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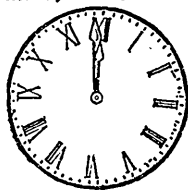
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"The love of Christ constraineth us."—2 Cor. v. 14.

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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: May—Saskatchewan and Calgary. Palestine and Assyria. June—New Westminster, B.C., and Japan.

PALESTINE AND ASSYRIA.

May has been very fitly chosen as the month in which our prayers are asked for that portion of God's vineyard where the contemplation of our Saviour's sufferings and death have carried our thoughts for some weeks past and to which our eyes will be directed for His glorious return as spoken of in Zec. xiv-4, from the Ascension we are soon to commemorate. The return of the Jews in large numbers and other fulfilments of prophecies connecting this second coming with the days in which we are living would be a very profitable study for our Branches during the month for it could not fail to show that "now is the accepted time" and soon (and who can tell *how soon*?) the Bridegroom will come and the door be shut, so that we can neither enter in ourselves or help others to enter. What thought could bring us more eagerly to God in heart-felt prayer and as a sequel to and outcome of it, to largely augment our work and our offerings for missionary work in all directions.

BISHOP'S COURT, CALGARY, April 14th, 1897.

DEAR MISS.—As the work in my two Dioceses will be the subject of prayer by the W.A. throughout Eastern Canada next month, I think it well to send you full information respecting it. There is as yet no reason to suppose that the withdrawals threatened by the S.P.G. and C.M.S. will not be carried into effect. I have also lost \$150 per annum through the death of one subscriber in Toronto, and the (I hope temporary) withdrawal of another. The other day the Treasurer of the Board of Missions sent me \$100 which I apportioned equally to each Diocese. We are \$190 in arrears for Mr. Hinchliffe's stipend; for the rest of this year we shall need \$490 if he is to be paid in full. You have a personal knowledge of his work, I trust then you will do all in your power with the W.A. that the amount required for his support shall be regularly forthcoming. Many people in Eastern Canada seem to think there is not so much need of helping these two

Dioceses as there is for helping Rupert's Land or the four northern Dioceses. Our work, like that in Rupert's Land, is partly among settlers and partly among Indians. Calgary ranks next to Rupert's Land; Saskatchewan comes a little after Qu'Appelle. I have no association in England as Qu'Appelle has, and apart from its Bishopric Endowment Fund, which amounts now to nearly \$3000 invested by the Council of the C.B.F. in England, together with unclaimed grants from S.P.G., S.P.C.K., and C.B.F.. Calgary has less than \$1000 of invested funds. What with withdrawals by S.P.G. and C.M.S. the loss of annual donations and our being placed on the same footing as any one Diocese in the North, the outlook is indeed dark. We ought—as you who have been in the West well know—to increase each year the number of Clergy working among settlers, especially in the Diocese of Calgary where the population has increased more rapidly during the past few years than in any other part of the North-West, yet we shall not only not be at an increase, we shall presently have to reduce our numbers, unless during my approaching visit to England, I can stir up sufficient interest to lead to such an increase in the aid given us there, or will compensate for our losses. I trust the W.A. will not let the Piegan Mission go to the ground for want of necessary support. I would beg earnestly for help to support a clergyman among white settlers in the Diocese of Calgary, and also that the Bishopric Endowment Fund, which has been the recipient of a donation from the W.A., may year by year and till it is completed, appeal to the W.A. as something Canadian Churchwomen may well feel an interest in and work for. With my warmest wishes for the welfare of the W.A., and with a deep and abiding sense of its value to the Church and the benefits it has conferred upon my work.

I am, faithfully and very gratefully,

CYPRIAN, SASKATCHEWAN AND CALGARY.

From Miss Smith, Nagano, Shinano, Japan. March 22st, 1897.

"It is such a long time since I told you anything about the medical work that I hardly know where to begin, or what to say, but I think you mentioned in your last letter that no one had given you any account of the 'Graduation Exercises' of last November, and I will speak of that event first. The two nurses who received their diplomas, Koto Okam and Iys Araki, had had one year's hospital experience in Kobe, before they came to Nagano, and although they have not had the same opportunities for practice here, they studied very diligently and we felt we were justified in granting them diplomas. November 2nd was the day chosen for the graduation, and it was thought well to make the exercises as bright and attractive as possible and to issue many invitations so that the work could be brought before the people of the district. In Japan, any function of importance must take place *upstairs*, so the dormitories were thrown open into a large room—partitions varnish as if by magic in a native

house! Every mat was rubbed and brushed, the wood-work was polished until it shone and then began the work of decoration. Mrs. Nagai, the wife of a local official, very kindly let us have the loan of a very ancient and valuable *Kakemono*, or scroll, that was only intended to be hung up in times of congratulation and rejoicing, and also superintended the arrangement of the flowers. No barbarian of a foreigner could in a life-time hope to be proficient in the latter art, and only a few of the most highly educated Japanese will attempt to arrange the floral decorations for any public festival, and I am not exaggerating when I tell you that the lady I speak of was more than *two hours* trimming a large branch of fir, before the curves were considered correct. Well, when all was finished it was pronounced 'very good' and at 2 p m our guests began to arrive. The Rev. Mr. Midzam, who had come up from Takata where the Canadian Church has recently begun work, was the chairman, and in his opening address gave a history of the work I began in Kobe, and what our plans were as soon as the W.A. Hospital was built here; Dr. Shiba, Mr. Waller, and some other speakers spoke of the duties and responsibilities of trained nurses and the great need there was in Japan for educated Christian women to enter in this profession. Then followed a congratulatory address from Mrs. Takenouchi, the Secretary of our Fugin Rivia; a Japanese song by the nurses, and afterwards the presentation of the medals and diplomas and a short address from me. I wish you could have seen our sweet little graduates in their 'red cross' uniform, which was most becoming to them, and their shy, blushing faces as all the guests came up in turn to congratulate them. Among our guests (there were about fifty) were the 'head-men' of the different towns where our nurses had rendered service during the epidemics of camp-fever and dysentery in July, September and October; the principal doctor in private practice here, all our Church people, and other friends of the school. Tea and cakes, such dainty, pretty cakes, representing flowers and leaves, were served and every body seemed well pleased with the entertainment of the afternoon. The next day the members of our Medical Mission, doctors, nurses, and evangelists, were photographed, and on November 5th, the two graduates went over to Matsumoto to begin district nursing in Mr. Kennedy's Mission there. I miss my two daughters very much, but it was thought wise by the Bishop and all of us, that the nucleus of a Medical Mission should be formed in the other centre of Church work in the Canadian Diocese, and from all accounts which I have received of their work since they left Nagano, I feel sure that they are very useful to Mr. Kennedy. You will have heard that Dr. Shiba, who has charge of the dispensary, was baptized on Christmas Day, so we are all Christians together now. It was a matter of deep thankfulness to me, for I had always, from the first day he came to us in Kobe, made his conversion a subject of special prayer, and I feel that

he will now take even a greater interest in our work. O Sada San and O Nami San are the same faithful, devoted workers that they have always been, one dispenses medicine and the other assists in bandaging, etc., and visits the sick poor in the afternoon. I have besides two young girls, O Kana San and O Kimi San, who came to us from the Church Orphanage in Tokyo last November, with a view of eventually studying to be nurses. They are only sixteen years old and will be ready to begin the course when the W.A. Hospital is built; At present I teach them English, Dr. Shiba teaches them physiology and hygiene, and they act as apprentices, in the dispensary, to O Nami San. They are both very good girls and assist in the Sunday School and other Church work. I think I told you that Miyaki San, our capable Bible-woman, has always studied nursing whenever she had time, since she has been with me—almost two years—and has taken several 'cases.' Last autumn, during the dysentery epidemic, she went out to Murokami Mura, a town about thirty miles distant, and took charge of a hospital with thirty patients. The authorities were delighted with her management, so when there was a 'call' last month for a nurse to take charge of an Accident Hospital on the new line of railway near here, I had perfect confidence in sending her. She is a most earnest and successful missionary, and is old enough (thirty years) to work among men and maintain her dignity and self-respect. (The Japanese do not think it proper for *young girls* to nurse men.) We are now very much in need of a Biblewoman to work among the patients in Nagano, and I have written to Osaka to see if I can get a worker. One of our first patients was admitted a *catechumen* two weeks ago and two others are 'enquirers.' Altogether we feel that God is indeed blessing our work, and although 'outward results' in Japan are very slow, we are certain that 'in due time we shall reap.'

