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# Letter Leaflet of the Woman's Auxiliary

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

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## PROVINCIAL WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

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Subjects for Prayer and Reading May—Saskatchewan and Calgary,  
Palestine and Assyria.

The Bishop of Athabasca and Mrs. Young have, we are sure, the deep sympathy of all the members of the W.A. in the great sorrow which has been laid upon them. Sad as their loss would be at any time, it seems doubly so when they are just about leaving for their northern home, so lonely and exiled from the many warm friends the Bishop and Mrs. Young have won for themselves during their sojourn in Eastern Canada. They will carry with them many good wishes and fervent prayers that the Sun of Righteousness will brighten this hour of darkness, and give them strength for their life of devoted self-sacrifice.

A letter, lately received from Mrs. Sillitoe, brings an account of a third attack of pneumonia the Bishop has had in twelve months, and of which we are very sorry to hear. The doctors order rest and change as necessary to restored health. Not an easy thing to manage when so much devolves on the head of the Diocese.

The Bishop of Algoma, too, is still suffering. We trust soon to hear better accounts of both Bishops. It was with great pleasure that we received notice of the formation of a branch of the W.A. at Port Arthur, Diocese of Algoma. At present the Diocese itself needs most of their help, but they hope to do something for Foreign Missions too. We wish them every success. In the Treasurer's statement will be found an item as sent by the Children's Guild of St. Luke's, Halifax, to Miss Smith, Japan. So the little people must take an interest in our work, and we thank them most heartily for this most needed addition to the fund for Japan

The Domestic subject for prayer and reading for this month we dealt with in the April number, so will only take up the Foreign one this time.

We would recommend all our readers to obtain a copy of the report the "Parochial Foreign Mission to the Jews," for 1893. We have only space to cull a few of the very interesting items contained in it. Bishop Blyth's is a familiar name to most of us, but the extent of his work is perhaps not known to all.

The Jewish Missionary work is confined to the same centres as in the past, viz., the Mission Home of Jerusalem, the Jewish Mission at Beyrout, the Mission to the Jews at Haifa, and the Mission at Cairo.

The Mission Home at Jerusalem is under the charge of Miss Blyth, aided by Miss Gardner, both of whom most generously give their services unpaid. The young Jewess, of whom Miss Gardner wrote in her report of last year, as having found shelter in the Home under trying circumstances, was baptised in due course, and made good progress in the year's training through which she went as an inmate of the Home. She is now receiving at East Grimstead a free training for work in the Mission, and the Home is relieved of a cost of at least £25 a year. The Orphanage, which the Bishop attached to the Home, has at present six girls in it. The cost of each child is about £20 a year. It is intended for twelve orphans. In answer to our appeal £65 was received for the maintenance of the children, and about as much more was spent from the General Fund on furniture. A small day school for girls is also carried on at the Home. The special work, however, of the ladies continues to be with the large class of Jewesses, now numbering over sixty in all, which meets three times a week at the Home for Christian instruction and work. The earnestness of these women is evident. The long walk to and from Siloam, on the Jaffa road, through the snows of last winter and under the hot summer sun, often with children in arms, and the facing of the spies who are sometimes set to watch the gates of the Home, are a sufficient test of the earnestness of the people and the influence of the ladies. The well deserved regard and affection in which the ladies of the Home are held in the two villages is very remarkable, and was most noticeable on the occasion of several visits we made to the class or homes of the people. Unlike the European Jews, whose presence in this country is largely due to the persecution which the race endures in Eastern Europe, the Yemenites of Siloam have come to Jerusalem because they were taught that the Messiah was to come within twelve years. Some seven or eight years of the period remain unfulfilled, when, if he should not have come, they say they will become

Christians. At Siloam a small school for boys is maintained by a grant from the fund. The work of the Home is greatly indebted to the Rev. J. Jamel (L.J.S.) for his assistance in the instruction in Holy Scripture with which the classes open. The following report of the year's work has been received from Miss Gardner :

" The work in the Bishop's Mission Home at Jerusalem has been carried on during the year on the same lines as usual, except that the small orphanage for twelve girls mentioned in the last report has made a beginning. Six girls are with us, and more are ready to come when our funds enable us to send for them. We have also charge of two young girls from the families of the missionaries connected with the Bishop's work. Our ultimate object is to give all these girls a thoroughly good education on definite Church lines to fit them to become teachers. The need of such teachers increases as the Bishop's work grows.

" The direct Missionary work has been very interesting and encouraging. For the greater part of this year we have had about sixty women under regular Christian instruction, and we also teach them needlework."

It is with the deepest regret that the W.A. has heard of the death of Mrs. Houghton, of Montreal. Ever an earnest and devoted worker, having been the first Recording Secretary of the Provincial W.A., Mrs. Houghton's name will always be remembered with love and respect by all who knew her or had intercourse with her. She was interested in many works for her dearly loved Master, and while mourning our great loss we can but rejoice for her that she is with Him in Paradise.

### JUNIOR DEPARTMENT.

A missionary game can be invented from a pretty kindergarten play. The little travellers retire to a corner and " talk it over." When their arrangements are completed they march back with quite the eager air of returned travellers. The " at home " party greet them by singing or repeating in concert—

" Welcome, little travellers, welcome, welcome home,  
Tell us little travellers, from what land you come ?

And the answer comes. " We all come from China land, where all the people bow to idols, have their feet bound, drink tea, eat live fish" (as the case may be). The travellers themselves select the country, and say what the people do in it. They suit the action to the word always, and bow low, hobble around, make believe to drink or eat like little natives.

A good plan for a mission band is to procure from some old atlas a map of the world, the larger the better, and, if possible, on Mercator's Projection. Paste it on a pine table or a large bread-board, and place before the children as an object lesson. " The field is the world," Then point out all the countries where the name of Christ was not

known one hundred years ago. Tell how William Carey, the poor shoemaker in England longed to carry the gospel message to these lands, and how he finally went to India, and lived and worked there for over forty years. Then produce a little card, on which is written the name of William Carey, and the date of his birth and death; attach it to a long pin (like a little flag on a flag staff), and stick the pin in at Seramapore. The children will never forget that they have seen William Carey go to India. Then ask the children to bring their own little banners, and stick them in at the stations where their heroes lived. This plan can go on for many meetings, until the map is covered with tiny banners bearing the noble names of those who are on God's honour-roll. Take one country at a time, and appoint the children before-hand who are to bring the names, asking them to bring besides one little story of that missionary's life. This will induce the children to ask for help at home, and it may result in the parents themselves seeking for names and anecdotes.--*Selected.*

The Juniors in the Toronto Diocese, according to the late Annual Report, now number 35 branches with a membership of 909. The amount of money given by them is double that of last year, being \$448 65, and this does not include some \$150 that did not pass through the Treasurer's hands; 556 meetings have been held,

Toronto Diocese Received	.....	\$32 86
Algoma	"	35 00
Indian Homes	"	103 13
North-West	"	91 21
Blackfoot Home	"	55 00
Foreign	"	31 45
Educational Fund	"	5 00
Miscellaneous	"	95 00

The latter includes \$40 to the Sabrevois Mission, and four bells for Mission churches, at Nelson, B.C., Thunderchild Reserve, Fairbank Mission and Lesser Slave Lake. They have also spent on materials for bales and freight \$108.53, so we see many little hands have been well employed throughout the winter months, and the comfortable hoods made out of the pieces, the warm cloaks and neatly made underwear will cheer the heart of the missionaries, knowing the pleasure they will give to the needy ones in their distant field of labour. Our hearts are cheered by the interest of these youthful workers. One very young member when invited to go somewhere on the day of his mission band, remarked, "Oh, I cannot; it is the day our Auxiliary meets" Our meetings will soon be closing for the summer, but let us remember that we are still members. Do not forget our daily prayer, and in the holiday season make up some pretty articles for Christmas trees, or useful things to fill the bales to be sent in the autumn and let many a copper, yes, and silver piece find its way into the mission boxes.

## Toronto Diocese.

### Woman's Auxillary to Diocesan, Domestic and Foreign Missions.

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

Subjects for Reading and Prayer. Saskatchewan, Palestine, Assyria.

The first four pages of the LEAFLET belong to the Provincial Officers, and contain general news. Miss Montizambert, Provincial Secretary, is the Editor.

The Editor of Toronto LEAFLET desires to express her great regret that the continuation of the story of the work among the Chinese in Victoria has been lost at the printers, during their removal of premises. We shall hope to hear from this School again, and make up for apparent neglect.

We have to record that, under God's blessing, the eighth Annual Meeting in this Diocese, in its success, has even exceeded the most hopeful expectations. The attendance throughout the three days' sessions, the increased Thankofferings, the number at the evening services, and the crowd that thronged the Pavilion at the Public Missionary Meeting, surely testified to the wonderful growth of Missionary interest throughout the year. The first day of our Annual began with the Holy Communion in St. James' Cathedral, which was very largely attended. Members then adjourned to the school-house, when the roll was called, showing a large attendance of delegates. Lunch was served on each day to about five hundred ladies. The visitors and delegates were warmly greeted by the President, responded to on behalf of the delegates by Mrs. G. A. Smith, of Peterboro. The reports of the officers were encouraging—ten new Senior Branches formed, four Junior, and thirteen Life Members added for this year. 196 bales have been sent out, containing 8,261 new and 2,981 second-hand articles of clothing, besides groceries, books and toys. Senior Memberships 3,000, Junior 906. The Treasurer reported \$7,903.06 cash receipts, \$702.30 in vouchers for money sent direct by Branches, \$172.31 vouchers from Juniors, \$1,830.52 spent on material and freight, \$82 received by the Literature Committee, making a total paid for Missionary objects of \$10,690.22.

