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DIOCESAN MOTTO—“*Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might.*”

Subjects for Reading and Prayer: Calgary; All Islands.

The letter of the Rev. J. W. Tims, Blackfoot Reserve, which appears on another page, will furnish one of the definite objects for which to pray—for the Diocese of Calgary. When it is remembered that only three short years ago a small log shanty was all that could be dignified by the name of the “Blackfoot Home,” that it was almost impossible to obtain Indian girls to place in such a home, because their parents were not only perfectly indifferent to the idea of education, but also expected to be paid for their girls if they did allow them to attend; when we remember this, and also recollect that now a flourishing “Home,” in a good building, rescues 40 little Indian souls from the darkness of their heathen homes, we may well add an earnest thanksgiving to our prayers.

The southern portion of this large Reserve for which the appeal is made, is too far off for the children to attend the school in the northern end, and the only other school there, is one taught by the Roman Catholics, in which the children are taught that the Queen, “the great mother,” is a Roman Catholic! A “chart of life” is also used for their instruction, which (as actually seen by the writer) pictures a broad and narrow way. Down the latter the Romanists are going, through the fires of purgatory to Heaven, while all the other Christians in the world are in the broad way, which ends in hell fires, into which the devil is assisting them with a pitchfork! Fellow-workers, have we no responsibility in this matter? At least each could help with her prayers!

In praying for Calgary let us also remember the needs of the Piegan, Blood and Sarcee Reserves, and the endowment of the Diocese, so that a Bishop may be appointed to minister to the great field in the northern Diocese of Saskatchewan.

AUXILIARY NOTES.

The next meeting of the Diocesan Board will be held in the school-room of Trinity East Parish, as guests of the three branches of St. Bartholomew, St. Matthew and Trinity East. It is expected that a large number of the members of these branches will be present, and it is earnestly hoped their attendance may result in increased interest and renewed self-consecration.

Will all those who order badges from the Diocesan Secretary send their money with their orders in future? As badge money is in no sense missionary money, there is no record kept of it in the Diocesan Treasurer's books, and therefore it becomes a matter for which the Diocesan Secretary is personally responsible. At the present moment \$13 is owing to her for badges, ordered in small quantities, many of them several months ago, and probably the indebtedness has quite passed from the debtors' minds.

The members of the W. A. present at the grand thanksgiving service, held in St. James' Cathedral during the General Synod, must have fully realized the vast importance of this historic act of the unification of the churches, and will learn with much interest that the Central Board of the W.A. are taking what steps are as yet in their power to unite our widely scattered sister Dioceses of the vast North-West under one general constitution. New Westminster has already sent to the General Secretary for members' cards, etc.

The Conference of Churchwomen, held on September 12th in the school-house of Holy Trinity Church, was quite as well attended as we could have hoped, for a first conference, and during Exhibition week.

The papers read were listened to with much interest and attention by the audience. Unfortunately some of the readers did not always realize the size of the room, and their voices were not audible to many present. It was most encouraging to find some of our younger Church workers taking part in

this conference It was and is a subject for general regret, that owing to the lateness of the hour, Miss Wilson's address on the Deaconess movement was not as lengthy, or heard by as many, as we had hoped would be the case. A collection was taken up at the close to defray the cost of printing in an inexpensive manner the subject matter of these various papers.

The Diocesan President, Mrs. A. E. Williamson, occupied the chair, and desires through the LEAFLET medium to return her most earnest thanks to all the kind friends who, at so short notice and in holiday time, prepared these most helpful papers. This has been the first Canadian Conference of Church workers. It was open to criticism on very many points of detail, but it showed to all, that through each branch of woman's work the one grand dominant thought came first, "the love of Christ constraineth us."

The ladies of Holy Trinity W.A. were untiring in attention to visitors, and through the kindness of friends provided tea for all taking part in the Conference.

At the September Board meeting it was felt that it would be only right for the W.A. to take some share in the grand and historic gathering of our Bishops, clergy and laymen recently held in Toronto. A committee took charge of the matter; a reception was decided upon, but to get the evening was a most difficult matter, finally it had to be Wednesday, the 13th, so at one day's notice the Toronto W.A. tendered a reception to the members of the General Synod, and our W.A. friends. Thanks to the energy and zeal of some of our members, St. James' school-house was beautifully decorated, refreshments were provided, also Mr. Schuch, choirmaster of St. James', was most kind in arranging a musical programme for the evening. The Bishop and clergy were very pleased to accept our invitation, and one Bishop expressed himself to the effect that the evening was far too short, and the opportunity of meeting in this social manner with Toronto people, was much prized by all the visitors. The expenses of the

reception were met from a portion of the LEAFLET profit of last year, showing what can be done with our LETTER LEAFLET at 15 cents per annum. If our subscribers would exert themselves to double or treble our circulation, we might support a missionary by LEAFLETS, (we mean on the profits, not on real LEAFLETS). Mrs. Sillitoe has told us how greatly needed is the sum of \$250 to support a Chinese teacher in New Westminster. The Toronto W.A. could easily do this if they would only try. "Pray without ceasing."

The W.A. of St. James' Cathedral had a very great treat at their opening meeting on the 22nd, inasmuch that the Bishop of Algoma and Mrs. Sillitoe, of New Westminster, gave short addresses. The Bishop most earnestly pleads for greatly increased interest in the Shingwauk Home, and more subscribers to the Algoma *Mission News*.

The Executive Meeting of the Central Board of the W.A. was held in the parlors of Holy Trinity School-house, on September 14th and 15th. Mrs. Tilton presided. Lunch was provided each day by the great kindness of Holy Trinity W.A., Mrs. Mockridge, Mrs. Thompson and other ladies certainly fulfilling the injunction to "use hospitality without grudging."

TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.			
Diocesan.		Bamabai Circle.	
Toronto, St. George's	\$25 00	Dixie, Mrs. Guthrie	1 00
Oleander.....	1 25	New Westminster.	
Mrs. Wm. Osler	2 00	" Chinese Missions.	
Algoma.		Miss Maclem.....	5 00
" Shingwauk Home.		Interest Dominion Bank	15 95
Church Epiphany Miss. Band	21 25	Extra-Cent-a-Day Fund	15 31
North West.		Collection Monthly Meeting	5 00
" Lady Missionary.		Springhill Mines Hospital.	
Donations	3 69	Donations per Dr. Osler	10 00
" Piegan Home Stove.			\$112 70
Mrs. Nixon.....	1 00	EXPENDITURE.	
M. F. G.	1 00	Diocesan.....	15 75
Mrs. B.	25	Zenana	40 83
Zenana.		Shingwauk Home	4 00
Port Hope, Dorothy Willis...	1 00	Wyckliffe Japan Missionary	15 50
Newcastle, St. George's	3 00	Rev. F. Frost, gifts.....	8 00
One of Six Hundred.			\$84 08
Dixie, Mrs. Guthrie	1 00		

DORCAS NOTES.

Room 39, The Forum, Yonge St.

Work has been resumed at the Central Dorcas Rooms, on Friday, at 2.30. The following branches have forwarded bales: NORWOOD—Central Room, parcel; OMEMEE—Cumberland, one bale; OMEMEE “Mission Band,”—ditto; SUTTON WEST—Shoal River.

The Dorcas Room has been very useful during the summer, as a temporary lodging. Mr. and Mrs. Gander, of South River, Algoma, occupied the room during Exhibition week; now the beds, etc., are all packed away, and the Dorcas ladies in possession. Fridays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., they will be most happy to welcome workers and parcels. Mrs. Young, of Athabasca, gave a most interesting talk to the workers and friends on Friday, the 28th of September. Mrs. Morgan, of St. Matthias, is most cordially thanked for a pair of new sheets, which were most useful when the Dorcas Room, as a lodging, was in great request.

