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OF THE

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Foreign Missionary Society

OF THE

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA.

(WESTERN SECTION.)



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THE SECOND ANNUAL MEETING of this Society was held in Knox Church, Toronto, on Tuesday, April 9th.

At the Meeting of Ladies in the Afternoon there was a large attendance of Members resident in the city, besides Delegates from Auxiliaries, and friends from different parts of the province.

The Annual Reports from the Managers, Home and Foreign Secretaries, and Treasurer, were submitted, and the Officers and Committee for the ensuing year elected.

The Delegates, being warmly welcomed by the President, Mrs. McLaren, spoke briefly but most hopefully of the work at home, after which the Foreign Secretary, Mrs. Harvie, addressed words of cheer and encouragement to all present.

Two papers were read, one on "Mission Work," by Mrs. Burns, the other on "Giving," by Mrs. King, both of great practical interest.

The Public Meeting in the Evening was presided over by Professor McLaren, Convener of the General Assembly's Committee on Foreign Missions (Western Section), and addressed by Dr. Ellenwood, New York; Dr. Fraser, Formosa; and others.

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THE Managers of this Society at the end of the second year are able to report a very marked and increasing interest in female missions over the whole of the Western Section of our Church. The work in the city has been more vigorously prosecuted, and we have been stimulated to still greater diligence by the cordial manner in which the different auxiliaries have supported and strengthened us. The meetings of this Society are held monthly; the attendance is large, an earnest, prayerful interest being manifested. Letters received direct from our own missionaries and others, read at those meetings, are a constant source of pleasure and encouragement; copies of the letters are sent by the Home Secretary to all branch societies. Papers on subjects connected with mission work have been read by our own members, and during the year we have been favoured with most interesting addresses from several gentlemen of experience in the foreign field. At the beginning of the year we procured 1,000 copies of the small work on "Zenanas," by Mrs. Murray Mitchell, for circulation, and have received uniform testimony to the benefit arising from information conveyed in this way. The raising of money by means of small sums placed in envelopes and dropped monthly into the mission box has been satisfactory. A full account of the year's work will be found in the Reports of the Treasurer and Secretaries. During the year two ladies have become Life-members by subscribing \$25 each. Number of Life-members, three; number of Ordinary Members, ninety-eight; amount of Members' Fees

\$147.00. Our Membership Fee is ONE DOLLAR a year. Friends who have sent us more than that sum will find the balance credited to them as a Special Donation. Money received in envelopes will be found credited to their respective numbers. The auxiliaries—extending over the whole of Ontario and part of Quebec—now number twenty-eight. From twenty of these we have received \$887. Handsome donations have also been received from three ladies' societies not yet connected with us as Auxiliaries. A remittance of \$80 from the Lancaster Society has been received too late to be included in the Treasurer's Report for this year; and \$3, the contents of Master F. Mitchell's (Toronto) Mission Box. The young people of our Church are also worthy of very special mention. There are now six Mission Bands,—four in Toronto, one in Belleville, and one in Whitby. From five of these we have received \$580. In addition to this, the young ladies of Morvyn House have sent us \$34.05. Total amount of income this year from all sources, \$2,158.31. At the last monthly meeting we were glad to be able to complete for Dr. Reid \$2,400, to be appropriated for the salaries of the young ladies or any other work in connection with the female mission at Indore.

We would earnestly call the attention of all our members to the necessity of adopting a systematic plan of giving, the accumulation of small sums really accomplishing far more than we suppose. "It is the small gifts of the many, oft-repeated, that fill the treasury." We also ask every lady to make an effort to increase our membership by speaking of our work in her own immediate circle and among her own personal friends.

Above all we ask your prayers. It is to the religion of the Lord Jesus that the women of Canada owe the protection and freedom they so largely enjoy in this favoured land. Let us plead with our Father in Heaven to extend such priceless blessings to women everywhere. The special object of this Society is to supplement the efforts of the Foreign Mission Committee

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in sending the Gospel to the women and children of heathen lands, and as far as possible support the missionaries and teachers who shall devote themselves to this work. That Committee has four young ladies labouring in one of the finest districts of Central India. The prospect before them is of the most cheering character, "The field being white to the harvest."

In consideration of all the facts reported, the Managers feel at liberty to state that much real progress has been made during the year, and they now confidently turn to their sisters of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, feeling sure that they will put forth still greater efforts for the furtherance of this most important work; and they earnestly trust that each one thus honoured in seeking to cause light to shine in the darkness of heathen lands will even now receive a reward—closer fellowship with the Master.

M. J. McMURCHY,  
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NOTE.—The attention of all branch Societies is directed to the Constitution of the General Society, and the recent changes therein, which will be found appended to this Report.

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## Report of Foreign Secretary.