The Pro. Cor. Sec. had the honor of attending a meeting of Diocesan officers of the United States W.A. April 22nd held in the Church Mission House, New York. Monday, prayers were said by the Chaplain in the chapel and the meeting held in the W.A. room. Mrs. Whittaker, wife of the Bishop of Nevada, president. There were 30 officers present, representing 11 different Dioceses. Bishop Tuttle of Idaho gave a short address regarding his Indian work. Much business was attended to and reports of committees brought in, this being the last meeting until October. A very warm welcome was given to Canada's W.A. representative who carried to our mother the filial greetings of her W.A. child, we having followed her noble example fifteen years later. A most cordial return message of fellowship and good will was entrusted to the Secretary, who begs to take this opportunity to deliver it to all our members. The Pro. Sec. was then entertained at luncheon by Miss Emery, Secretary U.S.A.

[May, 1897.]

Toronto Diocese.

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ANSWERS TO MISSIONARY QUESTIONS.

1. Emmanuel College; the training school at Battleford, and thirteen schools for the education of Indian children.

2. The Assyrian Christians are being strengthened in their faith; nearly 3,000 scholars are taught. A catechism, liturgies, etc., have been published; six clergy, one of whom is an Assyrian, are at work; five ladies teach the women and girls.

3. To show her own thankfulness and her approval of the principle of thankofferings; a small sum from each member draws the whole Auxiliary together in one act, for one object (the Hospital at Nagano) under one Lord.

4. Because the extension of Christ's kingdom for which we labour is a work not of this world, and intercessory prayer is a chief duty and privilege.

QUESTIONS FOR MAY.

1. *What is being done for the miners in the Kootenay district?*
2. *What is the Canadian Church doing for Japan?*
3. *What progress has the Church made in Uganda?*
4. *What are the advantages of punctual attendance at W.A. meetings?*

AUXILIARY NOTES.

The April Board Meeting was held in the Y.M.C.A. Hall, corner Dovercourt Road and Queen Street. The Branches of Mimico, St. Anne's, St. Mark's and Church of the Epiphany were the hostesses, and made all arrangements in the most hospitable manner possible. It was not possible to forget that on the last occasion we met in this Hall, the lamented Bishop Burn of Qu'Appelle addressed the Auxiliary and told us of the Indians at Fishing Lake and Nut Lake in his Diocese, where he so earnestly longed to establish schools, his desire has now been granted and a day school established.

Mrs. Hornibrook, head of the "Ada Leigh Paris Home for Girls," spoke at the request of Mrs. Lewis, wife of our Metropolitan, upon the subject of these Homes, appealing for aid, as many Canadian girls had been aided by them.

The Eleventh Annual Meeting of the Toronto Diocesan Auxiliary will be an event of the past when this LEAFLET is in the hands of the subscribers. May God grant that the interest taken in the various reports presented, the papers read, and the short addresses upon the duties of the W.A. members may be of a deep and enduring character, bringing forth, in the Branches, much fruit.

[It would seem only justice to the Algoma Clergy that the article taken from Algoma *Missionary News* of April 1st, should be published in full. The Woman's Auxiliary sends no bales to any Mission in Algoma, unless the appeal is endorsed by the Rural Dean; at least such is the rule in the Toronto Diocese. It is sad to think that one article should have given so much pain to many earnest and hard-working men and women. The S.P.C.K. has just sent a large grant of Bible and Prayer Books to Temiscamingue; doubtless other parishes could be aided in this way also.—ED.] "It is not our intention to reply at length to the anonymous letter criticizing and censuring the clergy of Algoma, which appeared in the *Canadian Churchman* of March 18th, but we deem it wise to say that the epistle is full of errors. At least the lady who censures us so freely should come from behind the hedge. There is nothing lost by doing things in the open. Better still would it have been if the statements had been made in a kindly and sympathetic spirit and not in a manner calculated to injure the Church in Algoma. It is not more than just to say that some sentiments are 'wild,' based on lack of information. Nor is it unnecessary to say that the 'opinions' of the anonymous writer, are only 'opinions.' Our friend was ill-advised in her zeal, to pen such an epistle."—*Algoma News*.

DORCAS NOTES.

Room 39, The Forum, Yonge Street.

Branches are working for the following places. Bradford, *Rev. W. I. Eccleston Little Current*, November. Brighton Seniors and Juniors, *Shingwauk Home*, October. Dixie, *Arch. Phair*, December.

Branches have sent bales to the following places. TORONTO—Trinity East, *Blackfoot Home*, 4. Church of Redeemer, *Devon School*, 1. G.A. with Seniors also to *Rev. W. I. Eccleston, Marksville*, for sale, 1. All Saints', *Whitby, Rev. C. Buckland, Powassan*, 1. St. John's, *Whitby, Rev. I. Marsh, Hay River*, 1, and *Rev. C. Weaver, Wabiskaw*, 1. Orillia G.A., *Arch. Vincent, Moosonee*, 2. Cannington, *Rev. C. Weaver, Wabiskaw*. Norwood, *Chamewayen School, Sask*, 1. Streetsville, *Arch. Phair, Winnipeg*. St. Mark's Parkdale, *Saltcoats Hospital*, 1. Peterborough, *Rev. R. Atkinson, Marksville*, 1. Central rooms, *Mr. John Harper, Fort Hope, Moosonee*, 1, *Rev. E. Soward*,

Kinmount, 1, Rev. J. Novar for burnt-out, 1. St. John's, Port Hope. Mr. Wood, Manitou, 1.

A large prayer book for prayer desk has been sent to Rev. C. H. Buckland, Powassan, also a surplice, both of which he hoped to use for the first time on Easter Sunday. A set of Communion vessels and also the fair white linen has been sent to Haileybury, Temiscamingue Mission, this making eleven sets in all, since the last Annual Meeting. A member has sent a large Bible to Rev. Rural D. an Harding for his new Church.

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

Extract of letter from Piegan Home.

DEAR MRS. BANKS.—The bale came out to the Reserve last Saturday I am so pleased with the boy's clothing it contained; we never before had such an array of boys' underclothing in one bale and I am sure we were in need of such things. Boys' trousers are always welcome. I am writing to Mrs. Benson. Will you please thank for us all who assisted in making up the bale, it will prove of great use to us. I am sorry to say that we have quite an amount of sickness here just now, most of our children have been out of sorts for some time, and some are really sick. This matter of the children's health is a great responsibility for us to bear. There is much sickness on the Reserve and I believe there have been quite a number of deaths.

CALGARY.

From Miss Alice Turner, Blackfoot Home.

