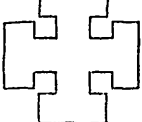




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## MEMBERS' PRAYER.

**O** LORD JESUS CHRIST, who in the days of Thy flesh didst vouchsafe to accept the services of faithful women, we beseech Thee to grant Thy Blessing upon our endeavours to aid and encourage Missionaries. Put into our hearts the things that we should do and say to promote Thy glory, and further the object we have in hand. Grant that we may never be discouraged under difficulties, but go forward in faith and hope, —looking unto Thee. Have pity on those who know Thee not, on those who are far from the Church of their fathers in a strange land. Visit them with Thy Salvation. Hasten, we pray Thee, Thy Kingdom, that all may come to the knowledge of the truth. Hear and answer us O Lord, our strength and our Redeemer, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

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Subjects for Prayer and Reading: July—Mackenzie River. The Jews August—Moosonee. Greenland.

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## THE FAMINE IN INDIA.

India is now passing through what threatens to be the most appalling famine of the century. Starvation and death are sweeping over the western and north-western provinces, covering an area of 400,000 square miles, and containing nearly 50,000,000 of people. 6,000,000 only are in receipt of government relief, two cents a day for men, less for women and children. This sum buys one pound of grain, just sufficient to support life. Only one shower in three years; animals and people are dying of hunger and thirst. Think of this ye people at home with gallons of water at your disposal; the trees are bare, for every leaf has been picked for the cattle. Thousands of children are wandering about abandoned by the parents unable to feed them, while thousands of young girls are being sold to Mohomedans at five to thirty cents each. Fully 20,000,000 are dependent upon private charity. As in 1897, the missionaries know more of actual necessities than any other residents, official or unofficial; they are one in the statement that it is practically impossible to exaggerate the present need. After the last famine over 10,000 children were cared for in the mission schools. The Government is keeping registers of deserted children that they may be placed in institutions where they will receive physical and moral care to fit them to provide for themselves in the future. Hindus have no institution for destitute children; therefore the thousands of orphaned and deserted children find their only refuge in the schools and homes established as a very important part of the missionary work in India. A traveller in India says: "One must live with the missionaries of India in order to

understand what they are doing, and how they do it. I saw many native Christians, they are a remarkable and impressive body of men and women; I was always saying to myself, they are like the people of the Bible." Day by day we hear tragic stories of the famine ravages, and of the desperate need of help. The S.P.G. missions are in the heart of the stricken provinces, and all money sent to the Womans' Auxiliary is sent directly to the distributing agencies of our Societies at work in India. Three cents a day will feed one person. Miss Macklem, Sylvan Towers, Rosedale, Toronto, is the authorized Treasurer for the Famine Fund of the Womans Auxiliary.

### Letters from our Missionaries—Domestic.

QUEBEC. Letter from E. H. Bassing, Kutawa, to Miss Von Iffland, Dorcas Secretary of St. Michael's Branch, Quebec.

"I am very glad to say that the barrel arrived about ten days ago, quite safely. I would have acknowledged its arrival last week, but for the fact that I was very unwell. The contents of the barrel agreeably surprised me, everything is so good. Some of the things are already disposed of, and the remainder will soon be given to the poor amongst the white people, who are more than thankful for the many nice garments you have sent from your W.A. It is a real pleasure to be able to help this class of people, who value to the fullest extent the articles they receive. The Indians, on the other hand, are so improvident, and take such little care, in most cases, of their clothes; but this is more their misfortune than their fault. The only way to make the Indians value the things they receive is to make them work for what they get. Please convey my warmest thanks to all the kind friends who contributed to the barrel. I should like to say that the quilts are about the best I have ever received, and the ladies who worked them deserve great praise."

From Rev. Percy Stocken, Blackfoot Reserve, Gleichen, N. W. T., to Mrs. Doak, January 11th, 1900.

"Your letter was forwarded to me this morning, here, where I am staying for a few days at my brother's mission. The barrel containing Peter's outfit arrived a day or two before I left the Sarcee Reserve, and we all have to thank you most sincerely for it. Your boy, Peter, was delighted with his outfit, for which he will write and thank you.

His overcoat was grand and will keep him splendidly warm. The children were all charmed with the candy and expressed their gratitude. I have to thank you personally for the book you so kindly sent me. I shall enjoy reading the addresses very much. I am glad to say that all the children are doing well in every respect, and that they spent a very enjoyable Christmas. The work amongst the children is very encouraging, and their prospects would be brighter, if the camp Indians were better than they are, and at times it distresses those who truly have the welfare of the children at heart, to know that these little ones, who really try to do what is right, must in the near future return to live amongst these low and careless Indians. It is to be hoped the problem as to what we shall do with our Indian school children may be soon solved, they are intelligent, obedient and honest, and we ought to be able to turn them into good citizens, if their surroundings in the near future were to be at least respectable. The children all love the school, which makes everything bright and pleasant. In class-work they are doing wonderfully well, and do a good deal of reading out of school hours. Thanking you most sincerely for your continued support, and praying that God's blessing may rest upon this New Year."

[If the girls could be trained as household servants—cooks, housemaids, pantry maids, nurses, etc., etc., they would find instant employment in Eastern Canada, at good wages.—Que. Ed.]

TORONTO. From Rev. A. F. Norquay, Shoal River Mission, Man., to St. Simon's W.A., Toronto, May 27th.

"Mention was made in my last letter that all things sent in your bale were of use. I am glad that quilts have been put in the bales by your members, they are so very useful and are much stronger, larger and more serviceable than the common run of those purchased at trading posts. This may be the last of my journeys to Swan River for Church work, although I may still have monthly trips to make until an ordained man can be appointed. It will depend upon what instructions are received from the Archbishop on my arrival in Winnipeg next week. My own special work, that of a missionary to the Indians, demands the whole of my time during the summer, so that this work here should be undertaken by some one who can get in and out more easily and quickly than I. But we are so short handed

in this Diocese, and the Archbishop said to me at Easter, that he could not ask any one to come up from Eastern Canada on only \$350, which is the guarantee of the Home Mission in newly opened districts. He is right in one sense, and yet an injustice may be being done to some one who would be willing to work up, and I feel certain that he would find that the Home Mission grant was not the only source of his stipend. We are to have a student here for the summer, and it is hoped that an ordained man can follow in September. Having such distances to travel, I could merely hold a few services and make my way back to Shoal River, so that I have not been able to visit the people in the valley during the whole winter. On return after Easter, of which mention was made in my last letter, that I was about to set out upon the journey, I was traversing muskegs and bog meadows alone. Everything in the way of food, blankets, change of clothes had to be carried in a pack. Parts of the road were not so deep in water as on the way out, but the bottoms were thawing out of the soft places, so that with what water remained the walking was about as difficult as two weeks earlier. The Swan Lake not being open, and the ice not in a safe condition to venture upon, from Birch River, accompanied by an Indian, I set out for the mouth of the Swan River to look up timbers for building purposes. Our route lay across bog meadows following rivers, creeks and duck ponds, and making frequent portages. I learned what I could of the timbers, returned after two days to Birch River, and the ice having brokeh up in the meantime, and the lake cleared, I pushed on to Shoal River. During the short time that I was there the spring gardening had to be attended to and preparations made for this journey. On this we were back to the mode of travel in vogue one hundred years ago. Part of the way in canoe and across country in saddle with pack-horse."

June 7th—"I have arrived in Winnipeg. When in Swan River I was told that two bales of clothing had arrived to my address. These were yours from St. Simon's. I opened them and repacked, shipping them back to Winnipegosis, so that they may go on to the mission by boat. I am greatly pleased with the articles. Our Diocesan Synod meets next week, after which we shall all be returning to our work. I earnestly thank St. Simon's Auxiliary for their annual gifts and help, and wishing them all encouragement in the Master's work."

HURON. To St. Jude's, Brantford, Branch, George, one of the Indian boys in the Kissock Home, Omoksene, writes.

"I am going to write a letter to you. I was very thankful when you sent up a bale for me, I had that nice big coat, and I was fond of it. The first time you sent the bale up to me I had the skates, but they got broken. Then I got sick; then Mr. Owen said if you get well I'll get you another pair, and so I got well; then Mr. Owen bought the skates for me, and they got broken, too. Now I am going to tell you all I can about this school. We are all well; one girl that has gone to the doctor to be cured of scrofula. There was another boy that we never thought he was going to die, he die of rheumatism. I look after him for a while, he was a good worker. We had a concert in Macleod on the 14th and 15th of December; the people said it was a very good concert. I am thirteen years old. Please write a letter to me. Yours truly, GEORGE LACHAPPELLE."

NIAGARA. To Miss Roe, Cor. Sec. of St. Mark's, Niagara-on-the-Lake, the following has been sent by the Missionary, Rev. P. W. P. Calhoun.

