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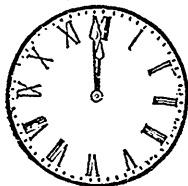
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"The love of Christ constraineth us."—2 Cor. v. 14.

JUNE, 1897



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: June—New Westminster, Japan. July—McKenzie River, the Jews.

JAPAN.

The following letter came to the Pro. Cor. Sec. in Japanese characters, and was very kindly translated by the Rev. Mr. Tai, a Japanese clergyman of the American Church, now visiting New York, where our ever helpful friend, Miss Emery, obtained this favour from him for our Canadian W.A. It is only fair to Mr. Tai's knowledge of English to say, that your Secretary asked that the translation might be literal, keeping to the idioms and expressions of the original language, rather than putting them into correct English, and so spoiling their quaintness. The thanks of our W.A. were sent to Mr. Tai for his kindness.

Nagano, Japan, March 25th, 1897.

To the honourable ladies of the Woman's Auxiliary, to the Canadian Mission.

S. Saga, a humble servant of our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives in the far East, and has not yet got any opportunity to meet together, but believes that we are in the same hands of our Heavenly Father, is presenting this letter. First, I must heartily congratulate your health and prosperity. I am a worker under the Rev. Mr. Waller, belonging to the Canadian Mission. This letter I am sending to you in intent that I might somewhat express our gratitude for your noble endeavour in helping us in bringing our fellow-countrymen into the light of the Divine Truth. The Church Mission in the prefecture of Nagano, was first started by the Rev. Mr. Waller, from Canada, on the 26th year of the Meiji era, four years ago. Our work has passed only four years, but by the devoted and sacrificing work of our beloved leader, the Rev. Mr. Waller, it is not confined only in the city of Nagano, but has been carried out in all directions to the neighbouring little towns, and the number of converts is not small, only in the city itself, we already have 78 communicants. Such a splendid result of our work within

such a short time, is, of course, due to the special blessing of our Heavenly Father, but we believe also, that it is a fruit of your hearty earnest prayer and encouragement. Especially must we thank for your sending Miss Smith to our field. Since she came here from Kobe, two years ago, her strong faith and earnest work have been, and is greatly and always helpful to us. She has started the Kango-fu Gakko (the nursing school), and the Jikei-Ikan (a hospital for the poor). Despite of the shortness of their existence, they have already grown up very helpful organs of our work. The nursing school did a splendid work during last summer and autumn, when the dysentery was sweeping away a number of souls, and a very sad and gloomy phenomena were presented in our faces. The School at that time, took the van in the saving work of the suffering poor, in sending out its students. A splendid work was done by them, the good reputation was given to the school. Consequently, prejudices against Christianity have been greatly diminished in the common people's mind, and many chances have been opened to our work. The hospital has been just established on last May, but the progress of its work under the supervision of Miss Smith is wonderful. It now has a very able superintending doctor, and expert nurses. Their kind treatment and sympathetic attitude to the patients is daily increasing. At present, it has from 25 to 30 for the average number for a day.

(To be continued.)

ALGOMA.

We are publishing the appeal just issued by the Bishop of Algoma, almost at full length, because we feel that it is impossible to leave out much without spoiling the whole, and at such a critical time as this, that would be very disastrous. To enter on an Episcopate with a probable debt of \$8,000 before the year is out, is surely something which we women of the W.A. cannot sit still and see our Missionary Bishop endure without the *strongest* desire to help him. The former Bishop rarely turned to us for help in vain; shall we not hold up the hands of his successor, at least as well, if not better, as we grow in love of Mission work—*God's work*. Note the hopeful spirit in which Bishop Thorneloe speaks of a future self-helpfulness and do not say as many have, "There is no end to helping Algoma." Even if there was not, that would not lessen *our* responsibility at the present time, nor that of those who follow us. When entering into this or that Jubilee entertainment, just remember Algoma, and put by a little something that you otherwise spend on self, and lay up a Jubilee of thanksgiving for Algoma's new Bishop at the end of year, when he finds that big debt reduced by his friends of the Woman's Auxiliary. God will show us how to do it if we only ask Him.

MY DEAR BRETHERN,—As Bishop of the great Missionary Diocese of Algoma, called to that office by the voice of the united Church of

this Ecclesiastical Province, I regard it as no less my privilege than my duty to address to you a few words of grateful acknowledgement and of appeal. I feel grateful because, as Bishop of Algoma, I can hardly forget how largely the Canadian Church has contributed, of its money and of its men, to make its offshoot, the Diocese of Algoma what it is. And I feel it necessary to appeal to you because there probably have been few occasions in the history of our Diocese when its needs have been more urgent than they are at present. It is of these needs I wish particularly to speak. And I do so confidently anticipating a sympathetic hearing, because, as the one Missionary Bishop of the Canadian Church, I have a claim upon your sympathy and aid, which I feel sure, you will be quick to perceive and to acknowledge. The facts are these.—(1) Our Mission Fund—that is, the fund upon which our Missions, and of course our Missionaries with their wives and little ones, depend for maintenance from year to year—was in arrears, at the beginning of the present month, some \$3,208. (2) Our Treasurer, Mr. Kemp, of Toronto, has made an estimate for the present year, basing his calculations upon the receipts and expenditure of the previous year; and finds that, unless we secure additional contributions, there will be a deficit at the end of this year of some \$8,000. (3) This alarming state of things is aggravated by the fact, that instead of increasing, certain important sources of revenue are this year diminishing their contributions.—notably the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, whose grant for the current year is some \$400 less than that of previous years. And (4), there is one other fact that must not be lost sight of in this consideration of our affairs; it is this: We have not as yet one dollar of Mission Endowment to which, in time of emergency such as the present, we may turn for help. Such is the present uncompromising state of our finances. Yet the Missionary Bishop is not discouraged, for first he believes that God, Who has called him to the work, will enable him to perform it; and then he is persuaded that you will do your best, one and all, to succour him in his time of need. Besides, I find that there are many reasons for taking heart. It is not, perhaps, surprising that the long illness and consequent resignation of my predecessor, that noble worker, Bishop Sullivan, together with the period of interregnum which followed, and the final transferring of the reigns of government to new and untried hands, should have the effect of unsettling and disturbing the affairs of the Diocese in general, and its finances in particular. But, on the other hand, the many kind things said and done throughout the Canadian Church, apparently to assure the new Bishop, as he entered upon his work, that he had the confidence and sympathy of the Church at large, could hardly lack a deeper significance. And I venture to interpret them as meaning, among other things, that there are hosts of willing hearts in all directions, throbbing in sympathy with me in my work; and hands innumerable—yes, and with offerings in them—ready

and eager to be outstretched for the succour and benefit of our struggling Church. And so I believe that I have only to appeal, as I am now doing, to the Church throughout the land, to call forth a large return of practical sympathy and help. And then I am not without hope that *in due time* we in Algoma may be able to contribute much more largely than we are at present doing towards our own support. Our country is improving and opening up. It is capable of sustaining, when properly developed, a large and thriving population. There is, I am persuaded, a future in store for it. If it has much rocky and stony land, it has also much soil that is fertile, and many sources of wealth which capital will in time develop. And although—because there are no cities or large towns in the Diocese capable of helping the poorer districts, and no wealthy people living within its limits, able and willing to contribute largely to our Mission and other Funds—Algoma must for the present, and probably for some time to come, look to the Church outside for aid; still we may surely venture to hope that in some small degree, as time goes on, our need of outside aid will gradually, though of course very slowly, diminish. Meantime it is only right that in making this appeal I should assure you of my constant purpose and endeavour to pursue and to inculcate a policy of self-help throughout the Diocese, encouraging all our congregations to strain every nerve to increase their contributions towards the support of their own Diocesan Funds. Finally, then, I appeal to you one and all, as individual members of the Canadian Church, whose Missionary Bishop I am, to contribute something to the work which the Church has entrusted to my hands. I appeal to the Woman's Auxiliary in each and every parish throughout the land to work for their one Missionary Diocese, remembering first its *General Mission Fund*.

For the convenience of those who need it, I append a list—in the order of their importance—of the objects which most need assistance at the present time. . . . May the Blessed Lord, who gave Himself for us, give you all grace to prove the truth of His saying, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." And may His Divine Spirit rest largely upon you all, and give you each "the blessing of peace."

I remain, Most faithfully yours in Christ Jesus,

GEORGE ALGOMA.

List of objects towards which assistance is asked in the Diocese of Algoma.

1. The General Mission Fund, for the support of Missionaries, etc.
2. Indian work. (a) Shingwauk Home, Sault Ste Marie. (b) Indian Missions.
3. The Superannuation Fund, for pensioning worn out clergy. (Barely established.)
4. Fund for assisting in Erection of Churches and Parsonages in poor districts.
5. Various minor yet important objects, e.g., Fonts, Communion Vessels, Altar Linen, Prayer Books and Hymn Books, etc., for poor missions.

[June, 1897.]

Toronto Diocese.

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ANSWERS TO MISSIONARY QUESTIONS.

1. See letter from Bishop of New Westminster, page 201
2. The Canadian missions at Nagoya, Nagano and Matsumoto receive substantial help from Canada. A trained nurse in connection with the medical missions is supported by the W.A.
3. The Church's year-book reports a large band of English and native clergy having under their direction over 200 native catechists who report weekly to a Church council, 200 churches have been built and are used daily. No other part of the mission-field can show similar progress in so short a time—20 years since the work was begun.
4. The blessing of united intercessory prayer, the good example set: the hearing of the reports, and the avoidance of disturbance.

QUESTIONS FOR JUNE.

1. *What are the chief needs of the Diocese of Mackenzie River?*
2. *Give three hopeful facts in connection with missions to the Jews?*
3. *Why should country Branches occasionally write to their City representative?*
4. *How may W.A. members work for missions in the summer?*

Our Eleventh Annual Meeting, held during the first week in May, was a well attended and successful one. The opening service in St. James' Cathedral was attended by larger numbers than was the case last year, and the proceedings throughout were marked by intelligent interest. We were fortunate in having with us the Bishops of Columbia, of New Westminster, and Huron, Bishop Sullivan, and visitors from our sister societies of Niagara, Huron, Ontario and the United States. The reports showed an encouraging increase of work and of receipts, implying growth of life. The most important events

in our history this year have been the arrival of John Nyipo in Zululand, which gives us a stake, as it were, in a new mission-field; the regular issue of the Diocesan Chronicle, which it is hoped will be productive of real benefit to our own Diocese by spreading among us knowledge as to its needs; and the establishment of our own nurse and matron in the new Government Hospital on the Blackfoot Reserve, soon we hope to be called the "Queen Victoria Hospital;" the enthusiastic way in which the necessary pledge for this was taken up by our members has been an encouraging sign of life, and the perseverance which will be necessary in future years if we are to be faithful to our Jubilee pledge, will be enough to show whether besides the zeal to begin, we possess also the constancy to carry through any good work.