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“WOMAN’S work for woman”, or, in other words, organized effort, with its unity of purpose and aim, and its economy of forces and resources on the part of Christianized woman for the education and salvation of Pagan woman, has come *now* to be regarded as a necessity of the age.

The Bible is the only true civilizer, and the social and intellectual condition of woman is the exact measure of the progress of any nation. Under a scanty civilization, woman is approachable, or can be taught, not simply the Gospel message, but even the rudiments of learning—only by woman. Hence our Woman’s Foreign Missionary Societies hold in their hands that power that shall, with the assistance of the Holy Spirit, strike from the mothers and daughters of a heathen world, the chains of ignorance and idolatry; and a grave responsibility is resting upon the privileged women of Christian lands, if *they fail* to utilize or wield this *power*, and permit the last command of an ascending Lord, that has come echoing down through the centuries, from the mountain slopes of Galilee—“Go teach, or make disciples of all nations,”—to fall unheeded on their ears.

Two years ago, at the request, and under the direction of the Foreign Mission Committee of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, was organized the Woman’s Foreign Missionary Society, in connection with the Western Section of our Church, the special aim of this (our) Society being the sending forth of female labourers into various mission field.

The Divine blessing has rested upon our work, and during the first year, assisted by our Auxiliaries and Bands, we were able to relieve the Foreign Mission Committee, by assuming almost the entire support of Miss Rodger and Miss Fairweather, then labouring in Futtehghurh, Central India, under the care of the American Board of Missions, though supported by the Canadian Church.

Immediately preceding the first annual meeting held by our Society in the month of April, 1877, these ladies accompanied Rev. James Douglas to Indore, for the purpose of forming in Central India the nucleus of a Canadian Presbyterian Mission. In October, 1877, Miss Forrester, of Dartmouth, Halifax, and Miss McGregor, of Brockville, who, some months before, had consecrated themselves to Foreign Mission work, were also sent by the Foreign Mission Committee, in company with Mrs. Douglas, to Indore. These, together with Rev. J. F. Campbell, who during the year had joined Rev. Mr. Douglas, and two Bible-women—Venuo and Yamunni—one from Bombay, and the other from Poona Orphanage, constitute a large and influential mission staff.

As important auxiliaries have been formed during the present year, and as the interest of those already in organization has continued steadily to increase, we find ourselves, as a Society, in a position to materially assist in supporting Miss McGregor and Miss Forrester, as well as those in whom we were previously interested; and to look forward, as the home-work may still more enlarge, to the sending of other lady missionaries; also to the engaging of Bible-women, and the opening of schools, as these may be required for the necessities of the foreign work.

Upon the arrival of Mrs. Douglas, Miss Forrester, and Miss McGregor, it was deemed best, for a variety of reasons, to divide the mission force; accordingly, Rev. J. F. Campbell, Miss Forrester, and Miss Rodger, proceeded to make their home at Mhow, a few miles distant.

A recent letter from Miss Rodger states that already she has received permission to visit in several Zenanas, and that a small school for the education of Marathi girls has been established. Miss Rodger reports these children as bright and intelligent, some of them able to read and repeat the Lord's Prayer. A large number of native homes or Zenanas, have, in the providence of God, been opened to our lady missionaries at Indore. Many of these are high caste Brahmin families, the remainder low caste and Mohammedans.

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Among the pupils of Miss Fairweather is the young Princess Jhansi, of the family of the Maharaja Holkar.

Although the time of Miss McGregor and Miss Forrester is necessarily much taken up with the study of the language, they have fairly commenced their life work, and, in company with the Bible-women, are even now engaged in visiting and teaching in Zenanas.

Our missionaries have many difficulties and discouragements to encounter in Zenana work, but by patiently enduring to the end, they confidently expect to achieve glorious results. Estimate the value of having even a few of the mothers and daughters of India taught to read, this primary step taken, what follows? Almost every thing in the way of culture, increased ability to reason, to grasp the thoughts of others, to draw inferences, to make deductions, then comes a craving for an answer to that most momentous of all questions, "How can man be reconciled to God?" If Vedas and Shasters are closed books, and at the best vague and unsatisfactory, and the text book in the hand of the teacher is the Bible, how natural to seek a reply from its pages, which present the man Christ Jesus as the propitiation for the sins of the whole world.

The influence of this Foreign Mission work upon ourselves is obvious; we are lifted into direct communion and sympathy with the heart of a suffering, degraded sisterhood, and though our sympathies and efforts may occasionally fail to accomplish all that we desire or hope for, they never fail to return into our own hearts, enriching them, and causing us to "remember" and to attest the truthfulness of the words of the Lord Jesus, how He said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

We desire to record our appreciation of the kindness of Mrs. Stothert, in continuing the correspondence commenced immediately after our organization. Mrs. Stothert writes of work among the Parsees and Mohammedans of Bombay, and through her letters much valuable information concerning India, its manners and customs, and experiences of mission life, has been placed at the disposal of our Society.

