Weaver, Wabiskaw, Athabasca, bale. MILLBROOK, CAVAN, and BAILLIEBOROUGH.—Maple Island Algoma. TORONTO.—St. Paul's, Rev. H. G. Stocken, Sarcee Reserve, Calgary, bale. THORNHILL.—Rev. J. Swainson, MacLeod, outfit for girl. PETERBOROUGH Juniors, Rev. C. Piercy, Burk's Falls, box. All Saints' Juniors, Rev. H Bourne, Essonville, bale. NORWAY Juniors, to Central Rooms, parcel. ORILLIA.—Mission Workers, Christmas tree articles, Port Carling. PETERBOROUGH Seniors—Bale Innisfil, sent Nov. 29th.

Many grateful letters have been received from Missionaries thanking the W.A. for comforts sent, both in the way of clothing and groceries, also for the beautiful gifts for the Sunday School children, at Christmas time; surely their prayers for us and thanks to God for the work we have in His mercy been allowed to do for them, should bring us a blessing indeed. God grant that our prayers may always go with our gifts, that while we help their bodies, the Missionary may be taught of God the best way to help the souls under his charge. In your bales do not forget the old people. One Missionary writes that he has had beautiful bales, but so little in them for the old men and women, "and they need it so much" he says. For more boys' clothes is a continual cry. Are we to do the easy things and leave the hard ones, would we be content with that kind of help in other things ourselves I wonder?

FANNIE H. BANKS, *Dorcas Sec.*

LITERATURE DEPARTMENT.

The two prize stories, viz.: "The Choke Cherry Branch" by Mrs. H. J. Evans, of Montreal, and "A Hole in the Woods," by Mrs. S. Leigh, of Toronto, have just been published, and can be had on application to Mrs. G. F. Blake, 449 Jarvis street. As these are the first original stories published by the Toronto W.A., we hope that there will be a large demand for them. The prices are "The Choke Cherry Branch." \$2.50 per 100, 30 cts. a dozen, 3 cts. each, "A Hole in the Woods," \$1.50 per 100, 20 cts. a dozen, 2 cts. each. The Literature Committee has also issued a fresh addition of "Who will open the door for Ling-Te."

Extracts from Miss Paterson's letters, Nagano Shenano, Japan.

"My servant is a Japanese, does not know one word of English, and has never done any foreign cooking, and if you could only see the kitchens here, and the funny kind of things we have to use there, you would wonder how we manage. The Japanese have no idea of time,

they come and go from before breakfast until late at night, and the time spent in bowing! I extremely dislike Japanese tea, but out of politeness must drink some. It is a very funny sight when we go shopping, we are followed by a host of men, women, and children. The shops are queer places open to the street, inside is a raised platform, and here the salesmen squat, little stools are placed round on which the buyers sit. As you enter all bow several times, and you do the same, then all the crowd get as close as possible, light and air being almost excluded, and are deeply interested in your purchases, it is the same crowd when we go for a walk. This town of Nagano, with 40,000 inhabitants is the very heart and centre of Buddhism, there are temples without end, one, the chief one probably in Japan, is called Yan Koji, every seven years they have a grand festival, which lasts for two months, thousands of pilgrims are here then. The festival was held last spring, and although thousands attended there was not nearly so much money given. May we not hope when another seven years have passed, there will be few left to believe in these heathen rites. The Church work here when one thinks of the opposition it meets with on all sides, is most encouraging, and as I see the swarms of children around me, with their bright pretty faces, and know that they are to make or mar the future of Japan, I long, Oh how I long to be able to take them and help in training them to be meet partakers of the Heavenly Kingdom. I do trust my progress with the language will be satisfactory, but to give you some idea of the difficulties, I will tell you that first, all English must be put out of your head, as you cannot take English and put into Japanese. If I want to say 'you have done this beautifully' I must say 'This is for, well honourably eventuation to has become,' again 'It is some time since we last met, I am delighted to see you looking so well,' Japanese would say, 'That after, lengthily honourable eyes, in hang not, always augustly robust being.'

Miss Paterson also says, that a small house has most unexpectedly become vacant, and has been offered to Mr. Waller at \$6 per month. Here is the opening made for the much wished for school. With the cost of fitting up and heating, the cost would be about \$12 per month. Will any one come forward with money for this purpose, to enable our workers in Japan to enter into, and occupy this "open door?" A little Church and Mission building, are also most urgently required, and Mr. Waller gives business details as follows. "The total required is about \$850 for land, towards this we have \$150, building will cost about \$1500, and be secured in the names of six prominent Japanese clergy."

The floods in the Frazer River valley during last summer, did immense damage to the Indian settlers on its banks. The W.A. Central Room Committee, exercised themselves during the vacation to send clothing, etc., and two or three Branches contributed money, private donations were sent in, and the total cash was sent to the clergyman

at Frazer River. The following letter from Miss May Hoskin now at work in the Mission School, Yale, B.C., will therefore be read with much interest. "I have been asked to give some account of the distribution of provisions among the Spuzzam Indians, bought with the \$53 so kindly sent from Toronto, last summer, and to let the donors know how very much their kindness was appreciated. It was thought best to wait until the Indians could no longer procure fish and berries, before expending the money. Flour, tea, sugar, yeast, baking powder, cornmeal, lard, with many other little things were purchased, and most carefully portioned out, and done up in sacks, Miss Moody and myself taking the sacks as our luggage. We sent before us George, our interpreter, to announce our coming, and took with us two Spuzzam Indian girls, Mali and Christine. The store keeper took us in, and Mali's father drove us to the Church on the ranch, the road passed the lofty fir clad mountains, and in some places skirted the extreme edge of deep gorges, we held our breath then, but ponies here are very sure footed. On reaching the little wooden Church, Captain Jack seized the dinner bell, which he rang vigorously up and down the ranch, and soon the Church was crowded, the women had gay kerchiefs on their heads, and sat on one side, men and boys on the other, all were very clean, even the babies, the dresses all of cotton. Robert their leader, gave a short service and address. The benches were made by the Indians, through the pipe hole of the small stove the water came in, but the old women sitting by seemed too busy listening to mind. Miss Moody, through George, told the people about Christmas, and that some kind people in Toronto, hearing how they had suffered in the floods (for their houses and farms were quite drowned, losing everything) had sent money for them, and how I came from there and was teaching their children, they all turned to look, and then smiled all over, nodding their heads to express appreciation. Then we went about, shook hands with all. Mali then read the names of those who were to remain for the distribution, those very poor, old, or widows, we had then a most enjoyable time, handing out a little sack to each, and another with all the little things. They were so grateful, and how they laughed. We then asked if they though they could carry their loads—Such poor old men and women, but with such happy faces, how carefully they guarded their sacks, and shouldered them with seeming ease as they walked off to get tin or bowl for their share of lard, which George and Arthur, (Indians) were portioning out in the vestry, Captain Jack with much importance superintending every detail, then all went off, and Miss Moody and I had our buns in the vestry, a tiny, tiny lean-to, before we had finished the Indians were back for afternoon service. While Miss Moody with George examined their certificates of Baptism, Confirmation, and Marriage, which each one brought, I told them (Mali translating) the story of the first Christmas; then we said it was time to close, and

they repeated the Lord's prayer and sang a hymn—they are so fond of singing. Those who needed medicine stayed, and explained to us with many shakings of the head, and heavy sighs, how they ached in all their bones. Liniment was in the ascendant that day, cough mixture was no where. They told Mali how pleased and grateful they were to us for coming to see them all that way. One result of our visit is that four girls came back with Mali to the school. I hope this letter may give the W.A. some slight idea of the joy and pleasure they were able to give in these far away Missions, it is so very pleasant to see it for oneself. We have now twenty-five girls in the school, and expect three more."

From Mrs. Pardoe, Novar, Muskoka, to St. Philip's Branch W.A. Toronto.

"I am writing to say how very grateful we are to all the members of St. Philip's W.A., for the splendid bale and box which you so kindly sent us. The Novar and Ravenscliffe Christmas trees were held on Friday, and the joy and pleasure they gave to all, was most delightful to witness, the dolls sent need special mention, they were so prettily and tastefully dressed. I do thank you so very much for the work-basket I found addressed to myself, I shall find it most useful; we are so glad of the mittens. Thank you all who so generously contributed to the contents of the box and bale, and special thanks to a member of St. Philip's, who mailed to us a very nice scrap book, which is most highly appreciated,

From the Rev. E. Soward, Kinnquint, to Diocesan Treasurer.

The Church is now thoroughly repaired, and looks bright and attractive in the interior, at a cost of \$140. The outside remains to be painted, the fences fixed, and a driving shed built. Narrow boards tongued and grooved, replace the plaster on ceiling and walls, the whole of the inside of the Church painted, the seats provided with kneeling boards, and matting laid up the isle and in nearly all the seats. It was re-opened on Christmas day, and we had a larger congregation on this day than we ever had before. . . . I never knew until I was told of the Extra-cent-a-day Fund, that the W.A. gave money grants to Missions. I always thought that they gave bales of clothing only. Please tender my very grateful thanks to the ladies for the valuable assistance they have afforded me, both in my family and Mission.

[Ed.—The November E.C.D.F. was voted to Mr. Soward.]

