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WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY, PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA
(WESTERN DIVISION.)

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Subjects for Prayer.

November.—New Hebrides, Native Teachers. Mission work in other islands of the sea.

"He shall not fail nor be discouraged, till he have set judgment in the earth ; and the isles shall wait for his law."—Isa. xlii. 4.

Names of Missionaries.

Rev. J. W. McKenzie, Efate; Rev. H. A. Robertson, Erromanga; Rev. Joseph Annand, Santo.

HOME DEPARTMENT Increase.

Presbyterial Societies.

BARRIE.....Oro Central Church Auxiliary.

" " Guthrie " "

" " "Earnest Helpers" M. B. Central Ch.

" " "Willing Workers" M. B. Guthrie Ch.

BROCKVILLE Ventnor Auxiliary.
LINDSAY Glenarm Auxiliary.
LONDON. West Lorne Auxiliary.
" Appin Auxiliary.
" Tait's Corners' Auxiliary.
OTTAWA Kinburn Auxiliary reorganized.
PETERBOROUGH Millbrooke Auxiliary.
PARIS First Presbyterian Church Auxiliary.

Life Members.

Miss Ann McMillan, Largie.
Mrs. Urquhart, Brandon.
Mrs. C. H. Cooke, St. Andrew's Auxiliary, Smith's Falls.
Miss Jane Henry, Agiacourt.
Miss M. Grant Fraser, M.D., Mhow, India.
Mrs. Garvin, St. Paul's Church, Peterborough.
Mrs. John Shearer, Knox Church, Ottawa.
M. J. McLean, Blyth.

Treasurer's Monthly Statement.

RECEIPTS

Balance in bank, Sept. 11th	\$144 56
Bruce Presbyterial Society	603 25
Orangeville Presbyterial Society	140 00
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	\$887 81

EXPENDITURE.

Postage on Life Membership Certificates	\$ 1 50
Secretary of Supplies, postage, etc.	2 50
Foreign Secretary, postage	1 00
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	\$ 5 00
Balance in bank, Oct. 9th	882 81
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	\$887 81

E. MAOLENNAN, Treasurer.

New Publications.

Mrs. Telfer has on hand a few copies of "Mr. Greatheart," a bright and graphic sketch of the life and work of Mr. Geddie, the first foreign missionary of the Canadian Church. Leaders of Mission Bands will find this little pamphlet helpful and inspiring. It is written specially for the young and will not fail to interest them. It is published by the Woman's Board of New York, and if sufficient orders are sent in, Mrs. Telfer will obtain a larger supply at once. Price, 20 cents each.

"The Measuring Rod" is the title of still another Leaflet just published. This also will be found most suitable for circulation in Mission Bands. Price 8 cents per dozen.

Report of the Deputation to the North-West.

Being appointed by the Board, with the approval of the Society expressed at its last annual meeting, and solemnly set apart by prayer and words of loving counsel to the work of visiting the Indian Missions and schools connected with our Church in Manitoba and the Territories, we left Toronto with this object in view on the first day of August. The good hand of our God was upon us, and His watchful care surrounded us in all our journeyings, so that we reached home, after seven weeks of almost continuous travel, on the 18th of September. During this period we had travelled 4,300 miles by railway and steamboat and over 600 by trail. The weather was excessively hot in August, but in September it was pleasantly cool. Through the kindness of Rev. Prof. A. B. Baird (Joint Convener with Rev. Prof. Hart, of the North-West Foreign Mission Committee), who had prepared for us, at the expense of much time and trouble, an itinerary, we were relieved of *all* thought regarding details, dates of visits, entertainment, etc.

OFFICIAL MEETING WITH THE FOREIGN MISSION COMMITTEE.—

Upon our arrival at Winnipeg, we were invited to meet with the Executive Committee of the Foreign Mission Committee of the North-West. This Committee welcomed us most heartily, and considered at length the instructions received by us from our Board, which comprehended attention to the following points, namely:—An arrangement with the Committee, whereby our Board might receive applications for Mission service in the North-West and consider qualifications of applicants, whom we might recommend or otherwise; a request for more regular correspondence with the missionaries, and a yearly official statement from them of work done; the securing of information from ordained missionaries as to the general Mission work done in the various Reserves; information from teachers, matrons, etc., as to the amount of educational and industrial work accomplished in the schools; the strengthening of the bond of sympathy and co-operation between the members of our Board and the workers; opinions as to the best methods of transferring children from one school to another, the granting of holidays etc; and information as to the quantity, quality and methods of distributing the clothing and supplies sent to the reserves and schools, by our Society, comprising the following questions:—

1. Was the supply of clothing sufficient last year? If not, what was deficient? What was left over, and what use can be made of it? How about the supply of quilts and blankets?
2. To what extent are the children in the schools dependent on the clothing sent by the W.F.M.S.?
3. Could the Indian women make the pants, coats, dresses, etc, if paid for the work in goods?
4. What is the proper time to send supplies?
5. What medical aid is provided?
6. What is the number of able-bodied men and women who, while willing to pay for clothing either in work or supplies for the Mission, are dependent on the clothing sent by

the W.F.M.S.? 7. What household comforts are provided for the lady teachers?

