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## Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

## TENTH ANNUAL MEETING.

The Tenth Annual Gathering of this Society was held in the City of London, on the 20th and 21st April, and was, in many respects, the most successful and interesting of those held in recent years. Every attention and arrangement that thoughtful care could suggest was made by the London ladies, who welcomed the Society with great cordiality. Delegates and friends were present from Goderich and Chatham on the West, to Ottawa and Perth on the East, each bringing items of information or words of encouragement, and the few days' pleasant intercourse which was enjoyed materially strengthened the ties which bind the members of the Society to

Letters of greeting were read from Brockville, Montreal, Quebec, Halifax and Philadelphia; and ladies were present to represent the

In the Reports, which are published in full, will be found a historical account of Canadian Missions in various parts of the world; a full statement of the Home Work; several important items of business, and a complete financial statement, showing a balance in hand (after paying current expenses) of \$13,089.55, which was apportioned as follows: -\$9,700 required by estimate; \$600 for school work in Trinidad and the New Hebrides; \$300 for medical outfit; and \$2,000 reserved for extension of school work in Central India and in the Canadian North-West.

The ladies very generally took part in the proceedings, and the following, besides the Officers of the Society, had special work assigned to them :- Mrs. Rodger, Mrs. Chisholm, Mrs. Blair, and Mrs. Thompson, London; Mrs. Gibson, Ottawa; Mrs. McAdam, Strathroy; Mrs. McCrae, Guelph; Mrs. Byers, Gananoque; Miss Gordon, Miss Stone, Mrs. Gordon, Mrs. Grant, Mrs. Fair, Miss Riddle, Miss Robinson, Mrs. Leask, Mrs. Dickenson, Mrs. Fairbairn, Mrs. Hislop, Miss George, Mrs. Ball, and Mrs. Cooper.

Two most interesting papers were read; one by Mrs. Gordon, of Harrington, and the other, prepared by Miss Thomson, Brooklin, and read by Miss Boone, London. The latter will appear in

It was a source of great pleasure and satisfaction to the ladies that Miss Oliver, M.D., Medical Missionary elect to Central India, was able to be present. Miss Oliver spoke modestly and cheerfully of her chosen field of work, and created a most favourable impression.

The evening meeting was most successful, addresses being given by Dr. Wardrope, Dr. Maclaren, Rev. A. B. Mackay, Montreal;

and Rev. J. A. Murray, of London.

#### ADDRESS OF WELCOME.

MRS. CHISHOLM, OF LONDON.

Ladies of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, representatives of sister societies and Christian friends whose interest in this great work has brought you here, the Presbyterian women of London extend to you a most hearty welcome. Not only because of the pleasure afforded by these special opportunities of associating with a number of intelligent pleasant people, which is so very natural and human, as to require no grace whatever to stimulate it; but because of the one heart, one mind, one purpose, inspired by the One Spirit, which binds us together as one soul before God the Father this day, as we are met to communicate one to another of the grace that is in us, ministered to ourselves by the Holy Spirit, regarding the affairs of the Kingdom of God the Son, of which woman, for whom we specially work, forms so large a part, and to which she sustains such a peculiar and important relation. As fellow-members of the body of Christ, His Church, of whatever name or denomination, in Him, we welcome you with all your several gifts of individual talents, the lesser and more humble, as well as the greater and more distinguished, needed to make up a perfect whole; and as co workers with you receive you into our hearts and homes all the more truly, that we humbly and gratefully remember our common union with Christ our Head. Had you been at liberty to do us the honour to accept our invitation sent down some three years ago, you would have been just as welcome; but we ourselves would not have so largely benefited by the experience of those who had taken the labour of entertaining so large a gathering as the Annual Meeting The delay has given London the honour and privilege of congratulating the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, on the attainment of its first decade; as well as acknowledging to Ottawa and other places how much our Managing Committee have profited by the plans formed by theirs for the, we trust successful, carrying out of the hospitalities and general comfort, so much to be desired on an occasion like this.

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Toronto, to whose systematic thoroughness in detail we are so much indebted; and we deeply regret her own necessary absence from the meeting she helped so much to arrange.

Another stimulant to our welcome is the conviction of the good which will result to this farther portion of the Western Section, from these meetings being held in London. The work has not advanced as rapidly as it ought. We want information, substantial to use them; and by God's blessing expect much of all these from your coming amongst us.

Praying that it may be so, and that you will be comfortable and happy and *inspired* while with us, we commit your persons, hearts and thoughts to Him who giveth all things richly to enjoy, and to be sanctified to the Master's use

## REPLY TO THE ADDRESS OF WELCOME.

MRS. GIBSON, OF OTTAWA.

I have been asked to respond in the name of the Central Committee, as well as of all the delegates from the various branches of our Society, to the cordial greeting with which you, the ladies of London, have welcomed us to your homes and to your city. We thank you most heartily for your words of welcome, and realize anew that the bond which unites us is not merely a name-it is a reality. Our common love for our Saviour and for our heathen sisters has taught us also in a new and fuller sense "to love one another," and so we meet, not as strangers, but as friends and fellow-workers in the Master's vineyard. These gatherings have been found in the past to be helpful and stimulating; and we confidently expect, by the blessing of God upon our meetings here, that good results will follow to our own souls, to the Society in all its branches, and to the community which you, our hospitable entertainers, represent. I think it has been the experience of every Auxiliary that has had the privilege of entertaining the General Society that all the time and thought given to ensure the success of the meetings have been abundantly rewarded by manifest results in quickened interest, and in more earnest and united effort by the women of our churches. Such has been our experience in Ottawa, and we trust it may be yours in even larger measure.

What a privilege we enjoy, dear sisters, in this "woman's work for woman." While, on the one hand, we are kept humble by having ever brought before us the degradation from which we, as women, are saved by the Gospel, on the other hand, we are exalted by the honour conferred upon us of being co-workers with God. He has given us in this age this special work to do. This is our great opportunity. May we not apply to ourselves as a Society the argument used by Mordecai in urging Esther to the fulfilment of her duty: "Who knoweth whether thou art come to the Kingdom for

such a time as this?" If we fail to use our opportunity, God will accomplish His gracious purposes towards the heathen by some other means; but we shall lose the blessing and honour and privi-

lege of being the instruments in His hand.

Let us seek, then, to rise to the height of our privilege-let us set before ourselves, and point out to our daughters, this noble ambition in life-to be used by the King in this blessed work. Not to all are given time or money to devote to this service, but we can all pray. The Bible, our Missionary annals, our own experience, furnish ample proofs that God honours definite, intelligent, believing prayer. An illustration of this occurs in the report of the China Inland Mission. A remarkable and yet steady work of grace occurring in one native church excited attention. It was found that this particular church, its pastor and converts were the subjects of special prayer by one earnest Christian man at home. This was the secret of the matter. Does it not contain a lesson for usi? What great things might not we accomplish by our united and fervent supplications? "Prove Me now herewith, saith the Lord of Hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing that there shall not be room enough to receive it."

#### PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

My DEAR FRIENDS, -It gives me very great pleasure once more to meet with the members and friends of this Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, which our God is blessing so greatly. To be President of such a Society is a very high honour indeed, and might well call forth in any reflecting womanly mind much serious questionings as to her fitness for the office, and cause her to shrink from the responsibility involved. And I truly thank you for the way in which, during these five years, you have so kindly overlooked, or, at least, borne with my many shortcomings, while the great happiness I have experienced in the work and the delightful Christian intercourse attending it has been such as no words of mine can convey to you. There is, I think, in this work of our Society an element of deepest interest that is not found in any other, at least not to anything like the same extent. I mean this, that it is more directly a work for, and in co-operation with, our loving Saviour. All our work I know should be done for Him, and can be done only as He gives us grace to do it. But this seems more directly His; having for its object the sending to our heathen sisters the knowledge that there is a Saviour who has died to redeem them from everlasting destruction, who is willing to lift them out of their life of degrading idolatry and superstition, and be to each one a loving friend, one who will satisfy their every need and bring them at last to be for ever with Himself. And in doing this work we are trying to carry out His last command, being fully persuaded that He will be with every one who thus tries to serve him. While engaged in mission and benevolent

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work among those around us, we are often permitted to see the result of our labours and be cheered by it; but the result of this Foreign work we only hear of, and yet with what deep interest. When we meet with returned missionaries, or read of the rapid progress the Gospel is making, and the eager desire of our heathen brothers and sisters to have the "Old, Old Story" told to them, and the many open doors into which there are so few ready to go, we can but say, truly "the fields are, indeed, ripe to the harvest, but the labourers are few." O, our Father, be pleased to send forth labourers into Thy harvest. (I may not touch on our own missions further than to say that the Foreign Secretary has a most interesting report to read to you, in which she gives a short, but clear and vigorous, sketch from the beginning of our missions in Formosa, India and our own North-west up to the present time) But who can read of the wonderful progress missions are making in other places, and under other societies, and not feel her heart filled with thanksgiving to our God.

The first two missionaries were received in Japan in 1859 with such suspicion that they were glad after some years to be employed as English teachers in Government schools, and at the end of ten years could report only ten converts. Twelve years afterwards the converts of the different missionary societies numbered 6,598!! At this time Japan has 93 Christian congregations, with over 10,000 members, 109 Sabbath-schools, and at least half a million copies of the Bible in circulation. Of 30 churches belonging to the American Presbyterian Mission 25 are self-supporting; and out of 190 students in their training school at Kioto 35 professed their faith in Christ during last year. Our Methodist brethren are rejoicing greatly over the success of their mission in Japan. In Tyre and Sidon, amid scenes once visited by our Lord himself, the American Presbyterian Mission has eleven churches and Christian schools, with over 500 pupils, and in the graduating class six made profession of faith in Christ last year. On the western slope of Mount Hermon they have eleven out-stations and seven organized churches. It is said "the whole population is thoroughly leavened

Mrs. Baker, a missionary of the Church of England, reached Travancore, India, in 1818, when there was neither church nor convert, now she sees 39 stone churches, 104 school-houses and places of prayer, and 20,000 Christians. At the English Church Zenana Mission station at Amrityar, Miss Hewlett, medical missionary, has been very successful. She was settled there only five years ago, began an hospital with eight beds, now it has twenty-four, all the building will permit. Four dispensaries are city and one outside. So successful has been her treatment, and so great is the confidence placed in her, that the municipality—the majority of whom are natives—asked her, at the beginning of last year, to take charge of the Maternity Hospital, and that without

imposing any conditions or restraints on her. Connected with the Hospital are two English ladies, two European nurses and five native or Eurasian assistants, all, with one exception, trained in the Hospital itself. Last year there were 192 in-patients, 11,593 out-side, besides 2,250 treated at their homes, and 203 maternity

cases.

The history of missions in India is deeply interesting; but I must not take up your time with further details. Such sentences. however, as the following, culled from official documents, shew how keenly the native mind is grasping the necessity of their women being educated. A minute of the General Council on Education says: "Government rightly interprets native feeling when it offers every facility for religious instruction in girls' schools, and is indisposed to set up secular schools of their own for girls. But the little that has been done is as nothing in comparison with what requires to be done. Out of 27,000,000 females of all ages not a quarter of a million can read. . . . These openings impose a sacred and urgent duty on every friend of India, and on every society labouring there." A Government Inspector, while advocating that money be given to mission schools, instead of native, says: "The great importance to be attached to female mission schools is the introduction of the mission lady to the home of the pupils. . . . The principle of instruction may be faulty, but the pupils receive a oud education and their characters are properly moulded. Good habits are formed, tidiness and order are inculcated and become a second nature, and a high moral tone is observable throughout." Of China, a missionary who has laboured in the province of Shuntung for twenty five years, says: "No sooner is the heart of the Chinaman opened to fully understand the truth than a burning desire takes possession of him to have others know and love the Saviour, and that, too, at the risk of being driven from home and having to submit to the greatest injustice. He tries to give as the Lord has prospered him. Many give a tenth of all their income, some Those who cannot give will provide themselves with food, when work is scarce, and go from village to village distributing tracts and books, and telling all who listen to them of a Saviour and His love. There is abundant reason to hope that there will be great awakening and turning to the Lord in the near future. The people think Christianity and education are inseparable, and consequently make many self-denying efforts to support Christian schools.

The mission to Canton has a wonderful history. Morrison reached there in 1818, and at the end of seven years reported one convert. He laboured for twenty years longer and could report only ten, no churches, no schools. But the ten of 40 years ago has become 40,000, besides a large number of adherents. And in the busy streets of Canton fifteen chapels are open daily for the preaching of the Gospel, with audiences of two or three score to several

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I met with so much in the course of my reading that I might go on multiplying indefinitely such instances of the power of the Gospel. Especially would I like to speak of the very satisfactory results of the Industrial Training Institutes for Indians in the United States during the last ten years. They are such as to give great encouragement to our Foreign Mission Committee, who are preparing to try something of a similar kind in our own North-west; but time will not permit, and I have said enough to fill our hearts with the most lively gratitude to our God and Saviour, and to stimulate all to increased earnestness in our work. Our God has wonderfully blessed our effort. Let us try to prove ourselves worthy of the trust He has committed to us.

Let me now, dear friends, welcome most cordially the delegates from sister societies. Your presence cheers and invigorates us, and we shall hope to do you some good in return. The number of delegates from our own branches is such as to add greatly to the pleasure of our annual meeting. May they carry home with them that which will give a new and blessed impetus to their work. May our everlasting God and Saviour be felt in our midst with blessings rich and lasting, bestowing freely upon each one present the graces of the Holy Spirit, so that our meeting may be to the praise of His

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#### FOREIGN SECRETARY'S REPORT.

"The noiseless foot of time, moving swiftly and surely," has brought us, as a Society, to our

#### Decennial Anniversary.

"The good hand of our God" has been "upon us," and while we are deeply impressed with the conviction that, as Christian women, we might have done much more for the salvation of our pagan sisters, we are thankful for all that has been accomplished by our Society during the past ten years. The women of the Church, young and old, who have been interested have had a mind to work, and thus, year by year, we have been able to chronicle a steady increase in the measure of our gifts, as well as more devotedness in the manner of our giving. We render praise to God for this, and for the very encouraging measure of success which has crowned our efforts during the year just closed.

While interest in the cause of missions has thus been developing so rapidily in the Church at home, as well as in the hearts of individuals,

#### The Outlook in the Foreign Field.

at this period of our history, is calculated to inspire us with faith in the promises of God. Our missionaries have been labouring on, steadily and faithfully, in the several fields with varying, but, on the whole, encouraging success; mission work for the most part is carried on almost without hindrance; educational enterpises are approved, even appreciated, by native authorities; the cloud of war has been dispersed, and by means of trial and persecution the infant Church has been strengthened, and numbers led to make confession of their faith in Christ,

For the benefit of the younger members of our Branches, and those more elderly who may recently have united with them, and who have neither time nor opportunity for extended research into the history of the missions of our Church, we shall direct attention to

#### The Rise and Progress

of missionary enterprise in the fields in which we are more specially interested, believing that the present is a most appropriate time for retrospection.

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## Mission to the North-West.

In the year 1857, the Synod of the Presbyterian Church n Canada, considered an overture from the Presbytery of Toronto, on the subject of a mission to the North American Indians; the Rev. John Black having been in the Red River Settlement since the year 1851. The overture was very generally approved; inquiries were instituted, but, owing to circumstances, no definite action was taken until the year 1862, when

## The Rev. Jas. Nisbet, of Oakville,

offered, was accepted, and sent by the Assembly to the important work of assisting Mr. Black, and with a view to the ultimate establishment of a mission to the "Red Indians." In the year 1865, Mr. Nesbit commenced the work, to which he was originally appointed, among the Indians. The field chosen was in the

## Great Saskatchewan Valley.

Here, within an area of 200 miles, roamed—now camping, fishing, hunting, or fighting—more than 4,000 Indians. Mr. John McKay and Mr. Geo. Flett, now both ordained missionaries, were chosen to assist Mr. Nisbet, and thus equipped our missions in the North-West were started. As a practical result of three years' labour at Prince Albert, the new mission station, Mr. Nisbet tells us that six adult Indians and thirty-six children, fourteen being Indians, had been baptized. Gradually a considerable settlement, principally of half-breeds, began to form around Prince Albert, and it was found that on this account it was becoming less suitable as a centre for missionary operations; the Plain Crees, with whom the mission half-breeds moved in. The work continued with more or less success until the year 1874, when suddenly, within the short space of a month, Mr. and Mrs. Nisbet were removed from

## Their earthly labours to the Heavenly Rest.

In 1878 Rev. John Mackay was regularly appointed to this Mission, which subsequently, when the Indians were placed on Reserves, was removed to

### The Mis-ta-wa-sis Reserve.

about forty miles north-west from Prince Albert. The chief, Mis-ta-wa-sis, is a noble Christian man, and with his people was loyal to the Government during the late rebellion. About forty Presby-terian families reside on the Reserve, and there are many signs of spiritual growth among them. Rev. John Mackay still labours in this field.

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teaches the Mission School which consists of thirty-five children twelve boys and twenty-three girls. The girls are taught sewing and knitting, as well as the rudiments of an English education.

#### Thirteen Cases of Clothing

were sent this year to this Reserve. The day after the goods arrived, the children were all assembled, and warm suits, and articles sufficient for each one given. Miss Mackay writes that, she would have been glad if even one of our Christian women could have been present and have witnessed the gratitude of the children, as they thanked her, and withdrew with happy faces. The Government Inspector has visited the school and expressed himself as much pleased with the proficiency of the children, referring particularly to the good behavior, and pleasing manners of the pupils. He has offered several prizes to be presented at the examination next year. Our Society contributes \$200 to the support of this school. Since the year 1879, we have had a mission school

#### At Prince Albert

under the care of Miss Baker. In February, 1885, in response to a petition from the settlers, the mission was proclaimed a Public School district, and, in March, the school virtually ceased, Miss Baker, however, agreeing to continue in the school until the close of the year. In the meantime the rebellion broke out, Miss Baker's house was used as a Hospital for wounded soldiers, and the premises for the stabling of more than sixty horses. After their withdrawal, Miss Baker who was greatly in need of rest, was granted a furlough. A recent communication from her gives us the cheering news that she is greatly improved in health, and that should an opening for work offer, she will respond, saying:

#### "Here am I, send me."

\$600 was estimated for he support of Miss Baker's work this year. In the year 1873, Rev. Geo. Flett, formerly Mr. Nisbet's assistant at Prince Albert, was appointed to labour among the Indians residing near Fort Pelly. Subsequently these Indians were placed on Reserves, and Mr. Flett now has charge of

#### Okanase, Rolling River, and Rossburn

Reserves, supplying six stations with preaching. Mr. Flett speaks in English, French and Cree. He is much from home, visiting and preaching, but Mr. Donald MacVicar, who has charge of the mission school at Okanase, has rendered good service in his absence. Mr. Donald MacVicar with Mr. John Black are now attending Manitoba College; and we look forward, with much hope, to their increased usefulness in the future.

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#### Mr. C. G. Mackay,

teacher at Omee-mee Station (Crowstand), near Fort Pelly, gives us much interesting information about the school, to the support of which our Society contributes the sum of \$350. He represents the children as intelligent, and as anxious to learn as white children. He received

#### Ten Cases of Clothing

for which with his trusty servant "Jack," he was obliged to make two trips to the R.R. station, travelling in all 260 miles by trail, and being absent on the journey twenty-six days. When this clothing was distributed the

#### Chief, Joseph Cote,

received a suit of clothes for himself and two boys, also a jacket for his wife. In return, he has sent to the Society his best Head dress, as an expression of his gratitude.

In the new territory, in the vicinity of Broadview, occupied, in 1884, by the

#### Rev. Hugh Mackay;

there has been much disturbance; but Mr. Mackay who is greatly beloved, exercised a remarkable influence over the excited Indians, and all on the Reserves under his care remained quiet. Shortly after his arrival, Mr. Mackay opened a school, which was closed during the summer, but re-opened with twenty pupils on 1st December, 1885. Mr. Mackay says that the children are easily managed, and make rapid progress in their studies. One boy is spoken of as reading through the first part of the first book in two months, and samples of the children's writing and sewing, well executed have been forwarded. The girls are busy learning to knit, and from the boxes of clothing sent, both boys and girls are comfortably clothed.

#### Twenty-Seven Cases

were addressed to Mr. Mackay, at Broadview, all reported as received in a satisfactory condition. In writing to the President of the Gananoque Auxiliary, Mr. Mackay mentions the little boy so touchingly alluded to in his correspondence of last year, as suffering from the intense cold of a winter's night. He speaks of him as being now the best dressed boy on the Reserve. Since the arrival of the boxes of clothing, which, in one of them, contained a suit specially

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In a letter recently received, Mr. Mackay says; "Last night we had a little party, and the children wore the dresses they have been making lately. They looked so pretty, and were so happy. We sang a number of Cree and English hymns, and you would, I am sure, have enjoyed hearing them sing,

#### 'I am so glad that Jesus loves me.'"

Mr. Mackay goes on to say, that these are the children we have been neglecting; these are the lambs that have been left in the cold and in the storm to perish; and he asks, Are they worth seeking after? Is there anything God-like about them? Have they souls that can never die? Are they to be hunted and shot down like wild beasts? We answer a thousand times, No! Christ died for these. He came to seek and to save the lost. He is now seeking them through our missionaries and through us. Our earnest prayer is, that we may return rejoicing bringing the lost ones with us.

