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Editorial.

JOHNATHAN BURDER.—We have just learned of the death of Johnathan Burder, who was the best preacher and one of the most earnest workers among our Telugu Christians. He died of cholera, which has been unusually prevalent this year.

W. B. M. U.—We are very sorry that this department must be omitted again this month. Miss Johnstone's father was very ill and she could not prepare the matter. We ask your prayers for her in her great anxiety and trial.

SAILING OF NEW MISSIONARIES.—Our new missionaries Dr. and Mrs. Woodbourne, Miss Selman, and Dr. Hulet, who left Toronto just as we were going to press last month, arrived safely in England on October 11th, after a smooth, pleasant voyage, and expected to sail from Marseilles on the 19th, by the steamer "Egypt."

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NOMINATIONS.

The Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer are appointed by the Board. The other officers and the first five members, namely, Mrs. Bates, Mrs. T. S. Johnston, Mrs. W. H. Porter, Mrs. Wm. Davies and Mrs. C. L. Starr retire this year, but are eligible for re-election.

All nominations and resignations must be sent in writing to Miss Buchan, 165 Bloor Street East, Toronto, before Tuesday, the 13th of November, or else handed to her on the morning of the 14th. It is important that all who make nominations should give their reasons for doing so.

A. MOYLE, Rec. Sec.

NOTICE to delegates, see page 39.

PROGRAMME.

Woman's Convention, First Baptist Church, Brantford, November 14-15.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 14TH, FOREIGN MISSION. Morning Session, 9.30 a.m.

9.30 -Hymn.

-Reading of Scripture.

-- Prayer, "For the presence of the Lord Jesus and the manifest power of the Holy Spirit during these meetings."

-Appointment of Secretary.

-Appointment of Nominating Committee.

- 9.45.—Address of Welcome, Mrs. J. Harris, Brantford. —President's Address, Mrs. J. T. Booker, Aylmer.
- 10.00.—Associational Reports.
- 10.45.-Solo, Miss Beale, Brantford.
- 10.50.-Annual Reports.
 - -Recording Secretary, Miss Moyle, Toronto.
 - -Treasurer, Miss Violet Elliot, Toronto.
 - -LINK, Mrs. A. H. Newman, Toronto.
 - -Bureau, Mrs. C. W. King, Toronto.
- 11.15 Address, Miss Ida Ryerse, Simcoe. — Hymn.

-Prayer, "Thanksgiving for past and prayer for future blessings."

- 11.30.—Address, "Spiritual Service," Mrs. H. M. W. Armstrong, Burmah.
- 11.40.—Prayer, "For a deeper sense of responsibility and greater self-denial on the part of the women of the Home churches."

- 11.45 -Bible Reading, Mrs. H. H. Lloyd, Toronto.
- 11.55 -- Prayer, "For Dr. Gertrude Hulet and Miss Selman." 12.00.-Adjournment.

Afternoon Session, 2 p.m.

2.00 -Hymn.

- --Prayer, "For all our ladies on the field and their work."
- -Minutes of Morning Session.
- -Election of Officers.
- 2.40 Report of Cor. Sec., Miss Buchan, Toronto. —Solo, Miss Vansickle, Brantford.
- 3.10.—Address, Mrs. J. A. K. Walker, Pedapuram, India. —Solo.
- 3.50.—Address, "Woman's Work in China," Miss Margaret King, Montreal.
- 4.20. -Collection.
 - -Question Drawer, Mrs. G. W. Barber, St. George.
- 4.45.-Adjournment.
 - -Conference of Directors led by Mrs. L. C. Grey, Norwich.
 - Evening Session, 8 O'Clock.
- 8 00.-Hymn.
 - -Reading of Scripture and Prayer, Rev. D. Hutchinson, Brantford.
 - -Minutes of Morning Session.
 - -Music.
 - -Address, Miss Baskerville, Cocanada, India.
 - -Collection.
 - -Solo, Mrs. Leeming, Brantford.
 - -Address
 - -Benediction.
 - THURSDAY, NOV , 15TH-HOME MISSIONS.

Morning Session, 9.30 O'Clock.

- 9.30.—Prayer Service, led by Mrs. D. Dack, Simcoe. 10.00.—Hymn.
 - -Scripture Reading, Mrs. Laird, Toronto.
 - -Prayer, Mrs. W. T. Graham, Brantford.
- 10.15.—Reports of the Recording Secretary, Treasurer, Visitor, and Bands.
- 10.35. -Statement of Indian Work, read by -----
- 10.40 .- "At Jesus' Feet ", Mrs. Cowsert, Belleville.
- 10.55.-Election of Officers and Members of Board.
- 11.30. -Greetings from Sister Societies.
- 12.00. -Adjournment.

Afternoon Session, 2 O'Clock.

- 2.00.-Bible Reading, Mrs. Dr. Barber, St. George.
- 2.20.-Hymn.
 - -Prayer, Miss E. Park, Wyoming.
 - -Minutes of Morning Session.
- 2.40 -President's Address.
- 2.55.—Corresponding Secretary's Report, Mrs. Jesse Gibson, Toronto.
- 3.20.-Hymn.
- 3.30.-" Our New Fields," Miss Copp, Hamilton.
- 3.45.—Our Work Among French Canadians, Mrs. Firstbrook, Toronto.

- 3.55. -Offering.
- 4.00.—Greetings from the West, Mrs. A. J. Vining, Winnipeg.
- 4.15. -Band Conference, led by Miss Cullen, Toronto.
- 4.45.—Prayer and Praise.
- 4.55.—Circle Leaders Conference, led by Miss Park. —Adjournment.

Evening Session, 8 O'Clock.

8.00.-Hymn.

- -Scripture Reading and Prayer, Rev. Dr. Spencer, Brantford.
 - -Minutes of Afternoon Session.
- "Moulton College "Miss Dicklow.
- -Music.
- -Address, Rev. W. W. Weeks, Toronto.
- -Offering.
- -Hymn.
- -Benediction.

SOME STRONG STATEMENTS.

By Geo. W. Truett.

In his reading, the writer has recently noted three strong utterances concerning the great spirit and work of missions. They are here given with the prayer that they may impress others, as they have impressed this writer. The first is an utterance by Prof. W. O. Carver, of our Seminary at Louisville. and is as follows : "We sometimes talk as if a church can be doing the work of Jesus Christ, and The fact is, missions is the yet ignore missions. work of Jesus, and the object in organizing and enlarging our churches is just to enlarge our efforts in mission work." The second statement is by Rev. James Edward Adams, who has written considerably concerning the student volunteer movement for foreign missions, and is as follows : "Three things are sure. The pastor who does not make it a specific end of his ministry to develope and apply the resources of his charge, in the work of pushing the gospel throughout the world, has failed to read his commission aright. The church which does not labor to this end must die a spiritual death, for she has no promise of Christ's presence with her. The individual Christian to whom this is not one of the grave concerns of life, has failed to grasp the purpose for which his Lord has left him in the world. Such is the vital place in the life of the Church which Christ has given to her missionary work." The third state-ment is an inquiry by Dr. Josiah Strong and is as follows : "What are churches for but to make missionaries? What is education for but to train them ? What is commerce for but to carry them? What is money for but to send them ? What is life itself for but to fulfil the purpose of missions enthroning Jesus Christ in the hearts of men ?"

These are very strong statements, but are they too strong ? The answer cannot be in the negative, if

the Word of God is to be recognized as the supreme standard by which all conduct and character are to be tried. Study a few of its great utterances : "As my Father hath sent Me, even so send I you." "If any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of His." "If ye love Me, ye will keep My commandments." "Ye shall be witnesses unto Me, both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria and unto the uttermost part of the earth." 'I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain. "Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them" "But wilt thou know, O vain man, that faith without works is dead ?" "For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also." "Whatsoever He saith unto you, do it." "Be ye doers of the Word and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves."

Such quotations from God's Word could be multiplied indefinitely. Indeed, this great idea of the Divine nature and purpose of Christianity preeminently stands out on every page of the Divine book. Take away from the Bible its great missionary idea, and not much more than the lids of the book would be left.