The Deputation was also instructed to make the best disposal possible of any supplies which they might find unused.

The Committee graciously granted all the requests made, and authorized us to collect the desired information from the missionaries, teachers and helpers at the various reserves and schools, and heartily commended our Society for its action in sending the delegation.

It was arranged that we should report to the Foreign Mission Committee before presenting an official statement to our Board. This was done through Rev. Prof. Baird, who met us at Regina, and accompanied us to Prince Albert and Mistawasis.

OUR MISSIONARIES. -- For years we have enjoyed the privilege of corresponding with the workers in this field ; it is not surprising, therefore, that the pleasure of seeing them face to face and of conversing with them upon the things of the Kingdom, was very great. Speaking generally, we found the members of the Mission staff in the North-West to be men and women of purpose and prayer, of earnestness, patience and devotion, far beyond the average ; indeed many of them are denying self and sacrificing personal interests to an almost unprecedented degree. Incidentally we learned that some of our missionaries have systematically, for a number of years, expended all their salaries in supplying the needs of the Indians, and in almost every mission-home, the wants of our famishing Indian brethren and sisters are supplied with a free and loving hand.

THE INDIANS. -- The Mission work of our Church is principally among the Cree, Sioux, Ojibewas, Dacotah, and Salteaux Indians. At Okanase, Mistawasis and Birdtail the communicants are numerous, and these Reserves may be spoken

of as nominally Christian, others are more or less Christianized, and, again, others are entirely Pagan. The Christian Indians are generally industrious, occupying themselves with farmwork, etc. The Pagan Indians are not, as a rule, engaged in farming, preferring to pick up a precarious living by hunting, fishing, digging roots, selling berries, mats, etc. They are often very poor and abject. The difference between the Christian women and the Pagan women is most marked, the one class being bright, intelligent, clean and well dressed, the other, low, morally and intellectually, frivolous and superstitious.

GENERAL MISSION WORK.—The Indian communicants in Manitoba and the Territories number 197, nearly one hundred of these being found at Okanase and Mistawasis. The evangelistic part of the work is probably the most discouraging. The Indians listen to the "good words" of the missionary, they say that they believe in Jesus, and desire to worship the "Great Manitou," but they still cling to their old superstitions, and do not come out openly and decidedly on the Lord's side. It is to be feared that many who say they believe, have not been quickened by the Spirit. In answer to prayer, the Holy Spirit is poured out; then let the members of our Society wait upon God, with persevering earnestness for the power of the Spirit, to accompany the word preached so faithfully to the Indians. At Portage la Prairie a site for a new church has been selected and the plans and specifications accepted. Mr. R. Brown is a great assistance to our lady missionaries in the Gospel work among the adult Indians. At Crowstand a new church is in course of erection, and the Indian women there have raised a fund of \$30 for the furnishings. Instruction to the adult Indians in the Syllabic character is recommended by many workers.

THE EDUCATIONAL AND INDUSTRIAL WORK.—We visited three day schools, five boarding schools, and the large industrial

establishment at Regina, generally spending several hours in each one. Three things were very apparent; namely, that the teachers, without exception, are of a high grade of excellence; that the English and industrial training are both first-class, and that the religious instruction of the pupils is always kept in the foreground. At Regina we found 125 children, including young men and women, enjoying the very best advantages and facilities for education in English and the trades; and without doubt all those interested in the great problem of Indian education will look with solicitude for the results of this new departure in the Indian school work of the Presbyterian Church. We inspected as closely as possible the plans and methods adopted in the day and boarding schools of the Reserves, and highly commend these schools as occupying an important place, especially in the education of those children who are too young to learn trades, or those who desire simply to make preparation for housekeeping, dress-making or farming. In all the boarding schools, farm, garden, dairy, and household work, sewing, knitting, etc., are taught, and some of these departments are not neglected even in the day schools.