A hospital has been built at Lytton, in the Diocese of New Westminster, and the following things are most urgently needed: two stoves for warming purposes, heavy curtains, (5 pairs); furnishings for six beds; large rug; rugs for side of beds; oil cloth for ward; washer and wringer; kitchen cloths and dusters; groceries. There is only one lady and her husband in charge of this hospital, and all this kind help that our friends can give, and all gifts to lighten labour, will be most gratefully received. I will be glad to furnish all who may desire it with full information. Church bells are much needed at Nelson, Golden and Vernon. Mrs. Sillitoe writes: “These are all new churches, and there is not the slightest probability of their being able to afford such things for themselves, and yet a church bell is a most essential portion of church furniture in the wilder parts, where it often happens that the people do not even know which day of the week it is, a bell is a great help in reminding them.

The Rev. J. W. Tims is building another Home for boys, at the South Blackfoot Reserve. This is done at the request of the head chief, "Running Rabbit." Our workers are asked to help in the furnishing of this Home, and in the outfit for 50 boys. A cook stove will also be a necessity. I trust that all who read these wants will help us towards supplying them.

L. PATERSON,

Dorcas Sec.-Treas.

LEAFLET SUBSCRIPTIONS, JUNE TO SEPTEMBER.

Bolton (6 months) \$2.20. Winnipeg \$5.10. Miss Hall, Eng., 25c. Holland Landing, \$1.80. Mrs. Wm. Osler, Balt., 15c. Miss. Wooley, Ohio, 15c. Mrs. Marsh, Roch's Point, 15c. Mrs. Young, 15c. Beaverton, Nov. 1894, 80c. Vaughan, 15c. Miss Brown, \$1.05. Calgary, \$1.80. Arrears, \$1.20. Mrs Clougher. Sharon, 15c.

In November the LEAFLET year for Toronto begins. Will Branch Secretaries please collect their subscriptions, and readers of the LEAFLET assist their Branch Secretary by sending her 15c. thereby saving her much trouble, and will W.A. members exert themselves to secure new subscribers?

"Practical Papers," written by the Toronto Diocesan Officers on the duties of a *Parochial President, Secretary and Treasurer*, also on *Dorcas* work, and *Junior Branches*. Price 5 cents; apply 83 Wellesley street.

Booklets for sale at the above address.

The Toronto Badge can be procured from the Diocesan Secretary, 44 Dewson street, or from the Diocesan President, 83 Wellesley street. Orders from a distance must be accompanied by price and postage; 2 cents will take six badges. Specify whether pin or brooch style. Price of badges 35 cts. and 50 cents.

Rev. J. Hinchliffe, Peigan Reserve, to Dio. Treasurer.

"Our Boys' Home is almost finished. The Executive Committee of this Diocese is responsible for the money. but I am

expected to do all I can to raise it. The boys are all ready to come in, but we must have crockery and cutlery, bedding and dormitory furnishings, a big cook stove and three heating stoves before we can commence. The sooner we can get the Home full the better, as with a very little assistance I think we can make both ends meet." (Mr. H. has to raise \$500 for this Home, and so far has only \$5.)

Mrs. Grindlay will be very pleased to receive special subscriptions towards the Stove Fund for the Piegan Home, which now amounts to \$23.25. (See, page 293 in the August LEAFLET, an account of the condition of the present stove.

From Mr. Tims (Blackfoot Mission), S. John's Mission, Gleichen, N. W. T.

The head chief, "Running Rabbit," Crowfoot's successor, came to me a few weeks ago, and asked me to build a Boarding-school for his children at the South Blackfoot Camp. He then applied to the Government, through the Indian Agent, to assist me. When the Minister of the Interior was here last week he again brought the matter before him with the result that I have \$1,500.00 promised from the Government towards this boarding-school. I have, however, promised to try and obtain \$1,500.00 more, so that we may have a good boarding-school and school-house, where 50 boys can be taken in and trained. This seems a large sum of money, but I have every confidence in the resources of the Woman's Auxiliary, and feel sure that the members of it will help me largely to raise this amount. It is needed. It is for God's work. The Indians ask for the school. Who dares deny them the instruction it will afford their children? It means 700 more Indians under Christian influence. If 150 branches of the W. A. would raise ten dollars each the amount would be covered and all anxieties taken away. It is my intention (D.V.) to begin the work in September and have it done before Christmas. Ten years ago when I first arrived at Blackfoot Crossing, I was not permitted to build there, I had to come up the river to our present station. Now the Indians are stretching forth their hands for the teaching I came to impart. Blackfoot Crossing is to have a Boarding school. It is God's work. Who will help

it on? I wish every member who could would send \$10.00 or collect it from friends. Will you put this letter in the Leaflet, and ask them,

Thirty children in the Home,—23 boys, 7 girls. Government has also promised \$900.00 for new school-house for boarders at the Blood Mission. Yours sincerely,
J. W. TIMS.

From Miss Dee, Fort Pelley, to Mrs. Lillicrap, Lakefield W. A.

My brother has asked me to write thanking you for the bales of clothing at last received. They were a long time on the road, and were detained at Yorkton some time before we had an opportunity to send for them. We were indeed pleased to received them, especially as we had six motherless little people sadly in need of garments, and it was so delightful to find clothing for both boys and girls. The old grandmother of these children has a very great care laid upon her, as these six children are all under ten years of age. My brother desires especial thanks for the coat, and vest. It is very good of the W. A. members to give us such valuable help with their needles. I am so glad to be with my brother, for it is a most dreary life for bachelors. I had a good voyage from England, my brother met me at Salt-coats, and our troublesome journey began from there. The Assiniboine has been his great enemy this season, it became such a mighty torrent after the heavy snows that it has been more or less a trouble ever since. More than once he almost lost his horses, and coming from the Synod in July was nearly drowned. You will be glad to hear that our house is commenced, we have not funds in hand to finish it but the old house was too unsafe, I was horrified to see the logs break as easily as twigs. At present we live in the school-house, I get a little anxious when I see the slow progress they make with the new building, for where are we to go when school begins. The school is steadily increasing, Mr. Cunliffe paid us a visit lately, the people were so pleased see him, we had four baptisms. Best thanks to the sender of the *Church Guardian*, and the children's papers, we find them most useful. Again, we most warmly thank your Lakefield members for their useful and valuable help.

Huron Diocese.

DIOCESAN MOTTO:—*“Looking for and hastening unto the coming of the day of God.”*

Before our October LEAFLET is in the hands of our Branches our semi-annual meeting, to which we are all looking forward with such deep interest, will, D.V., have come and gone. We are all counting upon a large gathering of our members at Brantford, where we are assured a hearty welcome awaits us, and where every provision will be made for a pleasant and profitable occupation of every moment of our allotted time. An invitation has come from the Rev. Mr. Strong to visit his Indian mission at Kenyengah, to accept which will be a most delightful feature of the semi-annual meeting of 1893.