The President in her annual address spoke of the necessity of Prayer, Humility, Faith, and Perseverance, being the foundation stones of all lasting work, and then dwelt upon the objects for which the Auxillary is organized—viz., Prayer for Missions; to interest Churchwomen in Missions, by one common bond of harmonized effort; to diffuse Missionary intelligence, and infuse Missionary zeal; to raise



money for, and send clothing to needy Missions—and in so doing offered many practical suggestions for the better carrying out of the work, and especially urged the members to make use of the summer vacation by trying to influence those they may come in contact with on behalf of Missions. Miss Brown's interesting address upon her work on the Blackfoot and Piegan Reserves closed the first days' sessions.

Tea was served in the school-house for the delegates and members, who afterwards walked into the Cathedral in a body to take part in the Evening Service. The Cathedral choir was present and the music was beautiful. Rev. Canon DuMoulin preached an earnest and impressive sermon from the words, "Fervent in spirit, serving the Lord."

The morning session on Thursday was opened with a helpful Bible reading by Miss Tilley, Secretary for Junior Branches, upon "Nehemiah, a model for Christian workers," and afterwards Mrs. Hodgins, of St. James' Cathedral, led a discussion, followed by many others upon the subject, "How can a Parochial Mission Meeting be made more interesting?" In the afternoon Mrs. Grindlay read an instructive paper upon, "Our Annual Pledges," in which she gave a history of each pledge, and details as to the present condition of each as to guarantees from the Branches. Miss Osler's Paper, "A Missionary Outlook," gave a comprehensive and interesting account of the foreign missionary work of the Church. A discussion upon "Missionary Money, and how it may be earned," led by Mrs. Broughall, brought out good suggestions from many members.

The public Missionary Meeting was held in the Horticultural Pavilion, the front part of the centre being filled by the Junior Branches, who overflowed on to the platform, indeed the whole building was crowded to excess. Lime light views, that had been prepared from photographs taken by Rev. Mr. Spencer, of Thorold, showed the mission stations and schools in Algoma, the North West, British Columbia and in foreign lands, and these were explained by Rev. Canons Sweeney and Mockridge and Mr. Alan Sullivan, the Bishop of Toronto acting as chairman.

Mrs. Davidson, second vice-president, gave a Bible reading from Acts i, at the opening of the third morning's session. Mrs. Ingle of Parkdale, read an excellent paper upon the "Importance of the Use and Spread of Missionary Literature," and Mrs. Gibbs, of Port Arthur, gave an earnest address to the workers. Miss Tilley afterwards gave a very bright and helpful talk upon the best way of conducting the business part of a Missionary Meeting.

The balloting, both for nominations and election of officers, took place during the lunch hours on Thursday and Friday, so that none of the time of the meetings was taken up in that way, the delegates' certificates being presented to the Credential Committee, who furnished them with ballot papers which were afterwards deposited in the ballot boxes. Two members of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew acted as

scrutineers on both days. All the old officers were re-elected, with the exception of the two whose names had been withdrawn by them from nomination, viz., Mrs. Broughall and Miss Paterson. Mrs. Davidson was elected first vice-president, Miss O. DuMoulin second vice-president and Mrs. Banks Dorcas secretary.

The reception of the Thankofferings proved as usual an interesting feature in the meeting. They amounted in all to \$192.93, of which \$80.43 will go towards Margaret Durnell's travelling expenses, \$42 to Lesser Slave Lake Mission, \$20 to Algoma, \$10 to the W. & O. Fund, \$1 to the Gordon School, \$5 to the Board of D. and F. Missions, \$2 to the Japan Medical Missionary, and \$2.50 to Mrs. Holmes. The collections at the services and public meetings amounted to \$160.90, and \$15 was given to Miss Paterson, for special work in Japan. An Honorary Life Membership was by the unanimous vote of the meeting given to Mrs. Robertson, in recognition of the fact that the idea of Life Membership in the Auxiliary came from her, Miss Muttelbury was also presented with a Life Membership by many of the Toronto members, as a token of their appreciation of her many years of unselfish and devoted work in connection with the Auxiliary.

The closing scenes of the eighth Annual Meeting will not soon be forgotten by those present, for then a solemn and affectionate farewell was taken of the six missionaries, who will soon leave for their several fields of labour, in words of tender parting, prayers and the hymn, "With the sweet word of peace we bid our brethren go." All were present on the platform and each said a few brief words, expressing their pleasure at being called to so high a service. Mrs. Young and Miss Brown return to their respective missions. Miss Margaret Durnell goes as assistant matron to the Lesser Slave Lake Home, Miss Paterson (Dorcas Secretary), Miss Trent (President Trinity Memorial Branch), and Mrs. Kennedy (President of the Bolton "Faithful Gleaners,") all go to Japan. "May God be with them till we meet again." After the Secretary had read the minutes of the day, the closing prayers were said, and the most successful and interesting Annual Meeting we had ever had was over.

The Diocesan President desires to express her sincere regret that she was unable to see as much personally of the Delegates as she hoped to do during the meetings, and asks that they will excuse any unintentional neglect or omission on her part.

We desire to offer our heartfelt sympathy to St. Matthew's Branch, Toronto, on the loss sustained by them in the recent sad death of their Vice-President, Mrs. Nicolson. May God comfort her sorrowing husband and family.

The key-note of the Thankofferings was gratitude for mercies received. One "thankoffering for health in our family" was very suggestive, there having been so much illness among children during the past year. From a little girl, "thankoffering for a baby brother,"

from another, "for two kind friends," and "for answers to many prayers," were among the many inscribed envelopes. Thank God for all these tokens of His living, loving presence in our midst!

Our pages did splendid work, but we hope to make better arrangements for their usefulness and number next year.

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### JUNIOR-REPORT.

Long before 8 o'clock all the galleries in the Pavilion were filled with grown people, and then the long procession of the Junior Branches W.A. made their appearance, marching in to the hymn, "Bear the message onward," to an accompaniment of piano and cornet, and filled the floor of the house, the sight was a most imposing one. As the Lord Bishop said, he doubted "If there ever had been such a missionary meeting ever seen in Canada before." After the reading of the reports by the Lord Bishop, and kind words of congratulation and encouragement from his Lordship, the Rev. Canon Sweeny then took the children a most interesting journey (by limelight) through the regions of the Missionary Stations in the N.W. and B.C., in fact from one end of the C.P.R. to the other, bringing before his attentive listeners the homes, schools, churches, and last, but not least, the figures of the Indians, young and old, from the hoary feather-headed Chieftain to the dark-eyed mischievous papoose, in all of which the members of the Junior Branches take such a hearty and practical interest.

Then came the quaint outlines, costumes, and customs of the Japanese (still by limelight) graphically detailed by Dr. Mockridge—notably a charming picture of Miss Jennie Smith, (the W.A.'s first Lady Medical Missionary) with her two native assistants, all in Japanese robes, and engaged in the familiar occupation of "pouring out tea," but at a somewhat different table to which we are accustomed, the attitudes also of all three being Japanese. I wonder if we shall soon have a picture of our beloved Dorcas Secretary in the like pose? India was most interesting also, with its beautiful picture of the monument at Cawnpore, the old gate of Lucknow, and that of a Hindu woman in full native costume, a quaint figure with its

flowing robes, coins on the smooth, dark hair, and the numbers of bangles, nose-ring, etc., the face sad and pathetic.

A large picture of a typical Jew of modern days, but clad in the dress of his ancestors of thousands of years ago, was received with great applause. The turban-wreathed (or Kaffan I should say) head, with its fierce, dark eyes and aquiline features, being a most lifelike representation.

Algoma was well illustrated on the slides, and described by Mr. Sullivan, who also gave us the cheering intelligence that the Bishop of Algoma hoped to resume his work within a short time, at all events for another year.

The children, many of them very young members, were most attentive and orderly in their behaviour, and notwithstanding the enormous number of people, were all got out of the building without the slightest discomfort, the Superintendents being greatly helped by the kindness of some of the St. Andrew's Brotherhood. The executive wish to express their thanks through the LEAFLET to all who so kindly and brightly assisted to bring this memorable "Missionary evening" to a close.

M. FORSYTH GRANT, *Junior Supt.*

Among the letters read at the Annual Meeting were two, from Miss Symonds and Miss Garlick, who are working in the Blackfoot Reserve.

Miss Symonds after speaking of the serious illness of Mrs. Tims' baby, which necessitated taking him to Calgary, 60 miles away, so as to be near a doctor, writes.—"Last Sunday week, one of our biggest boys, David, was baptized by his own desire. It was such a pleasure, such a joy to Mr. Tims. He would not use the least persuasion in the matter, for though David is a good boy, tractable and good tempered, his nature seemed too indolent, too indifferent, to care if he were a Christian or not. I think his friends, John and Willie, who were baptized last Advent, were greatly the means of David's deciding to be baptized. John and Willie belong to a Bible reading society, in which Mr. Stanley Stocker is interested. When he was staying here he got them to join it, and Mr. Tims says they always read their portion daily. I do think we need to pray very earnestly for them that they may be kept steadfast. The same time that he was baptized, his baby sister was, so his father and the baby's mother were present—Lucy is the baby's name. . . The little children in the camp, from four to nine years of age, are so attractive I think. It makes me want to make room for them all and train them in good ways. . . I think the epidemic of measles has had the effect of lessening the Indian's

faith in their medicine men, or at least to increase their respect for our doctor and treatment, as none of our children have died, and yet they will not do as the doctor tells them, but let their children run about almost naked with the rash full out on them. Some of the Indians attend our services regularly, and Old Sun, though almost childish, behaves very reverently, taking off his hat and standing whenever we do. I must think that a good foundation is being laid with the Boarding Schools, although not much result can be expected *rapidly*."

Miss Garlick writes that they have had a great deal of illness at the Blackfoot Reserve, measles, etc., and that they realize the great advantage a hospital will be to them on the Blackfoot Reserve.