BUILDINGS.—In most instances these are good, and fairly well adapted for the work. At Portage la Prairie the residence (the school is held in a neat wooden building adjacent) is overcrowded, and consequently in many respects uncomfortable. Our new building at Birtle is substantial, comfortable and commodious; excellent stone buildings are also to be found at Crowstand, File Hills and Lakesend. The buildings at Round Lake are of wood, well built, and commodious, a large portion being unoccupied at present, on account of the policy of the Government in reducing the number maintained by the Department to 20. At File Hills, five children, in addition to the number now maintained by the Department, which is ten, can be accommodated. We have

advised that additional pupils shall be supported at these schools by our Society. The school at Lakesend has been closed partly on account of its proximity to Regina, but as the latter school is now full, we have advised its re-opening. Should the Foreign Mission Committee deem this undesirable, some suitable disposal will be made of the building.

TH. TRANSFERRING OF PUPILS.—After formal conversations with the principals of schools, teachers, etc., we have reached the conclusion, that a regular system of grading should be adopted in our Indian school work; that children should be promoted to the Boarding school, and from thence to the Industrial school, after attaining a certain standard, either of age or proficiency.

HOLIDAYS.—Considerable difference of opinion prevails on this question; but all are agreed that children should visit their parents, at least, once a year, as it is better both for parent and child to preserve, to some degree, home ties and affections.

MEETINGS WITH INDIANS.—We had the privilege of attending the public worship of God several times with the Christian Indians. We also had opportunities of meeting, on many occasions (frequently by special invitation), with the chiefs and head men of particular bands. At all these receptions we were treated with the utmost respect and courtesy, the proceedings being generally marked with the greatest dignity and decorum. The addresses of these men were often eloquent and touching, and very pathetic were the allusions to the benefits received from our Society. At Birdtail, we were met by a number of the representatives of the Indian Woman's Auxiliary of the W.F.M.S., who addressed to us most gracious words of welcome. To these we responded, conveying to them appropriate words of kindly greeting from our Society.

THE PIPESTONE RESERVE.—At the special request of the A. M. Committee, we visited this Reserve, with the pastor of the Presbyterian congregation at Virden, and a number of the members of the Christian Endeavor Society, who have taken a very practical interest in the founding of this Mission. The F. M. Committee, at the request of the Society of Christian Endeavor, has now taken supervision of the work, and Mr. Peter Hurter, formerly of Birdtail, has been employed as missionary. We were much impressed with the possibilities of future work here, and have advised the erection of a small church and school building, with rooms upstairs for the use of the missionary teacher.

THE SUPPLIES.—The supply of clothing sent last year to the different schools and Reserves was large, and nearly all the missionaries reported a sufficiency. On one or two Reserves less would have done, while others were rather short, but with the information we gained a more equitable distribution may be made in future. The supply of boys' clothing is usually short, also boots and loose jackets and skirts for women. All supplies left over were examined. These consisted principally of short tight-fitting jackets, some clothing too much worn to be used, and yarn which had been neither doubled nor twisted, and was consequently not ready for use. If our members, in sending out supplies, would bear in mind that the missionaries and teachers, in many cases, have not only to teach the children under their care, but also to feed and clothe them, and all this with very little assistance, they would be more careful to have the clothing in such a shape as to cause as little labor as possible. The short, tight-fitting jackets, as they could not be used by the Indians, were to be given in payment for knitting and sewing for the missions, done by some poor white people. The supply of quilts was large, but there were

not many blankets. The quilts are a great blessing to the poor Indians, and are highly appreciated by our missionaries as affording them a means of lessening the great suffering caused by the extreme cold; indeed, in some cases we were told we could not send them too many. One of the missionaries, in relating some of his experiences in this connection, told us of an occasion when he had once passed a night in an Indian winter house. Though wrapped in his fur coat and robes, he felt the cold intensely, while all through the night he could hear the poor Indians shivering and sobbing with the cold.

The children in the schools are entirely dependent on the clothing sent by our Society, as the sum paid for maintenance, by the Government, is not sufficient to meet this in addition to other necessary expenses of the schools, and the parents are unable to provide anything except, occasionally, a pair of moccasins.

On the Reserves that have been for some time under the care of the missionaries, the women are able to make some of the clothing for the children in the school. They are glad to do this or any other work in return for clothing.

In the opinion of our missionaries, the end of September or during October is the best time to send clothing. If sent earlier, the Indians are anxious to get it before the cold weather, and it is worn out before spring.

Medical aid is nominally given on all the Reserves, and some of the schools are visited periodically by a physician.

