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OF

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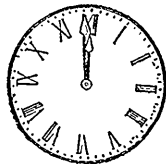
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# Letter Leaflet of the Woman's Auxiliary

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

OCTOBER, 1896



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

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

Subjects for Prayer and Reading: October—Selkirk, All Islands. November—Algoma, S. America and Mexico.

## A TRIP TO WINNIPEG FROM A W.A. POINT OF VIEW.

Owing to the very great kindness of a member of the Toronto W.A. the editor of these Provincial pages was able to avail herself of the opportunity offered by the assembling of the General Synod at Winnipeg to acquire much information which will be of interest to our members, so she intends taking up a portion of these pages each month until the account of her tour is complete. Starting from Toronto at noon on Saturday the 29th August we soon found ourselves whirling along past the terrible havoc caused at Allandale by the recent storm, on by Gravenhurst, Bracebridge, Huntsville, Burke's Falls, Sundridge, South River to North Bay, all so well known by name to our W.A., and the latter the home of the able Secretary for Algoma W.A., Miss Begg. At North Bay it was a case of turning out at 10 p.m. and getting on board the main train; berths were all put up so a hasty retreat was made into section No. 2 and preparations begun for a Pullman night. On waking Sunday morn we found we were stopped at a station and on looking out there was "Chapleau" in large letters. Could it be that we were really in the Diocese so often thought, spoken and written of—Moosonee? True it was, and we soon learned that Bishop Newnam had just got off the train to hold service and would follow on the next day, and that Biscoatasing had been passed while we slept, 4 a.m. One by one many familiar faces were recognized on board, all journeying to the same end, or as the Bishop of Fredericton said, the same "middle," Winnipeg being about equally distant from both coasts. A little before 10 o'clock we came to Missanaie, famous as the starting point of the Lakes in the Wood. About 11 o'clock a very nice service was held in the Pullman, several clergymen took part in it. The Bishop of Fredericton preached a

very good sermon from the opening verses of the 91st Psalm. He prefaced the sermon by saying it was only a few suggestions for thought, but there were enough for many days reflection. Strange to say all the occupants of the car, about sixteen in number, were Church of England except one gentleman who was a Roman Catholic, but he expressed himself as very willing to attend the service; several hymns were sung, all joining in most heartily. There was a lady on board who was returning to Hong Kong with her children and governess, also one going to the North-West to keep house for a brother, one going all the way to Portland, Oregon, alone, and some for Winnipeg. Though so many clergy and others were going to the Synod one was glad to have other women on board. On we went past very monotonous scenery, brush, rocks, and a succession of dreary lakes without even a bird to be seen on or near them. These lonely waters brought to mind the long journeys made by Mrs. Young and Mrs. and Miss Newnham when they travel for days and days through just such solitary wilds, camping at nights and canoeing all day, and one realized as never before all they have to endure. The one thing that relieved the monotony of the surroundings was the lovely autumn colouring of leaves and flowers. There were not many of the latter, but the fireweed, wild sunflowers and a few others equally bright made a good contrast to the lovely carpet of scarlet leaves that lined each side of the track and brought out the green of the brushwood above in a striking manner. Flying on through tunnels, over trestles, round the most tremendous curve from Heron Bay we found ourselves skirting Lake Superior and here the scenery became grand and beautiful. With the lake on the left and the high lands, on the right, cuttings through the solid rock, some rough with huge boulders seemingly just stuck on the side of the cutting and ready to fall at any moment, others cut as smoothly as a piece of cheese. We sped on, passing round the beautiful Jackfish Bay, where a large steamer lay at anchor, to another well known place; Schrieber is very prettily situated, nestled in a semi-circular plateau, among the surrounding hills. The little church and parsonage looked very nice and one longed for time to go and see the inside of the church, but the fear of that stentorian "All Aboard" forced us to keep near the train for we did not stop long. Mr. Lawlor has several stations to serve from Schrieber. It is the station for the Lake Nepigon Mission so long and faithfully worked by the Rev. R. Renison, who was burned out and went through many other trials and difficulties. We were told that Mr. Renison's eldest son is now helping Mr. Lawlor. Rosspport was the first place at which we saw potatoes, most of the other stations seeming so void of all attempt at gardening. Of Port Arthur and Fort William only the station could be seen as we did not reach them till after 10 at night. Wabigoon, to which our bales are sent *en route* to several missions, shared the fate of many flag

stations, and was passed by. Ten o'clock brought us to Rat Portage (pop. 4,500) at the principal outlet of the Lake of the Woods, the largest body of water touched by the railway between Lake Superior and the Pacific. The scenery here is beautiful and so many come from Winnipeg to spend the summer in the vicinity, that it is called the Saratoga of the West. To us it means the highway to such missions as Rainy River, Lac Seul and others round and near the Lake of the Woods. Quite a nice time is given here for a walk and breath of air. The first squaw we had met on our journey was standing near the platform, but our attempts at conversation were futile as her Indian companion shook his head and said "No English," and we had to acknowledge "no Cree." Keewatin, about four miles further west, is also a great place for campers from Winnipeg. During the two days we had been traveling together most of our party had become so sociable that it was with mixed feelings that we thought of getting to our destination and scattering here and there. The flat prairie-like character of the scenery warned us that Winnipeg was not far off, and by 3 30 we steamed into the capital of the Province of Manitoba, formerly Fort Garry, and now a handsome, flourishing city. At the station were many Eastern friends who had arrived before us, and also such well known Western ones as Canon Rogers and Rev. W. A. Burman, who with kind Mrs Fortin, the Cor.-Secretary, whose interesting letters have often been given in these pages, welcomed your Provincial Cor-Secretary in the warmest way and Mrs. Fortin carried her off to her own hospitable home where the Archdeacon and all the family spared no pains to make her visit a pleasant one, and certainly succeeded. It came out after a little that there was a firm conviction on the part of them all that your Secretary was an old lady with very white hair and she has not succeeded in finding out whether it was a shock or a pleasure on discovering their mistake!

A most interesting letter from Mrs. Canham will be given next month instead of this. Your editor while visiting the Indian Schools could not prepare it for the printer in time, so begs to be excused.

The Provincial board of Management is called by the President to meet in Toronto, Nov. 12.

DEAR JUNIOR WORKERS.—The holiday season is over and gone and the rest, if properly spent, should leave us ready for work and with an earnest desire to be up and doing in the great work our Master calls us to. While we have been spending happy hours in peaceful homes with all the blessings a Christian land brings us, many thousands of souls have been suffering in darkness and misery, knowing nothing of the light which has brought to us radiance and joy in the midst of sorrows and trials. What more can we do for them than we have done in the past? Many of you may feel discouraged as you

look at your work and wonder if anything has been accomplished, but the seed you have sown will surely bring fruit, if the action has been right. You are forming missionary habits and that is much; you are leading the little ones to pray for others, and thus strengthening their own dependence on the Father of all, you are instructing them in the great mission field that their labors may have a solid basis, and not be just spasmodic efforts as the fancy touches them, you are training them to see that our money is not our own but belongs to the Lord who gave it, and that He has the right to the tenth at least of our means. In some measure through your efforts, the Indian children are being clothed and fed, and taught of Christ, the children's Friend, the missionaries' hearts have been cheered at the sight of your welcome bales, packed and forwarded with loving care. You have shown your sympathy in a practical way with the self-sacrificing missionaries of the far North among the icy regions of the Esquimaux. Far China has been aided, and money sent to help those true workers who have taken the places of the massacred Stewarts, and other noble martyrs who lie buried in that distant land. India's women have not been forgotten, The Medical Mission in Japan, which holds much interest for us in Canada, has had your help, while their Bible Women have been aided through your mission boxes, and even distant Africa has been indirectly helped through your efforts. But what is all this compared to what we might do. When our missionaries visit us we are all enthusiasm, but how soon it dies, and our energies fail, but can we not start afresh determined that this year every parish shall have its junior band of workers for missions in some form or other, where literature will be circulated, and information can be given, do something, do everything you can, only do not give up effort, get hold of the children. It may be the last year of service for some of us, let us be faithful while we have the time. Let our W.A. feel the children are treading closely behind them, following their footsteps, and ready to "gather the wood" to kindle the fire on God's altars throughout the world.

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#### SUGGESTIONS.

1. Keep reports of all your work, and send to your Diocesan Secretary yearly, who will in her turn report to me.
2. Try to give something to the pledges assumed by the W.A. in your Diocese, before sending to new fields.
3. Never give up in spite of discouragements.
4. Let your juniors feel they are an important part of the W.A.
5. Give more instruction, pray more, work more.

J. TILLEY, Secretary Junior Branches.

[Oct., 1896.]

**Toronto Diocese.**

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

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The Diocese of Selkirk was formed in 1892; it lies west of the Rocky Mountains, north and south from the Arctic Sea. In the Diocese are 200,000 square miles. There are two ways of entering this Diocese, one across Coast Range of mountains from Juneau, Alaska, thence down the Yukon; the other by steamer from St. Michaels at the mouth of the Yukon River. Indian missions have been established in the country by the C.M.S. for more than thirty years. The Indians of Buxton Mission, Forty Mile, form a congregation of over 100 who attend church services both weekly and daily. The great needs of this Diocese are a church at Forty Mile, also a Mission House and School Church at Hootalinga River, also a Girl's School for the Indians at Fort Reliance, and a similar school for boys at Sixty Mile. Bishop Bompas asks for contributions to the Selkirk Diocesan Fund, upon which fall the salaries of the Mission Agents—Donations for special work in this Diocese of Selkirk may be sent to the Diocesan Treasurer W.A., 561 Jarvis St., Toronto.

