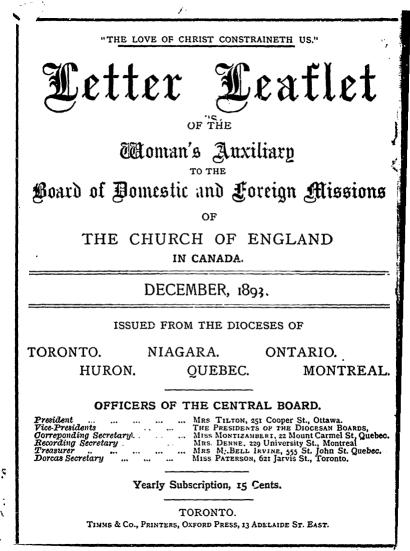
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# Letter Leaflet of the Woman's Auxiliary

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

## PROVINCIAL WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

Not many days after the receipt of this number we will be called upon to celebrate the anniversar of the Birth of Our Lord Jesus Christ, the greatest missionary that ever lived. The President and General Officers of the W.A. unite in wishing every member a Happy, Holy Christmas, fraught with many blessings from our Saviour-King, and may we all learn of Him how best to "be about our Father's business" in the many spheres in which we are privileged to serve Him.

The General Corresponding Secretary regrets exceedingly that the third paragraph in last month's LEAFLET, referring to the request of the Board of Management regarding appeals, has proved itself capable of so much wider a reading than it was her intention to convey. The appeals spoken of were simply those which have hitherto been sent simultaneously to each Diocesan Secretary, and to the Church papers : almost word for werd the same and really amounting to a circular letter. In no way was there any intention of interfering with the interesting and most raluable correspondence existing between missionaries, branches, or individuals, a curtailing of which would be most disastrous in many ways. The more we hear from the ' field-workers '' the better, but when it came to be a case of copying, the Board was anxious to relieve those whose time is more valuable than that of the General Officers, hence the request

Many loving words of sympathy have been received for "our Mrs. Irvine," and the kind inquiries of many members to which when forwarded to her, the following reply was received. "Please accept my most grateful thanks for your loving sympathy, and forgive me if I cannot write more fully. The synpathy of one's friends is very sweet and I wish I could more adequately thank you all, but it seems as if I was deprived of the power and ab lity to do so, though I appreciate it and am very thankful for it. I feel sure that the many prayers offered for me have been answered by strength being given me to bear, and that I can see through all the sorrow, the Father's loving Hand."

The warm congratulations of the W.A. have been sent to Dr. Mockridge, Secretary-Treasurer of the D. & F. Mission Board, upon his appointment as Canou of S<sup>\*</sup> Alban's Cathedral.

The Lord Bishop of Moosonee writes thus of his Diocese and may it be the last time that the Church people of Canada can merit such a reprozeh :

" A purely Missionary Diocese Some 10,000 Indians and probably not 300 English-speaking people, counting children, and these the employees of the Hudson Bay Co. and families. There will probably never be any settlers or colonists in the country, hence the Diocese can never be self-supporting, but must depend on the Church in Canada. It stands alone in this respect and appeals to that Church with stronger claims than any. It has been supported hitherto by the C.M S. and personal friends in England. The C.M.S. exists for the heathen and hence is gradually withdrawing its support as we become Christianized. The Church in Canada has done almost nothing for us. The amount received from the D. & F. Mission Board has never reached \$300 per annum. Last year by my own personal interest I obtained about \$300 more. I have only received about \$20 from Toronto and Montreal. Extent of Diocese four times that of Great Britain and Ireland. Number of clergy, 7! and about as many catechists Of 10,000 Indians, we have 6,000 with about 1.000 communicants Of the other 4,000 perhaps 2,000 are still Roman Catholics and a few Methodists make up the heathen remaining 2,000. We have maintained schools all these 40 or 45 years entirely at the expense of the Mission and taught by the Bishop, Missionaries and local or Indian teachers, and have done the work so well that nearly every Indian, say over 15 years of age, coming into our Mission station yearly can read and write. Most of them have New Testaments, Prayer Books, Hymn Books, etc., in their own language, and as a rule, they rarely go away to their hunting grounds without these and a Scripture Almanack to keep track of Sundays and Festivals. They give what they can to the Church but are so poor and often famished that we have to give them more than they give us. I have at least four districts now needing instant occupation, for which I have neither men nor money. I can get the men if you will provide the money; \$100 or \$150 per annum might provide a catechist."

The Lord Bishop of Athabasca writes as follows:-

"As General Cor. Sec. of the W.A. of Canada, I now take 'he liberty of laying before you the present and most pressing needs of my Diocese. The Rev. J. Brick's Mission at Smoky River is well worthy of support. He voluntarily resigned the grant from fhe C.M.S. of England, and threw himself upon the support of the Church in Canada. He is seeking to instruct the Indians how to settle down and farm instead of depending upon hunting, which especially in his district, is becoming very precarious. He trusts thus to gather them around him, and so bring them under more stated Christian instruction. The success of more than one of our Missions in the North West has demonstrated the soundness of work on such lines. I understand that the Rev. J. Holmes of St. Peter's Mission, Lesser Slave Lake, has applied for help to the Auxiliary, towards building a

Home in which they can receive and board Indian children. I have great pleasure in herrily endorsing the application. St Peter's offers a good central point for a work so essential, and the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Holmes are in every way qualified to have the care and oversight of it. If any of the Auxiliaries see their way to sending out and maintaining an efficient helper, who can either set Mrs. Holmes free from household duties or heiself acting as matron, would not hesitate to cook or wash, duties which fall upon nearly every lady who is in the North, it would be very helpful.

"We hope next year to commence building operations at a point far in the interior, called 'Wahskaw.' The Indians have shown themselves ready for Christian instruction, several have been baptized, and they have now been looking for a resident missionary for two years. One of their number has prepared a small log shanty for the expected missionary, but we shall need a proper mission house, one room of which can be used for services. This will cost, from the difficulty of gathering in building material, provisions, etc., about \$1.000. For this we have not any grant. Should the Church in Canada, through the Auxiliaries, help us in this it will indeed be a good work. Then on account of the difficulty of superintending the work of the Diocese from Vermillion, on account of decreasing mail facilities, 1 am transfering my residence to the Athabasca landing. In doing so I have had to give up my house at Vermillion, which I have handed over to the Indian School. As I have no grant or available funds for this, I shall feel most thankful for help. As the conditions of the country are so liable to change, I interd putting up a very modest building, which will be useful as a mission house, should the changing circum stance of the country necessitate my moving again. I expect about \$800 will cover the present outlay. I shall only be too thankful if these present and pressing needs of my Diocese may be brought before the several Auxiliaries."

Fev. J. Holmes, asks for help to pay for the new Home which is now completed. "I am not aware that there is a single cent forthcoming, and I wonder sometimes if I will have to sell my horses and dogs to pay the contractor. As far as the Home and the Indians are concerned we have much to encourage us, but, from a financial point of view, the cloud of discouragement is dark and thick." Mr. Holmes also needs help to raise the vegetables upon which they are so largely dependent. The Indians at Lesser Slave Lake have not any Government rations, and live on fish and vegetables. If a small salary could be raised Mr. Holmes knows of a man who would relieve him of all this farm work.

Mr. J. Stocken, Sarcee Reserve, is endeavoring to build a hospital, \$600 is required, and there still remains a large debt on the Boys' Home opened in May last.

Mr. Hartland, missionary to the Sioux Indians, appeals for \$50 to pay an interpreter, that he may do more aggresive work while he is learning the language.

"Appeals overwhelming, opportunities inspiring."

A letter has been received from Miss Jennie Smith, Kobe, announcing the sudden death of her first pupil, Ochichi-Saw, from an illness epidemic in Japan just now. Poor Miss Smith ! she needs our earnest prayers for courage to bear and overcome the many drawbacks that seem to meet her on all sides.

### ANNUAL REPORT.

At the meeting of the Provincial Board of Management, held in Toronto on September 14th and 15th, the General Officers submitted the following information: The Recording Secretary reports that Quebec has added seven new Branches, during the year, making the total 27 Senior Branches, two sub-divisions and five Junior Branches. Their retiring President, Mrs. Von Iffland, was presented with a Provincial Life Membership, and one Diocesan Life Membership has also been given. An increase of over \$600 in the amount contributed to Missions, etc., is very encouraging. The Toronto Diocesan Branch had added ten Senior and seven Junior Branches; making a total of 84 Seniors and 34 Juniors, 178 Branches in all. No less than eleven life members were added during the year, briaging the present number up to 43. There are 2779 adult members, 333 more than last year.

The Huron Diocesan Branch reports eleven new Senior and one new Junior. Total number of Branches 115 with a membership of 2457.

The Ontario Diocesan Branch mentions five new Senior, making 32 in all. There are also 11 Juniors. Total, 43 branches, with a membership or 1505. Several life memberships have been presented during the year.

Montreal Diocesan Branch reports that the W.A. is represented in almost every parish in the city of Montreal, and in many of the country missions. One Junior Branch has been organized, and three new Senior Branches. The total membership is 800.

The Diocesan Branch of Niagara has added five Senior Branches and one Junior Branch, making the total number of 36. There has been a marked increase in membership: Seniors from 640 last year to 863 this year; Juniors from 238 to 290. A Provincial Life Memberchip was presented to Mrs. Hamilton. Total membership, 1153.

### (To be continued.)

The General Corresponding Secretary's present address is, 22 Mount Carmel street, Quebec.

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## Toronto Diocese.