"We shall be so glad when our belongings arrive and when we can take in all the patients who are waiting to come into the Hospital. Did I tell you there are no blinds to any of the windows; I enclose measurements; dark green would be better for the eyes, there are no shutters. The Indians already think my father (Dr. Turner) a wonderful doctor; happily all he has done for them has been most successful. The days are so full, but when my sister is here we can do so much more; at present I have to divide my time between nursing and cooking, etc., talking to Indians. It does give me such pleasure to make the sick ones more comfortable and cleaner, giving them properly cooked food. Oh, that you could all see it; your interest in these people is great, but it would be far greater could you only see them for yourselves, and you would be far more satisfied that it is indeed a Christ-like thing to be kind to these suffering ones, and that those who are so generously making it possible for us to be their ambassadors to these heathen are truly earning the loving commendation of the Saviour, 'Inasmuch ye have done it unto Me.' My poor first patient, after four weeks and three days of nursing is now quite well; she shows her gratitude by coming here to clean up; for me, so I think you will feel that she is a pretty good cure. One little 6 year old boy, who is here to be treated for his eyes, into which hot ashes had been thrown, follows us about like a tame cat, he is so loving and

affectionate. Another patient, Alice, is seven years old, she had had *hot irons burnt* all over her poor little body to cure her of indigestion! It makes one so thankful to feel we can aid these suffering little ones. Blankets will be a great want, Indians do not seem able to exist without a blanket, and of course they cannot have those in the Hospital, and yet in some cases their own blankets cannot again be used." [Miss Turner tells further what an advantage it is to have some pink candy to help the children to bear the dressings, &c. Some very much interested little girls in Toronto are about to send up a good supply, knowing from their own experience how much the promise of something to take after it, helps down the disagreeable medicine.—ED.]

PALESTINE.

Extract from a letter to a friend at Peterboro' from Bethlehem, Syria.

"It will be getting towards Easter when you get this letter, still I am sure you will be interested in hearing about my Christmas in Bethlehem. Of course we wished to make it a happy one for the children and a large party of mothers who were coming also, so I went into Jerusalem with our man, Kusta, to lay in a good stock of candies, oranges, etc.; the Arabs love all sweet things. Our treat for the day school children was at 2 p.m. but as soon as it was daylight they came, and of course played about in the school grounds until the doors were opened. We had a fine Christmas tree for them, don't imagine a fine balsam or spruce tree please; it was an *olive tree* out of our own garden (an old tree past bearing). There are no trees in this part of Palestine but olives and figs. Around Jerusalem there are very few trees at all—Titus leveled all the trees from Scopus to Olivet—however we made our tree look very nice. At two o'clock our proceedings began: the children sang and recited, then each received a present from the tree, Bibles, Testaments or Gospels for the elders, according to conduct and attendance, the little ones had dolls, then we had to hurry to prepare for our evening guests, but when we went in at 6.30 the room was packed, over 300 women had squeezed themselves in. Waridy and I showed the magic lantern, the slides were upon the Life of Christ; Mr. Boctcher spoke to the women very beautifully I was told, but my Arabic is rather too imperfect as yet to follow an address. There were several Moslim women present, covered up all but their eyes. One poor woman was ready to come, only waiting for her little boy of 5 to come home, and presently came some men with his little dear body; he had been playing in the market, when some camels laden with wood passed by, the cord which bound the wood of one broke, and fell on the child; it was so very sad. As of the story of the gospel, she was a widow and this her only child.

At midnight some of the elder girls, with Miss M——, went down to the "shepherds' fields," attended by our man. They sang "While

Shepherds' watched," and "Hark, the Herald Angels sing;" indeed all the Christmas hymns both in English and Arabic (think of singing on those plains of Bethlehem). We went after dinner on Christmas Day to the Church of the Nativity. Service went on all day in the "Cave of the Manger, first the Latins then the Armenians, there was no chance of getting in at first, so we went down into the Subterranean Caves and Chapels, which at Christmas are always lighted. In one is a large pit where it is said the children massacred by Herod were buried. The Armenians have no service, but each knelt reverently and kissed the manger, going quietly out. As I too knelt for a few moments beside that manger, I could but think of that verse in Isaiah: "a little child shall lead them," and felt that among the thousands that come from all parts to worship that child at Christmas, there must be many who look far beyond the little waxen child of the Latins, and really worship Him in spirit and in truth. On Christmas eve we had our own Mission children, with Konota and his family. The tree came into use again; the elder girls had English Prayer books, the little ones dolls--there was a present for each visitor. * * My first Christmas in Bethlehem.

JAPAN.

Extracts from a letter recently received from the Rev. Mr. Kakuzan (Trin. Coll.), now at work in Matsumoto, Japan. . . "As for our work, it is steadily progressing, we have got a new set of workers, both male and female, during last year. Miss Paterson came here from Nagano in May, with the Bible women, and in August a Divinity student from Tokyo, and in November two nurses, who teach in the Sunday School. We have not as yet made any significant increase in the numbers of Christians, but as we have more workers we may expect a larger harvest in the near future. Two women and two children have recently been baptized, and the number of Christians is twenty-three, and about forty children in Sunday-school. This does not seem very much, but it is a very fair advance, for when first I came to Matsumoto there were only four Church Members, two in my family two outside. We have a good prospect before us, as the railway which joins Matsumoto and the northern parts of Shinano, shall be finished by the end of next year, and it shall bring influx of strangers from different parts of Japan, and stir up the natives of this place who have been shut up so long from the world by the inconveniences of travelling. Mr. Kennedy is building a new house for his residence in the north western part of the town; it will be finished by the end of May. Close to Mr. Kennedy's, Miss Paterson's Bible training Home will be put up at the same time. It is indeed impossible for foreigners to live in houses that are so rough as here, without shutters or glass doors, but only paper screens. All have suffered greatly with cold; so I do hope they will enjoy their health when in the new houses. The climate of Matsumoto is highly spoken of and is greatly better than

that of Nagano. I have now to make preparations for special preaching to be shortly held. Remember me to all friends whose company I enjoyed while in Canada, and whose memory is still before my eyes."

[Mr. Kakuzan is a native Japanese gentleman, who came to Canada to prepare himself for the ministry, returning to reside and work among his own people.]

Exact copy of a letter written in *English* by the Secretary of the W.A., Nagano, Japan. "It is more than a year since our work was removed here, and when I look back I think we have much reason to be thankful for God's mercy to us. The dispensary for the poor was begun—there was a graduation from the school—and on Christmas Day our hearts were filled with joy to see so many persons baptized. The dispensary is going on very prosperously; every morning, between nine o'clock and twelve, more than twenty people come, and we Japanese nurses have entire charge, O Nami San of the dispensary, and I of the surgical dressing under Dr. Shiba's directions. As Miss Smith cannot train pupils without a hospital we are all very anxious for one. The Biblewoman and two young pupils learn a little dressing wounds and bandaging, but they cannot learn to be proper nurses. The people in this province are much pleased with the work O Nami San and I did at the time of the epidemic last year, and many girls will want to train to be nurses when we have a Hospital and nurses Home. We hear that a church and hospital will be built here soon. The people in Nagano are not so civilized as they are in Kobe, but they take more interest in secular education than they do in many places. So many of them come to enquire about the training school for nurses. Our Fugin Kwai (W.A.) is going on so nicely; there are 21 members, and at our last monthly meeting we decided to meet every Monday at noon, during Lent, to pray for God's blessing on some special department of the Church work in the Canadian Diocese. We have already met three times and at each meeting four members pray. The first Monday it was for a blessing on the preachings that were conducted when the quarterly meeting of the Church workers in this Diocese was being held. The second Monday we had special prayer for the evangelistic work of the dispensary. Our Fugin Kwai also decided to give a small sum of money every month to a poor old woman who has no one to support her. When we have time Miss Smith and I go to visit the patients in their homes, and also other families. We made a "Sick Poor Fund" and some friends of the work gave us money to buy good nourishing food for the patients who are too poor to get it for themselves. Since we came to Nagano we can notice a great change has come over the people, they are more polite to us Church workers than they used to be, and many are interested in our holy religion. I think that last is what we should be most grateful to God for. I pray that many more people may come to know our merciful Saviour. There is much in my heart to write you but I

cannot put my feelings in English language. The nurses join me in giving love and thanks to Woman's Auxiliary of Canada for supporting our work.

SADA TAUAKA.

[What a number of Thankofferings this letter should shower into the United Offering Boxes—ED.]

DIOCESAN.

From S. Kettle, Esq. Ursa., to Diocesan President.

Our church is built but has no pews, and there is no money obtainable here to pay for them, and this is the second year since erection. Our people are suffering from the general depression, also from delay in the payment of accounts by a new railway; they are most willing to give their time, but that will not provide us with money to procure material for seats. Do you think it would be possible for Church people in more favoured circumstances to aid us in this matter?