The following are the subjects chosen for ten-minute papers at the Devotional Meetings this winter.—1. Prayer. 2. Serving God in Quietness. 3. The Judgment. 4. The Manifestation to the Gentiles. 5. Christ's commission to go to all. 6. Mercy and Pardon needed before we can teach. 7. Self-sacrifice. 8. Resurrection power. 9. Ascension gifts.

**QUESTIONS.**

1. (a) Why is Algoma a Missionary Diocese? (b) What is a Missionary Diocese?



2. What Mission work is being done in British Guiana, and Terra Del Fuego?

3. What advantages are gained by Annual Meetings of the Diocesan Auxiliaries?

4. Is there religious toleration in Mexico? If toleration when permitted?

Answers in November LEAFLET.

Questions and answers may be sent to LEAFLET Editor, address, 83 Wellesley St., Toronto.

### AUXILIARY NOTES.

The Diocese of Selkirk, its distance from us, and its claims as part of our own Dominion, were brought very forcibly before those of the Auxiliary who were fortunate enough to meet Archdeacon and Mrs. Canham of Rampart House. They arrived in Toronto on the 18th Sept. and left on the 22nd for England. During their stay they were the guests of the W.A.

Owing to the Diocesan Secretary being still laid aside with a bruised arm it has been thought advisable to postpone the date of the Barrie Meeting.

For the future badges will be issued at the Monthly Board Meeting, and must in all cases be paid for when ordered. The Silver Badges will all be 30c. each; the Life Members Gold Badges will be —. Those ordering by letter will please enclose money for same.

Life members during September, Mrs. Gossage, Orillia. By her mother.

We have to thank Miss Dorothy Heywood of Manchester, England, for a donation of £2, or \$9.72, towards the Education Fund. The gift came just when the Treasurer was in need of the above amount to complete the second payment for our B.C. Missionary daughter. "Ask and it shall be given you," "Casting all your care upon Him, for He careth for you."

It is with deep regret we record the very great loss sustained by the W.A. branch of St. John's Port Hope. Two

most valued members have been called to their rest. Mrs. J. D. Smith was at one time Treasurer of St. John's Auxiliary, and was at all times a devoted worker in the church. Miss Hill passed from Time to Eternity on the 1st September, beloved and mourned by all; the warning comes to all alike, "Be ye also ready." May our Lord comfort the sorrowing friends.

The W.A. branch at Mimico also mourn the loss of a very devoted member, Mrs. Giles. In her last unconscious hours her talk was of the work of her beloved Auxiliary.

Branch Secretaries are reminded that the LEAFLET year for Toronto Diocese begins in November. Will they please notify their subscribers, keep up the numbers, and get as many new subscribers as possible. One member writes, "I do so look forward to my LEAFLET, it keeps me so much in touch with the work of our Missionaries." The LEAFLET comes to us as a personal monthly message from our Home and Foreign Missions.

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#### DORCAS NOTES.

TORONTO—All Saint's (Gleaners), Rev. O. Owens, Fort Pelley, Qu Appelle; Trinity, Memorial, Mr. J. Sinclair, Hole River Mission, Rupert's Land; All Saint's, Blackfoot Home; St. Simon's, Rev. H. Bourne, Essonville, and Rev. F. Hartley; Campbellford, Day Star Reserve, Qu'Appelle; Emily, Big Eddy School, Sask., May, 1897; Dixie, Rev. A. Anderson, Dynevor, Rupert's Land; Columbus, Blackfoot Home.

The Dorcas rooms, 39 The Forum, Yonge St., will reopen on Friday, October 2nd and the committee will be glad to receive donations of either new or second-hand clothing, or articles for Christmas trees any Friday after that time. A bale will be packed for Lesser Slave Lake Friday, October 9th if possible, for which it is hoped contributions of boy's clothing, carpets, dresses for the older girls, and medicines will be sent, as these are things of which there have been very few in the bales received this summer at that Mission.

FANNIE H. BANKS, *Dorcas Sec. Treas.*

"All Islands" being one of the subjects for reading and prayer during October the letters from Japan will be of special interest. In a letter dated August 4th Miss Pater-son writes: "If you look on the map of Japan you will see Matsumoto lies in a valley surrounded on all sides by chains of mountains, which must be crossed before reaching any other part of Japan, the nearest railway is 40 miles distant. The rainy season commenced this year on the 7th of June, and was said to last only 30 days, 40 passed, and still the rain, on the evening of the 20th the rain came down in sheets continuing all night and next day. There are some silk factories and a little village at the foot of the mountains near here. Up the mountains were two large tanks holding water for the rice fields, the tremendous rain caused these to burst, the water rushing down carried all before it, the houses, rocks and earth all lying in heaps at different points. This extra flood pouring into the already swollen river caused its banks to burst, and soon the streets, ours especially, one of the widest in Matsumoto, were turned into a rapid river in many parts waist deep. This continued for two days and nights; in one street 30 houses are down, many streets are torn into deep river beds with holes 10 to 20 feet deep. The water carried down much filth and dirt from the rice fields; during the first day of the flood the smell was almost unbearable, the Japanese have no idea of sanitary arrangements, and this filth will lie for days on the surface. We pray that no epidemic may ensue. We are living upstairs, the floor of the downstairs all taken up or gone, and we have covered the earth with lime and carbolic acid. The flood has driven hundreds of rats into the houses, and with them thousands of fleas, so you may judge how we are worried. Hoping to go to Kanayano on the 7th of July our provisions had been allowed to get low, but a week before we were to start, Mrs. Kennedy was taken ill and it is impossible for her to cross the mountains. Mr. Kennedy wrote to Tokyo at once for provisions, but although five weeks ago, we have had nothing yet, and now a pack horse cannot get over the mountains. Mr. Kakusan fortun-

ately had one pound of tea. The meat shops close here when warm weather sets in, so we have not tasted meat for weeks." This of course is only a temporary state of affairs, but Miss Paterson asks the fervent prayers of her friends of the W.A. and others that fever may be averted, and that the work for the salvation of souls may prosper. She says nothing is a hardship to her if the Canadian people will only take more interest in this great work, and if, above all they will realize the great need of this Training Home for Bible Women. Writing of the Training Home for Bible Women Miss Paterson says: "One zealous, earnest native Bible woman is more use in this work than three foreign women. She can be supported on \$120, while it takes \$600 for a foreigner. Our work for Japan is for the future, when we hope to leave the work of evangelizing Japan to her own people. Mr. Kennedy and Mr. Kakusau found themselves hampered on all sides, they could not visit the women in their homes, or get the children to come out. Since I brought my Bible Woman here in May she has got a Sunday School of between thirty and forty boys and girls, has a singing-class on Saturday to practice the hymns for Sunday; she has persuaded women to attend the Church services, and the Bible Class on Wednesday evening: living in a family where there are several girls she is giving them Christian instruction; with us the people are shy, we cannot go to their homes unless invited, and then there is so much ceremony, wishing to do us honour, the time is taken up in the tea-making and ceremony. You see therefore the vital importance of this Home for Training Bible Women. Oh, that our Canadians would awake to our great needs, and also realise the vast influence for good of a Canadian Bishop.

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*Extract from a private letter to a friend, from Mr. Chappell (Trin. Coll.), dated Aomori, Japan, Aug. 24.*

"Experience is daily teaching me that the Apostolic method of sending out two by two is the right and most effective way. I wish very much that it might become an established rule of every Missionary Society to send out their men in numbers of

two, I am sure much better work would be done. Our number of baptized Christians is gradually increasing, I have had this year the great felicity of seeing fourteen adults added to the church. The people of Aomori are ready listeners to the Gospel Message. Fifty years ago there were two or three houses scattered along the shores of this bay, twenty-five years ago it was a fishing village, to-day a flourishing town of 25,000 inhabitants. Buddhism has never taken root here, and also the people have come from other parts of the country, and when they become Christians, do not have to sever home ties, or suffer persecution as almost all the Christians have to do in other places. Our school and church building is at last within sight of being a realized fact. I shall be so glad to have a decent room entirely for church services."

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*From Mr. L'Allemand, Gordon Schools, Touchwood Hills.*

"We have 32 boarders, some are non-treaty half-breeds, they are almost more care than the treaty children as no one looks after them, and they are growing up in ignorance and vice. For these children we get no permanent grant. The children are beginning to sing very nicely both in Cree and in English. We have no organ in the school and only a broken one in the church, so all they have to sing to is a poor fiddle badly played by me. I do wish I could get an organ, \$50 would buy one; our dear Bishop Burn strongly endorsed my appeal, singing is such an important part of our work, and the singing of Hymns in Cree is a distinct advance, little children who only know a few words of English can sing "For ever with the Lord," and other hymns in their own language and they do so like it; we have Cree service every Sunday afternoon, I read the prayers in Cree, a half-breed reads the lessons in Cree, translating at sight from the English Bible. I much hope for increased and continued support from the East; we do so need more boy's clothes, especially trowsers for boys from 9 to 14 years, long pants preferred, strong brown duck we much like. May I ask for

women's dresses; we have many poor old people who can earn nothing save by berry picking, they have never worked and are now too old to learn; I have nothing to give them \* \* Our church is always full; some of the heathen Indians have begun to come to the Cree service. As I was reading the Cree lesson last Sunday (the reader being away) four Indians who had never before been to Church came in; you can imagine how thankful I felt. We have good congregations on Wednesday and Friday evenings, and a splendid Sunday school on Sunday evening, from 25 to 30 besides our own children. We always finish by singing favourite hymns in Creé and then talk over and explain our evening prayers. We have such sad cases of sickness at present, fresh beef for beef tea is so hard to get, we have to salt all our meat, as we only can get it once a fortnight."