There are a great many able-bodied Indians (men and women) who, while willing to pay for clothing, either in work or supplies for the Mission, are, owing to the circumstances of the country really dependent on what is sent by the W.F.M.S. The difficulty in securing employment by which to earn necessary food

and clothing is great, owing to the sparseness of the population, the uncertainty of the crops, caused by frost, hail and drought, and the disappearance of all large game upon which the Indians depended for both food and clothing.

In a recent letter from one of our Societies, the question was asked:—"Is it worth all the labor and expense involved in sending this clothing?" From the Indians' and the missionaries' standpoint, it certainly is; indeed the missionaries all stated that they could not carry on their work without it. The white men have taken the Indians' land, they have killed or driven away their game, and it certainly is not too much to ask that we help to provide food and clothing for these poor pagans, till they become accustomed to their changed conditions.

VISITS TO AUXILIARY SOCIETIES.—Not the least pleasant part of our work was the opportunity afforded us of visiting the Auxiliaries of Portage la Prairie, Brandon and Winnipeg. The meeting at Winnipeg was a Union meeting of all the Auxiliaries in the city, one of the Presbyterial officers presiding, and both here and at Brandon the Presbyterial officers were many of them present. We were much cheered and encouraged by these large gatherings.

It is impossible for us to recount the many kindnesses received, and the many attentions bestowed upon us, by kind friends, during the entire journey. Suffice it to say, that officers and members of the Foreign Mission Committee, Auxiliaries, missionaries and teachers, pastors and people, our Indian brethren and sisters, and the children in the schools, vied with one another in showering courteous, loving attentions upon us, the representatives of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

L. M. HARVIE.
C. M. JEFFREY.

Expenditures for the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society by the Foreign Mission Committee, 1893-94.

INDIA.

SALARIES.

Miss Ross.....	\$	730	00
“ Sinclair.....		730	00
“ Jamieson.....		730	00
“ Fraser, M.D.....		730	00
“ McWilliams.....		312	00
“ O'Hara, M.D.....		730	00
“ Calder.....		730	00
“ Turnbull, M.D.....		730	00
“ Oliver, M.D. ..		94	00
“ McKellar, M.D.....		730	00
“ Duncan.....		730	00
“ White, five months..		304	00
“ Dougan “ “ ..		304	00
“ Grier “ “ ..		304	00
		—————	\$7,888

ON ACCOUNT OF MISSIONARY WORK.

Miss Jamieson.....	\$	340	73
“ McKellar, M.D. . .		746	37
“ Duncan		133	35
“ Sinclair ...		791	53
“ O'Hara, M.D.....	1,257	20	
“ Turnbull, M.D.....		130	90
“ Ross.....		889	00
“ Fraser, M.D.....		718	90
“ Calder.....		57	44
“ White.....		4	20
“ Dougan		5	60
“ Grier.....		4	20
Mrs. J. F. Campbell		124	95
“ Dr. Mary Buchanan		245	35
“ J. Wilkie.....		168	88
		—————	\$5,618 60

Miss Oliver, M.D., furlough.....	\$ 300 00	
Travelling expenses.....	350 00	
	<u> </u>	\$ 650 00
Miss McWilliams, salary, add'l..	185 00	
" Travelling expenses.	350 00	
" Expenses at Indore.	100 00	
	<u> </u>	\$ 635 00

NEW MISSIONARIES.

Miss Grier, outfit and trav'lg. exp's.	\$600 00	
" Dogan, " " " "	600 00	
" White, outfit and travel-		
ling expenses.....	\$600 00	
From Lethbridge to Toronto.	50 00	
	<u> </u>	\$650 00
	<u> </u>	\$1,850 00
	<u> </u>	\$16,641 60

CHINA.

FORMOSA.

Matrons and Bible Women.....	\$715 65	
Coolies for Girls' School ...	93 52	
Food for Girls in School.....	44 50	
Necessary repairs	310 27	
Hymn books, etc.....	50 00	
	<u> </u>	\$1,213 94

HONAN.

Miss McIntosh, salary.....	\$500 00	
Proportion of general expenses....	287 78	
	<u> </u>	\$ 787 78
	<u> </u>	\$ 2,001 72

ALBERNI, B.C.

Salaries of ladies	\$ 720 00	
Maintenance	1,028 99	
Miss Johnston's travelling expenses	75 15	
School building accounts.	55 15	
Cow and other necessaries for Ms'sn	200 00	
	<u> </u>	\$ 2,079 29

NORTH-WEST.

MISTAWASIS.

Miss L. M. McIntosh	\$ 75 00	
Mrs. C. B. Mills.	33 34	
D. H. MacVicar.....	152 05	
	—————	\$ 260 39

OKANASE.

Miss M. S. McIntosh.....	\$ 111 16	
	—————	\$ 111 16

ROUND LAKE.