"The village of Duck Lake is situate in the district of Saskatchewan, on the C.P.R. branch line, about 200 miles north from Regina. The settlement of Wingard is 12 miles north from Duck Lake, and Rosthern 12 miles south; therefore I make Duck Lake my headquarters, being the central point. At Duck Lake we have a pretty little church designated All Saints, which is not fully completed, one of the chief things lacking being seats, chairs doing duty in their stead for the present. The church will accommodate 200, but this village being chiefly Roman Catholic, the Protestants are in the minority, and therefore the congregations are small. There are about eight Church of England families and about six Presbyterians, the latter also attend our church when they have not a student of their own denomination. The population of Duck Lake would not be more than about 300. At Wingard, 12 miles north, we have a log church which will accommodate about 150; the congregation here consists of Halfbreeds. The services at this place are very hearty and well attended. I might say they are all church people, and there is no opposition and we have the field to ourselves. This church needs a vestry, but as we have no funds to warrant us building, we are waiting



till we get enough. The language spoken is English, so I have no trouble in that respect. I hold service there at 11 in the morning, 3 Sundays in the month: every fourth Sunday I go to Rosthern instead of Wingard. Rosthern is a flourishing little village composed of a few white people, Mennonites, Galicians, Germans and Doukhobors. This mission as yet is not organized and the services are held in the school-house. The people attend very well, and are anxious to have two services a month, and to do this I am now negotiating to get a lay reader. There are many difficulties to contend against in the work in this part, especially in the winter. When one has a drive of 12 miles facing an east wind, with the thermometer at 45 or 50 degrees below zero, and it is on these kind of days they turn out. A few Sundays ago, my wife and I started to Wingard. It was cloudy when we started, then it began to drizzle, then cleared up, then started a steady rain until we got to Wingard. No one turned out and we had to drive back through a steady rain after having had dinner at one of the houses. The people throughout the N.W. are noted for their hospitality. If you were to call a native a Halfbreed he would be insulted but a native is all right, although there is very little difference, if any. There are very few church people in Rosthern. I am afraid building a church is a little premature. I cannot possibly manage the three services in one day; If I had a lay reader I might be able to do it, but it would cost money to supply him with a horse and pay his expenses, even if he did the work, getting no remuneration."

From W. J. Eccleston, Little Current, Ont., to Chippewa Junior Branch.

"We received the bale which your Junior Branch of W.A. sent to our mission. The bale has been over at Massey for some time the mail carrier did not bring it over, hence the delay. Will you convey our thanks to your Junior W.A. for so kindly helping our mission. A number of the articles we will lay away and give them to the Indians when needed.

From Miss Eva Young, Dynevor Hospital, to Mrs. Hewitt, St. George's, Hamilton, April 18th.

"You will be glad to hear that your box of clothing, groceries, etc. arrived this morning. Miss Lockhart is delighted with everything; it is indeed quite a beautiful box of gifts, all the contents so good and

exactly the style of garments, etc., needed in the hospital. The dressing gowns are precisely what Miss Lockhart has been longing for. I found an old lady of 84 who has been ill with bronchitis, who sat up for the first time to-day, arrayed in one of them this afternoon. She looked so nice and comfortable. The night-dresses are so pretty, so beautifully finished; the quilts, shirts, etc., will be most useful. The soap is very welcome, especially the nice scented soap. How good of your children to send such lovely cakes of it. Please thank them very warmly for their very kind gifts. The wards are to be white-washed next week, and then Miss Lockhart intends to make the walls look bright and pretty with some of the pictures and lovely calendars you have sent. She is so glad that the box arrived just now, as she can arrange all the things before leaving for her furlough in England. She sails by the S.S. Dominion on May 13th. A lady in England has promised to give £500 towards the nurses' home, you can imagine how glad Miss Lockhart is. She hopes it will be finished before she returns. The donation you kindly enclosed will go to the fund for the Asst. Nurse. The hospital has been very full lately. One patient died very unexpectedly from a tumour on the brain the other evening, the others have all done so well. One woman with a terrible tumour or growth on her knee removed three weeks ago is recovering rapidly now. Another who underwent a terrible operation two months ago has returned to her home; of course she is still very delicate, but she has recovered in the most wonderful manner; no one thought she would live at first. Her parents and her husband are so grateful. Again thanking you and your kind helpers most warmly for the beautiful things you have sent, etc."

St. John's, Cayuga, received an acknowledgement from Mrs. Smitheman, Schrieber, of a bale sent by them in January, which was unavoidably crowded out at the time it was received.

Extract of letter from Rev. David Curry, Christ Church Mission, Peace River, to the Editor, April 25th, 1900.

'I got back safely, but had a very heavy trip. The roads were bad all the way, very deep snow. It took some of the freighters five weeks to make the trip one way, that is from Edmonton to Lesser Slave Lake, that was 100 miles short of this place. I reached here one month from the time I left my home in Ontraio. I broke through the

surplus ice on the Little Slave River and got wet. I was walking in the water carrying out my stuff after getting my horse out for about four or five hours in all. My legs were nearly frozen, got quite stiff. It was cold the 17th of March about 9 in the morning, and it was one before I got on the bank to change my clothes. I came very nearly getting all my clothes wet, two minutes longer, but they were the first I took out of the sleigh. The Rev. Mr. Johnson is here helping me now, he is a very good man and I feel good will come of it."

## FOREIGN.

TORONTO. Extracts from Diary of Miss L. Thomas, our W.A. member, Cholchol, Chili, March 22nd, 1900.

"I have come to visit this mission station for a short while, and this afternoon I went out with Mrs. Wilson to call on some people and ask them to come to the Bible Class this evening. They are people who have lately come to Cholchol. They lived in Valdivia before, and were converted by a Baptist there. When they stopped going to the Roman Catholic Church, the priest came to see them and asked why they were going to the Baptists, and told them they might just as well come to him, because although the Baptist differed from him in some ways, yet all religion was the same, it was just a trade they followed. These people, however, have very decided opinions of their own on some matters. They told Mrs. Wilson that when any members of the congregation were away it was the duty of the others to call on the absent ones and find out the reason of their absence. Then if the absentee does not come to the next service the caller is to inform the pastor of the reason. In the evening there were ten or fifteen at the Bible Class, which was held in the School-room Friday, 23rd To-day we all went out to a great fiesta. Antonio Pairnema, an old Cacique, died last January, and the Mapuches, according to their custom, kept the body and dried it in the smoke of the ruka. They saved up their money, too, and had a grand fiesta to day before they buried him. They say there were a thousand people there, and I suppose there were nearly that many. In the centre the body lay on a kind of small platform about six feet high; it was covered over with a sheet, and round it were hung provisions for him on his long journey. There were strings of sausages, and strings of apples and bread. The poor Cacique has had nothing given him to eat since he

died last January, and why he should do without it so long and need it now I don't know. A little distance off was the body of a woman who had died lately. It was elevated in the same way, and the two graves were dug close by. They were not more than three or four feet deep, and in each one was half of the hollowed out trunk of a tree, while the other half was lying near to be put on as a cover, when the body was put into the first one. Near to where the bodies were, a few booths had been put up, and in them the cooking was being done. At a distance, varying perhaps from 15 to 30 yards, was an irregular circle of horses, just inside of which their owners were seated on the ground. When we arrived, men were dashing about on horseback carrying wooden basins filled with chunks of meat and bones, which they distributed to those who were seated. There was no regularity about it, but everybody seemed to be supplied. There were empanadas, too, a kind of small meat pastry which the Chilenos make very well. It consists of a piece of pastry with meat and a few other things chopped up fine, rolled up in it. It is fried in boiling lard, and when well made and without anything disagreeable in it, it is really very nice, we had some before we left, but they were not as nice as some I have tasted. Horse flesh is considered a great dainty among the Mapuches, and there was plenty of it there, as well as other meat. One time Mr. Wilson wandered away from us, we found him seated on the ground between Domingo Connepan (cacique) and his brother, and picking a large bone with evident enjoyment. I don't know what kind of animal the bone belonged to, but perhaps Mrs. Wilson did; Mrs. Wilson had her camera with her, as she hoped to get some views; I believe she did bring back two or three that a young amateur, a Frenchman here in Cholchol, took for her but it was not very easy to get good ones. There were a number of other cameras there, I saw a dozen at least, one belonged to a professional photographer, who is taking views to send to the Paris Exposition. Sunday 25th—The Service here is in the evening, so Mr. Wilson always goes out visiting in the morning, getting back in time for Sunday School at three o'clock, Mr. Rucknall went with him this morning, but they found all the people at the ruka, they went too, were still celebrating the fiesta, that is they were either drunk or drinking, and of course talked nonsense if they talked at all. The

drinking generally begins in the afternoon, and goes on till everybody, including the soldier-policemen, is drunk, then follows fighting, and the soldiers break a few heads and take a few to gaol, and Mr. Wilson has a good many wounds to dress for the next few days. As school is to begin here to-morrow, a Mapuche brought his boy here to-day. Jose Wilipan came with him, and so did Pedro Nawelpi. I was glad to see them, especially Pedro, who says he wants to come back to school. Antonio Melipan was here for a little while, he was at school with us at the Quepe the year before last, but came here last year, and Mr. Norris says he wants to come here again this year; I talked to him awhile and told him what a number we had in the school last year, and that Ambrosic is with us and was teaching in the school. I don't know whether that made any impression on him or not, but he asked was school going on now, and when would it begin. He is a big boy, and they don't want the big boys here, would rather have the little ones. The big ones come to us at the Quepe."