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*From Rev. W. Banister, Foo Chow, China, to Diocesan Treasurer.*

"Going through the papers of our dear and beloved fellow labourer I found a letter from you and draft enclosed for support of a day-school. This I return asking you to make out a new draft and send back to me, as I am now in charge of the Day School Fund. Miss Stevens has, no doubt, received the money to which you refer, and will acknowledge it, Mrs. Banister is Treasurer of the Bible Women Fund, and will be glad to receive your further subscriptions. We have to thank you in Toronto for sending to us Mr. and Mrs. Boyd, we like them so much. He has been appointed to Ku Chang to work with Mr. Martin; I am sure you follow them with your prayers and will continue to be our helpers in prayer for the work of Christ in Foo Chow."

(There is in this letter something like a message to those who knew and loved the martyred Stewarts. Those who saw Mr. and Mrs. Stewart during their stay in Toronto must feel much drawn to the work of these Day Schools, which lay so near to the heart of that devoted man and woman.—ED.)

## TREASURER'S STATEMENT

From July 20th, to September 21st.

## RECEIPTS

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Barrie .....	41 80
Brighton .....	4 65
Cremore .....	8 70
Innisfel .....	4 50
Millbrook .....	12 50
Orillia .....	30 15
Otonabee .....	14 25
Penetanguishene .....	10 37
Peterboro, St. John's.....	12 50
Port Hope, St. John's.....	10 10
Thornhill.....	4 85
Toronto—	
All Saints' .....	45 43
St. Bartholomew Girls' Aux... 2 55	
Deer Park .....	19 50
St. Mark's Parkdale.....	27 80
St. Phillip's.....	4 60
St. Peter's.....	75 00
St. Paul's.....	22 05
Church Redeemer .....	8 55
St. Stephen's.....	17 35
Trinity Ch.....	3 80

\$399 30**W.A. Collections.****Diocesan.**

Ch. Epiphany, Parkdale.....	15 00
Gift, Diphtheria case Member Niagara W. A.....	5 00

**Temiscamingue.**

Springfield.....	1 00
Peterboro St. John's.....	8 00
Trinity Church, Toronto.....	10

**Rupert's Land.**

St. Margaret's, Toronto.....	27 00
Miss Austin, Quebec.....	3 00

**Saskatchewan.**

Rev. J. Hines.

Springfield.....	2 00
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**Blackfoot Home**

Ch. Epiphany, Parkdale.....	15 00
Springfield.....	1 00
Trinity Church, Toronto.....	1 00
Orillia.....	1 50
Ashburnham.....	1 25
Peterboro, St. John's.....	10 00

**Matron's Salary**

Peterboro, St. John's.....	2 00
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**Zenana****Biblewoman**

Ch. Epiphany Parkdale..... 25 00

**Society**Omemece ..... 10 00 |**Miss Sugden's Hosp.**Omemece ..... 1 00 |**C. C. M. A., Japan**

Ch. Epiphany, Toronto..... 7 53

**Communion Sets.**

Central Room..... 1 00

Central Room for Innisfall

Mission ..... 8.65 |

**Education Fund.**

Springfield..... 7 00

Trinity Church, Toronto..... 70

**Education**

**Special Donations per—**

Mrs McLean Howard ..... 10 25 |

Miss Dorothy Heywood, Eng.. 9 72

**Extra Cent a day Fund..... 43 80**

**Life Member**

Mrs. Gossage, Orillia..... 25 00

**Bequest**

Late R. Gilmor, Esq..... 300 00

**Collection Monthly Meet..... 3 60**

**Expense Fund**

Ministering Children's League,

share of printing reports..... 2 50

\$544 00

EXPENDITURE

Mrs. Banks,

Communion set for Innisfall... 8 65

Postage, Dorcas Dept ..... 10 00 |

**C.C.M.A.—**

Mackenzie River, P.M.C. ... 3 35

" Rev. J. O. Stringer

P.M.C. .... 6 50 |

Rupert's Land, P.M.C. .... 3 40 |

China, P.M.C. .... 7 35 |

Japan, P.M.C. .... 11 95 |

Rev. Geo Rogers, Rupert's Land... 28 00

Moose Lake Sch ol, Sask..... 5 00

Rev. J. Hines, Devon..... 2 00

Blackfoot Home ..... 29 75 |

Matron's Salary..... 25 53 |

C. E. Zenana Society..... 10 00 |

P. M. C ..... 10 05 |

Biblewoman, Maculipatam.... 25 00

Miss Sugden's Hospital..... 1 00

\$195 06

[Oct., 1896.]

**Duron Diocese.**

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

OFFICERS; *Pres.*—Mrs. Baldwin, Bishopstowe, London; *Vice-Presidents*—Wives of Clergy and Presidents of Parochial Branches; *Recording Secretary*—Miss Haskett, 149 Lichfield Street, London; *Corresponding Secretary*,—Mrs. Falls, Grosvenor St., London; *Treas.*—Mrs. Jessie Sage, the Rectory, London West; *Doras Sec.*—Miss Gower, 139 Oxford St London; *Secretary Literature Committee*—Mrs. Smith, 198 Oxford St, London; *Sec. Junior Branches*—Miss G. Smith, the Barracks, London. *Card Membership Secretary*—Mrs. Complin, 76 Albert Street, London, *Convener of Educational Committee and Editor LEAFLET*—Mrs. Boomer, 577 Dundas Street, London; *Acting Editor LEAFLET*—Miss Helen M. Weir, Box 724, Brantford, Ont.; *Treasurer "Extra-Cent-a-day"*—Mrs. English, Hellmuth College, *Librarian*—Miss E. S. Manigault, 857 Wellington St., London.

The first of our subjects for reading and prayer for October, the Diocese of Selkirk, was brought very vividly and touchingly before LEAFLET readers last month in Mrs. Bompas' brave, bright letter to Mrs. Boomer, and we will do well to consider its history and its needs. It was set apart from the Diocese of Mackenzie River in 1891, and comprises the most north-westerly corner of our Dominion, Alaska being its western boundary, while at the north it touches the ice-bound shores of the Arctic ocean. From letters from Mrs. Bompas, printed in LEAFLETS of past years, we gather such insights into life in those wintry regions as the following: "Our log house was *fairly warm* last winter, but the temperature was pretty severe, averaging from 30 to 40 below zero, and as low as 50 for some days. *We did not see the sun for six weeks*, till the 8th of January when it rose and sank in about eleven minutes. Now (July, 1893) we have no night at all. *The Diocese is 200,000 square miles* in extent, and for workers we have a Bishop, two clergy, and a few native catechists, only one church, but we hope to build two more. A great many heathen Indians in the southern part. The gold mines bring us a large number of miners, mostly Americans, this makes mission work among the natives a work of great difficulty" (see September LEAFLET, page 378). Like all who work among the Indians, Mrs. Bompas writes "our hope for the future is in the children," and W.A. workers should therefore specially remember in their prayers the children, the Bishop and Mrs. Bompas



are training. From many places besides Selkirk Diocese comes the plaint of the discouraged missionaries, "the conduct and example of white men make our work doubly hard." This suggests the need of a good deal of Home Mission work, for it is from our civilized centres too often—God help and pardon us—from our, at least theoretically, *Christian* homes that these men go out, whose careless, lawless lives are to the Indians such a strange commentary on the teaching of the Missionary. Our daily prayers should be that God would make every baptized Christian to bear continually in remembrance, that he has been signed with the sign of the Cross, "in token that hereafter he shall not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified, and manfully to fight under His banner against sin, the world and the Devil, and to continue Christ's faithful soldier and servant until his life's end."

The first of the subjects for reading and prayer for November will be Algoma, and before the November LEAFLET is in the hands of our readers, a meeting of the Provincial Synod will have been held in Montreal for the purpose of electing a successor to Bishop Sullivan, who is reluctantly compelled to recognize the fact that after his long and severe illness his health is not equal to the continued strain of mind and body to which a Bishop is subjected, whose Diocese extends from Lake Huron north to James Bay, from Manitoba and Kewatin east to Quebec, which is *four* times the size of the Diocese—a very large one—of Huron, and nearly as large as England. The resignation of Bishop Sullivan will take effect on the 30th of this month, after fourteen years of work as a Missionary Bishop. He succeeds the Bishop of Niagara as Rector of St. James' Church, Toronto, an arduous and important, and perhaps, from some points of view, a more discouraging and trying field of labor than his Missionary Diocese, but a field where so eloquent a preacher has endless opportunities of influencing men for good, and where he will have it in his power very effectually to help Algoma. May God's blessing rest on his efforts in the future as in the past. Our Missionary Bishopric of Algoma lies very near the hearts of our women of the Auxiliary, many an effort and many an act of self-denial, known only to the loving Father, has been made by our faithful members on its behalf, many of our bales have gone there, and our little Missionary daughters are all Algoma children. Will not all our W. A. members between the day their October LEAFLET reaches them and the 11th of November pray earnestly that to the Provincial Synod, as to the Apostles of old, God will show whom He has chosen; that a wise choice may be made, and that the Bishop elected may be endowed with strength and wisdom from on High. It is by our prayers first that we are to help the great Mission-field, it is by our prayers that we can most effectually help it, God is waiting to give us abundantly all we need and desire, but He is waiting too till we ask in faith.