We cannot forbear making another quotation from this most interesting letter, as follows: "The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society has sent us very much this winter; they have clothed many a poor, shivering body; and if they could hear the expressions of gratitude and thankfulness that we have heard, they would never regret that they had engaged in this good work."

#### Rev. Solomon Tunkansuiciye

has charge of the little congregation on the Sioux Reserve, near Birtle (Birdtail Creek), Manitoba. The people are very earnest and devoted. As a proof of this, it is said that family worship is maintained in almost every household. They have built for themselves this year a neat and comfortable place of worship. They formerly worshipped in an old building, so miserable and cold that, in winter, they were obliged to wear, when they had them, an extra blanket or overcoat during service. We are informed that, recently, this congregation took up a collection amounting to the sum of \$38.00 to send the Gospel to the heathen Indians living at Moose Mountain.

#### Mr. J. J. Burgess,

teacher at the Sioux Reserve, appointed 1884, has a most interesting school. The number of pupils is about twenty-four. In summer they come regularly; in winter Mr. Burgess sometimes drives from house to house, teaching them in their homes, as some of them reside from three to four miles distant. Each child attending school daily receives a piece of "hard-tack," which the Indian children regard

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Mr. Burgess writes that the Indians were most thankful for the clothing sent, especially the old people, who for the most part received a warm pair of socks or stockings. One old woman, he tells us, insisted on shaking hands with him at intervals, and upon being told who sent the things, repeated over and over again, "good, good," the only English word she knew. These poor women cut and carry all the firewood in winter, also bring the water from the springs, their only protection against the intense cold being not infrequently a thin print dress, chosen on account of its bright colours, moccasins and a blanket. How our hearts go out in prayerful pity for these poor sisters, and we ask ourselves the question, What makes us to differ? And from thankful hearts the answer comes, The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The Indians on the Reserves, where our Church has missionaries, were all loyal to the Government. A letter from one of the chiefs contains the following message: "We would also like to tell you that should there be any more fighting between our people and the whites we will remain loyal at all costs; we will die with the white side." The rebellion has awakened the Church in some measure to its responsibility in the matter of giving the Gospel, or withholding it, from these "red men of the forest," and arrangements for the placing of additional workers in the field are being made as speedily as possible.

### Miss Rose, of Woodstock,

the daughter of an honoured member of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society there, has offered her services for the North-West, been accepted by the Foreign Mission Committee and appointed teacher of a Mission school on

#### Chief Piapot's Reserve,

about thirty miles from Regina. Miss Rose has had some previous training for this work, having been, for a number of months, teaching an Indian mission school under the supervision of a sister church. She is now sojourning in Regina, waiting for the completion of the mission buildings. The proposed school will we believe include an Industrial Department for the special instruction of little girls. Chief Piapot has held out until recently, both against the overtures of the Government and our missionaries, and therefore the placing of his Indians on Reserves, and the opening of a Mission school, are important points gained. No other white family, except the family of the Farm Instructor, will be within thirty miles of Miss Rose, and she asks, in view of this untried and arduous work, the earnest prayers of the Society. We contribute \$600.00 this year to the support of Miss Rose's work.

The Foreign Mission Committee have other offers before them from Christian ladies in Ontario for the North-West, who have been recommended by our Society. All these ladies may not be needed at present, but it is most cheering for the future of our missionary enterprises in this land to know that so many are willing to leave home and friends, and go forth into these desolate regions only to teach a score or two of ignorant little Indian girls how to read and write, and to tell them of Jesus who loved the little ones.

Hearing, with deep sorrow, of the sudden death, in the midst of a life of more than ordinary usefulness, of the Rev. S. Livingston, Pastor of the Presbyterian church at Broadview, the Board decided

to recommend to the Foreign Mission Committee

#### Mrs. Livingston

as most suitable as a teacher of an Indian mission school. This recommendation was made in view of the expectation that additional schools may be opened almost immediately. Mrs. Livingston's experience, knowledge of the country, and of Indian character and habits, eminently qualify her for this work; and the fact that she is already in the field is an additional advantage. It is prayerfully hoped that, if required by the Foreign Mission Committee, Mrs. Livingston may see her way clear to accept service in this important field of labour. The project of an

#### Industrial School

for Indian children, has been brought under the notice of our Society by one of our Missionaries in the North-West. The plan suggested is that the children be taught, not only the ordinary English branches, but with these, habits of industry, economy, independence, etc. In mentioning this matter it may be well for us to explain that, as a Society, we are auxiliary to the Foreign Mission Committee, and that as such we do not assume the responsibility of deciding upon the advisability of new schemes of work. Our duty is simply to endeavour to raise the funds asked for by the Committee, for mission work among the women and children in the various fields, and most undoubtedly, should the Foreign Mission Committee give us an estimate for an Industrial school, our branches will at once set about raising the money necessary.

#### Mission to China.

In the Report of the Foreign Mission Committee for the year 1869, we find the following recommendation, which was adopted:—
"That China be chosen as a field for a mission to the heathen, and that the Committee in carrying on this mission, be instructed to co-operate with the Missionaries of the Presbyterian Church of England and Ireland." The Report of 1872 calls attention to the establishment, under very hopeful auspices, of a Mission to China, and records the fact that

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sailed on the 1st November, 1871, for this new field, and that after a prosperous voyage he landed at Hong Kong about the end of the month. Mr. Mackay visited several Mission stations, and after spending some time on the Island of Formosa decided to remain there, in the northern part of the island. The population of Formosa, amounting to between three and four millions, is partly Chinese and partly aborigines of Malayan origin. The entrance of the Church on this new department of missionary enterprise, gave a fresh impulse to the zeal and liberality of the members, and larger amounts than ever before were contributed to the

The mission prospered. Persecutions, dangers, difficulties and obstacles only served to attract the natives to this new gospel (the old, old, story). Dr. Mackay's zeal and enthusiasm were undiminished by any of these "light afflictions," and to-day at Tamsui, Formosa, we behold in Oxford College, the Mackay Hospital, the Girls' School and the Mission Churches and buildings, the unmistakable evi-

## Rev. J. R. Fraser, M. D.,

was appointed by the Assembly, and in the autumn of the same year was sent to the assistance of Dr. Mackay. Distressing circumstances, the death of his beloved wife, compelled the return of Dr. Fraser, after but a few years of faithful and acceptable service.

## The Rev. K. F. Junor

was appointed to Formosa in the year 1877. He had charge of the work during Dr. Mackay's absence in Canada, but his health breaking down, he returned to California in 1882, and to Canada in 1883. A few months subsequently, at the request of Dr. Mackay, Rev. John Jamieson was sent to his assistance, and, with Mrs. Jamieson, is at present in the field.

At date of writing last report the Franco-Chinese war was waging, and our missionaries were shut out out from Formosa. The prayers of the Church were offered to God for the restoration of peace, the preservation of the native converts, and the safety of the mission buildings. These prayers were heard and answered, our missionaries were restored in safety to their beloved people, the few churches destroyed, are rapidly being rebuilt, \$10,000 having been granted for this purpose by the Chinese authorities, the trials endured by the native Christians have served but to strengthen their faith, and the result will doubtless be increased blessing and prosperity to the Church in this field.

Dr. Mackay returned to Formosa April 21st, 1885; and later in the season was followed by Mrs. Mackay and Mr. and Mrs.

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seems to be an invaluable helper in the mission. Mrs. Jamieson, in writing of her, says: "I cannot imagine what the mission premises would be without Mrs. Mackay. I find her invariably the centre of a group." The Girls' School has not been opened since the close of the war, but doubtless, when affairs are more settled and the building of the churches completed, the children will be gathered and placed under instruction as heretofore. The sum estimated for the support of the Girl's School this year is \$400. From a letter just received from Dr. Mackay we quote, "I was in the country for three months without coming out. In that time I built three splendid churches. What grand meetings we had every night! I love to see warriors who have gone through the battle-field for Christ. Outwardly they may not be so nice and gentle as others, but oh! the faith, the faith. Christ so real-no hazy, dreamy views, but a loving, soul-clinging, and a living Saviour. Such we had at Sintiam. They stared at me, thanking God for my preservation whilst I gazed on them, yes, poor Chinese women and children, as those who had suffered for Christ and gloried in it. One night I spoke to them for nearly two hours on what Christ had suffered for us. Oh! God forgive me if I did not present it clearly. Tears rolled down many a face; then we sang, "I am not ashamed to own my Lord, or to defend His cause." I wish you could just see for yourselves some of the women so determined, so firm, so full of love to our Redeemer. I can't understand people clinging to this world and not caring for Jesus." A telegram received by Rev. Dr. Wardrope, Convener of the Foreign Mission Committee, a few days ago, from Dr. Mackay, conveys the almost startling intelligence that 1,100 (eleven hundred) persons had been baptized, this, coupled with the fact that at last General Assembly 500 (five hundred) were reported as having thrown away their idols, fills our hearts with praise to God, and encourages us to hope that, at no distant day, Formosa shall be given to Christ our King. Truly the isles shall wait for Him.

Mission to India.

In the report of the Foreign Mission Committee, in the year 1872, there is allusion to the fact that during the year another class of labourers, whose services are found in many parts of the heathen field, especially India, China and Japan, of essential value, had offered for employment by the Church. These labourers were three young ladies, members of Erskine Church, Montreal, who had intimated to the Committee their intention of devoting themselves to Foreign Mission work, and the Assembly was called on to say whether the services of these young women should be rejected. A resolution from Erskine Church urging the Assembly to consider whether arrangements might not be made, without delay, to employ these workers in some of those fields where female labour is so much needed, accompanied the offer of the young ladies. After

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consideration, the General Assembly adopted the following resolution: "That the Assembly hails with much satisfaction the offer of certain young women in Montreal to engage in Foreign Mission work, and instructs the Committee to give them all due encouragement in preparing for this department of Christ's service; to select a field of labour for them, and, as soon as it may be expedient, to send them forth to work in it."

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Miss Rodger and Miss Fairweather entered the Ladies' College at Ottawa, and, after concluding a course of study, sailed in the month of October, 1874, from New York for India. Upon their arrival at Allahabad, their destination, they met with a very cordial welcome from the missionaries of the American Church settled there. When prepared for active service they settled at

#### Mynpooria,

about 750 miles north of Calcutta, on the Ganges. They laboured here for a time most successfully, and in the year 1875 were sent to Rakha, Futtehgurh. Here they found a large field of usefulness, and secured the respect and confidence of their co-workers. Just at this time the attention of the Assembly was called to the

## Province of Indore, Central India,

This field was entirely unoccupied by missionaries, and contained about nine millions of people. It is also remarkable that, at this particular juncture, when India, with its millions of ignorant, neglected and imprisoned women, was opening to our Church, God was moving on the hearts of Christian women, and simultaneously with the holding of the first annual meeting of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, Western Section, in the month of April, 1877, Rev. James Douglass, sent by the Canadian Church, and accompanied by Miss Rodger and Miss Fairweather, established the Canadian Mission at Indore, Central India. In October of same year, Miss McGregor, of Brockville, and Miss Forester, of Dartmouth, Halifax, proceeded to the same field. These ladies, together with the Rev. J. F. Campbell, who had during the year been sent by the Assembly to join Mr. Douglass, constituted a large and influential mission staff. Our missionaries in India have had to contend with difficulties, obstacles, and hostile and bitter opposition; but amid it all the work has prospered, and the Church has now in the field the following large and efficient

Indore.—Rev. J. Wilkie, M.A., Mrs. Wilkie, appointed 1877; Rev. J. Builder, Mrs. Builder, appointed 1883; Miss Rodger, ap-

pointed 1873, went to India in 1874; Miss McGregor, appointed 1877; Miss Ross, appointed 1882; Miss Beatty, M.D., appointed 1884.

Mhow.—Miss Annie Stockbridge, Miss Minnie Stockbridge, Miss Katie Stockbridge, Teachers.

Neemuch.—Rev. W. A. Wilson, Mrs. Wilson, appointed 1884. Rutlam.—Rev J. F. Campbell, Mrs. Campbell (Miss Forrester), appointed 1876. Mr. Campbell laboured most successfully for a number of years in Mhow.

Rev. J. F. Murray, not yet settled at station, engaged with the

study of the language.

It may be interesting to mention that the mission to Indore, India, established nine years ago, was not the first Indian Mission undertaken by the Church. As early as the year 1857, we find that the Canadian Church called and appointed as its missionaries to India the Rev. G. Stevenson of the Presbytery of Sterling, Scotland, and the Rev. J. Laing, D.D., of the Presbytery of Toronto. The Presbytery declined to loose Mr. Laing from his pastoral charge in Scarboro'. Mr. Stevenson, therefore, proceeded alone, and in February, 1857 settled in Rancoorah, in Bengal, about 120 miles from Calcutta. This mission was suddenly broken up owing to the ill-health of Mr. Stevenson and family and the unprotected state of the country, and within the year, by the advice of Dr. Duff, Mr. Stevenson returned to Scotland.

The work of our lady missionaries in India may be classed as follows: Educational, Zenana Visitation, Medical, Miscellaneous; and under these four heads we shall review it. The nature of the work of our lady missionaries in the educational department is well described by Mrs. Wilson in one of her interesting letters: "You have had," writes Mrs. Wilson, "details of the work of our ladies given, and yet, I doubt, if not being on the ground and seeing with your own eyes those labours, you can appreciate them. In a city where the Prince, and, as a matter of course, nearly all the officials are violently opposed to all kinds of Christian mission work, Miss Rodger, Miss McGregor and Miss Ross have opened, and kept open, five schools, where nearly 200 Hindoo and Mohammedan children receive daily instruction from the ladies themselves and from

native teachers employed by them."

#### School Accommodation.

Miss Rodger's new school house is a great advantage. It is a very nice little building, containing three rooms. The other ladies have been labouring under great disadvantages in this respect. Miss Ross' school room is described as a particularly miserable place. It consists of a single very small room, floor and walls of mud, having in the side a little door about four to five feet in height, but not a single window. Between the smoke from an adjoining house and the dust from the street one is nearly stifled, and one is almost inclined to wonder how Miss Ross endures her three or four hours of daily labour in it.

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Six months ago one of the most influential men in the City of Indore offered Miss McGregor a building then in process of erection, and invited her to give directions as to how it should be fitted up for a girls' school, and in December last she took possession of this building with her two girls' schools. The change from the wretched ill-ventilated rooms in which these schools were formerly held to a pleasant house in a good locality is a most delightful one, and a matter of congratulation. Miss McGregor states, that, in order to secure a permanent basis for educational efforts in the city it is very necessary that a building should be purchased for a girls' school, as the present house is only rented, time.

Number of schools under the care of our lady missionaries: Three schools under the supervision of Miss McGregor. Recently, the two girls' schools have been united, forming what is called the Girls' Central School. One of the three schools is attended by boys and girls, and is called a mixed school.

One girls' school under the care of Miss Rodger, one under the supervision of Miss Ross, and two in Mhow, under the care of the

As announced in our last report, the subject of a Girls' Boarding Schools under the direction of Miss Rodger, has been considered by the Foreign Mission Committee, plans and estimates for a building being now before its members. In the meantime, during the absence of Miss Ross at the Hills, thus affording accommodation, three pupils were admitted and placed under instruction. Two of them are daughters of Miss McGregor's Bible woman, who was obliged to leave them at home alone while engaged in her work, the other is the daughter of Rebecca, who was formerly connected with the Mission. Rebecca will pay two rupees monthly for the support of her daughters, and only those who cannot pay will be helped. The Christian congregation, at Indore, is deeply interested in the opening of the school, and have promised, if it is carried on, their Sabbath collection monthly for its support. If approved by the Foreign Mission Committee, it is intended that the Boarding School shall include three departments, viz.:

First, a department for the education of Christian girls, and their preparation for future usefulness. By separating these from home associations, and bringing them up more in harmony with our civilized and Christian ideas, in one generation, as much will be accomplished, as could otherwise be done in three or four.

Second, a department for the education of heathen girls, who may be sent by parents and guardians, for the sake of the instruction given. The blessed results of placing these girls under Christian influence while receiving their education, cannot be over-estimated.

Third, a department for the teaching and care of that sorelytried class, the widows, especially those who have lost their husbands before they had resided with them, and who are too young to have fallen into the grosser forms of sin. These will be taught the means of earning their livelihood. The above account of the work, to be undertaken in the proposed institution, is gleaned from a very interesting letter on the subject received from Mrs. Wilkie, by our Society.

Statistics of Schools.

Number of pupils in Girls' Central School, 169; average attendance during the month of January last, 92. Number of pupils in mixed school, 29; average attendance for the year, 18. Number of Christian books given away in these schools as prizes, 164. The other two girls' schools at Indore, and the schools at Mhow under the charge of Miss A. and Miss M. Stockbridge, are prosperous, but we have not correct statistics of these at hand.

#### Religious Instruction Given.

All these schools are opened and closed with prayer, and at least half an hour is set apart for the study of the Bible and religious instruction. In the mixed school the boys are said to have made good progress in Scripture knowledge, and all are familiar with the parables and Bible stories. The elementary branches of an English education are taught, with knitting, fancy work, etc. The

#### Hindrances

are many. Among others we may mention the closing of the schools during the hot season, Hindoo festivals and marriages, the foolish prejudices of the natives, and the opposition of the authorities. When it is discovered that a certain family is sending to the school in its vicinity, friends will do all they can to discourage, saying, if you send your daughter to a Christian school, she will become bold, proud, and her character will be defamed; or others will say, if your child becomes a Christian, she will be stripped of her clothing, bound to a tree and whipped. These foolish stories have, in the past, caused our ladies considerable trouble; but as the schools and the work accomplished become more widely known, the prejudices of the natives will be overcome.

Our ladies speak of encouragements in this laborious work of

teaching the young.

Opposition is much less decided than in the past; indeed, in some quarters, open approval is expressed. The gentleman who has been so prominent in assisting Miss McGregor in providing a room for the Central School was the leader of the opposition, and two years ago issued the order forbidding Christian work in the City of Indore. His influence has been very beneficial, and the leading men of the city express warmest sympathy with the school work. Shortly after the opening of the Central School, it was visited by several native gentlemen of high official position, who subscribed liberally for prizes for the pupils, and, as mentioned, 164 Christian books were distributed in the school. The following incidents will

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From Mr. Builder we learn that the schools at Mhow are most successful under the care of the Misses Stockbridge.

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#### Zenana Visitation

as formerly, and all time not occupied in the educational work is spent in this department. Much useful assistance is rendered by the Bible women. Miss Ross teaches in the forenoon and visits the houses of the women in the afternoon. Miss Rodger reports that her Zenana work is growing exceedingly interesting now, and she longs for some one with whom she might divide it, as it is impossible for her to do justice to it all herself. Several women in the camp, as well as in the city, have shewn a desire to learn to read, but in all instances these requests cannot be complied with. Our ladies are anxiously expected in the various houses where they teach, and many not only give an outward assent to the truths taught, but they believe them not infrequently, and show a great desire to have the Word read, which is most encouraging.

Statistics of Zenana visitation by Miss McGregor: Number of Bible women employed, two; number of visits made by Bible women during six months, 133; number of women to whom the Scriptures have been read in Zenana visits during six months, 1,065. When we remember God's promise that the Word shall not return unto Him void, we thank Him that a few of our heathen sisters have had the opportunity of hearing the Word of God read. The

#### Medical Mission Work

of Miss Beatty, our medical lady missionary, has opened up most successfully. Naturally Miss Beatty's time is more or less occupied

with the study of the language, but she entered upon the duties of her profession almost immediately, treating the cases through an interpreter. Many of the patients are suffering from chronic diseases and must be treated in their own homes. They are from all classes, from the princess to the pauper, and from Sweepers to Brahmins. Miss Beatty has been most kindly treated wherever she has gone, and in some instances the people express gratitude to God for having sent her to them. The native doctors have also been most kind and considerate. Soon after her arrival Miss Beatty had fully decided to give instruction in domestic medicine and hygiene to a class of native women, but upon consideration this project was abandoned, on account of its interference with the time that should be devoted to the study of Hindi and the treating of patients through an interpreter. Miss Beatty's dispensary was opened in August. and was in a flourishing condition, when she was obliged to fly to the hills for rest and to break up an attack of fever. Upon her return she found the house occupied as a dispensary had been rented, and she was obliged to remove the medicines to a house in the city which is suitable for the work.

In giving statistics of Miss Beatty's work, we quote from a letter received within a few days. "I cannot give more than a guess at the number of patients treated during the year, for I only kept the names of those whom I was sure to have to see a second or more times. Of these there were 158 before Christmas. Since January 1st I have kept a more exact record, probably because I have not been so busy, and I have 95 names down, and more than as many visits made to other houses. I cannot be thankful enough for the success that has been granted me. Truly God has watched over me and my work." Miss Beatty speaks of the great need of additional workers, and looks forward with pleasing anticipations to the coming of Miss Oliver. Miss Oliver has completed her medical studies, passed most creditably, and with honours, the examinations, taken her medical degree, and will most probably sail for India in October next.

