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THE Fourth Annual Meeting of this Society was held in the city of Hamilton, on Tuesday, 13th April, 1880, in the Lecture Room of McNab Street Church, and was largely attended.

Hamilton and Toronto were well represented. Delegates were present from Ottawa, London, Sarnia, Peterborough, Fergus, Port Hope, Harrington, Bowmanville, Chatham, Agincourt, Seaforth, Ayr, Ashburn and Mitchell. The sister Society of Halifax was represented by Mrs. Burns; and that of Kingston by Miss Machar; and the North-West Society, U.S., by Mrs. Doolittle, Toledo.

The proceedings were of a most interesting character, a large number of ladies taking part. Papers of a highly practical nature were read by Mrs. Thorburn, Ottawa; Miss MacIlwraith, Hamilton; and Miss Veals, Peterborough.

A public meeting was held in St. Paul's Church, in the evening, presided over by the Convener of the Assembly's Foreign Mission Committee. Addresses were delivered by Rev. J. A. Murray, London; Rev. G. C. B. Hallam, Woodstock; and Rev. R. J. Laidlaw, Hamilton.

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IN presenting a review of the operations of this Society during the past year, the managers recognize the difficulty of forming a proper estimate of an undertaking which is largely preparatory, and which cannot in the circumstances differ very materially as the years go on, except so far as they may have failed in reaching the desired end, or, it may be, have accomplished more than was at first anticipated. In any case, a great deal which has occupied their attention throughout the year, or has been the cause of anxiety to them, can never be embodied in the form of a report.

We endeavour, as a Society, to bring the claims of Foreign Missions under the notice of all women connected with the Presbyterian Church in this section of Canada, and we cannot too strongly dwell upon the necessity for personal effort in this direction. No other plan can possibly be so effective as that of one friend speaking to another on the subject.

Next in importance to the personal element come the monthly meetings. These are held regularly by the Central Society, and by all the branches, and (all having the same letters to read, and a common subject of prayer) form a strong bond of union. From the first it has been found an advantage for ladies working in distinct congregations thus to meet on common ground. We are seeking by friendly intercourse and mutual suggestions to learn the best methods of maintaining and pro-

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We record with sincere regret the removal of two members of committee. In the space of a few days Mrs. Moore, Ottawa, and Mrs. Gilray, Toronto, were called away. The friends to whom those ladies were best known will understand, and sympathize with us, in this our first loss by death. By this sad event, as well as by the change and sorrow we have each personally experienced, let us be solemnized and stirred up to obey the precept, "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might."

Occasional correspondence reaches us from our own North-West, through the friends in Winnipeg, and through the sister Society in the Eastern Section we hear from Trinidad and the New Hebrides.

Mrs. Junor, Formosa, writes us most interesting letters, and although there has been some little interruption in the work, and change in the circumstances, of our missionaries at Indore and Mhow, the correspondence has been kept up through the whole year with unflinching regularity. The general impression conveyed by the tone of their letters would lead us to infer that the Canadian ladies are entering more fully into the family life of the people, and that the results of their work are becoming apparent.

The increase in the number of Auxiliaries and Mission Bands has been very satisfactory. The new branches all occupy important centres in Ontario.

A few of our auxiliaries have, from adverse local circumstances, in part fallen back, but from them we still hope for good things. Of by far the greater number we can say "*well done.*"

We attach great importance to these organizations at so many different points, and hope that the formation of Presbyterian Societies, such as already exist at Lancaster and Hamilton, will only be a *question of time*. In many essential particulars the auxiliaries continue to be the mainstay of the Society. Through correspondence with them we have received several valuable hints for the management of our work, and in this way whatever of excellence exists in one part of the country will be generally diffused.

A very natural wish has been expressed by some of our branches that a special object might be set apart for them, which they might consider

their own, and towards the support of which the money they contribute might be appropriated, believing that by thus making the work more personal the interest would be deepened. We think it well to state that, as the mission in Central India is comparatively new, and only beginning to assume definite shape, this cannot be done without causing unnecessary confusion. The Foreign Mission Committee will, no doubt, be able *in time* to make appropriations of this nature to those who may wish them, as soon as the work opens up, and our contributions become sufficiently large; but in the meantime it is desirable that we should place our entire fund in the hands of that committee without *any other* condition than that it should be, as hitherto, devoted to the expenses connected with the work among the women and children, and we rely with confidence on this plan meeting with cordial approval from all the branches.

Our indefatigable young friends of the Mission Bands have held on their way nobly. We have reasons for stating that the offerings they this year bring are the result of unsparing and continued effort; but of greater value than the offering they present is the kind of training it foreshadows for our children and youth.

Donations have been received from friends and from Societies not auxiliary to us, but who none the less have given tangible proof of an interest in the work. To all of these our heartfelt thanks are due. The following list will shew how extensively this interest has been manifested:—Ladies' Association, John Street Presbyterian Church, Belleville; Ladies' Mission and Benevolent Association, Central Church, Toronto; Woman's Association, Knox Church, Galt; Ladies' Association, Wellington Street Church, Chatham; Morvyn House Band, Toronto; and forwarded through the Canadian Woman's Board of Missions, Montreal (North Georgetown and English River, St. Andrew's Auxiliary, and Woman's Board of Missions, Sherbrooke). Received too late for this year:—\$50 from Mrs. Redpath, Montreal; \$20 from Presbyterian Sabbath School, Flamboro', per Rev. G. Chrystal; and \$34 from John Street Presbyterian Church, Belleville. We were not without fear as the months passed, that owing to straitness and difficulty in some departments of church work, our contributions might possibly fall short of last year's, but the blessing has not been withheld or lessened, and with grateful hearts we can say that we are, at least, a little in advance. The amount in itself considered is not large, but viewed relatively, it is the best possible evidence of sincerity and zeal in our members; and it is presented as an earnest of what we hope to do as

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Number of Life Members	7
Ordinary Members in Central Society	372
(Of these 247 are from Auxiliaries.)	
Number of Auxiliaries	46
Number of Mission Bands.. ..	9

Contributed by Auxiliaries	\$2,292 63
Contributed by Mission Bands.. ..	607 00
Total amount contributed	3,682 56

And now, with another year before us, we most earnestly commend this cause to the women of the Presbyterian Church in Canada. To those who from thoughtlessness or indifference have hitherto done nothing; to the earnest home-workers—for they only can understand the pressing wants of our eastern sisters; and to our friends who have done so well, in the hope that we may all take courage, and go forward, realizing the responsibility of our high position, aiming to do our work quietly, and constantly looking for help to THE MASTER.