And if in some respects the third Missionary Bishop of Algoma will have physically a life less hard and bare than that of his predecessors, since the facilities for traveling are greater than in former years, the country improved and the organization of the Diocese almost completed, still a heavy burden will, from the very outset, be laid on him, that of heavy financial anxiety, as, for a long time to come, the Diocese must be largely dependent on outside aid. Bishop Sullivan has, on many occasions, expressed his appreciation of the efforts of the W.A. on behalf of Algoma in terms that has made us regret that we could not do more, and he asks us not to relax our efforts. Algoma is our Judea, shall we not do what we can to strengthen the hands of its Missionary Bishop? Because we made one strong effort on behalf of Algoma's heavy debt three years ago, let us not think that we have done enough. Last year only 24 (4 of these Junior Branches) of our 84 Senior and 43 Junior Branches sent in to our Diocesan Treasurer any *money* contributions for Algoma. The Diocesan pledges have to be paid, and there are besides so many calls for help, but Algoma is our own Missionary Diocese. could not every Branch do a little to help? In the report of the Annual Meeting of 1893, published in the LEAFLET (February issue) to which we would refer our readers to-day, we find the following, "Among the resolutions carried was one requesting the delegates to lay before their Branches the obligation resting on them to send a *yearly* contribution to Algoma's Mission Fund, to avoid the recurrence of such a crisis as the present." Thus the delegate from a Branch which counts itself poor, and certainly cannot count in its ranks one "wealthy" member, did this. It was moved by a member, since entered into rest, that Algoma should be accepted as a Branch pledge and \$10 if possible, or at least \$5, contributed annually, "Oh," sighed the Secretary, "where is the money to come from?" "We must have faith," someone sitting near her said quietly. The motion was carried, and the money for Algoma has never failed to "come."

In the September issue reference was made to the serious illness of the Rev. Canon Newman, since called to his rest. Mrs. Newman, formerly the valued Cor.-Sec. of our Huron Auxiliary, will have the earnest sympathy and prayers of all her Auxiliary sisters in her bereavement. Canon Newman died in Toronto, but was interred in Woodlands Cemetery, London, the funeral service being held in St. George's Church of which he was the one-time rector. A floral offering from the resident and Diocesan officers of the Huron Auxiliary was laid on the grave.

By the blessing of God, the Rev. F. Frost of Sheginandah is recovering from his severe attack of typhoid fever. His daughter, Ethel, returned to London at the close of the holidays bringing with her a few lines from her father commending her to the mothering goodness of the Education Committee. With her came her little

brother, Weston, Montreal's missionary child, but committed to the care of the London Committee, who has since been attacked with typhoid fever, and is very ill. "Were it known," writes one of the members of the Education Committee, "assuredly the prayers of many mothers would go up to Heaven for this motherless sick child." Every care and kindness is being lavished upon him. The two other little Missionary daughters have both entered the High School. In this connection Mrs. Boomer desires to gratefully acknowledge the gift of \$5 for the Education Fund from Mrs. Brewer, Clinton, which came with these kind words, "a small contribution to the work nearest your heart, and I think dear to every mother who has little ones to educate, I wish it were ten times more, but every little helps."

LEAFLET readers will recollect the name of Mrs. Fry of Seguin Falls, for whom many of our Branches have worked, sending her bales of clothing for the poor in that lonely region, and the wherewithal to deck Christmas trees for her Sunday School children. For a lone time Seguin Falls had no resident clergyman but Mrs. Fry did all she could, with the utmost devotion, to keep the Church together. For some years a clergyman has been settled in this place. The Mission could not afford to build, so a house suitable as far as its central position went, was purchased for \$200, including 89 acres of rock and bush. But the rooms are not ceiled, plastered, or finished with prepared lumber, and there is no foundation, the building resting on cedar posts on the solid rock. Aware of the heavy Diocesan debt Mr. Cobb has preferred appealing for assistance to the Woman's Auxiliary, to asking the Diocese even for the sum of \$23, which would enable him to ceil two rooms, and make matters more comfortable, as would also the gift of a rug-carpet. Miss Halson forwarded this appeal to the Huron Auxiliary, and very promptly the Memorial Church Branch, the Memorial Church Ministering Children's League (great friends and helpers of Mrs. Fry) and other kind hearts forwarded to Mr. Cobb the sum of \$14. Cannot some other Branches, and some of those cosily housed for the winter, help a little also? People who have spent the holiday season in "summer cottages" can have a very clear idea of what Mr. Cobb's house is like, "resting on cedar posts, unceiled, not even finished with prepared lumber." Charming as we find our summer-houses, the first approach of autumn chilliness drives us back to our more solid and weather-proof dwellings, we say it would be "simply impossible" to remain in a cottage except in hot weather, but people do live in houses not much different. From time to time in the LEAFLET we read letters from our missionaries which reveal to us that we can help them very effectually by sparing out of what God has given us, a portion to make their homes warm and weather-proof in the bitter winter weather. After all it is not giving, we cannot give in the fullest meaning of the word, for we have nothing of our own, nothing we can

carry away with us, we have only what God has given us and this He bids us lovingly and conscientiously share with neighbours we are to love as ourselves. The Bible teaching is so simple and clear, "What doth it profit, my brethren, though a man say he hath faith and have not works, can faith save him? If a brother or sister be naked and destitute of daily food, and one of you say unto them, 'depart in peace, be ye warmed and filled:' notwithstanding ye give them not these things that are needful to the body what doth it profit? Even so faith if it hath not works is dead, being alone."

People say so often "there are so many appeals in the LEAFLET;" "the LEAFLET is just full of appeals," but how can it be otherwise? It would be all the same if there were nothing printed but Missionary letters, telling of the work being done without directly asking for help, the mere statement of what has to be done is, as should be, a sufficient appeal to those to whom God says, as directly as to those to go forth into the great Mission fields, "Go, work to-day in my vineyard" Do not let us be disheartened and murmur at these "continued appeals," but cheerfully try to do something to help, if it only be ever so little, and here again comes in the Gospel teaching, so precise and practical, "not that other men be eased and ye burdened, but by an equality, that now at this time your abundance may be a supply for their want," and God never asks of us the impossible, we are only bidden to give in proportion as God as dowered us, but we are to be faithful and conscientious that the proportion is a due and true proportion.

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#### FROM THE MISSION FIELD.

Our tidings from the Mission field, like our Branch notices, are of the scantiest description. Now that our Branches are resuming work it is to be hoped they will help on the LEAFLET by sending *copies* of any letters they may receive from Missionaries, and some account of their work. The Acting-Editor of our Huron pages asks for *copies* rather than for the original letters, which the Branches naturally like to keep. There is always a risk of these going astray, besides which the returning them to the Branches considerably increases the postage outlay. A glance at the Diocesan Dorcas Secretary report shows that our Branches work for Missions of which not very much is known.

Acknowledging the gift of the \$14 before alluded to, the Rev. A. Cobb writes to Mrs. Boomer: "I fail in due expression of my gratitude to those kind friends who have so generously contributed to our comfort during the coming winter. Thanks to the \$14 sent, we can build two chimneys to the parsonage and add a few other improvements, and while enjoying a peace of mind owing to the lessened danger from fire, our thoughts will be directed towards those friends who have sacrificed so much for us, and to Almighty God for His

goodness towards us. I had hoped to continue former efforts upon the house, but funds will not permit. I mentioned our needs to our good Bishop, but his power to help does not equal his will, he has done so much already, and I fancy his thoughtfulness is to be found behind this grant. Please convey my warmest thanks to each and all those who have so kindly responded to the appeal on our behalf. Our hearts are cheered to-day amid prospects of a dull and trying winter, for work is limited, and men from other parts are offering themselves for \$10 a month to the lumbering camps which will go hard on our own people with families, for without the lumbering trade people can hardly live here, all are more or less dependent upon the winter's work, and the little grain sown has turned out light, owing to frost and rust." To the *Memorial Church, London*, Miss Aldridge writes enclosing a little bag made and beaded by its child, "Nellie," in gratitude for the generous outfit sent her. "This is entirely Nellie's own work, design and all. I am now nursing a bad case of erysipelas, one of our elder girls. I think she is out of danger but it will take some time to get quite over the effects. The Rev. F. Swainson is coming back and may be here in a month's time." From the September LEAFLET our Branches have learnt that Miss Aldridge, from the unsatisfactory condition of her health and eyes, has been compelled to give up her work at Omoksene, the strain has been too much for her, she having had, in addition to her own manifold duties the heavy responsibility and increase of work entailed on her by the long absence of the Rev and Mrs. Swainson. Many of our Branches with whom she has corresponded re her girls clothed by them, seem to know Miss Aldridge personally and will much regret her departure from the Home, and she has their warm sympathy and earnest hope that by God's blessing she may ere long be completely restored to Health.

#### BRANCH NOTICES.

Report of Diocesan Dorcas Secretary from July 15th to Sept. 15th.