Our churches are fast coming to the recognition of this fact. As we hurry on to the border line of the new century a backward glance reveals some significant features of the great century behind. In invention, in commerce, in the march of civilization, the closing century has no parallel. But the most significant feature of this century is its record in missionary achievement. This feature towers above all other features as some great mountain grandly lifts its head above the tiny hills at its base. A true glance at such missionary record will put hope into the most pessimistic heart. The whole Christian world has found out that the gospel of Jesus Christ does have power to forgive sins and transform lives of ignorance, wretchedness and wickedness into lives upright, noble and blessed. These victories may be seen in Asia, Africa, the islands of the seas, in every corner of the earth where the Bible and the missionary have gone.

If the reader would behold a record of faith and courage and holy endeavor resembling that described in the eleventh chapter of Hebrews, let him read of the struggles and the triumphs of the missionaries of the past century. Let him read of the Moravians living and dying in the hospitals with lepers in order to win the latter to Christ. Let him read of the heroes in Madagascar, of the dying testimony of the Samoan and Fijian missionaries, of the expiring praises of the boys of Uganda perishing in the flames -all, all, for the sake of Jesus Let him read of the conflicts and triumphs in the New Hebrides where Dr. Paton so gloriously labored, and the same sublime record of others in Greenland and Labrador. Let him read the wonderful story of the opening of the ports of Japan by Commodore Perry, who did

not fire a gun, but who placed the Bible upon the capstan of his ship, and from it read the 100th Psalm, from which hour Japan was opened to the world, and in a few years became the first people of the Orient. Let him read of Livingston dying on his knees in mid Africa, and of the amazing results that have followed his labors. Let him read of Capt. Allen Gardner, who felt called to carry the gospel to Terra del Fuego, who was repulsed again and again by the people whom he sought to save, and who died at last in his boat-without knowing of one soul given him for his hire. In his last hours he wrote these words, which were found long afterwards : " My little boat is a very Bethel to my soul. Asleep or awake, I am happier than tongue can tell. I am starving, yet I neither hunger nor thrist. I feed on hidden manna and drink at the King's well. I am not disappointed ; for I remember this: 'One soweth and another reapeth." Ah, what records of earth can compare with these? "Here is the patience of the saints : here are they that keep the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus Christ." Ten thousand instances such as these stand out like mountains peaks, along with the many conspicuous features of the century just closing.

And is there a man among us who does not believe that the next century will thrill with far greater missionary purpose and effort than this? In face of God's Word, together with His wondrous providence, how could it be otherwise? Is it not high time that the churches should with all diligence give themselves to their main business in the world' The Dark Ages came, because the great commission of Jesus Christ was so fearfully ignored and forgotten for a thousand years. Spiritual night was both logical and inevitable, and this also made possible and easy the infidelity of Voltaire, Rousseau and Tom Paine.

Who does not believe that we are fast reaching to the end of the inconsistent, the inexcusable, the unutterably wicked heresy that has heretofore been little thought of by many churches-the heresy of indifference and idleness on the great matter of world-wide evangelization? Dr. Thompson is right in his great statement that the church that is not missionary in its spirit, must repent or wane; the pastor who is not, should reform or resign. And the matchless Broadus was right when he said : "The Baptist who stands up for believer's baptism, and for the independence of the churches and all those things which I believe in, and then isn't hearty in the work of missionswell, the fact is, he is no Baptist at all. He doesn't deserve to call himself that. Let him go to reading his New Testament over again."

The day comes on when a church not constantly and aggressively missionary, and yet purporting to be a church of Christ, shall be regarded as the most contradictory institution in the world; and the pastor having like spirit shall be regarded as the most inconsistent man of the race. God speed the coming of that day! Its coming means the end of all trifling and child's play with the paramount command of Jesus Christ to His churches. Its coming means the death and burial of the little, flimsy, abominable pretexts men venture to make, for refusing to obey the Master. Its coming means that that atmosphere which allows the amazing paradox of men spending energies in fomenting objections to Christ's work, with little or no effort to help it, shall be forever annihilated. We are fast reaching even now to that gracious consummation — God be thanked! The principles of Christ's great kingdom are rapidly making their glorious adjustments, and no man need have one fear as to their ultimate triumph.

It cannot be urged too often and too strongly that the heaven-appointed leaders in the work of the churches are the pastors What a travesty upon religion, and what a treason against Christ, when they cringe and ignobly evade the great responsibility of the right leadership of their churches! Theirs it is to teach the people. both by precept and example. Theirs to give the facts and figures of this great enterprise. Fact's are the fuel which feed the fire of missions." Some one thus tersely puts it : "Know and you will pray. Know and you will help You will be ashamed of the sluggishness, of the isolation, of the selfishness, which have made you think only of your own people and your father's house." God gird his preachers about with grace and strength Divine, that they may ever play the men as the leaders of His churches ! Fable tells us that in the old heroic days of Rome, a chasm yawned before the city. Nothing could close it. At length, the oracle said that the awful chasm would still yawn on until Rome's most precious thing was cast into it. And there was brought out a Roman youth, of fair and noble bearing, who threw himself into the chasm, and thus it was closed forever. O brother ministers, as the leaders of Christ's churches, we are not for a moment to count our lives dear unto ourselves, in the responsible work whereunto God hath called us. Whatever the cost, we must rightly lead our people on this great question of missions. God give us wisdom and strength for the sublime task ! May we be like the knightly Bayard, who was "without fear and without reproach," and who, when in the last battle his spine was broken, said to his comrades : "Place me up against a tree, so that I may sit up and die with my face to the enemy." May we have the spirit of the old father, who, when informed that he had but an hour to live, said : "Help me to my knees, that I may pray for the conversion of the world." And there, while his pulse grew feebler and his eyes dimmer, he continued kneeling, until this last petition escaped his lips : "Thy kindom come. Thy will be done, as in heaven, so in earth."

Oh, if only all God's saved ones could daily pray this prayer, and also live it, it would not, could not, be long until His kingdom would be extended from sea to sea, and from the river to the uttermost ends of the earth.—*Texas Baptist Standard*.

"A LITTLE CHILD SHALL LEAD THEM."

WRITTEN BY MRS. A D. LYON.

(Continued from last month.)

"Cannot you interest her, and get her to come with you? She is such a worker when she is once aroused, and I have tried so often to touch her in this matter; but she seems very indifferent. I am afraid I break the 10th commandment in her case, for I certainly do covet her services in this cause."

"Oh, she will come. I have seen her and she has promised."

"I am so glad of that! Now that you have succeeded so well with her, I am tempted to ask you to try your persuasive powers on Mrs. Browning."

" Oh, I have been to see her, too."

"Indeed? What sort of an interview had you? Could you make any impression upon her?"

"I cannot tell. She was non-committal, would promise nothing. When I first mentioned the subject, she said she did not believe in Foreign Missions any way. There were heathen enough in our own country without traipsing off to the other side of the world." "Granted, that there are people here who live like heathen," said I, "the gospel of the Lord Jesus is here, free to all, while beyond the sea they have never heard his dear name. I believe with you that there is work to be done at home, work of the utmost importance in our Master's vineyard ; but because these must be fed and taught, and clothed, shall those be left without a knowledge of Christ, who died for them, as much as for you and me? Suppose in the great and awful day of judgment a poor lost soul should point its finger at you and say to the Judge : 'she knew the blessed truth ; she knew that thou gavest thy Son to redeem the whole world, but she never told me.' Would you offer as your excuse, then, 'oh, I never believed in Foreign Missions?' Then I bade her good-day and left her to think it all over."

"May I ask, my dear friend, what has roused your interest in our beloved work?"