The meeting of the Central Board of the Provincial W.A., as announced in our last LEAFLET, was duly held on 14th and 15th of September, our own Diocese being represented by Mrs. Complin, Mrs. Falls, Miss Labatt and Mrs. Boomer. Much regret was expressed at the unavoidable absence of our President, Mrs. Baldwin. Many matters of detail concerning the working of the Auxiliary were laid before the Board and, where possible, direct action taken, such as measures for reducing expense of printing, etc., enlarging the LEAFLET by making a provision for four extra pages to be edited by and at the disposal of the Central Secretary, Miss Montizambert, as a much needed channel of official communication between herself and all Diocesan Branches; cost of same to be met partly by profits from advertisements and partly by profits of sale of LEAFLET in the Dioceses. It was also decided that the Central Secretary in future should edit the columns allotted to the W.A. in the *Mission News*, and an earnest hope was expressed that the Branches would do their very utmost to increase their list of subscribers to this magazine. This is but their duty as members of an organization distinctly auxiliary to the Board of Foreign and Domestic Missions, of which this magazine is the recognized “organ.” A committee was formed with a representative from each Diocese, Mrs. Boomer, convenor, to report annually on the growth and progress of the branch of auxiliary work known as that on behalf of the education of the children of missionaries. The Treasurer’s general report showed that over \$960 had this year been expended for this cause, but money represents only a small proportion of the benefits which have grown out of this effort, which in future will now have a more distinct official recognition (not necessarily giving names) for the encouragement of friends to the movement. The various yearly reports as they were read were most encouraging, perhaps none more so than that of Miss Paterson, General Dorcas Secretary, or more hopeful than that of Miss Tilley upon the growth of our Junior Branches. The

Dorcas returns for Huron were 93 bales, distributed thus : Algoma 28, Rupert's Land 11, Qu'Appelle 2, Calgary 20, Saskatchewan 15, Athabasca 10, Mackenzie River 2, Huron 5, but the cash for material and freight was reported as only \$360.01, showing that many branches must have omitted any mention of their expenditure for those purposes. Miss Paterson urged upon the Dorcas Department of the W. A. the adoption of a uniform form for all the branches, such as is now used in Toronto, as much simplifying its work. She made also reference to the restrictions imposed by the Government upon free freighting to treaty Indians being of such stringency that Toronto W. A., by resolution of its Board, had distinctly refused to accept the conditions.

For missionary appeals, read by Corresponding Secretary, we would refer you to the four extra pages, making only brief reference here. REV. MR. BURMAN announced that the Government had taken over the Rupert's Land Industrial Schools, and that, although under their altered conditions, he could no longer remain their Principal, yet he pleaded for our continued help and that we would not be discouraged at the turn events had taken. A good solid foundation had been laid, and they were still to continue as Church schools under the care of a Churchman, although not a clergyman. A large sum, some \$4000, was needed as soon as possible to close affairs at the school. NEW WESTMINSTER—Mrs. Sillitoe, after an interesting resume, urged specially "the need of help for the half maintenance of two Indian children, towards the equipment of hospital, maintenance of Chinese Catechist and the education of the children of missionaries." "Our Church, Schools," she said, "have taken one out of three, but they can do no more. Can help be given us in this direction also?"

BRITISH COLUMBIA and its Chinese question was brought forward, and your editor would venture to remind Huron Branches that Mrs. Gallatley and Mrs. Serrurier, formerly of Brantford, and who are still generous contributors to our W. A. funds, are active supporters of this work in Victoria.

CALGARY.—Rev. Mr. Stocken needs a matron for his Sarcee Home, It was agreed at the Triennial that all dioceses should combine to help in providing a salary and securing the present applicant. Have we done our share?

REV. MR. TIMS, on the application of two chiefs, "Running Rabbit" and "Three Bulls," Blackfoot Reserve, asks for another Home, outfit, staff of workers, etc., whilst from MOOSONEE, that far away diocese which has fought so long and patiently its single-handed battle against heathenism, and which we have barely helped at all, comes a voice to which we cannot any longer close our ears. Bishop Newnham appeals on behalf of 10,000 Indians, not 300 of whom are English speaking. From isolation, inaccessibility, the food problem, and other causes there is little likelihood of Moosonee being colonized. It can never be self-supporting but always a missionary, and probably almost exclusively a

Church of England Diocese. Already can be said of it that nearly every Indian over fifteen within reach of teaching can read and write in his own tongue, into which is translated, thanks to the unflagging diligence of that noble missionary, the late Bishop of Moosonee, not only the Bible and Prayer Book, but hymns and even the Pilgrim's Progress. The diocese is about four times the size of Great Britain and Ireland. has about seven clergy and seven catechists. Bishop Newnham says, "I can get the men if only you will give me the money, about \$150 per annum would give me one catechist. . . When I pleaded for help in Eastern Canada I had many promises but no harvest, just \$20 in money." (Surely it is time for us to do something for Moosonee.)

Mrs. Rogers, of Kingston, read a most interesting letter from Miss Smith, the Lady Missionary to Japan. Miss Smith unhesitatingly promised to remain for a term of years, and appears deeply interested in her work. "A free dispensary is sorely needed," she writes, "it would cost \$200 to establish and \$500 to maintain it. At present we have the name but no local habitation for our work. We have one nurse, whose earnings go towards the school fund. There is a terrible need for medical helpers. We have applied to the S.P.G. . . . We want surgical bandages and the usual appliances. The Japanese are quick to learn and make excellent nurses. A medical missionary is doubly a missionary, for through the healing of the body how many a sin-sick soul can be tenderly led to the Great Physician Himself!

PLEASANT MESSAGES.

In response to the resolution of congratulation and welcome, carried by a unanimous and standing vote, at a large representative meeting in London, and forwarded by our Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Baldwin sent the following kind reply.

"My dear Mrs. Falls, — Many thanks for the most kind resolution from the members of the Auxiliary congratulating us on our safe return and conveying a hearty welcome home, which you enclosed in a beautiful letter from yourself. The Bishop had left for London when your letter reached me, but were he with me now, he would unite with me in warmest expressions of thanks and best wishes for the Auxiliary in every department of its most excellent work. S. JESSIE BALDWIN."

And, as a thankoffering to Almighty God for travelling mercies and a safe home coming, our Bishop and Mrs. Baldwin have placed in the Treasurer's hands, to be devoted to those funds most needing help, the sum of \$50, which is thus apportioned, General fund \$15, Lady Missionary, N.W. \$17.50, Lion's Head \$17.50.

Miss Montizambert, as Corresponding Secretary, Quebec Diocese, writes. "Will you please convey Quebec's warmest thanks to Huron for the kind notice taken of Quebec's resolution. It was but a poor return for the great kindness shown to our 'Quebec's daughter' by the many devoted members of the Huron W.A., but as we were not sure

of all the names and feared to overlook anyone, we deemed it better to make the resolution general and so include all."

On the 8th of September the London branches had an opportunity of making the personal acquaintance of our Central Secretary, Miss Montizambert. The only regret being that her visit to Huron should be timed when so many were still absent on holiday trips. She was enabled to see the modest but comfortable home chosen for our missionaries' children and to give expression to her sense of its suitability and fitness, and of the motherly kindness bestowed upon their charges by the Misses Penney.

A message conveying her hearty sympathy with the work, and a cheque for \$20 as a practical token thereof, have reached the Treasurer for the Education Fund from a devoted member of its committee, whilst from Mrs. Alford, England, has come for "LEAFLET purposes" a post-office order for ten shillings sterling.

GENERAL NOTES.