The Bishop of New Westminster's address on the work of this Diocese, specially on the needs of the Chinese immigrants, was an interesting feature of the second day, and Miss May Hoskin's exhaustive survey of the mission-field in Africa was deeply appreciated. Perhaps, however, the great event of the whole meeting was the presentation to Mrs. Williamson of a Provincial Life Membership, the fact that more than 1,000 names were subscribed is proof enough, if proof were necessary, of the trust and affection with which our President is regarded by every member of the Auxiliary. On the second day also a very useful discussion took place on our Auxiliary duties, each officer leading in the subject pertaining to her own department, after which questions were asked and answered and many useful ideas were elicited. On the third day Miss Osler's paper on "The Influence of one Woman" gave us all ample food for reflecting how far our own lives may approach the ideal; she drew in describing real lives lived by women under conditions not unlike our own, and then Mrs. Matheson of Onion Lake gave a graphic description of the life and work in that mission. A resolution was moved by Mrs. Sweatman and seconded by Mrs. Renaud, expressing thanks to Almighty God for the blessings He has so abundantly bestowed upon the reign of our beloved and honored Queen, and offering to Her Majesty the homage of our loving hearts on the auspicious completion of the sixtieth year of her reign. This was of course carried by a standing vote.

No one could regret that the Life Membership fees were devoted to the work in Athabasca, yet the pleasure of picturing the benefit to the homes there was, for some of us, marred by the thought of our friend, Miss Paterson, formerly our own Dorcas Secretary, waiting in Japan with comparatively idle hands, to begin the work she is longing for, but which she cannot carry out until we send her more help than we have hitherto done. Half the offertory amounting to \$56.55 was indeed voted to her, but that seems a very small gift from nearly four thousand fellow-workers. May not one result of this splendid meet-

ing be to stir our hearts into a definite resolve so that our mission in Nagano and Matsumoto shall receive more support in the future than it has done hitherto? Perhaps the address on work in Japan by the Rev. T. C. Street Macklem given to the Junior Branches on the evening of the first night, may bear fruit in this direction. The missionary meeting of the second night was a new or rather a revived feature, and it is hoped will be a permanent part of our annual meetings in the future. The proceedings closed on May 7th by an informal meeting of the Girl's Branches in St. James' School-house, which was much appreciated by all. The temporary success of any gathering like this is a comparatively small thing, the question of importance is, how far does the enthusiasm go? How much of it is true abiding zeal; how much temporary excitement? That is the question for each of us to answer in the year that we have now begun. Upon our answer to that question depends the success of every annual meeting.

MABEL CARTWRIGHT, *Rec. Sec.*

Kind words from some of our Delegates :

"The meetings were delightful and helpful in every way. We enjoyed every detail of the meeting. We have told all our members about the Annual, they wish more could have shared our pleasure." We trust God will help us to profit by all we heard at the Annual Meeting." The Treasurer's report and those of the Branches having been distributed during the meeting, we will not take up valuable space by repeating, and will only say all pledges were made up, the P.M.C. showed an increase, and the receipts through the W.A. were in advance of any previous year, the Extra-cent-a-day was the only Fund showing smaller receipts. This is not what it should be, and will, we are sure, by God's help never be the case again. The pledges for the Blackfoot Hospital is made up by means of the one-cent-a-week plan, and our staff are reported as engrossed in their work. We may thank God and take courage for the future, remembering that it is only by prayer and steadfast perseverance that we can continue in "well doing, believing that in due season we shall reap if we faint not."

AUXILIARY NOTES AND MISSIONARY LETTERS.

The Diocesan President has no other, and certainly no better way, than through the LEAFLET to express to those individual members of branches of the Toronto Auxiliary, her most grateful appreciation of the great honour they conferred upon her in the presentation of a Provincial Life Membership. The gift is in itself a costly one and highly valued, but the words of love accompanying it and the thought of the thousand and more women who say, "it is but a small expression of their high regard," will ever dwell in the heart of their Diocesan President as an unfailing and most precious memory.

Our girls should have especial mention for the effort some made in attending the meetings. The West Toronto Junction Branch of St. Mark's came in force on Friday evening; we owe much to their President and to other earnest workers for the success of the meeting. Do not forget during the summer vacation that our missionary work never rests and should holidays come to some of our busy girls, take the tithes of your time for missionary work, wear your member's badge if traveling, and never lose an opportunity to further the Master's work. The books from the G. A. of the Church of the Redeemer were so beautifully mended and covered, they are now on their long journey northward. The Junior Auxiliary made an excellent showing at their evening meeting, and both boys and girls deserve great praise for their orderly behaviour. We hope before long to give our children some definite work of their own, meantime we ask them to remember that they are soldiers fighting under Christ's banner, and that a true soldier is always faithful, brave and obedient. The Treasurer, Miss Tilley, asks that the LEAFLET will mention that she has received \$1 from a little boy in Deer Park to be given to the best poor boy in the Shingwauk Home, Algoma. That little boy will be a good soldier for Christ, don't you think so children?

Miss Alice Turner in a recent letter said that one great difficulty at the Hospital was the coming of the Indians at all hours of the day for their medicines or medical advice, and that she thought the only way to manage would be to run up a flag at the hour they could come, only of course the Hospital had not a flag. This want (not a request as the letter was a private one) was spoken of at the May Board meeting, and Mrs. Shortiss most kindly donated a Union Jack, the very same day, which being sent off at once would arrive at the Hospital in time to be hoisted on the Queen's Birthday. In a letter of May 19th, Miss Turner says "We are very busy, patients increase, and we are, if possible, more busy than I was when alone." The linen sent by a member of St. Simon's Branch was so much appreciated, and some flannelette night-dresses were especially valued.

SPECIAL WANTS.—A small country church in our own Diocese is urgently in need of Communion vessels; Mrs. Banks, Dorcas Secretary, can give prices to anyone desirous of making such a gift either as a Thankoffering or in memory of some dearly loved friend. A very poor church in Algoma greatly need the following: a curtain, a large bracket lamp, a carpet for the chancel, a Lectern, a Communion set and linen, a large Prayer Book for desk, one dozen Hymn books, A. & M., also a Book of Tunes. For further information, write to Mrs. A. E. Williamson, 83 Wellesley Street, Toronto.

A very urgent appeal comes to us from Saltcoats Hospital, Assa., "The Hospital is more than full at present, patients have constantly to be refused admittance, and as many come from a great distance it

does seem hard. An addition to the building is urgently required ; if W.A. Branches could give \$10 each before September, or promise this amount, the new wing could be commenced at once. A bale came to us last night, we were so thankful ; it is such a picture to see the convalescent patients in the corridor, one in W.A. shoes, another in W.A. wrapper, etc. Do help us if you possibly can."

The Rev. R. Matheson, writing to Port Perry W.A. says :

"I am very pleased to tell you that the garden seeds from your Branch of the W.A. reached us safely. We never thought of having such a supply when you wrote asking if we wanted any. Please convey to all your members my most heartfelt thanks."

The Rev. Heber Hamilton, writing from Gifu, Japan. says :

"I am sending you a report of our Blind School, hoping that the W.A. may be able to lend a hand in paying off our debt, it is not large, only \$50 Canadian money, debt is not a pleasant thing, no matter how small, and paying it off month by month from current funds makes a great drain upon our scanty resources. It may be that sometime in your voting of the Extra-cent-a-day money there would be just enough for our debt. Gifu has not had a lift from the W.A. yet, and we think you may wish to have a share in the Canadian work here, especially as you have a representative in the person of my wife. Our household, and the two C.M.S. ladies are the only foreigners in Gifu, a city of 30,000 people; our Christians are not many in number as yet, about fifty in all. We are just building a new Church which will cost complete about \$450. The pupils named in the report were baptized on Easter Day and seem most earnest Christian men."

MONTREAL, May, 1897.

DEAR EDITOR.—I have seen the May LETTER LEAFLET and noticed the question, "What is being done for the miners in the Kootenay district?" Kindly permit me to answer this. For a considerable time the Rev. H. S. Akehurst (S.P.Z. missions), worked alone in the district, and not only kept up church services in Nelson, where he resides, but also in Kaslo, Three Forks, New Denver and other places within reach. We have now, I am thankful to say, two other workers in the district, the Rev. H. Irwin at Rossland, and the Rev. C. C. Yates who has just gone to Kaslo as assistant to Mr. Akehurst. Mr. Irwin has built a good frame Church at Rossland with rooms in the basement for a Club and other parochial purposes, and is entirely supported by his congregation. Every Sunday afternoon he holds services also at Trail and does mission work through the week in the boundary country west of Rossland. Mr. Yates is serving Three Forks and Sandon as well as Kaslo. Rossland has now a population of 7,000 and Sandon, 1,500, is also a rapidly growing place. We should have two more clergy in the district without delay, one to

assist Mr. Irwin in the boundary country, and the other to live at Sandon. If we could have grants in aid of these additional clergy for three years, they would probably form self-supporting congregations before the grants expired. I say nothing now of our work and our needs in other quarters.

Faithfully yours,

JOHN NEW WESTMINSTER.

A letter has been received from All Hallow's School, Yale, Diocese of New Westminster, which tells of the joy experienced by the arrival of a huge bale which was packed at the Central Rooms. All Saints' M.C.L., outfit for W.B.; the garments for G.B. from the Peterboro' Juniors and many articles which were sent for the use of the School, each and all gave great pleasure and satisfaction.

Margaret Durnnall writes, April 27th, that she has had a busy winter at St. Peter's, Lesser Slave Lake. It has fortunately been a very mild winter and they have had no sickness. She asks if it would be at all possible to be provided by the W.A. with a helper in her work, as her work has been more than her health admits of doing.

DORCAS NOTES.

Room 39 The Forum, Yonge Street.

Branches have sent bales to the following places. TORONTO—Holy Trinity, Rev. E. H. Bassing, Shoal River. St. Lukes, Gordon School, 1, Bishop Young, Athabasca, 1 Church of Ascension, Rev. M. Scott, 1, and Rev. A. J. Warwick, Fort Vermilion, 1. St. Philip's, Rev. G. White, Lesser Slave Lake, 2. St. Simon's, Rev. J. Sargent, Qu'Appelle, 2, and Lesser Slave Lake, 2. St. Stephen's, Rev. J. Lucas, Fort Chipwayen, 2 St. George's, Gordon School, Qu'Appelle, 1. St. Paul's, Rev. R. Inkster, Battleford, 2. St. Alban's, Rev. F. Hartley, South Burleigh, 1. St. John's, Rev. H. Bourne, Essonville, 1. St. Matthew's, Rev. J. Hines, Devon Sask., 2. Cobourg, Rev. J. Hines, Devon, 1. Deer Park, Saltcoats Hospital, 1. York Mills. Rev. J. Hines, Devon, 2. Emily, Big Eddy School, 1. St. James' Cathedral Juniors, Bishop of McKenzie River with Seniors.

The Central Rooms will be closed for the summer after June 1st. The Dorcas Secretary's address will be as usual, York Mills.

FANNIE H.-BANKS,

Dorcas Sec. Treas.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.			
Diocesan.		W. and O. Fund.	
Toronto—		St. Luke's, Mrs. Osler.....	1 00
St. Luke's, Mrs. Osler.....	1 00	Algona.	
St. Peter's.....	100 00	St. Peter's, Toronto.....	99 00
“ for Rev. A. Gadd... ..	125 00	Peterboro' St. John's.....	10 00

TREASURER'S STATEMENT—Continued.