"Oh yes; I want to tell you all about it. You know Katie did not immediately recover from her illness, she fretted and pined so for Harry. I became alarmed about the child, and did all in my power to direct her. I read aloud a great deal, and one day she brought a little crumpled bit of paper she had found tucked into a little vase in her room, and want ed me to read that. I smoothed it out and it proved to be a little leaflet published by the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. I read it to her. It was a story of a heathen mother who had two children, a boy and a girl, twins; the boy bright, perfect and beautiful, the poor little despised girl, blind. The missionary said that the woman was very sad because she thought that in some way she had offended her god, and this blind girl was her punishment. And, Mrs. Hubbard, will you believe that in order to conciliate her god, that poor woman went to the river and threw into it her beautiful boy, and saw him drown before her eyes. And when the missionary asked why she did not sacrifice her blind girl instead of her beautiful boy, she cried out, 'oh, could I offer an imperfect gift when I had a perfect one?' How that woman's fidelity to her religion rebuked me ! She had no knowledge of heaven, no hope of ever seeing her child again, but thinking she had displeased her god, had destroyed with her own hands her precious boy, for he must have been precious to her! Mother-love is the same all over the world, and here am I rebelling because the dear Lord wants to keep my child safe until He calls me too! Katie had to have it all explained to her over and over again, and her questions led me to a thorough heart-searching, until I began to see my duty. I know now that I have a duty to my poor heathen sisters, I must help them to know the truth, it is dreadful to think of them utterly 'without hope and without God in the world.' I wonder if God will ever forgive me for waisting time and money that might have been used in helping on his blessed work ! Katie too, is all animation on the subject; she talks half the time about the poor little heathen babies, and a dozen times a day she says, 'we'll help send a lady to tell 'em about Jesus, won't we, mamma ? and then the mammas won't throw the dear little babies into the river any more.' And she says I need not buy her a doll carriage, she would rather I would take the money for the missionary lady. Katie's talk sends me to my knees again and again, and I have consecrated myself anew to the service of my dear Master. I seem to have just begun to learn what He wants of His children-' thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy strength,' and ' thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself.' Isn't that calling for a great deal? I can't begin to comprehend it; but this I know-those heathen women are sitting in darkness, bound hand and foot in error's chain, their hearts are breaking, and I can help, and I will, with God's blessing. And when Katie is old enough, if he wants her to go to them, I will not refuse to give her up."

Mrs. Hubbard sat in bewildered amazement listening to her visitor Was it possible that this was the careless, fashionable woman whose devotion to the world had caused her such deep regret? Truly "God had moved in a mysterious way" to perform such a wonderful work as this.

When Mrs. Morgan had taken her leave, Mrs. Hubbard went to her husband's study and told him the story, and when she had finished he exclaimed, "Verily, a little child shall lead them."—Selected.

TROUBLES IN CHINA AS SEEN BY THE MIS-SIONARIES.

From some Missionaries of the Southern Baptist Society.

Rev. R. E. Chambers writes :

"There are several things connected with the pres ent troubles (in China) in which I' rejoice. Much valuable information concerning China is being disseminated. Christian people are praying for China as never before, and I believe that contributions for mission work will be more easily secured. Lastly, China is going to learn some valuable lessons. Christianity is now hated along with other foreign innovations, not because it is a religion, but because it is being propagated by foreigners, who are believed to be the emissaries of foreign governments. There is very little opposition to Christianity as such. The countless superstitions stand in the way of the Gospel, and the false light in which missionaries are viewed prevents a consideration of our message. A new day is dawning for China. Greatly increased opportunities for all forms of mission work must follow the restoration of order. 1 hope new missionaries will be sent out to stay in Hongkong and other places of safety to study the language and get ready for the work."

Rev. Peyton Stephens :

"You simply cannot imagine the terrible state of affairs in China. A proclamation has just been issued by a Mandarin that Christians must renounce Christianity and agree never to take it up again. The Christians that can escape are coming from the interior to the coast. Mission property has been burnt at different places. At Pingtu the house of Brethern Sears and Lowe have been robbed, and even the nails pulled out of the walls. The floor even has been taken up, and every single thing in the house has been taken away and sold. All our houses will likely be plundered before long. The property of native Christians will probably be destroyed. They are without anything-poor, poor people! Their friends, they say, have turned to enemies. They have no place of refuge. We hope and believe that the people at home are praying for this country, and especially for the Christians and missionaries. Bro. Pruitt and myself stayed at Hwang Hein as long as we could get food and provisions. The Chinese finally refused to The Chinese accept checks, as they had done. Governor of Shantung, who had been somewhat friendly, directed all missionaries to leave. We trust that after this terrible storm there will be a calm for some years. This may be a great forward movement, or rather advancement, for the kingdom of our Lord. We are in great distress over the sufferings of the native Christians. We cannot but suffer with them."

[We are glad that some of our brethren's fears have proven groundless. So far, we have suffered no loss of mission property, that we know of, except in the looting, above described, in Pingtu, etc.—Eds.] From Bro. J. W. Lowe:

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TSINGTAU, JULY 14, 1900.

"Dear Brother,-These are dark days for our native Christians. Thirteen of our members have been caught and dragged to the Yamen, having their queues tied to the tails of their enemies' horses. The Pingtu Mandarin offers three taels of silver for the arrest of a native Christian, and 100 taels for a foreigner. My own teacher is now a prisoner with the twelve others in Lai Chou Foo, thirty miles from Pingtu. The Mandarins have orders from Peking to arrest and kill every Christian, but the Governor of Shantung wishes to protect us and the Christians. The present Governor will probably be deposed by Prince Tuan, the usurper in Peking, and an antiforeign Governor appointed who will execute the orders from Peking. Our Christians dare not sleep at night, nor go on the streets. Our hearts are heavy. We weep with the brethern who came to-day. Pray for them and us.

Dr. J. B. Hartwell has written interestingly concerning the sufferings of a native Christian:

"Sun Hwe Teh, sixty-four years of age, is a preacher at Shang Tswong, in Chan Yuen. His home is in Too Woo, in Pung Lai Hien. Coming from Shang Tswong to his home to visit his family, he spent the night of the 14th of this moon at Tsien Swe Tien, and in the course of conversation mentioned that he was an evangelist. Next morning (15th) he started on his way, but was followed and taken back to Tsien Swe Tien by the inn-keeper and the head of the clan, where his travelling bag was searched. Brother Sun is a sort of doctor among his people, and in the course of his work frequently dispenses medicine to people that he may find suffering. In his bag there was a little santonine, which is very popular among the Chinese, and several kinds of little pills and some eye medicine. The santonine was at once pronounced to be foreign medicine for poisoning wells, and the little pills to be blood for smearing. The man's hands were tied behind him, and he was hung up by his hands thus bent behind him, and a heavy stone was tied to his feet to increase his torture."

"August 5th.—The evangelist, Mr. Sun, whom I mentioned in recent letters, died of the effects of his tortures."

Dr. R. T. Bryan, Shanghai, June 30, 1900:

"So far, we know of none of our missionaries nor any of our mission property that has been molested. The outlook for mission work was never brighter. I am not alone in believing that this war will soon end, leaving China open to the Gospel as never before. I rejoice over the Convention with you. China will be ready for the advance move. I am well, happy, and hopeful."

Again he writes under date of August 30th :

"The future outlook is very bright. Every one feels that many great and effectual doors will be open for the preaching of the Gospel. The trouble is not anti-Christian, but anti-foreign. Be ready for open doors."

J. B. Hartwell further writes :

"Dear Brother,—Rev. Mr. Duncan, of Shen Si, telegraphs that fifty missionaries in Shan Si have been massacred. One of the London Mission converts, now in Chefoo from Chi-li saw his own mother, a Christian, cut to pieces and thrown into the fire of her own burning home. He barely made his escape. He holds to his faith in Christ."

"At Lai Chow, Bro. Ting, of the Presbyterian church, was asked after long confinement and much suffering, " Are you still a Christian ?" " I am," was the firm reply. "Beat him," was the order from the magistrates, and he received fifty blows on his bare thighs. Again he was asked : "Will you now recant?" "I will not," was the reply. "Beat him," was again the order of the magistrate, and the man was given 200 more blows. As he still refused to recant, he was exposed in the "Kang," a big wooden collar about two feet square, which is bolted around the neck, while the prisoner is required to sit at the door of the Yamun, or other place appointed by the magistrate, to be seen by all passersby. The prisoner's crime is usually pasted on the collar in large characters. I do not know how it was in this case. By orders from higher authority, at the instance of the missionaries, he was finally released."