LONDON.—On 8th September, a W. A. Union Meeting was held at the new Synod Hall, the Bishop in the chair, to introduce our Central Secretary and the Rev. E. Matheson, lately of Battleford, but whose future postal address will be Prince Albert, Sask., that being the centre of the four new Missions to which he will shortly remove. Our limited space forbids a full report of Mr. Matheson's admirable address, which was confined less to an account of his own individual efforts than to the marked blessing upon the general mission work of his Diocese, which, in spite of many and great obstacles, is "making headway, so that we may indeed thank God and take courage;" and to the special work of his brother at Onion Lake, a reference to which will be found in the August LEAFLET. The youngest worker in the Diocese is Mr. J. R. Matheson, of Onion Lake, Missionary and day-school teacher too, who, to claim and keep together his Indian children, has, in a log house (20 x 22, to which with his own hands he has added a lean-to), built up tier upon tier, like the cabin of a ship, sleeping berths for their accommodation, his family consisting of eighteen members. Without any assistance, and with a mere pittance of a salary, he has begun this good work in faith, believing it to be of God and that He will supply the means to carry it on "If," said he, "supplies fail, I shall take it as the Lord's will that I am to quit it, but until then I shall do my best. Hitherto hath the Lord helped us." Had not the missionary begun this work of self-denial the Government grant would have lapsed, for the children could not have come the long distances to school, often in rags and with bare feet, with the inevitable result that, there being no Church of England School, the Roman Catholics, who have a big place close by, would have gathered them in. The encouragements are the tokens that the Indians are being elevated and raised, the missionary being able to point to con-

verts as genuine as those amongst our own white congregations, and already amongst our red brethren are many faithful soldiers and servants of our Lord Jesus Christ, some proving their sincerity by actually subscribing towards the fund to meet the yearly withdrawal of the C. M. S. grant." . . . "And now for the work you of the W.A. have been doing for us," said the speaker (Rev. E. Matheson). "Have you ever been discouraged? Ever said, 'Is ours any real help?' Have you thought your gifts of money and clothing in vain? Let me tell you that you cannot form any estimate of the vast amount of help you render to us and the mission cause. To the lonely missionary, laboring alone among many disheartenments, you give strength and courage. You open for him the road to the heathen heart, always more easily reached by the supply of his bodily needs. It is the Master's way—first health and healing, and then a draught of the Water of Life . . . You may not learn on this side of eternity the value of your loving help, but when the great books are open you will indeed know that 'Your labor is not in vain in the Lord.'"

FROM THE BRANCHES.

LONDON.—S. JOHN THE EVANGELIST—Our branch meetings have never been better attended than during the past year, nor our bales better filled. Our President and Mrs. Zimmerman recently visited Walpole Island, where they attended the Sunday services. The Church is exceedingly bright and pretty, containing a handsome brass tablet in memory of the late rector, Mr. Jamieson, and an Altar cloth *embroidered by the Indians themselves*. The reverent behaviour of the Indians was most noticeable. In the evening the ladies participated in the hand-shaking which always takes place at the close of the day's devotions, shaking hand with over 150 Indians.

(Sincere thanks are returned to Mrs. Zimmerman for so promptly providing the free LEAFLET asked for the Rev. A. Cook.—Ed.)

HENSALL.—This new branch has sent off two barrels of clothing to Mr. Hope, Sweet Grass Reserve. They speak of being much encouraged to "go on, God having already so blessed their first efforts."

OIL CITY sends payment for LEAFLET and \$1.00 for Lion's Head. Their meetings have stopped, for a time only we hope, "owing to the loss of Auxiliary goods by fire, and the removal of several members. . . Anxious to keep them up, but it has really seemed impossible." May our sisters of Oil City Branch take for their own that beautiful scriptural motto, "Faint but pursuing."

To OIL SPRINGS our thanks are due for LEAFLET payment and letter.

TARA takes six copies of LEAFLET, and we hope soon to welcome it as an organized branch of our Woman's Auxiliary.

INGERSOLL JUNIOR MISSION BAND sent a bale of clothing also a new clerical coat to Mr. Frost.

From the SENIOR M. B., LONDON SOUTH, Mr. Frost has also received a bale containing clothing, house linen and a quantity of groceries.

PETROLIA sent four bales clothing, groceries, and seven quilts to Mr. Robinson, of White Fish Lake.

BRUSSELS BRANCH, only organized a few months, reports a growing interest among its twenty members, who take eighteen copies of the LEAFLET, and have sent two good bales to Rev. D. D. McDonald, of Battleford.

LUCAN Secretary writes: "On 29th August, our Branch held a splendid meeting, at which \$11.50 was contributed for Mr. Frost, which with \$10 from our Juniors, made a total forwarded to him by our Treasurer of \$21.50. Our bale for Sheguindah is nearly ready, also one for Mr. Swainson. Our Junior Branch is working with great zest, the children having a happy gathering at the parsonage, which resulted, over and above their pleasure, in no less than \$22.00. . . . Last Saturday afternoon I was telling them something you were telling me about 'Playing Mission Games,' etc.; so one bright little girl suggested 'Would it not be nice to get a map of English Church Missions in the World, and learn about them, just as we do our lessons in school?' So, on motion, it was unanimously carried. Do you know of such a map and where I might purchase one? also a Hymn-book for Juvenile Mission Bands? Please let me know if I can purchase the book in London and at what price. Our branch sends love and greetings to you. Trusting you may long be spared to work for the Saviour. L. BRETT."

MESSAGES FROM OUR MISSIONARIES.

To St. George's, London West, Mr. Frost writes most gratefully for gifts received: "It is helpful to us to know that friends are sympathizing with us, and better still to receive from them solid proofs of their regard. Mrs. Frost unites with me in expressions of appreciation for your thoughtful care. I saw Mrs. Boomer on her way up the lake, I was fortunate enough to catch her at Little Current; she promised to stay with us on her way down and I hope she will keep her promise. Mrs. Frost is still very poorly but keeps about, I am hoping that she will get better, please God. We are living in an old house which we have hired for the time being. It is situated across the bay from the Indian village where the house stood which was burned down."

Mrs. Newton, President of Strathroy, but formerly of Bayfield W.A., sends a long and most interesting letter from Mr. Stringer, Fort McPherson, Peel River, Mackenzie River. We hope that the whole may be read at our semi-annual, especially as only extracts can be given here. After speaking of Mr. Canham's earlier work and discouragements among the Esquimaux, Mr. Stringer says: "For eight years they have been left alone, excepting that Archdeacon

McDonald has tried to reach them while here in Summer . . . I have spent one fortnight amongst them, I went expecting a trying time but found more encouragement than I expected. The village is 200 miles from here, situated on the coast east of the mouth of Mackenzie River. I went down in a birch-bark canoe and was at first well received, but on finding I had no presents for them they became offended and I spent a few of the gloomiest days I ever experienced . . . but behind the cloud the sun was still shining though I could not see it. . . Now I know that those dark days were a discipline to do me good. Before I left I received many assurances of good will and a hearty invitation from a chief to return soon. . . If I find it practicable I will go down before the snow goes and come up with the Esquimaux in summer. Bishop Bompas did this 23 years ago, and if he could stand it then surely I can now when it is safer and more pleasant. I am staying with Archdeacon McDonald, have a little room to myself with a box stove wherewith to keep myself warm. . . . The winter has been milder, never lower than 53 below zero. . . . Till it gets below 40 and from zero to 25 below it is pleasant and we do not mind it. (!) We had a long twilight on the shortest day and I could read a little at noon without candle-light." After grateful words to Bayfield and Barrie friends, specifying gifts as of special suitability, such as "that friend in need was a friend indeed," and "how I enjoyed those dried apples! In this country comes an indescribable longing for something, one does not know what, nearly everyone experiences it. When in this mood my hand went into that bag of dried apples, and amidst memories of Bayfield the feeling vanished. Call it homesickness or what you like, but those dried apples were a sure cure." Amongst the "articles for the W.A. to choose from" Mr S names "groceries, matches, tobacco and pipes, (I was an anti-tobaccoist at home and am still, but circumstances alter cases. . . If anyone wishes to judge in this matter he or she must come here and see first), needles, thimbles, thread, ribbons, braid, beads, knives (every Eskimo carries a big one for every possible use), files, tin or granite wear, soap, towels, ammunition, large handkerchiefs for head wear, warm wollen clothing of all kinds made or unmade, and medicines are invaluable, especially for common ailments, pain, etc. Diseases of the eye are common. Good quality and fewer articles, rather than common and many, for freight is very heavy. But prayer is needed above everything."