From Mr. Haynes, St. John's Home, South Blackfoot Reserve, to All Saints' W.A. Toronto.

DEAR MISS BOLTON.—Since last writing to you from "Red Crow" on the Blood Reserve, you will see my address is changed, I have returned to the Blackfoot Reserve, to which I came five years ago to-day

to take charge of the new Home, and I am writing this to give you a short description of our work here. We have a large building, but not many pupils, and mostly because we have no clothes for them. Last Saturday I took two new boys into the Home, and I had not a pair of pants to fit the taller boy of the two, so had to borrow a pair for him, till such time as we can get some for him. I never remember a time since I first came, that we were so short of clothing; and I do sincerely beg of you to try and send us some good strong pants to fit boys of eleven or twelve years, I wish you could see some of the pants the boys are wearing, Mrs. Haynes looks at them and says, I cannot put another patch on them, there is not room for it between the other ones—I only wish you could see them, you would know for yourself, it is rags, rags—rags here, rags there, rags everywhere. They are the things we require most, and which are always most welcome, Mrs. Tims will I can assure you welcome them just as much as I. The boys we have are very happy, and are looking forward to the joyous season now close upon us. I often wish you could come and see some of the Indians, and especially the children in our Homes, with bright clean faces, and compare them with others in camp. One of the boys I took in last Saturday, is the son of the head chief of the Blackfeet, and is a bright and promising lad of twelve years. We are twelve miles from the Mission house and Rev. J. W. Tims, so have quite a long cow drive to fetch articles of clothing for our boys. Well I think I must now draw to a close, trusting you may be able to help us with a few pairs of strong pants. I will try and write a long letter to Mrs Draper's little people after Christmas, and give you a full account of Christmas among the Blackfeet.

From Mr. Bourne, Essonville.

Mr. Bourne and myself wish very gratefully to acknowledge the receipt of \$25 from the Millbrook W.A., the gift of Mr. Frank Hodgins, for our son Charlie's Education at Bishop Ridley College. Charlie is getting on most satisfactorily with his studies, and we find him much improved, he looks well, and has grown much stronger. Mr. Shepherd is taking charge of the Sunday School, I do not feel quite equal to it now. Again we express warm thanks for the most welcome gift.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

Will the Parochial Treasurers kindly send me (as early as possible) the first week in March, the Member's fees, together with a corresponding number of names, the officers at the head of the list; also the money promised by the Branches towards our Annual Pledges, which are very far short this year. Address Mrs. Grindlay, 561 Jarvis street, Toronto.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

RECEIPTS.		
Diocesan.		
All Saints'	\$9 10	
C. M.	25	
St. John's	10 00	
Diocesan W. and O. Fund.		
Mrs. Osler	5 00	
Apsley. Rev. C. Lord, Church Repairs.		
Special Donations	5 00	
Mrs. Kenny.....	10 00	
Algoma.		
All Saints'	75	
Temiscamingue.		
St. Luke's.....	5 00	
St. Mark's, Parkdale	3 00	
Shingwauk Home.		
" Support of Arthur E. Noah.		
Ch. Epiphany S. S.	15 00	
Blackfoot Home.		
Millbrook.....	10 00	
York Mills	6 00	
Matron's Salary.		
All Saints'	17 20	
Brampton	10 00	
St. Mark's, Parkdale	15 00	
Polign Mission.		
" Salary Rev. J. Hinchliffe		
St. James' Cath. (3 quarters)....	100 00	
" Knitting Machine.		
Special Donations	4 50	
Sarcee Reserve.		
Barrie	2 75	
Mackenzie River		
" Rev. F. O. Stringer.		
Ch. Redeemer, Jnniors	3 35	
Foreign.		
All Saints'	3 25	
Japan Medical Missionary.		
Donation, C. M.	5 00	
" Rev. H. Hamilton.		
Ch. Redeemer, Juniors	3 35	
One of 600 Fund Per Mrs. Yarker.		
St. James' Cath. (23 members) ..	24 00	
St. George's, Mrs. J. Cawthra ..	3 00	
St. Phillip's, Miss Anna B.		
Marah	1 00	
St. Thomas', Miss McMicking ..	1 00	
St. Simou's, (3 members)	7 00	
St. Stephen's, Mrs. Merritt	1 00	
All Saints', Miss Codens	1 00	
Holy Trinity, Mrs. K. Bethune ..	2 00	
St. Paul's, Mrs. Des Barres	1 00	
Donations, Miss G. Benson	1 00	
" Miss Dickson.....	1 00	
" Mrs. Crombie	1 00	
" Mrs. Therr	1 00	
" Mrs. G. Geddes... ..	1 00	
" Sweny	1 00	
Education Fund.		
St. Luke's	5 00	
Mrs. Davidson	5 00	
Mr. Geo. Lewis per Mrs. Hos-		
kin	4 00	
Millbrook	5 00	
York Mills	5 00	
Rent Central Room.		
St. Mark's, Parkdale	3 00	
Life Member.		
St. John's, Mrs. Scales	25 00	
Mrs. Baker	25 00	
Communion Linen.		
St. George's Mission Band	25	
Donation, Mrs. M.....	1 00	
Birthday Fund.		
In Memoriam for Wooller		
Mission	10 00	
Thankoffering, Blackfoot		
Home	1 00	
Bequest. Per St. James' Cath.		
In memoriam late Mrs. Gilmore ..	131 62	
Unappropriated.		
C. M.....	1 00	
C. M.....	2 00	
Mrs. Wm. Osler.....	1 00	
Collection Monthly Meeting.....	5 58	
Extra-Cent-a-Day Fund.....	36 90	
Interest Deposit Acct., Dominion		
Bank	9 85	
		\$369 70
EXPENDITURE.		
Mrs. Bourne, Education of Charlie	25 00	
Salary Rev. J. Hinchliffe.....	100 00	
Gifts, Miss Paterson	1 00	
Diocesan W. and O.....	10 00	
Diocesan Pledge	51 05	
Rev. C. Lord, Apsley	30 00	
Wooller Mission	10 00	
Algoma	16 25	
Temiscamingue.....	21 00	
Shingwauk Home, John Zypko Zulu	37 00	
" Arthur G. Noah	15 00	
Japan, Rev. J. C. Robinson	22 50	
Japan, Rev. H. Hamilton	3 35	
Blackfoot Home	53 25	
Expenses of Matron		
to Gleichen	31 15	
Rev H W Gibbon-Stocken.....	2 75	
Rev J O Stringer, Mackenzie		
River	3 35	
Rev. J. D. Anderson, Dynevor Hos-		
pital	2 50	
Communion Linen	81	
Rent Central Room.....	10 00	
Note Heads and Envelopes	8 25	
Secretary, Postage	5 00	
		\$459 21

Huron Diocese.

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

It is with sincere grief that we again have to preface the Huron pages of our Monthly LEAFLET with the further sad tidings of sorrow in the homes of two more of our Auxiliary Members. In one case it is the mother of the family, the prop and mainstay of the dear boys and girls nearing their maturity. Mrs. Luard, “a dearly loved member of our Branch (St. John the Evangelist, London), who was never heard to say anything but what was kind of anyone, and ever ready to help in our work.” In the other case it is the home of the President of the Petrolia Branch, Mrs. Craig, which has been shadowed by the almost sudden calling away of a bright young daughter, Cenone, the eldest of the little flock, in her fifteenth year, who succumbed to that dread disease scarlet fever, on 10th January. To the families of both Mrs. Luard and Mrs. Craig, our hearts go out in deepest sympathy. May the Comforter Himself be their unfailing consolation.

A meeting of the Emergency Committee was held at Bishopstowe on 15th inst, to make arrangements for the Annual Meeting. The dates fixed are as follows:—On Monday, 4th March, at Bishop Cronyn Hall, 7.30 p.m., will be held the Meeting of the Board of Management, to be attended by the Presidents of Parochial Branches, or their substitutes. On Tuesday, 5th March, at 10.30 a.m.; Litany Service with Holy Communion, and address by the Bishop of Huron at St. Paul's Cathedral, after which, until luncheon at one o'clock, the Board of Management will, if necessary consider any business laid over on the previous evening. Afternoon Session 2.30 p.m.; Opening exercises, Roll Call, Reports of Board of Management, Secretaries, and Treasurer, Reception and adoption of same, etc., the President's Address, election of Office Bearers, Reports of Committees, notices of Motion, Question Drawer. At 8 p.m the members are invited by Rev. Principal Miller to Huron College, where special addresses will be given by himself, the Divinity Students and others. On Wednesday, March 6th at 10 a.m., after opening exercises and unfinished business, two papers will be read, by Miss Battersby, subject “Our tenth,” and by Miss Ermatinger, upon her travels in Mission lands. At 12 o'clock the Bishop of Huron will give his Annual Address to the Auxiliary, and will receive the proposed Thankofferings from the Branches for the consolidation of the Church in Canada. At 1 p.m.; luncheon. At 2.30 p.m. the General Conference of officers will be held: led, it is hoped by Miss Montizambert, the Central Secretary and Acting

Dorcas Secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary. At 4.30 the Junior Branches are invited to assemble in the Cronyn Hall, to be addressed by the Bishop of Moosonee. At 8 p.m., the General Missionary Meeting, the Bishop of Huron in the chair; addresses to be given by the Bishop of Moosonee, the Rev. H. G. Jeanes, on African Missions, and probably a short address by Rev. Cooper Robinson, on his work in Japan. On Thursday, 7th, at 10.30 a.m.; the Bishop will conduct, at Bishop Cronyn Hall, the usual Annual Bible and Prayer Union Meeting, after which, should there still remain any unfinished business, it can be disposed of previously to the closing of the Session before one o'clock.