W. McKenzie	\$ 225 00	
William Sahlmark.....	225 00	
Maintenance.....	200 00	
	—————	\$ 650 00

FILE HILLS.

Alexander Skene.....	\$ 700 00	
Building.....	56 57	
Furnishing	42 15	
Service and interpreting	90 00	
	—————	\$ 888 72

CROWSTAND.

W. J. Wright.....	\$ 350 00	
John White.....	150 00	
J. H. Lowes.....	153 00	
Mr. Hamilton	37 00	
Miss Rebecca Scott.....	134 00	
“ M. S. McIntosh.....	100 00	
“ Gillespie	40 00	
“ Helen Adam	40 00	
Building.....	350 67	
Maintenance.....	364 00	
	—————	\$1,718 67

LAKESEND.

Building	\$ 159 04	
Maintenance.....	375 00	
	—————	\$ 534 04

BIRTLE.

G. G. McLaren	\$ 600 00
Miss A. McLaren	450 00
“ Matilda McLeod	379 15
Rent of old building	260 00
* New building	6,832 45
Furnishing	171 00
Maintenance	61 69
Insurance	125 05
	<u> \$8,879 34</u>

PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE.

Miss Annie Fraser	\$ 337 50
“ Miss Laidlaw	316 00
Building	29 49
	<u> \$ 682 99</u>

STONEY PLAINS.

W. J. Welbourne	\$ 400 00
	<u> \$ 400 00</u>

PRINCE ALBERT.

Miss L. M. Baker	\$ 125 00
“ Annie Cameron	75 00
	<u> \$ 200 00</u>
	<u> \$14,325 31</u>

* NOTE.—*Re Birtle new building* :—

Amount of estimate, 1893	\$5,000 00
“ “ 1894	1,000 00
	<u> \$6,000 00</u>
Paid, 1893	\$ 816 30
“ 1894	6,832 45
	<u> \$7,648 75</u>
Amount spent in excess of estimate	\$ 1,648 75

TRINIDAD AND NEW HEBRIDES.

Amount sent	\$1,200 00	
		————— \$36,247 92

SUMMARY.

India	\$16,641 60
China.....	2,001 72
Albarni, B.C.....	2,079 29
North-West .. .	14,325 31
Trinidad and New Hebrides.....	1,200 00
	—————
	\$36,247 92

Amount paid to Dr. Reid, to meet estimates	
1893-94.....	\$39,710 00
For Trinidad and New Hebrides.....	1,200 00
	—————
	\$40,910 00

The sum actually expended was 36,247 92

Balance.....\$ 4,662 08

This amount, \$4,662.08, is now in Dr. Reid's hands to meet the expenditure estimated for the current year, 1894-95, in addition to the \$10,000 paid after annual meeting.

There are, however, items of expenditure properly belonging to last year, but which for various reasons could not be paid before the closing of the accounts, to the payment of which the above sum of \$4,662.08 will be applicable.

Estimates W. F. M. S., 1894-95.

INDIA.

INDORE.

Miss Sinclair, salary.....	\$ 730 00	
Teachers, expenses, etc..	876 00	
	—————	\$1,606 00
Miss O'Hara, M.D., salary.....	\$ 730 00	
Medical expenses	1,306 00	
	—————	\$2,036 00
Miss Turnbull, M.D., salary.....	\$ 730 00	
Medical expenses.....	220 00	
	—————	\$ 950 00

Miss White, salary.....	\$ 730 00	
Pundit.....	40 00	
	<u> </u>	\$ 770 00
Miss Grier, salary.....	\$ 730 00	
Pundit	40 00	
	<u> </u>	\$ 770 00
Miss Dougan, salary	\$ 730 00	
Pundit.....	40 00	
	<u> </u>	\$ 770 00
Miss Oliver, M.D., salary.....	\$ 480 00	
Travelling expenses.....	30 00	
	<u> </u>	\$ 780 00

MHOW.

School buildings.....		\$2,000 00
Miss Ross, salary.....	\$ 730 00	
Teachers, expenses, etc.	932 00	
	<u> </u>	\$1,662 00
Miss Fraser, M.D., salary.....	\$ 730 00	
Medical expenses.....	1,434 00	
	<u> </u>	\$2,164 00
Miss Calder, salary.....	\$ 730 00	
Pundit and expenses.....	176 00	
	<u> </u>	\$ 906 00
Mrs Russell, school work.....		\$ 140 00

NEEMUCH.