Through the kindness of Miss J. Campbell, Secretary of the

Halifax Branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, extracts of letters from Miss Blackadder, missionary to Trinidad, have also been received, and have added much to the interest of our meetings.

With feelings of sadness we allude to the death of Mrs. Dr. Fraser, at Tamsui, Formosa. A pilgrim on the dusty highway of life, a warrior in the battle-field, our sister has been called to lay aside the staff, to put off the armor, and enter into rest. It is not for us to ask why, or wherefore. "God has His plan for every one." He holds in His hands the golden threads; sometimes "the plan" is quickly and perfectly wrought; the threads are suddenly broken, and the life transplanted from earth to heaven.

Mrs. Fraser's last letter was hopeful for the women of China, alluding particularly to the recent Conference of Missionaries convened at Shanghai.

Within the last few months Rev. K. F. Junor has been appointed by the Foreign Mission Committee missionary to Formosa. Mrs. Junor has kindly permitted us to number her among our correspondents, so that shortly we expect to be again favoured with direct intelligence from China.

Standing now in the vestibule of a third missionary year, while we look back with thankfulness, we would go forward with earnest expectation, and with a spirit of renewed consecration, prepared for more active and self-denying exertions—willing even to break "the alabaster boxes of precious ointment," and pour them out at Jesus' feet, and praying that steadily and surely the stones may be removed, and the pillars be withdrawn from the gorgeous temples of idolatry; that soon, in God's good time, they may totter and fall, and above the ruins may rise gloriously "the mountain of the Lord's house, which shall be established on the tops of the mountains." Are we not authorized to ask and expect this? "After this manner also pray ye, Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done." "Even so, Lord Jesus, come quickly."

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## *Auxiliaries.*

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IT is with heartfelt gratitude to our Heavenly Father that we have to record a decidedly increasing interest throughout the country in missionary work. Last year we reported seventeen Auxiliaries and three Mission Bands; to-day we number twenty-three Auxiliary Societies and six Mission Bands. The reports from these Societies are all hopeful and encouraging, showing an increase both in membership and contributions, a more intelligent knowledge of the needs of mission work, and a spirit of deep thankfulness that God has given us these opportunities, and hearts willing to work for Him and the extension of His kingdom. We believe that the spirit of missions, which is truly the spirit of Christ, has been deepened and quickened amongst us.

A growing interest in our missionaries is reported, and their letters which are circulated among the Societies, and read at their meetings, are highly prized, and are proving incentives to more earnest effort and prayer on their behalf.

Most of our Auxiliaries hold their meetings monthly, and one quarterly, and we are very glad to learn from the reports that these have been kept up with interest and profit to those who have attended them, the only regret being that more cannot be influenced to share in the blessing. The great question before us now is, how shall we enlist the interest and co-operation of others who are not engaged in this work? There can be no failure to those who enter on it with hearts full of love to Christ, and relying upon God for His blessing. Earnest prayer must ever accompany our efforts, and we are glad to know that many of our Auxiliaries have joined with us in observing the union hour of prayer. We may, and most probably will, meet with

discouragements; but let us remember that in the great harvest day, when the reapers come with joy, laden with sheaves to the Lord of the harvest, then shall we too, who have been privileged to aid, however humbly, in sowing the seed in faith, and it may be in tears, rejoice with them. May it be said of each of us, "She hath done what she could."

We regret that the necessity of being at as little expense as possible, prevents our giving the reports from our branches in full. They were read at our last meeting, and the thanks of the Parent Society is due to the Secretaries of the Auxiliaries for them. All that we can do is to give a short synopsis of each.

#### CLINTON AUXILIARY.

Organized in April, 1877; has a membership of thirty-five; monthly meetings held regularly, and well attended; contributed to Parent Society the sum of \$116. The Secretary writes, "We have great reason to be thankful to God for His goodness during this our first year as a Society.—M. FAIR, *Secretary*."

#### SARNIA AUXILIARY.

Organized in December, 1876; has a membership of thirty-two; monthly meetings held regularly, and found most interesting; contributed to Parent Society the sum of \$58.92. "We rejoice that something has been done in our Master's service, and regret we could not do more for Him who gave His life for us. Leaving the past, may we press forward with new zeal and determination, bringing all our best gifts to the feet of Jesus."—CHRISTINA C. CAMERON, *Secretary*."

#### OSHAWA AUXILIARY.

Organized February, 1877; membership thirty-three; contributed to Parent Society the sum of \$24.—M. HENDERSON, *Secretary*."