Space remains for only a short extract from the bright, cheery, grateful letters of the bachelor missionary, Rev. A. H. Wright, Fort a la Corne, to St. John's W.A., London: "How truly good of you to remember myself with the nice quilt, etc. As I make up my own bed, and sweep my floor, etc., you are all brought constantly before my mind. To the dear old lady who has so lovingly worked such a nice lot of socks for us you will please give my love (in this case I feel sure this is permissible), and thank her most heartily. I shall let the

Indians know about her age, etc., and I am sure they will say 'Wha! wha! it is wonderful! tank oo, tank oo!' I should dearly like to go to London and thank her personally, but as I cannot I will send you myself on paper (his photograph) which perhaps you will let her see. . . I gave one of those beautiful quilts to an old great-grandmother squaw. On giving her a lift in my rig she said, 'My grandson, I was cold last night, as I only had this on me,' pointing to her old worn-out shawl. Shortly after I was amused to see her, when moving camp, carrying that quilt tied up in the shawl to keep it clean! To my mind this shows that gifts from 'the praying ladies' in the east are valued by their dear darker sisters. . . . Amongst the groceries were two wonderful parcels, new in looks and taste to me. Pardon my ignorance but new things are new in these parts. Mrs. A. H. W., being one of those ladies who is *never at home*, I am called upon to settle all culinary disputes and doubly so in this case as I am now all in one, Mrs. Black, the cook; Topsy, the scullery maid; Miss Lilly Smart, the housemaid; Bob, the boots, and 'Arry, the coachman. . . . Our harvest prospects are fair as we escaped the frosts of 200 miles south. I have not yet started building the two churches but hope to do so as soon as frost is strong enough to enable the teams to enter the pine swamps. With most heartfelt thanks, etc."

A letter from Rev. Alfreed Cook, whom your Editor had the pleasure of meeting in Winnipeg, describing his new mission "Touchwood Hills," must stand over until November LEAFLET.

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER.

RECEIPTS.

General Fund.	
Mrs. Baldwin	\$15 00
Westbeach	2 00
St. Thomas	35
Zenana Fund.	
Kingsville	8 00
St. Thomas	1 44
Lady Missionary, N.W.	
Mrs. Baldwin	17 50
Ailsa Craig	5 00
London, Tara Falls	1 25
Lady Missionary, Japan.	
St. Thomas	4 00
Omoksene.	
Ailsa Craig	7 00
Algoma Fund.	
Simcoe	10 00
St. Thomas	1 00
Ingersoll	5 00
Per Mrs. Boomer	50 00

Education Fund.

London, Mrs. Crisp	20 00
Brantford, St. Jude's	5 00
Lion's Head.	
Mrs. Baldwin	17 50
St. Thomas	3 00
Literature.	
Hensall, Members' Cards	2 00
S. S. Ball.	
London, St. James' Senior Mission Band	5 00
Rev. E. Matheson.	
Collection, London	8 12

DISBURSEMENTS.

General Fund.	
Post Cards	1 43
Stamps	19
Assessment, Provincial Board	10 00
Literature.	
Miss Cross	2 00

Montreal Diocese.

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

AUXILIARY NOTES.

Do not leave all the work to the President, Officers and Committees.

Do not imagine that you are too old, too young, or too insignificant to help.

That you have no influence.

That if you pay your fees and subscribe regularly, it does not matter whether you attend the meetings or not.

That when a question is put to the meeting your vote will make no difference.

That because you have no special gift for utterance you must always remain silent.

That you may with impunity be late for prayers or appointments.

That you may without very good reason leave the room while a discussion is going on or a paper being read.

That you may, unless you provide a substitute, fail to read a paper yourself when you have promised to do so.

That personal prejudices may justify you in keeping out of office some one, who, though distasteful to you, can and will do the work well.

That because you are timid about it you need not notice strangers or acquaintances, fellow workers.

That you are being slighted.

That you may neglect your family for the Auxiliary.

That because charity begins at home it should end there.

That you may divert your regular church contributions into Auxiliary channels.

That there are too many calls.

That because you cannot give much you need not give anything.

That you can make every one missionary spirited.

Do not set yourself in opposition to "pastors and masters."

Do not attempt to start a Branch of the W.A. in any parish without the full approval of its clergyman.

Do not be ashamed to wear your badge.

Do not be behind time with your returns,

AND

Do not forget that "prayer moves the hands that moves the world," and that Christ has promised to be with His Church to the end of the world.

An authority on Heraldry tells us that *Cross Potent*, is the correct name for the Winchester Cross, the beautiful badge of the W.A., and quotes in corroboration the following lines from Chaucer, descriptive of an aged person leaning on a staff of a pattern the strongest for support, *i.e.*, with a cross handle.

"So old she were that she n'er went
A-foot, but it were by Potent."

How happy, then, was our Auxiliary in choosing such a badge, when, without detracting from the significance of that peculiar form which we regard as essentially the symbol of our Salvation, yet keeps before us that the prerogative of our organization is to "strengthen the weak hands and confirm the feeble knees."²

From Farnham comes accounts of an interesting meeting for Miss Brown, with the result of \$6.52; additional for repairing Home, and the promise of a bale in October; and from distant Selkirk letters of deepest interest from dear Mrs. Bompas. We give below some extracts:

"In all this long journey" (from San Francisco to near Yukon), "I was by God's mercy preserved from sickness or mishap. Our voyage across the Pacific was the finest they had had for many years. I had as escort Mr. Wallis, one of

my husband's clergy, who was returning from England with his bride—and here you will believe how happy I am to be among the Indians again.

“Nothing but Indians here, except some 200 miners, who come into the gold diggings forty miles from here. We have several tribes of Indians in the Diocese, and as many different languages! My husband can make himself understood in most of them, and he conducts the service every Sunday, besides Evensong daily. As for me, I make a dash in Mackenzie River Indian occasionally, or else shake my head over this break-jaw tongue, lamenting more than ever the presumption of the builders of the Tower of Babel. I suppose we all have a few bright gleams with much that is distressing and heart-breaking. The elder Indians have learned much evil from the white man. Our chief hope is in the children. We hope for a school mistress from England this summer. Since we came the Bishop and Mr. Totty, our young deacon, have kept school twice a day, often evening school besides. The children are bright and eager to learn. They all attend the Church services, *con amore*, and their singing is quite beautiful.

“We have a rather small log house on the left bank of the river. It was fairly warm last winter, but the temperature was pretty severe—averaging 30 to 40 below zero for some weeks, and as low as 50 for some days. We did not see the sun for, I think, six weeks, till the 8th of January, when it rose and sank in about 11 minutes. Now (July 11th, 1893) we have no night at all. We have six mission children at present, of whom my youngest is two and a half years old. Her mother, deceased, a Tarkish Lake Indian; a lovely child, and a great pet, but wild and passionate to a degree. Let me hope to be still remembered by all the members of the Montreal W.A., and to hear from you occasionally.”