Temiscamingue.	
Deer Park.....	30
Calgary Indian Homes.	
Collingwood Juniors.....	5 50
Blackfoot Home.	
Toronto—	
St. Bartholemew's Girls' A....	40
St. Simon's.....	08
Matron's Salary.	
Toronto—	
St Peter's.....	25 00
St. Simon's.....	1 00
Blackfoot Hospital.	
St. Thomas', Toronto.....	5 00
St. Paul's ".....	5 50
St. John's Toronto Junction	5 00
Peterboro' Juniors.....	2 00
Mrs Kenny.....	15 00
Athabaska	
C M.....	30 00
Lesser Slave Lake Home.	
St. John's, Port Hope S.I.....	25 39
St. John's, Toronto S.I.....	20 14
Onion Lake.—Miss Philip's Salary.	
Mimico.....	10 25
Mackenzie River.	
St. Luke's, Mrs. Osler.....	5 00
St. John's, Toronto.....	5 00
Ranabai—Support of widow.	
St. Peter's' Toronto.....	12 00
C. E. Z. S.	
Miss Saunder's pupils.....	6 00
St. Peter's—Miss Milcheson	400 00
Bequest late R. Gilmor, Esq	200 00
Support of Jonah in India—	
St. Peter's Toronto.....	50 00
Japan.	
Medical missionary—	
St. Luke's, Mrs. Osler.....	1 00
Sale of jewelry.....	2 50
Miss Paterson—	
Sale of old gold.....	8 50
Donation.....	10 00
India—Famine Fund.	
Received at S.P.C.K., 17 Rich-	
mond St. W.....	151 15
Miss Macklem.....	100 00
Sale of jewelry.....	125 00
South America.—Miss Thomas.	
St. John's, Toronto Junction	3 00
Springhill Mines Hospital.	
Mrs. Osler.....	2 00
Prov. Life Mem. Mrs. Williamson	50 00
Life Member.	
Collingwood Miss Kirkby....	25 00
Bequest of late R. Gilmor Esq.	
to W.A.....	200 00

Education Fund.	
St. Simon's.....	1 30
Deer Park.....	30
Collected by Mrs. McLean	
Howard for W. Bell.....	50 00
Collection children's meet ...	24 05
" morning service	32 60
" evening "	55 44
Thankofferings.	
Miss Paterson, Japan.....	16 50
Blackfoot Home.....	3 50
" Hospital.....	12 20
Piegan Home.....	1 00
Moosonee.....	50
Education W. Bell.....	5 00
Algoma.....	10 25
Haliburton Parsonage.....	10 00
South Burleigh.....	5 00
Wabuskaw Home.....	25
Matron, Onion Lake.....	1 00
Industrial School, New West-	
minster.....	60
Chinsee, B.C.....	5 00
India Leper Famine Fund...	35
India Famine Fund.....	6 88
Hay River Home.....	1 50
Undesignated.....	70 30
" C J.....	5 00
Collection monthly meeting	2 94
Extra cent-a-day Fund.....	44 18

\$2,199 55

EXPENDITURE.

Diocesan.....	100 00
" Rev. A. Gadd.....	125 00
Algoma.....	90 00
Support of Jonah, India.....	50 00
Miss I. Turner's extra railway	
fare.....	17 00
Ballot papers.....	1 75
Junior postage.....	4 00
500 badges.....	3 50
850 certificates.....	3 50
400 programmes.....	2 75
700 ballot papers.....	2 00
H. T. Whittimore, Esq. gas, etc.	5 00
Fee to caretaker.....	4 00
Fee to organ blower.....	1 00
Blackfoot Hospital supplies.....	13 29
1000 Practica' Papers.....	12 00
Balance uncheon Fund.....	12 10
C. E. Z. S.....	606 00
India Famine Fund.....	403 78
Bishop of New Westminster.	
Chinese work N.W. ½ offertory	61 04

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[June, 1897.]

Huron Diocese.

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

OFFICERS, *Pres.*—Mrs. Baldwin, Bishopstowe, London, *Vice-Presidents*—Wives of Clergy and Presidents of Parochial Branches, *Recording Secretary*—Miss Burgess, Huron College, London; *Corresponding Secretary*,—Mrs. Falls, Grosvenor St., London, *Treas.*—Mrs. Jessie Sage, the Rectory, London West, *Dorcas Sec.*—Miss Gower, 139 Oxford St. London, *Secretary Literature Committee*—Mrs. Smith, 198 Oxford St. London, *Sec. Junior Branches*—Miss G. Smith, the Barracks, London; *Car. Membership Secretary*—Mrs. Complin, 76 Albert Street, London; *Convener of Educational Committee and Editor, LEAFLET*—Mrs. Boomer, 577 Dundas Street, London, *Acting Editor LEAFLET*—Miss Helen M. Weir, Box 724, Blantford, Ont. *Treasurer "Extra-Cent-a-day"*—Mrs. English, Hellmuth College, *Librarian*—Miss E. S. Manigault, 857 Wellington St., London.

At a meeting of the Emergency Committee held at Bishopstowe on the 18th of April, the following resolution, moved by Mrs. Sage, seconded by Miss Gower, was passed, "That in the present emergency the choice of a Lady Missionary at Omoksene be left in the hands of the Bishop and Archdeacon of Saskatchewan and Calgary; the Huron W.A. to be responsible for the salary, this arrangement to stand only till the Annual Meeting in March, 1898." This step has been taken in consequence of the sudden resignation of Miss Machlin, the Lady Missionary sent to Omoksene last October.

In Mrs. Boomer's "Plea for China" now being sent to Branches for free distribution, by an oversight on the part of the Acting Editor of the LEAFLET, the name of Mrs. Falls, Huron Secretary for the C.E.Z.M.S., was omitted when giving the names of the Committee. Sincere apologies are offered to Mrs. Falls and the corrected list now given: "Mrs. Boomer, Convener; Mrs. Falls, Huron Secretary C.E.Z.M.S.; Mesdames Becher, Finkle, Trains, Tilley, Brooker, Davis (London), Davis (Sarnia), and Miss Battersby. Will Branch residents and members undertaking the distribution of the "Plea," kindly make this correction in writing? In regard to this "Plea" may it by God's blessing reach many a heart and bring to China the help of many prayers and gifts. Let every W.A. member say to herself over and over again, "they are asking to be taught," till she can, in part at least, comprehend its significance. We never can fully comprehend it, for the light of the Gospel for which these women in China "stretch lame hands of prayer and grope" has shined on us from our infancy, and is all around us in our Christian land. We dare not turn from the appeal that asks us to help these seekers after truth.

In this same connection we thankfully print the following letter from the Christ Church, London, Branch which needs no words of commendation, but says to all the sister Branches, "Go and do thou likewise." "DEAR MRS. BOOMER.—At the regular meeting of our Auxiliary the salary of the proposed Lady Missionary for China was discussed and entered upon very heartily. I believe it was estimated at our Annual Meeting that if *all* the Branches gave \$4 a missionary could be supported in China, but our Branch thought it ought to give \$10. After the meeting was over the same member who had been willing to go as a *teacher* to the mission-field said she would give \$100 if the amount required should be short, or if it would not deprive any of the Branches from doing their part. If accepted, that would mean \$110 from our Branch. I send you this information to help on the work. Yours sincerely, L. J. MOORHOUSE." Surely no W.A. member who reads this letter but will give thanks to God for this manifest answer to our prayers for a blessing on our endeavors to aid and encourage missionaries" and for "increased liberality among members of the Church." In regard to the estimate made at the Annual and quoted by Mrs. Moorhouse, that "if *all* the Branches gave \$4 a missionary could be supported in China," a few words must be said. The delegates to the Annual of 1892 brought back to their Branches the same estimate in regard to Lion's Head Mission, and many of these adopted this estimate, but we all know that the result has proved unsatisfactory. This estimate is based on the fact that we have in all 127 Branches, but it must be remembered that of these 43 are Junior Branches, of which but a very small proportion are in a position to give \$4 annually to any work. Then among the Seniors, there are many small country Branches equally unable to assume such a responsibility, and there are also Branches doing all they can to help on every good work undertaken by the W.A., which, willing and eager to do what they can, feel a little afraid to accept another definite pledge when they "are never quite sure as it is that we will come out right at the end of the year." But though it is not possible for *each* Branch to give \$4 annually, each Branch, from the most flourishing among the Seniors to the poorest among the Juniors should be earnestly urged to do what it can, that all may help. Again there are so many pressing needs; at the meeting of one of our Branches the delegate in giving her report, after speaking of China, mentioned the report that the hospital at Omoksene was in danger of being handed over to the Roman Catholics, and after suggesting Miss Montizambert's "cent-a-week" plan, said, "and we shall probably have enough for China and Omoksene too." By the next meeting the members were all in favour of doing *everything* for Omoksene and letting China wait, and the delegate felt she was pleading in vain. Then came Archdeacon Tims' energetic refutation of the report, and the claims of China were again urged on the Branch, this time success-

fully. But some still pleaded for the hospital, "hospitals are so necessary" one member urged. The decision finally taken was that the "cent-a-week, a fortnight, a month, or *even a quarter*" should be well worked up, and a certain sum to China, the surplus to go to the Omoksene Hospital.

The new Treasurer of the Ontario W.A., Mrs Worrell, writes to Mrs. Boomer, "Enclosed is a P.O O for \$9 for the general education Fund. This is the first I have had the pleasure of sending and hope to send more before long." This work is growing everywhere and specially have we in Huron cause for thankfulness, for our little missionary daughters are profiting to the utmost of their power of the opportunities afforded them, and because this is so, let us all do the most we can to help them, remembering that as our children grow into young girls, the expenditure of the Education Committee wisely and carefully thought out as it is, *must necessarily increase*. The balance in the Treasurer's hands at the end of last year does certainly not mean that we may relax our efforts, it will only serve to eke out the needful outlay for books, clothing and school fees and incidental expenses. Any withdrawal or lessening of an annual contribution by a Branch on the plea that "they had quite a good balance in hand" will cripple the resources of the Committee. The balance in hand is mainly the result of some special gifts or grants for a stated period, it is to the steady help of the Branches that the Committee looks for the certain income it so greatly needs.

The Bishop of Algoma has sent out an appeal on behalf of his Diocese from which only the most urgent facts can at present be quoted (many of our LEAFLET readers have probably already noted the appeal in the Church papers.) Our Mission Fund, on which our missions, our missionaries, with them their wives and little ones, depend for maintenance, is considerably over \$3,000 in arrears, and unless we can secure additional contributions we will have at the end of this year, a deficit of \$8,000. We have not *one dollar* of Mission Endowment to which, in time of emergency we may turn for help. The objects towards which assistance is asked are. I. The general mission Fund; II. Indian work, III. The superannuation Fund (barely established), IV. Fund for building churches and parsonages in poor districts, V. Communion vessels, altar linen, fonts, prayer and hymn books, etc., for poor missions. I appeal to the Woman's Auxiliary in every parish throughout the land to work for their own missionary Diocese, remembering first its *General Mission Fund*.