Miss Jamieson, salary. ...	\$ 300 00	
Travelling expenses.....	350 00	
	<u> </u>	\$ 650 00
Miss McKellar, M.D., salary.....	\$ 730 00	
Medical expenses....	1,043 00	
	<u> </u>	\$1,773 00
Miss Duncan, salary.....	\$ 730 00	
Pundit and other expenses	375 00	
	<u> </u>	\$1,105 00
Mrs. Wilson, teachers and expenses		\$ 266 00

UJJAIN.

Mrs. Buchanan, medical expenses, etc.	\$ 516 00	
	<u> </u>	\$18,864 00

CHINA.

FORMOSA.

Bible Women (25, at \$3 a month) ..	\$ 900 00
Girls' School—Coolies	45 00
“ “ Repairs.....	100 00
“ “ Food	50 00
“ “ Garments	25 00
	—————\$1,120 00

HONAN.

Miss McIntosh, salary.....	\$ 500 00
“ Graham, salary paid by Montreal W. M. S.—Rent, courier, service, etc.....	600 00
	—————\$1,100 00
	—————\$ 2,220 00

ALBERNI, B.C.

Miss Johnston, salary	\$ 360 00
“ Minnes “	60 00
Maintenance.....	650 00
Building	3,000 00
	—————\$ 4,070 00

NORTH-WEST.

MISTAWASIS.

Teacher.....	\$ 150 00
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FILE HILLS.

Mr. Alexander Skene.	\$ 700 00
Interpreter	100 00
Maintenance.....	100 00
Service	180 00
Repairs to house	75 00
	—————\$1,155 00

LAKESEND.

Maintenance.....	\$ 150 00
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ROUND LAKE.

Teacher.....	\$ 450 00	
Maintenance.....	200 00	
	—————	\$ 650 00

PORTAGE IA PRAIRIE.

Miss Fraser ...	\$ 300 00	
Miss Laidlaw...	350 00	
Extension and improvement of Mis- sion property.....	200 00	
	—————	\$ 850 00

ROLLING RIVER.

Part of Mr. Wright's salary.....	\$ 350 00	
Interpreter	360 00	
Service.....	150 00	
House for Missionary.....	600 00	
	—————	\$1,460 00

BIRTLE.

Teacher.....	\$ 600 00	
Miss A. McLaren.....	450 00	
“ M. McLeod.....	350 00	
Maintenance.....	200 00	
Building, stable, etc.....	400 00	
	—————	\$2,000 00

CROWSTAND.

Mr. John White.....	\$ 500 00	
Miss Kate Gillespie.....	450 00	
“ Henderson	240 00	
Maintenance.....	200 00	
Interpreting.....	75 00	
Service.....	144 00	
	—————	\$1,609 00

OKANASE.

Miss M. S. McIntosh (in part)....	\$ 150 00	
Repairs to teacher's house.....	100 00	
	—————	\$ 250 00

PIPESTONE.

Peter Hunter (in part).....	\$ 260 00	
Building.....	200 00	
		—————\$ 460 00

PRINCE ALBERT.

Miss A. Cameron	\$ 150 00	
		—————\$ 150 00

INDIAN HEAD.

Opening of new work among women and children.....		\$ 960 00	
Non-treaty children.....		\$ 500 00	
Insurance on schools and dwellings		200 00	
Unforeseen contingencies.....		500 00	
			—————\$11,044 00
Extension of work at Neemuch and Mhow			\$ 4,000 00
			—————\$40,198 00

SUMMARY.

India.....	\$18,864 00
China	2,220 00
Alberni, B.C.....	4,070 00
North West.....	11,044 00
Extension at Neemuch and Mhow	4,000 00
	—————\$40,198 00

NOTE.—Further details cannot be given at present in regard to the proposed new building at Mhow and Neemuch, the Foreign Mission Committee not yet having received from India the plans and other necessary information. The same remark applies to the bungalows required for our lady missionaries there. It is the earnest wish of the Society to provide suitable and healthy homes for our lady missionaries. This was done in Indore, in 1886; at a cost of about \$4,000, and our united prayer is that it may soon be accomplished at the other stations where it is necessary.

SUPPLY DEPARTMENT.

Supplies for 1895.

Clothing for Indian women and children in our Canadian North-West, presents and prizes for children attending our Mission Schools in India, and also for pupils in connection with the Missions in Trinidad :—

Barrie Pres. Society.—To provide for women and the old and feeble on Crowstand Reserve—Rev. C. W. Whyte.

Brockville Pres. Society.—To provide for the children in the school on the File Hills Reserve—twenty children, boys and girls, between the ages of five and sixteen—Mr. Alex. Skene.