## DIOCESAN MOITO:-" Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might."

Subjects for Reading and Prayer: December-Diocesan Mission, Corea. January-Rupertsland, Zenana Missions.

The unfortunate condition of the Diocesan Mission Fund will surely afford a subject of prayer for every member of the Auxiliary in the Diocese. The fact of a debt in this fund is, sad to say, so familiar, that it is feared people hardly realize what must be the consequence of such a state of affairs, were we not reminded by our Bishop in his letter on another page.

There are 46 missions in this Diocese receiving grants from the funds at present, the amount for each varying from \$50 to \$400 per annum. For this a sum of \$11,930 is needed. Besides these grants the sum of \$1000 is required to meet the assessment for the stipend of the Bishop of Algoma, and at least \$1500 more for other necessary expenses, making a total of \$14,430. To meet this amount the Synod provided that collections shall be made quarterly in every church in the Diocese, as well as at missionary meetings, and also by house to house collections in each parish, and there is besides the grant pledged by the Woman's Auxiliary of \$1000, and about \$800 interest received from investments.

Unfortunately the importance of liberal responses to these opportunities of giving do not seem to be understood in many cases, if one may judge from the report in the last number of the Synod Journal, where it will be seen, that the total amount received was 1,524.38 less than the amount expended. Now what can the members of the Auxiliary do to help in this matter? First, pray; Secondly, try to increase a definite knowledge of the needs among the church people in every parish; Thirdly, remind people beforehand of the collections, try to get them to attend the Parochial Missionary meetings, and if collections

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are needed, offer to do the work. Fourthly, try to give up something in order to be able to assist the W.A. Diocesan Board to raise the \$1000 for which they are pledged. There is no single member of the Auxiliary in this Diocese who cannot help in some of these ways. "Freely ye have received, freely give." These needs have reference only to the existing work of the Church, but a glance at the map of the Diocese would prove that many districts are even yet unoccupied for want of funds. Will you not also remember this in your prayers?

Corea, the Land of the Morning Calm, as its name means, has only lately been entered by Christian teachers, and their trials and difficulties are perhaps greater than would at first appear. The story of how brave Bishop Corfe and his staff of two went out there three years ago is familiar to LEAFLET readers. The Bishop sorely needs funds for more extended hospital work, for it is often by means of caring for the sick bodies of the heathen that one can get an opportunity of ministering to their sin-laden souls. He has had an offer of service from Dr. Daly, a layman, who will give his services gratuitously provided that a hospital can be opened at Nin Chwang. The Bishop writes gratefully of his kindness, but says :-- "With no house, no land, no money to buy or rent suitable premises, I do not see my way at once to closing with so kind an offer." He has, however, written to England asking for funds for this purpose, and shall we not pray that the hearts of the people may be moved to respond to his appeal?

## AUXILIARY NOTES.

May the blessings of a Holy, and Happy Christmas be with each member of the Woman's Auxiliary. Sorrows and trials have doubtless visited many households, yet all can rejoice in the Saviour's Birth, and in showing sympathy and kindness to others, personal griefs are surely lightened. Dear Auxiliary friends, do not at the joyful season of Christmas

forget that a little self-denial on your part will enable you to offer financial aid to our poor Diocesan, Algoma and North-West Missions. We know not in what form the Saviour comes to us for aid, but we humbly hope that to those faithful to their opportunities the old yet ever new words may be spoken "Ye have done it unto Me."

The loving sympathy of the Toronto Diocesan W.A. is tendered to Mrs. Irvine, of Quebec (Treasurer to the General Board), in her recent heavy bereavement.

The November Board meeting, which was held in St. Stephen's School house, was very largely attended, and the many missionary letters read, and the business transacted proved so interesting that one lady was overheard to say, "I had no idea a meeting of this kind would be so interesting. I never came before, but I shall certainly hope to attend regularly for the future."

From a new member of the Board came the following good suggestion :—" So many of the members of Branches in the country complain that they have little money to give, and few ways of earning any. I wonder if they could not make wreathing for Christmas decorations and sell it to the city churches who always have to buy it by the yard."

A new clause was added to the Diocesan Constitution, providing that, "in the case of the death or resignation of an officer during her term of office, the Executive Committee shall have power to elect some one in her stead for the balance of the year."

LEAFLET readers will be glad to know that the Piegan Home is now supplied with a first class cooking range, largely due to the energetic efforts of the Diocesan Treasurer. Through the kind influence of the husband of one of St. Stephen's active workers, the stove was purchased from the wholesale firm of Merrick, Anderson & Co., in Winnipeg, who also generously reduced the price by \$6.11 as their donation, so that the cost of the range and furniture complete was \$56.41, and the freight on the same was \$13.59.

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DIED-From Diphtheria, contracted while nursing her sister, MARY VIOLET CASSELS, daughter of the late W. G. Cassels, Esq.

"He that loseth his life for my sake shall find it unto life eternal."

Shortly before Advent Sunday morning there passed to the rest and joy of Paradise the spirit of one of earth's purest, most gentle, and most truly noble. Mary Violet Cassels was loved not only by her relations but by all who knew her She shed rays of joy and gladness wherever she went, and many a home, on which the deep shades of sorrow had settled, was first brightened by the entrance and gentle ministrations of this loving follower of a loving Saviour. Her sympathies were unbounded. To those in joy as well as to those in sorrow she came as an angel of light; while in active work for God's glory many besides the congregation of St. Luke's and the Woman's Auxiliary will abundantly testify.

At the early morning Service at St. Luke's, which she had always loved to attend, many hearts were raised in supplication and chastened with sorrow, as prayers were offered for one of its most loved and devoted members. But those prayers had been answered before uttered, for the bright spirit was already beyond suffering, rejoicing in the glory that shall be revealed to all who follow in the same path, through the merits of our dear Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Her place, who can fill? To be clever as well as truly good, to be attractive as well as humble and loving, to be quick of perception and quick in action are gifts bestowed on only the very few. All this and much more was exemplified in the life of her who was so suddenly called from earth. Her life was one of self-abnegation, self-sacrifice and loving sympathetic action—a beautiful reflection, as perfect as may be on earth, of the life of Him who gave Himself for us.

## DORCAS NOTES.

ROOM 39, THE FORUM, YONGE STREET.

Branches have forwarded the following: DIXIE, Blackfoot Reserve, bale. CREEMORE, Lac Seul, two bales. KING,

Touchwood, bale. YORK MILLS, Central Room, parcel. ALLISTON, Emsdale, bale. BOLTON, Gore Bay, bale. BEAVER-TON, Central Room, bale. BRIGHTON, Central Room, bale. VAUGHAN, TOUCHWOOd, barrel. ST. MARK'S, Toronto Junction Central Room, two parcels.

We wish to thank most heartily all kind friends who have sent donations to our Central Room. We also through these pages wish to tender our grateful thanks to a member for the gift of a beautiful pair of blankets, marked "For the Hospital at Lytton, a thankoffering from a member of the W.A."

The Rev. F. Frost, in thanking the Colborne Board for a bale forwarded by them in the summer, says, "The bale you kindly sent us came to hand on Saturday. We brought it up from the dock and examined its contents, and were much pleased to find so many useful articles. I assure you that your efforts for our help are very much appreciated. No effort has as yet been made toward rebuilding the parsonage. The season is slipping by and perhaps sufficient will hardly be collected to build again this summer. We are living now in an old house which we have hired for the present. It is situated across the bay from the Indian Village where our home stood that was burned down. Please thank your friends for all their kindness, and assure them that their efforts are recognized on behalf of Mrs. Frost and myself, and the Indians of the Mission."

The following letter from Mr. Bassing, of Shoal River, has been received by the Secretary of St. Matthew's Branch: "I feel that I must send you another line if only to relieve my feelings. The box arrived safely, and the contents thereof are in every way most suitable for my Indians. If all the members the Branch had been in direct touch with thic Mission they could hardly have sent garments more suitable, and I cannot sufficiently express my gratitude to you and the ladies who have worked so well for us. It is such a real help to us to

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know that, although so far away, others are working and praying that the work amongst the poor Indians may be blessed."

## Mrs. Sillitoe, New Westminster, io Diocesan Treasurer:

"The Bishop asks me to send you enclosed receipt with many thanks. He would write but is ill with a severe attack of grippe. We feared the Indian Hospital would have to be closed for the winter for lack of funds, but still hope this may not be necessary. Please convey the Bishop's thanks to the St. Thomas and St. John's Branches.

### SEE HOUSE, TORONTO.

MY DEAR MRS. CUMMINGS,—I am very thankful to hear that the Diocesan Auxiliary has voted the sum of \$275, the amount of the Life Membership Fees for last year, to the Mission Fund of the Diocese, and that this gift is to be over and above the sum of \$7000 which the Auxiliary voluntarily pledged itself to raise annually for the same fund; and I am sure that the Board will be most grateful for this assistance to their depleted resources. They will be obliged, I expect at their next meeting, to make a *pro rata* reduction in the grants to all the missionaries. The Board of D. & F. Missions at its meetings in Halifax, from which I have just returned, decided that it would be better that Miss Jennie C. Smith should work with Mr. Waller than with Mr. Foss, who is not one of our own missionaries. Mr, Waller wants her services. Believe me yours, very truly

ARTHUR TORONTO.

