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# Letter Leaflet of the Woman's Auxiliary

"The love of Christ constraineth us."—2 Cor. v. 14.



PROVINCIAL WOMAN'S AUXILIARY,  
MISS L. H. MONTIZAMBERT, *Ed. Prov. Pages.*

Ask of me, and I shall give thee the heathen for  
thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the  
earth for thy possession.—PSALM II. 8.

Subjects for Prayer and Reading. July—  
Mackenzie River. The Jews. August—Moos-  
onee. Greenland.

## TRIENNIAL MEETING.

The fourth Triennial Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Domestic and Foreign Missions of the Church of England will be held in Montreal, September 10th to 14th. The Triennial Service will be held in the Cathedral, Thursday, September 12th, at 9.30 a m.

CARRIE L. DENNE,

229 University Street, Montreal.

Recording Secretary, W A.

## TO OUR ARTIST MEMBERS.

At the meeting of the Board of Management held in Quebec last Autumn, a Committee was formed to procure designs for the Provincial Life Membership Certificate. Mrs. Tilton, convener, has sanctioned the following plan being laid before our members. That a friendly competition be opened and designs sent in, marked only by the name of some Mission, Africa, China, Japan, and so on, and with each design a closed envelope bearing outside the same name as the design and containing inside the artist's name. The designs to be submitted to the Triennial Meeting and only after one has been selected for use will the name of the honored member be made known by the opening of the envelope. This will give our artist members a nice opportunity of using their especial talent for the good of the W.A. and save the \$4 or \$5 which professional designers ask for the work. Unsuccessful competitors can have their envelopes returned unopened if desired. For wording and particulars apply to the Gen. Cor. Sec., Post Office, Toronto.

## THE JEWS.

The Jews are a people who have ever been an object of interest to all Christians, but of late the interest has been wonderfully intensified not only in the Church of England which was the first worker in the Mission field on behalf of the Jews, but also in other Christian bodies

There is great ignorance concerning the scriptures, even of Moses and the Prophets, which they are commonly supposed to study amongst the Jews, many of them knowing only the traditions of the Talmud, a book or books full of the grossest superstitions most dishonouring to the God they profess to worship, therefore the need of Bibles, Testaments and the book of Common Prayer for free distribution is most urgent. Our dear old Prayer Book should be attractive to them, containing as it does their Psalms and the liturgical service with which they are familiar. An immense work is being carried on in England, on the continent and in Asia and Africa, by the London Society, the oldest Societies of Missions to the Jews, established in 1809; it has been all those years and still is steadily employed in a large and liberal spirit in carrying the gospel of Christ to the Jew first according to our Lord's command, and its work has been singularly blessed. A fact stated by a clergyman at the conference of the Anglican communion held a few months ago in London, is full of encouragement to Mission workers, he says "A friend has gathered from careful examination of public documents the knowledge that at least a quarter of a million of the House of Israel to-day are members of the Christian Church." That means that at least one in forty or one in thirty of the Jewish nation at the present time accept the faith of Jesus Christ. We do not see bright centres of Native Churches amongst the Jews as amongst the heathen in dark and dreary lands, but they are in our midst, in our Christian Churches, mixing with them, sometimes absorbed by them, and therefore not so easily traced as converts from other sources. In this wonderful age when we see the prophecies being fulfilled daily, especially those concerning God's ancient people, it behoves us Christians of Canada to bestir ourselves and combine in the spirit of our Saviour to take the knowledge of Christ to His brethren according to the flesh, especially those dwelling in our own land.

The above was kindly written for THE LEAFLET by Miss Vicars of Toronto, whose life is devoted to work for God's chosen people.

#### REPORT OF ALGOMA'S W. A. BRANCHES.

We have so long been in the habit of looking at the Diocese of Algoma in the attitude of a recipient of favours from other Dioceses. But now we turn to it as realizing the greater blessedness of giving than receiving, and to the Woman's Auxiliary has been the privilege of arousing the interests and directing the energies of many who sit in solitary places, and yet desire earnestly to be able in some way to aid in Christ's work—the coming of His Kingdom. In Algoma Diocese there are eleven W. A. Branches, three of this number have not reported. The earliest date of the organization of a Branch is 1887 when the St. Luke's Branch, Sault Ste Marie, was formed and it now

numbers 29 members. Mrs. Sullivan is Hon. Pres., Mrs. Campbell, Treas.; Mrs. Denison, Secretary. Both Home and Foreign Missions are taken up, also parochial objects Amount raised last year \$140.

Fort William Branch dates from 1890 and has now 40 members. Hon. Pres., Mrs. Kerby; Pres, Mrs. Reading; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Tillie.; Sec.-Treas., Mrs. C. W. Jarvis. About \$250 were collected during the past year. Parochial objects have been aided, the Church furnished with Communion linen, alms dish, carpeting, seats, baptismal bowl, etc., and \$5 a month given to the new parsonage fund.

North Bay Branch dates 1891; members 37. Pres., Mrs. Hutchinson; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Mawhinney, Sec.-Treas., Miss Bogg. \$153.20 have been raised during the past year and expended partly on furnishing and cleaning the church, on debt of parsonage, and on the partial support of an Indian girl at the Shingwauk Home.

The Bracebridge Branch with 31 members reports the large sum of \$379.31 the 1st year, \$311.64 the second, and \$824.01 the third year ending January, 1895. This money is placed in the bank for a fund to build a new church. Pres., Mrs. Buckerfield, 1st. Vice-Pres., Mrs. R. Topp; 2nd Vice-Pres., Miss Teiroidale, Sec., Mrs. Walter, Treas., Miss A. M. Whitten, named by incumbent, Mrs. Hillman and Mrs. John Thomson.

Rosseau Branch dates from 1891 and has 20 members. Pres., Mrs. Waddy; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Raymond; Treas., Mrs. Brown; Sec., Mrs. Lawrason. Objects worked for, Incumbent's salary and parsonage building fund. Amount raised to April, 1894, \$562.86.

Gravenhurst Branch was formed in 1893 having now 19 members. Pres., Mrs. Robert Johns, Vice-Pres., Miss Allen; Treas., Mrs. Bradshaw. Objects, Home and Foreign Missions Total amount raised up to Easter, 1894, \$90.12

Port Arthur held its first meeting in March, 1894 and has now 20 members. Hon. Pres., Mrs. Bradshaw, Pres, Mrs. Clarke; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Powley; Sec., M. G. Boyce. Up to October, 1894, \$50 had been raised and expended on Church expenses. In connection with Branch, Mrs. Gibb's Bible Class, henceforward to be known as the "Bible Class Mission Band of St. John's Church," has sent \$12 to Miss Brown, Peigan Reserve Home, Calgary.

We regret to learn from the Bishop of Algoma, that Mrs. Lawrason, of Algoma, has sent in her resignation as Diocesan Secretary of Algoma, so that once more the Branches are disconnected as it were, and no Diocesan organization binds them together.

A letter of sympathy was sent, in the name of the W. A., to the Rev. J. Boydell on the death of his wife who has been so active a member of the W. A., and a most appreciative answer has been received.

We regret that no later news has been received from Mackenzie River than that already published, so we can only remind our readers

of that noble Bishop, his wife and the Missionaries at work in that vast Diocese, and ask for frequent and earnest prayers on their behalf.

The Gen. Cor. Sec'y. has just received some very kind remembrances from the Japanese nurses under Miss Smith, in Kobé, consisting of six beautifully dressed Japanese dolls, a cleverly made bureau and four pins for the hair, with chrysanthemums of different colours and a bright metal fringe attached to them. These latter are only worn by unmarried ladies when wishing to look very nice. Accompanying these presents came the following welcome letter, written in such very good English. " My dear friend, though I have not seen you often, I heard from Miss Smith about you, so I would write a few lines. First, I must say how I came here. I graduated from the school in Osaka, which belongs to the American Episcopal Church, and came here to Kobé to be a nurse. I was always praying to God to give me the proper work that He wished for me. Then He gave me a good opportunity to be a nurse. I thought nursing was the best work in which to manifest the glory of God. I was so satisfied and glad when I got this work and I decided to offer myself to God with my body and soul and work for God forever. We are so thankful that so many Missionaries are sent to Japan. Now in Japan there are many Christians, but still there are many people who are wandering in the darkness. I think I must try to lead these people to Christ. I believe God will help me in this work. I am going to graduate after spending two years' study in St. Michael's Training School, in October, and hope I may do credit to the School. We are soon removing to Nagano, and we are all glad to go to the Canadian Church Mission, because our School is Canadian too. Please give my kind regards to the W. A., and kindly excuse my many mistakes. Your friend,

SADA VAWAKA.

The sad news comes from Miss Smith of the death of O Ken San, her best pupil and right hand assistant in every way. Having been badly burned by the accidental igniting of a camp; she was very ill for some weeks and her reason was impaired: this, however was restored to her some days before her death, and she was able to receive the Holy Communion before her death and speak to them all of the joy at the prospect of "going home." Her little testament and a sacred picture which seemed to give her comfort when she was ill were buried with her. Poor Miss Smith seems to feel her loss very much indeed. For an interesting letter from Miss Smith we refer our readers to the July number of the *Church Mission News*.

The Rev. H. Gibbon Stochen writes, he has gone to Japan to be married to Miss Cox, of Osaka, one of the most successful of Missionaries, he says. We wish him and his every happiness. Mr. Stochen intends returning to Calgary early in August. meanwhile his brother is in charge of the mission.

## Toronto Diocese.

Woman's Auxiliary to Diocesan, Domestic and Foreign Missions.

Editor TORONTO LEAFLET, MRS. A. E. WILLIAMSON, 83 Wellesley St.

DIOCESAN MOTTO:—"*Whatever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might.*"

Subject for Reading and Prayer: June - New Westminster, B. C. and Japan.

Readers of the LEAFLET are very unlikely to forget the Mackenzie River Diocese in their prayers for this month. A letter from the Bishop will be found on another page.