M. J. MACMURCHY.

Rec.-Secretary.

Home Secretary's Report.

IN reviewing the home work of our Society for the past year, we find that we have much cause for thanksgiving and abundant ground for encouragement. With very few exceptions, from all our auxiliaries cheering reports have come of increasing interest in the work, of fresh zeal and devotion, and of willing hearts, who give, work, and pray, trusting God for the fruit of it all. Some of the secretaries of our branches *do* write a little despondently, but we think they need not fear, for, in almost every case, the contributions have exceeded those of previous years. Whilst we deeply regret the indifference, on the part of many of the women of our Church, to the importance and claims of mission work, we rejoice that in others a growing interest is felt, which cannot fail to result in constantly increasing efforts for the extension of Christ's Kingdom.

It is true that in many cases, especially in localities where the population is widely scattered, the work of our auxiliaries is carried on by the patient, steadfast, persistent efforts of a few true-hearted Christian women, and we would earnestly urge such not to yield to discouragements. "Be not weary in well-doing, for in due season ye shall reap, if ye faint not."

Six new branch Societies have been organized this year, and we regret that two of our old ones have dropped from the ranks; but we hope only for a time. They know how gladly we will welcome them again when the pressure of other church work now crowding on them is over. We have now forty-six Auxiliaries and nine Mission Bands scattered over the country, from Sarnia in the west to Ormstown, in Quebec, in the east. This includes the two Presbyterian Societies of Hamilton and Lancaster; in the former of which there are four Auxiliaries and three Mission bands, and in the latter eight Auxiliaries.

Our treasury has been swelled by contributions from places where, as yet, there are no regularly organized societies, but the interest shewn in such a practical way leads us to hope that soon they too will enrol their names as co-workers with us.

Several of the branches have been visited during the year by the President of the Central Society and other ladies of the committee, whose words of counsel and encouragement have done much to establish and strengthen them. Others were addressed by Mr. Wilkie, shortly before his departure for India, and many seemed to have been stirred thereby to renewed exertion. In the meetings of most of our Auxiliaries, as in those also of the parent Society, the interest seems to centre greatly round the letters from the missionaries. They lead us to think more of the great need of the heathen world, and rouse us to a sense of the obligation resting on each one of us to bear a part in meeting that need. It has been well said, "knowledge lies at the foundation of interest and effort," and would we but realize more fully the sad con-

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The Mission Bands have done well this year, and have helped very materially to fill our treasury, and we would fain infer from this that the missionary spirit is spreading and increasing among the young people of our Church.

We would again urge, wherever it is practicable, the formation of Presbyterial Societies. This plan of working would greatly lessen the burden and responsibility now resting on the officers of the Central Society, and we feel that the division of labour which it ensures would tend largely to increase interest in the work.

A list of special subjects for prayer during each month in the year has been drawn up by the parent Society, and distributed among our Auxiliaries, with the earnest hope that it may prove a useful guide, besides affording us all—parent Society and branches—the opportunity of joining each month in united prayer for the same object.

We would wish, in connection with this, to remind all engaged in the work, of the Sabbath evening hour of prayer. Do we all faithfully observe it? The hour between five and six o'clock on Sabbath evening has been set apart by our Society, in unison with our sister Societies in the States, to plead the promises given to faith, to pray for the work and the workers, both at home and abroad, for the converts in distant lands, who give up all and are willing to suffer all for Christ, and for the fulfilment of the promise, "The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord and of His Christ."

It has been said that the missionary enthusiasm which the past few years has developed is largely due to the touch of woman's hand. A man may attend a missionary meeting, feel its power, and respond in generous action—a loyal-hearted Christian woman will not only do this, but she will become a magnetic medium, and *speak* of it, until all within her influence are imbued with her feeling. Her sisterhood in far-off lands, as well as the whole Church, is feeling her power, and if this is so, let us in this part of God's vineyard, the Presbyterian women of Canada, see to it that we do not stand idle. The Master's command is sounding in our ears, "Go work to-day." Then let us carry on this work, intelligently, generously, steadfastly and prayerfully, and we will find that in seeking to bless heathen women, we ourselves will share in the blessing, and our hearts will be knit in a closer Christian love, because we have laboured together and prayed together, for the salvation of those who sit in great darkness.

AGNES M. TOPP,

Home Secretary.

Foreign Secretary's Report.

"I have set watchmen upon thy walls, O Jerusalem, which shall never hold their peace, day nor night. Ye that make mention of the Lord keep not silence, and give Him no rest, till He establish, and till He make Jerusalem a praise in the earth."

THE field of Foreign Missions is the habitable globe. Fleming Stevenson, in his "Mission Tour Round the World," says: "The remarkable ubiquity of the missionary was one of the most powerful impressions made upon me as I traveled through the East. Wherever we touched, and wherever we inquired of others who lived beyond, we found that the *builders* were at their work." Within the last few years these Gospel builders have penetrated even to the heart of Central India, and the settlement, three years ago, of Rev. J. Douglas, Miss Fairweather and Miss McGregor at Indore, and Rev. J. F. Campbell, Miss Rodger and Miss Forrester at Mhow, has brought the province of Malwah, with its millions of pagan inhabitants, prominently before the Presbyterian Church in Canada.

Before proceeding to review the foreign mission work, supported during the past year by the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society (Western Section), we desire to make a simple statement relative to our position with reference to the Church, and to reply to a question which frequently presents itself in connection with this especial work. As a Society, we are auxiliary to the General Assembly's Foreign Mission Committee, and all moneys raised by the Central Society, its Auxiliaries and Bands, are handed over to the treasurer of the above committee, with the request that they be applied to Zenana work, or to the education and evangelization, in any of their various departments, of heathen women and children; and the purpose is, not that the contributions of the Society shall in any way interfere with the various schemes of the Church, Home and Foreign, but that, by industry, economy and self-denial—setting aside the equivalent of luxuries, comforts, or even necessities—Presbyterian women shall, through the education and conversion of heathen women and girls, assist in opening to civilization, and its handmaid, Christianity, the dark places of the earth.