### ESSONVILLE, DIOCESE OF TORONTO.

DEAR MRS. CUMMINGS,--We have been a year now in this Mission, and we feel that we have great cause for thankfulness that God's guiding hand has led us to this different field of labour, though we often think with regret of the poor Indians among whom we spent so many years of our life. But, "thank God, there are strong hands, and willing workers laboring there, and we are all together praying and hoping that, "by the labors of God's holy Church, those poor heathen may be delivered from all superstition and unbelief, and brought to His Holy worship and service." I think you know already a great deal about the settlement of Essonville and the other six

stations in the Mission. To the east we have Wilberforce, five miles. Cheddar, fourteen miles, and Deer Lake, twenty miles distant ; to the south, Madills, five miles, and Bear Lake, eight miles; and west, Sleep's Settlement, eighteen miles. Here at Essonville we usually have morning and evening service, and a fortnightly Celebration, at which the Wilbertorce people attend, for there is only an afternoon Service once a fortnight at that settlement. At Bear Lake there is a nice little church being built, and the people from Madills will attend there as it is half way between the two settlements. There is a Sunday School held at Madills every Sunday by Mr. Kettles, a most earnest Christian worker, who also acts as lay reader, conducting service on the Sundays when Mr. Bourne is not there, and walking three miles in all weather, to carry on this labor of love. He is superintending the building of the Bear Lake Church, for which he has collected most of the money. Would God we had many more such voluntary lay helpers in His Church! The chancel windows for the church at Bear Lake have been kindly donated by the members of Christ Church, Deer Park. At Madills, Sleep's, Cheddar, and Deer Lake Mr. Bourne has a Celebration once a month, and his assistant takes two services at these places each month. Here at Essonville we have a particularly good attendance both at Sunday and week-day services, an average attendance of 63 in the morning, and 30 in the evening, many of the people walking two or three miles and often through the thick woods a great part of the way, and in winter they are so thinly clad or so badly shod that we wonder they can venture out at all, and the poor children come to Sunday School often with only a pair of rubbers over their stockings, but the parents say " they are so set on going we can't keep them at home." . We have had a sewing class (hardly yet dignified by the name of a guild) for the past seven months, and our girls and some of their mothers have made two large patchwork quilts, two squaws' dresses and some mitts and cuffs to send to the Piegan Mission. They are too poor to give anything but their time and a few patches for the quilts, most of the materials were given us to work up, but the time was so cheerfully given, and the hard-working women volunteered to come and help making up and quilting what the children patched, and seemed so pleased to help the "poor Indians" of whom I often told them as we worked, and we used to have a special clause in our prayer, or perhaps a missionary hymn, and it all seems to make them realize how much greater were their privileges than those of the poor heathen for whom they were working. Just now we are not doing any work, having come to a stop for want of materials . . . Mr. Bourne has, I am thankful to say, secured the parsonage and glebe lands to the Church by a mortgage, which the congregation have pledged themselves to pay off in instalments.

## LEAFLET SUBSCRIPTIONS, NOVEMBER.

Miss Gibson, 15c.; Miss Brown, 45c.; Miss Davis, Eng., 15c.; Innisfil, \$4.05. Beaverton, 90c.; Streetsville, \$3; King, \$2.70.; Miss Hogan, B.C., 15c.; Miss Cosens, 15c.; Mrs. Whatmough, B.C., 15c.; Bolton, \$2.10; Mrs. J. H. Banting, 15c.; Deer Park, \$3.15.; Mrs. Mortimer, 15c.; Miss Peck, 15c.; Epiphany, Parkdale, 90c.; W. T. Junc., \$1.50, Halifax, 30c; St Margaret's, \$9; Mrs. Gillard, 15c.; Miss Cameron, 25c. (18 months); St. Philips, \$2.70; Winnipeg, \$1.50; Springfield, \$1.05.; St. Stephen's, \$2.25.

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## Huron Diocese.

### DIOCESAN MOTTO—" Looking for and hastening unto the coming of the day of God."

Another Christmas is almost at our doors, bringing with it its own heaven-sent benediction of "Peace on earth, good will towards men," a message as much meant for God's people of this 19th Century as it was when angel voices sang it to the watching shepherds in Bethelehem of old. It is the message committed to each member of the Auxiliary to pass on to those who have never as yet heard it. Let us be as faithful to our trust as were those of whom it was written : " And the women which published the tidings were a great host."

The Huron Branches extend a loving Christmas and New Year's greeting to their Sister Branches throughout the Dominion, and a hearty welcome to the four new pages of the LEAFLET placed at the disposal of the officers of the Central Board for the benefit and instruction of every W.A. member; whilst to Mrs. M. Bell Irvine, General Treasurer of the Auxiliary, they would venture to offer a tender and loving assurance of their sisterly sympathy in the heavy loss she has so recently sustained in the death of her honored husband, the late Col. Irvine, D.C.G., of Quebec.

### AUXILIARY NOTES.

Your Editor having received, (by resolution passed at the special meeting of the Emergency Committee, on 26th October), instructions to submit to the Branches, through the LEAFLET, the action taken by the Committee upon, the subjects submitted to it by the Semi-Annual Meeting, and also to publish a list of the resolutions passed at the latter, such publication, for economical reasons, to take the place of the usual printed slips which have hitherto been forwarded to every Branch before each Annual Meeting, she now, in accordance with these instructions, subjoins the same, and would urge upon the Presidents of the several Parochial Branches the advisability of their inviting their members to a careful consideration of every resolution and clause with a view to their delegates coming fully prepared to give due expression by vote or otherwise to the views of their Branch, when called upon to do so at the Annual Meeting in March next.

### **RESOLUTIONS.**

- No. 1.—That the Country Branches concur with the Emergency Committee in their resolution already acknowledged by Mrs. Baldwin, in rendering thanks to Almighty God for the safe return of the Bishop and Mrs. Baldwin, and for the improved health of our beloved President.
- No. 2.—That this meeting of the W.A. having heard and considered the application for a grant towards maintaining a Lady Missionary

on the Grand River Reservation, Be it resolved, That it is the opinion of this meeting that such an appointment would be productive of a great good, and that we consider Miss Kerby to be eminently fitted for the position, but that in the present depleted state of our treasury, we do not think it advisable at this meeting to assume a fresh liability. But we earnestly commend the matter to the consideration of our various Branches, trusting that at our next meeting in the spring, the amount required may be reported as raised. We also hope that the conditional offer of the New Eng. Co may be left open till then, and that the Cor. Sec. be requested to communicate this to the Branches

- No. 3.—That it is hereby resolved, That each Branch shall undertake, if possible, a certain yearly contribution towards Lion's Head, the Lady Missionary in the North West, etc., such amount to be fixed by each Branch for itself, and to be made known to the Diocesan Treasurer, who will communicate with those Branches not represented at this meeting.
- No. 4.—That the admirable report, drawn up by the Committee appointed by the Semi-Annual to consider the subject of a necessary reduction of general expenses, be referred to the Emergency Committee with power to take definite action in the matter previous to the Annual Meeting,
- No. 5.—That the Huron W.A. is not in a position to increase its contribution to the Japan Lady Missionary Fund.
- No. 6.—That the proposal to accept the application for the education of the daughter of another missionary be left in the hands of the Education Committee.
- No. 7.—The Board of Management of the W.A.M.A. of Huron, at this time assembled in Brantford, at their Semi-Annual Meeting desire to express their entire satisfaction and appreciation of the work carried on by Miss Wilson, their Lady Missionary at Omoksene. They feel convinced, both from the testimony of the Rev. Mr. Swainson, and from the deep interest in her work evinced by Miss Wilson's most interesting letters, that she is especially fitted for this work, the good fruits of which must redound to the glory of God.
- No. 8.—A resolution of thanks to Mr. Dymond for his courteous invitation for a W. A. representation at the meeting of the Huron Lay Workers' Association.
- No. 9.—To the Rector, Church Wardens, and Ladies of Grace Church, Brantford, and to the G.T.R. authorities.
- No. 10.—Resolution of welcome home to our beloved President, of thankfulness for her partly restored health, and of regret at her absence from this meeting.
- No. 11.—Most grateful thanks to our beloved Bishop for his able sermon and account of his extended tour in the East, and of pleasure in having him once more in our midst.

No. 12 – Resolution of sympathy with Mrs. C. Ball.

No. 13.—Resolution of thanks to Mrs. Boomer for carrying on the W.A. in the absence of the President, during the past nine months, and for presiding at our Semi-Annual Meeting.

No. 14.—Resolved, That in future each Branch do consider the advisability of sending their President or Substitute to the Semi-Annual Meeting, and that if necessary the Branch pay her expenses.

In accordance with resolution No. 4 the Emergency Committee met at Bishopstowe on October 26th. The following is an extract of the report submitted by the Committee appointed at the Semi-Annual. "Mrs. Complin stated, that the debt hade already been reduced from \$105 to between \$50 and \$60, and from a liss made of th Branches that had not yet paid their Diocesan fees, it appears that \$38 is due from this source (Oct. 4th) which Mrs. Complin will call in, it being considered by this Committee, t bat it is very desirable that not only should the debt be wiped out, but that things be so managed that the Treasurer should have a balance in hand in the future. The following suggestions for reducing the working expenses of the W.A., at least for a year or two, are respectfully submitted. As amended by the Emergency Committee, they stand thus: "-

CLAUSE I.—That to avoid the expense of renting the Victoria Hall, the sessions of the Annual Meeting be held in the new Cronyn Hall.