Never has the great Jewish question attracted so wide an interest as at the present time, thousands of believing Christians are waiting and looking for that glorious period when the receiving of God's ancient people shall be but "life from the dead," and are steadfastly working with patient trust, and belief in the final accomplishment of God's sovereign purpose, "All Israel shall be saved." Fifty years ago Warburton says, "There are perhaps fewer Jews in Palestine than in most countries in Europe, probably in the whole of Syria not above 30,000 souls." There are now over 600,000 Jews in Palestine, and a steadily increasing tendency on the part of Jews, to settle down in their native land of Palestine. In September, if God will, it is in the hearts of some women of Toronto, members of the Auxiliary to begin definite Missionary work among the Jews of this city. Miss Vicars, of 66 Alexander street, is already at work as an agent of the London Society, and it will be under her guidance and supervision that the Churchwomen's Mission to Jews, will witness "God's good Hand upon them" endeavour to shed the light of the glorious Gospel of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, into their hearts of unbelief. Read Zechariah 8th, 4 to 9th verses.

### AUXILIARY NOTES.

*Special to members of the Toronto Diocesan Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary.*

The Thankoffering to be presented by the Diocesan Branches at the Triennial Meeting of the W.A. in September,

as regards our Sister Dioceses, is worthy of the object for which the Thankoffering is made, viz., the consolidation of the Church in the Dominion of Canada. Owing to the custom of the Toronto Diocesan W.A. making special Thankofferings at their Annual meetings, this combined Thankoffering has not been properly understood, or acted upon by our Diocese. We do not wish to remain apart from our Sister Dioceses in this offering; therefore will W.A. Branches desiring to make a united offering, or individual members who realize the grand future for our beloved Church consequent upon the Consolidation of our Ecclesiastical Provinces, please send their Thankoffering through their Parochial Treasurer, or direct to Diocesan Treasurer, 561 Jarvis street, Toronto. Offerings can be received from this time up to September 5th.

The President of the Toronto W.A. had the great pleasure of attending the Annual Meeting of the W.A. of the Ontario Diocese, held early in June, at the old military town of Perth. The Thankoffering from our Ontario Sisters to be presented at the Triennial Meeting in September, amounted to \$167. We most warmly congratulate them upon their success in this and other Auxiliary matters.

During the summer holidays will members of the W.A. please to remember the vast amount of good they may accomplish by interesting others in the Letter LEAFLET. Try to secure subscribers; tell people about the Missionaries' letters, and of the work aimed at by the Women of the W.A. The Editor of the LEAFLET will be only too glad to send LEAFLETS for free distribution at summer hotels, etc., address 83 Wellesley street, Toronto.

At a special meeting of the Board of Management called by request of three members, on Friday June 7th, the Toronto Diocesan Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary withdraw from the Local Council of Women. The following resolution was carried by a very large majority:—

Moved by Mrs. Broughall, seconded by Mrs. Hodgins

*Resolved*—“That the Toronto Diocesan Board of the Woman's Auxiliary decide to withdraw from the Local Council of Women and to be no longer affiliated with that Council considering that it is not

advisable to continue in connection with a Society the Central Board of which has publicly rejected by vote the audible use of the Lord's Prayer at the annual and other meetings of the National Council."

*Carried.*

The usual routine business was then proceeded with, and the Board adjourned to meet again (D.V.), September 5th.

A very enjoyable closing to the season's work was given by Mrs. Kenny, President of the Mimico Branch of the W.A., at her house; all the work of the Branch was on exhibition, and three special items are most noteworthy, viz., nine quilts, each one better than the other, twenty-eight new sheets, the summer gift of the individual members, and a beautifully made dress, and two blouses for the Matron of Emmanuel College, where the larger proportion of the Mimico work is to go.

St. John's Branch, Port Hope, have sustained a heavy loss by the recent death of Mrs. Guernsey, a most faithful member of the Auxiliary, and true servant of God; her loss is most sincerely lamented by the Woman's Auxiliary of St. John's Church.

We have now entered upon our summer vacation; a rest from meetings will be the feeling of many women, but will they try to remember to *rest* and *pray*; rest for their bodies that their minds may be strengthened to more faithfully perform the work of the Auxiliary. During this summer time will be the opportunity to find out our lonely, sorrowful, or crippled sisters. Let us begin work in the autumn with a goodly number of "Scattered helpers," whose duty will be to pray for Missions, to use the members prayer, to connect themselves with the Diocesan Board by the payment of the usual 10c. members fee, and to become a subscriber to the Letter LEAFLET. To "Shut in" people the W.A. may prove an unspeakable blessing.

The paper prepared by Miss Osler, entitled "The Laywomen in the Parish," will be printed in the *Church Evangelist* during September. Members of the W.A. desiring copies of this paper will please write their orders to Mrs. A. E. Williamson, 83 Wellesley Street, Toronto, Price 10c. This is

the only form in which this paper, as read at the Toronto Annual Meeting, will appear.

Margaret Durnell, writes from Lesser Slave Lake that the work is progressing. The Home has been full all the winter, and the efforts made for the children have been greatly blessed. They were all looking out for LEAFLETS and papers to tell them of news from the East.

Miss Alice Turner has been visiting the Blood Reserve, before her return home. She leaves her work at the Blackfoot home with deepest regret, but home duties are the first claim, and she can remain away no longer. Applications for the position of Matron to the Home, and of nurse at the Blackfoot Hospital will be gladly received by the Diocesan President, 83 Wellesley street, or applications in writing by the Diocesan Secretary, 44 Dewson Street. The position of teacher at All Hallows' School, Yale, B.C., is not yet filled. For information see LEAFLET for June, page 716.

Miss Veals has made arrangements for the removal of her school in September next, to a commodious residence now in course of erection and enlargement, situated on Spadina Avenue, between Harbord and Bloor Streets, one of the most desirable parts of the city. The house having been specially planned for the school, fulfils all the requirements of modern science, necessary to health and comfort. Applications will be received by Miss Veals at 50 and 52 Peter Street, until August 15th, after that date at 651 Spadina Avenue.

#### TORONTO DIOCESE P.M.C. REPORT, JUNE 7TH 1895.

An informal meeting of the newly appointed Committee of the P.M.C. was held after the Board Meeting of May 9th, when it was decided to hold a regular meeting on May 11th, when the Convener and three members of the Committee were present. A circular was drawn up for collectors to distribute and a request to be sent to those clergy who had no W.A. in their parishes. Thirty-four of these requests were sent out, five answers have been received three being favourable.

All the City Branches except one have taken the Books, &c St. Barnabas has no Branch but will use our books. The Convener has addressed five meetings on the subject. S. M. A. MORGAN, Secretary, P.M.C.

By reference to the report of the Diocesan Treasurer it will be seen that 12 Branches sent in returns for May. The Committee congratulated them upon their energy and promptness and trust that the returns for June will show that all who have taken books, circulars, &c, are steadfastly at work. Samples of the Magazines can be obtained after Wednesday, July 3rd, at the Synod office—not more than one packet for each collector—one packet will be sent by post to every country Branch desiring it, if working the P.M.C. The Diocesan Chronicle will not be published until the autumn. The "Return Slips" are for the use of the Parochial Treasurer only. It was hoped that collectors would make up their books monthly and send in the detailed result to their Parochial Treasurer on a slip of paper with the amount raised, the expense of providing monthly slips for every collector being heavy. In practical working it seems desirable that these slips should, nevertheless, be provided, the Committee are therefore considering the question, *and every Branch working the Scheme is requested to send to the Secretary the number of collectors engaged in it that a sufficient supply may be sent. Every Branch which has taken books &c., and yet does not intend to work the collections is requested to return the supplies received to the Secretary P.M.C. (Mrs. Morgan, 274 Dovercourt Road, Toronto) with an explanatory letter stating the reason for their refusal to co-operate in this matter. Circulars for collectors to study and distribute can be obtained from the Secretary P M C , 274 Dovercourt Road.*

JENNETTE OSLER, *Convener.*

#### FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF THE AUXILIARY WOMEN

Shut in, shut in from the ceaseless din,  
Of the restless world and its want and sin,  
Shut in from the turmoil, care and strife  
And all the wearisome round of life.

Shut in, with tears that are shed in vain  
With the dull companionship of pain,  
Shut in with the changless days and hours  
And the bitter knowledge of failing powers

Shut in, with dreams of days gone by  
With buried hopes that were born to die.  
Shut in with hopes that have lost their zest  
And leave but a longing after rest.

Shut in with a trio of angels sweet,  
Patience and Grace all pain to meet,  
With Faith that can suffer and stand and wait,  
And lean on the promises, strong and great.

Shut in with Christ! Oh! wonderful thought,  
Shut in with the peace His sufferings brought,  
Shut in with the love that wields the rod,  
Oh! company blest! shut in with God!

*From the Rev. J. Watson, to the President of Holy Trinity Branch W.A.*

"I have not words to fully express our appreciation of and thankfulness for a present so handsome, and valuable. Please thank all who contributed towards the gift (Communion vessels and fair linen) the lovely handiwork of Mrs. H—, has been the admiration of us all.

Thanking you for the personal interest and trouble taken on our behalf, may God richly bless your Branch in all your work "

*From the Bishop of Mackenzie River, intended specially for the children.*

"A few weeks ago a party of Indians came to the fort to trade their furs. They are the wildest and least civilized Indians in the Diocese. It is seldom that they visit any of the forts, and seldom still that a Missionary has a chance of instructing them. This is a pity because they are above the average intelligence, and would make good progress if they could be taught regularly.

Shortly after their arrival I passed through the fort and shook hands and spoke with most of them. Another I met a few minutes later. His first greeting was "Oh my! what a big man you are! you are a big minister!" Then as we shook hands he said "What a big hand you have! and such a large wrist!" Then still grasping my hand he unbuttoned my shirt wristband and pushing up the sleeve exclaimed, "Eh! Eh! what a fat arm you have! Even your wristband is too tight for you, you must be strong you are so fat!" Then putting his hands up to my beard he stroked it down so gently and said, "What a long beard you have! see it reaches down to there! But" (noticing the grey hairs) "you are getting an old man, your beard is turning white!" The beard seems to have attracted their special admiration, for another whom I met afterwards seized hold of it and putting it up to his own bare face said "Eh! if I had a beard like that I should feel proud and pleased!"