The question of duty is an important one. The soldiers of the King have their grand "marching orders," which stand *yet* unrepealed upon the statute book—"Go ye into all the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature." Is this command, so full, so conclusive, so exhaustive, binding upon Christian women, or in praying and labouring for the dis-inthralment of *pagan* women, are they merely performing a self-imposed task? Surely not. Since the organization, just twenty years ago, by the now sainted Mrs. Doremus, late of New York, of the *first* Woman's Foreign Missionary Society on *this* continent—nay, we will even go further back, and say with reverence that, since the formation, by angels, in the dim twilight of that eternally memorable Easter morning, of the *first* Woman's Missionary Society of Gospel days, with its four trembling broken-hearted members, beside the rocky niche, in the beautiful garden of Joseph of Arimathea, where *had* lain the wounded,

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With reverent hands we attempt to unveil the work of our heroic, self-sacrificing sisters in Indore, Mhow, and the adjacent country, believing that by far the greatest portion will remain undiscovered until the "end cometh." The work in Central India is still in its initial stage. Superstitious customs, obtaining for centuries, must be quietly set aside by our missionaries, ignorance removed, and a firm foothold secured in the affections of the people. Preparatory work of this kind has in some measure been accomplished, the soil has been broken up, and *now*, perhaps with faint hearts and trembling hands, but still prayerfully, hopefully and steadily, the *seed* of the Word is being sown, and who can forecast the harvest.

Important changes, connected with the work of our lady missionaries in Indore and Mhow, were ushered in with the opening of the present missionary year. First, we note with satisfaction the marriage of Miss Forrester and the Rev. J. F. Campbell, on the 22nd February, 1879, which necessitated the return of Miss Rodger, who had been associated with Miss Forrester in the Mission School at Mhow, to Indore. As a Society, our sincere congratulations are presented to Mrs. Campbell, and we confidently indulge the hope that the new relationship upon which she has entered, will but afford a wider field, and more increased opportunities of usefulness.

In the month of March Miss Rodger was attacked with measles, and when sufficiently recovered to travel, proceeded to Mahableschw'ar, a favourite sanitary resort near the sea. In June, she joined Miss McGregor, who had also been ordered to "take change," at Pachmari. The month of August found them still at this pleasant hill station, gathering new strength from its bracing, invigorating atmosphere, and taking up, as opportunity offered, evangelistic work of various kinds. At the close of the "wet season" they returned to Indore, greatly benefited in body, and, we trust, inspired with fresh zeal and courage for their work, which had been so suddenly and painfully broken off by illness.

In October, 1879, Rev. J. Wilkie and Mrs. Wilkie sailed for India, Mr. Wilkie having been appointed by the Foreign Mission Committee, additional Missionary to Indore, which they reached on the evening of the 24th December. Tender memories had come that day to the hearts of our lonely devoted mission band; visions of the home land wrapped in snowy drapery, of merry bells, dark evergreens, and scarlet holly, were crowding, panorama-like, through the innermost chambers of the soul, when lo! beautiful reminder of the "glad tidings" revealed at the

incarnation, came Mr. and Mrs. Wilkie, a veritable Christmas gift, freighted with "news" from the loved land—in thought so near, in reality so far.

The Mission Staff in Central India, being thus augmented by the presence of Mr. and Mrs. Wilkie, and the affairs of the mission in a fairly prosperous and progressive condition, it was deemed expedient, by the Foreign Mission Committee, according to the usual custom on the expiry of a term of mission service, to permit Miss Fairweather to return to Canada on furlough. From its incipency, Miss Fairweather has been associated with the Mission in Central India, and it must doubtless have been both difficult and painful for her to separate herself from a work which must have endeared itself to her heart, but the thought of the home-coming, of the home faces and associations, after a seven years' absence, must have been pleasant and joyous in the extreme.

Having thus presented a *resume* of the changes and various arrangements, which have more or less affected the plans and purposes entertained by our missionaries, we proceed to consider one of the most interesting and encouraging features of mission work in India, viz.—

ZENANA VISITATION.

The men of India are many of them educated, they come in contact with moral and social reforms in their various phases, they hear the Gospel preached in the bazars, they read and converse with missionaries and other Europeans, and seem in a measure prepared for the reception of the truth, as it is in Jesus; the women, *naturally* apt and clever, are *really* weak, ignorant, degraded; confined, frequently, like imprisoned birds, in the dark and filthy zenanas. The visitation of wives and mothers in their homes, the teaching of them and their children to read the Bible and sing our beautiful hymns either in Hindi, Marathi, or English, is the principal work of our lady missionaries. More homes are open to welcome the visits of the ladies than their time and strength will permit them to undertake, and we learn with pleasure that the fancy patterns, wools, etc., recently sent out by the Central Committee, and the Hamilton Presbyterial Society, have already proved of great service in securing them admission to high-caste houses.

Previous to the sojourn of Misses Rodger and McGregor at Pachmari, our ladies reported one hundred and seventeen zenanas opened for instruction, Miss Fairweather visiting thirty-eight, Miss Rodger thirty, and Miss McGregor forty-nine. Since their return this number has been somewhat diminished, and *this*, owing not to decrease of effort, but to the recent arrangements already noted. Families in both Old and New Indore are visited, and at present, Miss McGregor and her assistant Bible-woman, Rachel Venoo, visit regularly, twice a week, in sixteen Hindoo families, and *occasionally* in twelve *other* homes. The average number of women under instruction in the various zenanas is four or five, but in the Hindoo families above mentioned, it is impossible to give an exact average of the persons brought under the influence of the Gospel, as it has invariably been the custom, on the appearance of the "mem sahib" to call together the women and children of neighbouring households. In the camp or bazaar Miss McGregor also visits seven Parsee and two Mohammedan families, and Miss Rodger, since her

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A spirit of dissatisfaction with regard to their present ignorant condition is growing up in the minds of these bright and beautiful women of the east, and an increasing desire "to learn" prevails; also, the fear of contamination by contact with the missionaries is rapidly passing away. They frequently say to our ladies, "you can read, and know everything, we can only grind our corn and eat," and one, in the fulness of her heart cried out, "we want to learn, but we have mothers-in-law and you know how they treat us, but *please come!*" How the reiteration of this "cry," ought to throb upon our ears. What are we women of Canada, that God has been so mindful of us. We revel in the rich stores of science, art and literature, and infinitely more precious than these intellectual advantages and æsthetic enjoyments is the knowledge that, through Christ, we may become children of God and heirs of a blissful immortality. Our sisters in Pagan lands grope blindly in their darkness and ignorance, crying despairingly to us, through our missionaries, for light and knowledge, and we are but half awake to the awful responsibility resting upon us; in effect, if not in fact, we fling back the appeal, saying carelessly: "Am I my brother's keeper?"