The Secretary for Literature sends the following, "Missionaries in the Witness Box. Should be in every library. A capital book for reading at Branch meetings, well illustrated, and is personal testimony from the foreign mission field, price, 75 cents. Also "Which House?" a missionary study by Lucy E. Guinness, a most delightful book; price, 20 cents.

Our readers will remember that Mrs. Bloomer asked in the LEAFLET for contributions of books for a library she wished to form for our missionary children. She now wishes to heartily thank Mrs. and Miss Ridley of Galt, and Mrs. Tackaberry of the London Memorial Church Branch for the kind gift of several volumes for this purpose.

Though not strictly a missionary society the Mother's Union of the Memorial Church, London, are faithful helpers of the W.A. The members have now decided that each of them will give 5 cents a month for the Lady Missionary for China.

BRANCH NOTICES.

The Dorcas Secretary reports the following bales sent during April and May. To *Shingwauk Home*, St. James', London, 1. *Cedar Lake School*, St. James' London, 1. *Peace River*, Ingersoll, 1. *Wapaskaw*, Ingersoll, 1. *Blood Reserve (Red Crow's Camp)*, New St. Paul's Woodstock, 1. *Blood Reserve (St. Paul's Mission)*, Grace Church, Brantford, 1. *Devon Mission*, Forest, 1. *Fort Chipewyan*, St. Paul's London, 1. *Piegan Home*, St. Paul's, London, Juniors, 1. *Gordon Schools*, Mitchell, 1. *Gore Bay*, Windsor Mission Chapel, 1.

If any of the Branches have sent Communion vessels or linen or chancel furniture of any kind to Missions during the years 1895, 1896, 1897, will they please report them to the Diocesan Dorcas Secretary as early as possible.

DRESDEN.—Mrs. Baldwin was here on April 12th and organized a Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary. Following officers were elected. President, Mrs. Griffin; Vice-President, Mrs. Sharpe, Recording Secretary, Miss Stephens; Corresponding Secretary, Miss C. Sharpe; Treasurer, Miss M. Gatzhe, nominated to Board of Management, Mrs. Larvie and Mrs. Hughes. Have a membership roll of about 20, very good attendance at our first meeting, 20 LEAFLETS taken. The Huron W.A. heartily welcomes this new Branch which commences so vigorously, and congratulates it on possessing so devoted a worker as its President. LONDON (All Saints' Mission Chapel).—The All Saints' Branch of the Ministering Children's League held its Annual sale of work in the Mission room on April 29th, the proceeds amounting to about \$30, part of which was thus allotted. Lady Missionary, Omoksene, \$1, Lady Missionary, Japan, \$1, Lady Missionary, China, \$2, Lady Missionary, Kanyengeh, \$1, Educational Fund, \$1; Lion's Head, \$1, also \$1 to the Convalescent Home and \$1 for the Victorian Order of Nurses. We have a number of flannel and other articles, prepared by the League for the Woman's Auxiliary when they send out their bale. Mrs. Boomer was present and kindly addressed the children. Mrs. Baldwin always pays us an annual visit, and all feel much encouraged by having them present. From a

friend of the M.C.L. comes the information that it gave "the first jubilee dollar to the Children's Ward of the new hospital, for which we are working, and the Memorial Church Branch of the League followed with \$5. (St. James').—The Secretary writes, "It gives me great pleasure to be able to report our Branch as thoroughly active. We have a membership of 49, and our meetings are well attended, and the general sympathy and interest is always apparent. We have just sent to Cedar Lake School 3 large bags containing new and second-hand clothes, 4 splendid comforters, groceries, drugs, stationery, etc. In March a splendid bale to the Rev. G. Gilmore, Rosseau, and we also clothe an Indian lad at the Shingwauk Home. The W.A. is very close to the hearts of many of us at St. James'; we have one old lady, Mrs. George, who for years (though never coming to a meeting yet) has made up no end of material, and always makes the Indian lad's complete suits. Her boy's caps and girls' hoods are a great success, she turns and contrives in a wonderful manner." (St. John the Evangelist).—We closed our winter's work by a very pleasant meeting, on which occasion the Seniors and Juniors had their work displayed on either side of our school-room. Mrs. Baldwin and Mrs. Boomer were present, and gave most practical and helpful addresses, Mrs. Baldwin addressing herself specially to the Juniors, who listened most attentively to her kind words and good advice. The children sang several hymns very sweetly, the first as they marched in, the two most regular attendants at the meetings carrying their banner. Mrs. Chance gratified all present by singing some hymns in the Indian language, and the Rector terminated the proceedings by a few words of encouragement. The Seniors are sending three large bales to the Gordon Home, and one to Garden River, in which the Juniors join, sending seven quilts and a quantity of clothing made by willing little hands. OWEN SOUND.—We are working again for Peace River. Many of our members have adopted Miss Montzambert's suggestion, and are putting away a cent-a-week for the Lady Missionary for China. Also 15 of our members and 4 ladies who do not belong to the W.A., have taken mite-boxes. There seems to be a good deal of quiet enthusiasm and more self denial practised than ever before.

FROM THE MISSION-FIELD.

TO OWEN SOUND the Rev. Henry Robinson, Peace River, writes: "I cannot find words to convey to your minds the great joy your two bales gave me. All articles of clothing, quilts, flannellette, flannel, went out of my hands almost as quickly as water off a duck's back, so great is the demand for such valuables. So I had not only the pleasure of receiving, but the greater joy of giving. I don't know what the neglected Indian boys think of us, seldom have we a coat

or pants to give them, and not many shirts or stockings. I think our kind helpers would have pleasure in remembering the boys if only they could see their need. The Indian women are good sewers; if they had material, strong thread and buttons, they could soon make their boys comfortable. We thank the Owen Sound W.A. for its valuable gifts and trust it will increase its labours, not so much by its members working harder themselves, but by calling on others to give a helping hand. Many, I believe, are asleep and need to hear the Master say, "Awake." The harvest is ripe and there is no time to lose. I send a cry from Peace River, we want women-helpers as well as men, and must have them, or great will be our loss. There are 20 children who might have been under our care this winter, and it is sad to know them exposed to the terrible influences of camp life because we have neither teachers nor means to clothe and feed them, before the work here can be really successful we must have the children under our care. Women teachers are the only ones we would require for some years. A nobler work for God St. George's Branch could never wish for, than to send out and support a teacher to teach the little children to know Jesus. Sisters of the Cross of Jesus, don't think that God is calling you to work out here if you are afraid of rough labour, and thorns that will scratch your hands. But oh! how great, how blessed is the reward even in this world, 'and in the world to come Life Eternal.' I desire to thank the W.A. for its many prayers and kind sympathy. My three little children are all well and quite happy, they seem to know nothing of sorrow and Miss MacKnight is a real mother to them." To AILSA CRAIG the Rev. J. H. Pritchard of Lac Seul Mission, writes "It was indeed a pleasant surprise to receive your splendid bale of clothing. Almost everything is already distributed, and I can assure you it has helped very materially in alleviating the distress which has prevailed here since the beginning of the year. Everything was so good and so serviceable, I only wish your members could see how much comfort and happiness they have brought to the really poor here, they will better realize this when I tell them that we have been having a very trying time here with La Grippe, the whole mission has been prostrated. It has been heart-rending to go into the houses and witness the misery and distress which prevails in them. Whole families have been taken at the same time, and as these people have not yet learned to lay by for the future, there was a great scarcity of food, which was made all the harder to bear because of the intense cold. Five deaths have already resulted and several other Indians are still in a precarious state. Last Monday was perhaps the saddest day in the history of this mission, three were laid to rest in our little churchyard. We are all thankful that the epidemic is abating now, and we hope and pray that those who are still ill may soon recover. I found the quilts in your bale particularly acceptable,

also the men's and boys' shirts, socks and drawers, but everything sent was useful and you have my hearty thanks for all. I have had the day-school since the beginning of the year, so that with visiting, working and house-keeping, etc., my time is fully occupied, which is after all a good thing for one out in these parts. We have an abundance of snow this winter, it must be three feet deep in the bush. Kindly convey to every member of your W A my very hearty thanks for their timely and valuable assistance "

The new Constitutions for Girls' Mission Bands are now ready, and can be had from the Literature Secretary.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.			
General Fund.		Lion's Head.	
London St John Evangelist	3 50	London St. John Evangelist...	5 00
Port Burwell	1 30	Simcoe	5 00
Simcoe	1 20	London All Sainths M.C.L...	1 00
Lucan, Members pins	1 00	Brantford St. Jude's	5 00
Zenana.		per Mrs. Richardson	10 00
Wilnot, rebate to Miss Leslie	40	Archdeacon Phair.	
Lady Miss, China.		London Mem. Ch. M.C.L. for	
London St. John Evangelist...	6 00	hospital	2 00
" All Sainths' M.C.L.	2 00	Kanyengch.	
" Miss Beattie	25 01	London St John Evangelist...	1 00
Lady Miss., Japan		Simcoe	5 00
London St. John Evangelist...	3 00	London All Saints' M.C.L.	1 00
Simcoe	5 00	Mem Ch "	2 00
London All Saints' M.C.L.	1 00	Deep Sea Fishermen.	
" Mem Ch. M.C.L.	2 00	Mrs. Baldwin	5 00
Brantford S Jude's	2 00	DISBURSEMENTS.	
Lady Miss, N.W.		General Fund.	
London St John Evangelist...	3 00	Stamps, Mrs. Smith	1 00
Miss Machlin, return tr. ex...	10 00	" Miss Gower	1 00
Stratford, Board Lady M.	31 25	" for April	81
Simcoe	5 00	Free Press Act	3 00
London All Saints' M.C.L.	1 00	Advertiser	3 00
" Mem. Ch. "	5 00	Education.	
Brantford St. Jude's	5 00	Mrs. Falls	50 00
Algoma.		Literature.	
London St John Evangelist		Mrs. Smith	2 05
for Mr. Renison	7 75	Deep Sea Fishermen.	
Simcoe	10 00	Mrs. Becher	5 00
London Mem. Ch. M.C.L.	5 00	Algoma.	
Mem. Ch. M.C.L. for Mr.		Mr. C. A. Eliot	15 00
Allman	2 00	Rev. M. Renison	7 75
Mem Ch. M.C.L., Mr. Gander	1 50	Rev. A. Allman	2 00
Education.		Rev. Mr. Gander	1 50
London St John Evangeli t...	5 00	Mackenzie River	
" All Sainths' M.C.L.	1 00	Mr. C. A. Eliot	5 00
" Mem. Ch. "	5 00	Bishop Reeve's House	2 00
Mackenzie River.		Dynevor Hospital Fund.	
Petrolia, Mrs. Craig for Bp.		Arch. Phair	2 00
Reeve's House	2 00	S. P C Jews.	
London Mem. Ch. M.C.L.	5 00	Mr. C. A. Eliot	5 00

[June, 1897.]

Montreal Diocese.