When they had finished their trading some of them came down to the Mission and gave us the opportunity of teaching them about more important things than long beards and fat arms. Pray that God will open a door of access to them that they may be brought to a saving knowledge of the truth as it is in Jesus.

Please thank very warmly for me, all those who have contributed in any way and assure them that their work of faith and labor of love would not be in vain in the Lord, and will be abundantly returned to them.

*From Rev. Christopher Lord, Apsley, Diocese of Toronto, to Diocesan Treasurer.*

"I must acknowledge with my very best thanks the receipt of a bale of illustrated papers, *Illustrated London News* for the most part, with several Christmas numbers of this and other papers, and some books. I have also received the *Church Bells*, for which I am very thankful. I do not know to whom individually I am indebted for the

bale of illustrated papers, but I do know that I am greatly indebted to the W. A. What useful work it is doing! And what a blessing it is to our Church and its missions throughout Canada and beyond our boundary even. What a comfort, help and source of encouragement to many a toiler in our Lord's vineyard, and who can say how much the Lord of the vineyard Himself is gratified by what is offered, though He may grieve that more do not put their shoulder to the wheel and take their own individual share of the burden in the great Sisterhood. It must be a comfort to all true-hearted, interested workers to remember that God 'does not forget your works and labor that proceedeth of love, which love ye have shewed for His name sake, who have ministered unto the saints and yet do minister.' May every sharer in the work experience hereafter the truth of the words 'Whatever Lord we lend to Thee, repaid a thousand fold will be. We can wish them no greater reward than when the day of toil is done they may enter into *the joy of their Lord*. 'Assured our home will make amends for all our toil while on the road' Twice lately I have had members of the Band of Hope here spending the evening with me. Last night there were some here looking at the illustrated papers. It encourages them to be good and regular at the meetings. In one of the last letters I received, you inquired how far distant I was from Canon Harding? I do not ever remember replying to the question. We both live in Apsley, but he is twenty minutes walk from here. He does very little now besides taking his service. Sunday by Sunday, in Apsley and occasionally administering the Holy Communion in the churches where I hold services. He has had his day of labor and now I do most of the work in this district. The Bishop appointed me to be his assistant here I do all the travelling and the visiting, often sleeping out twice in a week. Every day has been spent in visiting during the last three weeks. I go out early in the day and usually return late in the evening. Though I have no considerable distance to travel in any one direction, no further, for instance, than twelve or fourteen miles from Apsley, yet a great deal of time is taken up in visiting houses off the road (some two miles and a half off the road) and back, and as I visit families of every denomination, making no exception, and also have to pay long visits and give much instruction, the day closes in before I get through half as much as I wish to. Often the roads are so bad that the horse can only go at a walking pace. The work at St. Paul's Church has not yet been commenced as the Canon thinks it desirable to wait till the warm weather. Some one called on me the other day to enquire if I needed an organ for St. Paul's Church. He deals in second hand instruments and has one that was recently disposed of by the clergyman of Madoc Church. He tells me it is of good service and worth \$30 00 I let him know that I could not come to any understanding with him on the subject, as I believed some effort was

being made to obtain one for the Church by a lady with whom you had been in communication. I do not know whether the organ is really worth \$30.00. It would not be worth while spending very much money on any organ for St. Paul's, as it is only a small building and parish, and there are not very many church people. There might be some advantage in getting an organ from Madoc, since Madoc is near Coe Hill and on the railway, and Coe Hill is near St Paul's—only six or eight miles away. Moreover, the chief churchman at St. Paul's often goes to Coe Hill two or three times a week and could easily fetch it. The LETTER LEAFLET comes regularly every month and I am always pleased to see it."

### TREASURER'S REPORT.

<b>Diocesan P.M.C.,</b>		<b>Qu'Appelle, Mr. Teitelbaum</b>	
Ashburnham .....	\$10 20	Cobourg .....	2 00
Ch. Ascension, Toronto.....	9 45	<b>Blackfoot Home.</b>	
St. John's, Toronto.....	18 75	Ch. Ascension, Toronto.....	2 00
All Saints', Toronto.....	5 92	Deer Park .....	15
St. John's, Port Hope.....	15 55	<b>Matron's Salary.</b>	
Brighton .....	5 35	All Saints' Toronto.....	25
St Mark's, Parkdale.....	9 95	<b>Foreign P.M.C.,</b>	
Deer Park .....	3 50	Ch. Redeemer, Toronto .....	5 00
Cobourg .....	10 65	<b>Zenana P.M.C.</b>	
Ch. Redeemer, Toronto.....	11 10	St. John's, Toronto.....	10 20
Mimico.....	3 50	<b>Japan P.M.C. Per Wycliffe Coll</b>	
<b>Undesignated P.M.C.</b>		St. John's, Port Hope.....	2 20
All Saints', Toronto.....	6 65	<b>China. Rev. R. W. Stewart,</b>	
St. Mary Magdalene, Toronto	22 95	St. Paul's, Toronto, Juniors...	25 00
Christ Church, Deer Park.....	7 48	<b>Education Fund.</b>	
Ch. Redeemer, Toronto.....	4 75	All Saints' .....	25
Cobourg .....	2 25	Deer Park .....	55
<b>Algoma, P.M.C.</b>		<b>Rent Central Room.</b>	
All Saints', Toronto.....	1 21	Deer Park.....	10
Deer Park, Toronto.....	80	Miscellaneous Fee, Mrs. Wright..	10
Ch. Redeemer, Toronto.....	10 50	Collection Monthly Meeting.....	4 05
St. Mark's, Parkdale, Toronto	25	Extra-cent-a-day Fund .....	29 52
Cobourg .....	1 40	<b>Magazines P.M.C.</b>	
Per Wycliffe Coll., St. John's		Brighton.....	2 50
Port Hope .....	4 30	Deer Park .....	3 09
<b>Temiscamingue,</b>			
All Saints' .....	30		262 43
Deer Park .....	10	<b>EXPENDITURE.</b>	
<b>North-West P.M.C.</b>		Expenses Annual Meeting 700	
St. Mark's, Parkdale.....	1 30	Ballot Papers. ....	3 00
Deer Park .....	80	200 Extra-cent-a-day Post Cards...	2 60
Cobourg .....	1 80	Junior Badges .....	75
<b>Rupert's Land, per Wycliffe</b>		Rent Central Room .....	10 00
<b>Coll., P.M.C.</b>		G. Parker. 2,000 Envelopes.....	4 00
St. John's, Port Hope .....	2 30	Railway Expenses Miss Turner...	35 15
<b>Saskatchewan, Onion Lake</b>		Cash Expenses Miss Turner .....	8 00
<b>Matron's Salary.</b>		Rev. R. W. Stewart, China .....	25 00
Omeme .....	6 00		

## Huron Diocese.

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

This last month has been one of peculiar interest. At the meeting of the several Diocesan Synods matters of the deepest moment have been under consideration, and a fuller recognition even than before has been accorded to the claims which their Theological Colleges should have upon the members of the Church of England in Canada, as being the fountain head from whence should flow not only the ministerial supply for all parochial needs, but for a large measure of those of the Mission field also. A reference to the Church papers will give fuller details than the limited space of the LEAFLET permits, but it is only fitting that our dear W. A. readers should learn through it that the effort asked for on behalf of our own Huron Divinity College had all the endorsement which the unanimous voice of Synod could give it upon its interests being committed to it by His Lordship himself in his charge to his clergy. When some few months ago our Bishop sought to widen our sympathies as W.A. workers by asking us to see not only what more we could do for the Missions of our own Diocese, but whether we could not take the interests of Huron College to our hearts also, the question was asked, "how can we disassociate the two?" If we agree to do our utmost for the Missions of our own Diocese, how can we leave its Divinity College out of our calculations? The following practical reply to this most pertinent query has reached me.—"The Bishop of Huron and Mrs. Baldwin, \$25; Mrs. Labatt and daughters, \$13; Rev. W. M. Shore, \$10; Mrs. Shore, \$5; Col. Shanly, \$5; Mrs. Graham, \$1; Mrs. Becher (Rosedale), \$10; Miss Macklem, \$5; Very Rev. Dean Innis, \$15; Rev. J. O. and Mrs. Crisp, (N.S.), \$25; Mrs. Hutchinson, \$2; Major Evans, Montreal, \$10; Mrs. John A. Kains, of St. Thomas, \$1; Rev. G. M. Cox, of Tuscarora, \$75; Rev. Robert Wilson, Birr, \$5; Miss H. Marsh, \$2; Mrs. E. Burwell, \$1; "A friend of Huron," Cobourg, \$10; B. H. Keating, Oil City, \$1; Mrs. Shore, \$1; Mrs. Clarence Ball, 10; W. T. Strong, \$5. The following Galt friends are placing their contributions in the hands of Mrs. A. Ball, local treasurer to the fund: James Woods, \$30; Mrs. A. Ball, \$30; Mrs. Allenby, \$15; Rev. J. Ridley, \$15 (these in three yearly instalments); Adam B. Thom, \$10; Mrs. R. Strong, (jr.), \$1; Miss Blaine, \$1; Mrs. Keefer, \$5; Miss Baird \$1. total from Galt \$108. As a parish the Memorial Church, London, has been the next to respond to our Bishop's request to the clergy of his Diocese to lay the needs of Huron College before their parochial organizations, and the following is the encouraging statement of results: "Ministering Children's League \$10; Mother's Union, \$4

Havergal Mission Band, \$5. King's Daughters, \$5. H.A.B., \$10; Mrs. Ableson, \$1; Mrs. Treleaven, \$1, All Saints' Mission Chapel, \$6; total from Memorial Church, \$42. The Rev. T. H. Brown, of Deleware, promises \$10, and W. G. McWhinney, Esq., \$25, part of which he specially donates towards expense of printing and postage in connection with the effort on behalf of Huron College, the Bishop of Huron also kindly helping towards the same. . . My sisters will you ask your Presidents at your next meeting to read to you the "Plea" specially sent to her charge for that purpose, and see if you cannot make some little personal effort, such as giving or collecting 25c each, to help Huron College at this crisis in its History.