Bales sent — To Whitefish Lake—Galt 1, Petrolia 2 Sandy Lake—Strathroy 1, Staggsville—Wilmot 1, Blood Reserve—St. Thomas Earnest Workers 1, Preston Juniors 1, Fort a la Corne—Christ Church, London 1, Peace River—Oven Sound 1, Ingersoll 1, Wasbiscaw—Ingersoll 1, Christ Church London 1, Washakada Home—St. Thomas Juveniles 1, Emmanuel College—Thorndale Seniors and Juniors 1, Sarsse Reserve—Peelee Island 1.

LUCAN.—We are preparing a large bale to be sent in the beginning of October to the Kissock Homes. We are still hoping that the Rev F. Swainson will visit our Branch on his way home from England. Our dear President is still in very poor health, but is gladly spending what little strength she has in earnest work for the Master. BRANT-

FORD (St. Jades).—We held our first business meeting after the summer holidays on Sept. 16th, and a very happy one it was, opening, as is our custom, with a Bible reading by the Rector, who, on this occasion reminded us solemnly that in resuming our active work for Missions we should look well to our motives, bearing in mind that our work must be in the Lord. Deeply impressed by what Mrs. Boomer had said at the opening meeting of the Grace Church Branch last June, on the great need of sending simple medicines and remedies in our sales, our President had collected these to the value of \$9.25, through the kindness of some of our city druggists. The holiday work was more satisfactory, and a *clothes-basket* had to be borrowed to convey it to the house of the member who takes charge of the contributions for the sales. It was a very multifarious description, comprising a surplice, garments of every description, carpet slippers, mitts, hoods, collars, two dainty red pinafores for our child at Omoksene, "Minnie," bootees, wristlets, blocks for quilts, dolls, and several gay coloured balls which will brighten the Christmas trees and gladden many a child's heart. We decided to send a box of fruit with our sales, as suggested in the July LEAFLET, each member to bring a quart jar from her store, and a few cents towards the freight. It was moved and carried that the members of this Branch should receive the Holy Communion together on the first Sunday in October. May God bless our work during the coming winter, and grant us very thankful hearts for all his mercies to us.

Following is quoted from a most interesting article on Indian Education, printed on the Woman's Auxiliary page of the Church Evangelist. "Indian Reserves will not always be necessary; with the extinction of the Indians now existing, the reserves will cease to be conducted. The Indian children of the present day must go to school and prepare themselves for earning their own livelihood in future years. Thus, some years hence there will be no uncivilized Indians. The Indian of the future will know how to earn his daily bread and will be entirely independent. When sent out from an Industrial School they are educated, can earn their living, and make homes for themselves if they choose. They understand when they leave school that they must *work* or *starve*, and it is not likely that they will choose the latter alternative. It is a pleasure to see the great part the Church is taking in assisting the advancing the interests of the Indian race. It must also be highly gratifying to all to see how new Indian schools are being established throughout the country. The welfare of the future Indian depends upon these institutions; and it should be seen to that there be accommodation for all the children. To leave some out for lack of room would be a great responsibility, and it is said that at the present time the accommodation is overtaxed. Children not attending school now, will be a burden to the country in the future.

Of mission work in Uganda it is related, "One hundred thousand souls brought into close contact with the Gospel, half of them able to read; two hundred buildings raised by native Christians, wherein to worship God and read his word; two hundred evangelists and teachers entirely supported by the native Church; ten thousand copies of the New Testament in circulation; six thousand souls eagerly seeking daily instruction; statistics of baptism, confirmation, adherents, teachers, more than doubling yearly for the last six or seven years; the power of God shown in changed lives, all this in the center of the thickest spiritual darkness in the world."

The Acting-Editor of the LEAFLET would ask those Branches which have not paid, or paid in full their LEAFLET subscriptions for 1896 to kindly endeavor to do so *before* the end of December, that she may be able to balance her books and discharge all liabilities.

### TREASURER'S REPORT

RECEIPTS.			
<b>General Fund</b>		<b>Algoma</b>	
Hyde Park .....	80	<i>Rev. A. J. Cobb.</i>	
Brantford St. Judes.....	10	London Mem. Ch.....	7 50
Strathroy Junior.....	50	" per Mrs. Boomer.....	5 50
<b>Zenana.</b>		" Mem. Ch., M.C.L.....	1 00
Strathroy Junior.....	2 37	<b>Education.</b>	
<b>Lady Missionary, N.W.</b>		Brussels.....	2 00
Saintsbury.....	1 00	Brantford, St. Judes.....	5 00
Hyde Park.....	1 00	Walkerville.....	50
Brussels.....	1 00	Clinton, Mrs. Brewer.....	5 00
Port Dover Junior.....	50	<b>Mackenzie River</b>	
Granton.....	1 00	Brantford St. Judes .....	2 00
Slanworth.....	1 00	<b>Lion's Head</b>	
Strathroy.....	60	Hyde Park.....	1 00
<i>For Travelling Expenses.</i>		Brussels.....	2 00
Thorndale .....	1 00	Port Dover Junior.....	50
Aylmer .....	1 00	Granton.....	1 00
London St. George's Junior... 1 00		Glanworth.....	3 00
Windsor .....	4 00	Strathroy Junior.....	1 00
Strathroy Junior.....	13	<b>Kanyengah—</b>	
Simcoe.....	2 00	Brussels.....	2 00
<b>Lady Missionary, Japan</b>		Port Dover Junior .....	50
Saintsbury.....	1 00	Granton.....	1 00
Hyde Park.....	1 00	Glanworth .....	1 00
Brussels.....	2 00	Walkerville.....	2 00
Port Dover Junior.....	50	Strathroy Junior.....	20
Granton.....	1 00	<b>C.C.M.A.</b>	
Glanworth.....	1 00	<i>Miss Young, Japan.</i>	
Walkerville.....	2 00	Glanworth.....	3 00
Strathroy Junior.....	20	<b>DISBURSEMENTS.</b>	
<b>Literature</b>		<b>General Fund.</b>	
Brantford St. Judes .....	25	Post Cards and Dis. on Cheque... 2 12	
Saintsbury.....	50	Stamps .....	1 00
London Mrs. Tilley.....	1 00	<b>Education.</b>	
		To Mrs. Falls. ....	50 00
		<b>Algoma.</b>	
		To Rev. A. J. Cobb.....	14 00

[Oct., 1896.]

**Montreal Diocese.**

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

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Through the thoughtful kindness of Mrs. Drake whose guest Mrs. Bompas was, the Montreal W. A., had the pleasure of meeting the latter on her recent hurried visit to Montreal.

Mrs. Bompas, as our readers are aware, left Buxton in July to meet and welcome the incoming Missionaries, Messrs Naylor and Flewelling at St. Michael's. The two steamers met in mid-ocean and on the distribution of the mails Mrs. Bompas received intelligence from friends in England of such a serious nature that she decided to go over at once instead of returning home and with little more than a change of raiment came on to Montreal, and sailed by the first steamer. The LEAFLET Editor deeply regrets that other engagements prevented her from meeting her dear friend, but rejoices to know that she and the Bishop are well, and greatly cheered by the prompt response that has followed the Bishop's appeal for more Missionaries.

Many hearts have gone out in sympathy to Mr. Frost during his late very severe illness, typhoid fever. The crisis is safely passed now, but a long and tedious convalescence is before him. Sad to say too, his little son Weston is now ill in London, Ont., of the same disease. The child is to be educated, partly at the expense of the Montreal W. A., and he came on to London a very short time ago with his sister Ethel, another pupil of the W. A., to enter school here. On his first arrival he was far from well and his kind entertainer Miss Penney kept him with her until he should be sufficiently recovered to begin his studies. The germs of the disease however which had prostrated his Father, were in his system, and rapidly developed into regular



typhoid. Mrs. Boomer in a letter to Mrs. Holden, says the child is described to her as of "a most affectionately clinging nature" and will it is hoped be "amenable." It is sad to think that he has come thither to be stricken down at the very outset; but it is also providential that he is where he can have the best medical attendance and most skilful nursing, and this thought will comfort his Father; and meantime we ask the prayers of the Montreal W. A., for its little suffering protege.

Mrs. Tilton has written to our Corresponding Secretary announcing the approaching arrival (in November) of two lady Missionaries of the C. E. Z. S., Miss Leslie and Miss Mead: who will be glad, during their stay in this country, to address meetings in the interest of the Zenana work. Miss Leslie is now returning to her work in China, via Canada, after an interval of rest in England. She was in Kuching at the time of the massacre of the Stewarts and will be able to give us full particulars of that awful event. In accordance with this information the Montreal Auxiliary has written to secure the services of Miss Leslie and her companion for a series of meetings beginning on November 20th and lasting to the 26th; and it is believed that these will be the means of re-awakening our slumbering interest in this branch of missionary operations. We greatly need some such stimulus; for since the impetus given by Miss Sugden's visit is no longer freshly felt, our contributions have greatly fallen off. It is, of course, but natural that objects nearer home and about which we have a personal knowledge should absorb a great share of our interest and support, but we must remember that in distant and foreign fields our help is needed as well, and this particular society having for its object the relief and enlightenment of a class of women and children who, but for it would be almost if not quite inaccessible to Christian effort, has a very strong claim upon us as women and as Christians.

The Diocesan Board of the W. A., would remind its members of the Annual pledges undertaken and promised by the Montreal Diocesan Board at the Annual Meeting.

**MEMBERSHIP FEES.**—Each member of the W. A., to pay an annual fee of ten cents through her Branch Treasurer to the Diocesan Treasurer.

**PRINTING FUND.**—Each Branch to contribute annually to the printing fund so as to help meet the expenses of printing the Annual Report.