#### AYR AUXILIARY.

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other contributors; sent to Parent Society the sum of \$35.75. "Although our numbers are few, we find it pleasant to meet together in so worthy a cause."—H. WALKER, *Secretary*.

#### ST. MARY'S AUXILIARY.

Organized November, 1876; membership of twenty-one; contributed to Parent Society the sum of \$70. Great interest manifested in the work, and monthly meetings held regularly.—M. MOSCRIP, *Secretary*.

#### WINDSOR AUXILIARY.

Organized May, 1877; contributed to Parent Society the sum of \$31; monthly meetings held regularly. "All are much interested, and we begin our new year with feelings of encouragement."—B. BARTLET, *Secretary*.

#### BRUCEFIELD AUXILIARY.

Organized May, 1877; membership of twenty-one; contributed to Parent Society the sum of \$25.49. "All raised by monthly voluntary offerings, each giving her mite as she feels she can afford it."—M. P. KETCHEN, *Secretary*.

#### LAKEFIELD AUXILIARY.

Organized December, 1876; monthly meetings held regularly; contributed to Parent Society the sum of \$14.50. "The direct intelligence the Society derives through the missionaries' letters, is creating an interest in mission work."—ISABELLA MCNAUGHTON, *Secretary*.

#### LOCHIEL AUXILIARY.

Organized October, 1876; regular meetings held every alternate month; contributed to Parent Society the sum of \$42. "At the annual meeting it was pleasing to notice that there was no diminution whatever in the interest felt in this great work from the beginning."—KATIE MACMILLAN, *Secretary*.

#### FINGAL AUXILIARY.

Organized September, 1877; membership eighteen; con-

tributed to Parent Society the sum of \$16.05. "We are looking forward with much hope to the coming year, and trust that at our next annual meeting we shall be able to record an increase in members, and in Christian zeal and liberality, far beyond our expectations."—M. E. MACPHERSON, *Secretary*.

#### STRATFORD AUXILIARY.

Organized February, 1877; monthly meetings held regularly. "There has not been much done so far, as the Society is in its infancy, but the interest is growing, and we hope to be more successful in the future."—M. D. SCOTT, *Secretary*.

#### PORT HOPE AUXILIARY.

Organized October, 1876; Membership of twenty-one; contributed to Parent Society the sum of \$61.68. Monthly meetings kept up with undiminished interest. "We have the assurance that God is using our foreign missionaries as honoured instruments in the establishment of His kingdom, and that we, in contributing of our means, are aiding in casting in the precious seed that in His own good time will bear an abundant harvest."—JANE CRAICK, *Secretary*.

#### WHITBY AUXILIARY.

Organized November, 1876; meetings held regularly; contributed to Parent Society, \$20. "Although we are still few in numbers we feel that the interest is gradually increasing in our Society, and we hope and trust that God will abundantly bless our feeble efforts."—M. DONALDSON, *Secretary*.

#### ASHBURN AUXILIARY.

"Bad roads, etc., have prevented regular meetings being held so far, but have resolved to try and do more in future." Contributed to Parent Society, \$14.69.—BELLA CRIGHTON, *Secretary*.

#### GODERICH AUXILIARY.

Organized in May, 1877. Five meetings have been held, and the interest is increasing. Contributed to Parent Society, \$20.—M. McLEAN, *Secretary*.

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## SEAFORTH AUXILIARY.

Monthly Meetings held regularly; membership of twenty-six. The young people in connection with this Society are very active in raising funds. Contributed to Parent Society the sum of \$61. Missionary intelligence much appreciated.—F. ANDERSON, *Secretary*.

## VANKLEEK HILL AUXILIARY.

Organized September, 1876. Monthly meetings generally very well attended. Contributed to Central Society the sum of \$31, made up of Members' Fees and Collections.—JANE McINTOSH, *Secretary*.

## ORMESTOWN AUXILIARY.

Organized March, 1877; Membership of Twenty-nine. Monthly Meetings held regularly and well attended. Contributed to Parent Society the sum of \$100. "Whilst thankful for the success with which God has crowned our efforts, we enter with faith and hope and increased zeal on the work of another year.—ISABELLA YOUNIE, *Secretary*."

## COLUMBUS AUXILIARY.

Organized, 1876. Contributed to Parent Society the sum of \$18.50.

## HARRINGTON AUXILIARY.

Contributed to Parent Society the sum of \$23.

## PETERBORO' AUXILIARY.

Organized January, 1877. Contributed to Parent Society the sum of \$80.70. Monthly Meetings held regularly, with increasing interest. The sum of \$31, for the Zenana Mission, was realized from a Bazaar originated by four little girls, and held in a private house.—EMILY B. HAULTAIN, *Secretary*.