HURON. To HURON W.A. our Lady Missionary at Foo Chow, Miss Kirkby, writes.

"Since my last letter (see April LEAFLET, page 196) we have had very helpful meetings in connection with the Young People's Christian Endeavour Society, which is doing a good work among our native Christians in the Church of England mission. Perhaps the chief result is the feeling of perfect unity between the three Missionary Societies, and their converts in this province. The united consecration meetings have done much to promote this happy intercourse. The Convention of the Society was held here from April 13th to 19th. Delegates came from Peking, Shanghai, Hang Chow, and from the interior of this Fuh-hien province. At the first meeting there were fully 1500 people, both men and women, present. Dr. Clark, of Boston, and some of the missionaries addressed the men; Mrs. Clark and some lady missionaries the women. In the evenings, when the Chinese do not care to leave their houses, I cannot call them homes, English meetings were held in the C.M.S. ladies' house. As soon as the meetings were over, I left the 'Olives' to join Miss Faithful-Davies, who is living inside the city in charge of the school for upper class girls, as we all felt she should not be living alone with only Chinese around her. Miss Stevens said she could spare me till July,

but I do miss my dear villages very much. Every day people come to inspect the school, before sending their daughters, a party of 15 have just left, they had to be taken all over the house, and their surprise is always great at the cleanliness of everything. The principal part of my time is devoted to study in preparation for my next examination at the end of June. About 4 p.m. I go into the school to practice, talking Chinese to encourage the girls to speak English. On Sunday mornings these little ladies go to church in closed sedan chairs, a distance of 15 yards; one of us sees them off, and the other receives them at the church door and leads them to their seats in the front of the building, as far as possible from the gaze of the opposite sex. It was very amusing as we were leaving the church by a shorter way, through the pastor's house, for ten or twelve men, who were enquirers, were waiting for instruction in the room we had to pass through, and they had to be told to turn their backs so that they should not see us. It did look so ridiculous to see them all with their faces towards the ceiling. We do so need your prayers for this very difficult work among the upper classes. The women are very gentle and refined, but take very little interest in anything serious; their attention soon wanders away to something else. Then families belonging to the nobility speak the court dialect, and do not understand the common speech of the people, and to reach them one lady missionary, at least, should speak Mandarin, devoting all her time to them. Is there no lady in Canada whose home ties are not binding, who could come and take up this work among the neglected nobility of Foo Chow? Come over and help us. Pray for us, we do not cease to pray for you."

"P.S.—The native pastor, who has just been moved from Foo Chow from a country charge, has come with four friends to call upon us, so we must polish up our memories and entertain them."

To Mrs. McLellan, St. James' Branch, Stratford, Miss Kirkby writes,

"By this mail I am sending you a photo of the Bible-woman and her school, the 'Watching Circle,' is supporting. You ask about the language. I can talk a fair amount on every day and religious subjects, but long to do much more. I went the day before yesterday, March 14th, all by myself, to a place to preach for the first time, as on

that day there was an anti-footbinding meeting, which I was anxious the Bible-woman who has always gone with me should attend. I had a nice little time in the Catechist's house, and was greatly cheered by the women and children understanding as well as they did. To-day I went to the home of one of Miss Leslie's pupils, but very few women came, as they are busy preparing the fields for the rice. On our way back we were caught in a heavy rain, and a dozen little boys came round me where I was taking shelter, pupils of a heathen school. We became most friendly, and they showed me their reading and writing books, which unfortunately I could not read as it was all classical Chinese character, not the colloquial which we learn. Will you pray that day by day I may be able to speak more freely and confidently in this very difficult and complicated language. I would like you to pray for the villages I go to regularly; I will tell you about them. Cieu-tah is a large village with a catechist, but he can only work among the men, and if these are as indifferent as the women we must feel much discouraged. Please pray for the one woman who seems in earnest, and who is now in Miss Steven's station-class, that when she returns home she may be the means of converting others. In Hung-tah there is a baptized Christian girl lately married into a heathen family much opposed to foreigners, and I am afraid they treat her very unkindly. Please pray that this one witness for Christ in that dark village may be true and bright. Nyncoding is a very hard place, and the people very rough. please pray that the three or four Christian women in this village may find their Saviour a strong tower of defence, for their temptations are many, and some of them are very poor. Ngie Sen is a very large village with only one Christian woman. If you will all kindly make these four villages the subject of prayer at your W.A. meetings; I am sure there will be much blessing attending our visits."

Miss Young writes from Nagoya, Japan, to her Huron W.A.

"Lately one of our kindergarten pupils brought four little friends with her, and as they were walking along the street, children they did not know joined them, so that when they reached the school there were thirteen little strangers. The kindergarten child, with a very anxious face, called her teacher out to look at the crowd, saying, these four are my friends whom I would like you to kindly teach with me to-

day, but all these others I do not know at all, but they would follow me, and I am so troubled, because I am so sorry for you if they all want to come in.' Seguirá Sama, the teacher, said to her that God had used her to teach them the way to the Sunday school, and that she was only too glad of the opportunity of teaching them all. If you only could have seen how the child's face brightened to think that instead of bringing trouble to her teacher she had brought joy, and the class had a very happy time, talking about the text 'consider the lilies.' It is a great satisfaction to teach the little children, they have such sweet, trusting ways. Please pray very earnestly for two dear women unable to make up their minds to become Christians; oh, do pray! for you do not know how many things there are to disturb the minds of the people here, and keep them back from the narrow way. Then there are three women who come to me for English, but I teach them Christianity also, and they listen attentively and sometimes go to church with us. But it is very difficult for the women to leave home on Sunday, for the military officers and government officials have a holiday, and the little wives are receiving and entertaining all day."

#### ALGOMA.

TORONTO. From Miss Johnson, Long Sault Mission, to St. John's W.A., Toronto Junction.

"The bale shipped by the St. John's Branch of the W.A. from Toronto Junction, May 8th, arrived at the mission to-day in good condition, and for which we desire to extend our grateful thanks. Of all the bales sent to the mission since last November, this is the first and only one yet received, so you may know the things will be most acceptable. We purpose distributing those suitable for summer wear now, while the warmer things, such as socks, quilts, etc., we will keep until fall. The sweater we will give later on to little Johnny Cochrane, the only Christian boy on the reserve; his parents are still heathen, but believe they would embrace the Christian religion but for certain weaknesses of the husband, who fearing he would fall, not realizing that he never would be able to stand in his own strength, and knowing nothing of the power of the Lord Jesus Christ, he prefers to remain as he is rather than bring discredit on the name of Christ. He, however, gives us his children, the fourth, a baby three months old, was brought to the church by them only last Sunday evening,



where it received the rite of baptism, several heathen coming to witness the service. Will you kindly thank the boys for the gifts, and tell them we thought they would rather a Christian boy should wear it than a heathen. Mr. Johnstone was much pleased with the groceries, as I also was with the books and games, as I can use them with the children. For all the help you have given us we can only say 'thank you,' but we know there is One, the Great Rewarder, of all, who sees and knows it all, and in being a blessing to others, may each receive a blessing in their own souls."

### Diocesan Branch Notes and News.

[QUEBEC]. DIOCESAN MOTO:—"Ye have done it unto Me."

The Annual Meeting of the Quebec Diocesan Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary was held on Thursday, 10th May. There was a celebration of the Holy Communion in the Cathedral at 10.30 a.m. The service was conducted by the Lord Bishop, assisted by the Dean of Quebec, and the Rev. Lennox Smith. The address was given by the Dean of Quebec. Over 40 members were present.

The morning session was held immediately afterwards in the Church hall. Branch reports and the minutes of the Quarterly Meetings read and confirmed. At one o'clock light refreshments were served in the Guild room.