The Rev. A. N. Corker, writing from Industrial School, Alert Bay, B. C., says: "The Kwaguith nation, which a few years back numbered many thousands, are now reduced to a little under two thousand, consisting of 15 tribes living on Vancouver and the surrounding islands. Their language is called the Kwaguith, all the tribes speaking the same. Their manners and customs are much like the Indians on the mainland, but in some respects they differ very much from them. They are a degraded people and hard to improve. The greatest drawback to the work is the potlatch. To keep this up everything has to go. Mr. Hall has laboured among them for 15 years, but only a few have become Christians, but these I am thankful to say are Christians indeed. The Gospels of St. Matthew and St. John and parts of the Prayer Book have been translated and printed in their own language. I will write you an account of the potlatch as soon as I can, for I believe, if thoroughly known, the Government would put a stop to the practice."

Miss Brown, of the Piegan Reserve, desires to correct a mistaken impression that she has received so much freight that a special car had to be taken for its transport to MacLeod. The mistake arose from her having mentioned to some one that she intended asking the C. P. R. authorities for the use of an empty car returning to the North-West. In this assistance Miss Brown was of course disappointed, and the freight which has already been received by Mr. Hinchliffe only occupied a very small space in a freight car when sent.

### DORCAS REPORT.

ROOM 39, THE FORUM, YONGE STREET.

Branches have forwarded the following: Church of Ascension, Girls' Guild, Blackfoot Home, bale; St. James' Cathedral (Second Seniors)—Apsley, bale; Stayner—North Bay, bale; Barrie—Rosseau, bale; York Mills—Devon, bale; Port Hope, (St. Marks)—Gordon School, 2 bales; Church of Redeemer—Cumberland, bale. Wawanosh, bale; Sheguindah, bale; Norway—Central Room, bale. Churchill—North Seguin, bale; St. Cyprian—Central Room, bale.

Columbus—Blackfoot Homes, bale; Bolton, "Faithful Gleaners"—North Seguin, bale. St. Simon's—Lesser Slave Lake, 2 bales; St. Stephen's—Fort Chippewayan, bale, St. James' Cathedral, Y.L.A.—Stagville, bale; St. Matthias—Fort Pelly, bale; All Saints', Girls' Mission Band—Blood Reserve, bale, St. Philip's—Lesser Slave Lake, 2 bales, Bradford—North Bay, bale, Cobourg—Fort Vermilion, bale; Cumberland, bale, Peterborough—Blackfoot Home, bale, Lindsay—Hay River, Mackenzie River, 3 bales. Branches working for the following places Trinity, Blackfoot Home, May, Columbus, Blackfoot Home, October; Orillia, Blood Reserve, June; All Saints', Sarcee Homes, Nov., Port Hope, (St. Mark's) Gordon Schools, May; Central Rooms, Sarcee Homes, Blood Reserve and Yale schools, May.

Our friends will be glad to learn, that the \$12 required to complete the purchase of the stove for the Sarcee Homes, has been donated, and that the stove is now paid for. We have also been able to send the Communion Service, to the Rev. D. D. Macdonald, of Thunderchild Reserve.

The following is an extract from a letter of Mr. Stanley Stocken, of the Sarcee Boys' Home. "On Sunday afternoon now I have a very interesting Scripture class. I have a nice Scripture roll of 31 pictures which I hang up on the wall. The boys all sit round me, and I take one of these pictures each Sunday. First of all they repeat to me a text, which I have given them the previous Sunday to learn, then I question them on last Sunday's lessons, after which each boy opens his Bible and reads a verse in turn upon the picture before us, and then I explain to them very simply, in Blackfoot, the beautiful lessons to be learnt. At the close of the school, to every boy who has said his text well and answered my questions, and has listened attentively to what I've been saying, I give another little text card to learn for the next Sunday. When they receive six little cards, I have promised them a big card, and when they get six big cards, I have told them they shall have a book of Scripture pictures. They are very pleased, and look forward with quite a delight to the Sunday afternoon school.

The Sisters of All Hallows School, Yale, B.C., are anxious to procure the services of a lady governess. The salary will be £30 per year, and if she agree to stay for a term of not less than three years her travelling expenses to Yale would be paid. Her duties would begin at the end of the summer term. The Mother at St. John's Sisterhood, Major street, or Miss Grier, Lady Principal of the Church School, will be happy to receive and give immediate attention to any applications.

The late Dorcas Secretary wishes to tender her most grateful thanks to all the members of the Auxiliary for the kindness and consideration they have shown her during the six years she has worked among them. She will go out to her new work full of loving remembrances of them, and though the waves of the broad Pacific will roll between them, still the knowledge that they are working for the same

Lord and Master will ever be a bond of union that neither time nor place can sever. She thanks God that her work here has been placed in hands not only well able to carry it on, but to increase it, and she feels that she may congratulate both the branches and missionaries in the appointment of Mrs. Banks, of York Mills, as Dorcas Secretary-Treasurer. May God bless her work. Miss Paterson would here say good by to all those to whom she has found it impossible to write a personal letter. She will leave Toronto the end of May, and after August her address will be "care Rev J. G. Waller, Nagano, Shinano, Japan." She would be pleased to hear from those who will continue to take an interest in her and her work. She does not intend to let the Auxiliary forget her, and they may have reason to say "if we had known that Miss Paterson was to become such a missionary we should not have been glad to have her go to Japan" To show that her new work is already in the thoughts of some of you, she has to thank, and she does it most heartily, one loving member for the generous gift of \$15. She asks that your prayers may go with her and the other women whom God has called to work in distant parts of His Vineyard.

## TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.		C. M. S. Chinese Missions.	
<b>Diocesan Pledge.</b>		Orillia .....	30
Oleander .....	\$1 00	<b>Ramabal Circle.</b>	
Innisfil (Mrs. Murphy) .....	1 00	St. Peter's .....	15 00
<b>W. &amp; O. Fund, (Toronto Div.)</b>		<b>Japan. (Rev H. Hamilton.)</b>	
Thankoffering .....	5 00	Ch. Redeemer, Juniors .....	18
" A widow .....	5 00	<i>Medical Missionary,</i>	
<b>Algoma.</b>		Thankoffering .....	2 00
Thankoffering .....	20 00	<b>Labrador, (Per Dr. Grenfell)</b>	
<i>Shingwauk Home.</i>		St. Peter's, Mrs. Jarvis .....	5 00
Church Epiphany S.S. ....	20 00	<b>Miscellaneous.</b>	
<i>Wawanosh Home.</i>		FEE—Mrs. Haynes .....	10
St. George's Toronto, S.S. ....	50 00	<b>LIFE MEMBERS—</b>	
<b>D &amp; F. Miss (Undesignated)</b>		St. Thomas, Miss Roper .....	25 00
Thankoffering \$5, C.M. \$15	20 00	St. George's, Mrs. Cayley .....	25 00
<b>Bapert's Land Gordon School.</b>		St. Stephen's Mrs. Mitchell .....	25 00
Thankoffering .....	1 00	Miss Mittlebury .....	25 00
<b>Calgary, (Matron's Salary).</b>		Ofertories .....	65 85
St. Peter's .....	50 00	Col. Public Miss. Meeting .....	95 00
<b>Lesser Slave Lake.</b>		Springhill Mines Hospital, (Mrs. Osler) .....	5 00
<i>Athabasca, Rev. Geo. Holmes.</i>			
Thankoffering .....	3 50		\$1001 64
<i>Hospital—Thankofferings .....</i>	42 00		
<i>Expenses, Margaret Durtnall.</i>			
St. Philip's .....	10 00	<b>EXPENDITURE.</b>	
Thankofferings .....	80 53	Printing 3,000 Programmes .....	\$6 00
<b>McKenzie River</b>		Shingwauk Home .....	20 00
Ch. Redeemer, Juniors .....	18	Wawanosh Home .....	50 00
All Saints', Miss Boulton per		Miss Mitcheson .....	400 00
Mrs. Robertson .....	5 00	Ramabal .....	15 00
<b>Zenana. (Miss Mithison)</b>		Labrador .....	5 00
St. Peter's .....	400 00		
			\$496 00

## Huron Diocese.

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

Huron's hearty greetings have been conveyed by our Corresponding Secretary to the Dioceses of Montreal, Niagara, and Toronto on the occasion of their Annual Meetings. Your Editor had the pleasure of being present at Niagara's, and hopes to have also the privilege of attending that of Toronto realizing the value to any W.A. worker of the lessons which can be learnt, and the ideas which can be gleaned by one present at these yearly gatherings of the women of the Auxiliary. Hospitality without grudging seems to be the motto of each, whilst, by God's blessing, growth and progress are very apparent 'all along the line.'

We congratulate Port Arthur, Algoma, on the formation of a healthful and promising Branch of the W.A. The following message from Mrs. Lawler (Miss Mellish), was intended for our Annual. "Kindly convey my loving regards to all dear sisters of the Auxiliary. My prayers will be with yours during the coming week which will be, I trust, a holy, happy, refreshing time to all. . . I exchange letters with my old children, of whose conduct I hear excellent accounts." Miss Cross desires to call attention to that most valuable book, *The Handbook of the Church of England Missions on this Continent*, compiled by Dr. Hodgins, of Toronto, price only 10 cents. Every Branch, if not every W. A. member, should send for one. *The Sower in the West*, is the monthly magazine for Saskatchewan and Calgary. Its Editor is heartily thanked for his courtesy in sending copies for LEAFLET reference.

Loyal members of the Huron Auxiliary who desire to wear its badge, are reminded that they can obtain the same from Miss Ferris, 209 MacNab street, Hamilton, on sending price, 25 cents, and postage. This is the plain silver Winchester Cross with the letters "W.A." on the centre as adopted at the Triennial Meeting of 1893.