Amusing incidents frequently occur in connection with the visits of our ladies to the zenanas. Recently, Miss Rodger, was "called" to a Hindoo Home; the lady wished to learn fancy work, patterns were produced, and subsequently the subject of reading in English was introduced, and Miss Rodger anxiously inquired whether she would not like to learn. Our missionaries always use the Bible as a text book. The reply was, "no," and the following reason give, "if I did commence, I would never stop until I was a better scholar than my husband, and that you know, would never do." In speaking of another family, Miss McGregor, says: "one of the little boys generally meets me at the door, takes my hand and leads me into the room, then calls his mother, and she never seems weary of being taught, but sews, knits, reads and sings with sweet cheerful patience and willingness."

AN ORPHANAGE

for the education and care of young girls and women, who in many instances are unprovided for by relatives, was opened more than a year ago, by Miss Fairweather. Since her departure, in January last, the institution has been in the charge—under the supervision of Mr. Douglas, who resides in the vicinity—of a native female teacher. The average attendance is twelve, and when not engaged with their studies, the young people assist in cutting, covering, and parceling the Bible leaflets and books issued by the printing press connected with the mission. For various reasons, the principal one being the desire of becoming acquainted with the parents, as a preparatory step,

DAY SCHOOLS FOR GIRLS

have not, until a very recent date, been attempted. At the request of a Parsee gentleman, an English School for Parsee girls, was opened by Miss McGregor a short time ago. The attendance is small, as yet, but much is hoped for in this direction, the facilities for obtaining a thorough education in Gunjerati, the Parsee dialect used in the neigh-

bourhood of Indore, are few, consequently the acquisition of English is an inducement to many parents to send their children to the missionaries for instruction, and *they* thoroughly understand that in our schools, all secular teaching is coupled with, or based upon, the study of the Bible. Arrangements are also being made for the opening of a school for Marathi girls in the city. The parents seem willing, the only difficulty being the procuring of a suitable room. We trust this hindrance will be speedily overcome; in the meantime the prayers of the Society are requested in behalf of this contemplated effort.

VILLAGE WORK

in the country adjacent to Indore and Mhow has also been undertaken, and with very encouraging results, by the ladies. Miss Fairweather, in one of her letters speaks of rising early and "making a sharp run with a native helper, to a distant village which they must reach before sunrise if they would have a good morning's work." Thousands of Bible leaflets have been distributed at the annual fairs or *melas*, and more than once our "book givers" have circulated Scripture tracts on the streets and in the temples of the ancient and distant city of Oogoin.

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During the year, two most useful and interesting letters have been received from Mrs. Junor. It is thought by our missionaries that evangelistic efforts among Chinese women can be best conducted by native women.

Two Bible-women are at present engaged in the distribution of tracts, etc., and others will speedily, if not already, be placed under training. The New Hospital at Tamsui is completed, and stands, not only the monument of a Canadian Presbyterian woman's generous zeal for the cause of missions, but is a conspicuous witness, at which "the proudest of the proud *literati* of China do not pretend to point the finger of scorn," that, Presbyterianism in Northern Formosa is established on a broad and permanent basis. From recent intelligence we learn that the visit of Mrs. Junor to Amoy has greatly improved her health. Rev. G. L. Mackay, Mrs. Mackay and little daughter are now *en route* for Canada, it being nearly eight years since Mr. Mackay landed in Northern Formosa and commenced his wondrously successful campaign against idolatry and superstition.

We take this opportunity of thanking our missionaries, in the name of the Society, for the most interesting and detailed accounts of their labours, with accompanying encouragements and discouragements, which have reached us from month to month. In the wild and romantic vale of Chamouni, travelers tell us, there is a lovely little lake; its waters are clearer than crystal, and in their pellucid depths is mirrored the picturesque scenery of the region. On one side can be seen the lofty Mont Brevin, and on the other, the giant group of Blanc, with its enormous glaciers, and far down in the transparent liquid, the Montanvert, the Mer de Glace, and the solitary rock or oasis of Le Jardin covered with beautiful herbage, are plainly discernible. Timid tourists who fear to encounter the perils of an ascent satisfy their curiosity and love of the sublime, by longing looks

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at this delicate penciling of nature. Our missionary letters are to us, as the pictured lake to the tourist: we read them, and stand face to face with the grave difficulties, the glorious successes, the gigantic proportions, to which even Canadian missionary enterprise has attained in this Jubilee year.

The receipt of letters from Miss Thomson, Secretary of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, Halifax, relative to the work supported by this kindred Society in Trinidad; from the Rev. Geo. Flett, missionary to the Indians of the North-West, through kindness of Mrs. Bryce, Winnipeg, also, from Mrs. Mowat, Kingston, Mrs. Chisholm, St. John's, Newfoundland, and from Mrs. Stothert, returned missionary from India, has added immeasurably to the success and enjoyment of our monthly meetings.

An intelligent interest in the cause of Foreign Missions has been steadily increasing in the minds of the women of our Church, from month to month. The blessing of God has rested on our feeble efforts for the advancement of His kingdom, and to day we lift our hearts in thankfulness and praise. But as our Home Secretary very pertinently remarked in her report of last year, "we have not, as a Society, yet reached the full measure of our ability." There must be stronger faith, nobler and more self-denying efforts, and then shall we rejoice over corresponding results. No Christian woman, having the spirit of Christ, could read the "appeal" from the Convener of the Foreign Mission Committee, in the April number of the "Presbyterian Record," or the last letter from Rev. K. F. Junor, without having her heart stirred to its very depths. Money is needed, or the energies of the Church in this direction will be crippled, and her newly-born missionary enterprises dwarfed and stunted. In view also of the appalling need of the heathen, let the motto of our Societies for the coming year be Excelsior! onward, still onward; higher, still higher.