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

At the May monthly, which is always the closing one of the season, the President directed attention to the Jubilee Thankoffering on behalf of the Widow's and Orphan's Fund of the Diocese, a most worthy object, and one that should appeal very strongly to our sympathies,

The expiration of the time for the Branches to send in their contributions to the Diocesan Treasurer, so that they may be presented to the Bishop before the day of celebration, will be close at hand when this issue of the LEAFLET reaches its readers; and we do hope that if any have delayed, they will do so no longer. It has been urged by some, and with a certain reasonableness, that they have already given, and will continue to give from year to year, through the regular offertories of their Church to this particular fund, and that they should not be asked, to duplicate their contributions.

Well, there is one way of testing ourselves. Do we give to this, and to every other reasonable object in our Church, in the proportion that we ought as God has prospered us? It is an admitted fact that as a rule, among our congregations, the offertories are made up of the liberal contributions of a few, not of the proportionate giving of all; so that we would do well to examine ourselves before we hasten to make excuse for letting slip an opportunity that in its particular nature will never occur to us again. We do not lay it down as a hard and fast rule, that it is our duty to give to every object, however, worthy, whenever we are asked, either by the W.A. or in any other particular direction. There are times when, even if we could do so, to comply would be a plain diverting of our duty, a taking from something else that ought to come first. So let us examine ourselves, and may God give us all grace to do what is right in this and every other matter.

Mrs. Wilson, who came East to urge upon the Department at Ottawa, to hasten if possible, the rebuilding of the Washakada Home, which, as our readers will remember, was destroyed by fire nearly three years ago, paid a short visit to Montreal on her way through; and on Wednesday last accompanied Mrs. Holden to the Annual Meeting of the Grenville W.A. We regret that Mrs. Wilson's visit to Montreal could not have been at an earlier or later date, while the regular work of the city Branches was going on. The fact that meetings were suspended for the season, and so many members scattered, would have made any effort to get together an appreciable represen-

tation of the friends of the work at Elkhorn, disappointing. Added to this, a meeting had already been arranged for the Bishop of New Westminster. This latter, taking into consideration the very unfavourable weather and the causes above stated, was fairly well attended; quite a number of the city clergy being present in addition to members of the W.A. and other friends.

The Bishop made some telling points in the course of his address. Though gold and silver and copper ore were abundant in the mining districts, the mines were usually owned by Capitalists at a distance, notably in the Eastern parts of the Dominion, and the large numbers of men employed were left, in most instances, without the ministrations of the Church, because there were no means to provide such. Rossland, however, which three years ago, when the Bishop came, had not so much as a name, was now a flourishing mining centre of 9,000 inhabitants. A splendid work was being carried on by a clergyman who came in response to the Bishop's appeal, without the promise of so much as a penny of salary. This however was an unique and happy exception. In forty Salmon Canneries on the coast, each of them employing a hundred Chinamen, there was absolutely no effort being made to convert these heathen within our Gates. And why? For want of means. Facts such as these are their own comment, and it is earnestly hoped they may arouse in the Montreal Auxiliaries a more general and generous support of the work for which the Bishop pleaded.

The report of little Weston Frost, Montreal's Missionary boy, continues to be very satisfactory. Did space permit we might say more.

We have also the great pleasure of announcing that Mrs. William Hutton's L.H.N. Society, has undertaken the sole charge of maintenance and education of the son of another Missionary, Rev. Rural Dean Chowne, of Emsdale, Algoma.

A farewell meeting for Mr. Borup, St. Matthias' W.A. Missionary to Uganda, will be held this week under the united auspices of the Montreal Auxiliary and the Gleaners' Union.

An interesting letter from Krishnagar is held over for want of space.

A Junior Branch in Farnham is reported and welcomed.

The Dorcas Secretary reports: One barrel sent by St. Jude's Church, M.C. League (affiliated to W.A.), to Red Crow's Camp, Mr. Wood, teacher; for Rev. E. T. Hockley, Blood Reserve, Dio. of Calgary; containing 68 new garments, 16 scrap books, dolls and games, three second-hand, 87 total; value new material, \$20.15; freight, \$1.73. Four bales sent by St. Martin's Church Ladies' Aid, for Rev. Owen Owens, Fort Pelly, Dio. of Qu'Appelle; containing 200 new garments and 12 yards of rag carpet, 33 second-hand; cash for material, \$68.65; cash for groceries, \$2.20; freight, \$5.92. One bale sent by St. Martin's Church Branch to Rev. C. Weaver, Wapuskaw, containing, 33 new garments; material, \$17.20; freight, \$3.86. Three

bales, St. Martin's Church Branch, containing 99 new garments, eight second-hand, to the Rev. Malcolm Scott, Fort Vermilion, Dio. of Athabasca; material, \$47; groceries, \$3, books and toys, \$5, freight, \$4.24. One bale sent by All Saints' Branch, to Rev. J. A. Maggrath, Islington, Dio. Rupert's Land. Containing 39 new garments, 20 second-hand, groceries and medicines; material, \$12.81; groceries, etc., \$5.10; freight, \$4.95. One large Bible and Prayer Book sent to St. John's Church, Clarke's Station, Portage du Fort, Dio. of Montreal, from Diocesan Board. One bale sent by Trinity Church Branch and St. Catharine's Guild, to the Rev. G. Holmes, Lesser Slave Lake, Dio. of Athabasca, containing 41 new garments, and 29½ yards un-cut material; nine second-hand; value, \$23, freight, \$3.84. One bale sent by Diocesan Board to Miss Young, Athabasca Landing, containing 20 yards un-cut material, spools needles, pins, tape, remnants, etc. 16 second-hand garments, material, \$10, freight, \$3.86. One bale sent by Diocesan Board to Dynevor Hospital, Dio. of Rupert's Land, containing 36 new garments, and 16 bandages. From Mrs. W. H. Hutton's I. H. N. Society, 37 second-hand garments, illustrated papers, etc.; value, \$27; freight, \$2.04.

ANNIE McCORD,

Dorcas Secretary.

Our readers will please notice that the Diocesan Treasurer's address for the season will be 150 Peel Street, Montreal. (See cover.)

Havelock's Recording Secretary reports their opening meeting held April 27th, no change of officers, all re-elected, decided to work for the Shingwauk Home, and assist as far as possible with the Annual pledges of the Diocesan Board and the Jubilee Thankoffering.

Applications for Junior Member's Cards and all information concerning Junior work should be made to Mrs. Brander, 4488 Sherbrooke Street, Montreal.

Treasurer's Statement for May, 1897.—St. Stephen's, Branch for Moosonee, \$22.50; also for Jews, \$22.50, Members fees, \$7; printing, \$1.50; Zenanas, \$3; Japan, \$3; North West Missions, Miss Shaw, \$3.50, refunded freight, \$92.92; collected for special cause, \$18. Disbursements:—Canon Empson, \$22.50, Mrs. Waller, \$22.50; Dominion Printing Company, \$20, freight to West Selkirk and Athabasca, \$6, Miss Phillip's salary, \$17, Miss Shaw's outfit and salary, \$75.92; Mrs. Bell Irvine, \$18, Badges and ribbon for Juniors, \$3; Postage and P.O. orders for season, \$5.

JESSIE DAWSON, *Diocesan Treasurer.*

OUR W.A. LETTER BOX.

(Unavoidably crowded out until this date.)

From Rev. Henry Robinson Edmonton, to Mrs. Mills, Trinity Branch, Montreal.

DEAR MRS. MILLS—I have great pleasure in returning our many thanks to those dear little co-workers in our Master's Vineyard for their valuable gifts. Every article of clothing is most useful, and gladly accepted. The beautiful muslin and lace pinafores and dresses went out of my hands almost as soon as I opened the bale. Two of the muslin pinafores I kept for our little adopted girl, Ida; she is a half-breed girl about nine years old, and has been with us nearly three years. She speaks good English, and proves to us a real help in the house work, she thinks herself a little above the average when she is wearing her grand pinafore. The balance of them I gave to a wedding party of Indian girls, and I can assure you they thought far more of the muslin and lace than they did of the wedding, the bride included.

* * I trust that the children's Society of Trinity Church will not fail to send us another bale next summer.

From Miss Shaw to Mrs. Holden, April 15th, 1897, Battleford Indian School.

MY DEAR MRS. HOLDEN,— You will think me a long time writing from my new home, but you will see by my letter I have failed to reach it. I arrived in Winnipeg, March 20th, Saturday, and left Monday 22nd, arriving at the end of the railway journey, Tuesday night, 23rd; I started for the first trip across the prairie of 90 miles, Wednesday morning, reaching Battleford in the middle of the night, Thursday, or early Friday morning. Here I expected to remain over Sunday, and proceed on my journey the following Tuesday, with Mr. Matheson. He could not come to meet me, and had arranged, with another Missionary that expected to go. We waited until the end of the week, and then started, and during this time a sickness broke out in the school, very light form, the doctor called it, of scarlet fever. One girl died a day or two after my arrival (I attended her funeral on an ox sleigh.) In another day or so some of the children were isolated from the school to the Hospital on the school grounds. The Board of Health sent a notice of quarantine on the Saturday. I was to start the following Monday. Mr. Matheson enquired about my going, the doctor said I could go. I started for Onion Lake, and had got 27 miles over rough roads in a waggon. We got to one of the Reserves where we stopped a couple of hours with the missionary. Mr. McDonald's co-worker, a school teacher, who lives a cross way with his family came and offered to drive me the other eight miles in his little cutter drawn by Indian ponies, which made it much pleasanter and very much easier driving over the bad roads. This was the place we were to stop all night. However, when I got there, a telegram was waiting, telling us to return to the Indian School. It said I had been stopping at the school, and they would not allow me to proceed to Onion Lake. I did not like the turning back after getting so far, and drawing nearer to my new home; but we started back the next morning.

[June 1897.]

Niagara Diocese.

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

OFFICERS. *Hon. Pres.*—Miss DuMoulin, *President*—Mrs. H. McLaren, Balquidder, Hamilton, *Vice Presidents*—1st, Miss Ambrose, 2nd, Mrs. Wade; *Treasurer*—Mrs. Webster, 256 McNab St. North *Editor LEAFLET*—Mrs. T. W. Reynolds, Drawer 47, Hamilton. *SECRETARIES. Recording*—Miss E. Counsell, 211 Jackson St. West, Hamilton, *Corresponding*, Mrs. J. M. Stewart, 150 Victoria Ave S., Hamilton, *Organizing*—Mrs. Houston, Niagara Falls, *Dorcas*—Mrs. Sutherland, 171 Hannah Street West, Hamilton, *Junior*—Mrs. Ker, St. Catharines, *Sec. Treas. Lit. Com.*—Miss A. Gavil'er, 70 Main St. Hamilton, *Uniform Badge*—Miss Ferres, 216 Herkimer St., Hamilton; *Treasurer Extra-cent-a-day Fund*—Mrs. Sewell, 21 Bold St., Hamilton.

 REPORT OF THE ANNUAL MEETING.