With Miss Sandys, Chatham, we both sympathize and rejoice. The message sent to her from our Annual would tell her the former, but we now desire to rejoice with her that she has decided to consecrate herself to work in the mission field, after a period of training for its practical duties.

The Rev. E. Matheson kindly sends C.P.R. maps with distances and localities of several missions marked thereon.

Your Editor would be grateful for spare back numbers for 1894 to meet new orders.



The following is an extract from an interesting paper by Mrs. Chance, formerly of Tyrconnel: "It is very gratifying to learn from the report of the Organizing Secretary that since the year 1892, 18 new Branches have been organized, making a total of 118 Branches within Huron Diocese, for which we may thank God and take courage. Still there remains much to be done, for it is desirable and possible to have Branches formed in every parish or congregation. It is desirable that all should take their part in fulfilling the command of Christ, 'Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature,' and thus be partakers of the blessing which always follows faithful obedience. It has been found to be true that those who most zealously engage in missionary work for the heathen are most abundantly blessed with prosperity in their own parishes. I find in looking over the Synod Report for 1893 that there are 336 separate congregations, but in only 118 have Branches been organized, leaving 218 where no Branch has been established, that is to say about one third only of the whole number of the congregations have joined the W.A. How are these 218 congregations to be reached? How are the indifferent to be aroused, and the wavering and lukewarm to be made zealous and fervent? You may know something of what our dear little Tyrconnell Branch has accomplished, but you do not know and I cannot tell you the spiritual good we derived therefrom."

### DORCAS AND BRANCH NOTICES.

OUR INDIAN BRANCHES.—The ONEIDA W.A. writes. "We wish to say a few words about our workers here in Oneida, though we are not a very great number, but we are trying our best to get along. We are glad to say we have been able to raise some funds to pay the cost of a new roof on our church—it amounted to \$56. We have been able to give some assistance to the Board of D. and F. Missions of the C. of E. in Canada, and also we are trying to bring others to become members of the W.A., and followers of our dear Saviour." MUNCEYTOWN not only recently sent a bale to Rev. G. Cook, of Staggsville, but later on a valuable contribution of 13 warm articles of clothing, and a beautiful quilt with texts marked on the several blocks, to Cumberland Mission, Saskatchewan. From KETTLE POINT, Huron Diocese, comes not only hearty thanks for the few Christmas gifts sent, but some pretty baskets of Indian workmanship in token of their appreciation of the same. It must have been most interesting to hear the hymn sung at Christmas by Indian and English voices blending sweetly in unison, as well as the touching prayer offered by Chief L. Cloud.

SARNIA sends one bale to Rev. A. H. Mills, Fort McLeod, Alberta. BRANTFORD, Grace Church, to Mrs. Eldridge, Algoma. SIMCOE, TWO

barrels, Rev. E. Matheson. MOUNT BRYDGES, one bale to Mr J. Parker. KINGSVILLE to Rev. J. W. Tims, Gleichen. GORRIE, one bale to Thessalon, Algoma, STRATHROY has voted \$1.50 to Algoma, and the President of Junior Branch asks insertion of Mrs Des Brisay's message of acknowledgment of the Life Membership presented her by them. "Please convey my warmest thanks for this kind remembrance of me. I think it would be nice to send the \$25 to Mr. Brick's Mission as many of the children will remember him" The money has been thus devoted in compliance with Mrs. DesBrisay's desire. SEAFORTH sends a bale and 37 yards of rag carpet to Rev. E. Cook, Cumberland, and will then work for Rev. D. Macdonald, of Thunderchild's Reserve. GRANTON writes. "Send us three more LEAFLETS, we enjoy them so much. Our Branch is gradually growing larger." BERLIN says "Our LEAFLETS deepen our interest by showing what is being done in other parts of our organization This year no one was able to go as delegate from us, so we should feel quite out of touch were it not for our doubly welcome LEAFLET. Our bale for Rev. D. Macdonald, will be a fine large one." KIRKTON—not an organized Branch but mission workers and LEAFLET subscribers nevertheless,. "We have finished two handsome quilts to go in the St. Mary's bale." CHATHAM, Holy Trinity. "Just a word to tell you that the precious little band of girls whom you formed here have sent \$4 worth of material to make trowsers for the Omoksene boys who disdain petticoats. The girls were delighted to have the money to send." Christ Church Juniors, are at Miss Wilson's special request, making sunbonnets for her little girls at Omoksene. From STRATFORD Home Memorial, comes the following suggestion. "Would it not be a good thing to start a fund (as at Ancaster, Niagara Diocese, for Piegau Mission), to provide Omoksene with a knitting machine? The description Mr. Swainson gives of the weekly stocking mending shows what a task it must be to keep so many hose in order. . . . We are promised \$3.50 if others assist towards the \$25 or \$30 required." Any willing to help might correspond with Mrs. Johnson, Box 176, Stratford.

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### MESSAGES FROM THE MISSION FIELD

Our Corresponding Secretary has received from Miss Wilson an expression of heartfelt gratitude for the loving sympathy and practical proof thereof shown by the action taken at our Annual to provide a temporary substitute for her during the brief period of absolute rest deemed needful for her. She will be glad to avail herself of this opportunity a little later on, meanwhile, she says "I am much better and trust by God's grace to be enabled to continue at my post" To the Memorial Church, London, Mother's Union and M.C.L., Miss

Wilson writes: "The mitts, stockings, skirts, and pinafores were so useful. . . On those bitter days the poor little things would come up and say 'me cold hand, me warm mitts.' I feel sure that your 'thankoffering could not have been better applied." Of Miss Symonds Miss W. thus touchingly writes. "I shall miss her so much. She has been such a sweet companion, and has been such a faithful worker. . . I wish you could see my girls at work, so bright and happy over knitting and sewing. . . They all have nails and a little bit of wool, and out of school hours sit in a row on a log knitting away. They would lose their needles did I let them take their proper knitting out of doors. . . I am sure they *do* believe in God. One clear, cold night the bright moon and stars attracted their attention and they began to speak of heaven. I said 'It will be so lovely up there; if you love Jesus, you will go. 'And Annie and Lizzie and baby too?' they questioned. 'Yes!' I said. 'It will be warm and bright always, with beautiful birds and flowers.' and with one breath they added 'berries too?' Their acme of bliss is a warm place with berries. Not to be wondered at, perhaps, when finger tips were frozen just running a dozen yards or so to the school-house" And now for the darker picture, the black back ground as it were, to make us doubly rejoice at the evident blessing upon the work of our missionaries in the rescue of these little ones.

Mr. Swainson writes to the Home Memorial, Stratford:—"I have just come in from visiting the Indians, and have witnessed a scene that put me in mind of a picture of hell. Talk about heathenism! it has to be seen to be realized. I entered an Indian's house named 'One Spot' and found it full of people, the reason being a poor little sick girl, two years old, suffering from inflammation of the brain. Six of the dirtiest, ugliest, and most repulsive looking old women, more like hags than anything else, were 'doctoring' this poor little infant, one had a tom-tom which she was beating as hard as she could to drive out the spirits, and help drown the cries of the child, another had a long reed whistle, which she blew persistently in the ears of the little one, leaping up and down every now and then like a demon, another kept heating a gull against a red hot stove and pressing it against the naked body of the poor little sufferer, another old hag kept filling her mouth with some horrid smelling stuff, and spitting it all over the face and down the throat of the poor mite, whenever she opened her mouth to bawl, another one was branding her in different places, with a piece of hot charred wood, and this they called doctoring. I felt very indignant, but that did not help matters, but only offended them: Oh! when will our Saviour come and put an end to all this devilry? These sights make us long more and more for the glorious appearing of our Master." Mr. Swainson continues.—"At the present time I am much worried to know how to clothe the boys, I have absolutely no

clothing but what is on their backs, many in rags or so patched that one cannot tell the original cloth. Still He who led me to this work will supply all its needs." To WALLACETOWN he also writes, how black currant jam and honey, just when most needed for sickness, turned up in the bales they sent, showing assuredly that "God does guide and direct even the packing" of these gifts to missions. "The shirts, buttoning on the shoulder instead of over those poor weak chests, were splendid. Those socks too, we had not nearly enough to go round when yours came. Then the quilts and pillows, sixty beds are a great many to keep going, so every quilt sent is a boon. . . . Soap, twenty lbs. weekly, is needed, combs too, wool for stockings, etc. *Carbolic salve* invaluable."

The Rev. E. Matheson writes of an interesting journey of 900 miles and finding the Church's work favorably progressing. Steady improvement at Onion Lake, a lady teacher much needed there. "The hand of the W.A. is visible in all our Missions, a strong factor for good, a real help in the work. What a blessing to Christ's cause that Christian women were moved to unite for such a noble purpose."

The following is from a Sioux boy, at Griswold, Man. "Dear friends,—I write to thank you for the nice things you sent for me and the other Indians. I go to school and learn to write and do sums. I can read the first book, and spell all the words. I send my love to you. I send some of my work (sums and dictation), which I do at school. Your friend, Willie Kepan. I am 10 years old."