"Already the good results of this faithfulness on the part of the Chinese Christians are showing themselves. A gentleman, not a professed Christian is now visiting in Chefoo, having been further north, who says that, until now, he has never had any faith in the Christianity of these Eastern people, but that, having seen how firm they are in their adherence to Christ in the fearful persecutions that have come upon them now, he does believe. I preach in Chinese to-day upon the text, Luke 22: 31, 'Simon, Simon, Satan hath (successfully) asked for you (all), that he may sift you as wheat; but I have been praying for thee, that thy faith fail not. And when thou art converted (turned again) strengthen thy brethern.'"

"I believe that God, for purposes of His own, is allowing Satan to sift His saints in China, and that He will thereby strengthen His own kingdom. I am daily praying that God will break the Dragon's power." —Foreign Mission Journal.

DELEGATES TO BRANTFORD, who arrive on Wednesday and Thursday are expected to go directly to the church. Those who go on Tuesday should inform their hostess by what train they will arrive.

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REPORT OF THE CONVENTION AT PERTH.

To the Link-That Should Bin , us All.

GREETINGS.

We have been to our 24th Annual Convention of the Foreign Mission Societies of Eastern Ontario and Quebec. This year we were greatly blessed by being permitted to meet in a convenient, handsome Church, erected where once stood the first Baptist Church of Perth, and where our Dr. Fyfe had his first pastorate. Miss Green, of Montreal, unfortunately could not be present, and so Miss Muir, of Montreal, was appointed to take her place. This she did with such tact and spirit that a very genial spirit pervaded the entire assembly.

The Officers chosen for next year are: President, Mrs. T. J. Claxton, Montreal; 1st Vice President, Miss Green, Montreal; 2nd Vice President, Mrs. Sheldon, Montreal; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Hibbert Ayer, Montreal; Rec. Sec., Miss Tester, Montreal; Supt. of Bands, Miss Muir, Montreal.

Mrs. Hibbert Ayer has a helpful talent. She can write charming letters. You will enjoy her report. Then Mrs. F. B. Smith is a terror to evil doers. She hates debts and keeps us all straight. Study both these interesting papers for they are handled by women "o 'pairts" to use a Barrieism.

We were sorry to loose Miss Green, she has been so faithful in the Executive Meetings, but she expressed a strong desire to see the well loved president of so many years, back in office. Mrs. Claxton has not been able to preside of late, but now she is again where her son who is gone from this world to that always wished her to be. On his death-bed he said, "Mother, never give up the Foreign Mission work." Those who were at the Carleton Place Convention will remember how tenderly she told us this, when she first thought of retiring for good reasons.

I want to make my talk very short so that there may be ample room for the reports of Secretary, Treasurer and Mission Band Superintendent.

We were so glad to have dear Miss Baskerville with us. We ought to be very good to these women who are brave enough to be our representatives in India. Just here I can give you a secret to make

some of our very own happy in that far off land-Haven't you a good, bright new story, or a charming magazine that you have read and enjoyed. Send it by post to a missionary's wife or to some of our young ladies out there. Even a fashion magazine is dear to the genuine woman, and I am sure a missionary loves to look at pretty patterns even if she does not have a new dress to make up.

Worldly Salama ! you cry. Not a bit of it. God made us so, so be honest. Miss Trotter, of Toronto, brought an inspiration for our Bands. I have just been telling my girls about her plan of a missionary map, and you will see how the geography of our mission fields will grow if Miss Trotter's wise suggestion is scattered through our midst.

Then Miss Muir had another plan of a missionary play that set us all agog, to try the old-fashioned game under new colours. I hope she will write up her suggestion, and Miss Trotter as well, so that the children can play it properly—" for all work and no play makes Jack a dull boy."

Miss Tester, of Montreal, was not with us unfortunately, thus we had a stolen blessing for the day, Mrs. Hays, of Ottawa. She kept time of the proceedings and I expect has the Board members in correct shape, so I will ask to have the list sent on to be added to this.

We had also a "new departure" which resulted in a new department to our organization. "The Post Office Crusade for Foreign Missions." Our Superintendent is not elected, but when she is I will ask her to write and explain a thought for evangelization by cold type and foreign postage stamps.

Now for the reports and remember as you read them, that they were presented to one of the most helpful, spiritual and genial Conventions on record. It will be a long day before we forget the unfailing kindness of Mrs. Robertson, Mrs. Kellock, Mrs. Mc-Laren and the host of kind, courteous women of beautiful Perth.

Miss Minnie Washburn, of Smith's Falls, sang very beautifully "Jesus Lover of My Soul" at the public meeting.

We have three Life Members, Mrs. Utting, of Montreal; Mrs. Burgess, of Brockville; Mrs. Vaux, of Hamilton.

RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, That the days of prayer set apart for missions. The first Thursday in November and first Thursday in April be observed during the coming year as much blessing has been derived for their observance.

Resolved, that the women present in convention convey to Mrs. Claxton and family their appreciation of the loss the denomination has suffered in the death of Mr. Claxton who was such a friend of missions, and assure them of their sympathy.

THE CANADIAN MISSIONARY LINK.

Officers of the W. B. F. M. S. of Eastern Ontario and Quebec, 1900-1901.

Pres., Mrs. T J. Claxton, 353 Greene Ave., Westmount, Montreal, Que.; 1st Vice-Pres.; Niss N. E. Green, Cor-Lansdowne Ave., Côte St. Antione Road, Westmount, Montreal; 2nd Vice-Pres., Mrs. Sheldon; Rec. Sec., Miss Tester; Cor. Sec., Mrs. H. Hibbert Ayer, 350 Oliver Ave., Westmount, Montreal, Que.; Treasurer., Mrs. Frank B. Smith, 6. Thistle Terrace, Montreal, Que.; Bureau of Literature, Mrs. C. W. King, Toronto.

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M. E. COLE, 112 Irwin Ave., Westmount.

THE TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE W.B.F.M.S. OF EASTERN ONTARIO AND QUEBEC, FOR THE YEAR ENDING OCTOBER 2nd. 1900.

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The work of this Society since our last report has been moving in the same general lines as heretofore. During the Convention year your Board has been called upon to part with two of its very earnest workers, Mrs. W. F. Graham, one of our Vice-Presidents and Directress of the Eastern Association, and Mrs. Vaux, Directress of the Canada Central. The removal of both these sisters to the west was a source of deep regret to us all. Let us pray that others may be raised up to take the places of these who have served our Society so faithfully and well.

We have also to record the death of one of the members of your Board, Mrs. Woodworth, of Montreal. She took a deep interest in Mission work and was a faithful attendant at the Executive Meetings while health permitted.

It is proper also, that attention should here be called to the death of Miss Jennie McArthur, of Cornwall, for many years a member of this Society and always an earnest and active worker on behalf of Foreign missions.

Miss McArthur showed her unabated interest by leaving us residuary legatees of her property in equal shares with the General Home Missionary Society. As the process of winding up the estate is a slow and very intricate one, we have no accurate idea as to what our share will be. The Associational Directresses have contributed by their earnestness invaluable aid in carrying on the work of our Society. Mrs. D. McLaurin is still at the head of the Ottawa Association and early in the year visited the Circles in her district, encouraging the members and inciting them to new interest. She reports a new Circle at Dalesville.

Miss P. M. Chandler, of Coaticook, has been appointed Directress of the Eastern Association, and Mrs. Frank Knowlton, of Chantry, Ont., one of our former Directresses has resumed the charge of the Canada Central

New Circles have been formed at the Tabernacle and French Baptist churches, Montreal, and a Band is reported at Almonte.

To turn to our work in India :

Miss Murray is still at Cocanada taking charge of the Girls' Boarding school, while Miss Baskerville is on furlough. She finds the work of teaching upon which she is engaged interesting, and feels that she is now beginning to really understand and master the details of the school work.

It is seven years this fall since our missionary left Canada and she writes thus. "That is quite a long time and yet I am not homesick but feel equal to another seven. I think, upon Miss Baskerville's return I shall be quite ready for another spell of field work, if it is God's will. How good of God to give me such good health. The Indian climate quite agrees with me."

We at home, should be very grateful that Miss Murray has been spared from famine, plague and drought. Although not in the so called famine district she writes that prices are exceptionally high, and the natives as a rule are so poor that great suffering is endured by the lower castes for want of food.