The "Hour of Prayer," must never be forgotten. Once in seven days, if not every day, let us be found, on the evening of the Sabbath, at the hour of five, on our knees, earnestly pleading that Jehovah would give to His Son the heathen for His inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for his possession. One sincere and united petition like this, ascending from hundreds of hearts, would shake to its very foundations the kingdom of Satan.

In closing we would indicate, for the encouragement of all, the almost incredible progress of missions during the last half century. If missionary effort and enterprise increase but in the same ratio, one hundred years will find almost the entire earth subjected to the influences of Christianity. In the Campa Santa (the sacred field), and significantly carved in the representation of an Angel on the wing, one hand rests upon a door ajar, and the other holds a trumpet to the lips. Fitting emblem, this, of the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, and its onward progress through the earth.

Fly abroad thou mighty Gospel,
Win and conquer, never cease;
May thy lasting wide dominions
Multiply and still increase!
Sway thy sceptre,
Saviour! all the world around.

L. J. HARVIE, *For. Sec'y.*

Report of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbytery of Hamilton.

THE Annual Meeting took place on Tuesday, January 20th, in the School-room of the McNab Street Presbyterian Church. The following office-bearers were elected for the ensuing year :

MRS. MALLOCH, - - - - -	<i>President.</i>
MRS. LYLE, - - - - -	<i>1st Vice-President.</i>
MRS. LOGIE, - - - - -	<i>2nd " "</i>
MRS. SMELLIE, - - - - -	<i>3rd " "</i>
MISS STEWART, - - - - -	<i>4th " "</i>
MISS DUFFIELD, - - - - -	<i>Recording Secy.</i>
MISS MACILWRAITH, - - - - -	<i>Cor. Secy.</i>
MISS WANZER, - - - - -	<i>Treasurer.</i>

COMMITTEE.

Mrs. Jas. Osborne.	Mrs. Bellhouse.	Miss McMillan.
" Watson.	Mrs. McDonald.	" McFarlane.
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Miss Fletcher.	" McLellan.	" McCoy.

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbytery of Hamilton have much pleasure in presenting the reports of their Auxiliaries and Mission Bands at the close of the fourth year, and in stating that the general local work of the Society is going on with much interest and success. The many ties by which in past years we have been bound together are being strengthened, and although we have experienced some changes, caused by removals and loss, we are encouraged by increasing earnestness in our members.

The correspondence with our missionaries has been a source of strength, and understanding that our friends in India felt the want of that kind of reading matter to which they had been accustomed at home we have subscribed for a periodical which is regularly sent to Miss McGregor.

The Auxiliaries in connection with this Society number four: Burlington, Caledonia, Ancaster, and Dufferin and Indiana, the respective secretaries of which give us most satisfactory accounts from time to time. Jarvis, Walpole, Blackheath and Flamborough, though not yet auxiliary, manifest their interest in a most practical way.

Our Mission Bands number three—"The Home Circle," St. Paul's; "The Friends of India," McNab Street; and another, more juvenile which meets in the house of a Christian lady. All these are doing most satisfactory work, and form, perhaps, the most hopeful feature in our entire organization. Contributed to the parent Society, \$452.33.

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Burlington Auxiliary.—Meetings held regularly and well attended. Amount remitted at this time, \$15.00. Have sustained a loss by the removal of our President. Have also lost our Secretary, Mrs. Allen, who has been succeeded by Mrs. I. C. Bastedo; Treasurer, Mrs. Laing; Vice-President, Mrs. Miller.

Caledonia Auxiliary.—At the close of our first year's existence as a Society, we have pleasure in reporting that we hope it has been of use in increasing a greater interest in the work of foreign missions, and a greater desire to do what we can to help forward the good cause. We have to thank the Hamilton Society for their kindness in copying and sending the missionary letters, which add greatly to the interest of our meetings, and are also circulated as widely as possible among those who take an interest in the work, but are unable to attend the meetings of the Society. We have eighteen members on our roll, and the average attendance at our regular monthly meetings is eleven. We have contributed \$24.00.—L. MUNROE, *Secy.*

Ancaster Auxiliary.—Our Society has been very successful in its work this year. The attendance at the meetings, which have been held every month, has been very good; and we have done all in our power to promote the interests of the Society. We have fourteen members, all of whom take a great interest in the work. Sums collected monthly during the year, and the proceeds of a social given in aid of the Society amounted to \$28.90—\$24.00 of which was invested at 5½ per cent. interest, making altogether \$29.00.—M. CHAPMAN, *Secy.*

Dufferin and Indiana Auxiliary.—Meetings have been held whenever the weather and roads would permit. The missionary letters are read at the meetings, and the subject discussed on all pastoral visits, so we hope that the interest, already strong, will increase steadily. Contributions collected, \$50.45, with some yet to come in.—A. GRANT, *Secy.*

"The Home Circle" Mission Band, St. Paul's Church, Hamilton.—Was organized 25th of November, 1878. The first meeting was held on the 11th of November, with a membership of seventeen. Since then a few names have been added to the roll. We earnestly hope that as the Band and its work become better known, more interest will be felt and the membership largely increased. We regret that, owing to the illness of our President, Mrs. Laidlaw, the work has not gone on quite as vigorously as it would otherwise have done, the meetings being discontinued for a few months. Since October the meetings have been presided over by Mrs. Malloch. The Band is indebted to Mrs. Watson for the use of her rooms for a sacred concert, which largely augmented its funds, and spread the interest of our mission. As yet we feel our work is but begun, and will, we trust, progress until it has reached the hearts of all our congregations. To those who have not yet taken part in the work of the Band we can confidently say that it grows in interest, and does our own hearts good. Contributed \$27.70.—A. B. LOGIE, *Secy.*

Contributions have been received from Flamboro', \$15.00; Jarvis and Walpole, \$70.00. (Not yet auxiliary.)

"The Friends of India" Mission Band, McNab St. Church, Hamilton.—Organized in April, 1879; first meeting, 12th May. The meetings have been fairly attended, and we hope for still better success in the future. Membership, thirty-six. The missionary letters, read from month to month, were listened to with intense interest, and greatly appreciated. Collected by monthly voluntary contributions, the sum of \$40.00.—GRACE DAVIDSON, *Secy.*

Reports from Auxiliaries.