#### AMONG THE BRANCHES.

The Secretary of St. John's Parochial Association of St. Thomas', sends, "\$3.15 being the amount collected in our infant class S.S. mite boxes," this money is to be devoted to the purchase of yarn for Omoksene. Taking this gift in conjunction with the purchase of a small knitting machine by the children of Thorndale S.S., and of \$2 spent by the M.C.L's of the Memorial Church London, this practical manner of testifying their interest in the children of the Mission field seems to commend itself to the children of our Junior Branches. Will any one sending shortly to Omoksene notify Mrs. Boomer so that the wool may accompany their gifts? SARNIA—The W.A. of St. George's shipped their bale to the Rev. G. Holmes, Athabasca. It has been the work of the Society for the past six months, and consisted of 95 articles of men and boys' clothing chiefly, beside groceries, etc., and was valued at \$85. The society is still in a very flourishing condition." SIMCOE W.A. sent its bale to Rev. J. Hinchliffe—19 yds. of rag carpet, 3 quilts, a quantity of new material, 36 new and 56 articles of second-hand clothing, with other things. We close a happy and successful year by a gathering at the Rectory. GRANTON—"Last week we met and packed our bale, and a happy time we had—many contributions sent us—pounds of tea, parcels of flannellette. which with 16 yds. of carpet made a very 'comfortable' bale to go to Thunderchild's Reserve. Truly our Auxiliary brings a reflex blessing on our parishes, making us the warmer friends for being 'workers together.'" ST ANN'S (Hellmuth College)—"We have received a nice letter from Mrs. Matheson, of Omion Lake, acknowledging our bale, 163 lbs.—Education Fund not forgotten; we hope to send something later." A W.A. sister writes:—"One of our Missionaries asked a Branch already working for his Mission, if it could send some much needed blinds for his Church; the general impression was that this was *not* possible, but one member set her heart on sending them, and where there is a will, there is a way. She collected and earned a little sum, and brought it to a member of the Branch who had talked most discouragingly to her about 'pledges' and 'outfits' and hard times. At the monthly

business meeting this pessimist member laid the money and the matter before the meeting. The member who had collected the money and the Treasurer were to meet next day to purchase the blinds, they had no intention of asking even for a reduction in the price, but when the mistress of the store (who had often helped generously with the bales before) found what they were wanted for, she gave the blinds, so the sum collected paid the somewhat heavy postage on them, and also postage for a parcel to the Branch's Omoksene child. Is not this little incident a proof that God helps those who try to help His servants in the Mission field? And does it not show how much one faithful member of a Branch can achieve? Therefore let us never say in presence of an appeal, "We really are doing *all* we can, I do not see how we can do more." We can always do a little more, and a little more, and still a little more, and every "little more" done is such happiness."

The Dorcas Secretary reports bales sent as follows.—From Brantford, Grace Church, three, with 26 yds. carpet, to Rev. M. Scott, Vermillion. WALKERVILLE 1, and 21 yds. carpet to Lesser Slave Lake. SARNIA one, with 18 yds. carpet to same Mission. BERLIN, two to Rev. J. Sinclair, Cedar Lake. OWEN SOUND, two to Mr. Robinson, Peace River. WOODSTOCK, King's Daughters of New St. Pauls, complete outfit for "Catharine" at Emmanuel College. SIMCOE, one to Mr. Hinchliffe. HAYSVILLE, Juniors, one to Jack Head Mission. LONDON, St. James' Senior Mission Band, one to White Fish Lake. DELAWARE, one to Fort Alexander. LONDON, St. John the Evangelist Juniors, two to Archdeacon Phair. The Treasurer, Mrs. Complin, expects to be absent in England until October. Mrs. Sage, the Rectory, London West, acts as Treasurer pro tem, and will receive all moneys from Branches until Mrs. Complin's return. Will our Branch Treasurers make special note of the above?

Miss Wilson has been Mrs. Baldwin's guest at Bishopstowe lately, and is gaining strength rapidly. Her most earnest desire is after a period of hospital training to be enabled by God's blessing to take up work in the Mission field once more, wherever an opening may be found for her.

Our little Missionary daughter, Ethel Frost, again looks the picture of health, although so seriously ill a few weeks ago. To Dr. Niven, of London, who cancelled his account, \$17 due for unremitting attendance upon her, offering the same as his "contribution to the Education Fund," our sincere thanks are due. To Dr. Harvey, Dentist, we offer the same, he likewise having taken no fee for his services to any one of our Missionary children. Miss McKendrick, Miss Morphy, and Miss Jewell, have earned also our warmest gratitude for their share so freely given and at some personal sacrifice in furthering the efforts of the Huron W.A. on behalf of the education of the children of Missionaries.

## FROM THE MISSION FIELD.

News has reached us at last of the safe arrival of the bales sent over a year ago to Vermilion. From Athabasca Landing, on 27th May, Mrs. Young writes:—"Since arriving here I find that the bale for Mr. Scott has not been forwarded. How disappointed you all must feel at such delay in acknowledgement. If you could see the steamers and boats so laden, and having such a short season in which to carry freight you would not wonder at bales being put to one side by the anxious H B officer in charge. But it is discouraging to your workers; please tell them from the Bishop and me that we heartily thank them, and trust they will fully understand how these delays have been hitherto unavoidable. We shall be living here now, after travelling th's summer, and hope to receive bales in time to send forward by first steamers. "The Athabasca" was stopped by low water lately, and a few tons of freight taken off, so this will be against us we fear. I have read with deep interest report of Annual, and am so thankful you have cause for praise, trusting that much blessing has been given and the hearts of those present greatly stimulated to fresh zeal and consecrated effort. May 28th. I find your letter to Mrs. Scott and all lists of articles; so thanks need to be conveyed also to the Senior Mission Band, St. James' Church, London South, also to Branch W.A., St. Paul's London, and the friend from Windsor. You will, I know, make it all clear. Meyer's book "Future tenses" sent to Rev. Mr. Scott I am enjoying, taking it along with me. I can only ascribe the long delay in forwarding this bale to the idea that we were going to winter at the Landing last autumn." . . . To Mrs. Browne Mrs. Young says:—"Allow me to thank you most heartily on Mrs. Scott's behalf for your most kind liberal present of carpet, they will be indeed pleased to receive it, but as her hands are so crippled with rheumatism I am sure she will be thankful to know I am writing for her. I am telling Mrs. Boomer of the unavoidable delay there has been about this handsome bale, but everything is in lovely order, and there is nothing to mind about, except the disappointment that the dear workers must feel. The H.B. officer here is so careful and precise, there has doubtless been a good reason for delay in forwarding it. We are just starting for a summer of travel and visiting, steamboat, large scows, smaller boats, canoes, waggons, will each form a part of our mode of transportation. I am sure you and the other dear friends of Missionary work hardly need to be reminded to 'continue instant in prayer' 'watching there unto' giving thanks for all that God has wrought, is doing, and will yet do. Each of us belong to His great army, whether at home or away, labour together with God.' May we all rise to our high privilege more and more."

The following to the Selwyn Band, Middleport, comes from Mrs. Chowne, of Emsdale, Algoma.—"This is the first opportunity I have had to thank you for the large box sent us last November, containing

such lovely things, they were most acceptable and much appreciated. I hope you will convey our warmest thanks to the Mission Band of St. Paul's for all their kindness to us and our Mission. The S. S. were delighted with the pretty Scrap books, and other nice things, too numerous to be mentioned—given them as Christmas presents, and I have heard from several people that it was the best Christmas treat our scholars had at four of my husband's Stations. The piece of rag carpet added greatly to our comfort last winter, the pin-cushion worked by the ladies for myself was much admired, and the mats were useful both in our Church and our house—in fact it is impossible for me to describe how every little thing was appreciated—not to forget the underclothing for my boys. Our Mission is a large and poor one. Stations are from 12 to 16 miles apart, and rough roads. Mr Chowne has been R. Dean for more than 10 years, for which he receives nothing extra, and we do all our own work so as to save expenses. We are anxious to get a Bell for our Church, but the difficulty is to raise the money—we have no manufactories or mills—Emsdale is a small village on the G.T.R. I have two working classes amongst our old and young children, the difficulty is to find material to work on; it is all up hill work and sometimes I feel discouraged. I need not say how grateful we shall be for any help sent us in future, and if you find anything peculiar in this note, excuse it, as I am a Norwegian. I could tell you about some very distressing cases we had last winter and have still."