The afternoon session began at two p.m. It was opened with the singing of a hymn and the Auxiliary prayer. The President read her address. The Secretaries' reports and Treasurer's statement were read and adopted. The Treasurer showed that all the pledges had been paid and \$289 sent unappropriated to the Board of D. & F. Missions. Total amount of expenditure during the year amounting to \$1,895.57. The Dorcas Secretary reported a falling off in the number of bales; these contained the usual new and second hand garments, sheets, blankets, quilts, groceries, medicines, etc., besides outfits for eight boys and four girls. Church furnishings included three solid silver sets altar vessels, two plated ditto, one plated font, nine worked kneeling pads. Letters of greeting were read from Mrs. Baldwin, Prov. Cor. Sec., Miss Halson, Prov. Dorcas Sec., and Mrs. Mills, Montreal. Also appeals from Rev. G. Holmes, Lesser Slave Lake, Mr. J. Ley King, Shingwauk Home, and from Lytton Indian Hospital. The annual pledges of \$130 towards Miss Smith's salary, \$17

Miss Philips, Onion Lake, Saskatchewan, and \$100 towards education of Patricia Grace Hay, Algoma, were renewed. The rebate money, amounting to \$39, voted to Lytton Indian Hospital, towards erection of a ward for women. Mrs. Irvine's Dio. Life Membership money voted unappropriated to the Bishop of Mackenzie River. Miss Munison of New Carlisle brought resolution, "That the Annual Meeting be never held until after the second week in May." (Carried). Mrs. Dunn proposed the following resolution, which was unanimously carried:—

"That this meeting of the Quebec Diocesan Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary, earnestly desires to bring before all its Parochial Branches the fact, that the Woman's Auxiliary is now expected by the D. & F. Board to collect annual subscriptions for D. & F. Missionary work from men as well as women, and this meeting, therefore, trusts that each and every Parochial Branch in the Diocese will take steps and appoint collectors for the thorough carrying out of this most necessary work."

The officers elected by ballot were as follows —Corresponding Secretary, Miss Edith Carter, Recording Secretary, Miss Winnifred Scott, Dorcas Secretary, Miss Bennett; Literature Secretary, Miss McCord; Secretary Junior Branches, Mrs. Henry Roe; Treasurer, Mrs. C. Sharples; Editress of LEAFLET, Mrs. Von Iffland. Votes of thanks were passed to the Dean of Quebec for his helpful address. To E. A. Bishop, Esq. for kindly conducting the musical portion of the service; and to A. F. Hunt, Esq., for his kind services as auditor.

The meeting was closed with the singing of the Doxology.

#### WHAT TO DO WITH OUR INDIAN GIRLS WHEN THEY LEAVE SCHOOL?

With regard to the above serious question, I do truly think that if the girls could be trained to be reliable, efficient household servants, two very grave problems would be solved. 1st—Homes in Christian families, for the Indian girls could be easily obtained, where they could maintain themselves, honourably, in comfort, and 2nd, the ever increasing difficulty of procuring trustworthy, capable servants would, I trust, be met in a manner most satisfactory to all parties concerned. QUEBEC ED.

At present, the Editor has nothing for next month's copy (July) for, August. Will not the Branches kindly send letters and news.

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

NOTICE—The LEAFLET Editors of the Auxiliaries of Quebec, Montreal, Ontario Ottawa and Niagara have consented for their Branches that no LEAFLET will be issued for August. The Toronto Editor feels certain that the subscribers in the Toronto Auxiliary would each give willing consent that for once, only, they would do without the invaluable LEAFLET, thereby allowing their Editor a much needed rest from all writing. Please read July and September LEAFLETS twice to make up; and during August pray earnestly for and think often of the needs of Moosonee.

The Diocesan President returns earnest thanks to those Auxiliary Branches and members who have so liberally given, according to their ability, to the Famine Fund. Read carefully the article on this subject on the first page. The Auxiliary members are asked to remember during the vacation the five principal duties they owe to missions—to pray, to learn, to tell, to give and to work.

The May Board Meeting had the pleasure of welcoming Miss Lockhart from Dynevor Hospital; we were told very earnestly of the great need of the Hospital, and a letter just received from Miss Lockhart, now in England, tells us her health is better, and she hopes for increased aid for her work in Rupert's Land.

The Board Meeting in June was indeed a very special one, for we had the great pleasure of welcoming Miss Paterson now in Toronto on a short visit to friends, also Ichimura San, who came with the Rev. Frank Kennedy recently from Japan. Six years to the day had passed since Miss Paterson had left us; during this time much work has been done, and the fruit apparent in the building and furnishing the Training Home for Japanese girls in Matsumoto, Japan. Miss Paterson is not strong enough to tell us personally of this work, but later on in the fall we shall hope to hear from Mr. Kennedy many details of the work which we are supporting to the extent of \$150 yearly, our new pledge. We also cordially welcome our Medical Missionary, Miss Jennie Smith, who with Miss Hamiguchi, arrived in Canada last month, Miss Hamiguchi has gone to the Kingston General Hospital to train as a nurse. Miss Smith has brought many Japanese articles to sell for the benefit of Nagano Hospital. We hope

to have a "Japanese" day and evening early in October, when these things will be for sale, and lantern slides illustrating the work will be shown by Miss Jennie Smith during the evening. Ichimura San, the Matron of the Bible Training Home, Matsumoto, is staying with Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy at Balmy Beach. We are sure all Auxiliary friends will like to call upon this young Japanese lady, and show her any attention. Mrs. Kennedy, we are very sorry to report, is in bad health; it was on her account that they returned earlier from Japan.

The Annual Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary, Diocese of Ruperts Land, has been recently held, and one of St. Stephen's active W.A. members, Mrs. McMurray, now living in Winnipeg, has been elected Corresponding Secretary for that Diocese. We heartily congratulate our Winnipeg Sisters upon the success of their meeting and choice of officers.

The Central Rooms, 563 Yonge Street, are closed for work during the summer, should any clergyman visiting Toronto wish to lodge in the room for a few days or day, kindly communicate with Mrs. A. E. Williamson, 83 Wellesley Street, Toronto.

Do not forget the Education Fund, Holiday Fund, or indeed any Fund of the W.A. during your summer holiday. Never forget to use your member's prayer, and pray earnestly for the safety of our missionaries in the terrible anxious times in China.

The G.F.S. who are contributors to the Blackfoot Hospital were entertained at Earls Court by Mrs. Foster. The pledges for our Hospital salaries could not be kept up as it is without the kind help of the G.F.S. girls and their friends. Dr. Turner returned early in June from the Blackfoot Reserve, and is taking Lay-reader's duty at Coldwater for the summer; Miss Isabel Turner is shortly to leave the hospital to be with her father. We deeply regret that the Auxiliary must lose the services of this capable and devoted nurse, but Miss Turner's health quite unfits her for active duty for some time. The position of head nurse is, therefore, open for offers of service from the ranks of trained nurses who desire to aid the Master's cause by alleviating the sufferings of the Indians on the Blackfoot Reserve. Will the members of the Auxiliary pray that God will put it into the heart of one of His people to offer three years, at least, of her life to the work of this medical mission.

[MONTREAL] DIOCESAN MOTTO—"Go work to-day in my vineyard."

We are requested to call attention this month particularly to the "Holiday Thankoffering Fund. This fund was not supported last year in the way it should be, and it is hoped that during this summer it will be more generally adopted. The idea is that amidst all the pleasures incidental to the summer's holiday, a little self-denial in the matter of driving excursions, etc., will not only be beneficial to the Thankoffering Fund, but will prove also a blessing in the form of a mild self-discipline to our own characters. Let none of us therefore return in the autumn quite empty-handed towards this object.

Mrs. Holden, Secretary of the Church of England Zenana Missions, Diocese of Montreal, will gladly receive contributions for the India Famine Fund.

All communications regarding Literature, whether requests for information or the purchase of Booklets, etc., should be addressed to Mrs. Macleod Moore, 82 Hutchison Street, Montreal.

We are pleased to welcome Miss Eliza Bulmer as a Life Member. Miss Bulmer has long been identified with the W.A., having been a member of St. George's Branch and of the Diocesan Branch as well. The membership fee is divided between Mr. Brewer, Diocese of Montreal, Bishop Sullivan Memorial Fund, and the India Famine Fund.

We regret our inability to publish in order the letters we have received, but hope that all will appear in the August issue of the LEAFLET, when accounts of last winter's happenings in the North West will prove refreshing reading for the summer days.

On Friday, May 25th, a small informal tea was held at Mrs. Holden's to afford the Diocesan Officers and a few others an opportunity of meeting Miss Phillip's who was in the city for a day en route to England, after an absence of nine years, five of which she has spent at Onion Lake. Her graphic and interesting details of life and work in that region give us some idea of what missionaries endure without complaint, or even comment, as the information was given merely in reply to questions asked. Miss Phillips speaks very warmly of the industrial skill of the Indians; the girls become excellent domestic servants, and it is plain from anecdotes related are helpful and sympathetic, responding no doubt in some measure to the care and devotion displayed by Rev. Mr. Matheson and his wife, who

has had experience in foreign missionary work, as well as in the North West. Rev. Mr. Matheson is, in a marked degree, the right man in the right place, and it is to be hoped his wise plans may be furthered by contributions of money for increasing the usefulness of the institution, and of clothing, which is so useful in dealing with the Indians. No goods are given away except to the sick and aged: all has to be earned by honest labor. Miss Phillips, who has acquired a knowledge of the Cree language, has been able to do some itinerating in the vicinity, and seems to be always welcome in the camps; but what she sees of the overcrowded, unsanitary conditions of life, make one very sensible of the need of small hospitals in many parts, and greatly increased facilities for receiving boys and girls to be taught and trained in the everyday duties of life; and by request, Miss Phillips spoke for a few moments in Cree, also giving part of a hymn in language which appears to be even and not unmusical. A small organ is one of the needs of the mission. Simple medicines are very valuable, groceries, particularly tea and such things as are needed for the sick are most acceptable. All sorts of household trifles, tacks, pins, needles for sewing and knitting, wool, scraps, and clothing of every kind or size.