- CLAUSE II.—That the number of reports printed be reduced from 500 to 300.
- CLAUSE III.—That Branches with a membership of less than twenty, receive only one report; Branches with a membership of over twenty, only two. Extra copies desired to be paid for, rocts.
- CLAUSE IV.--That the Recording Secretaries' tabulated forms be revised and such of the quesitons as are of no vital importance, or answered by the Treasurer's and Dorcas Secretary's report, be omitted, and that the Huron tabulated forms be printed on the reduced scale adopted by the Toronto Diocese.
- CLAUSE V.—That till the Treasurer has this much-to-be-desired balance in hand, the W.A.M.A. forego the presence at its Annual of speakers coming long distances to address it, the travelling expenses having been found to be so heavy an item in the past.
- CLAUSE VI.—That Branch Treasurers, in forwarding money to the Diocesan Treasurer, be requested to send with it a stamp for the Diocesan Treasurer's receipt.
- CLAUSE VII.—The same rule to apply to all Diocesan letters requiring a reply. (Moved by Mrs. Smith, seconded by Mrs. English, That this clause be left to thespecial consideration of the Annual Meeting.)
- CLAUSE VIII.—That the Recording Secretaries of the Branches, in sending in their reports, shall only give their returns of members who have paid all their fees, Branch and Diocesan. The Recording Secretary to notify each Branch Secretary of this Resolution, when she sends them the forms to fill in.

Mrs. Baldwin here thanked most kindly Mrs. Boomer, and all the members of the Emergency Committee, for the mauner in which they conducted the business of the Auxiliary in her absence, and wished this to be put on record with the minutes. F. LIBATT, Corresponding Scordary.

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### ECHOES FROM OUR SEMI-ANNUAL.

No. 1.—" The question, Is it a good thing to hold our Semi-Annual in different centres? is now, after two experiments, answered very decidedly in the affirmative. By this means the Board of Management and the Branches are drawn together, the working of the Auxiliary is made clearer to a larger number of members, and thus the interest in the work is greatly increased The Semi-Annual Meeting at Brantford was very happy and successful, and all those present felt it a great help. It was not all sunshine: the printing debt, the deficit in some of our missionary funds, are blotches on our escutcheon; but at least they were brought home to us, teaching us that when at our Annual Meeting a particular work is unanimously accepted by our Diocesan W.A. it infers at least an intention on the part of the Branches to contribute a share towards furthering it." No. 2-Rejoices that Huron Branches, both at the Annual and Semi-Annual Meetings, took into serious consideration the necessity of yearly and stated subscriptions for the support of Algoma, adding an earnest desire that each Branch should empower its delegates to make some such definite promise on its behalf in March next. [Would such Branches as have already so pledged themselves be so good as to notify the Editor, on a post card, and thus enable her to send, as an answer to a question which has reached her, a message so hopeful that it may bear still further fruitful results for Algoma.-ED.] No. 3-"An incident of our Brantford meeting " will, we hope, appear in our Church papers, being too interesting to be condensed, No. 4-Including an order for 24 LEAF-LETS for distribution at Onondaga and Tuscarora,-says, "We hope the LEAFLETS may bud and blossom into fruit here ..... Miss Kerby is very grateful for the interest shown in her work..... there certainly seems to be a field white unto harvest for her. In addition to her natural qualifications she has had an excellent apprenticeship." In this connection the Rev. J. L. Strong writes: "Please allow me, through the LEAFLET, to convey my thanks for clothing and papers received by our lady missionary (Kanyengah). The box came from Chatham, but unaccompanied by letter or card, consequently Miss Kerby was unaware to whom an acknowledgement should be sent." Address should be "Miss Kerby, Tuscarora Parsonage, Middleport, Ont. The receiving station, Onondaga, G.T.R. We hope soon to report a new Branch on this Reserve."- J. L. STRONG. The young people of the Order of the Good Shepherd of St John the Evangelist, London, intend contributing towards the Kanyengah L. M. Fund.

#### LEAFLET NOTES.

Your Editor desires to thank those Branch Treasurers through whose promptitude she has been enabled to pay all LEAFLET dues to date, and to venture a gentle reminder to the forgetful minority who have allowed the matter to slip their memories, and to whom she would

prefer not to have to send in "her little bill." Her very special gratitude is due to such Branch officers and members who have so seconded her efforts that Huron's subscription list has turned the corner of 1500. Who will help to make it 1600 for the coming year? Get new subscribers for November, December, and January, at three cents each, with a promise of their continuing to take the LRAFLET if they find it interesting and helpful. Make a note of pages five and six, Toronto Diocese, November LEAFLET. Huron's LEAFLET record is "Subscribers in November, 1891, aumbered 822; in November, 1893, 1500." Will individual subscribers notify their desire to renew ?

#### DORCAS AND BRANCH NOTICES.

OWEN SOUND .- Two bales to Piegan Reserve. CHATHAM .- Holy Trinity, box to Miss Kerby. Juvenile Branch, one bale to Omoksene. WOODSTOCK, New St. Paul's; one bale of clothing to Gleichen, one ditto to Mr. Frost, Algoma. WILMOT .- Two bales Rev. J. Hines, Devon Mission. OIL Springs .- One bale to Mr. Large, Muskoka. INGERSOLL -One bale to Lac Seul, one to Rev. Mr. Graham, Frenchman's Head. STRATFORD. -St. James, one bale to Mr. Hartland. PRESTON .- Juvenile Branch, one bale to Rev. G. Gander, Algoma, WOODSTOCK .- Old St. Paul's, boxes of Christmas gifts, puddings, groceries, etc., to Rev. F. Swainson and Rev. H. Hartland, and are busy preparing a third Christmas box. FORDWICH .- Two bales to Rev. E. Matheson. PAISLEY,-One barrel to Omoksene. South-AMPTON .- One barrel to Rev. J. Hinchliffe. WATFORD .- Two bales to Rev. Mr. Wright, Fort a la Corne, AILSA CRAIG .- One bale and fourteen yards of church matting, to Rev. Mr. Pritchard, Lac Seul. BRANTFORD .- St. Jude's Juvenile Branch, one bale to Omoksene. The Secretary writes -" Our band resumed work in September, one little girl having dressed four dolls and made one scrap-book duing her holidays, nor were the others idle. It was a pleasant sight to see the 25 little girls as busy as bees in one corner, whilst in the other, was shown to their mothers and members of the W.A. gathered together at their invitation, the quilts, hoods, dolls, etc., which represented the work they had prepared during the year for their mission bale to Omoksene," LONDON.-Memorial Church Havergal Band, one bale and thirty yards rag carpet to Rev. D. D. Macdonald, Thunderchild's Reserve. LONDON .- St. Ann's Branch, gift of clothing for special object, sent to Mrs. Boomer. GALT .- "Our juvenile branch are taking great interest in working for Miss Wilson's Indian girls at Omoksene." BERLIN writes : "Our Branch has twenty-one members, and we take twenty-one copies of the LEAFLET, reading them with great interest. We meet for sewing every week and have regular monthly meetings. We received a most grateful letter from Mr. Frost for the two bales we sent him, but of that sent to the Rev. J. Hines, Devon Mission (our first bale too), we have never heard a word, surely it must have gone astray." (Will Mr. Hines make enquiry and communicate with Miss Edith Moyer, Corresponding Secretary, Box 55, Berlin, Ont.) LIS-Towel.--" Send us six LEAFLETS. They create much interest in Mission work, and are a benefit to our W.A." MITCHELL.-" We held our 6th annual meeting on 7th November, and are busy preparing a bale for Rev. Mr. Owens, we met to hasten to completion three new tie-downs which we hope will prove warm coverings for some poor bodies this winter On 31st, by means of freewill offerings at a social gathering, \$16 came to our treasury. One interesting feature of this occasion was a Crayon Lecture on Indian picture-writing by Mr. Waterbury, Manager of the Merchants Bank. [MEM. A hint this for other Branches. Why not enlist the co-operation of outside friends in our good work; who knows what latent talent may lie at their very door? Perhaps Mr. Waterbury would do London Branches the same good turn -ED.] KIRKTON hopes soon to have its W.A. Branch too. "We hope to work for missions during the coming winter." TYR-CONNELL has sent a bale with sixty-one new, and forty-four secondhand articles, with groceries, etc., to Omoksene. "Although our Branch has been passing through deep waters in sympathy with our beloved President and her suffering husband, our dear and honoured rector, yet the interest in our mission box has not abated, our only regret was, that Mrs. Chance was not here to see our good things." BRANTFORD -Grace Church, sends \$5 for Japan Lady Mission. The Treasurer, Extra-cent-a-day acknowledges with thanks the following sums :-- from Grace Church, Brantford, \$15 for Bishop Reeves; and \$10 for Lion's Head ; also, per Mrs. Burton, St. James', Stratford ; \$3.65 for Omoksene.

Miss Labatt asks mention of the following :---" There are two new Branches formed, one in PORT ROWAN, eleven members, four officers; the other, a junior Branch at SIMCOE with sixty or seventy members. The following sums were voted to be given annually :-- To Algoma, §10; Lion's Head, \$5; Lady Missionary, North West, \$5; and Kanyengah, \$1.

Amongst the pleasant happenings which should be gratefully recorded, is a most deeply interesting lecture upon his visit to the East, given in the new Cronyn Hall, London, in the interests of the W.A. by the Bishop of Huron, the freewill offerings at which, amounting to nearly \$50, were devoted to the North West Lady Missionary Fund. So crowded was the hall, that many had to leave the building. At our Annual Meeting, our President also most kindly consents to give, in the shape of a special paper, her experiences during that eventful journey.