**LADY TEACHERS.**—We have pledged ourselves for \$200 a year to a lady teacher to the North West; also \$150 a year to Miss Smith our lady Medical Missionary in Japan.

Let us individually contribute cheerfully and according to our ability to these several pledges, for without the support and sympathy of the Branches the Diocesan Board will not be in a position to meet their obligations, therefore we confidently look for your hearty co-operation and prompt response to this appeal.

H. P. HOLDEN.

Sept. 18th. 1896

*President, Montreal W. A.*

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The death of Mrs. Hardisty from typhoid fever has left a sad blank in a happy home and amongst a large circle of attached friends. Her co-workers of the Montreal Auxiliary will miss her cheerful presence and ready help, and their warmest sympathy will go out to her bereaved family in their affliction.

Havelock Recording Secretary reports a successful monthly meeting held in August at the residence of the Misses M. C. Cort. Mrs. Cole of the Montreal W. A., was present and greatly encouraged the workers. It is expected that a missionary bale will be ready for shipment about November 1st.

The Montreal Auxiliary will entertain the members of the St. Andrews Brotherhood at luncheon during the Convention to be held in this city October 8th. to 11th.

Mrs. Dawson, Diocesan Treasurer, sailed for Canada on the 10th of September, and will D. V. be with us again ere this number of the LEAFLET is published. We shall gladly welcome our co-worker to her old department of Auxiliary duty.

Mrs. Holden has received a prompt response to her appeal on behalf of Miss Paterson's work in Japan from several of the country Branches. When sending the amount asked for Huntingdon Branch

Corresponding Secretary writes. "We held our first meeting yesterday after a holiday of about two months. We generally send off our bale in November. . . We wish to send it where most needed. There will be flannel shirts, shirts, drawers, quilts, etc. I have also between eight and nine dollars which I have made by selling home made marmalade, which I wish to devote to mission work. Last year I bought material for a girls' outfit, but this year I am going to send the money. [The earner of this "eight or nine dollars" will pardon us for mentioning it here, but money thus earned by the actual labor of one's hands, and devoted to missionary purposes must surely bring with it a double blessing. It is giving to God of that which has cost us time and trouble. Doubtless many another faithful Auxiliary worker of whom we have not chanced to hear has done likewise, and we cannot too strongly commend the example of such to our more general imitation. ED.]

Will our Branches please send us copies of missionary letters when received, for use in the LEAFLET. Also any items of interest in connection with their W. A. work.

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*From the Matron of Emmanuel College, to Miss S. E. Goodbody, Secretary Girl's Guild, St. John's P. Q.*

DEAR MADAM,—We thank the ladies gratefully for the nice bale of clothing which we have just received. Our family being so large and money scarce we are compelled to be content with the cheapest, and therefore value your kind presents most highly. The articles are most beautifully made, and in a suitable style for our children.

You can hardly imagine what a great help it was to receive clothing ready made. The household work of a large school leaves but little time for sewing. We find the mending a most formidable item in itself.

Yours gratefully

RUTH SHIEL, *Matron.*

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Taking up one's cross means simply that you are to go the road which you see to be the straight one, carrying whatever you find is given you to carry as well and stoutly as you can, without making faces or calling people to come and look at you. Above all you are neither to load nor unload yourself, nor cut your cross to your own liking. Some people think it would be better to have it large, and many that they could carry it much faster if it were small, and even those who like it large are usually very particular about its being ornamental and made of the best ebony. But all that you have really to do is to keep your back as straight as you can, and not think about what is upon it, above all not to boast of what is upon it. The real and essential meaning of "virtue" is in that straightness of back.

RUSKIN.

[Oct., 1896.] **Niagara Diocese.**

Editor, MRS. T. W. REYNOLDS, Drawer 41, Hamilton.

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

OFFICERS. *President*—Mrs H. McLaren, Balquidder, Hamilton *Vice-Presidents*—The President of each Parochial Branch. *Treasurer*—Mrs. Webster, 256 McNab St. North. *Editor LEAFLET*—Mrs. T. W. Reynolds, Drawer 47, Hamilton. *SECRETARIES: Recording*—Miss Ambrose, 76 Hunter St. W., *Corresponding*, Mrs. J. M. Stewart, 150 Victoria Ave. S., Hamilton; *Organizing*—Mrs Houston, Niagara Falls; *Doreas*—Mrs Sutherland, 171 Hannah Street West, Hamilton; *Junior*—Mrs Sewell, 21 Bold St., Hamilton. *Uniform Badge*—Miss Ferres, 209 McNab St. South, Hamilton; *Literature Com.*—Miss E. Counsell, 211 Jackson St. West, Hamilton.

#### AMONG THE BRACHES.

A very pleasant gathering of the Church of Ascension Branch Hamilton, was held on the 16th of September, for the purpose of introducing to the members the Missionary they are sending out to the N. W. Miss Young is the sister of the Bishop of Athabasca and goes for the first year to her brother. The way has been wonderfully opened for her as Miss Wooster, who has been with the Bishop, is leaving to be married. Miss Young has been engaged for a period of three years at a salary of \$250 per year. She has been for seven years a missionary in Ceylon, and gave a very interesting account of her life there. She compared the shape of Ceylon to a pear, its size to that of Ireland, and its climate to a vast conservatory. The houses have no glass in the windows and the scent of flowers and the noise of insects is sometimes overwhelming. Many think on going out that they can't possibly *live* there, and finding they can, they think next they can never *work* there, but soon can both live and work. Vegetation is luxuriant, palm trees in great abundance and the houses stand in hedges of hibiscus. Insects and reptiles are a great trial, at first one can hardly sleep thinking of the scorpions and centipedes who may possibly be occupying the same room. The Aborigines live in the jungle and feed on wild honey. The island was invaded very early by Cingalese who took possession of the southern part of it. Now the south is divided between the Cingalese and Tamils. Miss Young's work was wholly among the Tamils and Mohamedans; the Tamils are Hindoos, the Cingalese Buddhists. The language is very difficult to learn there being over 300 letters in the Tamil alphabet. Every sentence must be reversed from the way one would express it in English which makes it all the more difficult to learn. The women are very fond of bright colors and twist up their hair in fantastic shapes without the aid of hairpins.

They wear any amount of jewelry. In some cases their ears are so lengthened with the weight of their earrings that they actually lie on their shoulders. In the Cinnamon Gardens, English people have built bungalows and there is also a large Mission station consisting of three distinct bungalows viz. Mission School, Girls School and Dormitory; the furniture of the latter being only a pillow for each as no sheets or blanket are necessary. The Tamil girls are all small, on seeing Miss Young they exclaimed "What a long Miss Yamma!" They live principally on rice. She described a pretty incident that she had seen on one occasion. One girl sat in her place at table and all the others marched round the room, each in turn leaving part of a rice cake on the girls plate. Miss Young found out afterwards that they had devised this plan to make a little contribution to the mission. As some were rich and others poor, the idea was that every day one girl in the school would go without her rice cakes and the others were to supply her from their share; the money thus gained, was given on a certain day to the funds of the mission. In closing she said (in speaking of her new sphere of work) "I shall need much prayer" and spoke of the advantage of being sent out by a parish like this, where "the work will be just as much yours as mine." She wishes the earnest prayers of the Branch to help her to learn the language,

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#### DORCAS REPORT.

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL Branch to the Rev. R Inkster, Red Pheasant Reserve Battleford Sask 82 new 20 second-hand garments 1 quilt, 2 miscellaneous articles, 19 prayer books, 11 new Testaments, 18 hymn books, 29 catechisms. Cash expended \$47.53. The CATHEDRAL, ASCENSION, and ALL SAINTS Branches have sent a bale to Rev. Owen Owens, Gordon School, containing 60 new, 18 second-hand, 4 quilts, 11 books. Expenditure \$30.62. ST. MARK'S, Hamilton, sent to Rev. Mr. Cook, Touchwood Hills, for Indians on Day Star Reserve 47 new, and 22 second-hand garments, 3 quilts. Quilts and new material \$16.55. ST. JAMES' Guelph sent to Mrs. O'Mara, Winnipeg, Manitoba 30 new, 35 second-hand, garments, 2 quilts 1 pair sheet, 7 remnants of dress goods, a parcel of baby's clothes, and a set of purple hangings for a Church, books, pictures, magazines, etc. expenditure \$12.45.

The freight is not included in these figures as it has been refunded.

J. SUTHERLAND, *Dorcas Sec.*

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#### DORCAS LIST, 1896-7.

ALGOMA—Aspdin, Burk's Fall, Elmsdale, Huntsville, North Bay, North Sequin, Novar. Port Sydney, Schreiber, Shegiuandale, Uffington, Shingwauk Home. ATHABASCA—The Bishop, Lesser Slave Lake, Peace River Mission, Wabiskaw, White Fish Lake, Fort Vermilion,

CALGARY—Peigan Home, Sarcee. NEW WESTMINSTER—All Hallows Yale. QU'APPELLE—Day Star, and Poor Mans Reserve, Gordon School, Kutawa, Saltcoats. RUPERT'S LAND—Cram River, Dynevon, Dynevor Indian Hospital, Fairford, Fort Alexander, Jacks Head, Lac Seul, Les Dallis, Long Sault, Manitou Rapids, Sandy Bag, Scantenburg or Broken Head River, Somerset, Washakada Homes, Winnipeg per Archdeacon Phair, Winnipeg W. A., Oobeshkang. SASKATCHEWAN—Emmanuel College, Sandy Lake, Red Pheasants, Devon or Pas Mission, Devon School Snoal Lake, Devon School Moose Lake, Grand Rapids, Onion Lake, Stanley Mission. All information about these Missions can be had by applying to the Dorcas Secretary.