Havelock Branch held its first meeting for this season on May 10th. As usual, it will work for Shingwauk Home, and assist as much as possible the Diocesan Pledges. Mrs. Cole of Montreal being present added much to the interest of the meeting, she being so well informed in regard to the work of the Diocesan Branch. Edwinstown Branch of the same parish is busily working on a quilt and carpet for Shingwauk. We regret the removal of our Pastor, the Rev. Mr. Poston, from our midst. He has ever been active and deeply interested in the cause of missions, the W.A. will miss his kind assistance.—Sec. Havelock Branch.

DEAR FRIEND—The following account of Annal will interest you, as she is the woman assigned to St. Stephen's Chapel W.A. as our Bible-woman in India. You will remember we gave \$25 for her support. Please pray for her. I am, yours faithfully,

A. E. BAYNES.

"Annal is the wife of a catechist and has long had a great desire for Bible-women's work. She began her work about six months ago,

with only a few pupils. Rajapalliam (i.e. the camp of the King) is a very bigoted place, and we thought at first she would not get many pupils, but she soon had so many that she had to work six hours a day, or more, in order to visit them all three or four times a week. When she goes to a house she teaches those who are eager to learn, reading Scripture texts, some questions out of Bishop Caldwell's catechism, and a Bible lesson which I send to the Bible-women monthly. Her daughter goes round with her and helps to teach the children, for which she gets nothing. I was very pleased to find how fast the pupils were learning when I last went. Two women are very keen to learn about Christ. Their mother died of cancer in the cheek at the beginning of the year, and in her trouble had sought the Saviour, and now her daughters want to know Him, but the husbands make hindrances. Pray much for these two women, and for Anna, that God may give her His wisdom for the work."

[HURON] DIOCESAN MOTTO—" *Looking for and hastening unto the coming of the day of God.*"

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Entered into rest on May 21st, Mrs. James Carlisle, of London. The Huron Committee for the Education of Missionaries' children, of which Mrs. Carlisle was a member, desire to place on record the expression of its deep sympathy with her family, so suddenly bereaved, also its warm appreciation of her untiring personal interest in its work and her loving service. The Committee and the children have lost a kind, helpful friend, whom they will sadly miss.

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The acting-Editor regrets that there was a mistake in her report of the Annual Meeting. The resolution moved by Miss Battersby, Port Dover, seconded by Mrs. Wilkes, "That in order to pay off the debt to the Diocesan Mission Fund of \$44, each Branch be asked to send to the Diocesan Treasurer, before Easter, 50 cents," was carried, not as stated in the May LEAFLET, lost. This resolution, though, caused much discussion, many delegates whose Branches have faithfully contributed their full share to this pledge since it was assumed, were unwilling to take back this message to their Branches. There is so much to be done, so many appeals to meet, that Branches which faithfully redeem, year by year, their pledges, if they have a small balance, feel it a little hard to have to use it to make up a deficit

which might surely be avoided if all did their part conscientiously. There are still, at least, a dozen Senior Branches which contribute nothing, and a great many from which the contributions to this, the first in importance of our Diocesan pledges, are not proportionate to their receipts. This is a matter for our consideration.

The affectionate sympathy of all our members is tendered to our honoured President, Mrs. Baldwin, who is still very poorly; may the prayers that ascend for her complete restoration to health be speedily granted.

The Rev. A. Owens, of Omoksene, has sent an appeal for much needed boys' clothing. The report on Indian Missions in the Diocese of Calgary, just issued, shows that there are in the Omoksene schools, 24 boys and 25 girls, a fact certainly not realized by our Branches, which hear now and again, in a casual way, that several boys have been drafted to the Industrial School at Calgary. Of course, it never occurs to the missionary that it may not be the easiest thing in the world for the W.A. to supply an unlimited amount of boys' clothing; however, as we are never to be discouraged under difficulties, let us endeavour to send some clothing or material in our sales.

Following was crowded out of the June issue. Mrs. Boomer gratefully acknowledges for the Education Fund \$1 from the Wide-awake Comforters Circle, King's Daughters of St. James' Stratford, a circle of little girls, and 50 cents from the Junior Mission Band, Ingersoll.

Our Branches are busy, and send following reports of their doings. WALKERVILLE—Our working season is over, and we have shipped a bale, weighing 240 lbs. to the Rev. Mr. Weaver, Wapuskaw. It contained five quilts, clothing, groceries and material, and we have sent \$5 to help meet expenses of freight at his end. We had a congregational social, and shewed the things we had made, people enjoy seeing them. The groceries were all donated, also some of the new articles of clothing; all the second-hand garments were in good condition. STRATFORD (St James' Branch)—We held a birthday party in connection with our Branch on May 18th, that being the ninth anniversary of the first regular meeting; the members and ladies of the congregation were invited, and though the attendance was not as large as we had hoped, we had a nice meeting followed by afternoon tea. Our



programme was this—3 to 4 p. m., social talk; hymn, prayer by Rector, and Members' Prayer; short address by Rector on Mission work; summary of Branch's work since 1891 by Mrs. McLellan; Missionaries' letters; special petitions for praise and prayer. We are preparing our bales to be sent in June to Lesser Slave Lake. SAINTSBURY—I am glad to be able to tell you we keep getting new members, and that we are growing more interested; all say they could not get along without their LEAFLETS; you do not know what pleasure it gives me to hear this, for if we do not read about missions we do not get to know their wants. PORT ROWAN—The Rev. Arthur and Mrs. Shore sent out invitations for an "At Home," for the W.A.M.A., at the parsonage, on April 12th, to hear reports of the Annual Meeting in London, from the delegates; there were about 35 present. After a hymn and prayer, Mrs. Shore, who presided, called on the Secretary to read an account of the meeting from the "Free Press." Miss Arkle of Aylmer read a fuller report, with a short account of the address of Mr. Grubbe, and Mrs. Killmaster an account of the Bishop's sermon, 2 Chron. 22, 27. Miss Stewart gave an account of the Rev. O. Owens address on his brother's mission at Omoksene, where our yearly bales are sent. The want of a good trained nurse was dwelt upon, and of money to plaster the hospital, which is at present unfit for use, and condemned by the doctor. Mrs. Shore spoke of the Annual Meeting, of the work done and the work planned. With another hymn and prayer the meeting closed, and members had leisure to talk over what they had heard, while refreshments were passed. The silver collection amounted to \$5.35. All expressed themselves much pleased and interested. GALT—An excellent bale was forwarded from Trinity Church W.A.M.A. to the Rev. Owen Owen, at Fort Pelly, and was duly acknowledged. Assistance is promised to the Diocesan bale for Mackenzie River Diocese. The Society is now busy gathering in goods for a bale to Fort Chipewyan where, according to the Missionary's letter, much assistance is required. The members of the W.A.M.A. are busy, energetic and united in their wish to help, with means and time, this much needed portion of Christ's work. CHATHAM (Christ Church)—We have just sent such a splendid bale to the Rev. J. C. Pritchard, Cedar Lake, the largest we have ever sent, weighing 350 lbs. and such nice things

quilts, rag carpet, groceries and new clothing. BRANTFORD—Early in May we packed our first Deanery bale, or more correctly speaking, Grace Church Branch sent a splendid bale to Selkirk Diocese, and St. Jude's Branch, St. Jude's Girls' Auxiliary and Burford Branch sent contributions, paying freight on the same; also Port Dover Branch, Norfolk Deanery, which wished to send to Mrs. Bompas. There was a social gathering in the School-house the evening before the bales were packed, when Mrs. Boomer was present, and gave a talk on her experiences of life in the Transvaal.

In connection with these notes, your acting-Editor would remind the Branches, that at our Annual Meeting, the Diocesan Dorcas Secretary, declared that 50 lbs constituted a bale, consequently Walkerville sent five bales; Chatham, seven; and Grace Church, Brantford and Brant Deanery, six. Saintsbury Branch she thanks for its kind words *re* the LEAFLET.

Mrs. Fry, Seguin Falls, (See May LEAFLET, page 240) desires to thank kind friends for money and other contributions sent, some anonymously, in answer to her appeal. She writes, "A lady in Toronto sent us some things in April. A lady sent us six lovely articles, the Kingston post mark was on the parcel, but no address. Some patches and other little things had the post mark Bergerville, Quebec. Three ladies have sent a dollar each, one is a member of the Cayuga W.A. I would very much like to thank them personally. Our Auxiliary is rather at a standstill; our people are having great affliction through illness. Just before he went to England, our Bishop was here. He wishes us to build our church, and he was very kind and much pleased with us." Without in any way interfering with other claims on us, can not we women of the Auxiliary, who love our church, and value our church privileges, give something to help to build this much needed, much longed for church. God blesses the smallest gift made in love, sympathy and thankfulness.