The 11th Annual Meeting of Niagara Diocese opened on Wednesday, April 28th, in Christ Church Cathedral School-house, preceded on Tuesday evening by a service in the Cathedral, when the sermon was preached by the Lord Bishop of the Diocese, from the text 1 Cor. xv. 58. Before the business began on Wednesday, there was a celebration of the Holy Communion, at which about 80 were present. The Bishop again addressed the members after the business meeting was opened in a few cordial words. His four points were, 1st God's Hand in all our work, 2nd, God calls us to service; 3rd, Always difficulties in work, 4th, God's promise "Lo, I am with you always." The address of welcome to the delegates was given by Mrs. Wade, President of the Ascension Branch. She urged all to try and extend the work, remembering that "the happy life is the useful life." In response Mrs. Ker, President St. George's, St. Catharines, said she thought there was not a delegate who did not look forward to the Annual Meeting as the brightest spot in the Auxiliary year. The reports of Parochial Branches were, for the most part, encouraging, many spoke of the help the monthly papers had been in their meetings. The Church of Ascension, Hamilton, had collected most money, over \$600. They had also sent out a Missionary to the North West, and guaranteed her salary. The Cathedral, Hamilton, had raised over \$200, St. Thomas' Hamilton, St. George's, and St. Thomas' St. Catharines, St. Jude's, Oakville, and St. Mark's, Niagara-on-the-Lake, each over \$100. Greetings from Ontario Diocese and from Miss Montizambert, on behalf of the Provincial Board, were read by the Cor. Sec. Invitations from St. James' Dundas; and from St. John's, Thorold, to hold the quarterly meetings of June and September respectively, were given and accepted. The reports of the Secretaries' followed. *Rec. Sec.*

reported 35 senior Branches, membership, 912; 20 juniors, membership, 636; total, 54 Branches, members, 1548. *Cor. Sec.* showed 11 appeals for assistance answered during the year, and the appointment in June of Miss Crawford to the Sarcee Home. *Organizing Sec.* reported five new Branches: York, St. George's, Guelph; Lowville, Hillsburg, Holy Trinity, Barton. *Dorcas Sec.* Reported 75 bales or parcels, containing 266 new articles, 1,367 second-hand, 115 quilts, 741 miscellaneous articles, 283 yards rag carpet. *Sec. Treas. Lit. Com.* showed that 775 LEAFLETS were taken in the Diocese; 25 volumes added to the library, making a total of 84. Box of books, etc., sent to QuAppelle for distribution among the settlers. Total receipts \$251.31; expenditure \$146.77. The sum of \$10 was handed to the Dio. Treas. to be used for any purpose requiring it. *Junior Sec.* reported 21 Branches, two new ones since last year, 25 bales or parcels sent to the North West, including 44 quilts and three out-fits. Spent on Dorcas work \$561.37; increase of \$27.59. Total, \$513.03; increase \$39.54. *Treasurer's Statement*:—Total receipts, \$1,900.94; an increase of \$60.65. Reported by the Senior Branches, \$2,521.73; an increase of \$469.40. The Diocesan Pledges are:—1st, Educational Fund, towards the expenses of Mr Gauders' son at Bishop Ridley College, \$120; 2nd, Lady Missionaries' Fund, towards the salaries of Miss Symonds and Miss Crawford at the Sarcee Home, Calgary, \$150; and towards Miss Phillips, Onion Lake, Saskatchewan, \$17. 3rd, Japan Medical Mission Fund, towards the salary of Miss Smith, Japan, \$150; 4th, Miss Smith's dispensary, Japan, \$75. The Life Membership fees amounted to \$92.50. The funds maintained by the Auxiliary are the Self-denial Fund, Extra-cent-a-day Fund, Missionary Duty Fund, and the Fund for Diocesan Missions asked for by the Bishop. The President's address was delivered in her usual happy manner, she spoke of several members removed by death, of God's great mercies during the past year, and of the great regret she experienced in the resignation of Miss Ambrose, Rec. Sec., and Mrs. Sewell, Superintendent of Junior Branches. She concluded by quoting the words of King David to his son Solomon, "Arise therefore and be doing, and the Lord be with thee." An address on Missionary work by Mrs. Matheson, Onion Lake, Saskatchewan, was much enjoyed. Onion Lake, so named for the wild onions growing there, is a Reserve under an agent. It is situated 13 miles north of Fort Pitt, half way between Prince Albert and Edmonton, about 240 miles from each. Saskatoon, the nearest railway, is 200 miles, it takes five days to take one's train. The Indians are not allowed to leave the Reserve without the agent's permission, they are not fed and clothed unless they work, both men and women; many of them own horses and cattle and raise their own vegetables, barley and potatoes anyway. There is no doctor within 100 miles, and Mrs. Matheson is studying Medicine to fit herself better for the work there. There has been a

great revival among the Indians and white people lately, many of the Indians are asking for baptism. [An interesting letter from Mr. Matheson appeared in May LEAFLET.—ED.] Mts. Baldwin in her address, conveyed the hearty greeting of Huron W.A. She spoke of two elements of success in Missionary work, viz. "Loving organization and organized Love," and with these she asked what may not be accomplished? She spoke of the necessity for diffusing missionary intelligence, and of the giving of *at least* a tenth of our incomes to the good cause.

The most important resolutions were those appointing two Vice-Presidents to be elected annually instead of each Parochial President being Vice-President ex-officio, and the other one, expressing thanksgiving for the completion of the 60th year of the Queen's reign, which was carried by a standing vote, after which the National Anthem was sung. A copy of this resolution is to be forwarded to the Queen's Secretary.

The officers elected to fill the places left vacant, were Miss E. Counsell, Rec Sec; Mrs. Ker., St. Catharines, Superintendent of Junior Branches; Miss Amy Gaviller, Sec. Treas. Lit. Com. Two Vice-presidents were elected, 1st, Miss Ambrose, 2nd, Miss Wade. The officers elected to the Triennial: Miss Ambrose, Mrs. Webster, and Mrs. Houston. [A correct list of all the officers will be found in our heading.—ED.]

The special fund of \$400 asked for by the Bishop has been made up. A letter from his Lordship appears in this issue. Miss Halson, General Dorcas Secretary, gave a most comprehensive address on Dorcas work, which is to be printed and distributed to the Branches. Mrs. Stuart read a few notes on the Extra-cent-a-day Fund, she emphasized the value of the fund "as a free-will offering to Him who gave Himself for us." Mrs. Williamson, of Toronto, also spoke on the same subject, showing forcibly the good that had been done with the money in answering appeals. She suggested, that as a mark of our thankfulness for the Queen's long reign, that this fund should be put on a business basis. Mrs. Sewell was elected Treasurer of the Extra-cent-a-day Fund.

Cordial votes of thanks to all who had contributed to the pleasure and profit of the meeting, to the retiring officers for their valuable services, and to those who had provided the Lunch, were passed, and the meeting was brought to a close by singing the Doxology.

NOTES OF THE ANNUAL.

Mrs McLaren presented each of the officers with a button-hole bouquet of mignonette, heliotrope and fern, on the first morning of the meeting.

Another Life Member was reported, Mrs. Gaviller, Cathedral Branch. The Life Membership fees were voted to the Rev. H. Robinson, Peace River. Mrs. DuMoulin kindly invited the delegates to afternoon tea at the Sea House.

The collections at all the meetings amounted to \$33.31, after deducting expenses.

On Thursday evening an "At Home" was held in St. Thomas' Church school-room, when a delightful musical programme was rendered.

The Thankoffering amounted to \$54.50, 87 envelopes being used. Part of the money was undesignated. Mention was made of the Triennial Thankoffering for the hospital at Nagano, Japan, 134 boxes having been given out up to this date.

A large and representative Missionary meeting was held on Wednesday, the 28th, Bishop DuMoulin presiding. The speakers were Bishop Baldwin, and Rev. C. Street Macklem, Toronto, both of whom gave earnest addresses. Bishop Baldwin enumerated three principles for the salvation of the heathen. 1st, Personal command of the Lord Jesus Christ; 2nd, Power of prayer; 3rd, Personal consecration. In conclusion, he said "We don't need more gold in our coffers but more piety in our hearts." Rev. C. Street Macklem spoke of the work in Japan. He said Japan stands highest in civilization of any non-christian country in the world; that it is ripe for christianity, and the people are ready to embrace it; or will, if left to themselves, become atheists. In conclusion he contrasted the beautiful temples of the heathen Japanese with the miserable place of worship of the Christians, one being 15x18 feet and having two walls of paper, with no heating; and the chancel so low that the clergyman was in danger of hitting his head and was obliged to stoop. Is it fair, he asked in conclusion that such a state of things should be allowed to continue.

See House, Hamilton

May 5th, 1897.

MY DEAR MISS AMBROSE, I can assure you it was indeed a very great gratification to receive your kind communication of yesterday, informing me that the W.A. had succeeded in realizing the \$400 for which I asked at the opening of this year. I beg that you will be so good as to convey to the W.A. my strong sense of their good and earnest work in this behalf; my cordial thanks for their willing and ready response to my appeal.

Assuring the W.A. of my very sincere and grateful appreciation of their constant and faithful efforts for the well-being and advancement of the Church in this Diocese.

I am most truly yours,

J. PHILIP NIAGARA.

[June, 1897.] **Ontario Diocese.**

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

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We tender our heartiest congratulations to our Auxiliary sisters in Ottawa Diocese on the success of their Annual Meeting held in April. We also extend congratulations to Toronto, we had the pleasure of being present at their Annual Meeting, and it was indeed a most inspiring one. When this LEAFLET reaches the hand of the subscriber, in all probabilities Ontario's Eleventh Annual will be an event of the past. We trust that the interest evinced, the enthusiasm aroused may be deep and lasting.

Take my life and let it be
Consecrated Lord to Thee.

At the May Board Meeting a resolution of deepest sympathy was passed and afterwards forwarded to Mrs. Gorrell of Trinity, Brockville, who recently met with a most sad bereavement. We feel sure all our W.A. sisters will unite with us in sympathizing with Trinity's President in her deep affliction.

THE BRANCH NOTICES come this month from the Rural Deanery of Lennox and Addington. AMHERST ISLAND has sent a splendid bale to the Indian's Home, Sault Ste. Marie. BATH reports monthly meetings; at their Annual, a Life Membership was presented to Mrs. Baker. CAMDEN EAST continues to hold meetings, but often under difficulties, owing to bad weather and members being scattered; a bale has been sent to Fairford, Manitoba. In NEWBURGH a greater interest is being taken in the work, and YARKER is going to begin work again SELBY being comparatively young did not feel strong enough to send a bale, so joined with Camden, over twenty members are on the roll. NAPANEE continues to take LEAFLETS. HAWLEY also takes LEAFLETS, and we look forward with pleasure to receiving orders from Newburgh, Selby and Yarker for a goodly number of these our little monthly messengers, feeling that no Branch can afford to be without them. The following letter will speak for itself: "DEAR MRS. BAKER.—We, the members of the Bath Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary, feel that we cannot allow you to sever your connection with us without in some way showing our regard and appreciation of your zeal and good work among us, and though deeply deploring your departure, have great pleasure in presenting you with this gold badge

and certificate of Life Membership, knowing that though absent in person you will be with us in spirit. Wishing you God speed, we remain, your sisters in Christ. Signed on behalf of the Branch. H. ROWSE. MARION ARMSTRONG.

DORCAS REPORT.