THE LIBRARY—The following books have been added to the library, "Japan, its people and missions" (illustrated) and "Glimpses of Eastern Cities."

*From Mrs. Hines, Winnipeg, to Mrs. Sutherland.*

"Thank you much for your kind letter with its welcome news of the sale of the Indian shawl. It will be a double pleasure to the kind gentleman who gave it to the Church fund, to know it is purchased and given to a Bishops' wife. I am sure both we and you, wish Mrs. Hamilton much pleasure in using her beautiful gift. I am expecting to leave here between the 25th inst., and 10th of July, and shall cross Lake Winnepeg in a steamer, and then take an open row boat for the Saskatchewan, the date of my arrival at the mission will depend on the wind and weather. Mr. Hines writes that he has had a terrible trip down the river, He left Prince Albert with seven men in his flat boats, but finding these insufficient he went ahead in his canoe and engaged five more men to help. Then when the boats got into Cumberland Lake, a great storm came on and nearly swamped the boats; as it was, nearly all our groceries were spoiled, so in addition to getting my own food, bedding, tent etc, I have another supply of groceries to take out. Thanking you much for your kind invitation and interest in our work.

*Extracts from diary of the Rev. C. A. Sadlier, Auracania Mission, for the week beging May 16th, 1896.*

To-day went with Wilson to see Autonis Painemal, and to go with him to see his first wife at Landero's reservation. He had not waited for us, we found out after hunting the place, where they were sliding up and down several hills, so went on after him taking a bible to give to Landero. The latter however was in Imperial; and as Antinio was at another group of rucas some distance off, the Indians did not like to let us in his house. However at last they called some children, of whom there seemed to be a lot around, and they coming commenced to hum and haw. So I told them straight that we had come to see some sick woman, and not

for our own good and that we wanted, yes or no. This seemed to change their tone and we were asked in; soon after Antinio arrived. His wife is a pretty old woman and seems to have a great variety of ailments, rheumatism being among the number. We left her some medicine and not staying much longer, started for home. \* \* \* \*  
Sunday May 17th.—This morning went out with A— to the country east of Cholchol intending to see some Indians there and had an interesting ride, losing our trail and having to retrace our steps, visited a group of rucas near Cholchol where the Indians were drinking and a Chileno seemed to be their leading spirit. Saw a young Machi who was very sick there, and some other women, prescribing for them with homeopathic medicines. \* \* Returned to Cholchol just in time for Sunday School. Had service in the evening preaching on "Joy." Class and Wilson to-day went to an Indian's named Yevilao, and had something of our experience, losing their trail and having to make a big detour. Monday May 18th, At last we succeeded in getting a cow and to-day paid for it. What a relief it is to A— and a benefit to the children, to be able to get milk. \* \* In the afternoon paid a visit to Mrs. Marvaez, and the Elenterio Canales \* \* Tuesday May 19th. To-day visited the Indians we had gone to see last Sunday and at the nearest place had a talk with the sick Machi, but like it is with so many of our own countrymen could only get the answer "Yes! Yes! Yes!" to everything of a spiritual nature said to her. You would think taking only her assent into consideration that she knew and believed the whole Christian faith; but this is only on the surface. May the dear Lord bring her into the assent of the heart as well as of the lips. \* \* Wednesday, May 20th Spent the whole day at home. Several Indians came in from the first place visited yesterday wanting medicine. A young fellow came who wanted to act as Mozo saying he knew Manucha, but he did not get along much better than I did interpreting to the Indians. \* \* Thursday, May 21st. Stayed at home all day as we expected Alejandro Bunster from Imperial, \* \* Friday, May 22th. Started off with class for Temisco going south to Lavranza. We found a pretty thickly inhabited Indian country all the way between Cholchol and Lavranza and the wide field and scattered Indians reminds one of the difficulties the Church in the North West experiences in providing religious educational advantages to the people there. The people are more thickly settled here having smaller holdings as a rule, but are almost as difficult of access for the above purposes. Found Lavranza full of a good number of drunken Chillenos. Our Indian guide, a young fellow whom we had, met with another man (the latter's baby had been cured by our medicines and he was therefore very friendly.) . . He told us something of the spiritual destitution of the Indians, their need of schools etc, and confirmed me in my thoughts this triangle was one of the best parts of Chili for our work.

[Oct., 1896.]

## Ontario Diocese.

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

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The Board Meetings of the Ontario W. A., are held in the Class room of St. George's Hall, Kingston, on the 2nd Monday in every month at half past two p. m. The Presidents of Branches or members of the W. A., from a distance, visiting the city are cordially invited to attend.

## BRANCH NOTES.

BELLEVILLE (St. Thomas')—The first meeting after the summer holidays was held Sept. 14th, and a bale will soon be ready, but its destination has not yet been determined. There are fifty subscribers to the LEAFLET. St. Johns'—A bale was sent on the fourteenth of April to the Peigan Reserve. It contained sixty-nine new and three second-hand articles.

DESERONTO—Meetings of the W. A., have been held by this Branch every two weeks from January to April, at which a number of quilts were made, which were to have been sent away, but owing to the terrible fire which occurred in May, causing such immediate need and distress among the people, it was decided that they should be given to the sufferers at home. Three dollars have been sent to Miss Smith and two to Miss Brown and one dollar was given at the Annual Meeting towards Mrs. Tilton's Life Membership fee. There are twenty-seven members of this Branch and the same number of subscribers to the LEAFLET.

BANCROFT—There are fifteen members of this Branch, ten of whom are regular attendants at the monthly meetings which combine business and Dorcas work, and several quilts have been made. Five dollars were sent to the Annual Meeting. The last bale (to which the C.C.M.G. contributed) was sent to the Shingwauk Home. The C.C.M.G. has given a carpet for the Chancel of the church, and also two Reading and Prayer Desks to two small Mission Churches. The C.C.M.G. had a Huckleberry picking which proved a pleasant way of adding to their funds. There are only three subscribers to the LEAFLET.

*The following extract is part of a letter received by the Secretary of the Prescott W. A., from the Rev. G. J. Pritchard who has recently removed from Grand Rapids to the Mission of Negrowewin, Fort à la Corne, Sask.*



"The bale of clothing which your W. A. sent, was indeed a most excellent one, and we shall not easily forget the kind donors. What a great deal of labour it must have cost to produce such a bale. To tell you that we were deeply grateful is to put it mildly, but be assured, my dear Madam, we felt far more than pen and ink can express. When we saw so many gifts for ourselves, tears of joy flowed profusely from our eyes, for we felt that everything was given in the name of the Great Love and not in a spirit of patronage. At the time the clothing came, my wife and children were almost without clothes and did not know, where, how or from whom, new ones were to come, for we had no money and we would sooner go without things than go into debt. This was very hard, and but for the gracious promise of our dear Lord, "I will never leave thee," "I will be with thee" I think I should have given up all hope of bettering our condition in such an isolated part of the world. From what I have said you will readily understand the feelings of our hearts when we opened your bale of good cheer. Before leaving Grand Rapids I distributed eight quilts and one pair of blankets and most of the other clothing among those who were in most need of help. We also kept some quilts for our own use, as we were very short of such articles. All those to whom we gave things were very thankful, and I told them to thank God for all His benefits and also to ask Him to bless the self-sacrificing givers, which I hope they did not forget to do. Our rule has always been to help the weak and needy poor, looking for no return save gratitude; but those who are strong and robust, we expect to do something for what they get, and thus, in this way, they are made to rely more on their own resources. This mission is a much larger one than Grand Rapids. The Indians give a good deal of attention to stock raising but none of them are what we call "well off." I have another Mission about eight miles from here where there are quite a number of native settlers; at times many of them are, I believe, very badly off, through no fault of their own but on account of the numerous crop failures. We have very lively services at both places but there is no Church at the latter place. The Church at this Mission is a nice little building with Gothic windows, but there is much to be done before it is completed. Do you think any of my Prescott friends would help me to buy a horse and harness. The smallest amounts would be thankfully received.

Mrs. Pritchard heartily joins with me in thanking you for your timely aid and we both pray that your work may prove a source of great blessing to yourselves and us.

A letter of warm thanks has been received by the Secretary of St. James' W. A., Kingston from the Rev. R. E. Atkinson, Eagle River, Wabushang Reserve, for a much needed and appreciated bale of clothes but want of space prevents its being printed.

[Oct., 1896].

## Ottawa Diocese.

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 DIOCESAN MOTTO :—" God is love. "
 

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We draw attention to our new motto chosen for us by our President. Does it not mean that each of us "in our small corner" must so live and work, that God's Love may be made known to those in the dark regions beyond, as well as expressing the desire that we as a Diocese, shall always work together in harmony and love. May our motto help us to the brotherhood of man.

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 BRANCH NOTES.

We welcome two new diocesan members this month, Mrs. Moody of BEACHBURY, and Mrs. Fairburn, of PETEWAWA, and hope that very soon they may see their way towards organizing branches in their respective parishes.

BALDERSON—Has sent a large bale ninty-three articles, to Washakada Home. For a branch with sixteen members this is very creditable. One month's holiday was taken in the summer.