ALGOMA.

Rainy River P.O., Ontario. "I hope soon to be doing Missionary work myself among the Indians. It is very difficult to teach them; their present teacher has been here nearly four years; I am to be married to him next month and hope to help him in his work. The Indians are dying off but there are very few Christians among them, they try to follow the white man's example, and very often this is not a good one. They have a very jealous disposition and do not like to see white people thought much of by the Missionaries. This winter another Church of England Missionary came to speak to them, he has a wife and family, and lives about five miles from here, and has a church there, the only one on the River; we do not think it very far when the roads are good; it is nothing to walk there and back in a day and take a long stay between. Every fortnight a Presbyterian minister holds a service in our school-house, but we have Sunday School every Sunday; there is a Bible-class of ten and upwards, and once a fortnight we have a week-day Bible-class. I take a class of little children on Sundays, but I was often obliged to be absent last winter, for our school-house is two miles away, and sometimes we have had five feet of snow in some places, which made it very hard to do any Missionary work in the woods. At Christmas we had a lovely service at the Church, which was built for the Indians, the Missionaries' work is chiefly among them. Our nearest railway is 150 miles away, but we may have a branch line soon, there is so much gold mining going on. Our nearest doctor is fifty miles away, so we seldom get him at all. The district is settling fast; when we first came here we did not see a white woman for six months, but now there are neighbors all round us. We shall have the boats running in May, I love to hear of the Mission band, I should like to have worked with them this winter."

Your loving scholar, C. W.

[May, 1897.]

Huron Diocese.

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

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REPORT OF TENTH ANNUAL MEETING—(Concluded)

This report of the Committee formed to consider the matter of work in China was, after due discussion, adopted and various sums, ranging from \$2 (from a Junior Branch) to \$25 were promised for this purpose. At 4.30 the London Junior Branches were marshalled into the Hall and addressed by the Lord Bishop of the Diocese. In the evening the general missionary meeting was held, the speakers being the Rev. K. Kerrin of Mitchell, and the Lord Bishop of Niagara. On Thursday morning, after reading and prayer, and the reading the minutes, the Resolutions Committee presented their long list of Resolutions of thanks, commencing with one to the Bishop and Mrs. Baldwin for their constant kindness to and interest in the W.A.M.A. Resolutions of sympathy were also passed to members absent through bereavement and sickness. The invitation to the Board of management from St. Thomas to hold the Semi-Annual Meeting was accepted. The Dorcas Secretary read an appeal on behalf of the Deep Sea Mission, but it was shown that the members of the W.A. could only help this good work as individuals, being auxiliary to the Board of Foreign and Domestic Missions only. Also a letter from a member of the St. Thomas Branch referring to the work of Mrs. Matheson of Onion Lake, who is at present in Toronto taking a medical course; she was to have been present at the Huron Annual, but could not, with the examinations so near, spare the time from her studies. Miss Montizambert stated that Miss Philips was carrying on the work at Onion Lake during the absence of Mrs. Matheson most efficiently. There are 25 children in the school there. Mrs. Boomer read following letter from Bishop Sullivan. "I was sorry to say 'nay' to your Bishop's kind invitation to attend your Annual

gathering. I trust the meeting may be a grand success, numerically, financially, but above all in spiritual power, the root of all blessing. Algoma, I know, will receive its share of sympathy at the hand—I should say the hearts rather—of Huron churchwomen; the reins of government have passed into wise, strong hands that will hold them steadily. To the Huron Woman's Auxiliary I would convey a parting assurance of my deep abiding gratitude for all their loving co-operation with me while I was Algoma's Bishop, and my hope that it will not abate, by one jot or tittle in the future. God's richest benediction rest on you, individually and collectively, for 'your work and labour of love in that ye have ministered to the saints and do yet minister.'" A letter from the Bishop of Mackenzie River was also read, in which Mrs. Reeve asked that mosquito netting or cheese cloth might be sent in the bales, in which connection Mrs. Boomer said that these might be sent with advantage in all bales, as all through the North-West, mosquitoes are little short of a veritable plague, and one of the many sources of discomfort to our missionaries. Finally, the matter of the roll-call was discussed, the decision arrived at being that it will always be necessary to *call the roll at the first business session*, but that on the following days the plan of a register at the door will again be tried. The petitions for prayer and thanksgiving were then taken in Litany form, and this short service, which was very solemn and impressive, was followed by the Bishop's Bible, lessons on the Second Advent. With this terminated the Tenth Annual Meeting of the Huron W.A., which was felt by all to have been very greatly blessed, and a source of strength and encouragement to all who attended it. And may the blessing gathered there be reflected on all our Branches, deepening among them the desire to serve God in the beauty of holiness, and the resolve in His strength to "go forward in faith and love" even though difficulties and discouragements assail them.

ECHOES FROM OUR ANNUAL.

SARNIA BRANCH.—The interest in our Branch is increasing, even more since the return home of our delegates. Towards the support of Huron's Lady Missionary to China we have contributed \$5 as a Branch, and from individuals, \$14 besides, annually making a total of \$19. This is extra, we still give the same to our Zenana Fund as before.

CHRIST CHURCH, LONDON BRANCH.—Our Branch is very much in favor of sending out a missionary to China. When the Resolution was read the members all said: "We hold up both hands for this, as we feel sure that a very little extra effort from each Branch would bring in the amount required for her support." We would like to see a *whole*, and not a *half* missionary sent from the Huron W.A.

A DELEGATE.—I think that nothing proves how great is the "reflex blessing" on our own souls more than the ever-growing conviction that all our W.A. work, from our giving of our substance down to making a garment or packing a bale, *must* be begun, continued and ended in prayer. We all feel more and more the need of Bible study and prayer in our Branches. This is for many of us a difficulty. The suggestion was made—was it at one of our day-workers' Conventions?—that there should not only be a Rector's Bible-class in connection with the Sunday School, but in connection with every organization—Woman's Auxiliary, King's Daughters, Dorcas Society, etc. The President of one of our most devoted Branches told one of our delegates that her Branch was deriving great benefit from a course of Bible readings with explanations given by the Rector, could not other Branches induce their Rectors to help them in like manner? Another good example set by this same Branch is that of setting apart one Sunday in the year for the members of the W.A. to communicate together and have a special sermon to its members. I think many of our smaller and weaker Branches would be glad of suggestions, through the LEAFLET, for means of deepening among their members the realization of the spiritual aspect of our work, and I think we should all pray earnestly that an earnest and devotional spirit may pervade *all* our meetings, that all our members may feel that even at our sewing meetings they are met together to work for God, not for social purposes.

[The Acting LEAFLET Editor will be very glad to receive and publish any suggestions as asked for by "a Delegate."]

The Secretary of Literature Committee sends the information that Mrs. Griffin's admirable paper, "The Relation of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Church," has been printed and placed with her for sale, for the benefit of the Literature Fund, at following rates. single copy, 5c, 12 copies, 50c., 25 copies, \$1, 50 copies, \$2; 100 copies, \$3. It is hoped that our Branches will all make a point of purchasing as many copies as they can for distribution, this little work should be widely known, for while it shows us our Woman's Auxiliary, as what it is—the handmaiden of the Church—it is also an earnest plea on behalf of that work imposed upon every churchwoman by the last command of the ascending Saviour written prayerfully by a highly-educated, thoughtful churchwoman, it is helpful and suggestive, not words that one reads and forgets, but well-weighed words that we will all read and remember to the advancement, God grant it, of mission-work. Every member of the Auxiliary should do what she can to have this essentially womanly, yet definite and well-thought-out paper read and possessed by every woman in the parish, we women of the Auxiliary are as yet but a little band in our respective parishes, and yet the work we are doing is the work God asks of all,

and every woman should do what she can, be it ever so little, to help on the work. Is not the work the Woman's Auxiliary is doing to-day a wonderful exemplification of the value of little things faithfully offered in love and prayer?