Lancaster Auxiliary.—Has a membership of fourteen. Contributes \$40.00. This Society has fallen rather behind this year. The loss of their President and various other hindrances may account for this, but they look forward with hope to the future.—A. McLENNAN, *Secy.*

Lochiel Auxiliary.—In presenting the Fourth Annual Report of this branch, the committee have much pleasure in recording a marked interest in the object of the Society, as well as an increase in the amount contributed. This year we are enabled to send to the parent Society the sum of \$66.35, against \$43.00 last year. Although we have hitherto had many discouragements in our work, and it is only by a great deal of personal exertion on the part of some of our office-bearers that we have been enabled to keep up the Society, yet, we believe, if we continue to carry on our work earnestly and prayerfully, "we shall in due season reap if we faint not."—KATIE McMILLAN, *Secy.*

Vankleek Hill Auxiliary.—This Society continues to meet monthly, the attendance, on the whole, being very good. The foreign letters, and extracts, read from other sources of missionary intelligence, are highly appreciated, and are awakening a deeper interest in the cause. We are glad to be able to report an increase of funds over the previous year, and hope that this year upon which we have entered may be marked by increased liberality and effort. Contributed \$44.00. Membership 22.—J. McINTOSH, *Secy.*

Kenyon Auxiliary.—Our meetings have been well attended. Contributed \$20.00 to parent Society. We are thankful for the success we have had, and trust more may be inclined to take an interest in the work during this year.—MAGGIE McLEOD, *Secy.*

East Hawkesbury Auxiliary.—Meetings not held regularly, owing to bad roads and scattered congregation; but we hope the members will still continue to meet when it is possible.

Indian Lands Auxiliary.—This branch has only been in existence three months, having been organized January 9th, 1880. Has a membership of 22, all much interested, and willing to do what they can to help on the work. Has already sent in the sum of \$19.75.—C. C. A. FRASER, *Secy.*—(We wish this new auxiliary much success).

No reports have come from Alexandria and Dalhousie this year.

Peterborough Auxiliary.—The report from this Society is most cheering. Monthly meetings have been held regularly throughout the year, with an average attendance of fourteen. Total number of members, thirty; and the sum of \$220.00 contributed to parent Society—the results of mite meetings held during the winter, and a children's bazaar. This is greatly in advance of last year, and shews the greater hold that

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Ottawa Auxiliary.—This Society has a membership of sixty-one, and is in a prosperous and healthy condition. The meetings are very interesting, a special subject for prayer and conversation being chosen for each month, the members bringing items of information concerning it. Contributes this year \$156.00.—ISABEL MCKAY, *Secy.*

London Auxiliary.—This Society has this year a membership of twenty-two, having lost six since last report. Those remaining, however, having been most faithful in their contributions, as the amount sent in to the central Society—\$134.48—is the same as last year. Fortnightly sewing meetings have been held during the winter, and have proved most successful as a means of making money. A visit from two members of the central Committee to the annual meeting last month it is hoped will bear fruit, in leading many more to realize their responsibility in this matter.—M. L. CHISHOLM, *Secy.*

Fergus Auxiliary.—This Society has a membership of forty, and has sent to parent Society the sum of \$100.00. "In point of earnestness and appreciation of the value of the objects for which we labour," much progress has been made. The correspondence with which we are favoured from foreign fields does a great deal to promote this, and the visit of two delegates to the annual meeting of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, at Toronto, last April, contributed not a little to awaken and stimulate the energies of those who heard their report.—ISABELLA L. SMELLIE, *Secy.*

Clinton Auxiliary.—We are happy in being able to report that our Society, although still small, is on the increase, and a much greater interest manifested, and more earnest efforts put forth for its success. We have raised during the year \$95.00, and have a membership of twenty-eight. Encouraged by what God has done for us in the past, we will go hopefully forward, praying that the Master may bless all our weak efforts to serve Him.—MAGGIE FAIR, *Secy.*

Stratford Auxiliary.—Organized February 1877. Has now a membership of twenty-eight. Meets monthly. Contributed to parent Society \$81.78. The letters received from our missionaries are read with much interest, and serve a useful purpose in imbuing members with a missionary spirit. We pray for God's blessing on our work.—MARION DICKENSON, *Secy.*

Seaforth Auxiliary.—The membership has increased slightly, and the monthly meetings are better attended. The missionary letters receive a hearty welcome, and are much prized. Contributed the sum of \$75.00 to parent Society. Has a membership of sixteen.—J. ANDERSON, *Secy.*

Bowmanville Auxiliary.—This Society has met monthly during the year. Has a membership of twenty-three, and has contributed \$72.70.—M. FAIRWEATHER, *Secy.*

Ormstown Auxiliary.—This Society has twenty-nine members. Our experiences during the year, in the midst of not a few difficulties and discouragements, are such as to lead us to thank God and take courage. We rejoice in being able to contribute \$70.00 to the funds of the parent Society—a slight advance on last year.—J. YOUNIE, *Secy.*

Port Hope Auxiliary.—In this Society there are eighteen members. We have held a meeting every month in the year, with an average attendance of nine. We have been regularly supplied with foreign missionary intelligence direct from the foreign fields, and in addition to this source of interest and information, we have enjoyed much religious conversation on selected Scripture subjects, which we have found a means of comfort and edification. We have contributed the sum of \$69.35.—JANE CRAICK, *Secy.*

Uxbridge Auxiliary.—Number of members, twenty-three. Meetings have been held regularly every month. The foreign letters have been the means of greatly increasing the interest, and a visit from the President of the Central Society did much good to the cause. Contributed \$53.60.—BERTHA JACKSON, *Secy.*

Agincourt Auxiliary.—Membership of seventy. We are happy to say that the interest in this Society has in no way abated. The monthly meetings have been better attended, and the missionary letters received regularly are listened to with much pleasure. A visit from the President of Central Society at our annual meeting was the means of stirring up some to take a deeper interest in mission work. Contributed \$53.40.—A. CRAWFORD, *Secy.*

Almonte Auxiliary.—Monthly meetings have been held regularly, and although we are still few in number, we feel that the interest is gradually increasing. Number of members, twenty-seven. Amount contributed \$52.75.—MRS. P. C. MCGREGOR, *Secy.*

Brucefield Auxiliary.—Membership twenty-three. Funds rather behind those of last year, but various plans are in contemplation for the incoming year, to increase the usefulness of the Society, to add to its numbers, and revive the interest, and we are very hopeful of success. Contributed \$50.25.—MRS. KETCHEN, *Secy.*

Teeswater Auxiliary.—Membership thirty-six, with an average attendance at meetings of fifteen. Contributed \$50.00 to parent Society.