Miscellaneous Work.

Under this head we may mention Woman's meetings, visiting of General Hospital, Village work, native Christian Bible classes. Sunday schools, Training classes for women, and the

#### Industrial School

proposed by Mrs. Builder, and mentioned in last report. The intention in establishing such a school was the training of poor widows in sewing and other kinds of needle-work, in order that they might by their own efforts secure a livelihood. Circumstances have delayed indefinitely the completion of this project, but in the meantime, we learn that Mrs. Builder gives instruction to a few of this class in her own bungalow. These have shown themselves proficient in the art of crotcheting, and there is no difficulty in dis-

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## Offers of Service for the Field in India.

Two young ladies in the West are taking a preparatory educational course before entering upon their medical studies, and there are several applications from estimable and devoted young ladies for "doors" open the workers are ready to enter in, and the only "rob God," in "tithes" and "offerings," but cheerfully, willingly, be established.

The latest intelligence from Miss Bell is satisfactory. Her health is improving slowly, but as yet she has no definite plans for the future. Earnest prayer is continually offered for her.

We have heard with gratitude of the safe arrival of Mr. and Mrs Campbell, and Mr. Murray in India, and our prayers will letter just received from Mrs. Campbell, we have many cheering statements relative to the opening up of work among women, in the various towns visited during the season, especially at Jaubua, a from Mhow.

The contents of the box sent by Mrs. Campbell from the Society, has been distributed among the children in the two girls' schools in Mhow, also, the Misses Stockbridge have been supplied with patterns and materials for their Zenana and school work, Mrs. Campbell having retained sufficient for the commencement of work in Rutlam, should the way open for them to settle there.

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Most interesting letters have been received from Mr. Robertson, since their return to the New Hebrides, and Mrs. Robertson expresses herself as most grateful for the box of articles sent by friends through the President of the Society. Our Society and the church in general has been greatly inspirited and instructed by the visit of Rev. J. Annand and Mrs. Annand from the New Hebrides. Mrs. Annand addressed several of the branches of our Society with good results. Mr. Annand has been appointed to the Island of Santo, and they expect to leave shortly for this field.

#### Trinidad.

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We have thus, with rapid hand, sketched the history of our work, its development and progress, especially during the past year, and in doing so, we are impressed with the fact, that the "Woman's work for Woman in Heathen lands" of this nineteenth century, seems to be a fulfilment of the remarkable prediction contained in the 68th Psalm: "The Lord giveth the word; the women who

publish the tidings are a great host."

As a detachment of the "great host" of missionary women, we enter upon a second decade of work with the words of our divine commission, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature," ringing in our ears. Following steadily these our "marching orders," we shall be inspired by the presence of Him, who, with the command gave the promise: "Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." Thus, living, praying, working here, for the conversion of the world, we shall hereafter receive a glorious reward. "Know ye, that he which converteth a sinner from the error of his way, shall save a soul from death, and it shall cover a multitude of sins." "They that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament, and they that turn many to righteousness, as the stars for ever and ever."

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#### HOME SECRETARY'S REPORT.

"Thou shalt remember all the way which the Lord thy God led thee."

It becomes us at this period of our existence as a Woman's Foreign Missionary Society thankfully to acknowledge that guidance in seeking the salvation of women and children of heathen lands and the measure of success vouchsafed to us while aiming at their moral elevation.

The fact of this success ought to animate us and be an incentive to our greater diligence in winning "The world for Christ."

But how much remains yet to be done! Let us try to realize what it means that "One thousand millions of heathen and Mohammedans in the broad road to a hopeless grave are unwarned." Let us believe Romans ii. 12. "For as many as have sinned without law shall also perish without law," and we must still, with humility, own our want of sympathy, wasted opportunities and tardiness to enter every open door.

For the purpose of carrying on this branch of our Lord and Master's work we have to record that greater activity has characterized us; more organizations have been enrolled in this, our tenth year, than during any previous one, and our membership and funds have proportionately increased.

Our working force has been added to by two new Presbyterial Societies—Guelph and Brockville; fifty-six Auxiliaries and twenty-seven Mission Bands, or, an average of seven organizations per month reported since last Annual Meeting.

#### The Presbyterial Societies

now number sixteen, corresponding to the bounds and bearing the names of the Presbyteries in which they exist. Officered by ladies who have intelligently grasped the requirements of their Auxiliaries and Mission Bands they have done faithful and efficient work, as the various details of the reports, and the cheering fact that not one of them has stood still, show.

One of the Presidents speaks for herself and others, as follows:
—"The Lord has given the word 'Go!' and we must hasten to join the company of 'the women who publish it.'" Another, in reference to their Annual Gathering, "It was a warm, interested meeting." One Society, in addition to its Auxiliary in every congregation has now begun to add Mission Bands besides. Another reports fifteen organizations within twelve months, and the zeal of its officers has stimulated many of the members to fresh effort.

Still another, notwithstanding many difficulties common to country districts and suffering through bereavement, has been in-

creased by five Auxiliaries.

The gifts brought into the Lord's treasury have also kept pace with this growth. One instance of the liberality must suffice. A Presbyterial Society which has no city within its bounds, has exceeded its contribution of last year by nearly \$600. In one, only, the amount appears slightly smaller than last year's, but, in reality, the giving is relatively greater, as formerly it was supplemented by other means, while this year it was entirely unaided. In the

#### Auxiliaries

lie the strength of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. To you we look for the effective carrying out of plans really suggested by yourselves, both verbally and through daily correspondence, and thought over and arranged by the Central Board for the benefit of the whole, and we may add, loyally acted upon hitherto. Eighteen Auxiliaries crowned the first year's effort; the present number is 191, an increase of fifty-six over last year,—a quiet, gradual, continuous growth.

That the hearts of many members are interested and their sympathies enlisted, their words and works testify. For example: "When I look back on our beginning, so small, and now see so much interest and so much blessing it is bringing to ourselves, I feel the Lord is blessing us indeed." And from another: "Our membership has not increased much, but the interest in the work has deepened greatly, and we see more the necessity there is that

we should do our part, however."

A Secretary having had to resign, writes: "I did so with deep regret. I like the work, and it has done me a great deal of good."

The experience of another is given thus: "A missionary spirit in any church is always productive of good, do you not think, altogether apart from the help we send to our poor sisters in India?"

Of a Branch which is each year improving the Secretary writes: "Our membership is increasing. I wish I could add the interest is also; but I trust that God will give that blessing, too, if we are

faithful in performing our part."

A Secretary, not forgetting that the mites are needed to carry on this work, writes: "Our anxiety in the matter is not to appear high in the list of contributors, but, knowing the great need of funds, we would like to send all we possibly can this year."

"We love the work more and more," says another, "and some

of us feel we could not do well without it."

For these and many similar testimonies we thank God and take

courage.

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the same grace which keeps the Society as a whole alive, can as easily fan these into a flame, but the means must be used. Do not give up the first meeting. If there are only two or three present you may claim the promise. Without giving up any home duty, or taking money from any other scheme of the Church or charity; but with an effort at a little more self-denial for Christ's sake, who pleased not Himself, and with the belief that your little "shall become a thousand," your mission in this Society is accomplished.

"Be not disheartened at thy little means, Or ask, 'How, Lord, can I do aught to aid?'
Offer thy loaf and God shall multiply To thee and thine the gift of ready love."

In each Presbytery, from Montreal to Winnipeg, we now have one or more Auxiliaries. Six in Ontario yet remain to be organized Presbyterially, but there are indications that in the near future we may hope to have some of them grouped. In comparing our whole number with that of the congregations, however, it will at once be seen that there yet remains a large field unoccupied by our Society.

#### A Most Hopeful Aspect

of our progress lies in the fact that in this tenth year we have had more Mission Bands formed than during the whole previous nine, namely, twenty-seven. One of the older Bands has for the present given up meeting. The total now is fifty.

The suggestive names and mottoes selected by many show that they intend to carry on the work begun by the mothers. From their ranks we may look for workers in this branch of the Lord's vineyard. Let the officers expect and work for great things. In your faithfulness lies the success of the Band, to a great extent, but you have the help of Him-

"Who did not send, But came Himself; Who did not lend,

The organizer of one of the new Bands says: "They subscribe to three magazines, and have, so far, had an original paper at every meeting, so you see what an education that will be. When the rising generation take our place they will not have to learn, as we did, from the beginning."

Of a bright and promising member of one Band, who died, an officer writes: "Her end was full of peace, trusting in Jesus; her last thoughts were for missions, and her earnest wish that her friends

would continue to support that cause."

The desire for missionary literature is greatly on the increase and the leaflets issued by the Board much appreciated. Of one of them, a secretary says: "It is crisp and to the point, and I intend carrying one always in my purse for ammunition." Of another it is said: "It is so timely; send us some more to help in managing and making our meetings interesting."

In asking for a larger supply of the regular Monthly Leaflet, containing the missionaries' letters fresh from the field, such as the following sentiments are often expressed: "Our Society thought that by distributing them it might help to create a little more interest in mission work among the congregation." Another says: "It seems to me an admirable way of increasing the interest felt for our missionaries in foreign fields."

Of the use of our other literature, a secretary puts it thus: "There are so many little things to divert attention to other matters, it needs all the keeping-up one can give it. I find the leaflets are

a great means to that end."

"Offering unto the Lord with thanksgiving" was again made a feature of many of the October meetings, and found to be a time so profitably spent that we hope it shall be continued from year to year. The opening of the envelopes containing texts from God's Word, or sentiments expressing thankfulness and faith, together with the offering—no matter how small—proves of great interest, and blessed was the effect at one meeting when the sum was announced and the members, led by the choir, all rose and sang "Praise God from whom all blessings flow."

The missionaries, Rev. J. Fraser and Mrs. Campbell, are followed by the prayers and good wishes of the Societies visited by them in the early part of the year. The Rev. J. A. and Mrs. Annand enlisted the interest of many hearts in their field of labour. Of Mrs. Annand, a President wrote: "I have never heard a missionary who moved me so much. Yet there was no attempt at creating sympathy, just simple facts she told, but oh such terrible facts! I thanked God that night that He in His providence had called me to take even a little share in this special work of His kingdom."

One outcome of our efforts as a Foreign Mission Society is the question raised in the hearts of a number of our members "Lord, what will Thou have me to do?" And not a few have "heard the voice of the Lord" and have answered "Here am I, send me."

How many memories of friends "gone before" arise! Their works form part of our history and are not lost, but inspiring to us on this tenth anniversary. To our many members who have been called upon to part with loved ones since our last annual gathering, not a few of them, owing to the deplorable uprising in our Northwest, our deep sympathy is offered. We may safely leave them in the hands of Him who "is acquainted with grief." May they be led to "Abide under the shadow of the Almighty."

#### Clothing for North-West Indian Women and Children.

As there was no lack of brave Volunteers to go to the Territories last spring to help in restoring peace, so there was no want of "Willing Workers" in response to a call from the Board in the Autumn to Auxiliaries and Mission Bands for garments to clothe

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The "Eager Helpers" were so abundant in this good work that many societies had to be restrained from giving, and the promise made that they should have the first call on their energies next year, if they then wished it. Every Presbyterial Society was represented in this contribution through seventy of the Auxiliaries and Mission Bands sending over eighty cases and bales, besides the Winnipeg Auxiliary which sent twelve cases.

This ministering to the necessity of the poor Indian is described by the Secretary of a group of contributors in this way; "It was given with great warmth of heart." A Presbyterial Secretary our own souls have been blessed in giving." Providentially placed within easy reach of us, assistance in providing clothing has naturally fallen to our lot, let us therefore, at this juncture wisely endeavour to consider and carry out plans that will permanently benefit a class of whom one of our Secretaries says "these poor neglected ones, who deserve so much and receive so little at our hands." Let us help from the beginning to make them self-reliant. One new feature of this year's giving was the sending of yarn, knitting needles, small pieces of cloth, etc., to enable them to become more self-sustaining by learning some of the arts which help to civilize.

Let the auxiliaries trust to the discretion of the Central Board which receives information from the missionaries on the one hand and from themselves on the other, and which is therefore in a position, and they may depend that the Board will ask them to send in accordance with those needs, so that there shall neither be an overplus nor a want, and let the love of Christ.

plus nor a want, and let the love of Christ constrain us in all we do. This Society is a channel, through which any woman can directly help her perishing heathen sisters. You may have nothing beyond a small membership fee to connect you with us, and that may be given with great self-denial, but your prayers and faith and earnest labours at home will gain other members. This "Missionary Century" is drawing to a close, let each one of us be co-workers with Jesus, and make it a Missionary Century in reality, not in name. "We are debtors to the Greeks and to the Barbarians"; let us pay the debt to the millions who have not the Bible, God's message, in their land, and who cannot hear without the preacher being sent. If we do this diligently and speedily we may expect a blessing in that the natives will take up the work and teach their own neighbours and their own race, as every indication now shows and as every true missionary wishes.

"The work of our hands establish Thou it, O Lord."

KATE C. CAMPBELL, Home Sec. W. F. M. S.

#### PRESBYTERIAL SOCIETY OF BROCKVILLE.

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MRS.	BURNFIELD. Brockville	Rec.	Secretary.
MRS	Dowsley, Prescott	Cor.	Secretary.

The Presbyterial Society in connection with the Brockville Presbytery, held its first meeting in St. John's Church, Brockville, on Tuesday the 2nd instant. About forty ladies present. Devotional exercises, readings on Woman's Work in Missions, discussions on ways and means, how to interest the masses, etc., filled the time. Much interest was manifested and a greater zeal for missions aroused.

A public meeting was held in the evening at which all the members of the Presbytery expressed their sincere desire that God would bless the efforts made by the women of the Church to further this most important branch of Christian work,

The following is a synopsis of Reports from the Auxiliaries-

four in number:

Prescott.—Membership 19. This Society has held its meetings regularly once a month, and they have proved a source of great spiritual blessing to those who have had the privilege of attending. An increased interest is manifested, and the members look forward to a year of marked prosperity. A Mission Band is about to be organized under the auspices of this Auxiliary. Amount contributed, \$93.21—\$48.64 from the Society, and \$44.57 from the Mite Boxes, which were introduced about six months ago. In addition to this a box of clothing, valued at \$70, was sent to Broadview, N. W. T.

MRS. ADAMS,
President.

MRS. STUART,
Treasurer,
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Brockville.—This Auxiliary, formed in May by Mrs. Thorburn, is composed of members of both Presbyterian Churches, began with a membership of ten which has increased to thirty-one. Meet-

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Mrs. GILL,
President.

MRS. R. GILL, Treasurer.

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by Mrs. Thorburn, of Ottawa, and has since enjoyed a very fair amount of prosperity. Membership 65, which includes the two congregations of Spencerville and Ventnor. Contribution, \$32.27. Rev. Geo. Flett, Okanesse, for distribution among the Indians of great cause is manifestly increasing.

MRS. LINNEN.

President.

MISS IMRIE, Treasurer.

Miss Fairbairn, Secretary.

Morrisburg Auxiliary.—Organized November 26th, 1885. Meetings held monthly, and a true missionary spirit manifested. The Meeting "is held in connection with the Society, which is a means of doing much good. Contribution, \$12.34.

MRS. BAYNE,

President.

MRS. FULTAN, Treasurer.

MRS. R. E. GIBSON, Secretary.

Auxiliaries.	Organized,	Membership.	Contribution.
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MRS. BURNFIELD, Secretary Presbyterial Society.

## PRESBYTERIAL SOCIETY OF CHATHAM.

### OFFICERS.

Chatham	. President.
MRS. WALKER, Chatham	1
MRS. WALKER, Chatham	Vice-Presidents
Mrs. Fisher, Chatham Township	( Too I residents,
Mrs. Bruce, Ridgetown. Miss Stone, Chatham Miss McNaughton,	
MISS McNaughton,	

As a Presbyterial Society we have been in existence almost a year and it has been a year of growth. In three of our Auxiliaries regular meetings are not held, but we hope that during the year the difficulties may be overcome and the work go on. We held our annual meeting during the session of Presbytery, and as the ministers seemed so hearty and unanimous in wishing us "God-speed," we look for great results this year.

Bothwell.—Regrets to report that no meetings have been held this year. It is thought advisable not to re-organize at present owing to the unsettled state of the congregation-being without a pastor. There are still a few who feel their personal responsibility and contribute \$14.00.

MRS. WM. LAUGHTON, Secretary.

Chatham .- Has forty-three members. Amount contributed, \$116.00. We are thankful to report that this Society still continues to prosper.

MISS E. L. HOIG, MRS. MCKAY. MRS. COOPER, Secretary. Treasurer. President.

Knox Church, Chatham Township.—Has a small membership, and contributes \$5. Being in the country regular meetings are not held, but the leaflets are passed from one family to another.

(MISS) R. ROBINSON, Secretary.

Comber.—Twelve members. \$2.00. Organized so recently, sends no report. Meetings not held, but as soon as a pastor is called they hope to go on with the work.

MRS. ROY AINSLIE, MRS. GEORGE AINSLIE, Secretary. President.

MRS. McALISTER, Treasurer.

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Chatham ..... Chatham Townshi Comber..... Harwich ..... Thamesville.... Mission Band. Cha Harwich.—Has fifteen members. Amount contributed, \$35.00. We are truly thankful that this new Auxiliary is in such a prosperous condition.

MRS. BENTLY, MISS McTAGGERT, MISS WADDELL,

Treasurer. Secretary.

Thamesville.—Just organized.

Mrs. Becket, President. Miss Maggie Ferguson, Treasurer. (Miss) Helen K. McFarlane, Secretary.

A Mission Band just organized in First Presbyterian Church, Chatham; the first in this Presbytery.

NAME.	Date of Organization.	Membership.	Members of Gener'l Society.	Life Members.	Last Year's Contribution.	This Year's Contribution.
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# PRESBYTERIAL SOCIETY OF GLENGARRY.

ORGANIZED AUGUST 9TH, 1883.

### OFFICERS.

Mrs. C. C. A. Fraser	.President.
Mps MacLaurin	Vice-Presidents.
MISS DINGWALL	Recording Secretary.
MRS. MACNISH	
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Our Foreign Secretary was pleased one time to give to this Presbyterial Society a designation suggestive of distinction or leadership, and although we fully appreciated the generous impulse that prompted her to do so, we own that it also produced a feeling of uneasiness lest we might fail in sustaining the position. There is, no doubt, much comfort in lying low, as John Bunyan says we then "need fear no fall." But with our faith looking to Him whom we seek to serve we ought to have nothing to fear in the way of duty, but do our utmost and leave the result to Him.

There have been a few changes amongst us, though probably

not more than our sister societies have experienced.

Since giving in our last report one Auxiliary and one Mission Band have been added. There are still four congregations within the bounds of this Presbytery in which there are no Auxiliaries

We are very much encouraged by expressions of Christian zeal, and love, and patient hopefulness from all our Auxiliaries, and feel assured that the interests of the Woman's Foreign Mission have taken a permanent hold on the sympathies of the Christian people of this community.

The following is an abstract of the various reports:-

Avonmore.—Contribution, \$42.00. Membership, fifteen. Members of General Society, ten.

MRS. H. WERT, Secretary. MRS DUNCAN MACDERMID, President. MRS. WM. CAMPBELL, Treasurer.

Cornwall.—Membership, thirty-four. Members of General So ciety, four. Contribution, \$79.26. Sent a box of valuable clothing to the North-west.

MRS. C. J. MATTICE, MRS. J. P. WATSON, MRS. BINNIE, Secretary Treasurer. President.

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MRS. CALDER, MRS. A. McLean, MRS. D. SANGSTER,

President. Treasurer. Secretary

Glen Gordon.—Membership, twenty-eight. Members of General Society, twenty-three. Contribution, \$71.00, with prayer.

MRS, D. J. MACLENNAN, President. MRS, Lto. France.

MRS, D. J. WIACLENNAN, President. MRS. JAS. FRASER, Secretary.
MRS. JAS. WIGHTMAN, Treasurer.

Kenyon.—Membership, sixty-two. Members of General Society, seventeen. Contribution, \$74.00. Missionary zeal and interest schools, valued at \$28.00.

Mrs. F. A. MacLennan, Mrs. Wells, Mrs. R. Mackenzie,

President. Treasurer. Secretary.

Vankleek Hill.—Sent two boxes of clothing and other articles to the North-west and India, valued at \$35.00 and \$10.00, respectively, Members of General Society, nine. Contribution, \$81.00.

Mrs. Ferguson, (Miss) C. McLeod, (Miss) J. MacIntosh,
President. Treasurer. Secretary

Williamstown.—Membership, twenty-four. Members of General Society, ten. Contribution, \$44.00. All members are zealous.

MRS. MACLAURIN,

President.

(MISS) FLORA FERGUSON,

President. Secretary. (MISS) KATE DINGWALL. Treasurer.

South Finch.—Membership, ten. Members of General Society, eight. Contribution, \$18.75.

Mrs. H. McLean, Mrs. P. McLean, Mrs. N. J. Bush,

President Treasurer. Secretary.