To the London, Haveiga' Band (Memorial), Rev. D. Macdonald writes after thanking them for their beautiful bale, especially for carpet and quilts. "We have no church, only a school-house. If we could only get a bell we could gather our people together so much more easily. They do look forward to the arrival of bales. Please send us medicines—as much as you are able, simple ones, such as can be used for our Indians, as that goes a long way with them, second-hand clothing for men and boys much needed. Our Bishop confirmed 11, and baptized 4 adults—a great encouragement, when only four years ago all here were heathens and knew nothing of a Saviour's love. Much remains to be done, but He is faithful who has promised to help. May God bless and prosper you in all your work and encourage you with his Holy Spirit." To Miss Buchan, Walkerton, the Rev. Gilbert Cook writes. "We are overwhelmed with gratitude for your gifts so needed during this bitter cold weather. The children were specially pleased to receive something new and warm as well as toys. . . . Often our people on stormy days cannot visit their nets a mile and a half out on the lake, and this means scanty fare. I do not see how they stand it. Still they are thankful that the fish is there, and there cannot be absolute destitution unless that fails, and the moose and

bear become a thing of the past. Notwithstanding the cutting winds our Lord's Day congregations have been tolerably good, and at Christmas we were able to decorate our church in a very small way -- texts on white cotton with red letters, a wreath of evergreen on the reading desk, etc. Our Christmas tree was a great success followed by my magic lantern, for which I have but too few slides." Word has since come that Mr. Gilbert Cook has utterly broken down, and had to go to Winnipeg for medical treatment and nursing, impossible to be obtained at his lonely Mission. The elder daughter nurses the paralysed grandmother, and is the house mother of those motherless little ones. Let us pray for and sympathize with this afflicted family. From Fort Resolution the Rev. Mr. Spendlove writes. "As workers located beyond the outer circle of civilization we yet hope to be fully within the sympathy and prayers of the Lord's own people in Canada, for we feel our need of closer relationship with Church workers. The work of our Bishop will be to open up the connection and unite us in a common sympathy and interest. For 15 years I have laboured in arctic regions among Indians. I feel more and more that we must start schools, to instruct the young of the tribes among which we labour. It has been my privilege to open the first Diocesan School for natives, and another primary mission where a school will be erected, and as we have Canadians working at both we ought to benefit by your prayers and gifts. I know your W.A. assists the Bishop, and also Messrs. Stringer and Marsh, and our work calls for attention also. This is not a begging letter. We merely ask to be remembered also by those interested in mission work. Myself and my dear wife are humble workers in the Lord's vineyard. We know in whom we have believed, and we do believe in the Divine power of the Holy Spirit without whom there is no real Christian life, no faithful service."

Thus graphically Mrs. Spendlove describes to the St. Ann's Branch the romantic marriage by the way side, of the two young missionaries, now Mr. and Mrs. Lucas:—"The marriage took place the following day. A very romantic scene. Bishop Young performed the ceremony in an old wooden shed, and the noise of the rapids was so great that it was difficult to hear each other speak. I dressed the bride in a small tent as well as I could. My little Florence and Mrs. Young's little Irene, were the bridesmaids, we had made little frocks for them on the way. Mrs. Young and I did all we could to make the day a bright and happy one. Then next day we separated, the mission party on their way home, we to our Northern home. I felt parting with my little girl so much, and shall hear nothing of her for at least four months." No wonder that Mrs. Spendlove elsewhere speaks of this as "a great wrench to part with her, our only daughter, so soon after parting with my five dear little boys left in England. . . [Think of this sacrifice, dear mothers of the Auxiliary?—ED.] Mrs. Spendlove

continues. — " We had to wait at the rapids five days longer, after that we started for McMurray, and had to go from there in a small skiff to Chepewyan. At this Mission, Mr. and Mrs. Lucas remain I had several hundred miles to go further. On arrival there I found to my great disappointment, that the steamboat had left early in the day, for Smith Portage, another stage of the journey. I must either wait at Chipewyan a month, or go on alone with two Indians in a small skiff, leaving all my things behind, excepting my blankets and cooking utensils. The latter I did, as I was so anxious to reach home as soon as possible, knowing that my husband and child were left alone. I arrived early one morning in August. Our loving Father had so tenderly watched over us while we were absent from each other. A large number of Indians had been in from the woods, and had just left before my arrival. Not quite so much sickness amongst them as formerly, we had had cases brought in from a long distance for medical treatment; showing that Christian kindness is appreciated amongst savages. We had a good supply of medicines sent to us this year, for which we are most thankful. I have to thank several ladies in London for gifts sent to our Mission; one lady gave me some magic lantern slides, another a nice roll of pictures which the natives are so fond of. We have a Diocesan School under our direction. As it is the first in this part of the world, there have been difficulties attending its establishment. [What about the Communion Service half promised to Mrs Spendlove?—ED.]

Although the Bishop of Mackenzie River's annual letter has been so widely circulated, we must make room for a few extracts, and in doing so would again plead with the dear Huron Branches which were so touched with his *personal* account of the sore needs of that far away isolated Diocese, to make some effort during this year upon its behalf. Of Mr. Spendlove's Mission, Fort Resolution, the Bishop says: "The Indians are all Romanists, glad of aid for their bodily ailments, but too afraid of the priest to seek it for spiritual needs, yet the work grows." Elsewhere the Bishop tells of the *Ordination of a native Catechist within the Arctic Circle*, of the establishment of a new Mission at Hay River, Great Slave Lake, where the Indians long craved for a missionary and have now Mr. Marsh amongst them doing a grand work, the Indians gathering around him with looks and words of happy welcome. At Fort Quigley, where indifference and Romanism have prevailed, the Bishop baptized seven children, and married two couples at their own request. . . . "Our children are growing up in ignorance" they say, "A minister comes to us to-day, to-morrow he is gone, and we do not see him again for a year or more," etc. "The piteous plaint, 'no one prays for me,' so ran in my head that I wrote to England for a man, and I hope he will not disappoint me, as there is ever the danger of the Romanists taking up the work before us" At Peel's River,

where Archdeacon Macdonald, whose life of devotion is well known to us all, is translating the Bible into Tukuludh. There are fifty scholars under instruction and twenty-four baptisms during the year. . . . At Fort Norman, the Rev. J. Hawksley reports diligent attendance and reverent observation of the Sabbath. *One old woman of 90, in order to be publicly baptized, crawled part of the way to Church.* "During the Summer," says the Bishop, "I visited every part of my Diocese but one, over 4,000 miles. [No railroads, no electric cars:—ED.] Trials and discouragements there are, but also much that is encouraging and hopeful, with a body of co-workers of whom any Bishop might be proud, . . ." To extend the work men and means are wanted, and to whom should the patient ploughers, planters, and reapers of the Mission field look, but to God's children, whose lot is cast in more pleasant places. Are we to take no share in their burden bearing? Nay, rather let us lift up the far end of the load for them, by our prayers first, and then by our means, even if it costs us some self-denial to give them. "May the narrative of the work in the icy regions of the far North, stir us up to greater efforts for the spreading of the glorious Gospel, and to the realization of our own individual responsibility in the matter, taking seriously to heart the touching words of the old Eskimo to whom Mr. Stringer told for the first time the Story of the Cross of Christ. 'It is the fault of the white man that we never heard of this before.'"

Letters and gifts for Mackenzie River should be sent without delay to catch the boats which convey the messages from the outside world but once a year. Dear Huron sisters, think of this and do not let your opportunity pass by unused

### TREASURER'S STATEMENT FOR APRIL.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
General Fund .....	\$19 70	General Fund .....	91 76
Lady Missionary, N.W.....	9 28	Lady Missionary, N.W.....	50 00
Omoksene (Hospital) .....	4 00	Omoksene .....	27 45
Education Fund .....	3 00	Literature .....	9 00
Lion's Head .....	11 00	Rev. G. Brick .....	25 00
Literature .....	2 60	Rev. F. Swainson .....	31 25
Rev. G. Brick .....	25 00	Rev. J. Tims .....	25 00
Mr. Wilson's Home .....	18 75	Mr. A. E. Wilson .....	18 75
Rev. J. Tims' Home .....	25 00	Miss Kirby.....	25 00
Kanyengeh.....	7 00	Rev. J. Hill, Jews.....	12 06
S.P.C. Jews .....	3 50	Mr. T. Mortimer, Wyckliffe Coll. ....	5 00
Mrs. H. Swainson .....	4 75		
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## Montreal Diocese.

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

### QU'APPELLE.

Our limited space restricts us to only a short notice of the interesting address of Bishop Burn, of Qu'Appelle, delivered to the Montreal Woman's Auxiliary, on Wednesday of Holy Week.

96,000 square miles, 36,000 inhabitants, seventeen clergymen—some of them with parishes of over 100 square miles. Lives of isolation and unremitting toil; and, among the settlers, too often of a burden of debt or with a mortgage on the farm or homestead,—and amid these discouragements, dotting the waste or the little straggling settlements where the houses are thirty miles apart, some tiny “House of God,” painted and adorned by the loving toil-worn hands of the farmer's wife; or one in whose miniature belfry the “Sweet Church bell,” “awakes there alien echoes,” and calls upon the dwellers of the solitudes to worship God in “the ancient way.”

Oh that such bells might ring out everywhere over these boundless prairie seas, rolling floods, and mountain solitudes.

Handicapped as are our devoted Missionaries, hindered as they and the majority of the settlers are by impecuniosity, we record, with astonishment and profound admiration, that three churches in the Diocese are entirely self-supporting, and one partially so, and that within a few years past the number of communicants has doubled, being now one in twenty-three against one in thirty-seven as formerly. The Indian work is being carried on by three clergymen, and there is one Indian school in operation on the Gordon Reserve, and another school requiring reconstruction, for which purpose the Government will give a grant provided \$1,000 additional can be raised. A great responsibility rests upon Church people in these better ecclesiastically equipped Provinces of the Dominion, as well as upon the Church in the Mother Land, to see that souls are not lost in this region of spiritual promise, for lack of the means whereby to minister to them. Will not our Country Branches help with bales and money?



## AMONG THE BRANCHES.

CONDENSED FROM ANNUAL REPORT.

**CITY.—CATHEDRAL**—Members 60, Life Members three, meetings monthly, except during summer. Missionary papers read, and information diffused. Addresses during past year from Mrs. Wilson, Washakada Home; Miss Brown, and Mrs. Carus Wilson, also "Missionary Outlook" from Mrs. Mills, and letters from Mrs. Wilson, Bishop Reeve, etc. Collections for Zenanas, Washakada, and Piegan Homes. Large box of useful articles sent to clergyman's family in Diocese, two barrels goods to Mr. Hinchliffe, also to Mr. Lindsay, Little Pines Reserve, and large bale to Piegan Mission. Christmas trees to Rev. Mr. Lackey, Glen Sutton, and Piegan Indian Schools, Algoma, and bale to clergyman in Diocese, per I.H.N. Society, At present working for Piegan Schools, Mr. Lindsay, and Montreal Diocese. LEAFLET subscriptions 60. Receipts, \$236.61. Disbursements, \$193.38.