## WILLIAMSTOWN AUXILIARY.

Organized August, 1876. No report this year.

## LANCASTER AUXILIARY.

Organized May 3rd, 1876. Contributed to Parent Society \$80. Monthly Meetings held regularly, attendance good; num

ber of members, thirty-four. The cause is growing in favour.  
—A. L. MACLEAN, *Recording-Secretary*.

ALEXANDRIA AUXILIARY.

Organized September, 1876.

KENYON AUXILIARY.

Organized October, 1876.

HAWKESBURY AUXILIARY.

Organized October, 1876.

DALHOUSIE AUXILIARY.

Organized October, 1876.

Two new Auxiliaries have been organized lately, one in London and one in Bowmanville; we wish them all success in their work.

MISSION BANDS.

THE Reports from our Mission Bands shew that their Members have worked with a zeal and fidelity which is indeed cheering. Those in Toronto are "The Willing Workers," of Knox Church, who have contributed the sum of \$200; "The Hopeful Gleaners," of Gould Street Church, who have sent us \$110; "The Cheerful Givers," of Charles Street Church, \$100; and "The Ministering Children," of the Elizabeth Street Mission School, in connection with Cooke's Church, also \$100. Besides those "The Labourers of Love," in Belleville, have gathered for us \$70; and "The Diligent Workers," of Whitby, are working for a "Sale" to be held next month.

We would urge the formation of Mission Bands wherever it is practicable, so that the young people of our church may be taught to realize their share in the work, and that they too may aid in scattering the precious Gospel seed, which in our Lord's good time will yield an abundant harvest.

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*Special Subscriptions.*

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St. Andrew's Church, Fergus .....	50 00
Melville Church Zenana Working Band, Fergus .....	60 00
Morvyn House Band, Toronto .....	34 05
John Street Presbyterian Church, Belleville .....	25 00
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In Memory of H. F. S. ....	25 00
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Mrs. Montgomery, New Richmond, Que. ....	5 00
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Alexander, M  
Allan, Miss.

Bain, Mrs. R  
Barker, Mrs.  
Blaikie, Mrs.  
Brodie, Mrs.  
Brown, Mrs.  
Brown, Miss.  
Brown, Miss  
Bryce, Mrs.  
Burns, Mrs. I  
Burns, Mrs. J

Cameron, Mr  
Campbell, Mr  
Campbell, Mr  
Clark, Mrs. W  
Cook, Mrs., S  
Cowan, Mrs.  
Crawford, Mr  
Crombie, Mrs  
Cross, Mrs.

Dauids, Miss.  
Dick, Mrs. Jos  
Dickson, Mrs.  
Donald, Mrs.  
Duthie, Miss I

To Balance from last year *Receipts.*

Members' Fees.....	\$536 29
Two Life Members.....	98 00
Special Subscriptions.....	50 00
In Envelopes, \$93 84; Missionary Box, \$11.....	352 35
Collection at Annual Meeting.....	104 84
“Address by Major Malan.....	37 25
“Mrs. M. Mitchell's book on "Zenanas".....	30 09
<i>Luxuries</i> —Kirkhill, last year, \$46, present year, \$42; Columbus, \$18.50; Ormstown, Que., \$100; Seaforth, \$31; Seaforth, Infant Class, \$30; Sarnia, \$58.92; Brucefield, \$25.49; Fingal, \$16.05; Ayr, \$37.75; Oshawa, \$24; Lakefield, \$14.50; Clinton, \$116; Windsor (exclusive of Life Member's Fee), \$6; Peterboro', \$29.70—Working Band, \$20—Proceeds of Children's Bazaar, \$31; St. Mary's, \$70; Ashburn, \$14.69; Whitby, \$20; Port Hope, \$61.68; Goderich, \$20; Vankleek Hill, \$31; Harrington, \$23..... Total	887 28
<i>Mission Bands</i> —“Willing Workers” (Knox Church, Toronto), \$200; “Cheerful Givers” (Charles Street Church), \$100; “Hopeful Gleaners” (Gould St. Church), \$110; “Ministering Children” (Cooke's Church), \$100; “Labourers of Love” (Belleville), \$70..... Total	580 00
Interest on Deposit.....	7 20

*Expenditure.*

By Paid Dr. Broadhead (Traveling Expenses)...	\$25 00
Printing Annual Reports.....	71 00
One Thousand Copies Mrs. M. Mitchell's Book on “Zenanas”.....	40 00
Advertising.....	10 25
Stationery and Postage.....	22 08
Sexton of Knox Church.....	6 00
Dr. Reid for Salaries of Female Missionaries.....	2,400 00
Balance on hand.....	128 62

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I have examined the above Accounts, compared Vouchers, and found all correct: the balance on hand being One Hundred and Twenty-eight Dollars and Sixty-two Cents (\$128 62.)