Akidu.—It was recommended by Conference in India to divide the estimate for the Akidu Girl's Boarding School, which our Society supports, and give half to Vuyyuru as the Vuyyuru girls do not take advantage of the Akidu school, and to send the boys, who are much more anxious to learn to Akidu. In order to save the expense of a new building the boys' dormitories in Vuyyuru, will be used for the girls.

Mrs. Chute, M.D., reports as follows :

"It has always been very hard to get the girls to come so far. Most of them come over sixty miles and have to walk all the way as there is no cart road and it is out of the question to take the train, as Vuyyuru is 20 miles from the railway at that end and we are about 25 miles from the station at this. Formerly the clothes were an inducement for the girls to come. Yet Vuyyuru girls have never had the chance they should have. Instead of being represented by twenty or more, we have never had more than eight Vuyyuru girls. In spite of all inducements girls will not go so far away from home, they do not care enough for education on the one hand, and on the other the customs of the country are against it. The boys are much more ready to come to school as they hope to make use of their education to earn a living and there is not the objection to their going so far away from home.

"Mr. Stillwell was sorry to part with his boys, but he felt it was a very urgent need to have more educated women to make good wives for his men, so it was decided to send the boys here and keep the girls there, hoping some day, they could get another building. I feel sure it will be a blessing to the women's work, to have two girls' schools."

"We have a trained teacher at last, one of our own boys, Palavarti Samuel, and hope to have our school re-organize in time for the next government examination. This means that we shall not have to send our pupils to other schools in order to pass their exams.

"At present we have 26 girl boarders and 20 boys, besides a number of day scholars.

"Only a very few of them are Christians and it has been much laid upon our hearts to seek to lead them to Christ. For the last two weeks special prayer meetings have been held every day, and yesterday, five of the girls came and asked for baptism and I believe there are others."

Work in Vuyyuru.—Miss McLaurin has asked us to furnish her with the sum of \$160 to build a storeroom or godown, in which to keep her tent, saddle, harness, grain for her pony, etc. A very necessary building, as such accommodation is very scarce at Vuyyuru. When not on tour the lady missionary has no place to put the aforementioned articles and as the tent was provided when Miss Murray was at Vuyyuru, by this Society, the store room is really for the protection of our own property.

The estimate was fully endorsed by Conference in India and the General Board here, so it was decided by your Executive, that in view of the advance expected from the "Forward Movement," we were justified in undertaking this "special."

Miss McLaurin's Report reads as follows :

"And this is the confidence we have in Him. that if we ask anything according to His will, He heareth us."

"Women's work for women, has gone steadily on this year, in and about Vuyyuru. As time goes on and there is very little apparent fruit of one's labors, especially among the heathen women, one realizes how much of the results must remain in obscurity; and one might be tempted to endure sorrow were it not for the conviction that it is God's own work, and must sometime, somewhere, bear fruit at His command.

"We have been much hindered this year by sickness. Each one of the three Bible-women has been quite incapacitated for work at one time or another, for a longer or shorter period. And I have beenmuch touched by their endeavors to work even while they were suffering pain and weakness. I am glad to

report that they are all better and in working order again, though it is apparent that Jane of Bowagunta has failed considerably and will hardly regain full strength.

" In Vuyyuru itself the work has gone on as usual. The Christian women have learned a new Scripture portion, and have attended the weekly prayer meeting at the mission house. This meeting has to be given up when I am on tour, but is held regularly at other times. In one or two of the women there is very apparent growth in grace, at which we greatly rejoice, and many take a great deal of pleasure in the Scripture portions they learn, finding it a comfort to repeat the verses over and over to themselves quietly. One Christian sister whose husband had been ill for over a year and finally died last month, has been drawn much nearer to the Lord by this great trial, has been most regular in her attendance at the meeting; and her calm, even happy face and quiet, brave demeanor all through the anxious months, have excited my admiration and respect, and made me thank God. Among the caste women we have worked whenever we could. We have visited as many Brahmin houses as we could but still cannot say we are established among them. The middle castes still receive us gladly, and not a few women have privately told me they believed Jesus Christ was the one true God, but I doubt whether the conduct of their lives would show that they were following Him. But they take great comfort in learning of Him and some even say they pray to Him.

"Touring.—This year we have revisited many old villages and have entered some new ones. In the month of March we camped at three new places. Two of these were large towns where we had never done work among the caste women, and we had delightful times in each place and were obliged to 'move on' before our work was really done. We went further away from home this year, too, than ever before and roughly speaking, reached a village 28 miles from Vuyyuru. In this village the low-caste, or really outcast, women listened splendidly, but the caste women were so frightened and suspicious that we could do nothing at all. We hope that if we are permitted to go there next year we shall be more favorably received.

"The work among the Christian women on the field is forming and increasing. There are now eight Women's Helpmeet Circles on the field, which meet every month to study a course of the life of Christ and who give a small collection to the Lord's work. Wherever practicable the women are learning Scripture portions. On visiting Jane's village I held a meeting with the women which lasted nearly all the afternoon for there was a full attendance and they all wanted me to hear them recite their portions—some had learned a great many verses—and they had also learned at least three new hymns which I must hear.

Then two of their number had been doing a little independent mission work of their own. They had gone across the river selling onions, and had preached the Gospel as they went, to the caste women of many a new village where the Gospel had never been heard before. How their faces shone as they told of their experiences, and how my eyes filled with happy tears ! I told them they had the honor of being the first missionaries to some of those villages, like Paul. These two missionaries are poor women, they cannot read a word. They preached Christ as they knew Him. Of the eight Circles three are quite new ones, having been founded this year. During the year one Circle has died. I hope we shall be able to revive it during our touring visitation.

It is the desire of my heart to see voluntary workers come forward in the work. Those who love the Lord truly, should surely love to work freely for Him. But women have been 'of no account' so long-for so many centuries-in India, that it seems hard for them to realize that they can or should, do anything but the housework. We have tried to put before the Christian women their privilege and duty as regards spreading the glad tidings among their heathen sisters. Some of the pastors' and teachers' wives are responding, and are a help in the Sunday School work. Some make good leaders for the Helpmeet Societies. Also, there are on the field a few lay sisters, like the two mentioned, who do a good deal of humble but loving service in the way of telling their heathen sisters about their Saviour. Pray that their numbers may greatly increase. I think some of them would be willing to come with me on tour once in a while, as my guest, to help in the work. Each of the three Bible women have toured with me this year. They have all had their turn and have worked faithfully. I ask also, that you pray for them that they may be renewed in physical strength and always be " strengthened with might in the inner man." They continue to be my faithful supporters, and often cheer me with their hearty sympathy and co-operation. During the hot season we had a daily Bible class for a month, on Romans, which they evidently enjoyed and profited by. May the Lord be with us all always, May we be careful to follow where He leads."

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Our Zenana Workers in Cocanada send us their half yearly reports regularly. Their work continues to increase and they ask for our prayers that a rich harvest may follow their labours.

Miss Gibson reports for the first six months ending December, 1899: "A larger number of houses visited than ever before, eighty-six in all out of a total of eighty-eight, making altogether two hundred and twenty-six visits, reaching three hundred or more women. Of these houses, seven were quite new. This is the most encouraging feature of the work, as consequently fresh women are reached, most of whom have never heard the name of Jesus. Many

are being convinced of the truth and in many a home now, idols are not worshiped as they used to be.

"Caste prejudices are broken in a wonderful way. Many have learned, that the zenana worker is more ready to sympathize with them in time of trouble than their own relations and that it is good to lean on a friend, even if they have not accepted that friend's Saviour. Few, if any, resist the truth, almost universal is the verdict 'What you say is truth and no lie. We are deluded, but lack courage to accept the truth and put away the delusion.'"

Miss Beggs writes: "I was specially cheered by the marked interest and spirit of enquiry shown by some of the women, which made it a perfect delight to talk to them. It is true, that some who listened with such eagerness then, are now comparatively indifferent, but there are others who have remained the same and are, I feel, now really believing in Christ. The women and girls whom T have partially taught, have made fair progress in reading. It is pleasing to notice several, who at the beginning of the year, evidently took little interest in their Bible, reading, not merely for the sake of learning, but because they enjoy it, asking questions and otherwise showing that the mind is not apathetic.