Our delegates will remember the view of Lion's Head which was shown at the Annual Meeting, and in this connection the following letters explain themselves. "My dear Mrs. Baldwin, will you kindly accept from a few members of the W.A.M.A. the view of Lion's Head, painted by the Rev. E. Hutcheson, and generously donated by him to the Auxiliary for the benefit of that mission. We ask your acceptance of the same in loving remembrance of our Tenth Annual Meeting which we feel sure was a pleasant and profitable occasion to all who had the privilege of attending it." "My dear Mrs. Richardson, your kind note accompanying the view of Lion's Head, from the members of the W.A.M.A. has taken me quite by surprise. Please accept for yourself, and convey to the donors my warmest thanks and sincere appreciation of their thoughtful gift. Rejoicing that our Tenth Annual Meeting was a blessing to many, and thanking the members of our loved Auxiliary for what they have done in the past, while praying for greater blessings in the future, in all of which the Bishop joins. Believe me, dear Mrs. Richardson, to remain yours very sincerely, S. JESSIE BALDWIN." The Rev. E. Hutcheson, who at one time had charge of Lion's Head Mission, has since entered into rest.

BRANCH NOTICES.

AILSA CRAIG.—One new Branch has commenced work in Binesley and another is about to do so in Christ Church, McGilveray, both in connection with Ailsa Craig Branch. CHATHAM.—The Treasurer's Annual Report from Holy Trinity was, we regret to say, too late for publication; our receipts for the past year amounted to \$101. PORT BURWELL —We hold fortnightly meetings with an average attendance of eight members. We have received very grateful letters from the Rev. A. and Mrs. Cobb, Seguin Falls, in response to the bale we sent them the end of last year. Vienna united with us in contributing to this bale which contained 32 yards new rag-carpet sewn to fit the parsonage dining-room, three very pretty rugs from a Vienna member; ten quilts, twelve good jackets and ulsters, hoods, socks, mitts and other articles of clothing, also about 20 pounds dried apples, and the same weight of rice. Our Junior Branch has suffered much by the removal of four members. SARNIA.—We held an afternoon tea at the residence of Mrs. (D) Oliver at which we realized \$6. We hold weekly meetings and think this the best plan as those who miss one meeting know to come the next week and to have no excuse. (A good plan for adoption by Branches the members of which never know

"whether the meeting is this week or next week") WINDSOR.—All Saints' Branch, assisted by the Junior Branch, sent to the Rev. W. R. Seaborne of Spragge, Algoma, a large bale containing warm clothing, drugs and medicines, also toys and candies for Christmas tree. It reached its destination in good condition and has been most gratefully acknowledged. We are now preparing outfit for our Indian girl at Omoksene. In February we had the pleasure of listening to a very pleasing address from Mrs Tilley of London, after which a reception was held at the Rectory.

FROM THE MISSION FIELD.

Concerning Omoksene, Archdeacon Tims writes to our Diocesan Treasurer. "Since July the Government makes a grant of \$72 per head per annum for each of the 58 boys and girls who are in the institution with its sanction, till July the Government grant was only for 40 children. This grant is expected to cover the board, clothing, education, and all other expenses connected with the children. Besides these 58 there are a few other children for whom Government makes no allowance, also the staff to provide for. This year we have spent \$1000 more than the grant, though we have done no repairs and made no improvements. We had not any money to do improvements with. The mission has lost the generous support of a lady in England who, for a time, contributed largely to its funds; this, we are informed by Mr. Swainson, is due to family reverses. We cannot manage with a cent less than we are receiving now. We are grateful to the Huron W.A. for all their help and sympathy and prayers on our behalf. The financing of missions where there are Boarding Schools is a great anxiety, and takes up much time that might otherwise be given to evangelistic work. To SHELBURNE the Rev. W. Hunter, Gore Bay, writes: "On February 11th your bale arrived and my wife and I commenced to distribute to the needy; in this district there are many poor people who are really helpless, quite a number of widows with large families. Your children's Branch deserves great praise, the quilts are beautiful. I gave the muff and a pair of mittens to a girl who in the summer and winter works hard to help her mother; she attends school and then goes from door to door selling things, she is delighted with the gift. The father is a sickly man, and can only earn the cost of medical advice. If your Junior Branch can do good to such children, I am sure the Lord Jesus will look with pleasure upon the work for He loves self-denying children. Will you convey to your members, Junior and Senior, my hearty thanks for giving me the privilege of distributing the contents of their barrel, and tell them if they had seen the faces of those helped they would have felt amply rewarded for their labour. I pray that God may bless all your efforts to do good." To WATFORD Rev. J.

Matheson, Onion Lake, wrote last December. "I got your letter with enclosure at the same time as your bale, being in Battleford for supplies. The snow was so deep and the weather so terribly cold, that the freighters would not travel. I had sent some Indians with horses and sleds about three weeks before, but they could not get through, and left the flour, coal-oil, etc., along the road, so away I went myself. It was a terrible trip, I have been traveling since I was a child but I never remember to have seen such snow and severe cold at the same time of year. I was loaded heavily, I had a boy along, but left him, with a spare horse and sled about 50 miles out, to wait while I went on to Battleford. I walked the whole way, sometimes ahead of the horses, beating the snow down for them, sometimes behind, but snow, snow, snow over knee-deep every step. Major Cotton of the Mounted Police was on the road at the same time with all the resources of the Fort teams and men, and fresh horses every thirty miles, and the advantage of my trail, but could only make the trip in the same time it took me with my load, it was impossible for horses to trot. I am now just snatching a few minutes to write before starting for some of my distant stations, and will be on the run till after the New Year. We are happy and busy, we know and feel that the Lord is blessing the work and we are indeed "lengthening our cords and strengthening our stakes," praise His Name. Of course we have our discouragements and disheartenings, the opposition of the Romanists is very bitter. Well, now the bale is here let's hear something about it; just as usual with our Watford partners they send us a splendid selection. I often say in opening bales, and said it several times in opening yours, 'Well now, some Higher Hand than human prompted the sending that article,' 'One who knows our wants better than we do, moved the heart that sent that.' God bless you all, fellow-workers, you make us happy. It was a splendid idea to put in those medicines, they 'filled a long-felt want,' and I was all over the Reserve yesterday physicking and plastering till you would imagine I was a professional. Those loose samples are just the thing, our girls can patch and sew now to their heart's content. The groceries 'fill' a much longer felt want than even the medicines. Nothing brings more comfort this weather than the quilts I was distributing yesterday to the old and blind and sick; it is no use trying to describe on paper the thankfulness of these poor people. It makes me wish so much that our fellow-workers could see for a few minutes the happiness and real blessing their kindness brings, and the abject necessity they so often relieve. Please give to each one of the Watford W.A. our most grateful thanks; God double to each of them for Christmas joys and blessings the love they have shown to their fellow-creatures. One thing has been fairly crowded out of my memory—little Sarah's outfit—she has reminded me by coming to show me 'the pretty dress my auntie sent me.' I must heartily

thank the donors in her name, and would like to share up with them the pleasure they bring to us and the little ones by their kindness."

IN MEMORIAM.

There recently passed away in Brooklyn, after much sorrow and suffering, Mrs. Ford, formerly a member of the Memorial Church, London, and for many years President of its Ministering Children's League. "Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord, they rest from their labours and their works do follow them."

TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.		Literature.	
General Fund.		Port Burwell.....	25
Walkerton	\$ 1 60	Cathcart	25
Vienna	1 30	Seaforth	30
London S. Paul's.....	5 40	Aylmer	50
Galt	2 10	Walkerville.....	25
Brantford S. Jude's Girls' A.	10	Ailsa Craig.....	25
Port Dover.....	2 20	Ohsweken	25
Stratford S. James'.....	2 20	S.P.C. Jews.	
Zenana.		Ingersoll S. James' Bible and Prayer Union.....	5 00
Strathroy Coll. Cards.....	10 49	Lady Miss., Onion Lake.	
Galt.....	5 00	Walford	75
London S. George's Col. card	25	Kanyengh.	
Lady Miss, China.		London S. George's Junior... 1 00	
London S. George's Junior...	2 00	Galt	2 00
Thorndale, Mrs. Hart, Life Mem	5 00	Circles King's Daughters per Mrs. Tilley.....	25 00
Strathroy Junior	2 00	Stratford S. James'.....	3 00
Lady Miss, N.W.		Ada Leigh Homes, Paris, Bishop and Mrs. Baldwin.....	5 00
London S. George's Junior...	2 00	DISBURSEMENTS.	
Galt	5 00	General Fund.	
Brantford S. Jude's Girls' A.	25	P.O. orders.....	1 27
Port Dover.....	3 00	Telegram	1 25
Lady Miss., Japan.		Stamps for March.....	1 82
London S. George's Junior...	2 00	Rolph Smith & Co.....	4 00
Kingsville	2 00	To Mrs. Bell Irvine.....	3 00
Galt.....	2 00	Expenses of Annual.....	5 00
Stratford S. James'.....	3 00	Lady Miss, N.W.	
Omoksene.		To Miss Machlin.....	50 00
S. Thomas' Earnest Workers for little Katie.....	15 00	" Arch. Tims, Board.....	31 25
Education.		Education.	
Strathroy Junior	50	To Mrs Falls.....	50 00
Mackenzie River.		Sarcee Reserve.	
Petrolia, Mrs. Craig.....	2 00	To Arch. Tims.....	1 00
Lion's Head.		Kanyengh.	
London S. George's Junior...	2 00	To Miss Kerby.....	50 00
Brantford S. Jude's Girls' A.	25	Ada Leigh Homes, Paris.	
Port Dover.....	3 00	To Mrs. Hornibrook.....	5 00
Stratford S. James'.....	5 00		

[May, 1897.]

Montreal Diocese.

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

All our Branches will have received due notice of the action taken by the Diocesan Woman's Auxiliary in the matter of the Jubilee Thankoffering. It was proposed by Mrs. Everett and seconded by Mrs. Mills, with whom the idea originated—"That the Montreal Diocesan Woman's Auxiliary desires to commemorate the Diamond Jubilee of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, by raising a fund to augment the Widows' and Orphans' Fund of this Diocese, for the reason that the large number of Annuitants at present receiving pensions therefrom threatens either to diminish the capital of the fund or to necessitate a reduction in the amount of said pensions, which calamity the Lord Bishop, the Clergy and the Laity are anxious if possible to avert." In speaking to the Resolution the mover and seconder explained the position of the fund. The invested capital was \$70,000 and there were at present 16 Annuitants. If this number should be increased, as humanly speaking, there was always the probability that it would, only two courses would remain. Either to draw upon the principal or to further reduce the already meagre annuity of the Clergyman's Widow. The former course would be utterly disastrous, and the pitiableness, nay, the injustice of the latter, must be apparent to all. There were over a thousand members of the Diocesan W.A., and if for each of these there was an average offering of even one dollar, it would be something to add to the general fund, and a proof to our Bishop and the Clergy, as well as the faithful Laity, to whom the condition of the fund is causing such anxiety, that the Auxiliary was ready to do its part. The remarks of Mrs. Mills and Mrs. Everett, as well as those of

other speakers who followed in a similar strain, were cordially received by the meeting, and the resolution was carried *nem con.* The Secretary was then directed to send a copy to each Branch, and to state further that returns should be made to the Diocesan Treasurer not later than the 15th of June, so that the cheque might be in the hands of the Secretary of the Synod by the 20th of June for the date of the Queen's accession.

Miss Shaw's testimonials, a letter from herself, and one from Miss Montizambert, describing the enthusiastic farewell meeting given to Miss Shaw by the Toronto W.A. and other friends, were laid before the meeting, and it was stated that the lately organized Lachine Branch No. 2, had undertaken to provide a complete outfit for the new W.A. Missionary. Representatives of the Branch were present and were cordially welcomed by the President and officers of the W.A. Mrs. Brander, Secretary of Junior Branches, exhibited a neat card of membership for Juniors, and recommended that no charge should be made in the first instance, but that if a child, after having been presented with a card, should lose or injure it and should desire to replace it, she should be permitted to buy one.

A motion of condolence to Mrs. Fairbanks, in her recent sad bereavement was passed, and the Secretary directed to send a copy to Mrs. Fairbanks.

DORCAS NOTES.

The Dorcas Secretary reports a trunk sent by Diocesan Board to Onion Lake, in charge of Miss Shaw, lady missionary, containing more than 40 new garments, etc., and 1 box jelly, all kindly donated by Miss Ellerton of Hallerton, also 3 lbs. tea, cup and saucer, etc from other friends; value, \$16. One bale sent to the Rev. H. Robinson, Peace River, Dio. of Athabasca, containing 81 new garments, and 4 pieces of print, flannel, flannelette and tweed, 14 second-hand garments; groceries, \$1.45; books, toys, etc. \$4; material, \$48.85; freight, \$2.50; total, \$57, from St. Matthias' Branch, Westmount. One bale to Bishop Reeve, Fort Simpson, Diocese of Mackenzie River, containing 68 new garments, 24 second-hand, cash for material, \$20; cash for groceries, \$6.25. Sent by St. George's Church Branch, Montreal. One bale to Rev. F. Renison, Sault Ste Marie, Algoma, containing 73 new garments, 5 second-hand, hymn books, Sunday-school papers, cards and booklets, freight, \$1 10, from Sorel Branch.

ANNE McCORD,
Dorcas Secretary.

In the death of his young wife, which occurred since the last issue of the LEAFLET, the Rev. W. Fyles of Onslow and Quon, has the sincere sympathy of the Diocesan Woman's Auxiliary. Mrs. Fyles was endeared to her friends by her amiable and loving disposition. She was an active worker in her husband's parish, and the faithful and efficient Secretary of the local W.A. ; and it is to her efforts that the very creditable results which have every year been reported from Onslow Branch of the W.A. are largely due. To the Branch, and most of all, to her bereaved husband and family, we offer our heartfelt condolence, and our hope that they may be sustained and comforted in the hour of their affliction.

Doubtless the next report of the Dio. Dorcas Secretary will tell of the Lenten labors of many a Branch of the W.A. A card has reached us from Sorel, "Yesterday our Branch sent off a box to the Rev. R. Penison, Sault Ste. Marie, for distribution at out stations. We hope it will reach there by Easter." And from All Saints' Montreal, a splendid bale has just been shipped to Rev. John Maggrah, Indian Missionary at Islington, Ont., 45 miles from Rat Portage, containing a miscellaneous assortment of medicines, groceries, tinware, household utensils, useful clothing and articles suitable for a Christmas tree, if it shall be the intention of the missionary to hold one next December. Taking time by the forelock, we may well say, but a necessary precaution when we remember the difficulties and delays in the transit of goods to this isolated point at a later season of the year.

W.A. LETTER BOX.

To Mrs. S. A. J. Knowlton, President of the Knowlton Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary, from Rev. J. Hinchliffe, Piegan Reserve.

"Dear Mrs. Knowlton: I promised to write about James. (Indian boy supported by the Knowlton W.A.—ED. LEAFLET.) Some time ago I devised a method of writing Blackfoot so that Indians could read it. James learnt to read it in two days. With his help I have translated part of the Prayer Book, which he, as well as some of our other boys can read. He comes on Sundays and reads the lesson for us sometimes. You will be able to realize what a help it is to us, and what an effect it will have on the Indians to hear the Word read to them in their own tongue by an Indian. James is going to the Industrial School in Calgary as soon as it is ready for opening. I am pleased for his sake, but I am sorry for my own. He is such a great help to me in translating, and I had hoped to have translated one of the Gospels shortly; however, I must find some one else to help me. James is busy now teaching other young men to read their own language. I still have hopes that your wishes will be fulfilled, and that some day he will become a Missionary. Best wishes for Christmas."