The above programme having been arranged, and resolutions accepting the invitation of Principal Miller, and appointing Miss Hunt as Convenor of a Committee to arrange for a full attendance of the Juvenile Branches at the Wednesday afternoon Session, the following Resolution was adopted by standing vote: "That this meeting having heard with sorrow of the great affliction with which it has pleased the Almighty to visit Mr. and Mrs. Craig, beg to offer them their heartfelt sisterly sympathy, praying that He who does not willingly afflict or grieve His children will be to them the Comforter in this hour of trial."

Mrs. Baldwin then laid before the Meeting a letter from the Lady Missionary on the Blood Reserve, stating with great reluctance that she was compelled by her continued ill health to relinquish her much loved work at Omoksene, but giving a hope that she may be able eventually to return to it. Miss Wilson, desiring to cause the W.A. as little inconvenience as possible, proposed that the offer of Miss Whittam, a lady of some experience, be accepted as her substitute meanwhile. This letter evoked many regrets, as well as expressions of regard for and sympathy with Miss Wilson. After discussion the following Resolution was adopted: "That Miss Wilson's thoughtful suggestion be complied with, and the services of Miss Whitham be accepted in her place."

It was deemed advisable that certain Resolutions passed at the Annual Meeting of the Board of Management of the Provincial Woman's Auxiliary, held at Quebec, in October last, should through the pages of this February LEAFLET be brought before the notice of the Branches, with a view to their Delegates being duly instructed thereupon. The following was received from the D. and F. Mission Board:—"That the Board of Management of the D. and F. Missionary Society appreciate and reciprocate the greetings of the Woman's Auxiliary in its Provincial Board now assembled, that they desire to avail themselves of the request of the Provincial Board for suggestions to submit for careful consideration by the W.A. in all its Branches, the practical question as to the effect upon the Church Mission Funds and operations, of the very general appropriation to

particular objects by the W.A., of the funds collected by them, instead of permitting the D. and F. M.S., which has before them full and definite information as to the whole field and all its claims, to apply and appropriate the whole Church's Mission Funds." II. "Thank-offering. The President read the following notice of motion. "That in reference to the Thankoffering which it is proposed shall be raised by our Branches to denote the thankfulness of the W.A. for the unification of the Church in Canada, it shall be agreed that instead of spending the principal or whole amount raised on any object however good, the amount should all be invested, and only the interest should be spent, and the interest shall be voted year by year by the Provincial Council of the W.A. toward such object or objects as may seem to need it most." The (Provincial) Board of Missions, recommend that this notice of motion be brought before the Triennial, and request that the amount raised be invested by the D. and F. Board for the benefit of North West Missions. III. "That the Diocesan Dorcas Secretaries be requested to bring before the Parochial Branches the necessity for reporting the bales they send out, the cost of new materials and freight, that a more accurate account may be kept." IV. That the President urge upon Diocesan Presidents, the importance of each Branch being furnished with at least one copy of the Canadian Church Magazine." V. That the Provincial Junior Secretary be asked to communicate with the various Diocesan Secretaries, and with their assistance, to prepare a tabulated form to be filled in Annually by the Parochial Secretary of each Junior Auxiliary in preparing the Annual Report." The General Corresponding Secretary, "was desired to communicate with Missionaries in the North West, and with the Editor of LEAFLET, with a view to supplying them, and increasing the circulation of Missionary Literature."

The above outline will suffice to forshadow some of the topics to be brought up for the consideration of the members at our Huron Annual Meeting. In addition to these there will be such discussions as will naturally grow out of any notices of motion, suggestions, questions, etc., which may come through their Delegates from the Branches themselves, and upon which much of the interest and success of the meeting depends. Intelligent questions and answers, thoughtful propositions for the extension and growth of the work upon which we are alike engaged are welcome signs of a vigorous life. Special provision is made for such full and open discussion on the afternoon of Wednesday, the 6th, not only officers, but all members being expected to take a part therein. Every member should have her note book and pencil to ensure a full report to her Branch upon her return home. The Treasurer will probably read out the names of all Branches which have paid in full their pledges and fees, and, as all orders for the W.A. badge (as adopted at the last Triennial) are to be given through her, any members desiring such should notify Mrs. Complin at their

earliest convenience. The Branches are asked to assist the Recording Secretary and Hospitality Committee, by giving ample notice and correct names of Delegates for whom they desire hospitality. Not even the smallest detail shall be left to surmise so that nothing may be wanting which may contribute to the comfort or mark the hearty welcome London desires to accord to its guests.

Questions have already come as to who in London will pack gifts of condensed foods, and such useful articles as can be compressed into small compass, which the Branches, in response to Woodstock's suggestion (page 516, January) may send by the hands of their Delegates for Mrs. Bompas, in her Mission home in far away Selkirk. In reply, your Editor says that she will herself be very pleased to undertake that little labour of love, being firmly convinced that every Branch will have some small offering to contribute, either towards the contents of the box, or towards its freight, the latter alas! a very heavy item. Her chief trouble is that it was on her mind to make some such proposition in regard to Mackenzie River, and on second thoughts, *she will make it all the same*, counting upon there being a kind response to that plea likewise. She would ask if any other Dioceses are contemplating a duplicating of the "case of comforts" which Toronto and Huron sent to Mackenzie River about three years ago. If so, it would be an incentive to Huron to repeat its effort once more. It must be borne in mind that goods for the far North should not *leave* Edmonton later than May, going via. Winnipeg by C.P.R. to Calgary.

Special thanks are due to those Branches which have not only remitted all LEAFLET dues for 1894, but have sent in their list of subscribers in many cases with full remittances for 1895. It is very desirable to have renewal of orders for the Missionaries Free list, and home needs, as well as a clear balance sheet to hand in with Huron's LEAFLET Report for 1894. But very few Branches have forgotten their year's LEAFLET dues.

FROM OUR MISSIONARIES.

First from our Home field comes words of appreciation for contributions to Christmas trees at Kanyengah, Kettle Point, Walpole, and Muncey. The Missionary from the latter writes:—"We were rather lacking in faith about being able to have a tree for each Sunday School, but God has raised us up friends to help us through. The doll made by Mrs. Fall's little girl has found a warm place in the affections of a certain little Indian maiden. I noticed her whip out a diminutive and somewhat soiled handkerchief, and tie it neatly over her bushy head and hug her doll up close." The Rev. Grasset Smith, of Muncey, also asks insertion of the following letter, to which your Editor would invite your considerate attention:—"There is an Indian lad in my

Mission, 19 years of age, and of good address and intelligence, who has passed the High School entrance and taught an Indian school for two years, but owing to the circumstances of his family, has not been able to save any money. He is very desirous of attending a High School in order to improve his education. If you will kindly bring his case before the readers of the LEAFLET, perhaps some one near a High School may be willing to take him, and send him to school in return for what chores he would be able to do night and morning. He would be able to furnish his own clothing." The Rev. Gilbert Cook, after gratefully thanking the Muncey Branch for its beautiful bale, thus writes.—"The weather is very cold just now, and dresses made of such warm material as yours are of great service in this ice bound country. Let me assure you of my hearty appreciation of your work of love. Most of the people are carrying on their usual fishing operations, but the catch is poor, not as good as in years gone by. With what they catch they procure groceries, flour, etc., a great help in winter when the cold is severe and appetite keen. We are still plodding on the usual way, trying to do a little for ourselves every year. We repainted the interior of our Church, and stained and varnished our ceiling this fall, which on the whole cost us something like \$23. We cannot do much at a time as we are mostly poor and struggling from day to day to keep the wolf from the door, but a little work for God each year tells in the end, and brings down a blessing on those engaged in it." To the Branch at Sarnia, Mr. Cook also expresses himself very gratefully, naming amongst other gifts sent as of special value "the many nice quilts, the ulsters, so useful and comfortable in cold weather; the fur-lined one, *grand* to face the north wind with. Thanks for paper, envelopes, and stamps, etc. You are very kind, may God bless you all abundantly, and reward you ten-fold for all your labours, you do indeed cheer and comfort us in our work for Christ."