WM. REID

*LIST OF MEMBERS OF  
Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.*

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*NEW LIFE MEMBERS:*

Mrs. W. McLaren. | Mrs. McKay, Windsor, Ont.

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*ORDINARY MEMBERS:*

Alexander, Mrs.  
Allan, Miss.

Bain, Mrs. R.  
Barker, Mrs. J.  
Blaikie, Mrs. J.  
Brodie, Mrs. J. L.  
Brown, Mrs. George.  
Brown, Miss.  
Brown, Miss E.  
Bryce, Mrs.  
Burns, Mrs. Dr.  
Burns, Mrs. John.

Cameron, Mrs. J. M.  
Campbell, Mrs. H.  
Campbell, Mrs. A.  
Clark, Mrs. W. M.  
Cook, Mrs., Sarnia.  
Cowan, Mrs.  
Crawford, Mrs.  
Crombie, Mrs. A. T.  
Cross, Mrs.

Davids, Miss.  
Dick, Mrs. Joseph.  
Dickson, Mrs. G. P.  
Donald, Mrs.  
Duthie, Miss M.

Ewart, Mrs.  
Ewart, Mrs. J.  
Ewart, Miss.  
Ewing, Miss.  
Ewing, Mrs. R. D.  
Esson, Mrs., Belleville.

Fenton, Mrs.  
Foster, Mrs. Percy.  
Fraser, Mrs. R. D.

Galbraith, Mrs. D.  
Gilray, Mrs.  
Gregg, Mrs.  
Greig, Miss.  
Gunther, Mrs.

Haight, Miss.  
Harvie, Mrs. John.  
Hunter, Mrs. A.  
Huston, Mrs. F.  
Hutchinson, Mrs. G.

Jennings, Mrs.

Keith, Mrs. G.  
Kerr, Mrs. John.  
King, Mrs. J. M.  
Kirkland, Mrs. T.

*Receipts.*  
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 Printing Annual Reports.....  
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 71 00

Leslie, Mrs.  
Lister, Mrs.

Marling, Mrs.  
Maver, Mrs.  
Miller, Mrs.  
Milligan, Mrs.  
McArthur, Mrs.  
McCracken, Mrs.  
McDonnell, Mrs. D. J.  
McHardy, Mrs. F.  
McLachlan, Mrs.  
McLachlan, Mrs. H.  
McLaren, Mrs.  
McMurchy, Mrs.  
McMurrich, Mrs.  
McMurrich, Mrs. W. B.

Oliver, Mrs.

Paterson, Mrs. J. A.  
Platt, Mrs. John.  
Pringle, Mrs. James.  
Purkiss, Miss.

Reid, Mrs. W.  
Reid, Miss.  
Robb, Mrs. J. G.

Robinson, Mrs. C. B.  
Robinson, Miss, Beaverton.

Saunders, Mrs.  
Scott, Mrs. James.  
Simpson, Miss.  
Sinclair, Miss.  
Sinclair, Mrs. James.  
Skinner, Mrs.  
Smith, Mrs. John.  
Staunton, Mrs. M.  
Stevens, Mrs. Joseph.  
Stewart, Mrs. Frank.

Taylor, Mrs. T. W.  
Taylor, Mrs. A.  
Telfer, Mrs.  
Thom, Mrs.  
Thom, Miss.  
Topp, Mrs.  
Topp, Miss.

Wallace, Mrs.  
Wallace, Miss.  
Whitten, Mrs.  
Walker, Mrs.

Young, Mrs. John.

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Mrs. John Patter  
" Quay,  
Miss Stark,  
Mrs. Duncanson  
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" M. Cameron  
Mrs. J. P. Ford,  
" D. Goldie,  
Miss Howell,  
" Inglis,  
Mrs. Malone,  
" Senior,  
" Thompson,



NAMES OF MEMBERS WHO HAVE PAID ONE DOLLAR  
THROUGH AUXILIARY SOCIETIES.