To the Sunbeam Society (Miss Marguerite Holden, Secretary,) Montreal, Que., from Rev. Edward F. Hockley, Missionary, the Kissock Home, St. Paul's Reserve, Blood Reserve, McLeod; Alta., 26th March, 1897.

" Dear children : The sunbeams are peeping into my room while I write, and they remind me of your Society. What a pretty name for a band of Christ's little ones who are trying to brighten the lives of these Indian boys and girls.

" Jesus bids us shine with a clear, pure light,
Like a little candle burning in the night,
In the world of darkness we must shine—
You in your small corner : I in mine."

Our winter is about over. It has been very cold sometimes, and once or twice the snow was so deep that we were quite shut off from our neighbours and had to wait some days to get our mail. The rivers have been frozen over for months, but are breaking up, so we shall no longer be able to cross on the ice. There are usually certain places where we ford the river all right ; although in the spring the water is very deep on account of the snow melting in the Rocky mountains and swelling the rivers. I have often had to get an Indian to swim my horse across and take my saddle and bridle with me in a boat. When the horse is swimming he looks very funny only his head above the water. Sometimes I am kneeling almost on the top of the saddle, but one should be careful because the rivers are so swift. We have 39 boys and 25 girls in our homes, and all happy and well except one or two who have to be doctored a little every day. How I wish you could peep in here like the sunbeams I told you about at the beginning of this letter, so that you could see some of our children. I will give you a few of their names : Girls—Louise, Ironpipe ; Eva, the Runner ; Ada, Little Ears ; Jade, Yellow Ball ; Edith, Holding Council ; Flora, Black horse ; Mildred, White Calf ; Bessie, Mocas-sin ; Bertha, Black Rabbit, Hilda, Killed ahead. Boys—John, Day Chief ; William, Scraping White, Charlie, Good Rider, Tom, Little One ; Ben, Strangling Wolf ; Fred, Mounted Horse ; Jack, Bull Shield ; Dick, Hearing in the middle ; Arthur, White Buffalo Chief ; Percy, Shell woman ; Ronald, Gets lots of Wood in the Night ; Gordon, One Spot. We are all very fond of the Indians, they are so interesting. The parents love their children very much. Our service on Sunday is hearty, part of it is in English and part in Blackfoot. We sing splendidly. To-morrow a lady named Miss Rutherford is coming from Ontario to nurse our sick ones and help generally. Sometimes we have several very sick, and I am sure it will be a great comfort to have a proper nurse. Help us again when you can, for Jesus' sake. We need bags of clothing very badly."

[May, 1897.]

Niagara Diocese.

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

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 OBITUARY.

NIAGARA FALLS—Miss Baxter, an earnest Church worker and member of the W.A. for many years, died Feb. 23rd, deeply regretted and loved by all. She represented Christ Church, Niagara Falls, a year or two ago at the Annual, and was a faithful member; taught in the Sunday School and helped in every good work undertaken by the congregation.

NIAGARA ON THE LAKE—This Branch has lost another member by death, Mrs. Whitaker Curtiss, who was most active in W.A. work. She belonged to two other societies in Niagara, so that she will be much missed. She leaves a husband and one little girl.

NOTE—The Annual Meeting being held so late this year the report cannot appear in this issue.

The following books have been added to the Library, “*Hero of Uganda*” “*Peril and adventure in Central Africa*” donated by Miss McLaren; and another copy of “*Behind the great wall*” donated by Miss G. C. Counsell.

Extract of letter received from Mrs. Tansy, Somerset, Man., to St. James', Guelph.

“In acknowledging the bale so kindly sent by your Branch, I cannot adequately in words express my gratitude; every article it contained so useful and valuable to our poor people. The clothing, quilts, and nice warm hoods (the latter just splendid for this cold country), were all quickly disposed of; and the parcels of groceries most welcome cheer in the homes of our sick people. Kindly convey to the Junior Branch our most hearty thanks for their part of the

bale in their kind contributions for our Christmas tree. It is indeed most gratifying to know they take such an interest in us and our mission, and we pray that God will bless and help them in all their work and endeavour in His cause." In a letter to the Dorcas Sec., dated Feb. 23rd, Rev Mr. Tansey says: "This year has been very trying, Mrs. Tansy has been ill, then the children, and our dear little Gladys died on the 10th inst. She was such a bright happy little child three and a half years old, and took such an interest in everything; and we feel her death so much. I am far from well myself, being worried so much about financial matters with the Church, and then I am two years behind in stipend, We are about twenty miles from any doctor and have thus been at great expense." In a letter dated March 15th, he says: "We have terrible weather, trains blocked, roads impassible, and very cold, 35 degrees below this morning. Yes, the bales came, and were of the greatest use; I thought I had told you about them, but am sorry I did not."

From T. H. Pritchard, Lac Seul, to Miss Durand, Queenston.

He acknowledges bale and says: "Dear members of the Queenston Branch of the W.A., you who have strengthened my hands and cheered my heart, in a degree little realized by you, practically ever since I first came to Lac Seul, a little more than six years ago; words fail me to adequately express to you my grateful feelings for this additional proof of your interest and sympathy in the work here of our common Lord and Master. I wish you could have been here even just this morning to see a woman with a number of half-clad children come into my kitchen, and then observed the happiness of the mother when she went away carrying a goodly sized bundle of clothes selected from your bales. Her gratefulness was real. The poor creature who had been hinered ever since the cold weather came from attending Church, said as she was going out, 'now we shall not dread to walk across the Lake to God's House on Praying Days.'" This is but one of several similar scenes I have witnessed since your bales have come to hand, but this one alone, will I think, prove to you our very real gratefulness. A day or two after your letters arrived, an Indian, Louis Thomas by name, came over to the Mission House to tell me that he had been so unsuccessful at his traps, that he was quite unable to buy anything at the H. B. Co's post for wife and six children (his wife is an invalid at present), and that they were so badly off for clothes that he was at a loss to know how they were going to live through the winter, I told him that his "praying sisters" in the East had sent each of them some good warm clothing, and that it was then lying waiting for them at Wabigoon Tank. He did not understand what I meant at first; however Louis and his eldest boy were on the road to Wabigoon Tank early the next morning. He was just

six days gone and brought back everything in *good order*. As a result he and all his family, save his wife and youngest child, were able to walk over to Church (three miles) last Sunday, and Louis now *does* believe that he has "sisters in the East" who can do a very great deal for him and his children. . . . Peter Cameron, who has rendered most valuable service to the Mission ever since its inception, is taking charge of the Church this winter, sweeping, starting fires, etc. etc., went away from here this afternoon with a very glad heart, occasioned by my handing to him that black "tail coat," a waistcoat and a shirt; his wife and children also got something each. I also gave him that splendid flag you sent, and told him it was to be hoisted for the *first time* on Christmas morning. . . . Bessie McIvor, a half-breed girl who washes for me, got the nice new dress; she is very proud of it, and no doubt will be worn for the first time on Christmas day. If you or one of your members could be at our service on Christmas a.m., pretty well every article of clothing you sent would be seen there, as they almost all seem to mention the "Great Praying Day" when I have given them anything. . . . Among the things sent to himself, Mr. Pritchard mentions dried apples, and says, 'I have not forgotten how to cook them as I had just only eaten the last of those you sent last year.' How kind of you to send that *great big plum pudding*; I have on the strength of it asked Mr. Bannatyne, our last school teacher, to share it with me on Christmas Day. His contribution to the dinner is to be some deer tongues, so you see we are going to fare sumptuously. I will try and make the sauce according to the directions you give. I decided not to have a Christmas tree this year, because the Indians were so badly off I could not delay giving out the things, and more especially for the reason that we have as yet no proper building for an entertainment of this kind. We have decided to erect a sort of school-chapel at Canoe River, where the Indian village is; we are going to start work early in the New Year, and hope to have it completed some time next summer. . . . You will be glad to hear that the work is going on nicely; and that God in His goodness is giving me not a little to encourage me and to make me feel that there is *real* progress in the work. To His Name be the praise."