Mrs. Baldwin kindly sends for condensation a most touching and graphic letter from Miss Brown, of the Piegan Reserve. It should be read in conjunction with that on the last pages of January LEAFLET, our omissions being mainly those touched on there. On her return Miss Brown says:—"I found Mrs. Hinchliffe very poorly and two of the little girls ill and requiring my attention for several weeks. Our small band of workers—tired and worn out by the long hard winter's task and when the hot weather came, they were very glad of the short rest and change that each took in turn, and that all needed. My own health has improved so greatly, that I was able to take upon myself for a long time a large share of the housework, but if you can imagine a family of nearly forty people in a house that is destitute of all these modern conveniences that help so much to make work easy, where all the cooking, washing, baking, etc., have to be done in the same room and by the same stove; where the workers are too few, and those few (with one exception) all feeling far from strong or well, you will under-

stand how difficult it was for me to find much time to write letters. Fortunately, the winter so far, has been as mild as the autumn was beautiful, and we hope that this fine weather will continue much longer, for the sake of our twenty boys who are almost destitute of clothing with the exception of what they have on their backs. They have had but very little that was not made here in the Home. Mr. Hinchliffe cut out and helped them to make more than 100 pairs of pants, during the first twelve months they were here, and now they are in need of new ones, as well as coats, shirts, stockings, and boots. The knitting machine that I was so much in hopes of getting in time to use before cold weather, seems to be as far off as ever, we hear nothing about it now. If one could be sent us with yarn it would be such a boon to us. . . . In the Home and in the Camp there are many cases of Scrofula, and some of our brightest and most promising little ones are afflicted with it, several having died from the disease striking inwardly. I regret that I had not consulted some good physician while in the East, and then appealed to friends to send me some good and if possible sure remedies in some of the bales that might be packed for us. Do you think that some one could help us in that way now? One dear little girl is beginning to have the same symptoms that poor little Jessie had, and I do want to save her if possible. In Jessie's case, the disease never appeared outwardly, but I think it attacked the stomach inwardly, and all that we were able to do never seemed to do any good. I will be very glad if you will bring this matter before your friends, and if anything can be done for these poor afflicted ones, I shall be most thankful. I trust that we have the aid of your earnest daily prayers. I have often felt that many of our blessings are answers to the prayers of our friends."

The following is a short extract from a long and most interesting letter from Mrs. Young, to our President. "Bishop Young had a successful summer on the whole, and was cheered by seeing progress and an earnest love in the men in charge of the Mission Stations. Rev. G. Holmes and Rev. M. Scott, are especially men of weight and earnestness, a great comfort and joy to our hearts. We know how earnestly and successfully they are able to preach Christ and Him crucified. . . . We were to have entered on the Athabasca Mission. The house was not quite ready, but we should not have minded that had I been well. A little Church to be called "Memorial" in memory of our beloved Arthur, and also of "Hume" (son of Late Bishop McLean), is to be built there, and we trust be the commencement of what may be soon a Mission of importance. Your Annual will be coming round again ere long. How I should love to be with you again."

Lucan, Paisley, Tyrconnell, the Home Memorial, Stratford, each send letters received from Rev. F. Swainson, touchingly and gratefully acknowledging the beautiful gifts sent, and alluding with thankful heart to the confirmation of the four dear children, *the first Blood*

Indians ever Confirmed, of which mention was made in our last issue. "Pray that they may be faithful," he says, "It was a most encouraging and blessed thing to meet them at the Lord's Table on Christmas day." Through Mrs. Chance, Paisly, Mrs. Swainson, especially thanks "the donor of two tins of medicine, most valuable, most acceptable; so many of these Indians being sickly and always coming to be doctored. The quilts very useful as bedding is very scarce [60 beds to make-up remember.—ED.] and nights cold. For our four girls lately confirmed, pray for special grace to keep them safe, surrounded as they are by the evil influences of the camp," To Tyrconnell, Mrs. Swainson writes.—"Your two barrels and bales safely reached us at last, and what a vast amount of labour they represent. I do not know what we should do if our friends of the W.A. suddenly dropped out of existence, we could not humanly speaking, carry on the work. It is they who step in and fill up the gap. Few people realize what a vast power for good the W.A. is, and how much it is doing towards keeping up the work in the Mission field of the big North West. Although I do not get much ready cash from Canada, yet the value of the things sent year by year must reach a high sum, which would if withdrawn, cripple if not altogether stop our work. Besides it is so encouraging to know we have your sympathies and prayers." To Lucan, Mrs. Swainson says.—"The list shows yours to be a magnificent bale. Thank every contributor, especially your Juniors, they *must have been working splendidly to have done so well*. May their example stir up others to do still more for their loving Saviour. It is so encouraging to us in the field, to know that even the young members of the W.A. are praying and working for us. Your 13 quilts, 29 sheets, and 21 pillow slips make a bale by themselves, and just what we are earnestly in need of. Then the clothing for our boys! (heretofore the bales have had so few) and combs, and 50 lbs. of laundry soap, all so much wanted. . . . A letter from Rev. E. Matheson, to Simcoe Branch, and others from Miss Wilson of the deepest interest, are unavoidably crowded out of our present issue. Reading between the lines of the latter, it is evident that it causes poignant grief to our devoted young Lady Missionary, to have to give up the work to which she has so lovingly consecrated herself. She has *not given up without a struggle*, and indeed has persevered against medical warning, and through much bodily weakness to almost the limit of her two years engagement. Nor alas! can room possibly be found either for our month's Dorcas Report, or for the "Notes from our Branches," which are fuller, more in number, and more exceptionally interesting and encouraging even than usual. "Delays are not denials." Mr. Lawlor, Principal of the Shingwauk Home, has received some *nameless* bales, and desires names of senders. Will Branches which have received no acknowledgement kindly communicate with him?

TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

General Fund.

Granton	\$ 50
Burwell	65
London, St. James'	5 10
Holmsville	90
Middleton	60
Summerhill	80
Wilmot M. B.	70
Preston	2 00
Aylmer	1 70
Strathroy	2 10
Clinton	1 00
Scaforth	1 30
Simcoe	7 00
Windsor	2 50
Chatham, Holy Trinity	1 50
Windsor J. B.	1 00

Zenaua.

London, St. James'	60 00
Mrs. Crisp (Nova Scotia)	5 00
Kingsville	6 72
Sarnia	20 00
Wilmot	3 00
London, Memorial Church	20 00

Lady Missionary N. W.

Mrs. Crisp (Nova Scotia)	5 00
Preston	3 00
Kingsville	2 00
Strathroy	3 00
Haysville, J. B.	3 00
Sarnia	5 00
London, rc. per day	4 00
Wilmot	7 50
London Memorial Church	12 00

Lady Missionary, Japan.

Mrs. Crisp (Nova Scotia)	5 00
Kingsville	2 00
Strathroy	3 00
Sarnia	5 00
London, Memorial Church	6 00

Algoma

London, St. James' J. B.	10 00
Aylmer	10 00
Strathroy	4 00
Simcoe	10 00
Ingersoll	4 70
Sarnia	25 00
Wilmot	8 50
London Memorial Church	13 00

Education.

Ingersoll	6 00
London Memorial Church	14 00

Mackenzie River.

Galt	5 00
London Memorial Church	14 00

Lion's Head.

Mrs. Crisp (Nova Scotia)	5 00
Preston	4 00
Kingsville, Boys' M. B.	2 00
Windsor	5 00
Sarnia	20 00
Galt	5 00
London Memorial Church	10 00
Kingsville	2 00

Literature.

Wilmot M. B.	30
Woodstock N. S. P.	20

Indian Homes—Elkhorn.

London Memorial Church	18 75
Rev. C. Robinson, London Memorial Church	22 00
Rev. J. W. Tims, London Memorial Church	25 00
London, Boys' Hannington	17 00
Rev. G. Holmes, Walkerville	5 12
Rev. Mr. Stringer, Strathroy	5 25

Kenyangah.

The Circles of King's Daughters, per Mrs. Tilley	50 00
Kingsville	2 00
Strathroy	1 00
Simcoe	5 00
Sarnia	2 00
Lambeth	1 00
Galt	2 00
London Memorial Church	5 00

Knitting Machine Fund.

Per Mrs. Boomer	6 00
" " " Talent Money Thorndale S.S.	7 75

DISBURSEMENTS.

General Fund— P. O. O., Foolscap paper	40
Lady Missionary N. W.— Rev. F. Swanson	31 25
Miss Wilson	35 00
Algoma	105 00
Education— To Mrs. W. E. Hyman	50 00
Mackenzie River	15 00
Literature— To Miss Cross	7 00
Indian Homes— Elkhorn	18 75
Rev. J. W. Tims	42 00
Rev. G. Holmes	5 12
Emanuel College	100 00
Rev. J. O. Stringer	5 25
Kenyangah— To Miss Kirby	50 00
S.P.C. Jews	2 00

Montreal Diocese.

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

At the January Meeting of the Diocesan Auxiliary the President announced that two new Branches one at St. Armand's and another at Shrewsbury had been formed. Letters were read from several Missionaries in the Home and Domestic field acknowledging gifts for Christmas and other use. Also appeals from Mrs. Young, Rev. Mr. Robinson, Mr. Brick's successor at Smoky River, and Rev. H. Mills of Bull's Horn Camp, Blood Reserve. Mrs. Everett, ably outlined the discussion on "India as a Mission field," showing how the barriers which had hitherto existed were now being, to some extent, swept away and this vast Empire with its population of two hundred and fifty millions becoming accessible to christian efforts ; other members followed and it was agreed to continue the discussion at the February meeting. A vote of thanks was passed to Mrs. Everett, for her valuable paper.