“One who has helped to pack many bales” writes:—“I suppose every member of the W.A. has shared in the rejoicings of her Branch over its bale, has joined in the pleasurable

'turning over' of the heterogeneous collection of articles laid out for inspection before being packed, and the satisfied contemplation of the bale itself, standing, corded and addressed, in the centre of the happy circle of workers. But it is not unmitigated pleasure; the reflection will arise, 'after all, the supply cannot possibly equal the demand,' gauge the demand by the needs of our own household, and we will have some idea of how far the contents of our bales will 'go round' among the scantily clad and needy of the lonely Mission Station. The study of the Dorcas reports suggests too many bitter needs unsupplied. From every mission whence an appeal for help reaches the W.A., one unvarying item of the help asked is 'good warm clothing,' and has not many a branch and many a member felt that it would have been such a happiness to have been able to send twice or three times the amount of 'good warm clothing' in the bale? 'A thoughtful Churchworker's' plan in the August LEAFLET, for the loving co-operation of circles of King's Daughters, and Church Guilds with the W.A. was excellent, and has suggested another source whence we might derive effectual help. There are many parishes where there is no Branch of the W.A., as there are also many Church women who do not, or cannot belong to their parochial Branch, among whom there are probably but very few who would not willingly promise to give the W.A. one or more warm garments, or a contribution in money or material in the course of the year. A little exertion on the part of our members, appeals from them to relatives and friends who are not members would secure much help to us. If we *all* undertake to do this, not asking casually and with indifference, but assuming the task as an added duty to be undertaken prayerfully for Christ's sake, we shall win for work many who are now indifferent to it, and secure warm clothing to many who have not yet profited by the contents of our bales, because by the time the most needy were provided for, the supply has run out."

Niagara Diocese.

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

Subjects for Reading and Prayer this month—Calgary and All Islands.

We had a very pleasant Board meeting in Hamilton on the 3rd September. A goodly number were at the Celebration at Ascension Church. The address by Miss Webb, afterwards in the school-room, was full of pathos. While the Chinese woman may not have life's cup to the brim so full of dread brutalities as her sister in India, there is so much to be done before she may enjoy, in the slightest degree even, the comforts which are ours through the enlightening power of the Gospel.

The Board were prepared to act on the suggestion that the three delegates to the Central Board Meeting in Toronto should be the Recording and Dorcas Secretary, and Treasurer, The last named, however, stated her inability to attend, and Mrs. Simson, Superintendent of Junior Branches, was unanimously elected to fill her place.

This Committee has been so happy in the time and place of meeting, having it when the great congress of our Bishops from East and West in Toronto made the air full of Missionary zeal and life, and they must carry away with them life memories of that historic event—the Consolidation of the Church in Canada—when "the joy bells pealed out from the tower of St James' Cathedral, the hour for a special thanksgiving service, and where never before had been seen so distinguished a gathering of the sons of the Church." We shall look forward with eager interest to the report the Central Board shall give us at this time.

Three months ago the Bishop of Calgary made an appeal to give the Church and her services to the tens of thousands now flocking thither. So far the sum received in "response to this appeal is \$20 !" What a pitiful sum to present to God

as the result of our interest in His work. The Bishop writes "Our needs are more urgent than ever. Will not some who enjoy religious privileges to the full help us in this new part of our great Dominion, and by so doing shew their thankfulness to God for His goodness to them, and their interest in fellow-Churchmen and brother Canadians who need their help."

The popular idea of a Bishop's palace must receive a rude shock in the actual furnishing of the Bishop of Qu'Appelle's palace; "a most uncomfortable building, having two chairs, a bedstead and a table, the latter a borrowed one."

Looking at one of the Island churches we read of some of the work involved in ministering among the people. The Bishop of Nassau tells of over 80 stations in about 25 Islands, scattered over a distance of 650 miles, requiring a much larger staff in proportion than would be needed in England. Seven years ago there were but 14 clergymen to the 25 islands, now there are 23. The sailors' needs are felt of great importance. The Bishop writes: "Sailors from every part of the colony were constantly arriving in the harbours, and not to provide for them would be wrong and foolish. . My chief hope is in the constant intercourse between the men and their chaplains. The help they thus derive in resisting those abundant temptations to drunkenness and impurity and all the snares of a seaport town, and best of all, the easy access which they enjoy to the ministrations of the Church and particularly to Confirmation and Holy Communion. . I am most desirous that in our parishes there should be two solemn days observed every year: one for imploring God's blessing on all who "go down to the sea in ships," the other a thanksgiving day for their preservation, and for the harvest which the sea has brought us."

Spiritual destitution must be felt in many a corner of our long and unmanageable Islands. When the Rector of Andros Island, has spent a month in visiting along his hundred miles of coast, he can take little comfort to himself except in the hardships he has endured, all the difficult steering amid shoals,

all the sharp rocks scorched by a blazing sun over which he has climbed by day, all the hours of weary tossing by night, while his little craft lay anchored on an exposed shore. But of the people, how little after all will he have seen or had time to know more of, the young, the old in health or sickness ! ”

Our missionary fuel (letters) is very low, not one for this number. Please do not wait for a special invitation but send your letters before the news gets too old to be of interest. We notice the Cathedral W.A., (and no doubt others), copy these letters in their reports. What an interesting bit of Church history these may become in later times !

With pleasure we welcomed dear Mrs. Roper's presence. The deep water of affliction has not quenched her mission zeal. Also Miss VanWagner, who mourns her mother. Mrs. McGill, of Oakville, was not with us, death having so recently entered her beloved home. Mrs. Ker also was missed, and her resignation as Organizing Secretary, sorrowfully accepted, and many other dear friends were absent whom we shall hope to meet at our quarterly meeting.

Ten new subscribers for LEAFLET in Ancaster.

What reason could each individual member of the W.A. give for the Faith that is in her, if she were called upon to defend it? Dear sisters, the time has come when we must give careful heed to this matter, for it is useless to close our eyes and ears to the growth of infidelity in various forms all about us. That a large audience in the city of Toronto should applaud most heartily every word spoken by Mrs. Annie Besant *against* Christianity, shows us that here amongst us, as well as far away in other countries, are people who have lost the Faith as it is in Christ Jesus. That Mrs. Besant had grounds for her accusation, that “the so-called Christian nation teach one thing and live another,” is, as we know, unfortunately too true, and may this not be one of the key-notes (the divided state of Christendom being the other), to the evil we deplore. Let us search and see that we “continue in the faith, grounded and settled, and be not moved away from the

hope of the Gospel," so that we may "stand fast in one spirit," with one mind striving together for the faith of the Gospel."

The Bishop of Athabasca and Mrs. Young are to be found this winter at 61 Winchester street, Toronto.

DIOCESAN TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

MAY 31ST TO SEPTEMBER 12TH, 1893.

RECEIPTS.

Zenana.

Guelph, St. James'	\$18 50
Niagara Falls, Christ Church	15 00
Hamilton—	
Ascension, Junior.....	2 25
Branches at Cath. S. house	11 87
Ascension, Junior.....	17 88
Cathedral	6 00
St. Mark's, Junior Girls.....	2 14
Cathedral.....	1 00
Grimsby, St. Andrews	5 00
Guelph, St. James'	15 00

Miss Sugden's Hosp. Fund.