From Omoksene—Miss Aldridge writes—"At last I am glad to say that the post of Matron is filled and I trust satisfactorily. "The work has fallen heavily upon Mrs. Swainson and myself." Some one kindly sends me the *Evangelical Churchman*. I should desire to express my sincere thanks for the kind thought. I have quite settled down to the school work now and find it very interesting. These children are so bright, it is quite a pleasure to teach them. There are very few dull and stupid ones amongst them, but even these are making some progress. . . . Things are going on very satisfactorily and our numbers are rapidly increasing. We now have 40 boys and 30 girls. Our latest addition to the Girls Home is a tiny dot of only two-and-a-half years, an orphan, and such a dear little child. At present she speaks neither Indian nor English, but a baby language of her own. Of course these little ones are a great responsibility and give a good deal of trouble, but we are always glad to have them in preference to older girls, one can do so much more with them when they are taken early from all the evils of camp life. We have had very little sickness among the children this winter and spring, and some, whom the doctor thought very likely not to survive the winter, are quite well and strong now. All our girls are making great progress with knitting and nearly all can knit stockings now. Several can knit a stocking without any help from beginning to end. Just at present

they are knitting socks for the boys, who are always badly off in this respect. So few socks come up in the bales, and the consequence is that the boys socks are always a marvel of darning and are a continual source of anxiety to Mrs. Harry Swainson. I wish those who take such an interest in our work here and help so much, could hear some of the pretty and droll sayings of our little ones. Their broken English is so pretty and they do say such funny things sometimes. The other evening Mrs. Swainson was putting them to bed and I heard lamentable crying in the play-room after all the others had gone up stairs. I went to see what was the matter and there stood a tearful little figure in a night-dress all alone. "What's the matter, Nora?" I asked; "Me very naughty girl, and Amoonisaka me spank" Needless to say I found it very hard to keep my countenance." This same little Nora is well known to the "Ministering Children" I am often struck with the reality of these children's faith, even in the case of those who have not been taught very long. Last winter one of the little ones was ill and I used to have her in my sitting-room during the day. When I went to tea with the others one evening, I had to leave her all alone in the dark till I came back, so I rolled her up in a quilt on the lounge. When I came in, "Me hear noise like that scratching and me think ghost and me very 'fraid, and me pray Jesus, then, me no 'fraid any more." That may serve as a lesson to many a little white child, especially when we remember that these Indians are taught from their earliest childhood to be afraid of ghosts and of the harm they may do them."

Rev. F. Swainson sends gratitude for all the help and sympathy shown by W. A. friends to his Mission, adding; "I hope to get up our hospital and the addition to Boy's Home. We are really overcrowded having taken in several since Miss Wilson left," whilst to the Home Memorial, W.A., Stratford, he alludes to specified gifts as being one of special value, although their bales had always been most good and useful, says, "the 12 pair of hose very acceptable as we were just about out, ditto quilts, of these we have need always. Fresh children come in and this means 2 or 3 for every additional boy or girl. The six girl's coats (new) invaluable, for our girls are very rough on clothing. The boys are delighted with the marbles, and enjoy playing with them quite as well as the white boys do, children seem the same the world over. Tin cups always come in useful we seem to use up so many, they so very soon rust. I must not forget to mention the story book of the Bible, the girls and boys being very fond of any thing like that, that they can master themselves. It goes without saying that we were very thankful for the groceries. We have such a large family 70 mouths to feed, that the amount that they get through is something tremendous, therefore any groceries are always much appreciated. My wife is working at the knitting machine and will have no difficulty in mastering it. I see by the book of instructions we shall be able to knit

blouses and several other articles, so I expect we shall keep the machine very busy."

Mr. Hartland, of Sioux Mission, Griswold, on May 14, writes to Miss Marsh as follows.—"Please accept my best thanks for your kind letter and for the promise to help us with clothing, etc., for the Indians. We had a most interesting and encouraging event here on Sunday, 12th ult., there were 17 children baptized and one marriage. Up to this time there had only been one infant baptized during my five years residence on this Reserve and the marriage is the first ever solemnized amongst my people, you will therefore understand how very pleased and thankful I feel at this turn of events and I am very hopeful for future successors. The Rev. Mr. Burnam, of Winnipeg, founder of the Mission, officiated, and he seemed so pleased with the number of little ones present for Baptism. We held the service outside on my lawn as the church is not large enough for so many people. The whole of the proceedings were very earnest and impressive. The Indian who was married is named John Noel. He is my interpreter and is a very good young fellow and so anxious to improve his condition. His wife is a nice woman, tidy, industrious and domesticated. On Monday, the Griswold Methodist Minister drove over part of the Reserve with me. We called to see John Noel's home, my friend was most agreeably surprised at the neat appearance of the house. There is only one room about 16 ft. square. In one corner stood a home-made bedstead. The bed was properly arranged and looked very tempting to a tired individual. It was covered with a nice coverlet and was as clean as possible. The cook stove in the centre of the room was beautifully polished and the kettle and the teapot shone like silver. On a little shelf at foot of the bed we noticed a Sioux Bible and Prayer Book and there were several texts tacked on the walls together with pictures of various colours. The floor of the room was well scrubbed and indeed the whole atmosphere of the room was the acme of cleanliness. My friend had to acknowledge that the house would be a credit to many of the white settlers around. John informed me of his intention to make a table and to purchase chairs and other domestic necessities as he wishes to be a Christian in every respect of the word. Remember that 15 years ago these Indians were almost savages so we cannot but admit that the change is indeed wonderful."

To Port Rowan W. A.—Mr. Wright thus graphically tells of happy results from his labors at Fort à la Corne:—"I was out some miles on the Indian Reserve to see a poor young Squaw who is dying; her little babe was laid to rest about a week ago. It was very cheery and comforting to hear her say that her faith was still firmly rooted in Christ. Her old grandfather, Old Big Head, was in the tent with us; he and his band did not embrace Christianity till a few years ago, yet thank God, he is a thorough Christian, and the sweet look which comes over his face when speaking about his Saviour shows very plainly he

dwells 'neath the Shadow of the Cross. During my trip I visited one young man who was Christened about 3 years ago, all his relatives being still heathen, and though looking clean and tidy, his wardrobe consisted only of leggings, shoes and a cotton shirt. He asked me could I help him with some clothing, and with a smiling remark, said, 'This is all I have.' In one tent one poor young girl only had on a print dress and another under garment, whilst a poor little boy was seemingly quite proud at possessing a little girls jacket, which came down only to his knees. I mention all this thus plainly so that you can at once see how your kind gifts are appreciated. Those poor creatures were full of smiles and glad welcome to the Praying Master."

## TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.		DISBURSEMENTS.	
<b>General Fund.</b>		<b>Moosonee.</b>	
Brantford, St. Jude's ..	\$ 3 30	Stratford, St. James' J B ..	5 00
London, St. George's ..	2 00	<b>Rupert's Land H.M.</b>	
Granton ..	30	London ..	12 50
Wilmott ..	2 30	<b>Wycliffe Mission Japan</b>	
Gorrie ..	1 20	Lucan S.S. ....	10 00
Stratford, St. James ..	33	<b>Knitting Machine</b>	
<b>Lady Missionary, N. W.</b>		St. Thomas S.S. ....	3 15
Brantford, St. Jude's ..	5 00	<b>Relief Newfoundland Clergy.</b>	
London, Mem. Ch., M. C. L.	5 00	Wilmott ..	10 00
Gorrie ..	1 00		
London, Mem. Ch., G. H. T. ....	5 00		
Stratford, St. James ..	4 00		
<b>Lady Missionary, Japan.</b>			
London, Mem. Ch., M. C. L.	1 50		
Stratford, St. James ..	1 50		
<b>Omoksene.</b>			
London, All Saints ..	5 00		
<b>Algoma.</b>			
London, Mem. Ch., M. C. L. ....	5 00		
M. A. S. Thankoffering ..	1 25		
<b>Education.</b>			
St. Thomas. ....	1 00		
London, Mem. Ch., M. C. L. ....	5 00		
Granton ..	1 00		
London, Mem. Ch., G. H. B. ....	2 00		
<b>Mackenzie River.</b>			
London, Mem. Ch., M. C. L.	5 00		
<b>Lion's Head.</b>			
London Mem. Ch., M. C. L. ....	1 50		
Brantford, St. Jude's ..	5 00		
M. A. S. Thankoffering ..	1 50		
Wilmott ..	5 00		
London Mem. Ch., G. H. B. ....	2 00		
<b>Kanyegeh.</b>			
London, Mem. Ch., M. C. L. ....	2 00		
Wilmott ..	2 00		
Stratford, St. James ..	1 50		
The Circles of King's Daughters, per Mrs. Tilley ..	25 00		

## Montreal Diocese.

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

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### PLEDGES FIRST.

Any one who has attended our monthly meetings must have noticed how seldom our Treasurer is able to report funds in hand for the payment of certain special objects to which as an Auxiliary we have pledged ourselves. I allude particularly to the \$200 per annum for the support of a teacher at the Washakada Home, and the \$150, Montreal's share of the stipend of our Lady Missionary at Japan ; and briefly in this connection I desire to draw attention to a few points.

When I say that we are pledged as an Auxiliary to the regular support of the above objects it will of course be understood that at our Annual Meeting it was carried (by an almost unanimous vote) each Branch by its delegate assenting that these two objects should be supported by us to the amount specified. Of course there is other work, such as the Zenana, Jewish, Algoma, Rupert's Land, the Missionary Diocese of the West and North West, to which individually or as Branches we contribute, but I pass these by, as also the regulating Membership and Printing Fund fees.

It is not a great thing that we have agreed to do ; this distinctively Missionary work in two directions. For myself I hold that Montreal ought not to narrow herself down to these ; but ought to extend her pledged support to other and equally important undertakings in the vast Mission field at home and abroad. But whatever our pledges be, few or many, they ought to be promptly met.

At this Holiday Season particularly, when members are scattered and funds are always at their lowest, the Treasurer is often perplexed as to how she will make her quarterly payment, and although a way has generally been opened, it has not always been the particular one,

on which she has had a right to count, that is the prompt payment by every Branch of the sum guaranteed. If the Diocesan Board could know just when to be sure of each Branch sending in its quota it would greatly relieve its anxiety, and this might we think be done. It is well, very well, that we should be ready at all times to open our hearts and our purses according to our ability, to fresh appeals as they come to us, but we must remember that our pledges should come first.

### AMONG THE BRANCHES.

(Condensed from Annual Report)

**KNOWLTON**—President, Mrs. Chambers, Cor. Secretary, Miss F. D. Knowlton; Rec. Secretary, Miss Wood; Treasurer, Mrs. Belknap. Sent \$25 to Mrs. Hinchliffe for support of Indian boy, James Knowlton; also valuable bale of clothing. Raised by entertainments, \$68.74, received from Mission Church, Bondville, \$59.48, making with donations \$122.19: to be applied towards new kitchen for Rectory.