The Annual Meeting of the Montreal W.A. will be held in Montreal, either Feb. 19th and 20th, or Feb. 20th and 21st. At this writing the precise date is not fixed, but timely notice will be sent to all the Branches ; The Rev. J. Cooper Robinson, recently returned from Japan, will be the spécial speaker on the occasion and will exhibit his collection of interesting curios. Amongst other important business before the meeting will be the election of Delegates to the Triennial Meeting in September next ; the Reading and adoption of the Annual Report, and the election of Diocesan officers for the current year. We hope there will be a large representation of the country Branches and that all the visiting Delegates will come prepared to express themselves freely. This is one object of the Annual Meeting, and a very important one ; since it is only by a free interchange of ideas that the Diocesan and Parochial and Rural Boards can work in perfect harmony and

accomplish the largest amount of good. Every possible arrangement will be made for the comfort and convenience of our visiting sisters.

SUMMARY OF TREASURER'S STATEMENT. for Dec., 1894.

RECEIPTS.—Washakada, \$25.00; Algoma, \$20.00; Archdeacon Phair, \$13.00; Japan, \$5.00; Lepers, 25c.; M. Fees, \$2.00; St. Barnabas Home, Calgary, \$5.00; Chairs, \$4.00; Freight, \$1.00; Maps, 90c.; Christmas Trees, \$2.50; Em. Col., \$1.00; Report W.C.C., 25c.; Mrs. Chowne, 50c.; Extra-cent-a-day, 82c.; Printing, 25c.

DISBURSMENTS.—Maps, \$1.00, Em. Col., \$1.00; Chairs (Rev. A. Eastman), \$5.00; Freight, \$4.67; Christmas Tree, Morin, \$1.50; Freight, Christmas Tree box, 70c.; ditto, 40c.; Freight bale Rev. A. Tansy, \$2.08; Arch. Phair, \$10; Postage, 25c.; Christmas Tree, \$1.70.

Dorcas Secretary Donations for Christmas Trees, THORNE and MORIN:—St. Matt. Branch, Mrs. Drake, Mrs. Peck, Mrs. H. Evans, Mrs. Francis, Mrs. Davy, Mrs. Holden, Mr. A. Holden, Miss Bancroft, Mrs. Mercer, Miss McCord, Mr. A. E. Holden, Miss Nellie Young, Miss Maude Macfarlane, Miss Katie Hobbs, Miss M. Holden, Miss E. Moore, Miss N. Kenwood. (Sent out by Mrs. Holden). For Diocesan bale to Rev. A. Tansy—Mrs. J. Hutton, Dress and pair blankets; Washakada Club, 1 knitted vest, 1 flannel petticoat; Mrs. Peck, 3 coats, 2 caps, 3 dresses, 2 blouses, 2 girl's jackets; Mrs. Coffin, Magazine; Mrs. Blackwood, 2 knitted vests (Infants); Mrs. A. Henderson, 2 men's shirts, 2 boys shirts; Mrs. A. E. Holden, 1 vest, 1 nightdress, soap, pictures, cards, almanacs, quilt, waistcoat, trousers, nightshirt, 2 petticoats, bloomer, socks, stockings, curtain; Miss Bulmer, pictures, reading matter; Mrs. C. E. Dawson, *Canadian Churchman, 1894*. Slawville Branch—bale for Washakada, 7 new quilts, 10 yds. cotton, 11 1/2 yds. flannelette, 4 yds. flannelette, 4 yds. gingham, 4 baby shirts, 3 prs. mittens, 1 bunch yarn, 4 vests, 3 jackets, 1 pr. trousers, 1 cape, 3 shirts, 1 coat, 6 caps. St. John's Branch—bale for Rev. F. Frost, 3 woman's westers, 2 coats, 2 men's coats, 3 prs. trousers, 2 waistcoats, 6 nightgowns, (2 flannelette, 4 grey cotton,) 3 mens flannel shirts, 1 boys flannelette, 6 women's vests, 1 dress skirt, 1 wrap, 1 pr. socks, 1 pr. felt slippers, 1 pr. kid lined gloves, 1 small bed quilt, 2 large quilts,

3 lambrequins, 20 linen collars, magazines; I.H.N. Society, Montreal, sent to Washakada Home, 3 flannel waists, 3 cotton chemises, 2 flannel petticoats, 1 pr. bloomers, 1 pr. cotton drawers, 3 flannel night dresses; I.H.N. Children's Society, sent out box of 110 Christmas Tree articles; also from Mrs. Hollis, 2 lbs. tea; Mrs. A. E. Holden, 2 lbs. tea; Mrs. Dumford, 50c. for tea for Mrs. Chowne, Elmsdale, Ont. Same Society also sent 150 articles for Christmas Tree to Rev. A. E. Mount, Lakefield; St. Georges Branch, Montreal, sent to clergymen in Diocese, 1 pr. sheets, 3 pillow slips, 6 towels, 1 table cloth, 6 napkins, 1 night shirt, 2 flannel shirts men's, 4 boys shirts 4 prs. socks, 1 flannelette night dress, 2 prs. ladies drawers, 2 dresses with material for lining, 3 flannel petticoats, 3 knitted vests, 1 ladies jacket, 1 over coat, 1 boys over coat, 1 ulster, 2 prs. boots, 1 pr. trousers, 4 ties, bath slippers, slipper pocket, 2 books, papers; (about 54 articles) freight paid on 2 bales; also Christmas Tree box containing 150 articles to Rev. W. Hutchins, Bristol.

From the Elkhorn advocate we learn that Indian civilization, education and advancement have made great strides during the year just closing. In Manitoba and the territories, there are at the present time one hundred and thirty six Indian schools, in which are over three thousand children. Twelve of these schools have Industrial departments in connection. A few changes have taken place at the Washakada Home since the beginning of 1894. The number of children has increased, and the personnel of the staff slightly altered. A new addition to the Boys' Home has been erected and other improvements have been made about the Institution. The Home treads upon the border land of a new year with more children under its care and a greater responsibility to bear than ever before in its short history.

We cordially welcome our new Branches, St. Armand and Shrewsbury, and hope that they may bear much fruit.

Rev. A. Tansy, Somerset Man. writes our Dorcas Secretary. "We have a large number of Halfbreeds who belong to us, and they are wretchedly poor. It would astonish you to see some of their homes and especially their beds, and more so to sleep on them; so that clothing of all kinds, and especially bed clothing, is always most welcome. How kind of dear Mrs. H—r to send the blankets. I hope to write her in a few days to thank her." Mrs. Young, (wife of the Bishop of Athabasca) makes an earnest appeal for clothing and other assistance for the boys school conducted by the Rev. G. Holmes, at Lesser Slave Lake. "The boys need long trousers," she writes,

"not necessarily lined, as any wise matron lets them wear old summer ones underneath, which she keeps washed and an ordinary coat buttoned up to the throat, I think, with a small cloth collar. They are pleased with such and it does away with need of waist coat, which is additional expense and labour. Flannel or even Oxford shirting shirts, please, I prefer the latter for winsies are warm, and they must have warm overcoats, caps and mufflers and mitts. Can you let us have, say, 6 such outfits and gladden our and Mr. Holmes' hearts? Dare I ask for money? Could some twenty of your ladies respond to appeals, and say, "We will be regular in our cent-a-day fund and have the joy and privilege of vot'ng it to Mr. Holmes' Boarding School?" The cost of fish and fuel is so heavy. To keep these children in a christian home is so necessary. The tent life is so deteriorating. Wishing you "showers of blessing" in your W.A. hearts, stirred to their depths, not only to sew and give, but to pray, remembering "The Holy Spirit also helpeth our inhrmities."

Yours most sincerely, JULIA H. YOUNG.

CHRISTMAS AT THE HOME.

With what feelings of expectations and delight have our dark eyed children of the plain been looking forward to the greatest festival of all the year. As in the past, it as been our earnest wish and endeavour to make the pupils of the Washakada Home particularly happy, and to give them every possible enjoyment, so it was this Christmas. December the twenty-fifth was spent very quietly, as it does not seem fair that on that day the members of the staff should have no time to themselves. The large children attended the service in St. Mark's Church, and in many respects the day was much like Sunday. On Thursday, at 7.30, the children had their dinner, at which one hundred sat down. The dining hall never looked as pretty. It was most tastefully decorated and beautifully lighted. At either end the Bay windows were draped with the large flags, and in the other parts of the room small flags were very prettily arranged. There were five large tables and two small ones, all of which looked most inviting with white cloths, upon which were many dainties. In one Bay window was a large table, at which the carving of the turkeys (24 in number,) was done, and the plum puddings (10 huge ones) were helped. The first course was turkey, brown gravy, corn, potatoes. Second, plum pudding, and Sauce. Third, Blanc Mange, Chocolate, and various other shapes. Fourth, apples, candies, nuts and tea. There were besides such pretty cakes, all iced and daintily decorated with delicate shades of tissue paper. At last, like most good things, the dinner was finished. The little children retired to bed as they did not feel like doing any thing else. The large girls kindly offered to help settle the dining hall, and to assist with the dish washing, as [after their Christmas dinner they are never asked nor expected to do any work. And so ended one happy day.

Niagara Diocese.