Mrs. Boomer heartily thanks those Branches which have extended to her so kind an invitation to be present at their meetings, and regrets that during the winter it will not be possible for her to accept any such beyond the immediate neighborhood of London. She greatly enjoyed her afternoon's visit to Delaware, on 25<sup>th</sup> October, when

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representatives of three Branches were assembled to greet her. It was with very special regret she declined the invitation to the Indian Reserve at Munceytown.

For reply to queries, re third paragraph of pages called by our Central Secretary, our correspondents are referred to 1st page of present issue, December LEAFLET.

### CONDENSED MESSAGES FROM THE MISSION FIELD.

In a most kind letter from the Bishop of Saskatchewan, which confirms all that has been stated and urged in connection with the Onion Lake Mission, his Lordship says —"It is in charge of Mr. Matheson who is ably assisted by his wife. They and fourteen of the Indians and half-breeds there were confirmed by me during my visit. and Mr. Matheson is now a licensed lay-reader and an accepted candidate for Holy Orders. They have, as you are aware, had a boarding school for some time past At present there are fourteen pupils, but partly from C. M. S. funds and partly from help received from the Indian Department in material, an excellent addition is being made (it is nearly ready for occupation), to the mission buildings, and this will provide accommodation for thirty or more in addition to the present number. Mr. Matheson receives rations from the I. D for seven, the remaining seven not being recognized as treaty Indians. His salary from C. M. S. and the I. D. is \$600 per annum. He needs assistance for the maintenance of those pupils who are not recognized by the I. D. as well as for other pupils whom he will presently take. Also there undoubtedly is work for a lady missionary. The work carried on at Onion Lake is worthy of the sympathy and support of your W.A. and I heartily hope and pray that you may be able to supply the felt wants of the mission."

A Winnipeg friend of your Editor sends the following :---" I also visited Cumberland Mission (Sask.). Such a miserable, poor place. The church is just a common log building with no pews and only a few forms. I felt so sorry that I could do so little to help. I asked the Rev. E. Cook if he ever got any help. He said a box was once sent him. Mr. Cook does all his own work in the way of fixing the church and is a very earnest worker. When I looked at his congregation and saw how reverent they were in church, following up the prayers so earnestly, I thought surely Mr. Cook must be doing his duty." Who will remember Cumberland Mission ?

Amongst many most interesting details of her life at Omoksene, Miss Wilson writes :—"Often when we are in the woods and the children are scattered here and there, and I hear snatches of our lovely Church hymns lisped by these little heathen children, it strikes me as being a great pity that some of the good people who work so hard formissions could not be witnesses of these little proofs of the good that they do, I know that they would feel encouraged 'Jesus loves me' is a great favorite and they all sing it so well. They are wonderfully fond of music and pick up a tune very quickly. . . . We have our discouraging days, for which patience is the only thing. They are so unaccustomed to any kind of discipline, their parents letting them do just what they like, so one cannot be surprised if they rebel a little at first." After relating one very comical little incident and another full of pathos, but giving proof that the Christian lessons taught these little ones have not been in vain, Miss W. adds, "I am surprised to find how little the people even at Macleod know about the Indians. When telling something about our children one said to me, 'I never knew Indians laughed.' I told them they should come out and hear some of the hearty laughter from our little girls; and then again, ' And do you mean to say you kiss those dirty little things good-night ?' I indignantly protested against their being called dirty for we know they were clean, and assured them that we not only kissed them goodnight but some of them two or three times a day. I think the children are very fond of both Miss Symonds and myself. We are both equally fond of them and the happiness of our life is greatly dependent upon the love the children give us. Of course I believe the longer one is with them the more one will get attack 'd to them and gain influence. I know I love rome of these little girls quite as much as I would white children. . . . Mr. Swainson is such a good missionary ; all the children adore him. He is a great favorite with the Indians and indefatigable in his work too." Referring to page 299 August LEAFLET Miss Wilson says :- "I would like to tell all the girls, dissatisfied as I was with a purposeless life, yet longing for something better, and who might come without neglecting any duty at home, how different they would feel if they would give up their lives to this work. It fills up every corner of one's heart-one's life is too busy, too full of living interest either for loneliness or regret." [We lovingly commend these earnest words, spoken by one who knows whereof she speaks, to the prayerful consideration of our younger W. A. sisters .- ED.]

## TREASURER'S STATEMENT FOR NOVEMBER.

RECEIPTS. —General Fund, Brantford, semi-annual collection, \$21 70. London, 5oc.; Windsor, \$2.50. Lady Missionary, N.W., Galt, \$5; Strathroy, \$3; Stratford, Home M., \$3; London, Bishop's Address, \$49.42. Lady Missiomary, Japan, Strathroy, \$3. Algoma, Port Dover, \$5; Oil Springs, \$1. Education Fund, Oil Springs, \$1. Lion's Head, Port Dover, \$3; Oil Springs, \$1; Brantford, Grace Church, \$10; Stratford, Home M., \$4, Strathroy, \$2. Windsor, \$5, Beachville, \$60. Literature, Brantford, S. Jude's, 20c., London, St. Paul's, 30c. Lady Missionary (Kanyengah), Preston, \$1. TOTALDISBURSMENTS.—\$73.49.

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## Montreal Diocese.

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

A Missionary correspondent uses very strong language in referring to England's introduction of the opium traffic into China. "It seems," she says, "So dreadful to think that England, of which we have been so proud, was the country which in the first case actually forced it upon the poor Chinese." And to this cause she attributes "The blood that was shed during the Chinese war, and the awful misery which has been brought upon this country, and also, for the matter of that, upon England's subjects in India. And to think that an enormous part of her revenue is still derived from the opium traffic!

It is meet that Advent, with its special call to preparation and self-denial should everywhere in the Weman's Auxiliary awaken a responsive activity, and increased desire to do something for the spread of the Gospel of Christ, and the ministering to the necessities of those who have obeyed the call and have gone forth as ambassadors or workers for Him. Thus overywhere at this season, in our Branches we hear of the preparation of boxes and bales, which in due course shall wend their way to the homes of our own missionaries in the poorer parts of the Diocese, or to those distant Northern and Western regions, where as a worker writes :---

"The day of bale opening is looked forward to as one of the happiest in the whole year, and it would rather cheer and encourage the senders, if they could see the beaming faces of those standing round the bale or box while it is being opened, and hear the notes of exclamation as each new discovery is made, but still more would they be encouraged to see the smiling faces of our children as they receive a suit or dress in exchange for their dirty rags."

May every garment that is fashioned for and bestowed upon these children of the wilds, and those who labor for their conversion, prove

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to them that their sisters in the more favored Christian parts of the Dominion have their good at heart, and that they long for the time when these Indian children, as they cast away their filthy rags and don the new garments prepared for them, may also be clothed upon with the robe of His Righteousness, and thus have their share in the joy of Christ's second Advent, "When He shall come again in His Glorious Majesty to judge both the quick and the dead."

### AMONG THE BRANCHES.

## ST. JOHN iv, 4 8.

We learn with pleasure that the thriving parish of Knowlton, with the approval of its energetic rector, Rev. W. Chambers, has just come into the Auxiliary. A Branch has been formed with a membership of sixteen, and an order sent for sixteen LEAFLETS. This promises well for future usefulness, and an intelligent understanding of the needs of the mission field. We cordially welcome the new Branch, and wish it God speed

Miss Brown has been holding successful meetings in the Townships. In Dunham we read of a "good attendance and a fairly good collection." In Knowlton (the new Branch), "arrangements are being made to board and clothe an Indian boy at Alberta;" and in Farnham, at whose hospitable rectory she has again been a guest, a further donation of 155 new articles, comprising pillow-cases, ticking, unbleached cotton, flannelette, kitchen aprons, cradle quilts, a comforter, dressed dolls, \$8 worth of groceries, and a gallon of honey for Mrs. Hinchliffe's special use, has just been sent. Miss Brown has returned to Montreal, and last Sunday, at Canon Norton's request, addressed the Cathedral Sunday School. On Saturday she is to hold a meeting under the auspices of the Diocesan Board for the Senior Branches of the Auxiliary.

With this number of the LEAFLET, Montreal extends to the members of the Woman's Auxiliary in her own and in the sister Dioceses, and to all her LEAFLET readers a loving Christmas greeting. To some of us we know that the blissful anniversary as it returns will bring with it sad thoughts. That there will be vacant places at the fireside, and a void in the heart for those who have gone to "the land that is very far off," or it may be that sickness is sent to try the faith and courage of some, or that adversity in other form is testing their fortitude and patience. But to each and all, whether joy or sadness predominate, the "Nativity of our Lord," is a day that must come

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with "blessings fraught." It is a day when everywhere hearts are softened and hands are stretched out to give of their abundance, or of their stint alike, when peace and good will abound, and the message of redemption comes home to us with special power, for "God sent forth His Son," this Son who is born to us to-day, "into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might have life."