"Sixty-nine houses visited during the first half year and 72 during the second."

In financial results the Society reports for the year, total receipts of $\$_{1,740.56}$, as compared with $\$_{1,669.04}$ last year, showing a gain of $\$_{71.52}$.

When we pledged ourselves a year ago to do all that we could to help on the "Forward Movement," there were few of us apparently, who did not think but that we could raise the one-fifth allowance for which we resolved to have our Circles endeavour.

We have failed in coming up to this standard, through many of the Circles and Bands having sent their "extras" through other sources. It is certainly not for us to såy, with whom the blame lies. Let each of us here present, strive so that it may be written of her as of another worker: "Say not she did well or ill, only, she did her best." The signs of promise for the future abound and it is our purpose to plead for a continued advance movement for "Jesus' sake."

In conclusion our earnest prayer is that these meetings may have the result of sending us away with the determination to do the work of the Lord with more consecration than ever, and that we may be more faithful to the great task that has been committed to us.

> Respectfully submitted, ETHEL CLAXTON AYER. Cor. Sec.

"Christianity is not a terminus but a progress."-Robert E. Speer.

REPORT OF THE RECORDING SECRETARY OF THE W. B. F. M. S. OF EASTERN ONTARIO AND QUE-BEC FOR YEAR ENDING OCTOBER, 1900.

Four regular quarterly meetings of the Executive Board have been held during the year with an average attendance of 14.

Two special meetings were also held, one in May, the other in July. At the former the Rev. J. G. Brown, Secretary for Foreign Missions, was present, He gave a very interesting talk about the Akidu and Vuyyuru schools, and work on some of the fields.

Reports from the Misses Beggs and Gibson, also letters from Miss Murray, Miss McLaurin, and Dr. Pearl Chute, have been read and much enjoyed.

As the ladies appointed by the Board, to attend the World's Conference held in New York, May. 1900, found it impossible to go, Miss Baskerville was asked to be our representative, as well as that of the Western Society. This she readily consented to do, and we had the honor of having a missionary delegate, at the greatest Foreign Missionary Conference ever held. The report, which was read at the June Board meeting, proved unusually interesting.

Through the removal of Mrs. Graham from Montreal, the Eastern Association was left without a a Directress, and Mrs. F. B. Smith was appointed to represent us, at this Association held in June and to preside at the meeting.

Three new "life-members" have been added to the list this year, Mrs. Vaux, of Brockville, Mrs. Burgess also of Brockville, and Mrs. Utting, of Olivet Circle, Montreal.

Respectfully submitted, FLORENCE TESTER, Rec. Sec.

TREASURER'S REPORT.-W. B. F. M. SOCIETY OF EASTERN ONTARIO AND QUEBEC.

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Brockville C., \$155.25 (including 2 life members); Girls'	8 00
M. B., \$30; Famine Fund, \$6.80	
Breadalbane C , including \$5, Dr. Hulet's Expenses	192 05
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Clarence C.	20 50
Clarendon C	82 00
Carillon S. S.	4 00
Delta	2 00
Divville	21 00
Dixville	5 00
Drummond	8 50
Dempson	12 00
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Ringston, First Church, 830; M. B., 817	53 00-
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Lanark C.	9 20
Maxville C.	9 00
Magog C.	15 00
Montreal, First Church	48 70
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" Franch Bantist ()	16 00
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DISBURSEMENTS.

Appropriations :

Miss Murray				
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Special for Miss McLaurin's building	160	00		
Bolivia.		61		
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" Dr, Hulet's Fund				
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Lepers, per Miss Hatch	5	00		
Missionary's Travelling Expenses to Conv'n	8	00		
Share of Conv'n Expenses-Printing Badges, etc	1	14		
To Miss Muir, for printing Circulars.	9	50		
To Mr. Bentley, printing Note Heads and Envelopes		25		
Share of Mies Baskerville's Expenses to Ecumenical	0	20		
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Respectfully submitted,

MARY A. SMITH, Treas.

Audited and found correct.

GBORGE FILER, FRANK B. SMITH. October 16, 1900.

NEWS FROM CIRCLES.

DOE LAKE.-Our Mission Circle met at the residence of Sister Cole the last Tuesday in September, and re-elected Officers for the next year. Pres., Mrs. Cole; Vice Pres., Mrs. T. Bingham; Sec., Mrs. P. Alexander; Treas., Mrs. Gilmour ; Agent for LINK and Visitor, Miss E. Alexander. We find it impossible to meet every month as the members are so scattered, but we shall meet as often as the roads and weather will permit. The Sisters are in earnest and love the mission work, and want to do more for the advancement of Christ's Kingdom.

MRS. BINGHAM, Vice Pres.

HARROW (Sept. 14, 1900). - We like to hear from other Circles, so we presume others like to hear from us. Our Mission Circle is small, but going steadily on and we hope will continue to increase in this department of the Master's work. We take up both Home and Foreign work. We have ten members all interested in the cause of Missions, and our meetings are very well attended. Last year we sent to Foreign Missions \$8.85, and also a special contribu tion for Dr. Hulet's expenses to India. Our regular meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month. We take seven LINKS and they are very much appreciated by all the MRS. S. M. SMITH, Pres.

DUTTON .-- With the assistance of Miss Iler and Miss Selman, the Sisters of the Church met and re-organized for work for the Master as a Home and Foreign Mission Circle on August 21st, with a membership of eight. The Officers are : President, Mrs. Wm. Drake ; Secretary, Miss Maggie McLean ; Treasurer, Mrs. F. Peck.

A. S. NEWCOMBE, Dir.

BROOKE .- This Circle though small has done good work during the past year, having raised and given to Missions \$79.83, \$36 68 of this was given to Foreign Missions ; \$39.00 was raised by means of an autograph quilt. The quilt was presented to the pastor's wife. The annual meeting was held in October when an interesting programme was given, collection \$8.00. This Circle has only fourteen members.

HAMILTON. -On Thursday, September 13th, the Ladies' Mission Circle of the Wentworth Street Baptist Church, held an open meeting, in which they were assisted by the Young Ladies' Circle and the Mission Band. The topic of the meeting was, "Missionary Echoes from the Baptist Congress." After an interesting paper on the Congress itself, its objects and aims, given by Mrs. C. W. Upsdell, the echoes therefrom were transmitted to us by Mrs. H. Dexter, as to Manitoba and the North-West; Miss E. Mott, as to Quebec and Grange Ligne ; and Miss A. McKersie and F. A. Wodell, as to our Foreign Fields. As the different fields were mentioned red seals were placed upon outline maps to indicate the locality, and as the scals dotted the

great North-West, Quebec, South America and the Telugu fields, we at least gained some idea of the magnitude of our work. Solos were rendered by Miss Mabel Bailey, Miss M. Stafford and Rev. W. H. Palmer, and, with the choruses by the Young Ladies' Circle and the Mission Band, helped to make a very interesting and profitable meeting.

MRS. H. S. MOORE, Sec.

THE WOMEN'S BAPTIST FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF ONTARIO (WEST).

Receipts from September 16th, to October 15th, 1900, inclusive.

GENERAL ACCOUNT.