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

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

At the Board Meeting held in St. Thomas' Church schoolroom, the members were reminded of the Provincial Thankoffering Fund (fully explained on page 1 of LEAFLET for March, 1894), which must be collected before June. It will be presented at the Triennial in September next, and it is sincerely hoped that what “Niagara” gives may be something worthy of the occasion. “Freely ye have received freely give.”

AMONG THE BRANCHES.

HAMILTON (All Saints')—The Recording Secretary of this Branch sends the following: “Rev. J. Cooper Robinson, of Japan, gave a very interesting and instructive lecture on Japan, illustrating his discourse with magic lantern views of the physical features of the mountains, the houses and their interiors, the natives in their accustomed dress, the Emperor and Empress in both native and Foreign costume, with a number of converts in European priest vestments, also our devoted Missionary, with his band of workers. All the children of the parish, beside the Junior Branch seemed to have turned out with a goodly number of adults. The lecture proved so interesting the children almost forgot to talk, they were even praised for their good behaviour. The collection amounted to a tidy sum.” STAMFORD—Mrs Archer has received a post card from Miss Brown, Piegan Reserve, announcing the safe arrival of barrel of fruit, “every jar in perfect condition, and much appreciated.” QUEENSTOWN (St. Saviour's)—Per Miss Durand. Sent three bags of potatoes, a barrel of provisions, and magazines to St. Peter's “Home for Incurables,” Hamilton, thus showing that “working for Missions” does not prevent W.A. Members, remembering those near at home.

DORCAS REPORT.

THOROLD (St. John's)—Sent Shingwauk Home bale containing 33 new articles, 22 second-hand, 1 quilt. Cash expended \$12 90. MILTON (Grace Church)—3 bales to Rev. A. H. Allman, Uffington, Algoma, containing 144 second-hand garments, and a miscellaneous collection of books. Freight, \$1.25. HAMILTON (All Saints')—Sent to the Rev. J. G. Brick, St. Peter's Mission, Athabasca, 2 bales containing 100 new and 28 second-hand garments, 4 quilts, 21 miscellaneous, box of groceries. Freight \$4.85. CAYUGA (St. John's)—Sent to Rev. A. R. Mitchell, Port Sydney, Algoma, gifts for Christmas tree, and 1 bale containing 11 new, 17 second-hand garments, 2 quilts. Expenditure, \$3.70. HAMILTON (Church of Ascension)—1 bale to Rev. Archdeacon

Phair, Rupert's Land, containing 45 new, 36 second-hand garments, 3 quilts, 1 blanket, and a box of toys. Expenditure \$25.30 ANCASTER (St. John's)—Sent to Rev. A. Allman, Uffington, Algoma, parcel of prayer and hymn books. Expenditure, \$1.36. Freight on bale to Piegan Home, not reported last month, \$4.47. HAMILTON (St. Marks')—to the Indians on Lake Nepigon, one box containing 25 new, 19 second-hand garments, 3 quilts, 5 yds. rag carpet. Expenditure, \$6.89. Total expenditure reported during last month, \$60.77.

DUNVILLE Branch will work for Rev. J. Johnston, Jack's Head.

J. SUTHERLAND.

From Miss Leys, St. John's College, Winnipeg, to Diocesan Treasurer, enclosing receipt for \$250 for education of Julia Scott. She says, "Julia joins me in sincerely thanking you and those other kind ladies for the munificent gift towards her school expenses. You will be pleased to hear that Julia is making satisfactory progress. This year I have thought it wise to devote more time to music, as it will probably be of more actual use to her in after life. She still continues to take lessons in dress-making on Saturdays, and Miss Brown, her teacher, says Julia's measurements are very accurate, and by the time she finishes this course of lessons, will be a fairly good needlewoman. What a help she will be to her poor crippled mother! I gave your kind message to Julia, and told her what you said about her improvement; she was so pleased and said she would try very hard to do better this year."

From Rev. H. P. Lowe, Aspdin, Muskoka, to Corresponding Secretary, St. Barnabas' Branch, St. Catharines. He tells of safe arrival of two boxes, which had been overlooked when forwarding barrels, and says, "Many thanks indeed for all the help which was doubly valuable this year, as only one Toronto Church helped us. There was only just enough to go round as it was, save in the matter of dolls, of which we had more than enough. The preponderance of boys in this Mission is something like four or five to one girl, and we have the greatest trouble to find anything for the bigger lads. Three of our school treats were held last week, and the forth comes off on Thursday. How everything was appreciated I can scarce'y tell you. Will you please thank all the ladies who contributed in any way to the good work, and accept all good wishes and prayers for the year for St. Barnabas and all friends.

From the Rev. M. Scott, Vermilion, to Mrs. Webster, acknowledging \$10 from the Juniors (See Jan. Junior Secretary's Report). He tells many interesting things about the Indian children, how the girls do not like to wear short dresses as girls here do, they think it "so terribly vulgar," but when they start for a tramp in the woods, they will gather the upper portion of their skirts with a string round their waists, quite above the knee. The boys too, all wear long trousers like a man's, but the Missionaries do not mind this as it saves much

darning of stockings "The Indians" (he says), "are very loath to give up their children to us, because they themselves get so lonesome away from the children. We have great sympathy with them in this—it is really hard for them; we know how lonesome we have felt for our two dear children, when, after waiting two or three months for letters the packet has come and without a letter from either of them." With the Indians, and a few other half-breed, and one or two whites, he hopes to have about twenty, during the coming school term. The children become very much attached to the Missionaries, and often do not wish to leave them, but they are encouraged to go home and speak of Jesus to their parents, and so become little Missionaries themselves. He then in an interesting way introduces his staff to the Juniors. Himself and Mrs Scott he takes for granted they know, and of the Rev. A. J. Warwick he says, "He is our school teacher, but like myself has to turn his hand to all sorts of work, farming, carpentering, chopping firewood, carrying water, practicing—well I was going to say doctoring, but there I must stop, for he may tell the Indians to drink the liniment, and rub the pills on the outside, still, he is a good fellow, and the children all love him." He introduces Mrs. Warwick next, who has been with them only a few weeks, but who is so loving and kind that she will soon endear herself to all the people, especially the children. Last but not least is Miss Minnie Lawrence, who as matron and cook, etc, does all she can to help in this good work. He concludes by describing the house, which is a log building plastered with mud. It contains besides the hall and kitchen, two rooms about 11 ft. and 18 ft., one a study, and the other a sitting room, ceiled with boards, and with a good many things about, which have been kindly sent by the W.A. the two bed-rooms overhead correspond in size, and in these four rooms, four grown people and 16 children slept last winter. Leading off the kitchen through a passage is the schoolroom, 20 x 16 ft., also ceiled with lumber, and divided from it by a board partition are the Warwick's two little rooms. Above this is the unfinished portion already referred to.

From Rev. Owen Owens, Touchwood Hills, to Dorcas Secretary.

"I hope you will be able to persuade some of your people to help us this winter. In July a terrible prairie fire devastated the country for miles round this Reserve. All the Indians' hay was burnt, and a great deal of the fences, houses, and stables. The season was so dry that there was no wheat or any kind of grain, gardens also a complete failure. It will be hard to keep the school together. We have 155 persons in this band, 140 of whom are Christians. We have now 35 Communicants besides our white neighbors. There are 21 boarders on our roll, three of whom are not provided, viz., Flora Favel, aged 12, Eliza Bird, aged 8, Nora Anderson, aged 8. We get no grant for them as they are in excess of the number allowed for our present accommodation. It costs \$72 and clothes to educate one child for a year.

Can any of your Sunday Schools or W.A. Branches help us by taking one or all of them. Each of them is from families little better than heathen. They are very intelligent and promising."

There are five men at work in this Diocese paid by the Church. No. 1 is paid \$750 by C.M.S., No. 2 \$400 by S.P.G., No. 3 gets \$800 from S.P.G., but he has to pay out for assistance in school \$456 No. 4 is one assistant in that school, No. 5 gets \$50 for interpreting. There is a teacher of one of our day schools, who gets no pay from the Church. Of clothing he says, "old or new is very acceptable. We have to build a Church at once in connection with the school, large enough for all our congregation: it will cost at least \$800. Could you not raise \$150 of this in the Diocese of Niagara. Many of our communicants wish for early Celebrations every other Sunday, that cannot be decently performed till we have a Church adjoining the school. I have been now nine years here, and when I compare the beginning with to-day, I take heart, for it is a proof that the work will prosper, only we must have patience, and be contented to travel step by step."

DIOCESAN TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

From Dec. 13th, 1894, to Jan. 10th, 1895.