Hamilton—	
Ascension	1 00
Cathedral	3 00
St. Thomas.....	1 00
St. Thomas.....	4 00
Mrs. Tinsley	1 00
Miss Burgess.....	1 00

Algoma.

Rev. J. Frost.

Hamilton, Ascension	15 00
Grimsby, St. Andrew's	5 00
Money for freight on bale.....	4 00
Hamilton, All Saints	6 00
" Cathedral	2 50

Japan Medical Missions.

Stamford, St. John's	2 00
Grimsby, St. Andrews	3 31
Milton, Grace Church	2 25

Miss Daughters' Fund.

Stamford, St. John's	2 00
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Rupert's Land T. F.

Stamford, St. John's	4 00
Cayuga, St. John's	2 50
Grimsby, St. Andrew's.....	10 00
Hamilton, Cathedral	1 50
" St. Thomas'	4 70

Jews' Missions.

Grimsby, St. Andrew's	2 00
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North West.

Mrs. Reynolds for Mrs. Holmes' school, Peace River District	10 00
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St. Catherines, St. Thomas,
for R. L. M. F. Rev. Mr.

Rogers

2 00

Tax on Members' Fees.

Stamford, St. John's	85
St. Catherines, St. Thomas ...	20
Grimsby, St. Andrew's	1 85
Milton, Grace Church.....	1 15
Offertory at St. James', Guelph ...	2 85
Collection at meeting.....	1 85

Vouchers Received.

For Zenana, St. Catherines, St. Thomas	11 69
" Miss Sugden's Hosp., St. Catherines	11 69 5 00
" Rev. D. Dawson, Niagara Falls, Christ Church	5 00
" Marksville Parsonage Fund, Hamilton, St. Mark's, Dorcas Secretary.....	37 00
" R.L.M.F., Rev. Mr. Rogers, Hamilton, St. Thomas....	36 00
" R.L.M.F., Rev. Mr. Rogers, Hamilton, Ascension	20 00

EXPENDITURE.

Zenana, by Mr. J. J. Mason.....	\$94 64
Miss Sugden's Hospital, by Rev. J. J. Mason	11 00
Algoma, by Rev. Mr. Frost	48 34
" Freight on bale	50
Japan Medical Mission, by Mr. J. J. Mason	25 00
Jews' Mission, by Mr. J. J. Mason North West—	2 00
By Rev. G. Holmes, for Mrs. Holmes' School, Peace River District	10 00
" Rev. Mr. Rogers, for R.L.M.F. Report.....	2 00
By printing 400 copies Annual Report.....	37 00
" Post Office Orders.....	17
" Postage stamps	85

Ontario Diocese.

DIOCESAN MÖTTO :--" *She hath done what she could.*"

Subjects for Prayer and Reading: October—Calgary and the Pacific Islands. November—Algoma, Greenland and Alaska.

The sympathy of the Ontario Board is offered to our 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. Muckleston, and Dorcas Secretary, Miss Mucklestone, in the loss of a well-beloved son and nephew, who gained the rest of Paradise on September 11th. Also to Recording Secretary, Miss Humphreys, who has been occupied for the last four months in assisting her sister to nurse her husband during a most painful illness, which has now terminated fatally.

We offer our congratulations to Algoma on the return of her Bishop, and join our thanksgivings with hers.

St. James' Parish, John Smith's Reserve, Puckham, P.O., Saskatchewan, 10th July, 1893.

DEAR MADAM,—Your kind letter of the 2nd of June, only reached me quite recently, having been forwarded in the wrong direction by the postal authorities. You will therefore, I am sure, pardon the delay in answering. In reply to your questions about my position, work, surroundings, etc., I must begin by saying that I am an Indian and a councillor of John Smith's Band. My parishioners being, many of them, relatives. My father was a middle-aged man when converted to Christianity, he being one of the many who have since then abandoned heathen superstition for the truths of our Church. The other members of my congregation are of much the same class, their parents having generally been converts. In my younger days I was mostly employed as a boatman for the Hudson's Bay Company, between Fort Garry and York Factory, on Hudson's Bay, and as a farm labourer, by the old Scotch settlers of Manitoba. When quite a little boy I attended a small school then maintained at St. Peter's Parish, on the Red River of Manitoba, by the Church Missionary Society. Then I learned to read and write a letter. In 1874 I and

many of the Indians of St. Peter's moved west to Prince Albert. In 1876, we made a treaty with the Government, and selected the Reserve where we now live. In 1877 I was employed by His Lordship, the late Bishop McLean, as a catechist and lay reader to work among the heathen Indians of the country around Prince Albert, and drew a small salary for these services. At that time, with the exception of a few families who had moved west from St. Peter's, the Indians of this part of the country were heathens. In 1885 I took a course of study at Emmanuel College, in Prince Albert, being under the tuition of Bishop McLean, and I am glad to take this opportunity of testifying to the care which he took in assisting me to pursue my studies. After six months I was ordained a deacon, and since then a priest. From that time I have been doing duty among my own people. You may know that, with these meagre advantages, my education is not a liberal or extensive one. But for several years I have studied my Bible and Prayer Book, and trust that I have been permitted to assist in extending the knowledge of Christianity to my own race. Besides St. James' Parish on John Smith's Reserve, I have charge of an outlying parish about 18 miles distant, which I visit on one Sunday in each month, holding two services. The people of St. James' Parish are treaty Indians, just beginning to settle down to agricultural pursuits. We have a neat church, and my people are most regular in attendance at Morning and Evening Service. I am assisted by my son, Joseph Badger, jr., who has been licenced as a lay reader. He conducts two services on Sundays when I am absent, but is allowed no salary for these services. Besides the regular work of these two parishes, I frequently make trips among Indians, several days travel from my home. My children are all grown men and women, the one Joseph, of whom I have already spoken, the other Thomas, being employed as a teacher at Montreal Lake by the Indian Department, and as a lay reader by the C.M.S. My salary, which is paid by the C.M.S., is \$500 per annum. I have lately built a new house, at my own expense.

My duties make it necessary to keep a pony, and my trips abroad entail some extra expense, and living as I do among a people, who are just beginning to acquire the ways of civilization, and whose farms are small, I often find myself called on to assist my poorer neighbors. My son, the lay reader, lives quite close to me. He has a large family, and is only beginning to farm, and, remembering his service to the Church without salary, and his own poor circumstances, I feel obliged to help him, so that you may see that with my salary I find it difficult at times to make ends meet, and the assistance which has been so kindly rendered me by the Woman's Auxiliary Association, has been of great service among my parishioners. Anything that you may be able to send will be most gratefully accepted, and I will distribute with care. JOHN BADGER.

From Mrs. Pritchard, St. John's Mission Grand Rapids, Cumberland, P.O., Sask., to the Belleville Branch.

"I am sure you will have been very anxious not having heard anything about the arrival of your valuable bale. It only reached us on the 5th of July, but in very good condition. I do not know how to thank you enough for such kind help and sympathy in our far-away home. Please convey my best thanks to the lady who so kindly and thoughtfully sent me the very handsome seal skin jacket. I cannot express all I think about it; it will last me for many years, and I shall always think of the kind donor especially when it is forty below zero. Many thanks for all the little delicacies; they were very useful and most acceptable. The little white tuque I have kept for my baby boy, six months old; the two little flannel petticoats I have kept for my little girl two years old. Thanks for the nice large table-cloth. To the poor and needy ones we give the things gratis, but those who are strong and able to work we expect them to do something for what they get, as we wish them to be more independent than they have been in past years. Some of the best things we gave as prizes to the children to encourage them in regular attendance and good conduct. The nice quilt I have taken as a cover for our organ. The pretty way in which it is shaded shows

well when the sun shines upon it. Our mission is very isolated; we are 300 miles from the nearest post office, and the same distance from a doctor or railway, but for all that we are very happy. We have only about four months of navigation, from the end of June to middle of September, sometimes it is a little later. I should have written before, but my time is so much taken up with my two little ones, and I have no one to help."