**ALL SAINTS**—Members 18. Meetings fortnightly during winter and autumn. Receipts, including box money, \$113.97. Disbursements \$109.59. Distributed as follows. Lien on Church property, \$20.30, treat for S.S. \$5, members' fees, \$1.30, printing fund, 50 cts., Washakada Home, per S.S. \$5, Shingwauk Home, \$2.60, Rev. Mr. Brick, Peace River, collected by Mrs. Seymour, \$15, bale of clothing sent to Washakada Home, and 40 articles from four members, to Leslie Mission. LEAFLET subscriptions, 41, badge holders, 13. **BOYS' BRANCH, No 1.**—Partly supports Indian child at Shingwauk Home. **GRACE CHURCH**—Members 32. Meetings since last Annual Report 9, average attendance 11. Bale of clothing sent to Shingwauk Home, and donations in cash as follows. Japan, \$5, Washakada, \$5, Algoma, \$10, Arundel (poor family), \$2, members' fees, \$3. LEAFLET, \$1.35. Receipts, 57.36, disbursements, \$54.60.

**ST. GEORGE'S**—Members 59. Meetings weekly from Nov. '93. Sent to Missions in Diocese, three bales. Rev. T. Ball, for Christmas tree, box of toys, Leslie Mission, box of books, Lake Louise, Communion cloth, Mrs. Tucker, Life Membership. Library General Hospital, books. Receipts, \$175.61. **ST. JOHN EVANGELIST**—Members 41, meetings 25, average attendance 8. 65 new articles made, and worn garments repaired or altered. Sent Mrs Bompas, Sel. Dio three bales, Bishop of Newfoundland, one do; Rev Mr Hinchliffe do. LEAFLET subscriptions 22 Receipts, \$31 **ST LUKE'S**—Members 15, meetings 18, average attendance 8. Sent bale of clothing to

Rev. Mr. Wilson, Elkhorn, now working on second bale. ST. MARTIN'S—St. Monica's Guild, members 28, meetings to date 13, average attendance 17. Ladies' Aid sent clergyman in Diocese box of clothing, etc. Needy family in country, two large boxes do. Now working on bale for Rev. J. Brick. Expenditure to date \$32. St. Monica's Guild sent clergyman's family in Diocese, Christmas box. Since Christmas worked for poor of city. In Lent, prepared clothing for North West. Receipts, \$20.34. Disbursements \$19.56. Children's Branch sent Lake Louisa S.S. box for Christmas tree. In Lent assisted Seniors in working for North West. Receipts, \$3.93. Disbursements \$2.55. Note by Rev. G. O. Troop—Above includes only receipts in money, large donations of material have been made in addition.

COUNTRY.—AYLMER—Members 14, meetings monthly. Sent at Christmas bale warm and useful articles to Rev. C. Dilworth, Bristol Guild denotes one tenth to Missions. Junior Branch doing good work—little boys gladly helping. Sent Japan, Med. Miss., \$5; Bishop Reeve \$5. Receipts \$30.35. CLARENCEVILLE—Receipts \$17.50. DUNHAM—Members 17, Collected for Miss Brown, \$16.70, and articles, \$2.50. Receipts, \$29.90. GRENVILLE—Members 18, meetings 18, fortnightly. Sent poor family in Arundel, warm and useful clothing. Rev. Mr. Swainson, Blood Reserve, barrel clothing, new and second-hand, and miscellaneous articles, not valued. Children's Branch, Busy Bees, contributed by sale, and money collected towards \$30 for Font, "In loving Memory of Rector's Little Ones Called Home." Nov, '93 Woman's Aid, Calumet (Grenville Parish), sent Rev. A. Wilson box, valued, freight included, at \$25. Rev. Mr. Saunders, Biscotassing stove, \$9, D.M.F. \$1. Algoma, \$3. Receipts \$119.99. HAVELOCK—Meetings 18. Sent Washaka \$3.50, Sault Ste. Marie, large box miscellaneous articles, and gifts for Christmas tree, Sunday School girls contributing, Receipts \$6.90. HUNTINGDON—Members 24 Sent Washakada barrel and bale, blankets, comforters, groceries, etc. Easter offering, Algoma, \$3.40, Mission cards, Rev. M. Swainson, Blood Reserve, \$5. Receipts, \$22.31. KNOWLTON—Members 16, meetings 5, average attendance 9. Collected for Miss Brown, \$20.25. Presented do. by Mrs. H. S. Foster, cabinet organ. Promised to clothe the Indian boy in Pegan School, and send \$25 annually for his support. Sent Rev. J. Hinchliffe barrel clothing, bedding, etc. Fees W.D.A., \$11.60. Receipts \$38.47. LACHINE—Meeting monthly, attendance uniformly good. Sent Washakada Home outfits for four children, Rev. Mr. Frewer, Wabigon Mission, bale. Superannuation fund, \$5, General Fund, \$8.50, support of boy at Shingwauk, \$32.09. Receipts \$50.09.

Entered into rest on Saturday, 30th March, 1894, at 44 Lorne Avenue, in this city, Harriet Elizabeth Houghton, beloved member and ex-corresponding Secretary of the Montreal Woman's Auxiliary.

At a meeting of the Cathedral Branch, April 6th, 1894, the following resolution was unanimously passed. Moved by Mrs. Godard, seconded by Mrs. Walton Smith, "That this meeting wishes to place on record their sense of the great loss they have sustained in the death of their valued fellow worker," Mrs. Houghton, who has been connected with the missionary work of the Cathedral for so many years. Her Christian character and devotion to the Mission cause endeared her to us all. We sorrow but not as those who have no hope, knowing that she must be now with the dear Master she so loved to serve on earth, and will receive from Him the reward of her labours." Also at the regular Monthly Meeting of the Diocesan Board, a resolution similar in spirit and tendering the bereaved family and relatives the deep sympathy of the Board, was unanimously carried.

### MEMBERS OF CHRIST.

We clip with thankful hearts from a supplement of the *Elkhorn Advocate* just received, the following:—On Monday the pupils of the Washakada Indian Homes turned out in full uniforms to St. Mark's Church, where baptism was administered to nineteen of their number, five Blackfoot, one Cree, and thirteen Bloods. Ranging in ages from twelve to nineteen years. Allan, a well educated Blackfoot Indian, acted as interpreter. The children are apparently all interested in religious matters. A number of them attend St. Mark's Church every Sunday. They have their own Sunday School every Sunday afternoon, which is well attended. Those who are familiar with the working of the school can not but feel hopeful for the future success of the boys and girls who are being trained in it.

The Secretary of the lately formed and already vigorous Knowlton Branch send us the following card. Knowlton is to be greatly commended for having included in its first "Outfit" for its adopted boy a Prayer Book. Let others do likewise.—"St. Peter's Mission, MacLeod, March 30th, 1894. Dear Mrs. Knowlton, just a line to let you know that the barrel arrived here safely. James is quite pleased as the clothes fit him, and his is the first outfit for boys we have received. I am going to photograph him as soon as I can, and we will both write to you then. I am very busy now preparing for the Bishop's examination for Ordination, I hope to take Priest's Orders on Trinity Sunday. Please accept our thanks for the nice things you sent—James scarcely advanced enough to use his Prayer Book yet, but he can read the Lord's Prayer and the Confession, and will soon be able to read the Service. He is very proud of his book, and so careful of it. Very sincerely yours. J. HINCHLIFFE."

St. George's has presented Mrs. Carmichael with a Life Membership.

## Niagara Diocese.

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

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Subjects for prayer and reading. May—Saskatchewan and Calgary,  
June—Palestine and Assyria.

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Surely we have had a realizing sense of the truth contained in our Diocesan motto in this our eighth Annual Meeting. From first to last there was so much to encourage and cheer. The large congregation at evening service in the Cathedral, when Dr. Mockridge made such an impression on all by his stirring address, the goodly number who met to celebrate the Holy Eucharist next morning, and the large gathering at the meetings for business. Nor can we omit that most enjoyable “At Home” in All Saints’ School-room, which was all too small for the W.A. folk and their friends who came at the kind invitation of the good rector of All Saints. The various reports shewed progress. The Treasurer’s statement told of \$1,937.18, an increase of \$450.52 for the year. The Dorcas Secretary reported of 72 bales sent to North-West Missions. The Organizing Secretary had to report two new W.A. branches, one resusitated. Three new Life Members. Good work had been done in the Junior branches, whose numbers, though not increasing, had contributed more than the year before. The bright spring weather, so suggestive of life and growth, must have helped this Annual Meeting wonderfully. The Literature Committee table was well patronized, showing that it supplied a felt want at our meetings, besides being a source of revenue. The “Hand Book of Missions,” by Dr. Hodgins, is wonderfully cheap at 10 cents, and if our branches would only look up the Mission places on the maps to be had here, there would be less doubt as to the best time to send

bales, and less impatience at not hearing of their arrival in our supposed due time. For instance, find out all about Saskatchewan, one of the subjects for our thought this month. Look for it North of the Diocese of Qu'Appelle, and east of Calgary and Athabasca, find out the home place of its eleven clergy, not forgetting a red letter for those we take special interest in helping, and if you cannot pronounce the name of its three licensed lay readers you may fare better if you try those of its thirteen catechists or teachers. Find out the parishes that have churches but no parsonage, or no church and no parsonage, and see if your interest is not quickened when you can place them before your mind as you pray "Thy kingdom come." Think of that place called Stanley Mission of which Rev. E. McLennan writes: "I do not think there is a family in Stanley in which daily united prayer is not held morning and evening," and ask yourselves if you have not a lesson to learn from the poor souls—their 2,682 baptized giving \$478.40 in church contribution during the year 1891.