BELLEVILLE, St. Thomas', sent to Hinton, Dio. Ont., an altar; the Juniors sent the altar linen. BROCKVILLE, St. Paul's.—Large bale to Cumberland, Dio. Sas., Rev. J. Hines; Juniors sent large bale to the Gordon Schools, Dio. Qu'Appelle. KINGSTON, St. Georges' Cath.—A bale to Gordon Schools; Juniors enclosed a large parcel.

ANNIE MUCKLESTON.

We regret exceedingly that owing to the limited space at our disposal we have to hold over many interesting letters so kindly sent us by the Branches.

Extract from letter from Rev. J. Saunder, Biscotasing, to Kemptville Branch.

"My missionary work lies in the Diocese of Moosonee, my people being mostly Indians belonging to the Ojibway tribe, with the exception of a few Crees who have moved out to this part of the country lately from James Bay. Matawa Keuma was my head-quarters formerly, now I make Biscotasing my head-quarters as a matter of greater convenience. My work since then has been a good deal for the white people that I come in contact with by the C.P.R. I have had a pass given me to travel on the C.P.R. between Straight Lake and Montizambert, 207 miles. When I visit Brunswick Post I go by railway first, then I travel the rest by canoe or walk it on snowshoes as the case may be, it is a ninety mile journey besides the railway one. I have visited Brunswick Post twice during the summer and once this winter. There are between two and three hundred Indians connected with this post; we have a good log church there and the Indians sometimes have service in it themselves during the intervals of my visits.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT.—April.

RECEIPTS.

Domestic Missions.

Kingston St. George's Cathedral.	
North-West Missions.....	\$ 7 70
Algoma.....	2 05
Juniors,—Education of Missionaries children.....	5 00
Kingston St. James'.	
North-West Missions.....	5 00
Algoma.....	3 25
Education of Missionaries Children.....	1 00
Kingston St. Paul's.	
North-West Missions.....	1 45
Algoma.....	80

Belleville St. Thomas' Juniors, support of child in Pigeon Mission School, Dio. Calgary (vouchers).....	25 00
Bath, Chinese Mission, New Westminster.....	3 00
Bancroft C.C.M.G., Education Missionaries' children	3 00
Kingston St. James' Juniors, Dio. Qu'Appelle.....	5 00
Prescott. Chinese Miss., New Westminster.....	5 00
Kingston (general) towards Miss Phillips' salary, Onion Lake.....	7 00

TREASURER'S STATEMENT.—Continued.

Portsmouth, Chinese Missions		Kingston St. George's Cath...	3 35
New Westminster.....	5 00	Newboro.....	5 91
Rev. I. O. Stringer, Dio. Mac-		Kingston St. James'.....	2 70
kenzie River.....	10 00	" St. Paul's.....	1 30
Shingwauk Home, D. Algoma	5 00	Barrie field Self-denial offering	50
Kingston St. George's Cathedral.		Diocesan Missions.	
Lady Miss. North-West.....	6 50	Kingston St. James'.....	1 50
Kingston St. James' Lady		" St. Paul's.....	2 05
Miss., North West.....	25 00	Belleville St. John's Juniors...	2 00
Deseronto, Lady Miss. N.-W.	2 00	Deseronto.....	10 00
Bath, Lady Miss. N.-W. (part		Kemptonville.....	2 00
of Mrs. Baker's Life mem-		Widows' and Orphans' Fund.	
bership fee).....	4 00	Bath (part of Mrs. Baker's	
Fredericksburg, Lady Miss.		Life Membership fee).....	16 00
N.W.....	2 00	Diocesan Assessment.	
Selby, Lady Miss. N.W.....	1 00	Kingston.—	
Newboro, " ".....	2 00	St. George's Cath.....	10 00
Burrill, " ".....	1 50	" " Juniors.....	1 25
Brockville Trinity Ch., Lady		" " C.C.M.G.....	2 50
Miss. N.W.....	10 00	St. James'.....	5 40
Amherst Island, Lady Miss.,		" Juniors.....	1 50
N.W.....	1 00	St. Paul's.....	1 90
Camden E., Lady Miss. N.W.	5 00	Deseronto.....	2 20
Newburgh.....	3 00	Newboro'.....	2 00
Kemptonville " ".....	2 00	Brockville Trinity Church...	4 00
Portsmouth " ".....	5 00	Prescott.....	1 60
Barrie field " ".....	2 00	Amherst Island.....	1 00
Foreign Missions.		Boys' Patriot Guild, Trinity,	
Kingston St. George's Cathedral.		Brockville Juniors.....	70
Zenana Missions.....	2 75	Barrie field.....	1 70
Jewish.....	1 05	" C.C.M.G.....	55
Foreign.....	60	Camden East.....	1 00
Kingston St. James' Zenana		Newburgh.....	1 00
Mission.....	75	Kemptonville.....	1 10
Kingston St. Paul's, Zenana		Gananogue.....	1 40
Mission.....	40	New Dublin.....	2 00
Portsmouth. Rev. H. Hamil-		Portsmouth.....	4 60
ton. Japan.....	5 00	Portland Juniors.....	1 05
Lady Missionary, Japan.		Total.....	\$328 60
Kingston St. George's Cath...	4 10	EXPENDITURE.	
" (general).....	10 55	Paid Ont. Sec. Treas. D. and F.	
" St. George's C. Jrs.	3 00	Mission.....	131 71
Merrickville.....	1 50	Hope's account for printing.....	32 88
Deseronto.....	2 00	Bishop Dart, Chinese Miss., New	
Brockville St. Peter's.....	1 35	Westminster.....	3 00
Bath.....	4 00	Corresponding Sec. for postage...	1 00
Newboro.....	2 00	Mrs. Boomer for Ed., Mission-	
Burrill's Rapids.....	1 50	aries' children.....	9 00
Brockville Trinity Church.....	7 00	Sent to Bishop's commissary. Dio.	
Amherst Island.....	1 00	Qu'Apdelle.....	5 00
Kemptonville.....	2 00	Sent to Miss Phillips. Onion Lake,	
Portsmouth.....	4 00	on salary.....	7 00
Barrie field.....	2 00	Express on mite boxes.....	40
Missions Unappropriated.		Cost of money orders.....	45
Bath, D. and F. missions (part			
of Mrs. Baker's Life Mem-			
bership fee).....	5 00		

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CHARLOTTE A. WORRELL, Treas. Ont. W.A.

[June, 1897].

Ottawa Diocese.

DIOCESAN MOTTO.—"God is love."

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Report of the Proceedings of the First Annual Meeting of the W.A. in the Diocese of Ottawa held Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 20th, 21st and 22nd April.

TUESDAY.—7.30, Holy Communion; 9.30, Miss. Litany and Holy Communion. The Lord Bishop of Ottawa preached from the text, "Not slothful in business, fervent in spirit serving the Lord." 11.30, morning session began, the Archdeacon made a short address. The Bishop of Ottawa was then asked to speak, His Lordship urged the members to try and enlist all the women of the congregation in the work, and especially to look up the newly confirmed. There will be about 500 or 600 women confirmed in the Diocese this year. After the roll-call the President read her address of welcome, regretted her absence during the rest of session, urged Deanery Secretaries to visit Branches where interest was flagging, asked the members' prayers for her preservation on the deep, and a safe return home. Committees on Courtesies, Resolutions and Finances were then elected, Mrs. DuMoulin, President of Niagara was introduced. 12 a.m., members' prayer, adjournment moved by Mrs. Read. 2.30 p.m., hymn, prayer, roll-call, minutes, a letter of greeting read from the Gen. Secretary, Miss Montizambert. Report of Recording Secretary read, 1,500 members in Ottawa Diocese. The Cor. Sec. read her report and at the request of the meeting read the appeals received from Rev. Mr. Almon, Rev. Mr. Nicholls, Rev. S. Stocken, Calgary, Ven. Arch. Vincent, Moosonee, Rev. Mr. Houghten, Nepawa, Manitoba. Treasurer read her report, receipts for last ten months, \$1,281.80. Dorcas Sec. read her report, also a letter from Gen. Dorcas Sec., Miss Halston. Sec. of Literature and LEAFLET Editor's Reports then submitted; Organizing Secretary's Report then read, 10 new Branches organized, Thankoffering taken up hymn. Paper on united thank-offering read by Miss Ethel Hamilton. Report of Miss Phillips, lady missionary at Onion Lake read by Mrs. Muckleston. Report from Miss Brown, lady missionary at St Peter's Mission, Piegan Reserve, adjournment. Ladies of Christ Church invited members to remain for tea and a pleasant hour was spent. **WEDNESDAY,** 9.30, Miss. Litany; 10 a.m., morning session, committee on credentials reported 53 delegates and officers present. Letters were read from Rev. A. W. Mackay, Rev. Mr. Samwell, also a few words of affectionate greeting

from President of Ontario, Mrs. Tilton, read a compiled account of the work in Japan. Mrs. Cummings was introduced, she conveyed Toronto's heartiest greetings to Ottawa Diocese on the occasion of its first Annual Meeting. The constitution was then taken up clause by clause and discussed. Very few changes were considered necessary; the Bishop was present and asked that the following clause be included in the constitution. "*The Parochial Branches may, at the request of the clergyman, undertake any special effort or general work for the church or school or parsonage, or the collection of money for any parochial or diocesan purpose. The Branch shall in any such case meet under the usual officers and rules, but shall report to the clergyman and to the Diocesan branch of the W.A.*" It was moved by Miss Johnston, Carlton Place, seconded by Miss Humphreys, that the clause be accepted, some discussion ensued. It was nearly twelve, and as the Bishop's clause needed much deliberation, the matter was left over till the afternoon session. 12 a.m. prayers by the Bishop of Ottawa. 2 30 p.m., Bishop's clause taken up, it was moved by Mrs. Parmalee, seconded by Mrs. Stuart, Morrisburg, that the matter be left over till next Annual so that the Board might communicate with outside parishes—carried. Miss Parris read a report of the work done by the J.W.A. in the absence of Mrs. Mackay read the C.C.M.G. report. The children's meeting then began. After a hymn was sung, Rev. Mr. Loucks addressed a few simple words to the children and concluded his remarks with an object lesson illustrated by a dollar bill, Mrs. Killaly, Morrisburg, read an interesting paper on the work of the first missionary to the Ojibway Indians—"the good black coat." Mr. Southam spoke from the words, "I am debtor," he told them a very simple allegorical story and then explained it, said there were five ways in which they could pay this debt—read, think, work, give, pray. These points were represented by the five fingers of the hand. Rev. H. Pollard was called upon and gave a short address. Tea and cake served at 5 p.m. 8 p.m., service in Christ Church, Lord Bishop preached, spoke of the personal influence which the members have and should exercise, collection taken for the Chinese in New Westminster. THURSDAY—9 30 a.m., Miss. Litany in Church. 10 a.m., Business Meeting, reports of Branches were given by the respective Presidents or her representative. The question box was opened and answers given by Mrs. Tilton. Mrs. Bogart was introduced and said a few words. A new Life Member, Mrs. Fitzgerald, was reported, she asked that the money be devoted to Mr. Sadleir's work in South America. Election of officers then took place (for list see heading above) 43 delegates and 9 officers were qualified to vote. Scrutineers were Mrs. Perley, Mrs. Cranstoun, Miss Green, Miss Johnston. The President was elected by a standing vote. The selection of an Organizing Secretary was left to the Archdeacon, the other officers were elected by ballott 2 30 p.m., hymn, prayer, minutes, delegates

to Triennial Meeting announced. Mrs. Read read a report of the Resolution Committee. A report of the Finance Committee was presented by Miss Baker. No change had to be made in Secretaries of Rural Deaneries. The 1st Vice-President then addressed the meeting, speaking of text, officers, education of Missionaries children, advisability of having Rural Deanery conferences, spoke also of the great future in store for Ottawa Diocese, and of the need of deeper spirituality in the work. The money in the United Thankoffering boxes to go towards completing the Hospital in Japan. A discussion then took place as to the best place for holding the next Annual Meeting. The general feeling was that it should be held out of Ottawa next time. As very shortly it is hoped the Branches will have so multiplied in the Diocese that Ottawa alone will be able to entertain the delegates. Invitations were received from Perth Pembroke, Morrisburg and Cornwall. A vote was taken and the majority decided in favor of Morrisburg. This invitation will be accepted and the Annual Dio. Meeting held there next year if the Bishop and Mrs. Hamilton consent. The Dorcas Sec. gave a report of the conference she held Wednesday and the Sec. of Literature an account of the meeting she had convened. A hymn was then sung for those at sea. After a few words from the Bishop and a short speech from the Arch-deacon, the Benediction was pronounced and the meeting adjourned. The Board meetings were held between the different business meetings.