**LACOLLE**—President, Mrs. Bernard; Vice-President, Miss Surprenaut, Rec. Secretary, Miss Braithwaite; Cor. Secretary, Miss Haynes, Treasurer, Miss Fortin; members 23, organized September, 94. Sent box of useful clothing to Diocesan Dorcas Secretary, in December. Receipts, \$8.10.

**LACHINE**—President, Mrs. Newton, Vice-President, Miss Wilgriss; Treasurer, Miss Mayor; Secretary, Miss Mussen, seven meetings held. Sent outfits for five Indian girls to Washakada Home; sent bale of new and second-hand clothing and five quilts to Rev. Mr. Prewer, Wabijon Mission. Five new members added during the year. Receipts, \$51.62.

**LAKEFIELD**—President, Mrs. Mount; Vice-President, Mrs. G. S. Rogers; Secretary, Miss H. A. Rogers; Treasurer, Miss M. Hicks, members 12, meetings monthly. Raised by entertainments, \$29.15, for repairs of Church, sent bale of new and second-hand clothing to Algoma. Receipts, 37.65.

**MILLE ISLES**—President, Mrs. Meek; Vice-President, Mrs. M. Strong; Secretary, Miss Emily Strong, Treasurer Miss Ida Strong, Members eight. Preparing Missionary box.

**NAPIERVILLE**—President, Mrs. Bernard; Vice-President, Miss Stuart, Secretary Treasurer, Miss E. Stuart; members 12, meetings monthly. Preparing bale for spring shipment.

**SHAWVILLE**—President, Mrs. J. Hodgins, Vice President, Mrs. T. Wilson; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. A. Hodgins, Rec. Secretary, Miss M. J. Wilson, Treasurer, Miss M. H. Naylor; LEAFLET Secretary, Miss M. Elliott, members 14, meetings 8. Sent bale of new and second-hand articles to Washakada, also assisted local charities.

**SHREWSBURY**—President, Mrs. W. Morrison, Vice-President, Miss McCullough, 2nd Vice-President, Miss Rathwell; Secretary, Miss Good; Treasurer, Miss Morrison, members 10. Raised \$43.57 for retinting and painting Church inside and out. Sent \$3.15

to Foreign Missions, and bale of clothing to Sault Ste. Marie. Receipts, \$40.52. ST. ANDREWS—President, Mrs. Leroy, Vice President, Mrs. K. Jones, Rec. Secretary, Miss M. Albright, Treasurer, Miss De Hertel, members 16, meetings 12. Held two sales with satisfactory results. Contributed to repairs of Church, sent box of new and second-hand clothing to Mrs. Chowne, and \$5 to Mrs Bourne. Receipts, \$66.81.

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### CORRESPONDENCE.

Miss Sisson, Secretary of the Woman's Guild, St. Barnabas, Medicine Hat, writes to Mrs. Wand acknowledging "a fine bale of clothing," from St. John Evangelist Branch, Montreal, for the Indian Schools in charge of Rev. Mr. Nichols, and makes an urgent appeal for funds to complete the building, and for furnishings. She says, "Mr. Nicols had an idea that he would be able to open it this summer, but now he has no hope. If you would make a fair start it would encourage others. These poor little children. how some of them suffer from the most dreadful skin troubles, and when taken in they require so much care, cleanliness is the chief thing, and that is what they are not accustomed to. I enclose a list of things which would be required if the School were only commenced. Address, Miss Sisson, Medicine Hat, N.W.T. Ten beds, twenty night-shirts (various sizes), ten grey blankets, underclothing, towels, kitchen utensils, white granite ware, cups without saucers, soup plates, window blinds, brushes and combs, scrubbing brushes. The lavatory will have to be well attended to, so anything in that line of course will be most acceptable"

A correspondent who has "frequently been at the College" (Emmanuel, Sask.) and seen the girls," describes them and the daily school routine in a letter to Montreal's Cor. Secretary "The girls all attend school in the afternoon, in the morning four remain to help in the kitchen and do general housework. They make their own beds always (each one having a separate iron bedstead), wash all the dishes, sweep, dust, clean lamps, set the tables, wash their own clothes, knit and darn socks and stockings, etc. etc. The Matron has no help but these girls. A squaw comes once a week to wash the boys' clothes (this is a separate building), only the dining room for all being in the girls' building. Both boys and girls are fond of music. The girls sing Cree hymns as they have not been long enough at the school to use much English. The boys have sweet voices and form the choir at St. Mary's Chapel, one of their number presiding at the organ."

From a private letter received lately by a friend in Montreal from Mrs. Bompas, we are permitted to cull a few extracts. "Just a line to tell you of the arrival of your parcel, and our enjoyment and admiration of all its contents. The surplice is lovely, material and work!

It is a most difficult thing to make, and this one does great credit to the skill and patience of the kind workers. Thank your two kind knitting friends for the socks, which are beautiful, and most valuable to my husband, who not unfrequently runs short of such articles. We have had Mr. Constantine, a Revenue officer here, from Ottawa; and he has been investigating matters, and promises us a full equipment of police here next spring, so I hope the whisky makers will soon feel the rigour of the law."

The Industrial School at Battleford, to which Rev. E. Matheson was appointed Principal in March, is at present a Government School, but the Indian Department wish the Church of England in Canada to take it over, and this—though at present owing to financial difficulties is not possible—the Church will gladly do when the way is opened in the future. There are 102 pupils residing in the building. The Principal will be grateful for Sunday School (Church of England) papers, as the children are fond of reading, and of pictures. "The Woman's Auxiliary has done a great deal for the North West" writes Mrs. Matheson, "and the Missionaries are all thankful for help received. The clothing has been a blessing, and without it the work would have made slow progress. We thank you for all that has been done, and pray that God's blessing may rest upon you, and that He will guide you in all His ways." Address Mrs. E. Matheson, Corresponding Secretary to W.A. for Saskatchewan Diocese, (Battleford, Saskatchewan, N.W.T.)

Mrs. Wilson, Matron Washakada Home, writes to our Diocesan Treasurer that Elkhorn "is considering organizing a Branch of the W.A. in our Parish. The Archbishop is most anxious that there should be one in all the Parishes."

In a letter to Mrs. Holden, Mrs. Wilson says, "Our Home I believe, is steadily progressing, there are 105 children on the roll, and 96 in daily attendance. When I addressed the Montreal W.A. just two years ago at your Annual Meeting, there were 50 children in the Home; we have now as many as we are allowed to take, but hope after June 30 to have our number increased to 125. I cannot tell you of any important events that have taken place with the exception of the 19 heathen children who came forward for baptism last Easter Monday. The bales have fallen off very much for '94. In '93 we received 39 bales, in '94 only 17: a very great decrease, and to us a great loss. Two of these were from England, six or seven from the Diocese of Montreal, the remainder from the other Dioceses. As our numbers are increasing we have to spend a large amount on clothing, which could be avoided if the Church Societies would only contribute more, we are in great need of all kinds of garments, but particularly warm jackets, vests, wool for girls and cloth vests for boys. These articles are very acceptable whether new or second-hand, also dresses, skirts, drawers, chemises, and every description of clothing."

## Niagara Diocese.

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

Subjects for Reading and Prayer. Mackenzie River. The Jews.

The June Quarterly was held on the 14th inst. at Grimsby, about 120 being present. Holy Communion was celebrated by Rev. C. R. Lee, the Rector. The meeting was held in the Town Hall which was prettily decorated with ferns and flowers and where a bountiful lunch was prepared, indeed the members of the Branch left nothing undone that could add to the pleasure of the visitors. The programme consisted of addresses by Miss Osler and Miss Bland in addition to the usual business, Miss Osler took for her subject “The Auxiliary as an Educator,” deducing the following lessons, 1st. “To consider special missions by monthly studies.” 2nd. “The widening of our humanity” 3rd. “A wider social life among churchwomen.” 4th. “Political economy, the spirit of co-operation.” 5th. “Careful economy of public funds.” 6th. “Reading of Missionary Literature.” 7th “Loyalty,” and last “Personal Holiness.” Miss Bland spoke of her work in North India, and mentioned that the society she was connected with was the earliest working among women, having been established in 1834. Now similar societies are working in Palestine, Singapore, Japan and China. While formerly it was impossible to get among women except by forming schools, now, in Calcutta at least, most women can read, so that it is only necessary to teach them God’s word. At one large boarding school in Allahabad they can take degrees of B.A. and M.A., while formerly the only way to reach many of them was by teaching fancy work, now the one great object of teaching Christ is all that is necessary to find an entrance to their homes. Many Hindoos still worship idols and come in thousands to their festivals, but some will not be called idolaters, preferring to be called non-Christian and the speaker hoped that ere long the “non” would be taken away. many being Christian at heart. The work goes on by the following methods, schools, work in the villages and medical work, the great need being more workers, and she closed by saying that to go out to India if only for five years would give more happiness to an earnest worker than anything one can do in the home country. During her address Miss Bland sang the chorus of the hymn “Jesus Save Me” in Hindoo to a native tune. Mrs Unwin of Grimsby also sang a sacred solo while the collection was being taken up which was much enjoyed. An appeal from Shoal River for a new church was read, \$300 being urgently needed to build

it. The grant of \$200 for Julia Scott's education for another year was renewed. The Officers elected to the Triennial were Miss Ambrose, Mrs Reynolds and Mrs Sutherland. A resolution of condolence to Mrs. Stuart on her recent bereavements was carried standing. It was decided to hold the September Quarterly in Georgetown in October on account of the Triennial.

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### BRANCH NOTES.