The season has again come round when, as a general rule, our meetings are suspended, in some cases, perhaps, our mission work also. Ah! do not let this latter be true of any of us. The meetings cease, but surely all the rest goes on: the daily Member's Prayer, the special prayers for our missionaries in China, who are so much on our hearts in these perilous times; the careful study of our LEAFLETS.

How delightful it would be, and what a help, if every member resolved not to come empty-handed to the first meeting after the holidays. If each would bring a free gift in kind, or a thank-offering of money, or, where possible, both. And it would be quite possible in perhaps the majority of cases, if we would only think so.

In the report of Indian missions in Calgary Diocese, the Rev. A. Owen says: "I have often most happy afternoons with adults, and very different is their attitude becoming to past days. I feel quite sure that in time God's Word will be received, but at present the white people are as much the difficulty as anything. 'How can your words be true, when your people do not practice them?' that is often what we are met with." Mr. Hardyman, Lay-missionary and teacher at Bull Horn's Village, Blood Reserve, has to visit the tents and houses every morning to collect his pupils, otherwise they would frequently be absent. He says: "The average attendance is about seven. The children are easier to manage than white children, are quite as intelligent, but seem to prefer to be dirty to cleanliness, which means a new work every day to make them wash and comb their hair."

[ONTARIO] DIOCESAN MOTTO:—"She hath done what she could."

The Fourteenth Annual Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary opened at Brockville, on the morning of the 12th of June, when we gathered in St. Peter's Church, where the Holy Communion was celebrated, and the Bishop of Ottawa gave a very earnest address on our Diocesan Motto: "She hath done what she could" (S. Mark iv. 8), dwelling especially upon the thought that it was the love which filled the heart of Mary which was so precious to her Lord. The business meetings were held in the School-house of St. Peter's Church, and were presided over by our President, Mrs. Buxton Smith. The absence of our 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. Hague, in consequence of illness, was much regretted. A kindly address of welcome from Mrs. Bedford-Jones, President of St. Peter's Branch, was read by the Rev. H. Bedford-Jones, and responded to by Miss Gildersleeve, our 1st Vice-President. The Cor. Sec. read letters of greeting from the W.A. in other Dioceses, and from Mrs. Reynolds and Mrs. May. Miss Jennie Smith, our Missionary from Japan, and her friend Miss Hamaguchi, were then introduced to the meeting, and we most heartily welcomed our two dear sisters from that far off land.

On Wednesday afternoon our President gave us an address full of inspiration and encouragement, and the Diocesan officers presented their reports. The Thank-offering (in aid of the Widows and Orphans' Fund of the Diocese) was placed in the offertory at the Communion Service, and amounted to \$354.58. Mrs. Loucks read an interesting and very practical paper on "Excuses and how to meet them," which is to be printed for circulation amongst the Branches. On Wednesday evening a largely attended Missionary Meeting was held in St. Peter's Church, the Ven. Archdeacon Bedford-Jones was chairman, and gave the opening address. The Rev. Thomas Leech gave us an account of his experiences as a Missionary in the "backwoods" of our Diocese; and Miss Smith told of her life and work in Japan, in a way which charmed all her hearers, and which we trust may be the means of interesting many who have hitherto been indifferent to the great work of Missions. Miss Hamiguchi spoke very sweetly of her coming to Canada, thanking the Canadian W.A. for the welcome they have accorded her, and expressing her pleasure at being with us.

On Thursday morning the Missionary Litany was said in St. Peter's Church, after which we met again in the School-house for the transaction of business. The organizing Secretary presented their reports, and told of a new Branch having been formed at Elgin, with very bright prospects, and one at Adolphustown also. It is hoped in the autumn to form Branches at Frankford and Sterling. Our President suggested that women interested in our work, but residing in parishes where no regular Branch exists, should become Diocesan members; thus by payment of the small annual fee and subscribing to the LEAFLET they can be in touch with the W.A. and learn of all that is being done by our organization throughout Canada. Archdeacon Tims, Calgary, sent us a good report of the Peigan Home, and of Mr. Haynes' labours amongst the Indians on the Reserve. It was decided to continue the \$150 given to the Bishop of Saskatchewan for this work. The report from Miss Phillips, Onion Lake, was also encouraging. Miss Thacker read a beautiful paper on "Personal responsibility," which is to be printed that all our members may benefit by it, and we trust that we may be enabled to realize more and more the solemn subject brought before us, and to remember that each one of us will have to give account of ourselves and of our life-work, one day, in the

presence of God. His Honour, Judge Macdonald, and the Rev. G. Beamish, kindly gave us some information respecting the funds of the Diocese and asked us in considering the object to which our Thank offering of next year is to be devoted, to take into consideration the great need of the Clergy Superannuation Fund. A vote by ballot was taken, and it was decided that we should give our offering to that Fund in 1901. It is felt that clergymen are often obliged to continue in the discharge of parochial duties for which age and other infirmities have incapacitated them, simply because the Church cannot supply them with means sufficient to enable them to retire from active service in the ministry, and thus allow them the rest to which they are entitled after long years of labour. Miss Smith gave us a report of the Japanese work in which she is engaged, and more than ever interested us in all that is being done there. She can tell of very definite results for which we thank God; for oftentimes we have to sow the seed in faith, and it is not always given to us, in this world, to see the harvest. The Rev. Ogilvie Dobbs was with us at our noon-day hour of prayer, and spoke on the Provincial and Diocesan mottos—"The love of Christ constraineth us," and "She hath done what she could"—and his earnest words were much appreciated, and will be helpful to us all. At the afternoon session we had an interesting paper on "North West Missions," by Mrs. Coleman, for which a vote of thanks was tendered to her.

When the election of officers was announced it was found that all the former members of the Board had been re-elected with the exception of Miss Nichol, Sec. Lit., and Miss Wilson, Treas. Extra-cent-a-day Fund, both of whom we regret to say, have been obliged to send in their resignation owing to pressure of other duties. We are sorry to lose such faithful workers from the Board, though we welcome Mrs. Norman Fraser, as Sec. of Literature, and Miss Machedenil as Treas. of the Extra-cent-a-day Fund, and feel sure the work will still prosper in their hands. Mrs. Loucks read a good paper on Junior work," contributed by Mrs. D. F. Bogart.

The J. W. A. held their meeting in the afternoon, at which the Rev. G. Beamish presided, and the platform was filled with little children who went through the Missionary Alphabet in a way which reflected much credit, not only upon themselves, but also upon their teachers

The Rev. H. Bedford-Jones gave a bright address, and then Miss Smith delighted us all with her anecdotes of Life in Japan. She read us a short Japanese fairy tale, and showed us some curiosities, amongst them a sword, which the Japanese use to drive away evil spirits! Miss Hamaguchi pleaded earnestly that the little ones of her native land may be taught to know and love the Lord Jesus. In the evening a reception was given in the School-house of St. Paul's Church, which was tastefully decorated for the occasion. An excellent programme of music was provided, and we feel we cannot sufficiently thank the clergy and all the kind members of the Auxiliary in Brockville for their generous hospitality. We much regretted that the Ven. Archdeacon Bedford-Jones was unable to attend the reception, owing to an attack of bronchitis. Our new Board met on Friday morning and then we separated, feeling very grateful to God for the blessing that has rested upon our Annual Meeting, and praying that we may do more for Him in the future than we have done in the past.

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

The Quarterly Meeting of the Dio. Board was held on Thursday, June 14th, at Grimsby, about 70 delegates being present. There was a celebration of the Holy Communion in St. Andrew's Church, at 10.43, after which the business meeting was opened in the Town Hall, which was prettily decorated with flags for the occasion. After the usual routine of calling the role, reading the minutes, etc., had been finished, an adjournment was made for lunch, which was served in one of the hotels, an arrangement now often made by town Branches when entertaining the Board, and which takes the trouble and responsibility of the lunch off the shoulders of the local Branch. In the afternoon the meeting was addressed by the Rev. Mr. Kennedy, lately returned from Japan. It had been expected that Miss Smith would be present, but Mr. Kennedy kindly took her place as she was unable to come. Mr. Kennedy is much interested in Miss Paterson's work at the St. Mary's Bible Training Home at Matsumoto. Without it he thinks efficient work cannot be done in that quarter of Japan. It is not enough to have Japanese male catechists; they must be provided with Christian wives, and young Christian women are needed to go among the heathen women in their houses. The sum of \$300 is needed to build a wing to the present Home, where the girls can be

brought up in the Japanese way. The Missionaries do not wish to Europeanize them, but to christianize them, and it cannot be done otherwise than by allowing them to live in the Japanese way. The W.A. will have many opportunities, it is hoped, of hearing Mr. Kennedy speak during the coming year. The ladies of the Grimsby Branch had a cup of tea for the delegates in the Hall after the meeting, which allowed time for a little social chat. They are to be congratulated upon the success of the meeting.