Sarnia Auxiliary.—The attendance at the monthly meetings has been rather diminished by the unusual amount of illness which has prevailed here during the whole season. This Society has thirty-three members and has contributed \$48.53. The Secretary says "We have exerted ourselves to obtain and diffuse information, rather than to raise money by direct appeals, believing that when the heart is won the purse is open."—CHRISTINA C. CAMERON, *Secy.*

Ingersoll Auxiliary.—Monthly meetings held regularly, and missionary letters very beneficial in deepening an interest in the work. Whilst thankful for the success we have had, we enter with faith and hope on the work of another year, trusting to do more. Contributed \$30.85.—LINA MCKENZIE, *Secy.*

Ashburn Auxiliary.—Membership twelve, monthly meetings held and regularly; the foreign letters and other missionary intelligence read by our President have proved a source of great interest. Contributed to parent Society \$30.05.—BELLA CRIGHTON, *Secy.*

Harrington Auxiliary.—Number of members, thirty-five. Monthly meetings held regularly and missionary letters much appreciated. "The Treasurer's report shews some advance on former years, which we

would fain take of small things."

Oshawa Auxiliary.—Missionary letters much larger, and it is our hope that the Society may in the future prosper. Membership 25.—SON, *Secy.*

Carlton Place Auxiliary.—It has a membership of eight months, we meet regularly, and miss much. We are very thankful for the success. We have taken an interest in the work.—SCOTT, *Secy.*

Ayr Auxiliary.—Monthly meetings, with one more than the past year. The amount contributed \$20.70.—M

Beaverton Auxiliary.—We have a membership of twenty-five. The whole the attendance at our centres in the foreign fields is very good. We are very thankful for the more zeal and liberality.—CHRISTINA ROBINSON, *Secy.*

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Dunbarton Auxiliary.—Missionary letters are read slowly, we still retain our interest. Contributed \$19.00.—

Lakefield Auxiliary.—We are thankful for the success of previous years, and we look forward to our next year. The missionary letters are very appreciated. Contributed \$18.44.—

Fingal Auxiliary.—Monthly meetings, but those we have had were very much enjoyed.

Whitby Auxiliary.—"Though our number is small, we are very busy with our work, and we look forward to our next year."—SON, *Secy.*

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would fain take as a sign for good, although it is with us truly the day of small things." Contributed \$26.75.—MRS. GORDON, *Pres.*

Oshawa Auxiliary.—The meetings are held regularly and the missionary letters much enjoyed. We regret that our contribution is not larger, and it is our sincere wish that through greater diligence our Society may in the year just begun, enjoy a greater measure of prosperity. Membership of eight. Contributed \$21.00.—M. E. HENDERSON, *Secy.*

Carlton Place Auxiliary.—This Society was organized in June, 1879. It has a membership of twenty-three. Although only in existence eight months, we have contributed \$21.00. Monthly meetings held regularly, and missionary letters read and much appreciated. Whilst thankful for the success we have had, we trust more may be inclined to take an interest in the work in the year that is to come.—MRS. A. A. SCOTT, *Secy.*

Ayr Auxiliary.—Though not numerous, have attended the monthly meetings, with one or two exceptions, have been held regularly during the past year. The number of members is eighteen, and the amount contributed \$20.70.—M. CAMERON, *Secy.*

Beaverton Auxiliary.—This branch was organized April 1879, and has a membership of twenty-four. Meetings held monthly and on the whole the attendance has been very good. The interest of the meetings centres in the foreign letters, and we hope the information received from them regarding the work done by our missionaries, may stimulate us to more zeal and liberality in the future. Amount contributed \$20.50.—CHRISTINA ROBINSON, *Secy.*

Embro Auxiliary.—Membership same as last year, fifteen. Contributed \$20.00.—J. MACKAY, *Secy.*

Dunbarton Auxiliary.—Monthly meetings generally well attended and missionary letters appreciated. Although our membership increases slowly, we still retain the same interest, and hope for better things. Contributed \$19.00.—H. BROWN, *Secy.*

Lakefield Auxiliary.—This Society has a Membership of thirteen. We are thankful for an increase of members and finances over those of previous years, and pray for a continuance of the same in future. We look forward to our monthly meetings, and especially to the receipt of the missionary letters, from which we derive so much information. Contributed \$18.44.—SUSIE E. FINLAY, *Secy.*

Fingal Auxiliary.—Bad roads render it impossible to hold regular meetings, but those we *have held* were very interesting, and the missionary letters much enjoyed. Contributed \$15.05.—M. E. MACPHERSON, *Secy.*

Whitby Auxiliary.—Number of members, sixteen. Contributed \$15.00. "Though our numbers are still small yet a great interest is felt in the work, and we look forward to a more successful future."—M. DONALDSON, *Secy.*

Windsor Auxiliary.—No report sent in this year. Contributed \$6.00.

Columbus Auxiliary. No report sent in. Contributed \$2.50.

Exeter Auxiliary.—Organized in May, 1879. Several meetings were

held, and we hope they will carry on the work here, notwithstanding the discouragements they have met with.

Chatham Auxiliary.—This Society was organized January 1880, and so has only been in existence three months. Has a membership of forty-six. The work has been entered on with much zeal and earnestness, and promises success.—MRS. COOPER, *Secy.*

Mitchell Auxiliary.—This branch was organized January 30, 1880, with a membership of eighteen. We wish it all prosperity.—MRS. D. CAMPBELL, *Secy.*

Mission Bands.