Roxborough.—Membership, twelve. All members of General Society. Contribution, \$63.00. We regret to record a decrease of members, of funds, and of regular meetings. Sent a box of clothing to North-west, valued at \$50.00.

President. MRS. D. B. MACRAE,
MRS. D. D. McIntyre. Treasurer.

Secretary.

Lochiel.—Membership, seventy-three. Members of General Society, eighteen. Contribution, \$74.00. Sent a valuable box of Clothing to North-west.

Mrs. W. Ferguson

President.
(MISS) KATE MACMILLAN,
Secretary.
(MISS) KATE J. McGILLIVRAY, Treasurer.

North Branch.—Membership, eighteen. All are members of General Society. Contribution, \$30.00. We have organized a sewing circle and hope for larger results next time.

MRS. WAITE, (MISS) K. E. MACGREGOR, Secretary.

President.
MRS. D. H. MACDOUGALL, Treasurer.

King's Road.—Membership, twenty-four. Members of General Society, fifteen. Contribution, \$69.00. There has been growth in sisterly fellowship during the year.

MRS. D. W. MUNROE,

President.

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Mrs. P. McGregor, Treasurer.

Glen Sandfield and East Hawkesbury.—Membership, eighteen. Contribution, \$26.00.

MRS. G. A. SMITH, (MISS) MARY ANNE McDougall, Secretary.

MRS. A. SMITH, Treasurer.

East Lancaster.—Membership, thirteen. Members of General Society, ten. Contribution \$23.00. A zealous and hopeful little Society.

MRS. GEO. DUNN, MRS. WM. CURRY, MRS. ROBT. BAKER,

President. Treasurer. Secretary.

Indian Lands.—Membership, forty-six. All are members of General Society. Contribution, \$137.25. Sent a box of clothing to N.-W. Missions, valued at \$50.00, also a parcel of work material to India.

MRS. P. MACNAUGHTON,

President.

MRS. C. C. A. FRASER,

Secretary.

MRS. ROBT. McGREGOR, Treasurer.

Woodlands.—At present not holding meetings, but expects to resume shortly.

### MISSION BANDS.

Dalkeith.—"Faithful Friends" Mission Band.—Membership, fourteen. Contribution, \$20,00. A Society giving promise of much usefulness.

MRS. ROBERTSON, (MISS) FLORA MACCUAIG, Secretary.

(MISS) KATE McIntosh, Treasurer.

Avonmore.—" Workers for Jesus."—Membership, eighteen. Contribution, \$21.50.

(MISS) NELLIE BROWNELL, (MISS) TINA MACLENNAN, Secretary.

(MISS) GRACE McClerety, Treasurer.

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MRS. JAMES MACMASTER, President.

St. Elmo Mission Band of "Willing Workers."—Contribution,

(Miss) Minnie G. Fraser, Mrs. C. C. A. Fraser, President. Secretary.

(Miss) Kate McGregor, Treasurer.

Maxville Mission Band.—Contribution, \$5.00.

(MISS) MINNIE G. FRASER, President.

(Miss) Flora MacRae, Secretary-Treasurer.

"Faithful Workers," S. Finch, and Tayside Mission Bands have not reported this year.

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MRS. F. A. MACLENNAN, Secretary Presbyterial Society.

### PRESBYTERIAL SOCIETY OF GUELPH.

ORGANIZED MAY 19TH, 1885.

#### OFFICERS.

MRS.	SMELLIE, Fergus	President.
MRS.	WARDROPE, Guelph	
MRS.	WARDROPE, Guelph	Vice-Presidents.
Mpc	DPAINIE Fergus	
MRS.	D. McCrae, Guelph	. Secretary.
Miss	HELEN CANT, Galt	. Treasurer.

This Society was organized by Mrs. Harvie, at a meeting held in St. Andrew's Church, Guelph, for that purpose, May 19th, 1885, the sanction of the Presbytery having first been obtained. At that date three Auxiliaries were in existence, Melville Church, Fergus, Knox Church, Galt, and the Guelph Auxiliary. Since then, the following Societies have been organized: Erin, Belwood, St. Andrew's, Fergus, Berlin, and Eramosa, and two Mission Bands—Belwood (Second Congregation), and "Willing Workers," Melville Church, Fergus,—a total of eight Auxiliaries, with a membership of 327, and two Mission Bands, with thirty-nine.

The contributions amounted to \$469.72. Of this \$35.45 was a donation from the ladies of Campbellville not yet connected with us as a Society, and \$5 from the Ladies' Aid Society of Hillsburg. Seven bales of clothing were sent to the North-West in October. Some of our Societies enjoyed a very pleasant visit from Mr. and Mrs. Annand in November. They carry with them our warm regards.

Communication has been opened up with other congregations with a view to organization but so far without direct result; while our encouragements have been many the hindrances to our work seem to be chiefly Church debt, and a dread of interference with the Schemes of the Church. We earnestly urge that in making this special work known to every Christian woman (even where there is a struggle to maintain ordinances) we are seeking the highest prosperity of these Churches, and raising an interest that, we are assured, will rather help than hinder contributions to the Schemes of the Church.

We are grateful for a measure of success, and the kindly encouragement given by members of Presbytery to our Society since its formation.

The reports of the Auxiliaries are as follows:

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MRS. J. K. SMITH Presid. Belwood.—St. John's Church. Organized with seven members, increased to eighteen. So newly formed we have little to report, except that monthly meetings are held, and a fair interest taken.

Mrs. Millican,
President.

Mrs. Loree,
Treasurer.

Mrs. Jas. McDonald,
Secretary.

Berlin.—Our membership has increased from ten to twenty-six, and monthly meetings becoming most interesting. The missionary future.

We thank God, and take courage for the

Mrs. Tait,
President.

Miss Gibson,
Treasurer.

Miss Chalmers,
Secretary.

Erin.—Burns Church reports that monthly meetings are well attended, and interest in the work increasing. Membership, eighteen. Contributions for four months, \$25.00.

Mrs. Fowlie,
President.

Mrs. R. Wood,
Treasurer.

(Miss) Martha Young,
Secretary.

Eramosa reports organization with five members one month ago abound. We prayerfully hope its prosperity may

President.

MISS J. SCOTT,
Treasurer.

(MISS) REBECCA SCOTT,
Secretary.

Fergus.—Melville Church reports a growing appreciation of privileges and responsibilities, and increased membership—sixty-urer removed, and Miss Cattenach, a valued worker, gone to a better home, "even an heavenly."

Mrs. Smellie,
President.

Miss Wilkie,
Treasurer.

Miss Smellie,
Secretary.

Fergus.—St. Andrew's. Our membership has increased from eight to nineteen. Our Society holds monthly meetings. Contributions for three months \$31.00.

MRS. MULLAN,
President.

MISS CADENHEAD,
Treasurer.

MRS. R. M. Boswell,
Secretary.

Galt.—Knox Church Auxiliary has been a Missionary Association for thirty years. Membership thirty. Contributions \$80.70. Our rule is direct giving, without any entertainments. Three boxes of clothing were sent to the North-West. Mrs. Graham's, Bible Class, Auxiliary to this Society, with twenty-four members, contributes \$20.00.

MRS. J. K. SMITH,
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Guelph.—One hundred and sixteen members. Of these fortytwo have taken part in devotional exercises, reading letters or preparing papers. Four large bales of clothing sent to the North-West in October. Envelope contributions from March till November, \$111.57. In our Union Society unity and good will have prevailed. MRS. D. MCCRAE. MISS L. MICKLE, MRS. WARDROPE, Treasurer.

President.

Secretary.

### MISSION BANDS.

Belwood Mission Band, Second Congregation, with fourteen members-four at first. Meets occasionally. Good interest among members. Contribution, \$6.00.

MRS. LOUTIT, President.

MRS. McGREGOR, Treasurer. MRS. R. HANNA, Secretary.

Willing Workers, Fergus, Melville Church. Organized by their President in October. Twenty-five members all under fifteen; meet fortnightly, each one to save or earn five cent per month at least. Contribution, \$4.00.

MISS SMELLIE,

(MISS) STETTA DRAINIE,

Secretary.

President. (MISS) BEATRICE HEWETSON, Treasurer.

Name of Society.	Date of Organization.	Members.	Gener'l Society.	Life Members.	Last Year's Contributions.	This Year's Contributions.
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Campbellsville						\$35 45 5 00
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MRS. D. McRAE, Secretary Presbyterial Society. PRE

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PRESBYTERIAL SOCIETY OF HAMILTON.

ORGANIZED SEPTEMBER, 1882.

### OFFICERS.

MRS. JAMES STEELE, Greensville...........President.
MRS. LYLE, MRS. MALLOCH and the Presidents of
Auxiliaries...........Vice-Presidents.
MRS. ROBERT GRANT, Hamilton........Secretary.
MISS CLARK, Hamilton..........Treasurer.

It is with feelings of devout gratitude that we report some progress this year. Waterdown was visited by invitation in July, the Auxiliary re-organized, officers appointed, and, as their reports show, their efforts are being crowned with success Flamboro' was organized in October and Kirkwall Auxiliary in December; from both we expect large results. Lynedoch, organized in January, is likely not to prove our least valuable Auxiliary. There have also been two Mission Bands formed—the "Little Lamp-Bearers," a juvenile Band in connection with MacNab Street Church, Hamilton, and the "Co-Workers" in Erskine Church, Hamilton.

In the month of September boxes of clothing were prepared and sent to the Indians of the North-West by the following Auxiliaries: Burlington, Caledonia, Carluke, Dundas, Hamilton, and St. Catharines, and by "Formosa's Helpers" Mission Band. The value of these amounted to over \$300.

In October Mrs. Annand, of Aneiteum, was with us, and her quiet, earnest words, and the amount of information she gave, must have quickened the interest of all who heard her.

Mite boxes have been used in all our Mission Bands, and in some of our Auxiliaries, with good results. In one Auxiliary the contribution has more than doubled owing to this means. We are glad to notice that there is an increase this year in nearly all the contributions, and where there is an apparent decrease it can be satisfactorily explained. Hamilton Auxiliary shows a decrease of \$48; but when we remember that it had two life-membership fees added last year, we see that the ordinary contributions have slightly increased, though very slightly. "Formosa's Helpers," too, send only \$80 this year, as against \$100 last year; but this Band prepared and sent a box of new clothing to the Indians, valued at \$30, so that their real contribution this year is \$110. Our new

Auxiliaries were formed so lately that we may regard their contributions this year as only an earnest of what we may expect in the future. Our total contribution this year is \$1,224.86, \$140.49 more than last year. We have 252 members in our Auxiliaries and 209 in our Mission Bands, 79 of whom are members of the General Society.

M. GRANT, Secretary.

The following are extracts from the reports of Auxiliaries and Mission Bands:—

Ancaster.—Have held no meetings since May, and deem it advisable not to re-organize at present. Contribution this year, \$11.75.

Burlington.—We have pleasure in reporting steady progress in the good work of missions. The monthly meetings have been fairly attended, and the greatest interest taken in the missionary intelligence. Membership, seventeen. Contribution, \$37.

Mrs. Abraham, Mrs. Kerns, Mrs. H. Bastedo, Secretary

Caledonia.—We can thank God that the monthly meetings have been blessed to us, and hope that in the coming year we may be more zealous in winning the world for Christ. Membership, twenty. Contribution, \$41.50.

(Miss) M. Ferrier, (Miss) A. Walker, Mrs. L. M. Forbes, President. Treasurer. Secretary.

Carluke.—Our missionary meetings are held in connection with the Ladies' Prayer Meeting, which we find helpful. Membership, thirty-eight. Contribution, \$81.68.

MRS. WM. RENTON, (MISS) LILLIE B. FORTUNE,

President.. Secretary.

(MISS) ANNIE S. CALDER, Treasurer.

Dufferin.—Meetings were held as regularly as possible every two months. We are happy to say the interest in this good work is rapidly increasing amongst us, and we trust it will go on until we feel constrained by love to the Master to give hundreds where we now give tens. Membership, twenty. Contribution, \$78.45.

MRS. EDINGTON, President, MRS. J. MURRAY, Treasurer. (MISS) LIBBIE MURRAY, Secretary.

Dundas.—Monthly meetings held regularly. Reports satisfactory, though we hope to do better during the ensuing year. Membership, thirteen. Contribution, \$72.50.

Mrs. Steele, Mrs. R. T. Wilson, (Miss) E. B. McKenzie, President. Treasurer. Secretary.

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Flamboro'.-This Auxiliary was only formed in October, and therefore has not much to report. Meetings are held monthly, and the interest seems to be increasing. Membership, fourteen. Contribution for three months, \$8.65.

MRS. FISHER, (MISS) SANDERSON, (MISS) JESSIE WEIR, President. Treasurer. Secretary.

Hamilton.-Meetings held regularly except during the monrhs of July and August; and although the attendance is not so large as we could wish, we have some earnest workers. Membership, fifty-

MRS. JAS. WATSON, MRS. MARY B. MCQUESTEN, President. Secretary.

MRS. W. WOODS, Treasurer.

Kirkwall.—This Auxiliary was formed in December. Only one meeting has been held, which was very successful, and all seemed interested. Membership, twenty-four. Contribution for one month,

MRS. CARRUTHERS, MISS GRAY, (MISS) J. ROBERTSON, President. Treasurer. Secretary.

Lynedoch.—Organized in January, consequently no report. Membership, nine.

MRS. JOHN CHARLTON, (MISS) M. CHARLTON, President. Secretary. MRS. J. C. WILLS, Treasurer.

St. Catharines.-If we have made no special progress, we are thankful there has been no falling back. Meetings have been held regularly, except during July and August. In September a box of clothing was sent to Broadview. In that month, also, we had a visit from Miss Macpherson, who spoke of what the efforts of Christian women may accomplish. Membership, twenty five. Con-

MRS. R. LAURIE, MRS. CURRIE, MRS. E. BURSON, President. Treasurer. Secretary.

Waterdown.-Re-organized in July. Members are working with increased zeal, and hope by God's blessing to accomplish something for Him. Membership, seventeen. Contribution for six months,

MRS. E. ROBSON, MRS. T. LITTLE, Mrs. A. J. Robson, President. Treasurer. Secretary.

#### MISSION BANDS.

"Co-workers," Erskine Church, Hamilton.—Organized in January. No report this year. Membership, sixteen.

Mrs. Smellie, Miss Hall. Miss Young, Secretary.

"Formosa's Helpers," Knox Church, Hamilton.—Have held meetings regularly during the year. In the summer a box of new clothing, valued at \$30, was prepared and sent to the Indians of the North-West. Membership, nineteen. Contribution, \$80.

MRS. M. FRAZER, (MISS) JEAN MCINTYRE, Secretary.

(MISS) ANNIE MITCHELL, Treasurer.

"Friends of India," MacNab Street, Church, Hamilton.—The interest seems to be increasing. Meetings have been held regularly, except during the summer months, and the attendance has been good. We greatly enjoyed a visit from Mrs. Annand in October, who gave us much information regarding the New Hebrides. Membership, thirty-five. Contribution, \$155.

Mrs. Fletcher, President. Miss Alexander, Treasurer. (Miss) J. Henderson, Secretary.

"Helping Hands," Central Church, Hamilton.—It is with pleasure we report increased interest in our work during the past year. Our funds were raised by weekly meetings, lectures, and mite boxes. We devote our contributions to Foreign Missions, feeling thankful that, even in a small measure, we are helping to send the Gospel to those who are in darkness. Membership, sixty. Contribution, \$180.

MISS McIlwraith, (MISS) M. Horn, (MISS) J. L. Troup,

President. Treasurer. Secretary.

"Home Circle," St, Paul's Church, Hamilton.—Membership has increased this year, and also the contributions. Membership, twenty-eight. Contribution, \$108.37.

Mrs. Jas. Watson, Miss McLaren, (Miss) E. Dickson, Secretary.

Juvenile Band, St. Paul's Church, Hamilton.—In March last we held a concert and sale of work, by which we realized the contribution of \$50 that we send annually to aid Miss Rodger in the support of her school. We greatly enjoy reading the monthly letters. We are sorry that our numbers are not larger; but as there are so few we must work the harder, and trust that our

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President and Treasurer (MISS) MADELINE BELL,

"Little Lamp-Bearers," McNab Street Church, Hamilton.—At a sale held in December \$40 was realized, which we gladly send to help to dispel the darkness in heathen lands. Membership, thirty-Miss Turner. (Mrss) Provided

MISS TURNER, (MISS) BELLA GILLIES, (MISS) M. HARVEY, Secretary.

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MRS. ROBERT GRANT, Secretary Presbyterial Society.

### PRESBYTERIAL SOCIETY OF HURON.

ORGANIZED MARCH 10TH, 1885.

#### OFFICERS.

MRS. T. FAIR, Clinton	. President.
Mrs. I. Park, Collection	Wine Dresidents
MRS. URE, Goderich	vice-Presidents.
MRS. S. G. McCaughey, Seaforth	.Treasurer.
MISS J. ANDERSON, Seaforth	. Secretary.
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This Society was organized on the above date by Mrs. Gregg, of Toronto, and comprised four Auxiliaries. We feel that we have reason for thankfulness in that we are able to record two additions since that time, viz., Thames Road and Blyth. Two meetings have been held by the Society since its formation. The first in September, at Brucefield, but owing to the inclemency of the weather few of the Auxiliaries were represented; the second in March, 1886, at Seaforth, with a good attendance, and encouraging reports from all the Auxiliaries.

The following is a synopsis of the various reports:—

Blyth Auxiliary.—Our Society was organized in December, 1885, but circumstances conspired to hinder its getting into good working order; our number of members is therefore small, and our contributions also small, but in another year we hope to do better. Membership, thirteen, Contribution, \$7.

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MRS. McLean, MRS. Sloan, MRS. Curtis, Secretary.

Brucefield "Union Church" Auxiliary.—Am sorry to say our membership is not so large as last year, still our meetings have been very pleasant and instructive, Missionary letters received and read with great interest. Membership, seventeen. Contributions, \$43.

Mrs. Landsborough, Mrs. G. Baird, Jr., Secretary.

MRS. P. McGREGOR, Treasurer.

Clinton Auxiliary.—Our average attendance at meetings is ten; those who do come enjoy the meetings, especially the letters, but we do not seem to gain any new members. It seems very hard to interest people in missionary work. Our money has been raised entirely by monthly collections. Membership, eighteen. Contributions, \$108.

MRS. A. STEWART, President.

MRS. R. IRWIN, Sec.-Treas.

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Goderich Auxiliary.—The number of members is fifty-two. The membership has increased during the year, especially that of the General Society. Contributions, \$45.25.

MRS. URE, (MISS) M. FRASER, (MISS) BESSIE MACKAY, President. Treasurer. Secretary.

Seaforth Auxiliary. - We are thankful to be able to report that our Society continues to prosper, and that our membership is on the increase, although it has pleased our Heavenly Father to afflict us severely during the past year. This Auxiliary has sustained a great loss in the removal by death of two of its earliest, most faithful members and zealous workers for the spread of the Gospel among the women in heathen lands, viz.: Mrs. J. Nichol and Mrs. D. D. Wilson, both of whom will long be remembered with feelings

Meetings held regularly with varying attendance. We have twenty-two members as against fifteen last year. Contributions,

MRS. A. D. McDonald,

(MISS) J. ANDERSON, Secretary.

MRS. McCAUGHEY, Treasurer.

Thames Road Auxiliary.—This Society was organized in July. Number of members, eighteen. Contributions, \$38.50. Next year with a full year ahead of us we will try and do better. In a country district it is almost impossible to have a large membership, but we feel as if we have had very reasonable success. MRS. FLETCHER,

President.

MRS. B. MADGE, Treasurer.

MRS. FLETCHER, Secretary, pro tem.

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## PRESBYTERIAL SOCIETY OF KINGSTON.

### OFFICERS.

MRS. DICKSON, Kingston	.President.
MRS. DICKSON, Kingston	1st Vice-President
MRS. DICKSON, Kingston MRS. McLean, Belleville MRS. Byers, Gananoque	and Vice President.
Mrs. Byers, Gananoque	and Vice-President
MRS. MILNE, Stirling	
MRS. MOWAT, Kingston	Treasurer
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The Kingston Presbyterial Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, in summing up the results of the year's work, desires to thank God

and take courage. An advance can be reported nearly all along the line, indicated by the formation of four new Auxiliaries, the reorganization of two old ones, and three Mission Bands, the increased interest mentioned by secretaries, and the larger contributions acknowledged by

The Society now numbers fifteen Auxiliaries, an abstract of treasurers.

whose proceedings is given in this report.

In addition to the money collected, five boxes of clothing have been sent to the Indians in the North-West, valued at \$94, viz, from Picton, two boxes, \$40; Gananoque, one box, \$30; Stirling, one box, \$20; Amherst Island, one box, \$4. The receipt of these timely contributions has been gratefully acknowledged by our Missionaries at Fort Pelley and Broadview.

A box of useful and fancy articles, including a shawl for Lakshmabai, the Hindoo helper at Mhow, was also made up by the Kingston, Gananoque, and Picton Auxiliaries, and sent to India by

Mrs. Fraser Campbell.