Niagara's invitation for June was accepted, also the fall quarterly meeting from Orangeville. We have before us most pleasing anticipations of these meetings and their influence on our work. To Mrs. Simson, retiring Junior Secretary, thanks are due for her untiring efforts on behalf of the W.A., and we are only comforted by the thought that in Miss M. Halson we have one whose junior parish work gives assurance of what we may expect in the future.

The resolutions of condolence with Mrs. Champ, president of St. Thomas' W.A., and with Mrs. Young, wife of the Bishop of Athabasca, were carried by a standing vote. Dr. Mockridge, who addressed us in the absence of Mrs. Young, touched to the quick every heart as he told of some of the trials of this missionary's family life. Their long separations, the glad reunions, and then the mother heart left desolate and alone, longing for the touch of a vanished hand and the sound of a voice that is still. It is sad enough to part from the dear loved ones when we know and feel all has been done that mortal hands could do, and when in the quiet of the home with friends around,

with the comforting help of the Sacraments, with the prayers of the Church, the dear soul goes out into the dark night, across the silent river. What think you must be the dumb despair of those whom our missionaries tell us have not even heard of the gospel of good tidings, much less learned where to find help in their hour of bitter need?

Our President's address was full of suggestive thought (we hope to see it in print), and most happily responded to by Mrs. Garret. Mrs. Hamilton, wife of our beloved Bishop, was also with us to encourage by her presence, and we were so glad to welcome back several dear ones who, through much sorrow, had been unable to meet with us during the past winter. It was very pleasant also to welcome the LEAFLET Editors from Huron and Toronto, who expressed the gratification they felt at being present among us, and rejoiced with sisterly sympathy over the work accomplished by the Niagara W.A. We part from them and our loved work with sorrow.

Votes of thanks to our kind entertainers brought to the close a most successful and happy annual business meeting, brightened in the evening by limelight views, by Rev. P. Spencer, and an address by Miss Brown, Piegan Reserve, to a large gathering of Sunday School children in the Cathedral school-room.

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#### CORRESPONDENCE NOTES.

*Rev. Jas. Miller, Fort Alexander, Man., to Miss Baker, Oakville.*

"I am desirous of expressing to your W.A. my gratitude for your labour of love in collecting the clothing sent us. It arrived at a time when much needed. I am sure whatever loving hands made up the little parcels they were divinely guided, especially in the instance of one poor ragged, fatherless boy. If you could see how grateful the poor ones looked you would have been more than repaid. I have been 1,000 miles west, and have thus seen the painted and nearly naked Blackfoot and Sarcee, but I think my own poor are as much in need of your sympathy, prayers and help. I find the Ojibway Indians are in need help very much. We found we could not retain anything for future distribution, with a temperature of from 25 to 40 below zero. The wives and children, thinly clad, and shivering for lack of clothing and food, often make our hearts sore. They generally live in a small

house like a box with an opening made in one corner of a rude roof under which logs of wood reared on end blaze away, making it too hot for anyone properly clothed and fed. There are no beds; some 10 or 12 lying down with their clothes on, and rolled in a blanket in this small, and nearly always, nasty-smelling room. They all grow a few vegetables, mostly potatoes, but often want flour. Then they boil a fish for a meal, and with a piece of this in their hand the poor children have to feel comfortable. At our meetings I find myself in such houses as described, and when I first enter the heat and odour is almost unbearable. Some 18 or 25 Indians lying or sitting round the place, a chair or box is put out in the farthest corner from the fire, and sometimes the dead body of a child or adult at my feet waiting burial. My service lasts about an hour, and I am glad to say there are signs of the Sun of Righteousness having risen in hearts which were full of darkness and despair. During the preceding winter my accommodation was a trifle worse than that of the Indians, so much so that they often expressed their sympathy with my trials on the journey out in winter, and which are almost historical. If you could again see your way to help us we shall be so pleased. My people beg to thank their white sister for her kindness and will make a watch pocket of Indian work if she will accept it, to show their hearts are glad. Please say if you will accept their little offer."

It seems to us this home life of the Indian must be most trying to refined people. Fancy a night spent in such a place!

Rev. Geo. Bruce, Fairford, Man., writes to Miss Pafford: "Your kind and valuable favour was duly received. Every article was acceptable and of great service. The need was greater than the supply. However, the most needy and destitute were first taken into consideration. Truly it was a God-send gift to many. We sent some of the articles over fifty miles from here to some poor widows. We have a large district of all poor people with over 70 widows and orphans. There are four Reserves connected with Fairford, a radius of fifty miles. Clothing for men, women and children, as well as books, are most acceptable."

Toronto's invitation for their Annual will be most heartily responded to. Some one said to me the other day, "Toronto is never so happy as when exercising hospitality."

## Ontario Diocese.

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

Subjects for prayer and reading. May—Saskatchewan, and Calgary, Palestine and Assyria. June—New Westminster, B.C., and Japan.

*To the Parochial Branches, W.A. Diocese of Ontario.*

The eighth Annual Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of Ontario Diocese will be held, D.V., in Cornwall, on Wednesday and Thursday, the 6th and 7th of June. It is expected that each Branch will be represented (according to the Constitution) by its President and one or two delegates elected by the Branch. Invitations are extended to parishes where Branches of the W.A. have not yet been organized. Delegates and guests are requested to send in their names and addresses to the Recording Secretary, Miss Humphreys, 288 Daly avenue, Ottawa, at as early a date as possible, that hospitality may be provided, and programme of meeting forwarded. The officers of Parochial Branches will also kindly send their annual report (written on one side) to the same address on or before the 15th of May. Each person attending Annual Meeting is especially requested to apply to local ticket agent for certificates of reduced fare. As this is of decided advantage to those living at a distance, and a full number of names is necessary to obtain a reduction of rates. . . . Special prayer is asked that this meeting may be for the Glory of God, and the furtherance of His work. By order.

CHERRY HUMPHREYS, *Rec.-Sec.*

*Ottawa, April 17th, 1894.*

With regard to the indecision of the phrase “one or two delegates,” it may be explained that it was thought by the Board, that when the meetings of the Auxiliary were held in a city, the President and two delegates should attend, but that the President and one delegate would sufficiently tax the hospitality of a small town. Important subjects are to be discussed at this meeting, such as whether the Auxiliary, as an Auxiliary, shall undertake to do more for Diocesan Missions than it has done heretofore. Also in what way Ontario can join in the Thankoffering for the consolidation of the Church. We are to be addressed by the Rev. O. Troop, from Montreal, by Rev. R. W. Samwell of Wales, and others. We are to make our Thankoffering for mercies recived during the past year, and the money has been voted to our Ontario Widows and Orphans Fund, which is in great need—\$740.84 having been drawn from the capital during the last year, and it is feared that a reduction of the annuities must shortly take place. This would be deplored by all. No special envelopes have been issued this year, as it was thought that each parish could use plain ones, and thus save expense. The Treasurer's duty is to count the money, put it into a large envelope with the name of the parish and the amount on the out



side, together with text selected by the Branch, and send it to Cornwall by one of the delegates. In this way Branches which cannot send delegates can join with the rest, although we hope that these are few. Cornwall is a very interesting old place, a strong Church centre, with noble church buildings, which are largely the result of the work and prayer of one family, whose name is now almost extinct in Cornwall, but whose memory will live always in the affection and respect of their fellow Churchmen

The following has been received by the Pembroke Branch from Mrs. Farr, of Hailyburg, Nipissing District, Dio. of Algoma.

I have much pleasure in acknowledging the sum of \$20 received from the Woman's Auxiliary, Pembroke, sent towards the Church Fund, for building a church at Hailyburg. I have been very successful so far in my efforts, and next week shall send an account of my collections to the *North Bay Times*, and shall have much pleasure in sending you a copy of the paper. I cannot help thanking you again for so promptly getting up the Missionary tea, and sending me the proceeds. Such a generous reply from the home of my girlhood has pleased me very much.

#### REPORTS FROM BRANCHES.

**PRESCOTT.**—The Annual Meeting of the Prescott W.A. was held on Tuesday, April 17th, Holy Communion at 10.30 in the church, business meeting at 3 p.m. in the school-house. We had the pleasure of having two members from Cardinal with us. In the past year we have lost six old members, and only gained three new ones. The children have been banded together in a Guild for parish and missionary work. The second Saturday in the month is missionary day. They dressed dolls, made scrap-books, and sent toys for the Christmas bale, and sent a quilt and twelve pounds of candy in the Easter bale. The Treasurer's report is better than last year—forty LEAFLETS are taken. It was decided to give \$10 to Miss Brown's salary, \$10 to Miss Smith of Japan, and \$10 to Chinese Mission in New Westminster. The Rector presided at this meeting. The offerings for the day were \$20 to be devoted to the W. and O. Fund.

**BATH** has had another good meeting, at which a paper was read on our own Diocese. Miss Brown's quilt is finished. Missionary boxes are being distributed.

**CORNWALL** will provide for a girl in one of the schools, Trinity parish will give the money. Both Cornwall and Prescott were much pleased with the specimens of Indian work.

**BILLINGS' BRIDGE** will send a contribution to St. George's bale.

**PEMBOKE** regrets not having been able to have a visit from Miss Brown—had much help from the Diocesan member of Westmeath in material for its bale. The J.W.A. is working for Elkhorn Home.

CARLETON PLACE J.W.A. has heard of the safe arrival of of its bale at the Piegan Home.