### Letter from Mrs. Bompas.—(Continued.)

You must try to picture us, dear friends, in our Palace, a rather small log house on the left bank of the Yukon, some seventeen hundred miles from St. Michael's, near Behring Straits. We stand high above the river, and are surrounded by our beautiful rocks. Our Mission is built on a small island, on which just now we have an encampment of some twenty Tepees, so that we do not lack company, such as it is, with swarms of children and dogs. We have six mission children, two boys and four girls, Mr. Totty, our young deacon, has charge of the boys in the Bishop's absence, and I have my girls to look after, and give them four hours schooling. My youngest girl is only 31 years old, a great pet, but a great pickle too. She leads me a life, and is quite aware of her power to disarm " Mama Bomps " whenever she tries to be angry. I must stop as I have many letters to write, and can only manage to do so at odd moments. Remember us in your prayers, dear iriends, and remember our dear Indians too, who are sadly exposed to temptations owing to the close vicinity of the gold diggings bringing in crowds of miners every year. They take our Indian girls without a thought of marriage, and they have introduced whisky drinking and whisky making to shameful extent. We need our whole staff of clergy to deal with these evils, besides police and magistrates." Farewell. Ever yours affectionately,

C. S. BOMPAS.

### From. Rev. Geo. Homes, St. Peter's Mission, Lesser Slave Lake, Peace River District, Sept. 21st, 1893.

DEAR MRS. DAWSON,—You will think that you are never going to receive an answer to your letter of April 27th, or an acknowledgment of the nice bale of useful clothing for our Home and Mission, so kindly sent us by the members of your Diocesan Auxiliary, but, as I have before stated, we do not receive our bales until late in the summer, and then we are frequently a month or even two without an opportunity of sending letters to the outside world. Mrs. Holmes was delighted to see the print for her sewing class. She will be thankful for any kind of raw material for that purpose. I must now tell you a little about our Indian Children's Home, in which I know you will be interested.

As you may have learned from some of my letters in the Church papers, we are building a new Home, which I am thankful to say is almost complete, with the exception of the mudding and white-washing. We propose, D.V., taking in about twenty-five boarders, seven more tuan last year; though we may commence a dav-school on the 1st of next month ; but the formal opening of the Home will not be until the evening of All Saints. The programme will be an exhibition of the magic lantern, singing and prayer. We shall be pleased if you Christian friends can join us that same evening at the Throne of Grace, to pray for God's richest blessing on the coming winter's work : for ourselves also, that grace and wisdom may be given us to train up these dear children 'o know, love, and serve the Saviour As far as the Home and Indians in general are concerned, the prospects are bright and encouraging, but you will be sorry to hear that at present a dark cloud of debt hangs over the Mission, and threatens for a season to eclipse the brightness. To pay off the debt on the Home we need \$250, besides \$200 to meet the deficit on last year's accounts. The Missionaries on Government Reserves receive grants towards buildings, and support of children, but we have no grant of any kind guaranteed us from any quarter, but are entirely dependent upon contributions from Christian friends, and it is to them that we owe the existence of the Home, and it is to them we shall have to trust for its support until Government comes to assist us, Will you kindly ask the ladies of your Branch to do a little if possible towards removing this cloud, and letting the sunshine into our hearts and Mission. Satan sometimes tempts us to give up in despair, but God's gracious dealing with us in the past encourages us to hope for the future, though I admit our faith is sorely tested. That this work is worthy of support is demonstrated by the fact that the H.B.C. officers, who have ample scope for judging, are amongst our most liberal supporters, even one who is a Roman Catholic gave me \$5 this summer, and on a former occasion he contributed \$10. Thank God we rejoice over many tokens of His blessings upon our work amongst the children last winter. While over at Peace River a week ago, I saw one of our little scholars whose parents moved over there last spring. Poor little Bella (for that is her name) had met with a serious accident, in which she had her leg broken. Although in great pain when I saw her, she was most patient, and her mother told me, almost in tears, how her little daughter prayed to Jesus to help her to bear the pain. She had also on one occasion reproved her brothers for being cowards in the dark, asking them if they did not remember that lesus was everywhere.

I will write again about New Year, and give you an account of the progress of the Home."

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## Piagara Diocese.

### DIOCESAN MOTTO :- " Lo ! I am with you alway,"

We had a capital monthly meeting in the new guild room of the Cathedral, preceded by a Celebration in the beautiful little chapel over whose ever open door we read the invitation, "Enter, Rest and Pray." Without may be the burden of a life of pain and care, but within the calm and quiet of our Father's House of Prayer. We welcome the formation of a new W.A. Branch of 20 members at Georgetown. Mrs. Houston's acceptance of the organizing secretaryship gave much satisfaction. Dundas reports encouragingly, and will in future send its own representative. A dear little baby girl at All Saints' Rectory, Hamilton, claims Mrs. Forneret's care, and Miss Fisher was elected as President of that Branch. A resolution of condolence with Mrs. Irvine, Provincial Treasurer, was carried standing. Also to Miss Vicars, Toronto.

#### TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.—Rupert's Land Fund.—St. Mark's, Hamilton, boys. \$5; St. Mark's, 50c., All Saints, Hamilton, \$10, Ascension, \$25; St. James', Dundas, \$5, Christ Church, Niagara Falls, \$3, St Jude's, Oakville, \$10, St. John's, Ancaster, \$2.06. Japan M. M.—St. Mark's, Hamilton, \$2.19, All Saints, \$5.20, St. James', Dundas, \$7.28; St. Thomas, Hamilton, \$6 50, St. James', Guelph, \$3; St. John's, Ancaster, \$1.45. Missionary D.F.—St. John's, Ancaster, \$1.46; Ascension, Hamilton, \$2. Georgetown Branch, \$1., Mrs. Martin's Life Membership, \$25, Offertory St. Mark's, 90c., collection \$190.

EXPENDITURE.—By General Secretary's expenses to Quarterly meeting, \$2, postage, 28c., Rev. W. A. Burman, R. L. T. F., \$75; draft for same, 15c.

By vote of Board we give Mrs. Newcombe's paper. Dorcas and Junior Branch Reports unavoidably omitted, also several letters.

#### MISSIONARY ZEAL.

When our Lord said to the Apostles, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature," He said it to them as a body, not merely as individuals. The commission is given to the whole Church in its corporate capacity, and we must not be unmindful of the performance of this solemn charge, when, as members of this Church we come together to consider what women can do to execute practically and theoretically their obligations. We have entered into fellowship with Christ in His Church, and are pledged to be fellowworkers with Him in the accomplishment of His Kingdom. To know what is to be done involves the responsibility of doing, and the organization known as the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions, is the visible sign of growing consciousness of this sacred trust.

Of all the clusters hanging on the heavy laden boughs of civilization, none is more important or far-reaching than "Missionagy work." and among the most remarkable examples of the opening of doors, the breaking down of barriers and the preparation of workers is found, in consecrated women laboring in the fields of her choice Women of the ninteenth century are famed in arts, sciences, literature and inventions; they have climbed the heights of industrial pursuits as colaborers with men in the work of advancing the world and supporting self, and now are counted as a force in nearly everything that concerns mankind. This condition is only possible where the Gospel has pervaded and moulded the life of nations. In the cramped, fettered and enslaved situation of the women of the Orient, woman has been called the "corner-stone of heathenism," and India alone furnishes millions of women and girls sunk in utter ignorance and degradation, unreached by any educating, elevating or evangelizing influence. Christian women have found access to the secluded inhabitants of these benighted lands, and the gates now are unlocked by the simple instruments God has used in the hand: of these sympathizing and earnest workers.

It is over fitty years since women resolved to carry the Gospel to women in the far East, and this resolve has opened the Zenanas to the influence of teachings of Christ in the homes and families, to the extent that Mohammedans are urging the propagators of Islam to make efforts for the instruction of women in their faith, or the very foundation would be gradually destroyed by the inroads of Christ's representatives. Having prepared the way how important it is that we strive to provide continued means for occupying the fields ready for the sower of the seed as well as for the reaper of the harvest

There is no foe so stubborn the Gospel cannot reach and save, and ours is the privilege to prepare the way to conquer and achieve. Duty gives way to privilege when the true spirit of missionary zeal prompts our efforts, and triumphs of grace in the work of missions follow fast on the wings of inspiration and appreciated opportunities. We cannot compel any one to decide for Christ, but we may so bring to every human being the Gospel message, that the responsibility is transferred from us to him or her with whom we come in contact.

Contact is the responsibility more than conversion, and if we perform our part, God will take care of the results. Witnessing for the truth has proven a potent factor of salvation in the lives and experiences of men from the time of Christ down to the present day, and what we are is more than what we do. What is desirable is, that we get into contact and communication with each other, and with the mission workers at home and abroad, so that the bond of sympathy, fellowship, and intelligent interest may grow and become more vital. We must scan the open fields, and penetrate into the very heart of benighted lands to learn their needs, and to increase our energies. These lands lie far and near, and we have our missionaries in them all, and through them come the signs of the times, that ought not to be undiscerned or unheeded There should be no necessity for a plea in their behalf, for the very nature of their work enforces the life that should ebb and flow in our lives, in response to the spiritual uplifting of every regenerate soul seeking its subject for activity. Appeals are reaching us from every land in the old world, and the new, and as we pause on the threshold of our winter's work we must supplant ignorance with intelligence, that is the handmaid of faith and devotion in God's work.

Chalmers used to say, "That in all benevolent work one woman is worth just seven and a half men "Surely this should be a great force in organized Christian women to redeem their more unfortunate sisters. The records of the past must not outdo the efforts of the future, and the Woman's Auxiliary must be strong "to help and encourage missionaries" in redeeming the lost conditions of the world. They must be sent that they may hear, and hearing believe, and believing be saved.

Chrisi sent St. Peter totell a Roman Centurion words whereby he and his house might be saved, and we must send those who can deliver this same message to more benighted ones even than those of the Centurion's household. We may not be able to go ourselves, but we can assist and provide for others to go. The propagation of the Gospel of Christ is a theme dear to the heart of every true Christian. The vanishing of gross darkness before the Sun of Righteousness illumines heathendom as well as the promoters of spiritual enlightment, and the fauth that inspired those of old to "stop the mouths of lions, and to quench the violence of the fire." is the same faith that achieves the modern conquests of Christianity. The direct contribution of Christians through missions to the civilization of the world is incalculable, and valuing the Word of God above any other gift, brings forth in outward lives some fruits of the influence of the Holy Spirit.