The Society had the privilege during the year of being addressed by the Rev. J. F. and Mrs. Campbell and the Rev. J. A. and Mrs. Annand regarding their work in Central India and the far off isles of the sea; also by Mrs. Harvie, of Toronto, whose works of faith and labours of love are fittingly referred to in the reports of three of the Auxiliaries.

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Earnestly invoking the Divine blessing on what has been done and forgiveness for all that has been omitted, and trusting that a new year may find us more faithful in occupying the "very much land yet to be possessed," this report is respectfully submitted.

E. MOWAT, A. E. DICKSON, Secretaries.

Secretary.

Amherst Island.—Meetings can not be held regularly. Missionary intelligence circulated, however. A box of articles sent to the North-West. Number of members thirteen, twelve of whom are members of the General Society; five of these have but recently joined. Amount contributed, \$8; an advance of \$2 upon last year.

MISS WRIGHT, (MISS) E. SPEIRS, President. Treasurer. Secretary.

St. Andrew's Church, Belleville.—Organized Nov. 11, 1885. First meeting held December; therefore very little to report. Monthly meetings are held on the first Thursday of the month in the evening. Two members are appointed to collect missionary intelligence, which adds greatly to the interest of the meetings. Number of members, 24. Contributed for the four months, \$22. MRS. MACLEAN.

MRS. LYONS BIGGAR, President. (MISS) C. URQUHART, Treasurer.

John Street Church, Belleville.—This Auxiliary was organized in March, 1883. Number of members is nineteen, all of whom are members of the General Society. The amount contributed during the year is \$87, being an advance of \$2 over last year.

MRS. A. G. NORTHRUP. MRS. TANNAHILL, President. Secretary.

MRS. WM. PONTON, Treasurer.

Labourers of Love Mission Band, Belleville.—This Mission Band was organized July 12, 1877. Membership at the present time, March, 1886, 19. Amount contributed this year, \$115. MRS. RITCHIE.

(MISS) BELLE FORIN. President. Sec .- Treas.

Deseronto.—This Society having been requested by the Managing Board of the Church to collect all the money for the schemes of the Church, has not been idle, though unable to make any advance on the sum contributed last year to the W.F.M.S., \$15. MRS. R. GEDDES,

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MRS. STEWART, President. MISS F. SHIBLEY, Sec.-Treas.

Gananoque.—The membership is twenty-eight, twenty-two of whom are members of the General Society. Regular Monthly meetings are held, at which the missionary leaflets, etc., are read. Addresses were delivered during the year by Rev. J. F. and Mrs. Campbell, also by Mrs. Harvie. Sent a box to India by Mrs. Campbell, also one to the North-West. Contribution for 1885, \$36—an advance of \$12 on that of last year.

MRS. W. BYERS,
President.

MRS. HAIG,
Treasurer.

MRS. MATTHEW,
Secretary.

MISS MACDONALD, Assistant Secretary.

Juvenile Mission Band, Gananoque.—Organized in connection with St. Andrew's Sunday School in March, 1885, by Mrs. Byers. Ten minutes before closing exercises are allotted to instructing the children about the various mission fields of the Church, the instruction being given in catechetical form. All the money given by the children is wholly their own, saved by exercising self-denial, or earned. A complete outfit was sent by this Mission Band—shirt, suit, toque, stockings, mittens—to the little Indian boy so pathetically described by Mr. H. McKay, of Broadview. The money raised beyond the cost of this suit was paid to Gananoque Auxiliary.

Thousand Island Mission Band, Gananoque.—Organized with the assistance of Mrs. Harvie, Toronto, in May, 1885, has had twenty-two meetings in the seven months, weekly evening meetings having been held during part of the time. Twenty-five members on the roll. A garden party was held in July, an "olde tyme" tea, and a parlour tea in December, all of them accompanied by sales of work. Amount realized in all, \$102, of which \$90 were sent to the Treasurer of the W. F. M. S., Kingston. A boxof work was also sent by this Mission Band to India.

Mrs. Gillies, Miss Bews, (Miss) B. McKenzie, Secretary.

Kingston.—This Society was first organized as an Auxiliary January, 1886, its affairs having been before carried on in connection with those of the Presbyterial Society. It is composed of members of the three Congregations, has 118 members, three of whom are life members, and sixty-one members of the General Society. Contributions for 1885 (including a thank-offering service held in October), \$195.73.

MRS. HAMILTON, MISS MARSHALL, MRS. MOWAT,
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Young People's Mission rry Association, Kingston.—Organized under the name of the Olive Branch Mission Band in 1878, has held semimonthly meetings during the winter months for sewing and the transaction of business. Number of members on the roll, twentyfour, two of whom are members of the General Society. Contributed to W. F. M. S., \$30, part of which was a thank-offering held

MRS. MARSHALL, MISS FOWLER, (MISS) E. L. MOWAT, President. Treasurer. Secretary.

(MISS) ROBERTSON, Rec. Secretary.

Picton.—This Auxiliary was organized by Miss Machar, Kingston, in November, 1884, and now reports for the first time. Monthly meetings are held. There are thirty-five members on the roll, twenty-three of whom are members of the General Society. \$44.65 have been raised, \$10 of which was a special gift for Mrs. J. F. Campbell to be spent in taking magazines for the Mission staff at Mhow, etc. In addition to this two boxes of clothes, valued at \$40, were sent to the Indian reserves in the North-West, and one box of Christmas cards, patterns, etc., was sent to India.

MRS. GILLESPIE. I. MACKENZIE, MISS GAVINE, President. MRS. T. W. Ross, Treasurer. Secretaries.

Sarling.—This Auxiliary was organized on the 10th of April, Although we existed prior to this date, we had but a "name to live, but were dead." A President, Secretary, and Treasurer were appointed, also two collectors, whose duty it was to collect the amounts promised monthly. Each of these officers faithfully performed her duty, hence the result, as will be seen by Treasurer's report. A committee of four was also appointed, whose duty it was to collect missionary intelligence, either from members or otherwise, prepare a programme for our monthly meeting, and apportion to the members in turn the article they were expected to read. We held our meetings on the first Thursday of each month. Two things have greatly added to the interest of our meetings-first, the faithfulness of our collectors, and, second, the desire of each member to bring some missionary intelligence to the Committee which would interest the whole Band. By the first, a forcible reminder was given to each member that a meeting would be held on the first Thursday of the month, and that they were expected to attend, and by the second there was a cultivation of a deep interest in mission work. A box of clothing was sent to the North-West. There are nineteen members of the General Society.

MRS. JUDD, President.

MISS JUDD, Treasurer.

MRS. MILNE, Secretary. Sunbury.—Five members; three of General Society. Contributed, \$8.25.

Lansdowne Auxiliary.—Recently formed.

MRS. MILLARD,
President.

MRS. A. BEATTY,
Treasurer.

MISS BEATTY,
Secretary.

Fairfax Mission Band.—Recently organized.

MISS COCHRANE,

MR

President.

Mrs. Donevan. Sec.-Treasurer.

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# PRESBYTERIAL SOCIETY OF LANARK AND RENFREW.

#### OFFICERS.

Mrs. Edmonson, Almonte.	
MRS. EDMONSON, Almonte	·····.President.
MRS. MCALLISTER, Ashton	1st Vice-President.
MISS STARK, Carleton Dlace	·····2nd Vice-President
MRS. BROWN. Carleton Dlace	······ I reasurer.
Miss Wylie, Almonte	Rec. Secretary.
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MRS. McKenzie, Almonte. MRS. McAllister, Ashton. Miss Stark, Carleton Place MRS. Brown, Carleton Place. Miss Wylie, Almonte.	Treasurer.

The year 1885, although a quiet one, has not been without much progress to gladden our hearts.

Organized in 1883, it has been steadily increasing in interest, members and finances.

Special efforts have been made to form new Auxiliaries, resulting in the formation of two Societies and five Bands. These Mission Bands are the hope of our Society.

Many of our Auxiliaries have heartily responded to the call from the North-West for clothing for the Indians

Some of our Societies send in their first Annual Report this year, cheering us on in this noble work

With thankful hearts we send the amount of \$1,295.14, besides \$25.00 which was given to Mr. Annand for the furtherance of his missionary efforts. With the aid of God's blessing in the future we will attain yet greater things.

The following is a synopsis of each report:

Almonte.—Forty-one members, who with thankful hearts acknow-ledge the Lord's goodness in the past year. Although the meetings have not been even well attended, we are assured God's blessing will accompany the labours of a little band of prayerful workers into far off heathen lands. Mrs. Annand, from the New Hebrides, addressed this Auxiliary, and gave a most interesting account of their labours there. Our contribution, \$232.00, is not so large as last year, but we take courage for greater fruit-bearing in the future.

Mrs. Edmonson,
President.

Mrs. Robertson,
Treasurer.

Miss Wylie,
Secretary.

Amprior.—When organized numbered but sixteen, now increased to forty-four. Meetings held monthly. There has been \$75 contributed this year, also a box valued at \$200.

Mrs. Neilson,
President.

Mrs. Burwash,
Treasurer.

Mrs. C. L. Johnson,
Secretary.

Ashton.—When organized numbered eight, now increased to fourteen. Meetings held regularly; well attended. Missionary letters received and read with interest. Our Society is prospering. Contribution \$52.

MRS. McALLISTER,
President.

MRS. A. BLAIR, Secretary.

Balderson.—Organized 1885, with a membership of twelve, increased to sixteen, and one life member. Have held ten meetings with an average attendance of eight. Collected at the meetings and by thank-offering, \$83.

MISS CAMPBELL,

President.

(MISS) M. McGregor, Secretary.

MISS McINTYRE, Treasurer.

Carleton Place.—Although membership has not increased this year, the interest has increased much. Meetings held monthly for ten months; well attended. We gladly send the amount of \$127—\$87 of which was raised by thank-offering. Membership, twenty-eight.

Mrs. J. R. Johnson,

Secretary.

Clayton.—This Society has twelve members. Meetings held regularly, with an average attendance of seven Contribution \$5.50.

MRS. PATTERSON, MISS WILSON, President. Treasurer, Secretary.

Macdonald's Corners and North Sherbrooke.—Owing to our zealous President and Secretary, Mrs. McKenzie's departure from our midst, this Society has almost been disbanded. Meetings can be held very seldom, as the houses are such long distances apart. We send the amount of \$17.

(MISS) C. McLellan, Sec.-Treas.

Perth.—In presenting this, our first Annual Report, we feel that it has been indeed good for us to have been engaged in this work. Many are much interested who have not yet joined us, as may be clearly shown by the prompt and generous response to the request for clothing for the North-West. One of our number has been called from us to take part in that higher service. Our membership has increased to fifty—twenty-three being members of the General Society. Contribution, \$123.20, besides a box valued at \$350.

Mrs. Robertson,

President.

(MISS) JEAN RIDDELL, Secretary.

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RIDDELL,
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Pembroke.—Organized 1884, with a membership of thirty-seven, now increased to forty-five. Contribution, \$49.00, of which \$18.70 North-West. Meetings well sustained, and interest increasing.

President.

(Miss) Lizzie J. Bell, Secretary.

MRS. DICKSON, Treasurer.

Pakenham.—Membership, twenty-two. Meetings held regularly; average attendance of twelve. Two meetings of a more informal operation of non-members Such meetings might be extended in the organization. Contribution, \$51.65, exceeding that of the previous all the branches of the W. F. M. S. with more spiritual power, so among all nations."

RS. TAYLOR,

President.

(Miss) JENNIE BURROWS,

Secretary.

Ramsay.—Membership, twelve. Meetings very successful and beneficial to all. We find the missionary letters very interesting. We gladly send the amount of \$56.35.

Mrs. Knowles,

President.

(Miss) M. J. Toshack, Secretary.

MRS. SNEDDEN, Treasurer.

Renfrew.—Membership forty. Meetings held regularly with increasing interest. A meeting was held, addressed by Rev. Mr. Annand, at which \$25.00 was raised and given to him for his Mission. Contribution besides, \$81. Total \$106.50.

President.

MRS. McAndrew, Treasurer.

MRS. P. McRAE, Secretary.

Ross Auxiliary.—Recently organized.

MRS. BLAKELY,

President.

(MISS) J. McLesse, (MISS) K. REYNOLDS, Secretaries.

MRS. J. KERR, Treasurer.

Smith's Falls.—Membership, fifty. Regular monthly meetings well attended and interest increasing. In July the request for clothing for the Indians was promptly and generously complied with; a box valued at more than \$50.00 was forwarded to Rev. J. Mackay. A thank-offering service was held in December. addressed by Mrs. Thorburn, of Ottawa, and Mrs. Farrell, of Kingston. The

collection was \$30.00. Amount contributed and sent to the Presbyterial Treasurer, \$131.

MRS. MYLNE, President. MRS. C. FROST, Treasurer. MRS. F. T. FROST, Secretary,

White Lake .- Monthly meetings held regularly with good attendance. Although fewer in numbers, the interest has not abated. We gratefully acknowledge our Heavenly Father's goodness to us during the past year. May He enable us to consecrate ourselves more fully to His loving service. A box of clothing valued at \$130.00, with freight prepaid, was sent to the North-West. Twelve members, of whom five are members of the General Society. Contribution, \$57.

MISS BRYMNER, President. (MISS) C. A. McLAUGHLIN,

Secretary.

### MISSION BANDS.

St. Andrew's Mission Band, Almonte. - Organized February 18th, 1886. Members, twenty-three.

(MISS) BOYLE, Secretary.

St. John's Mission Band, Almonte. - Organized February 22nd, 1886. Membership, thirty-one.

(MISS) C. HYNES,

Secretary.

St. Andrews's Church Mission Band, Perth.-Our Mission Band had when organized a membership of fourteen, now increased to seventy-three. Our meetings are held monthly, and the interest in the work continues unabated. The money raised during the eight months amounts to \$94.87. \$68.02 of which was raised by work and mite boxes.

(MISS) HELEN A. MAIR, Secretary

Knox Church Mission Band, Perth.—Our Band's membership is only thirteen, but much interest is manifested, which we hope will increase our numbers. Meetings are held every two weeks. Contribution, \$40, proceeds from a sale of work.

(MISS) ELLA MATHESON, Secretary.

"Mission Bees," of Calvin Church, Pembroke.-Membership seventeen. Contribution, \$10. In addition to this there was a box of fancy work, dolls, etc., sent to Ottawa to be packed with the large box to be sent to India for the Girls' Schools. This is the first Band organized in the Presbytery.

(MISS) MAY BELL, Secretary.

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MAY BELL, Secretary. These reports show clearly the work is steadily advancing. In numbers we are stronger; let us seek to be more faithful.

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Revive Thy work, O Lord, In our own souls, we pray, May all for the great harvest-home, Be ripening day by day.

Number of members, 543; number of life members, 2; number of General Society, 65.

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M. HAMILTON WYLIE,

Presbyterial Secretary.

### PRESBYTERIAL SOCIETY OF LINDSAY.

ORGANIZED 1882.

#### OFFICERS.

Miss Robinson, Beaverton	. President.
MRS. Ross, Woodville	Vice-Presidents.
MRS. COCKBURN, Uxbridge	Secretary
MRS. PATTERSON, Beaverton	Secretary.

The Fourth Annual Meeting of the Society was held in Knox Church, Beaverton, on February 23rd, 1886. Since its organization it has been making steady progress—growing in numbers, in its contributions, in interest, and, we believe, largely in influence for good. With deeply grateful hearts we record the fact that this year has been our best; we trust the progress made in each succeeding year will be still more marked. From all of our Auxiliaries there have come to us hopeful, cheering words, and we have many indications of deepening interest and more hearty interest in the missionary cause. During the year one new Auxiliary and one Mission Band have been added to our list. Nearly all of the Auxiliaries were well represented at the annual meeting. This meeting seemed to be thoroughly enjoyed by all present, and we trust may result in much good.

The following is an abstract of the reports from the different

Auxiliaries :-

Beaverton.—Meetings have been held every month regularly. Though not able to report as large a sum as last year, yet the voluntary contributions of members have increased. Last year the sum of \$44.00 was realized from a social; thts year only one parlour social was held, by which we obtained the sum of \$13.53, the rest of the \$53 oo contributed being voluntary contributions. Two new members have been added to our roll during this year, making our membership twenty.

Mrs. Patterson, Miss Leslie, (Miss) C. Robinson, Secretary

Cannington.—Owing to stormy weather and sickness among friends of members, we have had but two regular meetings since organized. We trust our meetings will be better attended next year. Number of members, eleven. Amount contributed, \$12.70.

MRS. MCLAREN, MRS. EDWARDS, (MISS) I. J. McDougall, Secretary.

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Greenbank.—We are thankful to be able to report that our Society continues to prosper. Meetings have been held regularly. Membership, twenty. Contribution, \$75.63.

Mrs. Leask,

President.

Mrs. A. Leask,

Treasurer.

Mrs. Somerville,

Secretary.

Lindsay.—In looking back through the past year, we find cause for thankfulness. Although there is no material increase in membership, the average attendance is much higher. Our sympathy and interest were increased by the visit of Rev. Frazer Campbell missionaries is one of the greatest encouragements. We thank God sympathy towards those not so happily situated. Membership, thirty. Amount contributed, \$68.28.

Mrs. James Hamilton,

President.

Mrs. D. J. McIntyre,

Secretary.

Mrs. Mrs. D. J. McIntyre,

Secretary.

Leaskdale.—Membership, sixteen. Amount contributed, \$27.

MRS. JAMES LEASK, MRS. GEORGE LEASK, (MISS) MARY IMRIE,

President. Treasurer. Secretary.

Sunderland.—Owing to removals and other discouragements our numbers have not increased as we have wished. Missionary intelligence received and read with pleasure at the monthly meetings. As we gain knowledge of the work the interest increases, and we trust, with God's blessing, on the efforts of each member to get others to join us in sending the Gospel to those who have it not.

Membership ten. Contribution, \$20.30.

MRS. GLENDINNING,

President.

MRS. CALHOUN,

Treasurer.

MISS WALSH,

Secretary.

"St. Andrew's," Scott.—Membership twenty; an increase of five over last year and a deeper interest taken in the work. Amount contributed, \$35.13.

Mrs. Nelson,
President.

Miss Johnston,
Treasurer.

Miss) Annie Ross.
Secretary.

Uxbridge.—We have to report constant, earnest, persevering interest on the part of the members of the Society. Membership, Mrs. Stewart.—Mrs. Contributed, \$130.

MRS. STEWART, MRS. COCKBURN, (MISS) BERTHA JACKSON, Secretary.

Woodville.—With hearts full of gratitude we are able to report a year of much encouragement. It was our high privilege to have the

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MRS. Ross, MISS GILCHRIST, (MISS) KATE GUNN, Secretary.

"Ivy" Mission Band.—The first in this Presbyterial Society was organized in St. Andrew's Church, Lindsay, January 23rd, 1885, in connection with the Auxiliary. Began with twenty-seven members, increased to thirty-two. At the meetings, which were held once a fortnight, the greater part of the time was spent in making useful and fancy articles. While the sewing was going on the members read by turns stories taken from The Mission Dayspring and Children's Work for Children, two missionary papers provided by our pastor. The sum of \$20 has been given this year to Foreign Missions. The Band has awakened an interest in the hearts of the young girls. The missionary stories and letters are always listened to with great pleasure.

Mrs. John Maclennan, President. (MISS) HELEN A. WATSON, Secretary.

(MISS) ELIZA DUNOON, Treasurer.

NAME OF SOCIETY.	Date of Organization.	Membership.	Members of General Society.	Last Year's Contributions.	This Year's Contributions.
Beaverton Cannington Greenbank Lindsay Leaskdale Sunderland "St. Andrews," Scott. Uxbridge Woodville "Ivy" Mission Band of Lindsay	1879 1885 1884 1882 1883 1884 1884 1879 1883	20 11 20 37 11 10 20 49 51 32	11 3 4 9 3 0 0 8 12	\$60 00 35 00 27 00 24 00 3 00 25 00 120 00 55 00	\$53 00 12 70 75 63 68 28 27 00 20 30 35 13 130 00 93 22 20 00
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MARY E. PATTERSON, Secretary Presbyterial Society. .

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# PRESBYTERIAL SOCIETY OF LONDON.

ANNUAL MEETING HELD AT ST. THOMAS, 3RD MARCH, 1886.

This Society was organized in St. Andrew's Church, London, with four Auxiliaries.

### OFFICERS.

Mrs. Rogi	ER		
MRS. BALI	ER		President. Ist Vice-President.
MRS. MUR	RAY		Ist Vice-President
MRS. THOM	ISON.		2nd Vice-President
MRS. CHIS	HOLM		Treasurer.
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Held its First Annual Meeting in St. Andrew's Church, London, 10th March, 1885, with nine Auxiliaries; same officers re-elected. At this, the second Annual, we regret to report ourselves still only nine Auxiliaries, one only having been formed since last year, notwithstanding that all the customary efforts were made to secure an increase; one, the Port Stanley, having ceased to exist, leaving us still at nine; but the synopsis of our year's report to be sent in to the Presbytery on Tuesday, 9th inst suggests to the ministers to

The Presbyterial officers were again re-elected as above, all cordially agreeing to work well together.