DUNNVILLE sends the following: "We are working again for Mr. Johnston, and have both men's and women's underwear made, and are at quilts, etc. We hope to get off another good bale in June or very early in July. We are sending an infant's dress or two for baptism as per letter received in the winter in which Arch. Fair spoke of the need of such articles." The Secretary of Niagara-on-the-Lake has received the following acknowledgments from Rev. G. King, Shingwauk Home: "The valuable box of clothing, books, etc., so kindly shipped has just reached us. Last fall erysipelas broke out and the girls were temporarily sent home. Everything is being done for their comfort and well-being and we hope they will now soon return, when the contents of your box will be fully appreciated and much needed. Please convey to your members our grateful acknowledgment. The periodicals sent are always much prized by our Indian children." From Rev. H. C. Wilson, Elkhorn: "The clothing sent by your Branch arrived safely and is most acceptable. Kindly convey our sincere thanks to those who are assisting us in this work. The freight was \$5.24. The quilt for Anthony's bed is so bright and pretty it will be the envy of all the boys. He was very much delighted with it. He is growing up a nice boy and very useful. We have apprenticed him to the tailoring and he works well."

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### JUNIOR SECRETARY'S REPORT.

ALL SAINTS', Hamilton—Parcel, including clothing, toys and a quilt, to White Fish Lake. ST. JOHN'S, Ancaster—A Communion Service to Rev. J. G. Anderson for Wakefield, a new Mission; also text cards to Sarcee Mission. ST. MARK'S, Hamilton—Outfit of 40 garments for child in St. Barnabas' Home, Sarcee Reserve; also strip of rag carpet. Bale included two parcels, one from Kilburn Sisters, per Dor. Sec. of Games, the other G. F. S. Candidates of C. C. C. Wards, per Mrs. Hamilton. ST. JAMES', Guelph—Bale to Gordon School, Qu'Appelle, of nearly 100 articles (two large quilts). ST. MARK'S, Orangeville—Undertaken outfit for girl in Gordon School, to be sent in the fall. ST. LUKE'S, Burlington—Fifteen sunbonnets for girls in Sarcee Home; also quilt pieced by an old lady of 86, for

bale. ST. THOMAS', Hamilton—Closed with 5 o'clock tea and missionary table. ST. JOHN'S, Cayuga—Since Annual, preparing quilts for Indian Homes. Member's cards sent. 12 to Ascension, Hamilton, 32 to Orangeville. Badges. 27 to Orangeville, 6 to Ancaster, 6 collecting cards to Burlington. Total amount reported this month, \$49.60. From Mr. Johnson, Gordon Mission, Jack Head, to Miss Crawford, Dunnville, in apologizing for delay in answering letter dated July 20th, 1894, containing list of goods sent by St. Paul's Branch, says: "I received letter so late that I could not send an answer back, as we so seldom see anyone coming our way, especially in the fall we do not see anyone for over two months." (At time of writing he had not received any mail for two months, though only about 170 or 180 miles from West Selkirk, his nearest railway station). "We especially thank you very much for the groceries, they were indeed a God-send, just what we needed the most last fall, not being able to take all our outfit, our sail boat being too small, we had to leave a lot of our goods, mostly groceries, so that what you sent is a great help to us. I cannot express in words how thankful we are to you kind friends for your work of kindness to us, although not having the privilege of knowing each other in this world we are much encouraged to know that we have friends who not only try to help us in the *Mission Field*, but also that their prayers ascend to the *Throne of Grace* daily on our behalf. Your quilts and all the other things are a great help, this being a new Mission. We do not encourage laziness to give them all for nothing, except in cases where it is necessary, those who are well and strong we generally try to get them to do a little work for the things we give them. We are on the eve of building a little church, at least we are talking about it, to do so next summer if all is well. I have not 5 cents to begin with, only beginning in prayer, previously all our services have been held in the Mission House. The Indians are very anxious to have a little church built, some of them offer to work for nothing till the church is finished, as long as they get something to eat when at work. Our Christian Indians are not many, most of the Indians are heathen still, but I pray that ere long they may be brought into the flock of Christ's Church. *Now then*, dear friends, what *will St. Paul's Church do for us* in this our time of great need? We want many things, viz. provisions, clothing, etc., but most of *all* we want *your prayers*. Any friend wishing to help in money, kindly forward to Arch. Phair, Winnipeg, or to Rev. J. G. Anderson, St. Peter's Dynevor. All goods sent direct to West Selkirk, care of Rev. J. G. Anderson. Please give my many thanks to the Children's Branch, may they get many things in return for Santa Claus, tell them S. C. does not reach out here and the poor Indian children do not get anything. I might tell you what we most need ourselves, viz. blankets, sheets and towels, and if any one has an old tent, say 10 or 12 ft. long I travel a great deal in the summer, and my tent is entirely useless.



## Ontario Diocese.

DIOCESAN MOTTO.—“*She hath done what she could.*”

Subjects for Prayer and Reading for July. “Mackenzie River” and “The Jews.”

Again it is our pleasant task to tell of a Diocesan Annual Meeting, interesting, harmonious and enjoyable. The good old town of Perth opened its doors to the delegates this year and entertained them right-royally providing the court-house for the meetings and giving a delightful “At Home” at the residence of Mrs. Peter McLaren, not to mention the individual attention of the various hostesses. All the Officers of the Board were present, with the exception of the two organizing Secretaries. The delegates present were:—

ARCHDEACONRY OF KINGSTON.—Kingston (St. George's), Miss Macaulay; (St. James'), Mrs. Rogers, (J.W.A.) Miss Mary Clark. Kempville, Mrs. Emery, Mrs. Saunders. Merrickville, Mrs. Roberts. Belleville, Mrs. May. Brockville (Trinity), Mrs. Gorrell, Miss Nimmo. (St. Paul's), Mrs. Fletcher, Miss Lawless. Bath, Mrs. Prenyer. Picton, Mrs. Loucks.

ARCHDEACONRY OF OTTAWA.—Ottawa (eight parishes) Mrs. Geo. Greene, Mrs. Alder Bliss, Miss B. M. Yeilding, Mrs. M. Anderson, Mrs. Perley, Mrs. Mackay. Ottawa J.W.A. Miss Hannington. Carlton Place, Miss Empey. Lanark, Miss Ella Jackson, Miss Montgomery. Clayton, Miss Eliza Savage, Miss Emma James. Pakenham, Mrs. McClymont. Perth, Mrs. R. H. McCarthy. Pembroke, Mrs. Read, Mrs. Summers. Cornwall, Mrs. Houston, Mrs. Cunningham. Cornwall J.W.A., Miss Charlotte Green. Iroquios, Mrs. T. J. Styles. Morrisburg, Mrs. Killaly. Wales, Miss Adams. There were also present, visitors from Smith's Falls, Carleton Place, and Pembroke.

Earnest addresses were given by the Rector, Rev. W. J. Muckleston, during the “quiet hour” on the first afternoon and by the Rev. A. Elliot at the celebration of Holy Communion which took place on Wednesday morning. The hour of noon was observed each day by a short Bible reading and prayer. We are learning by degrees to look upon the devotional

side of our work as the most important. The President's address was as usual very earnest, she slightly reviewed the past year's work, saying that when the reports were read, they might tell of a slight falling off in the number of dollars contributed, but that if the true Missionary spirit was increasing, if a more living interest was being taken in the spread of the kingdom, the variations in the amount given was not a matter for despondency. Referring to the subject of the morning Bible reading, which had been the "precious things" of the Bible, she said that the study of the word of God, would show the value of soul's in God's sight, and lead men to love those whom God loves. The Kingdom is an everlasting Kingdom, and each must take a living interest in the spread of that kingdom. As politicians watch for the latest news from the kingdoms of the earth, so must we keep ourselves informed of the progress of Christianity in the different outposts of the kingdom of Christ. The Rev. A. Elliott in saying a few farewell words, made use of the illustration of the tide, which, when coming in, it still apparently retreats at every wave, saying that often an apparent failure, meant a real success. He pointed out the educative character of the Auxiliary, and dwelt upon the superior advantages for progressive work which would be enjoyed by those who were now in training.

The Recording Secretary's Report spoke of the six new branches which had begun work this year, and to some old ones lying dormant, owing to parish claims. The combined membership of forty branches of the W.A. fourteen of the J.W.A. and fifteen of the C.C.M.G. amounted to 1820. Of the 113 parishes or Missions in the Diocese 83 have either a branch of one of these, or a Diocesan member, but 30 are still to be reached. The Recording Secretary thanked the branch Secretaries for their well condensed reports, and closed by referring to the loss by death of two life-members during the year one of whom, Mrs. Morgan, was much missed at Perth.

The Dorcas report and the Treasurer's report were read in full, and were very complete and satisfactory, but it is hoped that another year these reports will be printed, and not take up so much valuable time. The branches have not been idle this year, for although not quite

so many bales have been sent away as last year, the number of new articles is increased to 2,167 which represents a good many hours of work, and also no doubt, much loving thought and self-denial. Willing hands have made 162 quilts and several yards of rag carpet. The 83 bales contained besides 1,987 second-hand garments, and 15 of them carried parcels of groceries. The value of the freight and new material was \$1,285.05

The Treasurer's report showed a grand total of \$2,098.98, of this \$519.30 was applied to the Diocesan Missions, having been given for that purpose. There have been very few special appeals made this year, and to this, and to the prevailing depression in trade is attributed the falling off in contributions of several branches, making the total \$200 less than last year. The Treasurer asked the delegates to urge their branches to have their annual meetings early in April, so that she might receive their reports somewhat earlier than at present.

Mrs. Williamson, who had come from Toronto to be with us, was under the impression that she was to address children, but the audience was found to be chiefly composed of adults. She said that "the children of Perth were extraordinarily and wonderfully grown-up, perhaps because this was the oldest Auxiliary Diocese." Her address was very helpful to both old and young. She began by speaking of the regret which she felt at having lost two years, in which she might have worked for the Auxiliary from the reluctance at taking up new work. She reminded us of the value of prayer, then of the importance of knowing about Missions, thirdly of working, while only in the fourth place, comes the part which, perhaps because the easiest to most people, is generally considered first that of *giving*. The many little things which children can do were enumerated, such as picking up pins and filling pin-cushions with them, decorating scrapbooks with letters cut from handbills and newspapers, making large and small flags etc. while all the time she impressed most upon the children the thought that the more *personal* they could make their little gifts, the more it would help to bring home to the receivers the thought of the One who cares for them, although they have never seen him.