Bruce Pres. Society.—To provide for the children in the school on Mis-ta-wa-sis Reserve—twenty children, boys and girls, between the ages of five and sixteen—Rev. A. W. Lewis.

Chatham Pres. Society.—To provide for women and the old and feeble on the Reserve at Okanase—Rev. Geo. Flett.

Glengarry Pres. Society.—To provide for women and the old and feeble on Muscowpetung's Reserve—Rev. W. S. Moore.

Guelph Pres. Society.—To provide for women and the old and feeble on File Hills Reserve—Mr. Alex. Skene.

Hamilton Pres. Society.—To provide gifts and prizes for the children in the schools in Central India, also some supplies for the Women's hospital at Indore.

Huron Pres. Society.—To provide for the women and the old and feeble on Bird Tail Reserve—Rev. J. McArthur.

Kingston Pres. Society.—To provide for the children in the school on Round and Crooked Lakes Reserves—thirty children, boys and girls, between the ages of five and sixteen—Rev. Hugh McKay.

Lanark and Renfrew Pres. Society.—To provide for women and the old and feeble on the Round and Crooked Lakes Reserves—Rev. Hugh McKay.

Lindsay Pres. Society.—To provide for the children in the Birtle school—forty children, boys and girls, between the ages of five and sixteen—Mr. Gilmour.

London Pres. Society.—To provide for children in the school at Crowstand Reserve—forty children, boys and girls, between the ages of five and sixteen—Rev. C. W. Whyte.

Maitland Pres. Society.—To provide for children in the school on Okanase Reserve—twenty children, boys and girls, between the ages of five and sixteen—Miss McIntosh.

Ottawa Pres. Society.—To provide for children in the school at Regina—one hundred and twenty children, boys and girls, between the ages of five and sixteen—Rev. A. J. McLeod.

Orangeville Pres. Society.—To provide for women and the old and feeble on Pasquah's Reserve ; also some clothing for children under school age—Rev. W. S. Moore.

Owen Sound Pres. Society.—To provide for women and the old and feeble on Mis-ta-wa-sis Reserve—Rev. A. W. Lewis.

Paris Pres. Society.—To provide for children in the Industrial school at Regina—one hundred and twenty children, boys and girls, between the ages of five and sixteen—Rev. A. J. McLeod

Peterboro' Pres. Society.—The auxiliaries to provide for the children in the School at Prince Albert—twenty children, boys and girls, between the ages of five and twenty-two—Miss Cameron. The Mission Bands to provide some gifts and prizes for the schools in Central India.

Quebec.—Auxiliaries and Mission Bands, to provide some gifts and prizes for the children in the schools in Trinidad.

Sarnia Pres. Society.—To provide for women and the old and feeble, also some clothing for children on the Pipestone Reserve—Mr. Peter Hunter.

Saugeen Pres. Society.—To provide for women and the old and feeble, also some clothing for children under school age at Indian Head.

Stratford Pres. Society.—To provide for women and the old and feeble, also for children on the Rolling River Reserve—Mr. W. Wright.

Toronto Pres. Society.—To provide for children in the school at Portage la Prairie—twenty-two children, boys and girls, between the ages of five and sixteen—Miss Fraser ; also to provide for any other needs that may arise during the year.

Whitby Pres. Society.—The auxiliaries to provide for children at Lakesend—twenty children, boys and girls, between the ages of five and sixteen—Rev. W. S. Moore. The Mission Bands to provide some gifts and prizes for the schools in Central India.

In regard to the Societies in the Presbyteries of Brandon, Minnedosa, Regina, Rock Lake, Winnipeg and Columbia, the Committee have made no allotment, considering that in consequence of their position they are liable to frequent appeals for assistance from the Indians and Chinese.

Note from Supply Committee.—It is earnestly requested that at the Annual Meeting of the Presbyterial Societies, committees be appointed to receive and re-pack the supplies for the North-West, and see that only clothing of good quality is forwarded. It is better to send all contributions in money to the Central Presbyterial Committee, in order that any deficiency in the supplies sent in may be provided for. The addresses of missionaries and directions for shipping will be given in the June LETTER LEAFLET.

Acknowledgment of Clothing.

FROM MISS FRASER.

Mission School, Portage la Prairie. Sept. 24, 1894.