CARLETON PLACE writes that they hold meetings regularly upon the last Thursday of each month, that four new members have promised to join, and that returns are still coming in from Miss Sugden's cards.

NORTH AUGUSTA holds its meetings upon the second last Thursday of each month. They hope to have a box ready by Christmas. Seven have subscribed for the LEAFLET.

PEMBROKE.—The president of this branch has been presented with a Life Membership, accompanied with the gold badge, as a slight token of the esteem and affection felt for her by the members of the W.A. and the congregation. The branch resumed work on Sept. 12th.

PICTON.—Owing to Mr. Brick having visited Picton, and given an address to the W.A. a few years ago, great interest has always been taken in his mission. This was shown early in August, in the large attendance at a meeting held for the purpose of preparing and packing a bale to be sent to him, contained quilts, second-hand clothing and groceries, and which weighed 180 lbs. The branch has taken no vacation this summer, but has held the usual meetings every month with a fair attendance of members.

OTTAWA is suffering a great loss while PERTH has at the same time a gain in the removal of Mrs. Muckleston to the latter place. A few of her friends have presented her with a Life Membership and gold badge, knowing that wherever she goes, her calm judgment and active interest will always be at the service of the Auxiliary.

Treasurer's Report held over till next month.

Quebec Diocese.

MOTTO:—"Ye have done it unto Me."

AUXILIARY NOTES.

The quarterly meeting of the Quebec Diocesan Branch will be held in Sherbrooke on Wednesday, the 25th of October, and on the same day the St. Frances District Conference meets in the same place. It is earnestly hoped that as many as can do so will be present at both meetings.

The formation of a Constitution for the Junior Branches, and other means of helping on the work and interest of our younger members, will be one of the subjects taken up at the quarterly meeting.

In the early part of last month the Diocesan Secretary had the great pleasure of visiting London, Ont., where she met many friends whose names are so familiar to our members in connection with the education movement, and to whom Quebec owes so large a debt of gratitude for their many kindnesses. Her visit was a most satisfactory one, and she came away much pleased with the arrangements she saw there.

As our prayers were offered up before the meeting of the General Synod that the Church of England in Canada might be consolidated, so let our thanksgivings rise in one great song of praise, now that the Church has been united into one great body, stretching from Atlantic to Pacific.

The Rev. F. Swainson, of St. Paul's Mission, Blood Reserve, writes in the month of July to St. Michael's Branch, as follows: "Your barrel arrived here a short time ago, was opened yesterday, and as you know the contents, it is hardly

necessary for me to say how delighted we were with it, the things being all new and in splendid condition. It came most opportunely, just as our stock of girls' clothing had run out. Your barrel and one from Toronto Diocese came about the same time, when our shelves containing the clothing for our pupils looked very bare. You may imagine our feelings when we were able to re-stock them with the things sent by you. That barrel was worth quite a lot of money. Tears of gratitude came into my eyes as I thought of all the kind ones who had worked with such loving sympathy for us. He who said "Whosoever shall give to drink unto one of these little ones a cup of cold water shall in no wise lose his reward," will most assuredly bless and own the sacrifices of those who remembered us. Our Boys' Home is quite complete—that is, the building, though we shall have to wait until we can get a little furniture before opening it—kitchen stove, etc., etc. There is still a debt to be cleared off, but God, who has led us to put the building up, will send in the means to carry it through. We had what might have been a fatal accident to both man and horse two days ago. The rivers just now are very high, making it extremely dangerous to cross, but two days ago I was compelled to make the attempt, when a horse hitched on to a small vehicle began to kick, and getting his head under the neck yoke was drowned before we could get him out, although we jumped into the river at great risk and tried to save him, but all to no purpose, the poor horse was dead.

"The Indians are all now assembled in one big camp to make their "sun dance." I was hoping they would give it up this year, but no, they cling to their old superstitions, though I trust there will not be any torturing. Last year two men

went through the pain of putting skewers through their flesh, and then being hung up by these skewers with ropes until the weight of the body tears the skewers through the flesh and they drop. It is a most disgusting and horrible sight, and I wish the Government would stop it. The Government rations are not enough to keep the Indians in health, many of them being nearly starving. I have actually had Indians come round here and eat garbage off a manure heap. A man must be pretty hungry to do that."

PROVINCIAL WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

The General Secretary has obtained Quebec's kind permission to insert the following: A meeting of the Provincial Board of Management was held in Holy Trinity School-house, Toronto, September 14th and 15th. The Rev. J. Pearson, Rector of Holy Trinity, kindly arranged for a Celebration of the Holy Communion in that church at 11 a.m., and spoke many helpful words to the W.A. members, when addressing them. The W.A. in connection with the above church, furnished a most generous luncheon for the Board on both days of the meeting. Eighteen members of the Board were present. The Honorary President, Mrs. Lewis; the President, Mrs. Tilton; two Vice-Presidents, the Corresponding and Dorcas Secretaries, three Diocesan officers from Toronto, three from Huron, three from Niagara, one from Ontario, one from Quebec, and the Convenor of the Junior Committee, who is *ex-officio* a member of the Board. Unfortunately Montreal was not represented at all, a fact very much to be regretted.

It was decided that in future four extra pages are to be added to the LEAFLET, and are to be edited by the General Corresponding Secretary. These will contain appeals, etc., sent to the general officers, and other things of interest to the Woman's Auxiliary at large. The need of these pages has

been greatly felt by the General officers, for hitherto, they have had to trespass on the space owned by some one Diocese, to publish general news. As the LEAFLET completes its fifth year with this number, the change will be begun in November issue, the first of the new year. The missionary work, which has been done by the LEAFLET in the past is beyond expression. May its sixth year see the circulation largely increased throughout all Canada, that this quiet work for Christ may be extended also. The reports received by the Board, from the officers and committees were very encouraging. Much good work has been done, but *so much more* is waiting to be done.

The Board had the pleasure of listening to Mrs. Sillitoe, of New Westminster, and Mrs. Sullivan, of Algoma, both of whom spoke on the work in their Dioceses.

The well-known hospitality of the Toronto W. A. made the visit of the members of the Board a most happy one. The personal intercourse with fellow workers is a great source of strength. The absence of several officers and members of the Board was a great disappointment, and they were much missed by those present. In the unavoidable absence of the General Recording Secretary, the Board elected Mrs. Cummings, Secretary of Toronto Diocese, to act as Recording Secretary, which she did most ably and to the complete satisfaction of the Board. Mrs. Young, wife of the Bishop of Athabasca, intends spending the winter in Toronto, to regain her health by enjoying a well-earned rest from her arduous work among the Indians, which has overtaxed her strength so much.

There is every prospect of the St. Paul's Industrial School, Middlechurch, Diocese of Rupert's Land, being taken over by the Government. A letter from the Rev. Mr. Burman on this subject will appear in next month's issue, and full particulars of the position of those who are now assisted by the W. A., given. The arrangements are not yet quite completed. Mrs. Stewart, wife of a C. M. S. missionary from China, was present at the meetings of the Provincial Board.

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