I may mention in justice to our St. Thomas friends, that we had a very agreeable and successful meeting, with all our Auxiliaries

Mrs. Gordon, of Harrington, gave us a most valuable address in the afternoon, and Rev. J. K Smith, of Galt, in the evening at the public meeting. Rev. James Ballantyne, of London South, represented the Presbytery in room of Rev. Dr. Archibald, the pastor, who was recovering from severe illness. A good meeting and fair collection for our Presbyterial expenses were accorded us.

The increase in membership this year is twenty, and in funds \$135:23

The Auxiliaries are as follows:

Ailsa Craig.—This Society was organized in November, 1884. Has a membership of eighteen, and contributes \$35.50.

MRS. Ross. MRS. McCALLUM, (MISS) MARY RENNIE, President. Treasurer. Secretary. Glencoe.—This Society was organized, September 1885. Has a membership of twenty-three, and contributes \$6.66.

MRS. ROBBINS,

President.

MRS. DOBIE,

Treasurer.

MRS. McCleary,

Secretary.

London, St. Andrew's.—Members forty-one. Contributions, all entirely voluntary, and members fees, \$115.85. One dollar member (Mrs. Chisholm).

MRS. MURRAY, MISS KENNEDY, MRS. BLAIR, Secretary.

London East.—Organized August, 1884. Members 14. Contributions \$13.

MRS. ROGER, MRS. MCLAREN, MISS. McClure, Secretary.

North Westminster. (Wilton Grove, P.O.)—Organized October, 1884. Has twenty-six members, and contributes \$46.29.

MISS McColl, (MISS) EDITH FLEMING, MRS. T. BATY,

President. Treasurer. Secretary.

Proof Line.—Organized May, 1883. Has a membership of fifty, twenty-four of whom are members of the Central Society. Being a country congregation, have adopted the plan of meeting monthly, half-an-hour before service on Sunday with very happy results. Contributions \$33.

MRS. BALL, MISS CARMICHAEL, MISS WATFORD, Secretary.

St. Thomas.—Organized October, 1884. Has a membership of twenty-five, who have this year contributed \$40.22.

MRS. McDougall, MRS. McColl, MISS McAdam, President. Treasurer. Secretary.

Thamesford.—Organized November, 1884. Has fifty-two members, very much in earnest about their work. Contribution \$136.30. Four are members of the Central Society by payment of \$1 fee.

MRS. CAMERON. MRS. I. MCKAY. (MISS) BENA TELFER.

MRS. CAMERON, MRS. J. MCKAY, (MISS) BENA TELFER.

President. Treasurer. Secretary

Vanneck.—Organized in May, 1883. Has a membership of fifty-four. Twenty-one are members of the Central Society, by payment of the dollar fee. Contribution \$40.20, only \$1.20 of which has been raised by any other means than fees. Have done the same as Proof Line, meeting every month half-an-hour before service, and found it a great improvement.

MRS. BALL MISS CHURCHILL.

President. Treasurer.

MISS BALL,
Secretary.

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MISS BALL, Secretary.

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All of which is respectfully submitted.

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M. L. CHISHOLM, Secretary Presbyterial Society.

# PRESBYTERIAL SOCIETY OF MAITLAND.

ORGANIZED JULY 8TH, 1884.

#### OFFICERS.

President.

MRS.	SUTHERLAND
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MRS.	MCNAB,
MRS.	Ross, Brussels
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In presenting your Second Annual Report our first feeling is one of profound regret. On the 16th of August, 1885, our venerable and beloved President, Mrs. Cameron, Lucknow, was called to her reward. A woman full of faith and patience. Her love for Foreign Missions was well-known to all who came in contact with her. She being dead yet speaketh, and her quiet, consistent example will continue to speak to us while life remains.

We are pleased to be able to report the formation of five new Auxiliaries, viz., Ripley, Langside, Bluevale, Bervie and Ethel. We have now ten Auxiliaries actively and earnestly engaged in upholding and strengthening the hands of those who have gone down into the dark places of heathenism, carrying to their dusky sisters the glorious Gospel of our blessed God, which alone can make them free.

But "there remains very much land yet to be possessed." In a Presbytery with twenty-three pastoral charges, "Is it well" that only ten should be represented in the Woman's Foreign Mission Society? Our aim is to have an Auxiliary in every congregation, "for your sake and the Gospel's."

Mrs. Annand visited several of our Auxiliaries during the month of November. Her touching narrative of self-denying labour, and its blessed results in that far-off land, was most interesting. We regret that she was unable to visit all our Auxiliaries.

Clothing to the extent of eight or nine cwt. was sent by four of your auxiliaries to the Indians in the North-West. In all cases the

carriage was prepaid.

The following is the report of the various Auxiliaries:—

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MRS. MURRAY,

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Bervie.—Although recently organized much interest is taken in the work. We trust it will continue to increase as the object and importance of the work it is designed to help becomes better known. Membership, twelve. Contributes \$7.

MRS. J. MCKINNEY,

(MISS) M. A. HENDERSON,

President. MRS. HENDERSON, Treasurer.

Secretary.

Bluevale,-Recently organized. Letters from the foreign field read with much interest. Membership, sixteen. Contributes \$4.

MISS BELLA MAXWELL, President.

MISS COLLIE,

Treasurer.

Secretary.

Brussels. - At the beginning of the year a Union Society of two congregations was formed, and the name changed from "Melville Church" to "Brussels" Auxiliary. Monthly meetings are held instead of quarterly as heretofore with gratifying results. A deeper interest has been felt, and an increasing desire to be useful in this special department of Christian work. Twelve mottoes were worked for "Our Girls'" School in Formosa. Membership, thirty-nine. Mrs. Ross.

President.

MRS. MALCOLM,

MRS. GRAHAM,

Treasurer. Secretary.

Ethel.—Very recently organized.

MRS. PENNABAKER, President.

MRS. YOUNG, Treasurer.

MISS DAVIS,

Secretary. Huron.—Prays earnestly for the blessing of Him who can make a "little one become a thousand" on their contribution. It is not so large as they would wish, owing to the erection of a new church. Membership, thirty. Contributes \$40.

Mrs. Macqueen, Miss C. Macdonald, (Miss) F. Macqueen, Treasurer.

Kincardine. - Gives expression to its deep sense of God's goodness and preserving care during the year, and though there are discouragements the work grows. A fresh impetus was given to the Society by a visit and address from Mrs. Annand. Her story of self-denying labours among the degraded islanders in the South Seas and its grand reward was calculated to make one feel how pitiably insignificant are the greatest sacrifices in comparison with that of giving one's self to such a life-work. Two boxes of clothing were sent to the North-West. Membership, forty. Contributes

MRS. MURRAY,

President.

(MISS) ANNA M. JOHNSTON,

Secretary.

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Langside.—Is still in its infancy, but its members work well together and are much interested. Membership, fourteen. Contributes \$17.

(MISS) JESSIE ROSS. MRS. A. GORDON, MRS. DAVIDSON, Secretary. Treasurer. President.

Lucknow.—Reports missionary interest increasing among its members. Sustained a heavy loss in the death of its President. Sent a box of clothing to the Indians.

MISS MCKENZIE, MRS. MACDONALD, MRS. McNABB, Secretary. Treasurer. President.

Ripley.—Reports a good attendance at their monthly meetings. Had a visit and address from Mrs. Annand, whose earnest and impressive utterances will be long remembered. Sent a very large box to the Indians. Membership, thirty-seven. Contributes \$50.

MRS. McMurchy, MRS. McLEOD, MRS. SUTHERLAND, Secretary. Treasurer. President.

St. Helen's. - Steps steadily and cheerfully forward. Gladly we add our small endeavour to your contributions for the lesser work, without which the greater work would at once cease. Take Woman's Work and find it instructive. Langside sent a contribution of yarn to our box for the Indians. Membership, seventeen. Contributes \$44.

(MISS) C. B. GORDON, MISS McPHERSON, MRS. LEASK, Secretary. Treasurer. President.

Name of Auxiliary.	Date of Organization.	Membership.	Members of General Society.	Last Year's Contributions.	This Year's Contributions.
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# PRESBYTERIAL SOCIETY OF PARIS.

ORGANIZED 10TH MARCH, 1885.

#### OFFICERS.

Mrs. Dickenson, Woodstock
Mrs. McMullen, Woodstock
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Looking back over this, our first year as a Presbyterial Society, we must thankfully acknowledge some progress and hopefully look forward to more success in the coming year. Two new Auxiliaries were added to our number; one in Paris and one in Knox Church, Ingersoll. The congregations in the Presbytery have been corresponded with, and several of them are in a hopeful state for organization. Among those already organized, a growing interest has been manifested; the contributions being double those of last year.

Several of the Auxiliaries were visited by Mrs. Fraser Campbell and Mrs. Annand, who, by their stirring addresses, greatly awakened our interest in the unhappy condition of women in heathen

May our hearts burn within us to be witnesses for Jesus, primarily in our own homes, and from there may our desires go forth to the untold teeming millions who have never heard the name of Jesusthat name which is above every name.

The following is a synopsis of reports from Auxiliaries:-

Ayr Auxiliary.—We had a visit from Mrs. Fraser Campbell, whose address gave a great deal of pleasure, and the result was the addition of several new members.

MRS. J. THOMPSON, (MISS) ROSE McKNIGHT, Preeident. Secretary.

MRS. D. McColl, Treasurer.

Embro Auxiliary.—We feel that the interest in our mission work is deepening more and more as time goes on. MRS. MUNROE,

MISS C. MURRAY, MRS, WM. STEWART, President. Treazurer.

Glenmorris Auxiliary.—New members added to our Society nearly every month.

MRS. R. PETTIGREW,

MRS. ANDREW MCKENZIE,

Secretary.

President.

MRS. CHAS. STEWART, Treasurer.

Ingersoll Knox Church Auxiliary.—Owing to other expenses have been unable to do as much as we would wish, but hope to do more next year.

MRS. ATKINSON,

Mrs. K. J. Robertson, Secretary,

President.

(MISS) A. BOLES, Treasurer.

Paris Auxiliary.—Sent a box of clothing, valued at a hundred dollars, to the Indians in the North-West.

MRS. CLARKE,

(MISS) GRANVILLE CURTIS,

Secretary.

President.

MRS. BROWN, Treasurer.

Paris "Missionary Twig."—Is a Mission Band composed of young girls whose interest in the work seems to be growing.

MRS, D. MAXWELL, (MISS) J. MAXWELL, (MISS) M. WILSON, Secretary

Woodstock Auxiliary.—We had an address from Mrs. Annand which was very interesting. A box of clothing valued at \$125 was sent to the North-West. Miss Rose, from Knox Church congregation, has gone to labour among the Indians in the North-West, creating a greater interest amongst us in that direction.

MRS. A. S. BALL, President. MISS BELL,
Treasurer.

MISS McMullen, Secretary.

NAME OF SOCIETY.	Date of Organization.	Membership.	Members of General Society.	Last Year's Contributions.	This Year's Contributions.
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# PRESBYTERIAL SOCIETY OF PETERBOROUGH.

ORGANIZED FEBRUARY, 1882.

#### OFFICERS.

	MRS. McEwen, Lakefield
	Mrs. Fairbairn, Peterborough
	The Ark Peterborough
	MRS. GALBRAITH, Port Hope
	ARS. HENDERSON Tologo
1	Mrs. McCrae, Cobourg
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1	RRS. CRAICK, Port Hope
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	Secretary.

This Presbyterial Society has held no meetings during the year, excepting the Annual Meeting which took place at Peterborough, on the 12th January, 1886, a large and interested audience being in

The Reports presented at that time show considerable falling off in membership and contributions. Looking for the causes, we think we can trace them in large measure to circumstances such as the absence of Presidents, change of pastors, and expenses incurred by several of the Auxiliaries, in sending relief to the Indians of the

Then again though manifestations of growth are not apparent, yet there are some evidences of a deep and true life and interest. The most noticeable of these are the facts, that the average of giving has been considerably greater than for the preceding year, and that the whole amount contributed has been nearly all the fruit of direct,

Since the Annual Meeting, a Young Ladies' Mission Band has been organized in the First Church, Port Hope, and an Auxiliary

The following is an abstract of the Reports of the Auxiliaries:

Baltimore.—Twelve members. Has held regular monthly meetings, which have always been very interesting though small. Con-

MRS. COOKE, (MISS) M. BROWN, President. Treasurer.

Bobcaygeon.—Auxiliary just organized. MRS. CRAIGIE, MRS. AITKIN, President.

Treasurer.

MISS BEATTIE, Secretary.

Secretary.

MISS MOFFAT,

Cold Springs.—Thirty members. Has held ten monthly meetings. Average attendance good. Contributions, \$49.32.

MRS. COOKE, (MISS) L. GRAHAM, MISS RUSSELL, Secretary.

Cobourg.—Seventeen members. Evidence of progress slight, yet the interest is not lessened. The missionary letters are highly valued, and contribute much to the pleasure of the meetings. Sent a large bale of clothing for Indian women and children. In spite of many discouragements during the past three years, we have much reason to thank God and take courage. May we be strong in the Lord and full of faith, that it may be said of each one of us, "She hath done what she could." Contributions, \$49.13.

MRS. McCrae, Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Jeffrey, Secretary.

Colborne.—Auxiliary sent a good box of clothing to the North-West Indians. Contributions, \$15.28.

MRS. DUNCAN,

President.

MRS. McFiggin,

Treasurer.

MRS. DEANS,

Secretary.

Grafton.—Twenty-one members. This Society reports good work done for this year. Valuable contributions to North-West Indians sent. Contributions, \$22.

MRS. SMITH, MRS. POTTS. MRS. W. E. JOHNSTON,

President, Treasurer. Secretary.

Keene.—Twenty-six members. Has held monthly meetings with two exceptions. Average attendance smaller. We have had to mourn the death of our President, Mrs. Andrews. Her kindly presence is missed at our meetings. Contributions, \$37.

MRS. FORSYTH,
President.

MRS. TUCKER,
Treasurer.

MISS CAMPBELL,
Secretary.

Lakefield.—Twenty-one members. Regular monthly meetings with two exceptions. The Monthly Leaflet is much appreciated. It is the fountain of our missionary knowledge always supplying fresh waters. We present our contributions thankfully, feeling that God will not despise our feeble efforts, and will bless us more abundantly in His own good time. Contributions, \$68.83.

MRS. HENDERSON,
President.

MRS. W. M. GRAHAM,
Secretary.

MRS. R. GRAHAM, Treasurer.

Peterborough, St. Paul's Church.—Fifty-seven members. Monthly meetings not very largely attended. Have been much encouraged and assisted by visits from returned missionaries and others. A

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MRS. A. SMITH, MRS. INNIS, MISS HAULTAIN, President. Treasurer. Secretary.

Port Hope, First Church. - Eighteen members. Much cause for thankfulness and encouragement. Our meetings have not been large, but there have always been enough to claim the blessing. The Monthly Leaslets have been sources of pleasure and profit to all.

MRS. CASSIE, MRS. BRODIE, MISS MITCHELL, President. Treasurer. Secretary.

Port Hope, Mill St. Church. Fourteen members. Have held interesting monthly meetings with increased membership. good work accomplished in this, the first year of our existence as a Society, leads us to hope for still greater results and richer blessings in the coming year. Contributions, \$36.96.

MRS. TISDALE, MRS. KILPATRICK, MISS COUSER, President. Treasurer. Secretary.

#### MISSION BANDS.

"The Earnest Workers," Lakefield.—This Band is composed of very small girls, and has suffered from several drawbacks during the year. One of these has been the death of the Secretary. They are hopeful that the interest may be revived in the coming year. Membership eight. Contributions, \$4.28. MRS. FINLAY,

MRS. W. M. GRAHAM, President.

Secretary.

(MISS) M. NELSON, Treasurer.

"The Faithful Workers," St. Paul's Church, Peterborough.—The first part of the year was marked by much discouragement, but since September there has been a revival of interest, and a more earnest purpose expressed to be indeed faithful workers. Membership twenty-nine. Contributions, \$69.10.

(MISS) JOHNSTON,

MISS DAVIDSON, President. Secretary.

(MISS) A. PATTERSON, Treasurer.

"The Helping Hands," Mission Band, First Church, Port Hope .-Just organized.

(MISS) H. CRAICK, MISS WILLIAMSON, (MISS) JENNIE RAY, President. Treasurer.

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# PRESBYTERIAL SOCIETY OF STRATFORD. ORGANIZED OCT. 9TH, 1884.

#### OFFICERS.

MRS. GORDON, Harrington	Desident
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Mrs. Tully, Mitchell	" Vice-Presidents.
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Miss McPherson, Stratford	Treasurer.
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This Society was organized by Mrs. McLaren, of Toronto, and Mrs. Gordon, of Harrington, on the 9th of October, A.D. 1884.

Since we presented our report last year six new Auxiliaries and two Mission Bands have been organized by our President, Mrs. Gordon, viz., Brooksdale, Hampstead, (St. Andrew's, Stratford); Burn's Church, East Zorra; Lucan and Granton Auxiliary, and the Mission Bands of "Willing Workers," Stratford and 1st Presbyterian Church, St. Mary's.

We have much cause to thank God as a Society for the progress made during the past year, as the following reports will show:—

Atwood.—Meetings have been held regularly every month. Has a membership of twenty-three. Amount contributed, \$68.50—\$1.33 of this amount was raised by five little girls within the last month. Clothing valued at \$20 was sent to the Indians of the North-West. \$1.50 was paid for freight, leaving a balance of \$67 to be paid to the Treasurer.

MRS. CALDER, MRS. DUME, (MISS) ELLA GRAHAM, Treasurer. Secretary.

Avonbank.—Has a membership of ten. Amount contributed, \$15. Although the membership of this Auxiliary has not increased, the interest in the work is unabated, and we are hopeful of better things.

MRS. HAMILTON, MISS RODGER, (MISS) GRACE OLIVER,

President. Treasurer. Secretary.

Brooksdale.—This Auxiliary has a membership of twenty-one. Amount contributed, \$51. Of this amount \$26 was clothing sent to the Indians of the North-West, leaving a balance of \$25. Members of the General Society, four.

MRS. SCOTT, MRS. HERON, (MISS) JENNIE JAMIESON,

President. Treasurer. Secretary.

Easthope, North.—Has a membership of twenty-five. Amount contributed, \$40. This Auxiliary has been steadily increasing in

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membership and contributions during the past year. Meetings have been held regularly every month, and interest in the work is growing. The Society expresses thankfulness for the harmony with which the work was carried on during the past year, and hope by faith, earnest prayer and diligence to do more to help the Master's work this year.

MRS. CRERAR.

(MISS) MARY THOMSON,

President.

Secretary.

MRS. D. McDERMID, Treasurer.

Hampstead.—No report received.

Harrington.-Our report for the year about to close calls for both thankfulness and humiliation on the part of the members. Our meetings have been on the whole better attended than last year, and we are glad to report an increase in the funds. The members were prompt and liberal in their preparation of clothing for the Indian children of our Mission Schools in the North-West. We sent a box of a little over 200 lbs., value \$90. We have now five copies of the Woman's Work for Woman, and Our Mission Field subscribed for by the members of our Auxiliary, which will, we hope, tell favourably on the interest taken in Mission work. We have a membership of forty-one. Amount contributed, \$66, some of which was contributed by the Sabbath School.

MRS. GORDON, (MISS) TINA MANSON, (MISS) MAGGIE MCLEOD, Treasurer.

Listowel.—Has a membership of fifteen. Amount contributed, \$24.18. Sent a box of clothing to the Indians of the North-West, and paid \$4 expenses in connection therewith. Our monthly meetings are very well attended, and the interest in the work is steadily increasing.

MRS. J. CAMPBELL, President. (MISS) MAMIE QUINN,

Secretary.

MRS. B. T. BROOK, Treasurer.

Mitchell.—Has a membership of sixteen. Amount contributed to General Fund, \$45. Sent a box of clothing, value about \$70, to the North-West. Paid Rev. Hugh McKay for freight charges in connection with this and one sent last year. Meetings have been held regularly, and a sense of personal responsibility is being impressed upon those who attend.

MRS. TULLY, President. MRS. D. S. CAMPBELL,

Sec .- Treas.

Motherwell.-Has a membership of eleven. Amount contributed, \$23. This Auxiliary and Avonbank united and sent a box of clothing to the North-West, paying all expenses.

MISS BAIRD, (MISS) MARY A. McINTYRE, MRS. HAMILTON, President. Treasurer.

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McIntyre, Secretary. Mornington, North.—Has a membership of fourteen. Amount contributed, \$15. We would like to report greater progress, but this being a country place, we should not complain.

President. (MISS) SUSIE FEEBRORN,
(MISS) L. ANDERSON, Treasurer.

Nissouri.—The officers and members of this Auxiliary regret very much that they are obliged to close this Auxiliary for the present; they feel that they must make an effort to increase the building fund, and at present all they can spare is being put into it.

MRS. PENMAN.

MRS. PENMAN,
President.

MRS. M. CONN, Secretary.

Shakespeare and St. Andrews. — Has a membership of twenty-five. Amount contributed, \$20.

MRS. MCKAY. (MISS.) I. MCKAY.

MRS. MCKAY, (MISS) J. MCKAY, (MISS) M. DONALDSON,

President. Treasurer. Secretary.