FROM CIRCLES. - Aldborough Plains, \$1.63 : Alvinston, \$2.54 ; Ailsa Craig, \$10 75 ; Burk's Falls, \$4.75 ; Brampton, \$4.50; Burgessville, \$6.50; Brooke and Enniskillen, \$2.45; Brampton (towards life-membership), \$8 10; Brantford, First Ch., for Miss MacLeod, \$25; Bellaville, \$4.50; Bloomsburg, \$2; Binbrook, \$6.10; Brantford, Calvary Ch., \$8; Barrie, \$4.48; Bruce, North, \$1.50; Bethel, \$6 53; Brooke (\$3.16, Annual Meeting Collection), \$10; Beamsville (\$8, for Deborah), \$15.25; Caistor, \$4; Cheltenham (\$17, for Barnabas Manikyam), \$24.08; Calvary, \$9; Cobourg, \$10; Cramahe, \$2; Colchester, \$7; Chatham, \$2.30; Durham, \$5; DeCewsville, \$4; Delhi, \$4.50; Erin, \$3; Freelton, \$3; Fort William, \$1.75; Glammis, \$3.33; Guelph, First Ch., \$4.37; Gilmour Memorial Ch., \$10; Goodwood, \$3; Guelph, Trinity Ch., \$9.50; Georgetown, \$5; Harrow, \$3.17; do., special, \$5; Hamilton, Victoria Ave., \$4.55; do., James St., \$16.30; do., Herkimer St., \$6; do., Wentworth St., \$3.75; Hillsburgh, \$2; Ingersoll, \$4; Jaffa (\$1.45 from some little boys), \$3.20; Kenilworth, \$12.70; Kincardine, \$5; Listowel, \$1.75; Lindsay, \$12.13; Lakeshore, Calvary, \$12.80 : Lakefield, \$8; London, South, \$6 60; do., Talbot St., \$11.50; do., Adelaidc St., \$14.65; Markham, Second, \$5.48; Malahide and Bayham, \$5; Norwood, \$1.20; Norwich, \$10; Orangeville, \$13; Oxford, East, \$9.35; Port Perry, \$4.50; Petrolea (\$2.05 from Thank-offering), \$10.21; Paisley, \$3; Peterborough, Murray St. (\$16.13 Thank offering), \$32.13; Poplar Hill, \$4; Port Burwell, \$4; Port Colborne, \$5.50; Port Hope, \$9; Port Rowan, \$2 85; Paris, \$12.65; St. Mary's \$1.70; Stratford, \$6.40; St. Thomas Centre St. (\$3.90 from meeting addressed by Miss Baskerville), \$17.98; Stayner, \$1.07; Stouffville, \$10; Sault Ste. Marie, \$3; St. George, \$4 15; Scotland, \$7; St. Catharines, Queen St., \$5; do., Lyman St, \$6.50; Shedden, \$4.28; Salford, \$5.50; Selwyn, \$6.23; Tiverton, \$6; Teeswater, \$3.50; Toronto, Bloor St., \$39; do. do., Y. W. Auxiliary, \$2.20; do., Immanuel Ch., \$10.70; do., Parliament St., \$6.25; do. do., for famine, \$1; do., Jarvis St., \$36.09; do. do., \$62 68; do., Walmer Rd., \$11.16; do., First Ave., \$8.50 ; foronto Junction, \$4.87 ; Uxbridge, \$2.75; do., \$1.15; Waterford, \$4; Whitevale, \$3.05; Wilkesport, \$2; Woodstock, First Ch., \$13.50; Wyoming. \$7.15; do, Y. L., \$1.74: Wheatley, \$2.70; Wingham, \$1.32; York Mills, \$3.17. Total, \$817.67.

FROM BANDS.-Bardsville, for T. Ramaswami and Karre Daniel, \$8.50; Bracebridge, for Matsa Sundramma, \$5; Cheltenham, \$1.10; Dundas, \$3.50; Gilmour Memorial Ch., for Lydia, \$12; Guelph, First Ch., \$7; Hamilton, Went. worth St., for Maddukuri Annamma, \$17; Lakefield (\$3, for Bolivia), \$9; London, Adelaide St., Y. P., for student support, \$4.90; Norwich, \$2; Port Hope (\$25, talent money), \$29; do. do., Baby Band, for lepers, \$1.40; Pine Grove, \$4; Peterborough, Park St., \$2.55; Port Arthur, for Nicodemus Gabriel, \$4.25; Paris, \$7.50; St. Catharines, Queen St., for Pennamatsa Venkanna, \$2; do., for famine, \$15; Springford, \$2.95; St. Mary's, for Govadi Appalamma, \$5.50; St. George, for Sarla Kannamma, \$6 ; Scotland, \$1 ; Shedden, \$1.32; Toronto, Christie St. Mission, \$4; do. College St. Y. W., for Degala Mary, \$5; Wheatley, 95c. ; Waterford, \$3.11. Total, \$165.53.

FROM SUNDRIES .- Ayr, Ladies' Aid, \$2; Bracebridge, B. Y. P. U., for Matsa Sundramma, \$5; Burtch, B. Y. P. U., for Natti Peter John, \$3.50; Listowel, Miss Hetherington's Class, \$1; London, Talbot St., Y. P. S. C. E., \$3.03; St. Thomas, Jr. Y. P. S. C. E., for Mantada David, \$5.50; Sprucedale, S. S., for Miss Priest, \$2.50; Tyneside, meeting addressed by Miss Baskerville, \$2.40; Toronto, Immanuel Ch., Jr. Y. P. S. C. E. (\$2 for Bolivia), \$4 ; Investment - Commercial Cable coupon, \$10 ; L. E. F., \$2 ; "A. W.," \$5; "S.," \$50. Total, \$95.93. Total receipts during the month \$1079 13 DISBURSEMENTS-By General Treasurer : For regular work \$ 488 98 Extras :- Bal. of special appropriation for 20 75 village schools..... 2 50 Miss Priest, from Sprucedale S. S. 1 40 Leper work, Port Hope Baby Band Famine Relief-London, Maitland St. Senior M. B. \$5 00 Do. St. Catharines, Queen St. M.B... 15 00 20 00 \$ 533 63 Total...... Home Expenses :--Coll. on cheque from Commercial Cable Co... 15 Total disbursements during the month\$ 533 78 Total receipts for famine relief since May 1, 1900..\$ 300 95 do. Mission work do. do. .. 2366 78 Dom Total disbursements since May 1, 1900..... 3537 93 SPECIAL ACCOUNT-" Medical Lady " Fund :--FROM CIRCLES. - Barrie, \$5; Hamilton, Victoria Ave., \$2.60; Hamilton, Wentworth St., Y. L., \$1.20; Lindsay, \$3.90; Norwich, \$5; Peterboro', Murray St., additional, \$3.30; Petrolea, \$3.78; Paisley, \$4.38; St. George, \$20; .\$ 54 16 do., \$5. Total..... FROM BANDS .- Petrolea, a class of boys 5 25

FROM SUNDRIES. - Norwich Ch., Coll. at farewell

VIOLET ELLIOT, Treasurer.

109 Pembroke St., Toronto.

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Completing the Statement to the close of the Books for the Convention.

GENERAL ACCOUNT.

FROM CIRCLES. - Avlmer (\$34.10 for Life-membership, including \$13 for Thank-offering and \$13.47, meeting addressed by Miss Baskerville), \$52.30; Acton, \$1.75; Brantford, Park Ch., \$29.14 ; Bobcaygeon, \$3.80 ; Brantford, First Ch., Y.L. \$10; Boston (\$10 Thank-offering), \$20; \$Brooklin, \$4.30; Denfield, \$5.49; Dundas, \$3.60; Flesherton, \$3; Gilmour Memorial Ch. (\$2.87, Thank-offering), \$4; Galt (\$4 90 special, \$14.15; Gladstone, \$4.15; Haldimand, \$4.70; London, Maitland St., \$3.51; Mt. Forest (2 40 for Bolivia), \$9 09 ; Nissouri, West, \$3 ; New Sarum, \$5.50 ; Onondaga, First, \$3.30; Ridgetown, \$5.90; Sarnia, \$8; Sarnia, Y. L., \$5.50; Simcoe Y. L., \$6 30; Sullivan, 50c., Stouffville, \$3.80; Sparta, \$3.40; Stroud, \$3; Strathroy, \$5.25; Toronto, Dovercourt Rd., \$8 65; Beverley St., \$12.60; College St., \$11.35; Tilsonburg, \$8.50; Toronto, Sheridan Ave, \$1.30; Waterford, \$4; Westover, \$3; Westover from Mrs. Jessie M. Shaver. Worcester, Mass., to make herself a Life-member, \$25; Whitby, \$3 50; Wallaceburg, \$2; Walkerton, \$6.35. Total, \$312.68.