Dorcas Sec. reports that two bales were sent out during the month J.W.A., Ottawa, to Sandy Lake, Sask., and St. George's, Ottawa, to Fort Churchill, Moosonee. St. John's, Ottawa, working for Little Pines Reserve. St. Alban's for Lake St. Martin.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
Assessment Fees.		Bald Sexton.....	1 00
Grace Church, Ottawa.....	30	Expenses of speaker.....	4 40
Cryslée	80	Programmes.....	5 00
Billings Budge.....	80	Printing.....	3 90
St. Barnabas' Ottawa.....	1 00	Pins and ribbon	1 70
Dio Member, North Gower	50	Chinese in New Westminster.	
General Fund.		Per Bishop Dart.....	15 22
From Ont. Treas. for printing	32 88	Dio. Sec. D. and F. Missions.	
Ottawa East, Miss Vokes.....	15	For Foreign Missions(unap.)	50 00
Postage on same.....	08	Arch. Vincent, Moosonee...	50 00
Offering at Christ Ch., morn.	7 45	Rev. C. A. Sadleir Araucaum	
Offering at School House.....	8 55	Mission, Chili, S. America...	25 00
Lady Miss, Japan.			
Billings Bridge	2 00		\$156 22
Thankoffering at Annual	100 00		
Life Member.....	25 00		
Offertory Christ Ch., evening	15 22		
From Cornwall for Abbies'			
tuition.....	13 00		
	\$209 73		

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[June, 1897.]

Quebec Diocese.

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

OFFICERS: *President*—Mrs. Hunter Dunn, Esplanade. *Vice-Presidents*.—Presidents of the Parochial Branches; *Cor. Sec.*—Mrs. E. Joly de Lotbiniere, St. Genevieve St., Quebec; *Rec. Sec.*—Miss Edith Carter, 25 Mt. Carmel St.; *Sec. for Jun. Branches*—Mrs. Boswell, ; *Editor*—LEAFLET—Mrs. R. H. Smith, St. Foye Road, Quebec; *Treasurer*—Miss M. Anderson, 6 St. Denis St., Quebec; *Doreas Sec.*—Miss Bennett, St. Genevieve St., Quebec; *Sec. Lit. Com.*—Miss McCord, 179 DesFosse's St.

The Annual Meeting of the Quebec Branch was held on Wednesday, May 5th. There was a celebration of the Holy Communion in St. Matthew's Church at 9.30 a.m., between 50 and 60 members were present and a very earnest and helpful address was delivered by the Lord Bishop of Algoma. The meetings were held in St. Matthew's Parish room and were well attended. The Secretaries' and Treasurer's Reports did not show any large increase in the work of the Association but this is no doubt due in a very large measure, to the prevalence of illness in town and country this winter; two new Branches have been organized during the year at Shigawake and Dudswell. Several letters were read, amongst them one from Miss Montizambert, urging the formation of more Branches for girls, and asking more members to subscribe to the LEAFLET. The President spoke of the advisability of sending more money unappropriated to the Board, D. and F. M.S., and drew attention to the fact that St. Matthew's Branch had at their Annual Meeting unanimously passed the following resolution: "That for the future after our present obligations are fulfilled, we shall vote our monies undesignated to the Board of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society reserving sufficient out of our funds for the Education Fund, our Doreas work, and for meeting demands for altar vessels." It was resolved to send as heretofore: \$50 to the Indian Home on the Piegan Reserve; \$100 to the lady teacher on the Sarcee Reserve; \$100 towards the Education of Adelaide

Willeman and \$130 towards the salary of our Lady Missionary to Japan. It was agreed to send a set of silver altar vessels to Dunchurch in the Diocese of Algoma. The following officers were elected by ballott: Recording Secretary, Miss Edith Carter; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Joly de Lotbiniere; Dorcas Secretary, Miss Bennett; Literature Secretary, Miss McCord; Secretary of the Junior Branches, Mrs. Boswell; Treasurer, Miss M. Anderson. The President appointed Mrs. Smith Editress of the LEAFLET.

It having been the intention of the members to present Mrs. M. B. Irvine with a Life Membership of the Prov. W.A. in token of their hearty appreciation of the interest and devotion she has ever shown in all work connected with the Association, Mrs. Hunter Dunn kindly undertook to hand it to her Mrs. Irvine being prevented through illness, from attending. The Bishop of Algoma again addressed the members, giving some very interesting details of Mission life in Algoma. A resolution was passed thanking his Lordship for his most interesting, helpful and touching address.

The President called a special meeting for Tuesday, May 11th, for the purpose of electing a Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Joly de Lotbiniere being unable to longer fill the office, Mrs. P.P. Hall was elected by ballot. A resolution was carried thanking Mrs. Joly de Lotbiniere for her very efficient work as Diocesan Corresponding Secretary.

On the evening of Thursday, May 6th, a very enjoyable evening was spent by many of the delegates at the residence of the Bishop and Mrs. Hunter Dunn, who very kindly invited them to meet the members of the Synod.

A few extracts from the Address of the Lord Bishop of Algoma to the members of the Quebec Branch at their Annual Meeting —The Bishop mentioned how pleased he felt at having the opportunity of again addressing the members and thanked them for help given to Algoma; he knew of the discouragements they had to contend with through not seeing the fruits of their labours, but gave a few instance showing what pleasure had been given by them. During his ministrations one day he entered a hut where he found a sick woman with

seven children and she told him what a comfort and help the Auxiliary had been to her. In some parishes there is a little uncertainty as to the wishes of the members in connection with the distribution of the contents of the bales; some missionaries think they are for the poor, and not to be used for other purposes such as selling, this being in some cases thought better than giving (of course only a very small sum of money would be asked). There is great need for money in Algoma, the want of it prevents their having as many clergy as are needed; one poor man drove over 60 miles to sell his grain in order to give something towards his clergyman's stipend, showing his appreciation of the services of the Church. An old chief of 86 spoke of the "Gospel fetters" which had bound him for 54 years, and of the blessings he had received through Christianity. The Bishop thought more money should be given unappropriated to the D. and F. M.S., that the Auxiliary should work in a more conservative way for the good of the whole Church, yet he hoped special appeals from Algoma would be responded to; the present system of bale giving he thought a very good one. The Bishop kindly offered to answer any letters written to him for information concerning Algoma, and suggested that the Secretaries of the W.A. in his Diocese might be able to give help of a like kind.

From the Rev. W. G. White, St. Peter's Mission, Lesser Slave Lake, Peace River District, Jan, 11th, 1897, to the Secretary of St. Matthew's Branch.

"Please thank the St. Matthew's Branch of the W.A. for the barrel of clothing you are so kindly sending to this Mission. We shall be most thankful for the contents, for our need is great. We have twenty-eight children in our home here, we have managed to give them a rig out all round for both week-days and Sunday, but we shall find it difficult to keep them suitably clothed as Spring advances so that your gifts are most opportune. I don't yet really know how I shall be able to get the things up from the landing, as there is no regular freighting during the winter; we are having a winter spell just now, we had a terrible cold spell during November, which took us rather by surprise. I think the people round here are beginning, to some extent, to see the advantages of the Children's Home; poor creatures, most of them, are groping in darkness, and it seems very difficult for them to come to the light."

From the Rev. Malcolm Scott, S. Luke's Mission, Vermilion, Athabasca, Feb. 7th, 1897, to the Secretary of St. Matthews' Branch.

"I take this first opportunity since my return of expressing my most sincere and hearty thanks to the members of St. Matthew's

Branch W.A. for the very valuable barrel of clothing sent us by them. Besides one small bale from England yours was the only clothing we received last summer, so that we have been quite short. It will be very difficult to clothe our school children until any fresh supply can come. However, since all things are ordered and planned by a loving Father, I am sure all is well. I had hoped when I went out to Winnipeg last summer to go further East, partly to get medical treatment and also to see some of the friends who had been so kindly caring for us all these years. But when I got to Winnipeg I found that my Bank account would not allow further travel. Besides, I found that I could get the needful doctoring in Winnipeg. I brought back my daughter and son with me from school. We arrived here on the 25th October, being nearly eight weeks on the road, and right glad we were to get home again for travel was rough, slow and tedious. We have had several tokens of the presence and power of the Precious Holy Spirit of our God working in our midst since my return, yet we are still very needy, many hard hearts yet unbroken, many yet sunk in sin and ignorance and superstition. I have not since my return been able to visit the far distant Indian camps, but within a fortnight I intend taking a tour of a certain district East from here, taking in as many camps as it is possible to reach. This journey will cover 300 miles more or less, I will go on foot and alone. The actual travel I do not much mind, but the camping out at night I almost dread, because of having to take provisions for self and dogs for entire journey; I am obliged to take a limited amount of bedding, the cold nights in the snow are hardly endurable. I sincerely hope that you will continue your kind interest in us in the future, as in the past. We now quite feel that whoever may fail to send us the needful, St. Matthew's Branch won't. Please give my hearty thanks and warmest Christian love to everyone, to the last member of your Branch."

From Mr. Rolston, Dyncvor Indian Hospital, Manitoba, March 30th, 1897, to the Secretary of St. Matthew's Branch

"Your barrel containing so many kind gifts to the Hospital arrived on Saturday, for which accept our hearty thanks. They are all things which we find most useful and now that the Spring, we hope, is coming on, we are glad to have some pretty as well as useful things to make the place look bright. This evening I gave one of your mufflers and warm vests to a poor woman who was exceedingly glad to get them. The weather remains, some days, very bleak and cold although from all appearances at present old timers predict a flood around Winnipeg. Please remember me most kindly to all the kind friends who thought of me, and express my gratitude to them for their very useful and acceptable presents."

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