Stratford, Knox Church.—The officers of the Knox Church Auxiliary have much pleasure in reporting a more flourishing condition than any former year, numbering, between members and contributors, thirty. In the summer two large boxes of clothing were collected from this congregation and sent to the Indians in the North-West. The sum contributed for this year \$86.24; paying freight on boxes to the Indians, \$6.24; leaving a balance of \$80.

MRS. McPherson,

President.

MRS. HOSSIE,

Stratford, St. Andrew's.—Has a membership of twenty-four. Amount contributed, \$33. Meetings have been held regularly; the membership and the interest in the work steadily increasing.

MRS. E. W. PANTON, MRS. LOGHRIN, MRS. ARTHUR ROBB,
President. Treasurer. Secretary.

East Zorra, Burns' Church.—Has a membership of twenty-four. Amount contributed, \$12. Box of clothing for the North-West, with the exception of the aged and those who are hindered by sickness or family cares. Members of General Society, two.

MRS. WOODS, (MISS) L. MURRAY, (MISS) JENNY MURRAY, Secretary.

The Mission Band of "Willing Workers" of Knox Church, Stratford, has a membership of sixteen. Contribution, \$20. It may be interesting to know how we made up our contribution. In the first place, as the year was far advanced, the admission fee was only ten cents. Our mite-boxes bring in between eighty or ninety cents a month; but the bulk of our funds was made by our work,

such as knitting, crotcheting, making dolls and such like, for which we charge, and the proceeds go to the Mission Band.

MISS MODERWELL, (MISS) MARY E. McDonald, Secretary. (MISS) ANNIE HUNTER, Treasuer.

Lucan Auxiliary recently organized.

MRS. ELLIS, MISS MURDOCK, MRS. W. McRobert, Secretary.

Granton Auxiliary recently organized.

MRS. WM. BEGG, (MISS) NELLIE CLARK, (MISS) EUPHIE GRANT, President. Treasurer. Secretary.

St. Mary's Mission Band, 1st Presbyterian Church.

MRS. TURNBULL, MISS WROLES, Treasurer. (MISS) E. SANDERSON, Secretary.

Nissouri Mission Band.-No report this year.

Name of Auxiliary.	Date or Organization.	Membership.	Members of General Society.	Last Year's Contributions.	This Year's Conrtibutions.
Atwood	1884	23	8	\$17 00	\$67 00
Avonbank	June, 1884.	10	0	7 49	15 00
	June, 1885.	21	2	7 49	25 00
Brooksdale	Dec., 1884.	25	6	5 75	40 00
Easthope, North	Mar., 1886.	11	0	5 /5	40 00
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Hampstead	1885			6-	66 00
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Listowel	Dec., 1884	15	3	7 45	24 00
Mitchell	Jan., 1880	16	7	27 60	45 00
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North Mornington	Dec., 1884.	14		5 00	15 00
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Shakespeare and St. Andrew's	Dec., 1884.	25		7 15	20 00
Stratford Knox Church	1878	30		43 00	80 00
Stratford, St. Andrew's	May, 1885	24	3		33 00
East Zorra Burns' Church Mission Band of "Willing Workers,"	June, 1885.	24			12 00
Knox Church, Stratford	Apr., 1885.	16			20 00
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MRS. D. S. CAMPBELL,
Secretary Presbyterial Society.

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# PRESBYTERIAL SOCIETY OF TORONTO.

ORGANIZED 1885.

#### OFFICERS.

MRS. ROLLS, Toronto	
Mrs. Rolls, Toronto Mrs. J. Harvie, Toronto	.President.
MRS. I. M. ALEYANDER T	
Mrs. Frizzel, Toronto	Vice-Presidents.
MISS GEORGE Toronto	
Miss George, Toronto	.Secretary.
	Treasurer.

It is with much pleasure and thankfulness that we present the first Annual Report of the Presbyterial Society. For the measure of success that has crowned our efforts we give to Him, in whose vineyard we have been permitted to work, our gateful praise.

When the Society was oragnized in January of last year there were only four Auxiliaries and four Mission Bands within the bounds of the Presbytery. Since then we can report an addition of twelve Auxiliaries and five Mission Bands, making a total of sixteen Auxiliaries and nine Mission Bands with a membership of 1,142, including 391 members of the General Society and twenty-four life members. The total contribution from all sources is \$2,719.53. To these figures we would add an increased growth in missionary knowledge, a greater sense of personal responsibility in the matter, and much new interest and zeal in the work of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. A large amount of this success is due (humanly speaking) to our indefatigable President, who has gone out in all weathers, regardless of physical discomfort, visiting and organizing Societies, and her efforts and earnest words have been greatly blessed, and as a new stimulus to many hearts. The pioneer work of the Presbyterial Society has been to a great extent done this year, although a large proportion of the churches yet remain to be organized. When we remember that there are nearly sixty congregations in the Presbytery, we see how little, after all, has yet been done.

Early in the year we applied to the Presbytery for its sanction and co-operation in our work, and received from that reverend body an assurance of encouragement and hearty approval, which has been carried out to the letter by the pastors to whom we wrote on the subject of forming Auxiliaries in their congregations. In the name of the officers of the Society we sincerely thank these gentlemen for their support and sympathy. A good deal of interest and

zeal is reported from most of the Auxiliaries, but many of them are still so young, some only a few weeks old, that we cannot expect accounts of much work done as yet. We are especially glad of the increase in the Mission Bands, which are essentially the hope of the Society in future years.

And so may this good work go on, each year bringing in new

workers and new methods of interesting the indifferent.

The following is an abstract of reports from the various Auxiliaries and Mission Bands:—

Murray-Mitchell Auxiliary, Toronto.—In closing the fourth year of this Auxiliary, we are glad to report an increase in our offerings. We send this year the sum of \$975, and with the amounts contributed by the Mission Bands make a total of \$1,725 from the Murray-Mitchell Auxiliary. The membership this year is 277, and meetings have been held regularly, with an average attendance of seventy-five.

MRS, GREGG. MRS. THOM, MRS. ROBT. DARLING,
President. Treasurer. Secretary.

Central Church Auxiliary, Toronto.—This Auxiliary reports a steadily increasing interest in the meetings. The membership is sixty-eight, of whom forty-four are members of the General Society, and four are life members. The average attendance at the meetings has been seventeen, and the amount contributed is \$82.76. This report only represents nine months, as the missionary year was closed earlier to correspond with the congregational year. Attention is called to the fact that no outside means have been used to raise funds, and no special collections taken, so that the sum sent is truly a free-will offering.

MRS. MACLAREN, MISS MATHER, (MISS) A. JENNINGS, President. Treasurer. Secretary.

Agincourt Auxiliary.—It is with pleasure we report a deepening interest in the work. Missionary letters read at our monthly meetings and much appreciated. Number of members, forty-two-of whom twenty-two are members of the General Society. Contribution amounts to \$115.67. Mite boxes adopted at the last annual meeting and found to work well.

MRS. HUGH ELLIOTT, (MISS) A. CRAWFORD, Secretary.

(MISS) A. DAVIDSON, Treasurer.

The "Burns'" Auxiliary, Toronto.—Organized, November, 1884.

Membership, thirty-one. Average attendance, fifteen. Members of General Society, eight. Amount raised, \$102.37.

MRS. A. GILRAY. MRS. BRYCE, MRS. J. MUTCH,

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Cheltenham and Mount Pleasant Auxiliary. Organized Febuary, 1885. Membership nineteen. Members of General Society, two. Amount raised during the eleven months of organization, \$31. Membership and interest increasing.

(MISS) GILCHRIST, President.

(MISS) A. DRINKSWATER, Secretary.

MISS LIZZIE SHARP, Treasurer.

Brampton Auxiliary. - Organized June, 1885. eighteen, three of whom are members of the General Society. As the Auxiliary has only been in existence a few months, we hope for increased interest next year. Amount, \$15.75.

MRS. E. D. McLaren, MRS. WHITEHEAD, MRS. J. H. GRAY, Treasurer. Secretary.

Aurora Auxiliary. Organized August 11th, 1885. Membership eleven. One member of General Society. Amount of funds raised,

MRS. FOTHERINGHAN, MRS. HARTMAN, President. MRS. AMOS. Treasurer. Secretary.

"The "Topp" Auxiliary," of Knox Church, Toronto.-This Auxiliary was organized on September 22nd, 1885, and although, only four months in existence, has a membership of 138, of whom thirty-seven are members of General Society, and four life members. The monthly meetings are well attended. The amount raised up

MRS. H. M. PARSONS,

(MISS) INA GORDON, Secretary.

President. Mrs. Charles Cockshutt, Treasurer.

Orangeville Auxiliary.—Organized October 27th, 1885.—Membership 30. Amount of funds \$5.75.

MRS. W. A. HUNTER, MRS. TALOR, MRS. DEANE, President. Treasurer. Secretary.

Oakville Auxiliary.—Organized November 5th, 1885. Membership twenty-six. Eight new members have been added since organization, and the interest manifested by attendance at the meetings, is such as to encourage to hopefulness with regard to future progress. Amount contributed, \$18.29.

MRS. S. V. MEIKLE,

(MISS) M. ARNOTT, Secretary.

President.

(MISS) D. MARLATT, Treasurer.

Knox Church Auxiliary, Shelburne.—Organized January, 1886. Membership twenty-one. A deep interest is shewn in the work, which speaks hopefully for future prosperity. Amount contributed, \$8.75.

MRS. McClelland, Miss Oliver, Miss Whitten, Secretary

Markham Auxiliary.—Organized January 15th, 1886. Membership twenty-seven. Meetings held monthly. So recently organized no contribution this year.

MRS. F. SMITH, MRS. T. MORGAN, (MISS) A. E. BELL, Secretary.

Charles St. Church Auxiliary, Toronto. — Organized January 22nd, 1886. Membership thirty-two.

Mrs. Gunther, Miss Patterson, Mrs. G. T. Alexander, Secretary.

Parkdale Auxiliary.—Organized February 11th, 1886, with twenty-three members.

MRS. HUNTER, MISS LENNAN, MRS. MAITLAND, Secretary.

Knox Church Auxiliary, Caledon.—Organized February, 1886, with twenty-four members.

MRS. McFaul, Miss Rutledge, (Miss) Jennie Bell, Secretary.

Georgetown Auxiliary.—Organized April 8th, —.

MRS. WALLACE, MRS. SCOTT, (MISS) LILY McCullough,

President. Treasurer. Secretary.

#### MISSION BANDS.

"Willing Workers," of Knox Church, Toronto.—Organized in May, 1876. Number of members for this year forty-four, and the contribution amounts to \$160.

MISS PARSONS,

President.

(MISS) INA BRODIE,

Secretary.

MISS LIVINGSTONE, Treasurer.

"Hopeful Gleaners," of St. James' Square Church, Toronto.— This Band has to report a membership of sixty, including twentyeight active and thirty two honorary members. The amount contributed is \$350.

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(MISS) J. THORNTON, Treasurer.

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Old St. Andrew's.—Are glad to report an increase this year both in attendance and contributions. Number of members, forty-four, five. Amount contributed, \$225, being nearly double that of last year.

President. MISS FISCHER, (MISS) JESSIE McDonald, Secretary.

Central Church, Toronto—Organized January, 1885, and in presenting its first annual report has much reason for thankfulness. attendance at the meetings is good. Number of members, forty-MRS. J. HARVIR. (March) 1.351.85.

President. (MISS) L. McIntosh, MISS Stephens, Secretary

"Seed Sowers" (S. S. children) of Charles Street Church, Toronto.—Organized October 18th, 1884, has this year a membership meetings. Contribution, \$35.

(Miss) KATE REID, (Miss) M. BAULD, (Miss) MINNIE LENNOX,

President. Treasurer. Secretary.

Chalmers' Church (Juvenile).—Organized March, 1885. Membership, forty-five. Meetings held weekly, with very good attendance.

(Miss) Jennie Robertson, (Miss) Maggie Ure,

President. (Miss) Minnie O'Dell, Treasurer.

"The Harvesters" of Erskine Church, Toronto.—Organized October, 1885, has a membership of fourteen, but has been so short atime in existence, it has nothing special to report.

President.

MISS ROBERTSON,
Treasurer.

(MISS) A. BROWN.
Secretary.

"Leslieville."—Organized January 8th, 1885. Has a membership of thirty-four. Amount contributed, \$10.

President. (MISS) E. BURNESS, (MISS) J. McKee, Secretary.

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Mrs. McMurtry, Port Perry	.Treasurer.

"If there be first a willing mind it is accepted according to that a man hath, and not according to that he hath not." Again we meet to celebrate the anniverary of our existence as a factor in the work of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. A retrospective view leads us heartily to say "hitherto hath the Lord helped us." Our history has been one of advancement in membership, interest and funds. Let us not, however, be satisfied with present attainment, but let us press forward with well-directed zeal so that our next annual meeting may find our hearts beating with higher hope and filled with deeper gratitude than ever before. On February 14, Mrs. Fraser Campbell, returned from India on furlough, addressed our Society on Zenana work, and to those who were fortunate enough to hear her it was a benefit. During the year our President has made sixteen visits to Auxiliaries within our bounds and the reports of these testify to the great good derived from these visits. One Auxiliary has been organized at Claremont with good hopes of success. We have now sixteen Auxiliaries whose reports anticipate

This year is marked by a new feature, which to all interested will be a cause of rejoicing,—the formation of three Mission Bands. The "Busy Bee" Band, of Ashburn, the "Eager Helpers," of Newcastle, and the "Olive Branch," of Oshawa. Let those youthful organizations spread, and there shall arise a generation far surpassing ours in energy and true missionary effort, whose work shall not be marred by any spirit of indifference or lack of

Ashburn.-Monthly meetings held regularly and attendance very much improved. Great interest prevails. Members, twenty. Con-

MRS. McLELLAND, (MISS) GARDNER, MRS. J. DAVIDSON, Treasurer. Secretary.

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MISS THOMSON, (MISS) DARLINGTON, MISS E. ROBINSON, Secretary. Treasurer. President.

Bowmanville.-Monthly meetings held regularly. Missionary letters received with gratitude. Members, twenty. Contribution, \$154.

(MISS) MARY MURDOCH, MRS. BLEAKLY, Secretary. President. MRS. W. F. ALLAN, Treasurer.

¿ Columbus.—Meetings held quarterly. Average attendance eleven.

Members, twenty-two. Contribution, \$40.

(MISS) E. BEATH. MRS. J. STOCKS, MRS. RATCLIFF,

Claremont.—Organized August 21, 1885. Regular monthly meetings held. Great interest manifested. Members, eighteen. Contribution, \$13.05.

(MISS) JANET YOUNG. MRS. D. S. McFARLANE, Secretary. President.

(MISS) MARY MCNAB, Treasurer.

Dunbarton.-Regular meetings held. Members, sixteen. Contribution, \$35. (Miss) J. Parker, (MISS) COOPER. MRS. CRAIG, Treasurer. President.

Enniskillen .- Not in working condition this year.

Highland Creek.—Increase of one member. We have every reason to believe that the future will be prosperous. Meetings held monthly. Members, ten. Contribution, \$21.

Mrs. H. Cowan, Mrs. W. Cowan, Sr., (Miss) M. Hewitt, Treasurer. President.

Kendall.—Attendance good. Missionary letters heartily enjoyed. Members, eleven. Contribution, \$19.

MRS. L. COWAN, MRS. SCOTT, MRS. S. HALLIDAY, Secreary. Treasurer. President.

Newcastle.-Meetings held monthly. We were favoured by a visit from Miss Gordon, our President, who gave us an interesting address. We also enjoyed a visit from Miss Oliver, who is in preparation for medical mission work. Members, twenty-seven, an increase of five. Contribution, \$41.46.

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NAUGHTON, Secretary. Newtonville.—Nine meetings. Increase of one member. Great interest in Missionary intelligence. We feel that it is a grand work fourteen. Contribution, \$20.

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Orono.—Steady progress. Increase in members and contribution. Growing interest amongst members of congregation. Members, twenty. Contribution, \$40.

MRS. FRASER,
President.

MRS. LINTON,
Treasurer.

(MISS) H. PRINGLE,
Secretary.

Oshawa.—Great interest taken in the meetings which are held monthly. The missionary letters are a bond of sympathy between the workers at home and those abroad. In July last Miss Gordon wembers, twenty-nine. Contribution, \$52.24.

ISS HOWLAND,
President.

(MISS) E. SMALL,
Treasurer.

(MISS) E. GULLOCK,
Secretary.

Port Perry.—Held eleven meetings. Average attendance, nine. Interest in the work has not diminished. A life member has been added from this society in the person of a young lady still in attendance at school who has by her own efforts in fancy work, purchased her own life membership. Members, eighteen. Contribution, \$100.

President. (MISS) N. ROBINS, MRS. CURRIE, Secretary

Pickering.—The regular monthly meetings are well attended. Missionary letters are much appreciated. Interest in the work is growing. Members, eleven. Contribution, \$40.

MRS. BUCHAN, MRS. GORDON, (MISS) M. HENDERSON, President.

Whitby.—Attendance good at monthly meetings. Five new members. An "At Home" social gathering was held in November, wery active member—Mrs. R. S. Campbell. Members, 30. Contri-Mrs. Madul. Mrs. Contri-Mrs. Madul. Mrs. Contri-Mrs. Madul. Mrs. Contri-Mrs. Mrs. Contri-Mrs. Madul. Mrs. Contri-Mrs. Madul. Mrs. Contri-Mrs. Mrs. Contri-

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#### MISSION BANDS.

"Busy Bee" Ashburn.—Organized June, 1885. Monthly meetings held regularly. Children are much interested. Members, thirty-five. Contribution, \$12.85.

President. (MASTER) FRANK FISHER,
(MISS) AGGIE BALFOUR, Treasurer.

"Eager Helpers" Newcastle.—Organized October, 1885. Meetings held monthly, and much interest manifested in missionary intelligence. Members twenty-eight. Contribution, \$60.

MISS DRUMMOND, MISS MORTON, (MISS) J. McNaughton, Secretary.

"Olive Branch" Oshawa.—Organized in November, 1885. Have now twenty-two members. Only two regular meetings have been held, but we predict a successful society from the energy and interest with which our work thus far has been done. The "Olive Branch" has just budded, and we trust that next year will find it laden with abundance of fruit.

(MISS) J. PANTON, MISS McLEAN, (MISS) L. GREIG, Secretary.

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## AUXILIARIES AND MISSION BANDS.

# ABSTRACT OF REPORTS FROM AUXILIARIES.

Aylmer, Que., Auxiliary.—Organized April 22nd, 1885, consequently has not much to report. Membership fourteen. Amount raised, \$20. Mrs. Annand visited the Society in December, and gave an interesting address.

MRS. J. MCLEAN, MISS LINDSAY, (MISS) EVA PARKER, President. Treasurer. Secretary.

Barrie Auxiliary.—Organized December 16th, 1885. Held three meetings since above date. Twenty-five members. interesting and instructive. Amount contributed for the three

MRS. T. MCKEE, MRS. D. D. McLEOD, MRS. STEVENSON, President. Treasurer. Secretary.

Chatsworth Auxiliary.—Organized July 3rd, 1885. members of General Society. The meetings are made interesting by reading Missionary letters and short items on Mission work by any member present. Contribution, \$20.

MRS. MCALPINE, President.

MRS. McLEAN, Sec.-Treasurer.

Collingwood Auxiliary-is just entering upon the third year of its existence, having been organized on the 23rd of October, 1883. There are thirty-six members on the roll, seven of whom are members of the General Society. Sent a large box to the North-West. Much interest manifested, and literature appreciated and circulated. Contribution, \$43.

MRS. RODGERS, (MISS) C. I. MACKAY, MRS. FRAME, (MISS) JESSIE MELVILLE, President. Treasurer. Secretaries.

Dundalk Auxiliary.--Organized in August, 1885. Membership twenty-seven. Average attendance at meetings between seven and eight. Three are members of General Society. Regular monthly meetings have been held; not largely attended, but interesting. Contribution, \$21.62. Very interesting letters have been read at the meetings from Missionaries from India, China and Manitoba. MISS MONTGOMERY,

(MISS) JENNIE McGREGOR, President.

MISS T. Ross, Treasurer.

Johnston and Daywood Auxiliary.—Organized 1885. Meetings interesting. Membership increasing. Prayer that the coming year may be prosperous, and that God will bless every effort for sending the glad tidings to heathen lands. Contributions, \$22.

MRS. SKENE MISS McKINNON, (MISS) C. A. McTAVISH, Secretary,

Ormstown Auxiliary.—Organized 1877. Membership includes all ladies in the Congregation. Fifty members of General Society. Two large boxes sent to the North-West. Through sickness the amount contributed was not sent in time for the closing of General Treasurer's books. Much interest and zeal have been shown by the Society.

MRS. THOMAS BAIRD, President. (MISS) JEANIE MORISON, Sec.-Treasurer.