“*Cheerful Givers*” Mission Band of Charles Street Church, Toronto.—This Band has kept up its meetings with interest during the year. The number of members is twenty-four, with an average attendance of twelve. The sum of \$160.00 has been sent in to parent Society.—H. REID, *Secy.*

“*Willing Workers*” Mission Band of Knox Church, Toronto.—The meetings have been kept up regularly, although the attendance has not been quite so large as last year, owing to various causes. The membership is thirty. Contributed \$150.00.—J. A. TOPP, *Secy.*

“*Ministering Children*” Mission Band of Elizabeth Street Mission School, in connection with Cooke’s Church, Toronto.—We have reached the close of our third year, and financially this year has been more successful than the two previous, being able to contribute to the parent Society \$120.00, which has been realized by holding two sales of work and one parlour social. Membership of eighteen.—M. PATON, *Secy.*

“*Hopeful Gleaners*” Mission Band of St. James’ Square Church, Toronto.—The meetings for work are held every two weeks, and are well attended. Missionary letters are read from time to time, in which all are much interested. Contributed \$90.00.—M. A. BURFIELD, *Secy.*

“*Labourers of Love*” Mission Band of Belleville.—We meet once in two weeks for work, at the house of the President. Membership eighteen, and amount contributed \$80.00.—BELLE FORIN, *Secy.*

“*Diligent Workers*” Mission Band of Whitby.—Contributed \$7.00.

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 " Wm. Quay.
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 " Stark.

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 " A. McInnes.
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Special Subscriptions.

Ladies' Missionary and Benevolent Association (Central Church, Toronto)	\$45 00
Mrs. McLaren	10 00
Mrs. John Burns	4 00
Mrs. Hunter	3 00
Mrs. J. Y. Reid	3 00
Mrs. J. M. Cameron	3 00
Mrs. Jas. Scott	1 00
Mrs. Geo. Robb	1 00
Mrs. G. Keith	1 00
Miss Young	0 50
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Ladies' Association, John Street Pres. Church, Belleville ...	65 00
Ladies' Association, Wellington St. Pres. Church, Chatham	25 00
Infant Class, Erskine Church, Ingersoll	5 00
Guelph, Mrs. Ball's Bible Class	12 00
Galt, Knox Church W. C. Association	60 00.
Miss Langwill, St. Laurent, Quebec	5 00
Mrs. McCuaig, Vankleek Hill	5 00
Mrs. McKenzie, Dalhousie	4 00
Mrs. Cook, Sarnia	1 00
Georgetown and English River (per C. W. B. F. M., Montreal)	
Zenana Work	\$100 00
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MRS. J. M. KING, *Treasurer, in account with the W. F. M. S.*
of the Presbyterian Church in Canada
(Western Section).

RECEIPTS.

To Balance from last year	\$136 25
" Collected at annual meeting	60 21
" Received in Envelopes and Missionary Box	86 95
" Members' Fees	129 00
" Two Life Members	50 00
" Pamphlets, Envelopes, and Paper used in copying	4 98
" Special Subscriptions	439 24
" Auxiliaries—	
Agincourt	\$53 40
Almonte	52 75
Ashburn	30 05
Ayr	20 70
Beaverton	20 50
Bowmanville	72 70
Brucefield	50 25
Carleton Place	21 00
Clinton	95 00
Columbus	2 50
Dunbarton	19 00
Embro	20 00
Fergus, Melville Church	100 00
Fingal	15 05
Hamilton, Presbyterial Society	452 33
Harrington	26 75
Indian Lands	19 75
Ingersoll, Knox Church	30 85
Kenyon	20 00
Lakefield	18 44
Lancaster	40 00
Lochiel	60 35
London	134 00
OrNSTOWN	70 00
Oshawa	21 00
Ottawa	156 00
Peterborough	\$113 00
" Proceeds from Children's	
Bazaar	107 00
Port Hope	220 00
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Toronto, 10th April

W. F. M. S.

Teeswater	\$50 00
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Vankleek Hill	44 00
Whitby	22 00
Windsor	6 00
	\$2,292 63

Mission Bands—	
Willing Workers, Knox Church, Toronto.....	\$150 00
Cheerful Givers, Charles Street	160 00
Ministering Children, Cooke's Church	120 00
Hopeful Gleaners, St. James' Square	90 00
Labourers of Love, Belleville.....	80 00
Diligent Workers, Whitby	7 00

Interest on Deposit	607 00
	12 55
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EXPENDITURE.

By expenses of speakers at annual meeting	\$34 87
" Writing Machine	25 00
" Printing annual reports, lists and cards	66 79
" Advertising	12 00
" Stationery, postage and copying letters	51 16
" Fancy work sent to Indore.....	10 00
" Sexton of Knox Church	6 00
" Dr. Reid, for salaries of Missionaries, etc.....	3,500 00
" Balance on hand	112 99
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The above accounts have been examined by me and found correct, the balance in the hands of the Treasurer being one hundred and twelve dollars and ninety-nine cents (\$112.99).

Toronto, 10th April, 1880.

WILLIAM REID.

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Woman's Foreign Missionary Society

OF THE

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA

(WESTERN SECTION).

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE 1.—This Society shall be called “THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA (Western Section), and its central point of operations shall be the City of Toronto.

ARTICLE 2.—Its object shall be to aid the Foreign Missionary Committee or Board of Missions, by promoting its work among the women and children of heathen lands, and for this purpose it shall receive and disburse all money which shall be contributed to the Society, subject to the action of that Committee or Board, in the appointment of Missionaries supported by the Society, and fixing their salaries and locations. For the furtherance of this end it shall endeavour to organize similar associations throughout the Church, and these associations shall bear the name of Auxiliary Societies to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, and shall report their work to this Society at such times as the By-laws may direct.

ARTICLE 3.—Each person paying one dollar annually, through an Auxiliary, or direct to the treasury, shall become a member of the Society. The payment of twenty-five dollars, by one person, at one time, shall constitute a life membership.

ARTICLE 4.—The business of the Society shall be conducted by a Board of thirty-six managers, including the President, four Vice-Presidents, a Recording-Secretary, two Corresponding-Secretaries, and a Treasurer. They shall be elected from the members of the Society annually, by the members who are present at the Annual Meeting. They shall have power to elect non-resident Vice-Presidents, and to appoint corresponding members when the objects of the Society shall be promoted thereby; they shall also have authority to fill vacancies occurring in their body during the year.

ARTICLE 5.—There shall be an Executive Committee composed of the officers, and four other managers, to be elected annually. The

(The remainder of the Constitution be the same as previous years)