OTTAWA W.A. held its Annual Meeting Reports showed a membership of 288. From the seven united parishes fourteen bales were sent away, and one medicine case. Total receipts \$449.96, including \$64.95 value of Dorcas work. The Junior Auxiliary showed a membership of 61, an increase of 41 over last year. Two bales, a cassock, and Communion set of linen sent to Somerset, valued \$87; to Rev. J. W. Plant, Plevna, a fair linen cloth; and to the Rev. Mr. Pick, Fitzroy Harbour, a stole. Receipts, \$193.64. Reports were received from three of the five branches of the C.C.M.G. ST. ALBAN'S showed a membership of thirteen. Receipts \$107.32. Two bales and three fonts are the result of the year's work. ST. JOHN'S, with a membership of 35, has a bale almost ready to send. Receipts, \$10.71. ST. GEORGE'S has a membership of 22. Receipts, \$35. All the city branches are uniting in a sale to be held shortly.

### DORCAS REPORT.

PICTON sent a bale to Rev. J. Hinchliffe, Piegan Reserve, Diocese Calgary, containing 22 new garments, 50 second-hand, 60 bars soap, three quilts, salve and dolls, value new material, \$20.22; freight, \$3.05.

PRESCOTT sent to Rev. C. J. Pritchard, Grand Rapids, Diocese Saskatchewan, a bale containing 24 new garments, 29 second-hand, seven quilts, seven boxes soap, tea, candy, baking powder, cocoa, gelatine. Value new material, \$8.50; freight, \$2.50

OTTAWA J.W.A. sent Rev. E. Pickford, Havelock, Diocese Toronto, fair linen, valued at \$5, freight 25 cts. St. Alban's C C M G., sent to Rev. L. Leach, Bancroft, a font, value \$35. To Rev. A. Phillips at L'Orignal, one font, value \$40. To Rev. W. W. Burton, Madoc, clothing, value \$10. To Rev. Edward Pick, Fitzroy Harbour, Diocese Ontario, clothing valued at \$17. To Rev. Frederick Newham, Winchester, font valued at \$40. ANNIE MUCKLESTON, *Dorcas Sec.*

### TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

#### RECEIPTS.

DOMESTIC MISSIONS. Chinese Miss., New Westminster—

Morrisburg .....	\$ 1 00
Perth .....	5 00
Iroquois .....	1 50
Perth J.W.A. ....	2 00
Pembroke .....	5 00
Belleville, Christ Church.....	5 00

## NORTH-WEST—Salary Lady Missionary—

Morrisburg.....	\$ 2 50
Wales .....	1 30
Prescott.....	20 00
Kemptville.....	2 00
Trenton.....	1 50
Shingwauk Home, Dio. Algoma—Morrisburg.....	2 00
Mission of Hailyburg—Pembroke .....	20 00

## FOREIGN MISSIONS. Salary Lady Missionary in Japan—

Morrisburg .....	2 00
Prescott .....	10 00
Kemptville .....	2 00
Merrickville .....	2 00
Belleville, St. Thomas' .....	15 00
Trenton.....	1 50
Kingston, St. George's, Donation to work of same....	5 00
" St. James' " " " " " " .....	10 00

## DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

## Mission of Clarendon, Church Building Fund—

Kingston St. George's.....	2 00
Ontario, W. and O. Fund—Renfrew.....	4 87

## DIOCESAN ASSESSMENT.

Newburgh .....	1 00
Morrisburg .....	1 50
Cornwall.....	3 50
Wales (1893 and 1894) .....	5 20
Prescott.....	1 45
Deseronto.....	2 00
Belleville, St. Thomas' J.W.A. ....	1 50
" Christ Church J.W.A.....	75
Kemptville .....	75
Brockville St. Paul's.....	3 40
Belleville, St. Thomas' C.C.M.G. ....	90
" " " W.A.....	2 10
Pembroke, J.W.A.....	70
" W.A.....	1 10
Belleville, St. John's J.W.A. ....	45

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\$149 47

## DISBURSEMENTS.

Sent per P.O. Order to Miss Smith, Kobe. Japan ....	\$30 00
Cost of Order .....	30
Quarter's salary to Miss K. Brown, Lady Miss. in N.W.	75 00

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\$105 30

## Quebec Diocese.

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

Owing to an unforeseen occurrence there was some delay in the distribution of the April LEAFLETS. If any Branch has not received the right number will the Secretary kindly write at once to the Diocesan Editor.

The Secretary of the Literature Committee (Miss Gill, Lennoxville), writes, "I have sent packages of magazines to Coaticooke, Cookshire, Magog, East Hatley, Inverness, and Bourg Louis, since my last report, and I have written to some other Branches asking whether they would like to have some sent to them or not. Almost half of the large package of Missionary literature which was so kindly sent from Quebec in answer to my appeal, consisted of old numbers of the *Church Guardian* and *Canadian Churchman*. I think it was decided at the Quarterly Meeting, held in Sherbrooke last autumn, that old newspapers were not to be sent, as they were not found to be acceptable. I have procured from Toronto a few five cent maps of the North-West Dioceses, which might be useful to instruct Junior members regarding the situation of the places to which their offerings are sent. Any Branch may secure a map by sending me six cents in stamps.

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### THE DUTY OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY TOWARDS THE MISSIONS IN THE NORTH-WEST.

(Continued from page 180).

There was celebrated in Quebec a year ago the Jubilee of the Church Society. This Society, by a wise and benevolent application of the principle that charity begins at home, having voluntarily relinquished all the grants formerly made by the S.P.G. to the Diocese of Quebec, made a stipulation or suggestion that a part of these moneys should be diverted to the claims of missions in the North-West Territories of the Dominion of Canada. From this action it would appear that the Society to which we, the W.A., are Auxiliary, strongly en-

forces these claims of the North-West. For this reason, if for no other, we ought to feel that they stand first on the list. More, however, than one argument may generally be found to support a good cause. The North-West, with its rich mines and fertile soil, is attracting and cannot fail to attract large numbers of emigrants from our Mother Country, and even from our own homes: colonists whose Church is the Church of our Fathers, whose language is not a foreign tongue to be painfully learned without an alphabet or a grammar. Unless they can take with them their Church privileges, the moral standard of their citizenship must degenerate, their practice of the Christian virtues will not be sustained. These settlements stand towards us in the same relative position that we held towards England one hundred years ago. "The Lord hath done great things for us whereof we are glad," and our gratitude may fitly take the form of helping to carry out to its issue this work that the S.P.G. may be said to have begun. We can work in no more fruitful field than this, and having thus practically upheld a good principle, we shall probably find out that the charity which begins at home does not end there. For what about the claim of the Indian, a very strong one? It is intimately bound up with both the political and religious life of the North West. And there is a land of darkness whose inhabitants have ready communication with our brethren in the far West—the Chinese, whom we may hope that they will Christianize. And the study of this important subject of mission work cannot be said to be complete when we consider it only as a matter of prayer and of alms. The workers in the field are the truest missionaries, and we who give and who pray are but humble assistants. A whole section of the Archdeacon's historical pamphlet is devoted to a disquisition on "The Religious Influence of the Mountain Family," and that because for three generations all its members, directly or indirectly, identified themselves with pioneer religious work. It is not for us who remain away from the scene of action to say to any other "Why don't you go?" But perhaps we have all been impressed recently by the enthusiasm of a Zenana Missionary, the

Hon. Winifred Sugden, and the strangest part of all that she told us was that she was happy in the discharge of a seemingly distasteful task, which we may certainly take as a proof that "The Lord is gracious," and that any pious souls who are feeling the call, need not be afraid to say: "Here am I, Lord, send me."

"And for this world the Word of God is Christ,  
And when we come to die we shall not find  
The day has been too long for any of us  
To have fulfilled the perfect law of Christ.  
Who is there that can say, "My part is done  
In this, now I am ready for a law  
More wide, more perfect for the rest of life?"

And that most closely we may follow Him  
By suffering, have all hearts of men allowed.  
Is suffering then more near and dear to God  
For its own sake than joy is? God forbid!  
We know not its beginning nor its end;  
Is it a sacrifice? A test? A school?  
We suffer. Why we suffer,—that is hid  
With God's foreknowledge in the clouds of Heaven  
But if, impatient, thou let slip thy cross,  
Thou wilt not find it in this world again,  
Nor in another, here, and here alone  
Is given thee to *suffer* for God's sake,  
In other words we shall more perfectly  
Serve Him and love Him, praise Him, work for Him,  
Grow near and nearer Him with all delight;  
But then we shall not any more be called  
To suffer, which is our appointment here.  
Canst thou not suffer then one hour, or two?  
If He should call thee from thy cross to-day,  
Saying, it is finished!—that hard cross of thine  
From which thou prayest for deliverance,  
Thinkest thou not some passion of regret  
Would overcome thee? Thou wouldst say, "So soon?  
Let me go back and suffer yet awhile  
More patiently; I have not yet praised God."  
And He might answer to thee, "Never more,  
All pain is done with." Whensoe'er it comes,  
That summons that we look for, it will seem  
Soon, yea, too soon. Let us take heed in time  
That God may now be glorified in us;  
And while we suffer, let us set our souls

To suffer perfectly : since this alone,  
The suffering which is this world's special grace,  
May here be perfected and left behind.

But in obedience and humility ;  
Waiting on God's hand, not forestalling it.  
Seek not to snatch presumptuously the palm  
By self election, poison not thy wine  
With bitter herbs if He has made it sweet ;  
Nor rob God's treasures because the key  
Is easy to be turned by mortal hands.  
The gifts of birth, death, genius, suffering,  
Are all for His hand only to bestow,  
Receive thy portion and be satisfied,  
Who crowns himself a king is not the more  
Royal ; nor he who mars himself with stripes  
The more partaker of the Cross of Christ.

Measure thy life by loss instead of gain ;  
Not by the wine drunk, but the wine poured forth ;  
For love's strength standeth in love's sacrifice ;  
And whoso suffers most hath most to give.

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