RECEIPTS.	EXPENDITURE.
Offertory at Quarterly Meeting in Cathedral, Hamilton \$3 45	By Rev. J. C. Robinson for Wycliffe Japan Fund, from St. Thomas' Juniors, Hamilton... \$5 00
Special Donation to Dio Board... 1 00	Mrs. Archer Stamford, towards freight on fruit to Piegan Home 3 75
Collection at meeting in afternoon Cathedral Guild room..... 7 35	Rev. Dr. Mockridge the following: For Miss Sugden's Hospital, India..... 5 00
St. Thomas' Hamilton (Per Sec Junior Branches) for Wycliffe Japan Fund..... 5 00	For Zenana Missions..... 2 00
For Hospital at Lesser Slave Lake..... 5 00	For Miss Smith's Dispensary Japan..... 1 20
Cathedral, Hamilton Life Membership Fee, Mrs. C. S. Scott 25 00	For Piegan Home, from St. Judes' Oakville.. 5 00
Christ Church, Niagara Falls, Tax on Member's Fees..... 1 40	For Indian Mission Fund, Archdeacon Phair, from St. Thomas' Juniors, Hamilton 25 00
Mrs. Magill Thankoffering for Triennial Meeting 1 00	From St. Thomas' Seniors, Hamilton 52 50
Cathedral, Hamilton, for Japan M. M. Fund..... 60	From Mrs. Mackelcan 2 00
Missionaries Daughters' Fund 30	For Hospital at Lesser Slave Lake, from St. Thomas' Seniors, Hamilton ... 5 00
Lady Missionaries' Fund..... 85	By Badges for Junior Branches, Ribbon, Printing and Postage 6 32
St. Thomas' Hamilton, for St. Barnabas' Home, Sarcee Reserve (Per Mrs. Reynolds)... 5 00	
\$55 95	\$112 77
Voucher from Grimsby, St. Andrew's Indian Mission Fund (Archdeacon Phair)..... \$10 00	

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

Ontario Diocese.

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

Subjects for Prayer and Reading for Feb.—Columbia, B.C., & China.

The following extracts are from letters from Miss Smith to a cousin in Perth.

"If Christians at home could realize one half, yes, one hundredth part of the misery and degradation of the people in these far off eastern lands, I *know* they could not rest until they had "done what they could" to bring or send them tidings of the Saviour. I do not think I ever realized fully the love of Christ, or all that he had done for me, until I came here. When I look around and see the lives that the natives live here, and see what a hollow silly thing their "religion" is, how little in it that satisfies the heart, or brings comfort to the sorrowful, I feel what a great responsibility rests on all that profess and call themselves Christians. My work has been steadily increasing, and now that the Canadian Mission Board has allowed me funds to start dispensaries, and employ more doctors and nurses, my plans for starting work in the neglected heathen quarters have taken a practical form. It is a great satisfaction to me that the nurses are so enthusiastic and zealous in trying to enlighten their heathen country-men, and their influence among the patients is very great. They are very intelligent girls too, so that one can make companions of them. My time is very much taken up, it seems to take so much longer to do anything in Japan than at home, but I manage to devote a part of each day to study. Patients always send to me *first* when they are taken sick, I visit them with one of the nurses, leave her in charge and call in the hospital doctor who is also a Christian, my idea is to let the missionaries get a footing in the sick house. When the patients are convalescent, suitable Christian literature is read to them by the nurse, and the principles and doctrines of our religion explained; later the clergyman visits them, Bibles are given, and the listeners persuaded to come to church and hear the word expounded. So far the results of our labours, as far as man can judge, have been very gratifying.

Extracts from a letter from the wife of the Rev. A. Tansey, Somerset, Man., Diocese of Rupert's Land, to the Cor. Sec. of St. James', Kingston, W.A.

MY DEAR MRS. ROGERS.—Both Mr. Tansey and myself feel very deeply the kindness of the St. James' W.A. in sending us again such a good bale of useful articles, and for your kind and loving wishes for us and our work. Everything sent, believe me, was most acceptable, and they will all prove most useful to those receiving them; all are disposed of now. The candy, dolls, toys and cases of cups and

saucers, everything in that way were appropriated for our Christmas Tree. I have afternoon school every Sunday for the Somerset children, and have over thirty children on the roll, an average attendance of twenty, so I want to tell of our Christmas treat, and I know that the little girls who sent the dolls will be pleased to hear of the pleasures the little children had, most of whom had never seen a Christmas Tree. We held it in the parsonage, and had a very pretty evergreen tree, well loaded, thanks to our many kind friends in the east, and when lighted it looked very pretty. Our house was literally crowded. Little Gladys did enjoy it so very much. The children commenced coming before six o'clock. I had a programme arranged entirely by the children, consisting of solos, recitations, speeches, dialogues and carols, all of which were very much enjoyed by every one, and then we had a bran pie and both old and young had a dip, and everyone got something. Then the distribution of the many things on the tree took place; I never saw happier children, and felt fully repaid for all my work. I cannot find words to express our thanks for the things sent, specially for ourselves. I was pleased indeed with the dress, just what I like, and I shall make Mr Tausey shirts of the grey flannel as he is in need of them. The little dresses fit Gladys nicely, and are so warm. Please extend my sincere thanks to the dear lady who made and sent so many mufflers and mits and socks, anything like that is so much appreciated among our people. Wishing you all a bright and happy New Year.

I am yours very sincerely, M. G. TANSEY.

BRANCH NOTES.

LANARK—This branch has 10 members and 6 subscribers to the LEAFLET. Not many meetings are held, as the members live some distance from one another, but the sewing is done at home. A bale was sent on the 5th of December to the Shingwauk Home, for which the following acknowledgement was received. "We received and opened yesterday a magnificent bale, containing just such things as we are desperately in need of. The quilts, boys stockings, mitts and clothing are especially valuable to us in this cold weather, and we cannot thank you too warmly for your thoughtful kindness. Kindly convey our thanks to the Auxiliary at the next meeting. Did all of such a large bale come from one branch, or are there others to whom we are indebted? A few more bales like yours will solve the clothing question for this winter. Lanark will work for the Shingwauk Home again. HAWLEY.—Has had two very pleasant quiltings. The plan followed is for each member to bring a basket, as if it were a picnic. The first was held at Mrs. B. Brisco's, and the second at Mrs. G. Hawley's. A bale is ready, and only waiting to be sent with one from Napanee, which has been delayed by a "Bazaar" and by illness.

DUNGANNON.—Work goes steadily on. A bale was sent not long since to Biscotasing, to which the C.C.M.G. contributed. At the meetings correspondence is read or items from the LEAFLET. The C.C.M.G. has lately given a Prayer Desk and Reading Desk to one of the Churches in the Mission, and is now working to buy a carpet for St. John's Church, Bancroft. NEWBORO'.—Has decided not to work for the Auxiliary just now, as the Ladies' Aid has been revived to tide over the present necessities of the parish. The LEAFLET will continue to be taken, and no doubt work will be resumed later. WELLINGTON.—The Sec. for the J.W.A. reports with pleasure that a new Branch has been formed in this parish. It really began last spring, but has now met for work as an organized Branch. This is good news. At the Board meeting in January an appeal was read which had been received from Sudbury. Nothing could be done, however, as all appeals must come through the General Board.

DORCAS REPORT.

KINGSTON (St. George's Cathedral, C.C.M.G.).—Sent for Christmas a box to Sharbot with 18 new garments, 203 gifts and candies—cost new goods \$39.84. Freight 35c. DESERONTO.—Sent to Bancroft one box with toys and candies. OTTAWA (J.W.A.).—Sent to Ompah 18 new garments, candies, toys and yarn. Cost material, \$14.10; also at another time Altar cloth. Cost material, \$3.60. KINGSTON (St. Paul's).—Sent to Maltawa one bale with 11 new garments, 43 second hand, two quilts. Cost material \$7.90. Freight 66c. PERTH (J.W.A.).—Sent to Bancroft an Altar cloth and Altar linen. Cost material, \$16.00. Freight 65c. (These places are all in Ontario Diocese.) YARER.—Sent to Broadbent, Diocese Algoma, one bale with 13 new garments, 63 second hand, 2 quilts and papers. Freight, 60c. IROQUOIS.—Sent to Port Sydney, Dioceses Algoma, one surplice and Altar linen. Perth (J.W.A.).—Sent to Burk's Falls, Diocese Algoma, a bale with 59 new, 3 second hand garments, 2 quilts, 5 towels. Cost material, \$20.00. Freight, \$1.67. BROCKVILLE (Trinity)—Sent one bale to Archdeacon Phair, Winnipeg, for distribution, with six new garments, 56 second hand, 3 quilts, blankets, 21 yards carpet, towels, 10 yards cotton, groceries, pins, thread, books and cards. Cost material, \$18.45. MERRICKVILLE.—To the same, 59 new garments, 21 second hand, 7 quilts, thread, pins and yarn, also from the children, 1 quilt, 7 new garments. Freight, \$3.33. Value of bale, \$64.18. CARLTON PLACE.—Sent to Rainy River, Diocese Rupert's Land, one bale with 12 new garments 28 second hand, 3 quilts, prayer books, copy books, needles, hair brushes, combs, etc. Cost new material, \$10.42. Freight \$2.10. PRESCOTT.—Sent two bales to Rev. J. Badger, John Smith's Reserve, Diocese Saskatchewan, with 41 new garments 41 second hand, 5 quilts, note paper, pillow cases, door mat, groceries, books etc. Cost material, \$5.79. Freight, \$3.00.

The J.W.A. sent 2 quilts 8 workbags, scrap books, candies, etc. PEMBROKE.—Sent to Rev. A. Tansey, Somerset, Diocese Rupert's Land, one bale with 32 new garments, 24 second hand, 2 quilts, 1 pair blankets, 24½ yards rag carpet. Cost material, \$42.60. Freight, \$2.08. The C.C.M.G. sent to Washakada, Elkhorn, one bale with 18 new, 9 second hand garments, 4 pillow cases, dolls, needles, spools, groceries, 2 quilts, curtains etc. Value, \$12.35.