The signal manifestations of this work are visible in the remotest corners of the earth to-day, and encouragement meets us on every hand; but, in the face of all this, we are confronted with the fact that 838,000,000 souls are yet untouched by these holy influences! This appalling fact would tend to discourage us if viewed in the light of concerted action alone, but the question arises, "Lord Jesus, what will Thou have *inc* to do"? Individual effort is not to be despised, and "the day of small things" is still in the calendar of all gre. reforms. God measures results very differently from the world. He tooks for everybody's best in their circumstances The world may pronounce the result a failure, but so long as the heart and purpose are true to Him, He accepts it "according to that a man hath, and not according to that he hath not." David sang to the Lord, "Open to me the gates of righteousness," and Cardinal Manning says :—"When the Father opens His doors and invites me in, shall not His children be waiting on the steps?"

Our primary object must be to kindle a spirit of prayer, love, and zeal in giving. There is no grace that needs for its culture more careful and persistent instruction than this grace of "giving." Christians should be led to give, not by touching appeals, spirite addresses, or tales of need, but on the broader and higher ground of *principle*, and by system. It is a training that should accompany the life of every member of Christ. Not "what good thing can I do," "but what can I give" to help the cause of Christ in this world. Wealth may not be each ones share in worldly possessions, but we have a spiritual wealth that can be shared alike by all nations. If we would not increase our indebtedness a thousand fold, we have no time to lose in disseminating this wealth.

With the increase of civilization comes the imperative necessity to provide better and more extensive ministrations over the whole world.

It is encouraging to note the extended possibilities in this direction, resulting from the aid given by the W.A. Branches. These are notably on the increase. In our own Diocese there are thirty-six Senior, and ten Junior Branches, with a membership of 1,153. If every member is deeply impressed with the responsibility this stewardship entails, the lengthened shadow of heathenism will rapidly narrow its limits to a very small portion of the habitable globe. But what can we give? In reply to this question I am reminded of a beautiful thought conveyed in an address given by a Missionary Bishop recently, when he said :---

"The thumb suggests brains, for all the other fingers are close against it, and religion begins with reason; the nimble forefinger, bodily activities; the middle and largest, personal influence; the fourth finger or ring finger the affections, and the little finger, last of all, stands for money."

Not that money is insignificant, but, that money will follow as a result of these combined influences for the salvation of men. We are summoned to aid with all the powers God has given in the great work of casting off from all people the works of darkness, and of putting upon them the armor of light. The fields are ripe for the harvest, and for the expansion of every sphere of usefulness. Let us make our Auxiliary an indispensable agency in organized and effective effort, ever ready to aid established work of missions, and to supplement it whenever there are special needs, that the work begun may grow and widen far beyond our present vision, and bring forth results far exceeding our most ardent hopes.

L. T. NEWCOMB, Scc.. Lit. Com.

## Ontario Diocese.

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

Subjects for Prayer and Reading: December—Ontario Diocese, United States or Miscellaneous; January—Rupert's Land, Manitoba and the Zenanas.

We are delighted to be able to report three new Branches this month, one at L'Amable in the poor parish of Dungannon, Hastings County, opened by Mrs Moore : one at Barriefield. where Mrs. Wurrel, formerly president of the Morrisburg Branch, has begun work, and, with Mrs. Roger's and Miss Muckleston's help, has organized a Branch with about twelve members ; and the third at Christ Church, Belleville, organized by Mrs. Loucks and Mrs. Stanton, with twenty-five members. We wish that all the members of these new Branches, indeed of the whole Auxiliary, could have been privileged to hear the Rev. R. W. Stewart, as we, in Ottawa, were lately. He did not ask for money, but for prayer and self-devotion. "Oh Christians, pray for us," he said, "If you hear of riots in China, say to yourselves. It is our own fault, we have not prayed enough." And again. "Some Christians think that God is almost Almighty and fear to ask much of Him." Then he told us of how the spread of the Gospel had been hastened by praver-the heathen would know what the Christians were praving for, would see that they got it, and would say "Yours must be the true God."

## **REPORTS FROM BRANCHES.**

BELLEVILLE.—The monthly meeting of St. Thomas' W.A. was a very large one, and all seemed deeply interested. It was decided to take up a collection each month until June next, in aid of the Widows and Orphans' Fund.

BROCKVILLE, Trinity.—Themembers of the W.A. assembled in the basement of the church to bid farewell to two of their most devoted and energetic workers, Mrs. Starr and Mrs. Ladd, and to wish them success in their new home in Toronto. An appropriate address, expressing the love and esteem in which they are held, was read by the President. A Prayer-book was given to Mrs. Starr, an oak clock to Mrs. Ladd, and a fountain pen to Mrs. Geo. Starr, who is preparing for special work in the Master's vineyard.

CAMDEN EAST.—There are three Branches in this parish, with a membership of twenty-five, some of whom are most faithful in attending the meetings, one lady walking a distance of three miles. In Camden East the meetings are held on the last Tuesday of each month, at half past two. The meeting is opened with prayer, the minutes and correspondence read, and the rest of the afternoon is spent in knitting and sewing, while one of the members reads aloud. In Yarka the monthly meetings are held in the church, and the sewing meetings at the Secretary's house. In Newburg the members meet once a month, at each others houses. The three Branches are working for the Rev. Arthur Cobb, of Broadbent, Muskoka, and expect to send five quilts and a number of pairs of socks, etc. There are fourteen subscribers to the LEAFLET.

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CORNWALL.—Here the "Children's Church Missionary Guild" has decided that it will change its name to that of the "Ministering Children's League" and thus feel itself more free to work for the poor at home. Already, though, a quilt, pillow, and baby's dress, destined for the Piegan Reserve, testify to the wider scope af the children's sympathies.

OTTAWA.—At the October business meeting the sum of \$10.00 was voted towards the appliances asked for by Miss Smith, of Kobe, Japan, for her dispensary.

PRESCOTT.—At the October business meeting work was resumed for the winter. A quilting bee was held in the schoolhouse, and, with the help of the Guild, three quilts were completed with some other sewing. It is hoped that a good bale will reach the Piegan Reserve from this Branch before Christmas, and for this purpose the members meet once a week. On on All Saints' day, the W.A. and the Guild had a corporate Communion, which was largely attended.

LANARK Branch has been occupied making dresses, shirts, pinafores, socks and a quilt. This yearly bale is one worthy of commendation, for the members are not those who have much spare time on their hands, and such a bale means real self-denial.

IROQUOIS.—This Branch began work for the winter on September and, meeting every two weeks Two bales have been sent to the Rev. G. Gilmore, Rosseau, Algoma. The Branch is increasing in interest and numbers. It stretches its bounds so as to enclose three members from other branches.

ST. MARGARET'S, Montreal Road, is another Braich with a small membership, which makes valiant efforts. There are eleven members, and an average attendance of seven at the meetings, which are held monthly at the houses of the President or Secretary. The Dorcas report shows what has lately been accomplished.

<sup>\*</sup>KEMPTVILLE writes :—<sup>••</sup> Our bale which we sent off at the end of October to Kutawa, is larger this year than either of the two previous years, containing forty-seven new things, and 121 second-band. Amongst the new things are three quilts that we made (with other things) by working on Thursday evenings for four or five weeks. Then we had a quilting party in our hall, and invited twenty-four persons to help us quilt them .Scme belonged to the W.A, but the n zjerity did not. We worked all the afternoon, then had tea in the hall, and finished them after tea. The contents of the bale were contributed by about thirty-four persons, eleven of whom are Auxiliary members, the others members of the congregation, and half-a-dozen articles were sent by Diocesan members from Oxford Mills.

KINGSTON has held a most successful quarterly [meeting, at which addresses were made by the Rev. E. H. M. Baker, of Bath, upon Woman's Work in General, and by the Rev. F. Dibb upon Diocesan Needs. The Treasurer's report shows the financial result. The three Branches are all in good working order, with membership about the same as last year. The Junior W.A. of St. James' Branch is increasing in numbers and holding weekly meetings, as does also the C.C.M.G. of St. George's parish. Three bales are in course of preparation.

### DORCAS REPORT.

IROQUOIS sent two bales to Rosseau, Dio. Algoma. Freight 6octs., contents, 30 new, 41 second-hand garments, three quilts, remnants.

WALES sent a bale to Rev. Jno. Saunders, Biscotasing, Diocese Moosonee. Value, new material \$52.87, freight \$1.82. Contents 77 new garments, 44 second-hand, six quilts, eleven pillow cases, yarn, 20 yards cotton flannel, 18 yards factory flannel, groceries, soap, and tin cups.

TRENTON, to the same place, sent a bale containing blankets, dress goods, towelling, carpet, brushes, tea, canned fruit, six boxes toilet soap, books and toys, 38 new garments, 64 second hand, freight \$3.00.

CORNWALL.-One bale to Mr. Hinchliffe, Piegan Reserve, Diocese

Calgary, containing 31 new garments, 35 second-hand, three quilts, four sheets, two parcels for family, candy, napkin rings, groceries, tea, cornstarch and cocoa. Cash for material \$16.96, freight \$5.73.

PERTH -One bale to the same. Freight \$5.51, new garments 25, second-hand 100, five quilts, two pair blankets, two pair sheets, towels sillow, black tea, 15 lbs. scrap books and cards. This bale weighed 158 lbs.. No money value for material given.