[OTTAWA]. DIOCESAN MOTTO:—"God is love."

The Fourth Annual Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of Ottawa Diocese was held in Cornwall, on June 6th, 7th and 8th. The collect for Whit-Sunday seemed most appropriate, and "Grant us by the Spirit to have a right judgment in all things," was no doubt answered. The peaceful town with its hospitable inhabitants, its beautiful streets shaded with aged trees, its noble memorial Church telling by sweet chimes, by carved furnishings, by mural tablets, of the generous deeds of noble Churchmen and Churchwomen, now at rest, all combined to make this Annual Meeting a pleasant recollection to those fortunate enough to be there. About 140 women knelt to partake of the Feast of Love at the opening service, of whom 72 were officers and delegates. The sermon by the Rev. C. E. Sills, was from the text, 1 Tim. ii. 9-10, and showed that to women also, was the last command of "Him who holds the destiny of the world in His hand," given—Women were present when He, born of a woman said, "Go ye into all the world . . ." Other clergy were with us through the Session, Rural Dean Houston, Canon Mountan, The Rev. G. M. Poole, the Rev. R. W. Samwell, the Rev. A. H. Whalley, and the Rev. C. F. Lowe. Rural Dean Houston gave a Bible Reading on the subject of the growth of grace, not being violent, but gradual, "First the blade, then the ear, then the full corn in the ear." He also welcomed the delegates, and by his kind words prevented them from feeling, so much, the absence of the Bishop, who unfortunately was obliged to be in another part of the Diocese. Mr. Whalley and Mr. Samwell addressed the Diocesan Conference and also the children at their very interesting Missionary Meeting, and Mr. Samwell and Mr. Lowe gave addresses at the Missionary Meeting, which is always an opportunity for spreading the news of the terrible needs of those who "walk in darkness."

We wish we could give the earnest words of our President, as in her address she encouraged and informed us, begging that no one would withhold their mite from the Lord's work, that all might be done in harmony and love, that each during the year to come, living in the fullness of the Spirit, might feel within them the power of the Resurrection Life . . . Ten minute papers on the subjects of Chinese work, Woman's work in the Deaconess life, Missions to the Jews, Missions in Labrador, Missions in South Africa, and methods for interesting children in Missionary work, were of such value that they are to be type-written and circulated. The Conferences of Presidents, Treasurers, Dorcas Secretaries and Deanery Secretaries, were very useful, as opportunities for discussing matters in special Branches of the work, but unfortunately, "Literature" was crowded out, and the girls had no time to confer with their Secretary. The daily luncheons, an hour's car ride, and a lawn tea, proved too short a time for the innumerable subjects of interest which needed discussion, and for making one another's acquaintance. Two Life Members were added to our list, Mrs. Houston as Deanery Secretary by the Branches of Stormont Deanery, and Mrs. Poole, the 1st Vice-President, by the Cornwall Auxiliary. Reports showed that nine new Branches had been formed during the year, these are Ashton, Metcalfe, Renfrew (St. Matthew's), Ottawa (St. Anne's Guild affiliated) and Lancaster for the W.A., Renfrew and Billing's Bridge for the J.W.A., and Cornwall and Morrisburg for the C.C.M.G. Against this we have five who have for various reasons ceased to work, leaving 59 in all, with 24 missions or parishes still to open up. Fifty-seven bales had been sent out as against 47 last year. The Treasurer's receipts were \$1,556.09, and all pledges had been met. The Thank-offering of \$150 was divided between the Bishop Sullivan Memorial Fund of Algoma and the India Famine Fund; and next year's Thank-offering was promised to the first mentioned fund. An appeal for \$100 for Chinese work in B.C. was read, from the Rev. R. M. Tucker, and it was arranged that this sum should be promised and added to our pledges, it having been remarked that the D. & F. Board had particularly committed this work to the Auxiliary. The Extra-cent-a-day receipts had been about \$5; this fund and the D. & F. annual subscriptions were especially mentioned as new "opportunities."



One new Branch of work had also been entered upon by the enterprising Juniors, and that was the maintenance and education of a child at one of the Christian Schools in India. This has been done by the Cornwall Branch and by the Renfrew Branch. The Almonte Juniors are working steadily to build a church at Tyama, in Japan. A Font has been given by the Juniors combining together, for a church in our own Diocese, besides Church furnishings sent to the North West, and supplied to the clergy of our own Diocese at a nominal cost.

The same officers were re-elected with the exception of the Vice-presidents and the Junior Secretary. Mrs. Read, of Almonte was chosen as 1st Vice-President; and Mrs. J. R. Armstrong, of Ottawa, as 2nd Vice-President. Miss Parmalee, of Ottawa, is now Junior Secretary, and Miss Bogart is Treasurer of the Extra-cent-a-day Fund. The names chosen for representation on the Provincial Board, were the Hon. President, the 1st Vice-President, the Dorcas Secretary and the Treasurer. Those chosen as delegates to the Triennial, were Mrs. Muckleston, of Perth; Mrs. Houston, of Cornwall; Mrs. Elliott, of Carleton Place; and Miss Greene, of Ottawa. Substitutes were Mrs. Hogg, of Perth; Mrs. Rubidge, of Cornwall; Miss Bogart, of Ottawa; and Mrs. Samwell, of Wales. Much regret was felt at the absence of the Bishop and Mrs. Hamilton, and also of Miss Humphries, who for ten years has acted as Recording Secretary. We were disappointed that Miss Smith could not be with us as we hoped. The LEAFLET Editor was also unavoidably absent, as was the 1st Vice-President and Junior Secretary, whose resignation was regretfully accepted. It will not be thought self-praise if we say that we thought we noted signs of progress in a more regular attendance, a keener interest manifested in the papers read, and an entire absence of fear lest the doings of "our own Branch" should be overlooked, which used sometimes to show itself in former years.

### Dorcas Reports.

[TORONTO.] Central Work Room, 563 Yonge Street.

Branches have forwarded to the following places: Toronto, St. Alban's—Fort a la Corne; St. Cyprian's—Central Rooms, parcel; St. Anne's—Gordon School; St. Matthew's—Shoal River; St. Stephen's

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A member of St. Philip's Branch, Toronto, sent a new carpet for the chancel of the Church at Silver Water, Algoma, which I am sure will be greatly appreciated, as the Church-women of that Mission were working hard to get seats, pulpit, carpet, etc., for their new Church.

FANNIE H. BANKS, *Dorcas Sec. Treas.*

[MONTREAL]. The Dorcas Secretary reports that since the Annual Meeting bales have been sent as follows: Sorel—1 bale to Rev. D. A. Johnson, Powassan, Algoma, containing 109 new garments, 2 second-hand, 74½ yards new material, and 1 box fancy articles from Kings and Sons; St. Matthias'—Westmount, 1 bale to Mr. L. H. Hardyman, Bull Horn's Camp, containing 44 new garments, 28 miscellaneous, 7 second-hand, and 7 lbs. groceries, Cathedral—1 bale to Mrs. Young, Athabasca Landing, containing 126 new garments, 46 miscellaneous, 4 second-hand, un-cut material, groceries, 4 suits and outfit for Weston Frost—also 1 bale for Diocese of Montreal, containing 130 new garments and 30 second-hand; St. George's Branch—2 bales and two parcels to Diocese of Montreal, containing 105 new garments and 27 second-hand, Stanbridge East—1 bale to Dynevor Hospital, containing 28 new garments, 35 second-hand, 5 quilts, 6 miscellaneous and 16½ lbs. groceries; St. John the Evangelist—1 bale to the Rev. Owen Owen's, Fort Pelly, containing 10 new garments, 17 second-hand articles and groceries—also 1 bale and 1 parcel to the Gordon Schools, containing 79 new garments, 19 second-hand, and 24 lbs. groceries; St. Martin's Branch—2 bales to the Rev. C. W. Weaver, Wapuskow, containing 115 new garments, 33 second-hand, 5 quilts, 6 miscellaneous, 65 lbs. groceries, books, cards, etc.—also two bales to the Rev. Owen Owens, Port Pelly, containing 112, new garments, 2