Mrs. John Patterson, Port Hope.	Miss Tinling, Ayr.
“ Quay, “	“ Walker, “
Miss Stark, “	Mrs. W. Watson, “
Mrs. Duncanson, Clinton.	Mrs. Fisher, Ashburn.
“ W. Murray, “	“ John Heron, “
“ McQuaig, “	Miss M. Heron, “
“ McTaggart, “	Miss Roger, “
“ Straith, “	“ Stephens, “
Miss A. Williams, “	Mrs. Cameron, Goderich.
Mrs. Miller, Brucefield.	“ Cozzens, “
“ Thomson, “	“ Hutcheson, “
Miss B. Bartlett, Windsor.	“ Sieveright, “
Mrs. Gray, “	“ Strang, “
“ Gow, “	Mrs. A. Cameron, Lancaster.
“ Joyce, “	“ Cunningham, “
“ McKellar, “	Miss J. Dingwall, “
Mrs. T. Baker, Ayr.	Mrs. Ferguson, “
Miss Baker, “	“ D. Fraser, “
Mrs. Christie, “	“ D. McBean, “
Miss Cameron, “	“ McLennan, “
“ M. Cameron, “	“ John MacLennan, “
Mrs. J. P. Ford, “	“ D. MacNaughton, “
“ D. Goldie, “	“ D. Macpherson, “
Miss Howell, “	“ McNoun, “
“ Inglis, “	“ D. Ross, “
Mrs. Malone, “	“ Stackhouse, “
“ Senior, “	Miss Stuart, “
“ Thompson, “	“ S. J. Stuart, “

# Woman's Foreign Missionary Society

## OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA.

(WESTERN SECTION.)

### CONSTITUTION.

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

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

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

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

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ARTICLE 5.—There shall be an Executive Committee composed of the officers, and four other managers, to be elected annually. This Committee shall have power to transact such business as may require attention in the intervals between the stated meetings of the Board. Five members shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE 6.—The Annual Meeting shall be held in Toronto, or elsewhere, as the Society shall from year to year determine, on the second Tuesday in April, when the Board of Managers shall give in their Annual Report, and the officers and managers for the ensuing year shall be elected. The Board may, however, for special reasons, postpone the Annual Meeting.

ARTICLE 7.—A Special Meeting of the Society may be called at any time by the President, upon the request of three Managers.

ARTICLE 8.—This Constitution may be altered at any regular meeting of the Society, by a vote of two-thirds of the members present; notice in writing of the intended alteration having been given at a previous meeting.

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### BY-LAWS.

ARTICLE 1.—The Board of Managers shall hold its stated meetings on the first Tuesday of each month, at three o'clock p.m., at such place as it shall appoint. Five members shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE 2.—The President shall preside at all meetings of the Board, and perform such other duties as are incident to the office. She shall call special meetings upon the request of three members, and shall be *ex officio* a member of all standing committees. She shall sign all drafts upon the treasury before they are paid.

ARTICLE 3.—The Senior Vice-President present, shall, in the absence of the President, perform all the duties of her office.

ARTICLE 4.—The Treasurer shall receive, and hold, and keep an account of all money given to this Society, and shall disburse it as the Board of Managers shall direct. She shall report the state of the treasury at each regular meeting. Her Annual Report shall be examined by an auditor appointed by the Board.

ARTICLE 5.—The Recording-Secretary shall keep a fair record of the proceedings of the Board, and give proper notice of special and stated meetings.

ARTICLE 6.—It shall be the duty of the Corresponding-Secretary for the Foreign Field, to conduct the official correspondence with the Foreign Mission Committee or Board, and also with the missionaries, teachers, and Bible readers, supported by this Society. She shall in conjunction with the other Secretaries prepare the Annual Report of the Board of Managers. Missionaries supported by this Society shall be required to make regular reports to her.

ARTICLE 7.—The Corresponding Secretary for the Home Field shall correspond with Churches and individuals, in localities where it is possible to awaken an interest in the branch of missionary work for which this Society was formed. It shall be her duty to extend information on the subject in all proper directions. She shall organize Auxiliary Societies wherever it is practicable.

ARTICLE 8.—Auxiliary Societies shall be required to make an annual Report to the Board on or before the first Tuesday in March.

ARTICLE 9.—Any manager who shall be absent from three successive meetings of the Board, without notifying the same of the reason of her absence, shall forfeit her position, and her place may be filled.

ARTICLE 10.—The Society shall meet with the Board of Managers on the first Tuesday of each month, for three-quarters of an hour, for devotional exercises, and the reception of missionary intelligence, after which the Board shall, by itself, proceed to the transaction of its business.

ARTICLE 11.—These By-laws may be amended at any meeting of Society, by a vote of two-thirds of the members present, but notice of any proposed amendment must be given in writing at the meeting preceding such vote.

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## Constitution

### *For an Auxiliary to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.*

ARTICLE 1.—This Society shall be called the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church in Canada (Western Section).

ARTICLE 2.—Its object shall be to aid the General Society in sending to foreign fields and sustaining female missionaries, Bible-readers, and teachers, who shall labor among heathen women and children.

ARTICLE 3.—Any person may become a member of this Society by the payment of \$\_\_\_\_\_ annually.

ARTICLE 4.—The officers of this Society shall be a President, Secretary and Treasurer.

ARTICLE 5.—The President shall preside at all meetings, and have a general oversight of the work.