MANOTICK.—This is news we do not enjoy giving. "Our branch has disbanded."

MORRISBURG.—Sent in July a bale valued at \$20.60, to the Shingwauk Home, containing among other useful articles a rag carpet. The "monthly teas" have been found to be a great success, and always add from \$2 50, to \$3.00, to the Treasurer's Balance. We did not accord Morrisburg full credit in a former report, as we mentioned \$11 00, as having been given towards support of a boy in the Peigan Home, when it should have been \$17.82.

OTTAWA.—Had the pleasure of seeing the cheery face of Mrs. Bompas, wife of the Bishop of Selkirk Diocese, at its August meeting. She came out very unexpectedly, and has gone to England to see a dearly loved sister in failing health. She had much to tell of her five years isolation, and mentioned that she had been presented with a gold nugget by some miners on Christmas day to commemorate the fact that she was the first white woman who had passed a winter at Forty Mile Creek. This she keeps as a nest egg for a much needed church.

RENFREW.—Writes that we must not count this parish as a live branch of our Auxiliary tree. This is another cause for regret.

A letter received from Miss Brown shows most plainly the need of more help in that mission; the girls require such constant attention. One girl lately grieved the mission workers by running away to live with a heathen in an unsanctified union. Would that some strong woman would offer herself, or that the salary of a new worker could be assured, such a one might be obtained, were the money available.

### TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

Receipts.			
Diocesan Mission.		Lady Missionary, N. W.	
Pembroke W.A. ....	\$ 5 00	St. Margaret.....	2 00
Provincial Life Membership.		Carleton Place.....	8 00
Perth, W.A. ....	5 00	Lady Missionary, Japan.	
Morrisburg, W.A. ....	3 00	St. Margaret's W.A.....	50
Cornwall, W.A. ....	1 00	Diocesan Assessment.	
Carleton Place, W.A.....	2 00	St. Margaret's .....	50
Wales, W.A. ....	50	Carleton Place, .....	3 10
Billings Bridge .....	50	Diocesan Members.	
Archville, W.A.....	50	Beachburg.....	10
St. Margaret's .....	50	Petewawa.....	10
Ottawa (Prev. Ackd.) .....	8 00	March.....	50
North Gower, Dio. Man.....	1 00	Education Fund.	
Pembroke, W.A. ....	3 00	Carleton Place, J.W.A. ....	10 00
Thank Offering for Superannuation F.		Piegan Home.	
Clavton, W.A.....	2 00	Cornwall, Balance of "Abbies"	
Carleton Place, W.A.....	2 00	Support.....	9 25
Archville, W.A. ....	1 80	EXPENDITURE.	
Wales, W.A. ....	11 04	Account Books.....	38
Ottawa, W.A. (Prev. Ackd.)...	17 70	Paid over to Ontario Trees.	
Pembroke, W.A. ....	5 00	Superannuation Fndd.....	72 29
Perth, W.A. ....	7 00	Life Membership.....	25 00
Lanark, W.A. ....	1 40	Quarter's Salary Lady Miss.	
Morrisburg, W.A. ....	3 35	North West.....	75 00
Cornwall, W.A.....	10 00		

[Oct., 1896.]

**Quebec Diocese.**

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

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

We would ask our readers to bear in mind the appeal made in last month's issue on behalf of the sewing classes which are about to be resumed. It is not so much the work which is accomplished at these classes that we advocate, as the good derived from the weekly meetings of the Auxiliary members. Work, as some affirm, can be well accomplished at home, and so it can, but it is the working together which is so helpful and encouraging, to say nothing of the excellent reading matter provided during the hours of work. We hope to see a good gathering at our first meetings, as also to find many new names enrolled on our list of membership.

*Copy of a letter from the Rev. James Taylor, Sandy Lake Mission, July 2nd, 1896, to Mrs. Sewell.*

"I duly received the bale of clothing sent by the Cathedral Branch of the W.A. at Prince Albert, and brought it home with me on my return from the Diocesan Synod. The bale has since been opened, its contents entered into our book and some of the articles distributed to our friends; how very much I thank you for these beautiful gifts! Every article sent is useful here. I shall take some of the things with me in a few day's time to Stony Lake, a mission 60 miles distant from here, and where our people are very poor. Articles like these help our work along so much, for it is only human nature for the poor Indians to lean towards those who clothe them and treat them kindly. A good many heathen dances have been held this summer and we have been helpless to stop them. I trust that they are now about ended for the

summer. I hope soon to see a law in our statute books making heathen dances a criminal offence, and a penalty imposed upon any of our treaty Indians who are found attending them. Please convey my thanks to the kind lady who sent me twelve copies of the "Sunday at Home." Reading matter is always very acceptable. Mrs. Taylor wishes me to tender her sincere thanks for your kind offer to accept any of the contents of the bale that she might find useful; she has, at your suggestion, taken the pillow cases which will be very serviceable. Mrs. Taylor also unites with me in the hope that in the very near future you and the other members of the W.A. will visit the North-West, and also this mission. We shall be happy to welcome you."

*This letter from F. Frost dates as far back as December, but the contents may interest our readers.*

Manitoulin Islands, Dec. 5th, 1895.

"The barrel you sent me has reached me safely and the contents yielded us unqualified satisfaction. There was joy in the presence of the boys when it was opened. It is very good of you people to send such nice things to us, especially as you are so far away and do not know us personally. Your kindness cheers our drooping souls, as the hymns say. By your gracious permission I shall distribute your bounty at Christmas time when the noble red men and women have their annual festival and entertainment at that happy time. It is better to give them then, I think, except I meet with some special need. You will agree with me that it is the children, or poor or old people, or bereaved, who should be specially helped and not give promiscuously to all; the able-bodied can work for themselves. Please convey to your good people my warm thanks for their bounty and assure them of my glad appreciation of their favors. We have good sleighing here now and I am making the best of it in getting round among the people. I hope soon to be able to cross the ice to my Indian friends on the mainland to minister to them, but I do not expect to be able to do so until Christmas, when I will

take a part of your gifts. I will let them know that they are indebted to you for the favors, and I will dispense them to the best of my ability, so that those shall receive them who need them most. I do hope you will convey to your association my sincere thanks for their goodness, trusting that the richest blessings of Almighty God may rest upon you all."

*From the Rev. Stanley Stocken, Calgary, August 10th, 1896,  
to Miss Carter.*

"I have just received from our Bishop the beautiful Communion Service and Font which you sent him for me from the very kind members of the Women's Auxiliary of St. Matthew's Church; most gratefully do I thank you and all your fellow-members for such a valuable and handsome gift. They will all be so useful to me in my large and widely scattered district. I like the little Font especially; on three or four occasions lately I have been obliged to use an ordinary sugar or butter dish, so am really very pleased with such a nice little Font as you have sent me. I am also glad that you have sent such a very nice strong case to carry them about in. May I ask yet one more thing? That you and your fellow-workers, who have so kindly contributed towards this beautiful gift, will now follow up the gift with your frequent and earnest prayers for the work in the big district in which it is to be used, that it (the work) may indeed be begun, continued and ended in Him who is the Lord and Giver of life, the fountain of all true and lasting blessings. I have at present four different centres for services, which I hope soon to be able to increase. Please pray for me and the work, that God's name be glorified and His Kingdom come in His own glorious time in the corner of His vineyard."

The Treasurer of the Leaflet Fund will be much obliged if those Branches who have not paid their subscription to the LEAFLET for 1896 to 1897 will kindly do so as soon as possible, as a payment has to be made to the Editor-in-Chief, Mrs. Williamson. There are still eleven branches to be heard from.

Miss Leslie, one of the Zenana Missionaries, purposes delivering an address, early in November, when passing

through Quebec on her return to China. Miss Leslie has been a worker in China for some years, she is therefore well qualified to give valuable information on mission work carried on in those parts. We trust that she may be warmly welcomed by our community. Due notice will be given of the meeting, when the day is decided upon.

#### ALL ISLANDS.

Twenty years ago the Hydah Indians of the Queen Charlotte Islands (off the coast of British Columbia) were exceptionally fierce, cruel and superstitious. They take long voyages in their cedar canoes, and in one of these came over to the Christian village of Mettabeahitta, where Mr. Duncan was teaching the Tsimshian Indians. There they admired the comfortable village with its church and school, and its prosperous, happy people; they thought that the white man's religion would be a good thing and begged for a Christian teacher, so Mr. Collison went to live among the wild Hydahs. Years before, good Captain Prevost gave a Hydah boy named Cowhoe a New Testament, and wrote in it, "From Capt. Prevost, R.N.," in the hope that the "bread cast upon the waters" may be "found after many days." It seemed a useless gift; the boy could not read, English was an unknown tongue to him, and there was no one to teach him. But let us, women of the Auxiliary, remember that God blesses every deed and every gift which springs from faith and is offered with prayer. The first Hydah to come out distinctly as a Christian was the boy, now a chief, who, long years before, had received the Testament. It was "the white man's holy book," it made him think, and he longed to know what it said. Nearly all the Hydahs are now Christians, many show the love of Christ in their daily lives; their children are being taught, their homes are clean and comfortable, and both outwardly and inwardly they have turned from darkness to light by the work of missionaries. Mr. Collison, now Archdeacon Collison, is doing good work at Kincolitt on the Naas River (Dio. of Caledonia) among the Nishga tribe.

# BISHOP RIDLEY COLLEGE

## ST. CATHARINES, ONT.

VISITORS—The Bishops of the Provinces.

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