Ottawa Auxiliary.—Organized 1878. During the past year sent a large contribution of clothing to the North-West, and helped with the boxes for Central India. Meetings held regularly each month, with an average attendance of thirty-three. There are one hundred and twelve members, of whom seventy-five are members of the General Society and three (Mrs. F. H. Bronson, Mrs. Joseph White, and Miss Harmon) have this year become life members. Amount contributed, \$517.58. A Mission Band was organized in October of which there are now between seventy and eighty members. Our December meeting was one of special interest as Mrs. Annand was present, and gave an account of her work among the women of the New Hebrides Islands.

MRS. THORBURN,

President.

(MISS) LAURA H. HOPKIRK, Rec.-Secretary.

Sarnia Auxiliary.—Organized in 1877. Our meetings have been held regularly each month except August, the average attendance being ten. The foreign letters have been received and read every month, and these, together with items brought by different members, have kept us well informed about the various Mission fields. We have only \$31 to send away this year, and our membership, we regret to say, has fallen off, being only seventeen, as against twenty-four last year, nine of these are members of the Central Society. It is to be regretted that the attendance became so small at the meetings of the Mission Band that they were discontinued altogether.

MRS. SCOTT, MRS. KING, MRS. C. J. NISBET.

President. Treasurer.

S. Russell Auxiliary.—Organized 1884. Members nine. Contribution, \$20.

MRS. McClelland,

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. Boyd, Secretary. Teeswater Auxiliary—For the past year had a membership of twenty-five, twenty-one of whom are members of the General Society. We had a monthly meeting without a break, with an average attendance of twelve. I think I may say that the interest is somewhat on the increase. The making up of a box of clothing this direction. The Missionary letters, too, are more and more prized. Our women will be interested in the Mission work of our church only in proportion as they acquaint themselves with it. Our contribution this year is \$58. I am thankful to say it is \$3 in excess of any previous year.

MRS. WARDROPE,

President.

MRS. GRANT,
Treasurer.

MRS. LITTLE, Secretary.

Wiarton Auxiliary.—Organized 1885. Owing to small attendance at meetings, and a feeling that all the energies of the congregation are needed to meet the financial difficulties at home, meetings were to be discontinued for a time. The Society, however, is not disorganized, as a contribution of \$11.01 and a membership of five will show, with one member of General Society.

MRS. REEKIE,

President.

MISS MILLER, Treasurer.

MISS MCINTYRE, Secretary.

Winnipeg Auxiliary.—Organized October 24th, 1884. Contribution for fifteen months, \$110. Contribution for the last twelve months being \$60. Membership thirty, twenty-four are members of General Society. A public meeting was held in connection with our Annual Meeting, when addresses on "Mission Work among the Indians of our own North-West," were delivered by Prof. Hart, and Rev. Geo. Fleet, of Okanesse Reserve. Mr. Fleet came by special invitation of the Society, which defrayed his expenses. He was present at our Annual Meeting, when he gave further interesting information about his Reserve and school. During the hour a purse of \$23 was made up, and presented to Mr. Fleet, to his great surprise and joy, to be spent in feeding and clothing the children in his school. During the year six cases of clothing were sent to the needy on Mr. Fleet's reserve, and six cases of children's clothes were forwarded the Rev. A. A. Baird, of Edmonton, for his school. Owing to the long-continued illness of our much-esteemed president, Mrs. King, her resignation, tendered three months ago, was reluctantly accepted. Officers for the ensuing year:

MRS. TAYLOR, MRS. JAS. FISHER, MRS. JAS. RUSSELL, Sec. for 1886.

President. Treasurer. MRS. C. H. CAMPBELL, Secretary.

## MISSION BANDS.

Barrie Mission Band.—Recently organized.

MISS WHITE,

President.

MISS MACLENNAN,

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Treasurer.

MISS STEVENSON, Secretary. Mount Forest, Presbyterian Church, Juvenile Mission Band.— These girls, although under fourteen years, and but recently banded together have sent \$10 to the General Society, and are much interested in learning of the work done in missions.

Ormstown Mission Band.—Assisted the Auxiliary in providing the clothing sent to Indians, and contributed to the General Society, \$2.00. A member whom God has taken to Himself, whose end was full of peace, trusting in Jesus, earnestly wished that her parents would continue to support missions.

Ottawa Mission Band.—Has so recently been organized, that its contribution is kept over till next year.

MRS. EGIBSON, MISS C. ROMAINE, Treasurer. Rec. Sec.

(Miss) Mary Masson, Cor. Sec.

Owen Sound "Tiding Bearers'," Mission Band.—Our Band was organized in June, 1883, and has been in a prosperous state ever since. Our membership is only forty-seven, not as large as at first. Some have left our ranks on account of leaving town and other causes, and others have taken their place, and those who attend enjoy the meetings very much. The missionary letters we receive from the different mission fields, are very interesting, not forgetting the monthly letter from Miss M. H. Scott, our organizer.

Besides which our members prepare papers each evening on the different mission fields which give us a greater insight into missionary work. We also gathered together with the congregation's aid, a box of clothing which we forwarded to be distributed amongst the

Indians, valued at \$75.

MRS. SCOTT, MISS M. BODDY, (MISS) JENNIE MILBURN, Secretary.

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# REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT.

The duty of those who are intrusted with preparing the Annual Report of the Committee of Management of this Society is now becoming comparatively light, because it is now an established custom that there shall be regular monthly correspondence between that committee and all the branches under its care. This easy means of communication affords us the mutual advantage of knowing just what we are all doing throughout the year, and the members of this Society, being careful and intelligent observers, only require that, at its close, we should place before them a brief narrative of the facts with which they are already familiar.

As we thus deal with questions in addition, disclosed by extension, organization, re-arrangement and the summing up of money, it will occur to you, as it has frequently done before, that we have simply touched the outer edge or appearance of things; the real work, the permanent and reflex influence, must remain unrecorded.

For who can speak of the inward musings, and heart-searching thoughts that have preceded this outcome, who can tell of the repeated consultations, the carefully laid plans, the giving, and giving-up represented by these returns? The undercurrent flowing from all this and much else which cannot be made public, because too sacred for ordinary use, will, however, bear fruit in the aftertime.

There may be some willing spirits among us who are inclined to reflect to-day that they have accomplished very little. Shall we not now remember the "five barley loaves and two small fishes" of which the Master made such generous use, and stay ourselves upon Him, who, on another occasion so mercifully said: "She hath done what she could."

A very decided advance has been made in the arrangement of work; it has become more compact and will, doubtless, in future, be more easily handled; we now understand the advantages of Presbyterial order and are rapidly falling into line. We are desirous of making these Presbyterial Societies as complete as possible, so that each may become a centre of operations for and in itself—all being represented and bound together in one General Society.

By availing ourselves of the experience and arrangements of older organizations, and having obtained permission from the Scotisch and American Societies to reprint their leaflets, in addition to those prepared by our own ladies, we are now supplied with envelopes, mite-boxes, etc., and also with short printed leaflets on subjects

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It is our intention to place at once, in the hands of each Presbyterial Secretary, a full supply of all these for use in that Presbytery, so that each Auxiliary and Mission Band within the bounds may order from her everything of this kind which is required.

We thus hope to form many convenient centres of interest and usefulness, and we bespeak your active co-operation in seeking to mature our plans.

Permit us further to direct your attention to the Monthly Leaflets. You are aware, that with a few exceptions, each Auxiliary and Mission Band receives only one copy.

Would it be any advantage if every lady were furnished with a monthly copy? Would it help that large number of our members who cannot attend the meetings, if a copy could be sent or taken to each of them? This would require a little care and a small outlay of money, but it would also bring much that is fresh, and of more than passing interest, into the life of each lady who thus possessed a letter of her own, and a personal knowledge of the work and the workers, because, as many of you know, these leaflets contain Foreign and North-West letters direct from the field, and notes of local usually in October, the statement of expenditure and estimates received from the Foreign Mission Committee, which is, in itself, most practical information.

From your observation of the year's work, as well as from the different items which appear in the Reports and Treasurer's Statement, now submitted for your approval, you will note that our friends of the past continue their generous remembrance of us; and that among ourselves, with a very few exceptions indeed, there has been a steady advance. Here we recall with sorrow the memory of friends whom our Father has called "Home"; we mourn their absence and miss their wise counsel, but we can trace here and there the effects of their unselfish work, and can, even in our sadness, rejoice that they are represented in our offering and intimately connected with its story, while with reverence we remember that they now see the King in His beauty.

Such events constantly occurring give solemnity to all our intercourse, and repeat again for each of us, "The time is short."

The following is a very brief resumé of the work of the year ending April 6th, 1886:—

First, the Foreign Work, as shown by estimate. We provide this year for Central India the salaries of three lady missionaries, one medical missionary, and two young lady assistants, the expenses of six schools, Bible women, helpers, etc., and a sum for the completion of a bungalow for the lady missionaries,

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The salaries of two lady missionary teachers not yet definitely located, and a certain sum for further work among the Indians.

In addition to this, there was a small sum expended in preparation for medical work.

Home Work.—Ninety-four life members, 35 being added this year; 5,080 ordinary members (1,356 added this year), and of these 1,527 are members of the General Society. Number of members in Mission Bands, 1,111; added this year, 457. The number of Presbyterial Societies has increased from 14 to 16, the number of Auxiliaries from 134 to 191, and of Mission Bands from 24 to 50.

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It will be noted that in deducting expenses we are able to fall back upon a balance of \$468.90, reserved from last year's money for that purpose. The exact charge upon this year's account for expenses is, therefore, \$363.91.

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by estimate, there still remains at our disposal \$3,389.64.

"Praise ye the Lord: O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good, for His mercey endureth for ever." Praise Him, for He has

enabled us to present this offering for His service.

It seems only the other day that we were congratulating ourselves upon having passed our infancy, because we were seven years old; and now ten years have passed, and, on looking back at the decade, we find, indeed, much cause for renewed and cheerful courage. The sum of the contributions during these ten years is \$58,586.12. We are also in the retrospect reminded that the formation of this Society was one of the first-fruits of the Union of 1875, and that its marked progress has only been in keeping with the steady development of the United Church in all branches of Home and Foreign Work. The end of our fifth year found us still weak and struggling. The entire scheme was new, and good people looked on with amused interest or apparent indifference; among ourselves there may have been the sweet confidence of youth and well-meaning zeal, but puzzling questions arose and our experience was very limited. Questions of this nature still arise, but usually in attempting to answer them there is now some precedent to fall back upon, and we are being taught to adapt our methods of work to the requirements of our own country and of the times in which we live.

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But when all has been done, and we look at our own frailty and error in the doing of it, because we frequently mistake our own way for the right way and suffer the consequences, we must rest and leave the disposal of all things in His hands.

It is a happy circumstance for us that we are under the sheltering care and authority of the Foreign Mission Committee, and that the object to be attained, and the general plan of work have been clearly defined for us, but it is easy to foresee that as we advance in years the difficulties in our path—although differing in character from those already overcome—may be not less trying, and that we shall order to walk carefully, lest we should hinder our chosen work in our anxiety for its advancement.

It were well to bear in mind that, although our branch of Church work is very important, it is only one of many which others may consider equally so, therefore, by being thoroughly loyal to our own we shall be better fitted to sympathize with others, and instead of being opposed to them, able and willing to render them any assistance in our power.

Also as women and members of the community, there are laid upon us social and domestic duties of no ordinary importance; this being the case, shall we not, in portioning out our work and arranging about meetings, do so in view of the higher and holier claims of wife, mother, sister and daughter? "Thrice happy is she who can do these things, and not leave the other undone."

We venture to call attention to another feature of our work, and it is one which must be carefully considered if we would see it as blessed and vigorous as it ought to be; for instance: cases may occur when, from lack of information or other causes, hindrances may arise, and in certain districts the work brought to a standstill.

It is impossible to lay down a set of rules for all cases, but in general it would be better to wait and work quietly, till the opposition be withdrawn, or the information supplied privately, rather than, that in our eagerness to increase the number of our societies we should take any step which might possibly expose our actions to misconception or to unfavorable comment. It is highly desirable, other things being equal, that we should be in accord with a healthy public opinion: "Moderation is the silken string, which binds together the pearl-chain of all the virtues."

If we are wise this work will grow; an important charge has been laid upon us by those who have confidence in our ability to do it wisely and well. We are at present laying the foundations of a department of church work, let these foundation stones be

We are charged with the guiding and training of bands of young girls, who are soon to take our places, with whom our example and methods of work will be all-powerful, for whose special education we are responsible, and for whom, as for us, this thought is of vital importance.

Shall we not strive to place the work in their hands in such a shape that, in carrying it on, their trust in the wisdom of our example may be unshaken, and that they shall learn from us to understand that "Christ loves the humble and accepts the little"?

"In quietness and confidence shall be your strength."

M. J. MACMURCHY.

London, April 20th, 1886.

Wherever through the ages rise The altars of self-sacrifice, Where love its arms has opened wide, Or man for man has calmly died, I see the same white wings outspread That hovered o'er the Master's head.

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I dare not idle stand, But at my Lord's command Labour for Him throughout my life's short day; Evening will come at last, Day's labour all be passed, And rest eternal my brief toil repay.

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Mrs. McLaren, Toronto. Mrs. McKay, Windsor.

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Mrs. George Brown, Toronto.

1880.

Mrs. Redpath, Montreal. Miss Haight, Toronto. Mrs. D. McGee, Toronto.

1881.

Mrs. Kennedy. London (ob. 1884.) Mrs. Ure, Goderich.

1882.

Mrs. Topp, Toronto. Miss Lay, Toronto. Mrs. McCuaig, Vankleek Hill.

1883.

Mrs. Leslie, Eglinton. Mrs. C. H. Lay, Montreal. Mrs. Fairbairn, Peterboro' Miss Cameron, Sarnia (ob. 1884.) Mrs. Little, Bowmanville. Mrs. Johnston, Morrisburg. Mrs. Kellie, Skye.
Mrs. Watt, Ingersoll.
Mrs. James Maclennan, Toronto.
Mrs. C. B. Robinson, Toronto. Mrs. Paterson, Toronto. Mrs. J. M. Cameron, Toronto. Mrs. J. M. King, Winnipeg. Mrs. J. M. King, Winnipeg. Mrs. Thomas Ewart, Toronto. Mrs. John Leys, Toronto.

1884.

Miss Leslie, Dundas. Mrs. Stewart, Toronto. Mrs. D. McEwan, Toronto. Mrs. John Jennings, Toronto.
Mrs. A. R. Creelman, Toronto.
Mrs. George Cowan, Galt.
Mrs. Hugh Crozier, Port Perry.
Miss Foote, Montreal.
Mrs. Ichn. M. R. Brown Toronto. Mrs. John McEwan, Toronto. Mrs. John Malloch, Hamilton. Mrs. W. Alexander, Santa Barbara, Mrs. W. Mortimer Clark, Toronto. Mrs. Roger, Ashburn.

Mrs. Thomas McCraken, Toronto. Mrs. G. M. Milligan, Toronto. Mrs. Cosbie, Toronto. Mrs. Adam, Toronto.

1885.

Miss McIlwraith, Hamilton.
Miss Helen King, Winnipeg, Man.
Mrs. J. F. Willox, Oshawa.
Mrs. G. H. Eastman, Oshawa.
Mrs. J. Henderson, Cobourg.
Mrs. E. H. Patterson, San Antonio,
Texas, U. S.
Mrs. Kalonathakas, Athena Gran Mrs. Kalopathakes, Athens, Greece Mrs. W. J. McMurtry, Port Perry. Miss Georgina Darlington, Brooklyn. Mrs. Calderwood, Edinburgh, Scot-Mrs. Calderwood, Edinburgh, Scot-Mrs. Hugh Monroe, Kenyon. [land. Mrs. Wylie, Burnside, Almonte. Mrs. W. Reid, Toronto. Mrs. D. J. Macdonnell. Mrs. T. Kirkland, Toronto. Miss Ewart, Toronto. Miss Ewart, Toronto Mrs. MacMurchy, Toronto.

1886.

Mrs. Donald Ross, Kingston.
Mrs. John Paton, New York.
Mrs. Smellie, Fergus.
Miss Langwill, St. Laurent, Que.
Mrs. Williamson, Guelph.
"Manoah," Balderson.
Mrs. John Forin, Belleville.
Mrs. John McBean, Toronto. Mrs. John Forin, Belleville.
Mrs. John McBean, Toronto.
Miss Veals, Peterborough.
Miss H. Lee Jones, Toronto.
Miss Elliott, Toronto.
Mrs. J. Y. Reid, Toronto.
Mrs. W. Gregg, Toronto.
Mrs. W. Gregg, Toronto.
Mrs. Telfer, Toronto.
Mrs. A. Jardine, Toronto.
Miss Sutherland, Toronto.
Miss Sutherland, Toronto.
Miss Ina Gordon, Toronto. Miss Ina Gordon, Toronto. Mrs. Foley, Toronto.
Mrs. J. M. Alexander, Toronto.
Miss McBride, Port Perry. Miss Jessie Baxter, Ingersoll,
Miss Jessie Baxter, Ingersoll,
Mrs. Mowat, Kingston.
Mrs. John Ferguson, Vankleek Hill.
Miss Harmon, Ottawa.
Miss Gordon, Whitby.
Mrs. Ferguson, Fergus Mrs. Ferguson, Fergus. Mrs. Joseph White, Ottawa. Mrs. H. F. Bronson, Ottawa. Mrs. Cooper, Chatham.

## NUMBER OF MEMBERS

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Chatham			• · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		224	37
Glengarry	"	"		419	46	39
Guelph	66	"		326	78	200
Hamilton	44	66	***************************************	252		209
Huron	44	46	*	140	33	1
Kingston	44	66		329	191	44
Lanark and Ren	frew	"	*	386	65	157
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Lindsay London	44	44		314		
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Maitland	"	66		190	42	33
Paris	44	44		216	73	37
Peterborough	44	44		279	54	16
Stratford	"	44		801	352	341
Toronto	"			288	33	85
Whitby				14		
Aylmer Auxilian	y Societ	ty		25		
Barrie "	44	******		13	13	
Chatsworth "	"	****		36	7	
Collingwood "		*** **		28	,	
Dundalk "	"	*****		20		
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# Woman's Foreign Missionary Society

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# PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA.

(WESTERN SECTION.)

## CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.—This society shall be called "The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church in Canada" (Western Section), and its central point of operation shall be the City of Toronto.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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#### BY-LAWS.

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

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

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

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

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

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

ARTICLE 7.—The Corresponding Secretary for the Home Field shall correspond with churches and individuals, and extend information in all proper directions, in order to awaken an interest in the branch of missionary work for which this Society was formed. She shall prepare the Annual Report of the Home Work.

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

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

ARTICLE 10.—These By-Laws may be amended at a meeting of the Society, by a vote of two-thirds of the members present; but notice of any proposed amendment must be given in writing, and sent to all Auxiliaries, one month before the vote is taken.

Note.—Any member of this Society desiring to bring up matters for discussion at the Annual Meeting, is requested to give notice to the Board of Management one month before the time of meeting, or when such notice is not given, the matter may be referred to a Committee named at the time.

#### CONSTITUTION

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

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

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

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ARTICLE 4.—The Officers of this Society shall be a President, two or more Vice-Presidents, Secretary and Treasurer.

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

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

ARTICLE 7.—The Treasurer's duty shall be to report the state of the Treasury at every meeting, and remit the funds yearly or quarterly to the Treasurer of the Presbyterial Society when one exists, if not, to the Treasurer of the General Society. All money must be forwarded to the Treasurer of the Presbyterial the first Tuesday in March.

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

#### DIRECTIONS

For Forming Mission Bands.

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

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

III.—The officers of a Band shall be a President, two or more Vice-Presidents, Secretary and Treasurer, who shall be elected annually.

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

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

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

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

### CONSTITUTION

Of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Presbyterial Society.

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

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

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

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

ARTICLE 6.—The Presbyterial Society shall hold its Annual Meeting at — meeting of the Presbytery, and the Presbyterial Officers shall meet in session with the Managers previously, for the election officers for the ensuing year, and the transaction of all business connected with the Society. Five members shall constitute a quorum.

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

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

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

ARTICLE 10.—This Constitution may be altered at any regular meeting by a vote of two thirds of the members present, notice in writing of the intended alteration having been given at a previous meeting.

#### BY-LAWS.

ARTICLE 1.—The meeting of this Society shall always be opened with the reading of the Scriptures and prayer.

ARTICLE II.—The President (or one of the Presidents) shall preside at all meetings; call extra meetings when requested by three Auxiliary Societies, and shall aid in forming Congregational Auxiliaries when desired. She shall also take the general supervision of the work in the Presbytery, visiting every Auxiliary Society in the course of the year, and holding meetings with the ladies of as many of the unorganized churches as possible.

ARTICLE 3.—It shall be the duty of the Secretary to record the proceedings of the Society, give notice of meetings, and prepare the Annual Report. She must keep the Home Secretary of the General Society informed of the condition of the Presbyterial Society, and shall forward to her annually a list of officers, together with the Annual Report of the Secretary and Treasurer, and shall attend generally to the correspondence of the Society.

ARTICLE 4.—The Treasurer shall receive the contributions of the Congregational Auxiliaries in the Presbytery, and shall forward them to Treasurer of the General Society before the first Tuesday in March.

#### MEMORANDA.

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

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