The eight bales of clothing sent by the Barrie Presbyterial arrived in good condition on Aug. 7th. When unpacking them we did not find anything but useful articles and you will kindly convey to the ladies our best thanks for their thoughtfulness in sending so many ready-made garments. It is a great help to have things ready for use, as so many of our children are not old enough to do much for themselves. The supply of quilts, girls' clothing, boys' and girls' footwear was very good and just what we needed most, but there seemed a scarcity of boys' clothing, especially in pants. A goodly supply has already been given away, but nearly all have worked to earn. One sawed wood for a quilt, another brought a bag of potatoes for clothes and others earned in similar ways. You know many of the Indians have thought the clothing should be given them for the asking; but since you and Mrs. Harvie have visited them and explained matters, they seem content to earn their supply.

Every day proves to us that the Gospel is surely making its way among these people. One of the old medicine men came for the first time to our school since you were here; he has been very much opposed to the church, and indeed, any work done, that we despaired of ever winning him; however, whether a sudden change, or a gradual, church and school are now pronounced *waste* (good).

The memory of your visit is a pleasant one; of the encouragement spoken, the help given in numberless ways you may never know, but, be assured, we feel the stronger and better for it, and hope it has been full of pleasure to you.

Some of the Indians are now busy taking up their potatoes, others are at Lake Manitoba duck shooting. An Indian woman sold us four ducks to-day, and made us a present of one, so it may be they are more generous than generally given credit for.

The children are all well and often speak of your visit. Miss Laidlaw joins me in kindest regards to you and Mrs. Harvie and all members of the Board.

MISSION STUDIES.

BY MISS FERRIER, CALEDONIA.

Twelfth Paper.

ST. LUCIA, GRENADA AND JAMAICA.

St. Lucia is a beautiful island, lying about 250 miles north of Trinidad. A young East Indian who had been brought to Christ, in Trinidad, went there as an interpreter in the Civil Service, and was the first to begin to tell his heathen countrymen about Christ. This soon led to an application to the Missionaries in Trinidad for help, and in response, a teacher-catechist and his wife were sent to the island in 1885, and definite work begun, which has since been considerably extended, there being now six schools in operation, with Christian teachers who aid the catechists, of whom there are three, in holding religious services and instructing the people. Mr. Cropper, a native of St. Lucia, and an earnest Christian, has from its commencement taken a deep interest in the Mission, and has hitherto kindly superintended the work of the catechists and teachers, but he has lately left the island in order to study for the ministry, and it is hoped that the way will soon open for an ordained Missionary to be permanently settled, as the work is very encouraging, and could be largely increased. Dr. Morton visited the island last year (1893), and baptized 31 adults and 42 children; held 33 services for worship, and dispensed the Lord's Supper at three of the stations, the number of the communicants being 22.

Grenada is a beautiful island, about 88 miles from Trinidad, celebrated for its nutmeg, cinnamon, and other spice trees, and also for its harbor, the finest in the Antilles, which makes it an important naval station. An interesting Mission to the coolies on this island is carried on by the Rev. Mr. Rae, a minister of the Established Church of Scotland, settled in Georgetown, the capital, aided by catechists from Trinidad.

The U. P. Church of Scotland has been long engaged in Mission work for the colored people in the large and beautiful island of Jamaica, but there also the coolies are largely taking the place of the negro laborers, and this year the Jamaica Synod resolved to begin Mission work among them, and so applied to the Missionaries in Trinidad for helpers. In consequence two of the best students in the college have been sent to begin the work.

NOTICES.

The Board of Management meets on the *first Tuesday* of every month, at 3 o'clock p.m., and on the remaining Tuesdays of each month at 10 a.m., in the Board Room of the Bible and Tract Societies, 104 Yonge Street, Toronto. Members of Auxiliary Societies, or other ladies interested in the work and desiring information may attend a meeting if introduced by a member of the Board.

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

Letters asking information about missionaries, or any questions concerning the Foreign Field, as to Bible-readers, teachers or children in the various Mission Schools, should be addressed to Mrs. Harvie, 80 Bedford Road, Toronto.

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

All requests for life-membership certificates should be sent to Miss Bessie MacMurchy, 254 Sherbourne Street, Toronto, to be accompanied in every case by a receipt from the Treasurer of the Auxiliary into which the fee has been paid.

All correspondence relating to the sending of goods to the North-West, or other Mission fields, will be conducted through the Secretary of Supplies, Mrs. A. Jeffrey, 142 Bloor Street West Toronto.

All letters to the Board not directly bearing upon work specified in the above departments should be addressed to Mrs. Hugh Campbell, Corresponding Secretary, 220 Richmond Street West, Toronto.

The President's address is, Mrs. Ewart 66 Wellesley Street, Toronto.

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For above apply to Mrs. Telfer, 72 St. Albans Street, Toronto. Postage and express paid.

Applications for Reports to be made to Mrs. Shortreed, Home Secretary, 224 Jarvis Street, Toronto.

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