quilts, 38 second-hand articles, 4 miscellaneous, 48 lbs. of groceries, books, candies, etc.; St. Martin's King's Daughters—1 bale to Fort Vermilion, Dio. Athabasca, containing 67 new articles, 2 quilts, 1 pr. blankets, 16 second-hand garments, groceries and medicines—also one bale to Sheguiandah, Algoma, containing 32 new garments and 1 second-hand; All Saints'—1 bale to Washakada Home, containing 24 new garments, 2 quilts and 13 miscellaneous articles; Diocesan Branch—1 bale to Hull, Diocese Montreal, containing 26 new garments, 13 second-hand, 5 quilts, and 15 miscellaneous articles—also 1 bale to Lower Fairford, Diocese Rupert's Land, containing 34 new garments, 33 second-hand, 3 quilts, and 7 miscellaneous articles; Montreal West—1 bale to Emmanuel College, containing outfit for girl, etc., 52 new articles, 16 second-hand, 2 quilts and 1 blanket; Trinity, Seniors and Juniors—Bale to the Rev. Geo. Holmes, Lesser Slave Lake, containing 109 new garments, 37 second-hand, 2 quilts, 13 miscellaneous articles, and 8 lbs. groceries, Grenville, Seniors and Juniors—1 bale to Kissock Homes, Blood Reserve, containing 49 new articles, 2 second-hand, 10 quilts, 1 pr. blankets, 25 miscellaneous articles and groceries; St. Jude's M. C. League—1 barrel to Mr. L. W. Wood, Blood Reserve, containing 32 new articles, 32 second-hand, 1 quilt, and 27 lbs. groceries; St. John's, P.Q.—2 bales, Onion Lake, containing 84 new and 80 second-hand articles, 5 quilts, 4 miscellaneous articles and 40 lbs. groceries. A crimson Altar Cloth and Markers were given to Glen Sutton, Diocese Montreal, by Mrs. A. Crawford. Diocesan Branch—3 bales to Rev. H. Spendlove, Fort Norman, containing 109 new articles, 5 quilts, 18 second-hand garments, 50 yds. material, 15 miscellaneous articles and 122½ lbs. groceries—also 1 bale to Mrs. Reeve, Fort Simpson, containing 62 new articles, 1 quilt, 2 rugs, 35 yds. material and 31½ lbs. groceries.

The Dorcas Sec. desires particularly to thank the following Branches and friends who, in conjunction with the Diocesan Members, contributed to the above four Mackenzie River Bales: Cathedral, St. George's, All Saint's, Church of the Advent, Grace Church, St. Thomas', Trinity Seniors and Juniors, Granby, Waterloo Seniors and Juniors, St. Andrew's (Mrs. McNaughton and Miss Allbright), Lakefield Seniors and Juniors, Sutton King's Daughters, Stanbridge East, St. James' Church

ANNIE McCORD, *Dorcas Sec.*

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CAROLINE F. GREENE, *Dorcas Sec.*

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TORONTO—From 20th of May, to 20th of June, 1900.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
Cambellford .....	\$ 5 25	Steele Briggs Seed Co., seeds to	
Collingwood .....	3 00	Essonville .....	\$ 2 08
Baillieboro', one Boy .....	50	Algoma Mission Fund .....	38 95
Omeme .....	1 00	Blackfoot Home .....	10 00
St. Anne's, Toronto .....	5 07	"  "  Matron's salary .....	75 00
Church, Ascension, Toronto .....	1 00	"  "  Miss Collin's .....	15 00
St. Luke's .....	10 25	Peigan Mission .....	5 00
St. Peter's .....	7 00	Blackfoot H., Nurses' Salaries... ..	170 00
St. Stephen's .....	5 00	"  "  Maintenance .....	25 00
Trinity Church, East .....	1 75	India Famine Fund .....	930 72
St. James' Cath., G.A., No. II. ...	2 08	Bishop Blythe's Hospital at Jer-	
St. Stephen's C.A. ....	3 40	usallem .....	2 00
All Saints' "Chipmunks" .....	5 00	C.C.M.A., Rev. J. O. Stringer ...	1 25
St. Stephen's S.S., Juniors .....	25 00	"  Miss Thomas, S America .....	6 25
Donations per Miss Macklem—		Nineteenth Century F., invested ..	1,512 00
Indian Famine Fund .....	546 40	Rent Italian Mission, 3 months... ..	15 00
"  "  A friend per Mrs. W. ....	10 00	Rent Central Rooms .....	8 00
"  Miss Austin .....	5 00	Expenses, printing .....	7 55
"  Mrs. Philips .....	3 00	"  Badge ribbon for juniors ... ..	4 65
"  George Parker .....	1 00	Postage, Recording Secretary ... ..	10 00
Lunch Fund, Balance .....	10 39	"  Dio. Treasurer .....	5 00
E.C.A.D. Eund .....	41 85	"  Junior Treasurer .....	5 00
Coll. Monthly Meeting .....	6 27	"  Junior Secretary .....	5 00
	\$699 21		\$2,853 45

EDITH WEBSTER, *Treas.*

MONTREAL—From May 3rd, to June 4th, 1900.

RECEIPTS.			
Balance in Bank as per State-		New Westminster Chinese in B.C.	6 00
ment, May 3rd .....	\$157 31	Sask., Miss Shaw's salary .....	7 00
Cash in hand .....	8 20	"  Miss Phillip's salary .....	4 50
Members' fees .....	12 60	Educational, Weston Frost .....	13 00
Printing .....	5 75	Diocese of Selkirk .....	5 00
Life Members' Pledge to Scholar-		Diocese of Athabasca .....	5 00
ship .....	2 00	Mission to the Jews .....	5 00
Freight .....	8 65	Church Missionary Society .....	5 00
Japan Medical Missionary .....	7 00	Diocesan Appeal .....	1 00
Japan, St. Mary's Bible Home...	5 50	Diocese of Moosonee .....	3 00
		Extra-cent a-day Fund .....	2 44

## MONTREAL—Continued.

Zenana .....	13 00	Postage—For Treasurer .....	50
India Famine Fund .....	9 00	Printing Reports (on account)—	
Dio. of British Columbia (special) .....	1 00	Messrs. Mitchell & Wilson...	25 00
Special Collections .....	25 90	Travelling expenses from New	
		York and return, Miss Bristow	25 00
		Saskatchewan—	
	\$312 85	Miss Shaw's Salary, 1st quar-	
		ter, per Rev. A. E. Mathe-	
		son .....	30 00
DISBURSEMENTS.		Diocesan appeal—	
Freight for Spendlove bale, per		Per Dorcas Secretary .....	1 00
Dorcas Secretary .....	\$ 8 65	Zenana Scholarship—	
Dio. of Moosonee (special) The		Per Mrs. Holden, Secretary	
Wrightman Sporting Co.....	8 00	Treasurer .....	12 00
Geo. D. Ross & Co. ....	4 20	Balance in Bank.....	183 11
Members' Fees—		Cash in hand .....	6 89
John Dougall & Son .....	2 50		
Graham & Co.....	2 00		
Postal Cards—			
Per Recording Secretary.....	3 00		
Postage—Per Dorcas Secretary	1 00		
			\$312 85

S. MAUDE MARLING, *Treasurer.*

## NIAGARA—From May 10th, to June 14th, 1900.

## RECEIPTS.

Hamilton—	
Offertory at St Thomas' .....	\$ 2 00
All Saints', for Rev. G. Holmes,	
Athabasca .....	5 00
Cathedral, from L.M., E.C.D.F.	1 00
"    India Famine F.	10 00
Surplus from Lunch Committee...	7 32
St. Luke's Burlington, Tax on Fees	1 05
Holy Trinity, Welland .....	1 10
St. John's, Thorold, Japan Medi-	
cal Mission Fund.....	7 00
St. John's, Thorold, Miss Smith's	
Dispensary, Japan .....	3 00
Christ Church, Port Maitland,	
Lytton Hospital, B.C. ....	2 00
St. Mark's, Niagara-on-the-Lake,	
Educational Fund .....	2 00
St. Jude's, Oakville, Lady Mis-	
sionarie's Fund.....	10 00
Cathedral, Hamilton—	
United Thankoffering.....	1 00
Educational Fund .....	1 20
Lady Missionary Fund .....	15
Miss Smith's Disp., Japan.....	20
Diocesan Missions .....	1 50
Japan Medical Miss. Fund ...	5

St. Thomas', Hamilton—	
Japan Medical Mission Fund.	5 00
Educational .....	5 00
Lady Missionary .....	3 50
Miss Smith's Disp., Japan ...	2 50
	\$71 57

## EXPENDITURE.

Bishop of Niagara for Diocesan	
Miss., balance to April, 1900...	\$126 88
R. G. Macdonald, Esq., Sec. C.E.	
Z.M.S., London, Eng., for Miss	
Coleman's work, India, from	
Ascension, Hamilton .....	60 00
For the C.E.Z.M.S. ....	11 00
G. B. Midgely, printing 400 pro-	
grammes .....	2 50
S.P.G. Society, London, Eng., for	
India Famine Relief Fund.....	74 71
C.M.S., London Eng., for India	
Famine Relief Fund.....	74 71
"Times" Printing Co., for ad-	
vertising .....	1 00
	\$350 80
Total receipts for the quarter..	\$582 15
"    expenditure .....	233 00

A. WEBSTER, *Dio. Treas.*

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