FROM BANDS. — Brantford, Calvary Ch., \$6; Brantford, Park Ch., \$5.50; Boston for Pendurti Joseph, \$6; Bewdley (\$2 for Bolivia), \$4; Brooklin, \$3 35; DeCewsville, 68c.; Haldimand, \$1; Lindsay, for Bonn Krupavarti, \$10; Lon don, Adelaide St., Junior, \$3; New Sarum, for student support. \$5.50; Owen Sound, Baby Band, for Bolivia, \$1; Peterboro', Murray St., \$5.40; Peterboro', Baby Band, \$1; Paialey for Kandala Esther, \$8.50; Port Rowan, \$1.69; Simcoe, \$1.20; Townsend Centre, \$5.20; Toronto, College St., Junior, \$2.25. Total, \$71.27.

FROM SUNDRIES.—Brantford, First Ch., Jr. B. Y. P. U., (\$8.50 for student), \$13; Ridgetown, Jr. B. Y. P. U., for Surla Salome, \$12.09. Total, \$25 09. Total receipts during the five days, \$400 04.

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REPORT OF MISSION BANDS OF EASTERN ONTARIO AND QUEBEC.

It is my pleasant duty to report an increased membership in the Bands, and that one new Band has been organized at Almonte. Some of the Bands have not reported, but from those who have, we learn that the total receipts are \$58.26 more than last year. Five of the Band have taken part in the Forward Movement, but some others show a slight decrease in their contributions. As a good deal of the money reported as sent to India and Bolivia had not gone to our Treasurer, it does not appear in the financial statement. For some unexplained reason the amount sent to Home Missions is smaller than last year and some of the money was not sent to our Home Treasurer.

CANADA CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.

Allan's Mills.—This little Band, that at its best had only 19 members, has supported a student at Samulcotta for years; and now he is a preacher, has sent \$21 towards his salary.

Brockville.—One of our largest and most successful Bands. It has a membership of 91 which is 14 more than last year. They have sent \$30 to India for the support of two students at Akidu, \$6 for Famine Fund, and given \$14.81 to Home Missions.

Delta.—This Band has doubled its contributions this year. It numbers 15 and has given \$11 toward the support of a student at Akidu.

Kingston, First Church.—The whole school isincluded in a share in this Band as the collections are made in the classes. There are sixty contributions and of the \$22 raised, \$17 was for the support of a student at Samulcotta and \$5 was sent to Bolivia.

Kingston, Union Street.—The Band which includes the children, and the Auxiliary work together to support a student at Akidu, and have given \$16.36 for that purpose. The Auxiliary numbers 15 and the Band 30.

Perth.—A student at Akidu has been supported for years and now this Band is paying his expenses at Samulcotta College and have given \$15 for that purpose. Membership 43.

Smith's Falls.-\$15 was given to suppor a student at Akidu and \$1 to Bolivia. \$1 to each of the branches of the

Home Society Home, Grand Ligne, and North West. Membership 45.

Westport. ---With only 16 working and 9 honorary members, \$25 has been contributed. The same as last year with a membership of 30. \$15 for a student at Samulcotta, \$5 to Home and \$5 to Grande Ligne.

Cornwall.-No report.

Almonte.-- A Band was organized here last May with a membership of 19.

OTTAWA ASSOCIATION.

Ottawa, First Church.—This Band continues to grow, numbering now 90. The contributions show an increase of \$22.95 over last year being \$79.95. \$40 was sent to Foreign and the balance to Home, divided as follows : Home, \$24; Grande Ligne, \$6.62; North West, \$9.33. Two students are supported at Akida.

Ottawa, McPhail Memorial.—Owing to the disastrous fire, which caused the removal of a large number of families, this Band has lost nearly half its members. The contributions, however, show only a slight decrease. Given to Foreign to support a student at Samulcotta, \$17, to Home \$10. Membership 75.

Winchester. — The small Band of 9 members has been interested in Bolivia and given \$5 to that mission.

Thurso.—About 8 children meet with the Circle and have given \$7.20 to Foreign Missions.

Osgoode.-The membership is 49, contributions \$26 divided thus, \$13 for student at Akidu, \$5 for Home, \$4 for Grande Ligne, \$4 for North West.

Roxboro.—The five dollars raised by this Band of 22 members was divided between Home and Foreign Missions.

Rockland. — While the membership has increased only two, numbering now 37, the contributions have nearly doubled. A student at Akidu is supported. Given to Foreign, \$23; to Home, \$5.

Kenmore.—Sent to Bolivia, \$5; to Home, \$2.50; to Grand Ligne, \$4.

EASTERN ASSOCIATION.

Montreal, Olivet.-Membership 60. The contributions were \$45, an increase of a fifth over last year; divided equally between Foreign and Grand Ligne.

Montreal, Grace — This Band has a membership of 53, and has given to India \$23, to Bolivia \$6.50. A student is supported at Akidu.

Montreal, Point St. Charles.—The receipts show an increase over last year of a half. Sent for a Student at Akidu \$18.75 and for the building fund of the church, \$7. Membership 25.

Sowyerville.—Number of members 28; contributed for a student at Akidu \$15, to Home Missions \$2.83.

Quebec.—This Band has a membership of 30, and in addition to giving \$22 to Foreign Missions, and \$10 to Home, \$20 was sent to the Famine Fund. They provide for a student at Akidu.

Twenty-Two Bands have reported and from them we

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find that 910 young people are engaged in this work. Total amount raised, \$531.76. For Foreign Missions, \$396.61; for missions in Canada, \$135.15.

Respectfully submitted, AMELIA MUIR.

Montreal, Oct. 1st, 1900

NEWS FROM BANDS.

PETERBORO, MURRAY STREET. --- We held our annual meeting of the Band on Sunday, September 23rd, at 4.15 o'clock, with the President in the chair.

After the usual opening exercises, the annual reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read, and a report of the Baby Band given, after which the roll was called, and each one came forward and paid their fees. The officers for the one came forward and paid their rees. The omeers for the ensuing year were then elected as follows: President, Miss Roberts; Vice-President, Annie Croly; Treasurer, Ella Cochrane; Secretary, Ada Bradshaw; Organist, Mabel Routley. A committee was also appointed to work with the officers, namely, Miss Ada Aldridge and Nettie Harding.

Our newly-elected President, Miss Roberts, then took the chair, and we were favored by an address from the President of the mission Circle and former President of our Band. Mrs. Dr. Scott. Mrs. J. Bastow was then called upon for a short address also, and spoke to us of the work our Band had done, and the work it was about to do, this coming year. Mrs Bastow had just finished speaking, when Hathlaw

Martin stepped forward, and presented her, on behalf of the Band, with a beautifully framed certificate of life membership for Home Missions, costing \$10 while Miss Nettie Harding read the address. Mrs. Bastow was completely taken by surprise, but made a very fitting reply, thanking the Band for their kind remembrance to her as one of their workers.

Before the meeting closed, a hearty vote of thanks was given unanimously, to Miss Ada Aldridge, our former Presi-dent, for the valuable services she rendered to the Band for many years, and for her untiring efforts in this work at all times

Altogether our meeting was a good one, the attendance being very large and the proceeds (fees and collections) amounted to \$9.12 cents.

Our Secretary's report of the work of the year is as follows : The Mission Band this year has done very good work. We have held meetings once every month on Sunday morning at ten o'clock, with an average attendance of twenty. We have fifty names on the roll, twelve new names added this year.

At our meetings we have taken up the study of the mis-sionaries, and their work in the different fields, also the habits and customs of the natives.

Besides this work we have had weekly sewing classes, which were very well attended. At these meetings we made quilts to send away at Christmas time. We have had two social gatherings of the Band, one in January when the mission boxes were brought in and opened, then we had a very interesting programme, after which refreshments were served to the members of the Band. The other meeting was in the form of a picnic or party which we held at Inverlea Park. It was instead of our birthday party, and there were rars. Is was instead of our ortroday party, and there were quite a number present, and all brought their birthday offer-ing, and a very enjoyable time was spont.

not better than the past.

The Treasurer reports as follows : Amount sent to Home Missions, \$17.76; amount sent to Foreign Missions, \$47.32. Baby Band report : Amount sent to Home Missions, \$2.10 ; amount sent to Foreign Missions, \$2.11. Total amount raised, \$69.29. Of this \$25 goes to support our Bible woman; \$10 for our medical lady, and \$5.80 for Leper Fund.

ADA BRADSHAW AND MABEL HARDING.

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