The Secretary wishes to draw the attention of a few of the Branches to some facts, she fears they are forgetting. It was decided three years ago that no money value was to be placed on second hand garments. This does not mean, as some think, that they are not of value to the recipients. The year after it was further decided not to value *work* but, in reporting, merely to state the cost of the material used, with groceries, freight, etc. whatever money was spent upon. One Secretary feared that the members will cease to sew if they do not get credit for it, but this fear has proved groundless during the last two years. Another writes, "We did not value *our* work, but did the childrens'," now why should children be taught to work from a wrong motive? they should never think of it themselves but delight to make *others* happy. Another point she wishes to note is that forms are provided, and can be had on application

TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

DOMESTIC MISSIONS.—		RECEIPTS.
Kingston, St. George's Cathedral W.A., Dio.		
Rupert's Land.....	\$	5 00
Brockville, Trinity W.A. Dio. of Algoma.....		5 00
Perth, W.A. Lady Missionary to the North West		5 00
Brockville, Trinity " " " " " "		10 00
FOREIGN MISSIONS.—		
Perth W.A., Lady Missionary to Japan.....		\$25 00
UNAPPROPRIATED.—Newboro' W.A.....		\$5 00
DIOCESAN ASSESSMENT.—		
Sydenham W.A.....		90
Perth W.A.....	\$	5 00—\$5 90
Total.....		\$40 72
		EXPENDITURE.
Part payment of J. Hope's account.....		\$13 50
Cost of order.....		10
Quarter's salary of Miss Brown as teacher in Piegan Mission School, Diocese Calgary.....		\$75 00
Total.....		\$88 60

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QUARTERLY MEETING.

A quarterly meeting of the Diocesan Branch was held in the Church Hall on Thursday, Jan. 10th, at 2.30 o'clock. Mrs. Dunn presided. The meeting opened with a hymn and with prayers. The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed, and reports read from the Secretary, Treasurer, Dorcas Secretary, Secretary of the Literature Committee and Secretary for Junior Branches.

The following letters were read. From Canon Richardson, thanking the members of the Diocesan Branch for their resolution of sympathy with him on the death of his wife. From Mrs. Tilton acknowledging the expression of thanks from the Quebec Branch and expressing her satisfaction in having been able to hold the October Provincial meeting in Quebec. From Miss Montizambert in reply to the resolution of regret at her resignation of the office of Corresponding Secretary passed at the last Quarterly Meeting. From the Rev. T. Willeman, Comax, B.C., gratefully accepting Quebec's offer to pay \$100 a year towards the education of his eldest daughter, and from Mr. Stocken.

The Treasurer's report showed a deficit in Education Fund, in the Expense Fund, the Japan Fund, and the question was considered (and suggestions asked for) as to the best method of raising the money due. It was decided that the President should send a special appeal to each branch, at the same time urging all to contribute as largely as possible to the Consolidation Fund. At the last quarterly meeting it had been decided that the Diocesan Branch should take fifty copies of the *Church Magazine*, but the question was now deferred for a year as only two Branches desire copies, the rest being already supplied.

The following resolutions were passed.

1. "That the President and members of the Quebec Diocesan Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary desire to place on record their deep sorrow for the death of Mrs. Williams, their first beloved and honoured President—their loving friend and counsellor. And they offer to her son the Rev. Lennox Williams and his wife their heart felt sympathy in their grief and sad bereavement."

2. "That the Treasurer be authorized to pay \$5 to the General Treasurer towards the expense of publishing the Provincial pages of the LEAFLET."

We regret to have to record the death of two of our members since the last Quarterly Meeting, viz. : Mrs. Buchanan of the Cathedral, and Mrs. Payne of St. Matthew's.

The following notice was read from Miss Roe, Secretary, St. F. D. Ass. : "I wish to give notice at the Quarterly Meeting that I propose to offer an amended form of the suggested prayer for the Junior Members of the W.A. for the consideration of the members at the Annual Meeting."

Reports were read from some of the Branches, and great regret was felt that many of them had sent no word telling of their welfare and progress.

We hope that all our members will read and ponder the following extracts from the Treasurer's Report.

"The two Special Funds, viz., the Education Fund and the Lady Missionary to Japan Fund are both in arrears—the Education Fund being \$30.23 in debt and the Japan Fund \$17.25. I would entreat the various branches to give these Funds their hearty support. We are in honour bound to pay these sums when they are due, and the money ought to be ready. We have lost the generous gift for the Education Fund which we have had each year from our unknown friend in New Richmond. Mrs. Boomer writes that she has left the country for some years and is not likely to contribute in any case to our fund again unless we have an *Algoma Child*. So it becomes a pressing necessity to increase that fund *ourselves* and not depend upon outside help. The average received for the last three years for education, exclusive of Mrs. Boomer's has been \$68.16—we are pledged to give \$100. To make it quite clear—the fund is already in debt \$30.23:

to pay this and to meet our next half yearly payment of \$50, the amount required is \$80.23—that is \$32 more than the average subscription to the fund for the last three years. It would be a good thing if the Japan Fund could be placed upon a better footing, and not depend upon the Foreign Mission Fund. This latter fund ought not to be called upon to fulfil our *pledges* but to serve as a reserve from which to draw for special objects in the Foreign Mission Field. The startling figures given in the Epiphany appeal last Sunday should ring in our ears as a perpetual reproach. It requires but little knowledge of arithmetic to understand the statement that 2½ cents per head is all that is given to Foreign Missions in the Ecclesiastical Province by our Church population, and it means this, that for every person who gives \$10 to Foreign Missions 399 give nothing—for every one who gives 25 cts., nine give nothing. Allowing that of this 399, three fourths are, for various reasons, unable to give anything, there still remain 160 who *might* do something and yet withhold their hands—these facts need no comment. I would remind you that our expense Fund is also in arrears, \$5.18. It may be helpful to give a list of the amounts required that we may make a vigorous and united effort to supply the want. For the Education Fund \$80—*i.e.* \$32 more than the average for the last three years. For the Japan Fund \$93, *i.e.* \$31 more than the average for the last three years, and for the Expense Fund enough to discharge the small debt and to meet unavoidable expenses, bearing in mind that we ought to provide before hand for the printing of reports etc. Exclusive of the printer our expenses so far this year have been \$36.06, which I cannot think any would call excessive, as it includes expenses for Annual Meeting, Provincial Assessment, Local Council of Women Assessment, also the postage for the Treasurer and four Secretaries, besides sundry other small items.

Another call upon us is for the Auxiliary Thankoffering for the consolidation of the Church in Canada. For the benefit of those to whom the meaning of the term is not quite clear, I will state what is said about this great event in our Church history by the Report for 1893 of the S.P.G. "The Church in Canada has taken a remarkable step, and one that is without precedent in our communion during the past year. It has attained organic unity in its Ecclesiastical Organization. The nine Dioceses that formed the Ecclesiastical Province of Canada, the eight Dioceses that formed the Province of Rupert's Land, and the three Dioceses westward of the Rocky Mountains, which were not comprised in either Province have now been welded into one great Church, which extends from the Atlantic to the Pacific shore. The first General Synod for the whole Dominion met at Toronto in September (1893). On Tuesday 20th, the most Reverend Robert Mackray was declared Primate of all Canada, and he, as Metropolitan of the Province of Rupert's Land, and the Bishop of Ontario, as

Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of Canada were declared to be Archbishops." Parochial Branches will send their offerings to the Diocesan Treasurer, and the whole amount raised in the six Dioceses will be presented at the Triennial next September when it will be decided to what object to devote the money. We must have a care that our offering is worthy of the occasion, at least as far as it is in our power to make it so.

With many of us it is the lack of system which makes it so difficult to give generously, as God has prospered us. We arrange for the payment of our rent, our servants' wages, our food our dress, but too often, alas! God's Treasury is forgotten, and for it nothing is left but the scraps not wanted for our luxuries and our pleasures. That small proportion, the *tenth*, given regularly would be better than no system at all; even the Jews gave that *besides* their free will offerings. Can Christians be satisfied in doing less?

DORCAS REPORT.

COATICOOKE.—One barrel to the Rev. H. G. Stocken, Calgary.

COMPTON.—One bale to Piegan Reserve.

LENNOXVILLE.—One barrel to Rev. Irvine, Sault St. Marie.

CATHEDRAL.—One bale to Rev. D. D. MacDonald.

ST. MATTHEW'S.—One barrel and one box to Rev. J. Tims, Alberta, also one barrel to Mrs. Grisdale for distribution.

ST. PAUL'S.—One box to the Indian School, Elkhorn.

ST. PETER'S.—Two barrels to Rev. H. G. Stocken, Calgary.

RICHMOND AND MELBORNE.—One bale to Rev. Mr. Frost, Manitoulin Island.

ST. SYLVESTER.—One box to Rev. Archdeacon Phair for the Mission at Black River. Church papers and magazines have been received and sent on to the Literature Secretary.

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