When Miss Brown's report was read, it evoked much sympathy; so much sickness among the children must have made a very hard winter. It seems terrible to think of, that illness and death should have occurred mainly through want of proper food, which, one may say, was occasioned by want of fences. Miss Brown begs most earnestly for a strong woman to come out and help them, someone who can bake and wash and scrub is needed, and who has the love of souls as a main spring of action. Mr. Hinchliffe and Jack have returned, leaving Mrs. Hinchliffe and her two little children in England for a while longer. We hear with delight that someone has given money towards fencing, so hope that things will be in a better state before next winter. Miss Brown speaks of the great comfort they have derived from the

carpet and other things sent them for the home. A barrel of dried apples was a great treasure and some "Electric oil" was so much appreciated, that even the medicine men came to beg some.

A letter from Miss Smith of Kobe, Japan, was also read, telling of encouragements in her work, and of the probability of her removal to Nagano, in the near future. Japan was also represented by the Rev. J. Cooper Robinson, who gave a very interesting lecture on that most interesting country. The views which Mr. Robinson showed, illustrated forcibly some of the difficulties of Missionary life, even in one of the countries considered most favorable for such work. Both Mr. Robinson, and Mr. Yoshero Saiki, who assisted him, begged for more helpers, saying that a knowledge of nursing was not necessary for lady Missionaries, but that what was most essential was the true Missionary Spirit. The comparison of workers, or even of Christians with the population, brought out strongly the great need of more men, more women and more money.

The resolutions included one to memorialize the Domestic and Foreign Board on the subject of special appeals, for the feeling seemed to be that each Missionary who tells of his work not only gains much interest for that work, but also for the Missionary cause in general. Perhaps men can give to that which they know little about, from a severe sense of duty, but we as women, acknowledge that our interest must be aroused, our sympathies awakened, and for this purpose we ask that no obstacle be placed in the way of those wishing to come and plead their own wants. The election of officers was by ballot, but resulted in the unanimous return of those of last year. The election of delegates for the Triennial in September resulted in the choice of Mrs. Loucks of Picton, Mrs. Read of Pembroke, with Miss Baker and Mrs. Greene, as substitutes. Two others had been chosen last year viz., Mrs. Newell Bate of Ottawa, and Mrs. May of Belleville, substitutes, Miss Macaulay of Kingstons and Mrs. Houston of Cornwall, so that it was necessary to elect only two to complete the number privileged to attend. A pleasant little surprise was given Mrs. Rogers, our faithful treasurer, by the presentation of a life-membership as a token of "love and esteem" from the officers and delegates present.

The thank-offering resulted as follows.—St. Peters, Brockville W A \$4; St. Pauls, Brockville, \$8.30. Trinity Brockville \$5; St. Thomas' Belleville, \$10; Prescot, \$10.61; Bath, \$2.60; Merrickville, \$3; Ottawa \$29.15; St. John's C.C.M.G., \$1; Perth, \$13.95; Wales, \$14.63; Archville, \$5; Cornwall, \$19.28; Pembroke, \$6.25; Kemptville, \$1.50; Morrisburg, \$3.75; Pakenham, \$2.20. General Coll., \$4.75. Total \$161.82. The object for which the next thank-offering was to be applied was not decided upon, but it was arranged that there should be such an offering. This ended a delightful three days and the delegates returned home, feeling encouraged and stimulated for another year's work, if they should be spared, and hoping to meet next year in Ottawa.

## Quebec Diocese.

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DIOCESAN MOTTO:—*"Ye have done it unto Me."*

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### ANNUAL MEETING

The Ninth Annual Meeting of the Quebec Diocesan Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary was held on Tuesday May 28th. Many members attended the Service for the opening of the Synod held in the Cathedral at 9.30 a.m. Holy Communion was celebrated, the Lord Bishop being the celebrant, assisted by the Dean, Canon von Iffland, and Canon Richardson. After service the members went to the Church Hall to hear the Lord Bishop's charge and then to St. Matthew's Parish Room where luncheon was served and the Meeting was held. The afternoon session opened at 2.50, Mrs. Hunter Dunn presiding. The following delegates were present and were heartily welcome. Mrs. Hopkins, Cookshire; Mrs. Austin, Inverness; Mrs. Johnson, Upper Ireland; the Hon. Mrs. Aylmer, Richmond and Melbourne; Mrs. Briggs, Windsor Mills; Miss Montizambert, our former indefatigable Secretary, was present the whole afternoon and part of the next morning, also between 80 and 90 members. The meeting opened with a hymn and the Missionary Litany, and then before the beginning of business, an invitation was read from the Lord Bishop of Quebec, and Mrs. Hunter Dunn, to the delegates, visitors and their friends to a reception at Bishopsthorpe that evening. The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed, as were also the minutes of the quarterly and executive committee meetings held during the year. The President then read her address (which will be printed fully in the Annual Report) and at the end she presented Miss Montizambert with a Provincial Life-Membership in token of the love and gratitude with which she is remembered by the W.A. in the Diocese of Quebec.

Several letters and reports were read and extracts from an appeal from Saskatchewan, also one from Mr. E. W. Bassing, Shoal River, asking for help to build a Church, This appeal was recommended by the Bishop and will be printed in the next number of the LEAFLET. Notice having been given at a previous meeting a resolution to amend the constitution was brought up and carried. "That the following words be added to clause 9 of the Diocesan Constitution, 'and the President shall have power to fill any Diocesan office becoming vacant between the annual meetings, with the concurrence of a General Meeting.'" A resolution to amend the prayer for Junior members was brought up and lost. It was decided to give the \$25 of Mrs. Thornloe's Life Membership to Mr. E. W. Bassing, to help to build the Church for which he appeals to the W.A. The following resolution was also passed:—"That the Quebec Diocesan Branch shall retain the designation of the Funds in its own hands." This was in answer to the question brought up as to whether all the Funds of the W.A. should be sent to the Central Board to be sent where its members considered help most needed, or whether as heretofore, the members of the W.A. should consider the appeals received by them, and themselves decide where to assist. The resolution in favour of the latter course was unanimously adopted, one reason being that it tends more to keep up the interest of workers to know exactly what they are working for.

It was decided that the Woman's Auxiliary of this Diocese should continue to belong to the Woman's National Council of Canada for the year. As some members thought that the funds of the W.A. should not be used to pay the \$2, which is the annual membership fee of an association, Mrs. Hunter Dunn, offered to pay it herself for the Diocesan Branch.

The election of officers followed, Mrs. Hoare, Mrs. P. P. Hall and Mrs. Sharples being appointed scrutineers. The following officers were elected:—Recording Secretary Miss Edith Carter; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. E. Joly de Lotbinière;

Treasurer, Mrs. M. B. Irvine. Mrs. Von Iffland and Mrs. Aylmer, were elected Literature and Dorcas Secretaries respectively, but they declined to accept office. The delegates to the Triennial meeting to be held in Montreal in September were : Mrs. J. Hamilton, Mrs. C. Sewell, Mrs. P. P. Hall and Mrs. Sharples. At six o'clock the meeting closed with prayer, having adjourned till the following morning. On Wednesday, May 29th, the morning session opened with prayer at half past ten. The following visitors were present :—Mrs. Ashe, Lennoxville ; Mrs. Parke, Melbourne ; and Mrs. Inglis, Montreal. The minutes of the previous day were read and the election of officers continued. Mrs. E. Gowen, Literature Secretary ; Miss Bennett, Dorcas Secretary ; Mrs. Von Iffland, Editor of LEAFLET ; Mrs. Carpenter, Secretary for Junior Branches ; Miss Edith Carter and Mrs. E. Sewell, were the officers appointed to the Triennial, and Mrs. Parker, Mrs. Forsythe, Mrs. Winfield and Mrs. Carpenter, were elected substitutes to the delegates.

Miss Montizambert, Provincial Corresponding Secretary explained that at the Triennial meeting only the officers and delegates are privileged to vote, but all members are invited to attend and the Montreal Branch most kindly offers hospitality to all who wish to be present and who write of their intention. Miss Montizambert then (as General Dorcas Secretary), explained her new system, whereby all Dorcas work may be done more systematically and with more justice to those who need help.

The following resolutions were passed :—"That \$100 of the Foreign Mission Fund be sent to the Canadian Mission at Nagano, Japan, for building a Church." "That the hearty thanks of the Diocesan Branch be hereby tendered to the retiring officers, Mrs. Wurtele, Mrs. Ready and Miss Burstall." "That the sincere thanks of the Diocesan Branch be sent to the Rector and Churchwardens of St. Matthew's Church for the use of the parish room." "That a circular be sent to the Parochial Branches inviting them to join in the scheme being

promulgated in the other Dioceses, that the members contribute one cent a month to the Domestic and Foreign subjects for which we pray that month, and that the sum be not limited to one cent. The contribution to be sent to the Diocesan Treasurer once a month." "That as Miss Tilley, Convener of the Provincial Committee for Junior Branches, expects to be in Quebec in November next, the Corresponding Secretary be requested to write and ask her to meet the Quebec Diocesan Branch to give them the benefit of her "*Parliamentary Drill*," being the legal way to conduct a meeting, a paper which was much appreciated at the Toronto Annual Meeting."

"That this being the first annual meeting since the death of our beloved Honorary President, Mrs. Williams, we beg to put on record our deep regret at the great loss sustained by her removal. It was she who composed the prayer which is used daily at noon by the whole Auxiliary, she was also the founder of the Quebec Auxiliary and ever took a warm interest in all Missionary work."

"That the thanks of the visitors from other Branches are due to the Quebec members for their kind hospitality."

The Branch reports were read, after which the meeting closed with prayer.

This year the larger attendance of visitors and delegates from far-off branches was a matter for congratulation, but all regretted the absence of Mrs. Thorneloe, who always shows interest in every question, and makes most valuable suggestions.

Several letters referred to in this report will be given next month.

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