ARTICLE 6.—It shall be the duty of the Secretary to record the proceedings of the Society, give notice of meetings, and prepare the Annual Report. She must also keep the general Society informed of the condition of the Auxiliary, and forward a list of officers with the Report and the Treasurer's statement.

ARTICLE 7.—The Treasurer's duty shall be to report the state of the treasury at every meeting, and remit the funds yearly to the Treasurer of the General Society, on or before the first Tuesday in March.

ARTICLE 8.—This Society shall hold regular stated meetings, when all suitable measures shall be adopted to promote interest in this branch of missionary work, also an annual meeting to elect officers and hear the Annual Report.

ARTICLE 9.—An Auxiliary Society, raising sufficient means, may have the privilege of designating a missionary whom they would wish to support.

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### MEMORANDUM.

Any rules relating to the local affairs of the Society may be adopted, provided they do not conflict with the Constitution and By-Laws of the General Society.

NOTE.—Do not interfere with other organizations. Make no appeal that shall conflict with duties church members owe to any other benevolent work.

## Directions

### For Forming Mission Bands.

I.—An Association of young ladies banded together to aid the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church shall be called a Mission Band, auxiliary to the Missionary Society of the Church in which it is formed, or to the Parent Society (Western Section).

II.—Each Band shall be responsible for not less than \$20 a year.

III.—Any one may become a member of a Mission Band by the annual payment of twenty-five cents.

IV.—The officers of a Band shall be a President, Secretary, and Treasurer, who shall be elected annually.

V.—The duty of the President shall be to preside at all stated meetings, and to have a general oversight of the work of the Band.

VI.—The duty of the Secretary shall be to keep a record of the proceedings of the Band, and make an Annual Report to the Missionary Society to which it is auxiliary, or to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, (Western Section.)

VII.—The Treasurer shall receive and hold all funds, paying the same annually to the Treasurer of the auxiliary of the church in which the Band is formed, or to the Treasurer of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society (Western Section).

VIII.—Each Mission Band must select an appropriate name, not already in use, and report the same to the Society to which its money is sent.

Letters concerning the organization of Societies, and all matters pertaining to home work, are to be addressed to MISS TOPP, 31 Peter Street, Toronto.

Letters asking information about missionaries, or any questions concerning the foreign field, as to Bible readers, teachers, or children in the various mission schools, should be addressed to MRS. HARVIE, 354 Front Street, Toronto.

Letters containing remittances of money, for the W.F.M.S., must be addressed to MRS. J. M. KING, Treasurer, 357 Jarvis Street, Toronto.

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## Constitution

### *Of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Presbyterian Society*

ARTICLE 1.—This Society shall be called “The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbytery of ———.”

ARTICLE 2.—Its officers shall be a President, a Vice-President, Corresponding Secretary, Recording Secretary, and Treasurer—all to be elected annually, and to hold office until their successors are appointed.

ARTICLE 3.—The Presidents of the local Societies shall be Managers in the Presbyterian Society.

ARTICLE 4.—The object of this Society shall be to promote the formation of auxiliaries to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church in Canada in all the congregations of the presbytery, to diffuse intelligence and excite missionary interest, among the women and children of the Church.

ARTICLE 5.—This Society shall be Auxiliary to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, (Western Section).

ARTICLE 6.—The Presbyterian Society shall hold its annual meetings, paying time at ——— meeting of the Presbytery ———.

ARTICLE 7.—The President and Secretary of the Presbyterian Society, with the President of the local Society where Presbytery is held, shall be a Committee of arrangements, selecting topics for discussion, and devising means to make the meeting interesting and profitable.

ARTICLE 8.—Reports shall be sent to this meeting from the Secretary of each local Society.

ARTICLE 9.—A short abstract of these reports shall be sent to the Presbytery in session, to be read, if approved, at their public meeting, to be followed, it is hoped, by at least one address upon this branch of work.

ARTICLE 10.—Contributions from the Congregational Auxiliaries shall be sent to the Treasurer of the Presbyterian Society, who shall forward it to the Treasurer of the Woman's Board, Toronto, though, when it is preferred, the Auxiliary may remit direct to Toronto, and report the same to the Treasurer of the Presbyterian Society.

ARTICLE 11.—The voting members of the Presbyterial Society shall consist of the officers of the various Auxiliaries. All members of Auxiliaries who have paid one dollar shall have the right of discussion but not of voting. Five of the voting members, representing different congregations, shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.

ARTICLE 12.—The counsel and co-operation of the pastors of the churches, shall at all times be sought for, when circumstances may require.

ARTICLE 13.—This constitution may be altered at any regular meeting by a vote of two-thirds of the members present, notice in writing of the intended alteration having been given at a previous meeting.