KEMPTVILLE, continuing its good work for Kutawa, Diocese Qu'-Appelle, this being the third year, sent a bale to Rev. A. Cook. Value new material \$23.02, freight \$4.64. 39 new garments, 121 second-hand, 6 quilts, pillow-slips, and infant's blanket.

KINGSTON, St. George's Cathedral.-One bale to Archdeacon Phair for distribution among Indians in Rupertsland. Value new material, \$9.00. 3c new garments, 26 second-hand, and pieces of carpet for mats.

OTTAWA Junior W.A. has sent to Rev. A. Tansey, Somerset Mission, one set Communion Linen. Value \$12.00.

MONTREAL ROAD, St. Margaret's .- Two barrels for John Fane, Teacher, Lake Manitoba, Diocese Rupertsland. Value new material, and freight \$30.872. New garments 24, second-hand 97, one quilt, soap, pearline, yarn, two fruit cakes, candles, candy, and black tea.

> TREASURER'S STATEMENT FOR OCTOBER.

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We regret to announce that Miss Brown will not be able to reach Ontario until after Christmas.

All communications for the LEAFLET must be in the Ontario Editor's hands before the 20th of the month preceding the date of issue.

## Quebec Diocese.

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

## AUXILIARY NOTES.

Just as our last month's issue went to press came the sad news that our much-loved Treasurer, Mrs. Bell-Irvine, had been called upon to part with the devoted husband, whose failing health during the last four years has necessitated her loving watchfulness day and night. Mention has been made in the former pages of the many kind words of sympathy which have been received expressing our earnest prayer that Mrs. Irvine be blessed with the promised "peaceful fruits of righteousness." The W.A. has lost an ever interested friend and generous contributor by the death of Mr. Irvine. At Mrs. Irvine's request the white altar frontal and white stoles were used at the funeral, vases of white flowers stood on the retable, and the hymns all pointed to the Christian's bright hope of the Resurrection and re-union of loved ones in the life of everlasting joy.

The following changes have taken place in the officers of the Riviere du Loup Branch: Mrs. Teasy having left the place Mrs. Lebrocq has been elected President, Miss Ferguson, Vice-President and Miss Clara Davy, Secretary-Treasurer.

Mrs. Wilkinson has taken Miss Eotterill's place as Secretary of the Cookshire Branch. Miss Botterill having returned to her former work in connection with one of the Sisterhoods in England. We will be glad to welcome her back to Canada whenever she is able to return

One of those who took part in the Conference at Sherbrooke, October 25th, when speaking of ways in which selfdenial might be exercised, mentioned "flowers." Being asked afterwards if that referred to the cultivation and care of these beauties of nature, she would like to explain that nothing was more foreign to her thoughts. It was simply intended as a note of warning with regard to the present fashion of an overlu: rious display of expensive hot-house bloom, when a smaller quantity would give the cheering effect and something be saved to feed not an artistic eye, but the many souls who are hungering for the Bread of Life.

The Literature Secretary requests that no periodicals older than those of the current year be sent to her or Mrs. Wurtele and then only such as relates to Church work and workers.

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The most interesting and valuable paper, written by Mrs. Robertson, President of the Cookshire Branch, and read at the Conference, has been printed and can be obtained at 2cts. a copy or 2octs. a dozen. It is urgently requested that every member of our Diocesan Branch will provide themselves with what must be such a help to their W. A. work. A sufficient number to supply each member will be sent to every Parochial Secretary who will please undertake the sale of them, and thus save the unnecessary postage which would be expended were each copy sent separately.

Our sister-workers in other Dioceses, or those who are not members of the W.A., can obtain copies by applying to the Dio. Cor. Sec., Miss L. H. Montizambert. The paper is entitled "How to Reach those who Take no Interest in Missions, and How to Make the W.A. Work More Efficient."

The Quarterly Meeting of the Diocesan Branch was held at Sherbrooke, October 25th. Holy Communion was celebrated in St. Peter's Church at 10 a.m., Canons Thorneloe and Foster officiating. A large number of members partook of this Holy Sacrament. Immediately afterwards members and delegates from most of the neighboring branches assembled in the Church Hall, and Mrs. Hunter-Dunn presided. Many appeals were laid before the meeting and letters read. One of the most important of the latter was from Miss Mellish, now Mrs. Lawlor. A resolution of congratulation was passed unanimously, wishing her every happiness, and expressing great appreciation of her faithful work at St. Paul's school. At noon the rules of order were suspended that those present might unite in saying the W.A. prayer. A resolution of deep sympathy with Mrs. Bell-Irvine, our Diocesan Treasurer, was passed unanimously, all standing. The question of a Junior

Constitution was deferred until noon so that some of those interested in the Juniors might have time to arrive. It was a great pleasure and help to have so many gathered together from such a number of Branches, and the kindness and hospitality of our Sherbrooke sister-workers will not soon fade from the memory of those who were fortunate enough to experience it.

ST. FRANCIS DISTRICT CONFERENCE OF W.A.

The 3rd Annual Conference of the St. Francis District Association of the W.A members, was held in Sherbrooke on Wednesday afternoon, Oct. 25th, 1893. Nearly all the Branches within the St. Francis District were represented, and a large number, about 150, were present. At the request of Mrs. Thorneloe Mrs. Dunn took the chair. The conference was opened by the members singing the hymn "Lord, her watch Thy Church is keeping." Mrs. Thorneloe read an address of welcome to the visitors, which was responded to by Mrs. Dunn. A paper on "Junior Work" was read by Miss Roe. The chief point of the paper was the desirability of regular missionary instruction to the children. Discussion on the paper was invited but met with no response.

The subject of a Constitution for Senior Branches, which had been postponed at the quarterly meeting held in the morning, was now brought forward. Miss Roe read the Constitution of the Toronto Junior Branches, and also a simpler one more suitable to our Branch. The latter form was adopted by the conference, subject to the approval of members at the next quarterly meeting.

The next paper was on "Our Duty to the North-West," and the subject was most interestingly treated by the Honorable Mrs. Aylmer of Richmond.

Miss Brown, being now invited to address the meeting, gave an interesting account of her work among the Indians on the Piegan Reserve, especially of the work among the children for whom she begged assistance, both in money and clothes.

A paper on "How to reach those who take no interest in W.A. work," was then read by Mrs Robertson. A resolution

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was carried that this paper be printed and circulated among all our members.

Miss Montizambert gave a short account of her recent visit to London, Ont., with special reference to her meeting with Quebec's child; everything that she learned about her being of a most satisfactory character.

All the papers and addresses were listened to with great attention, and received with applause. The following resolution of sympathy with our Diocesan Treasurer, Mrs. Irvine, was moved by Mrs. Roe, seconded by Mrs. Parker, and carried standing "That the members of the St. Francis District Conference of W.A have heard with deep regret the announcement of the decease of Commissary General Matthew Bell Irvine, C.B.; C.M.S. Mr. Irvine's unflagging and valuable labors for many years in behalf of the Church in this Diocese, and his loving interest in her welfare to the last are known to all. The members of this conference desire to record their gratitude to Almighty God for the good example of Mr. Irvine's earnest religious life, and to convey to Mrs. Irvine, the esteemed Treasurer of the W.A., their loving sympathy with her in her bereavement." A vote of thanks to the Sherbrooke members, for the kind way in which they had received and entertained their visitors, was noved by Mrs. Scarth, seconded by Mrs Hepburn, and carried. Mrs. Thorneloe, in moving the re-appointment of a secretary for the St.F.D.A, spoke of the assistance she had found the secretary, in arranging about the conference, and in the correspondence. The resolution was seconded by Mrs. Scarth, and carried. It was moved by Mrs. Hepburn, seconded by Miss Cox, and carried : "That Miss Roe be re-appointed Secretary" An invitation from Windsor Mills to hold the next conference there was gladly accepted. The Conference was closed by singing the Doxology.

A missionary meeting was held in the evening, at which addresses were given by the Rev. Charles Brooke, and the Rev. Albert Stevens. A collection was taken up for Miss Brown's work.

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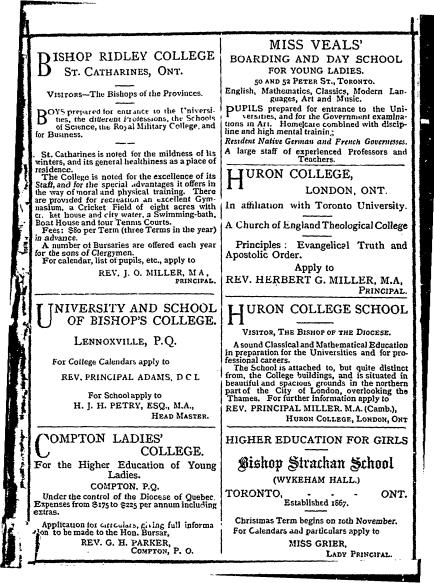
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"A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL."

The following has been received by the St. Sylvester Branch :

STONEWALL, MANITOBA, Oct. 12th, 1893.

DEAR MRS. WILSON, —Your letter only reached me here on Saturday last, Oct. 8. I am sorry to tell you my husband was obliged to leave the Black River Mission last May. He was completely run down from his labors, both in body and mind. I was on my way to join him at the B.M., I was as far as Selkirk with my furniture, dogs and children, I have six, all young, and when the sad news reached me, I had to return to Stonewall again My husband was browth from the B.M by the Indians to Selkirk Insane Asylum, where he is still, but much better in health. The doctor will not allow me to see him, fearing the excitement.]



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