*From Rev. J. R. Matheson, Onion Lake, to St. George's Branch,
St. Catharines.*

He acknowledges receipt of bale and says: "*It was a splendid bale*; I never opened one with such a variety of articles, and every one of them so much needed and useful. The little box of screws and nails was as useful an article to me here as anything in the bale, and then those groceries, you can hardly tell how glad we were to see them, and such a quantity of them. We had been two whole days without tea, waiting for the freighter who brought the bale, and who

had orders to bring us tea also, but he forgot to go to the store, and so came without a pound. So you can judge how welcome the sight of your tea was. Then that beautiful "Log-cabin" quilt, well I *appropriated* it, and I think it is the finest I ever saw of the kind—then those beautiful overcoats, especially the ulster with cape; I gave it away to a worthy Indian. I had long wanted to give him something good, and he was just in need of a coat. It would have done the donor of it good to have seen his look of pleasure and gratitude. We have a considerable number of sick Indians, and fur is very scarce this winter; there are no rabbits, and even the fish are scarce just now, so that there is considerable suffering among the Indians who are not living on the Reserves. Scarlet fever has broken out at Battleford, about 10 miles south, and all schools there are closed; I *very much fear that it is our* house now. The clock has just told me it is 2 o'clock Wednesday morning, and I am sitting up watching poor Miss Phillips; she is quite delirious at times, and the poor little Indian girls are about as much help to me as a band of sheep; no doctor within 100 miles, and over 20 children in the house, with no one to help me or speak a word of cheer; I am lonely to-night. With what power that 5th verse of Psalm 43 comes to me to-night, and repeated three times over in a single column. Ah! there's something in our Christ the world knows nothing of. God bless and prosper each individual member of your Branch, and all who have helped to send us such a help and comfort.

P.S.—I ought to be ashamed of myself writing such a whining letter, but I just felt lonely I suppose and let my pen run away.

From Archdeacon Tims, Sarcee Mission, to Cayuga Juniors.

After thanking them for a "beautiful bale of toys," he says: "We had such a jolly time on new Year's Eve; I say *we* for everybody enjoyed the evening. About a dozen other children besides the scholars were invited to be present, and after a very nice tea old Santa Claus appeared to distribute your gifts. A few things from the Juniors of the Cathedral Branch, Hamilton, supplemented your presents, so that the children were well off for nice things, and all had a very happy time. Some of the girls, with Miss Symonds, slipped out of school during the evening and sang some carols under the windows, which was quite a treat. They sang "Noel" and Gloria in Excelsis." The evening concluded with several games, played by pupils and teachers together, and every one went to bed happy as we could wish to see them. I must tell you that the Indian boys and girls enjoy Christmas and know the meaning of it too; they worked hard to decorate the Church and school, the boys cut and carried home the fir trees, and the girls helped to tie the pieces together. I hope that you often pray that they may all be happy indeed in the knowledge that Jesus came to save them."

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

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

OFFICERS: *Hon.-President*—Mrs. Lewis, Kingston; *President*—Mrs. Rogers, 148 Barrie St., Kingston; *Vice-Presidents*—Mrs. McMorine, and Miss Gildersleeve, Kingston. *SECRETARIES: Recording*—Mrs. F. Prime, Johnston St., Kingston; *Corresponding*—Miss Daly, 298 Brock St., Kingston; *for Junior Branches*—Miss Lewin, Johnston St.; *Literature and Editor LEAFLET*—Mrs. Buxton Smith, Kingston; *Dorcas*—Miss A. Muckleston, 226 King St.; *Treasurer*—Mrs. Worrall, 242 Brock St.

Will the members kindly observe the change in the list of Diocesan officers. Miss Macaulay, who has been our most efficient Recording Secretary, and formerly our Secretary for Junior work, has resigned office; at the April Board Meeting an unanimous vote of thanks was tendered her, and many were the expressions of regret at parting with our faithful and zealous co-worker. Miss Macaulay purposes spending a year or two abroad. We feel sure our Auxiliary Sisters will unite with us in wishing her a pleasant journey, and a speedy and safe return home.

The W.A. members in Kingston are looking forward with pleasure to the Annual Meeting in June, and hope to have the opportunity of extending a hearty welcome to a large number. *Two delegates* with the President are cordially invited from each Branch. Miss Tilley, one of Toronto's most enthusiastic W.A. workers, has kindly consented to be with us for these meetings; no doubt many will remember meeting her at Cornwall some few years ago. The Secretary of Junior work has arranged a very entertaining method whereby Missionary teaching may be more definitely given to our young people. She purposes having on hand at the Annual Meeting copies of this system of instruction. We most heartily recommend it to all who are interested in the Junior work.

Kingston was fortunate in having a visit from Mrs. Boomer, Huron's LEAFLET Editor, we wish all our W.A. members in the Diocese could have been with us to hear her earnest and stirring address. She spoke of our little LEAFLET as being a tower of strength, and urged the Branches to use it as a medium whereby good suggestions could be passed on. As Convener of the Education Committee, she spoke most hopefully of the good work being done; eleven children are now being educated, others are waiting to be. Mrs. Boomer urged one and all to make the most of opportunities, and not to be afraid of being too enthusiastic.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING.

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

The Eleventh Annual Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese of Ontario, will be held, D.V., in Kingston, on 9th, 10th and

11th of June. It is expected that each Branch will be represented by its President and *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, *Mrs. F. Prime, 138 Johnston Street, Kingston*, 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 Reports (*written on one side only*), to the same address, not later than the 15th of May. Each person attending the Annual Meeting is requested to apply to local ticket agent for certificate of reduced fare. Special prayer is asked, that this meeting may be to the Glory of God, and the furtherance of His work.

By request we have repeated the above notice. Will the Branches carefully note *the name and address* of our *new Recording Secretary*.

We would again remind our W.A. members of the special offering to be made at our Annual Meeting for the Mission Fund of the Diocese, \$200, at least, the Auxilliary hopes to raise—this means only an average of \$6 from each of the 36 Branches—and it will but require a little zeal and self-denial to far exceed this amount. We earnestly invite the co-operations of every Branch in the Diocese.

THE BRANCH NOTES this month come from Leeds Rural Deaneay:—

BROCKVILLE (Trinity)—Reports weekly meetings held during Lent, and are busy making quilts, and have also been earning money by quilting; but have not decided to what object this money shall be given. BROCKVILLE (St. Paul's)—Has held weekly meetings for sewing, and monthly business meetings. In January this Branch had its faith tried, being confronted with a debt of \$15 on their last bale, and notified that the members Assessment Fee was raised to ten cents. They worked on in faith; the result is, the debt paid, *another* bale ready, and the ten cents Assessment for 67 members sent to Treasurer. BELLAMY—Weekly meetings have been held, combining business and work; a number of quilts have been pieced, and in March a Missionary tea was given and several of these were quilted. A member is giving a surplice to the Rev Mr. Sinclair. GANANOQUE—Has a membership of 16, weekly sewing meetings are held, mite collections are taken up once a month. In Nov. an At Home was given, proceeds to go to special offering at the Annual Meeting; a barrel of things, all new, sent to Mr. Hinchliffe. NEWBORO—Six business meetings since September, sewing meeting every two weeks; Mission boxes distributed, contents to go to special offering at Annual, a sale of work takes place shortly. PORTLAND, part of Newboro, has lately formed a J.W.A. DESERONTO's report came too late for our last issue. There are 25 members and a good number of LEAFLETS taken; three quilts have been made, and pledges faithfully kept. Regret is expressed that so many members are moving from the town.

DORCAS REPORT.

BELLEVILLE (St. Thomas')—Sent to Bancroft Hospital, Dio. Ont., a bale, also invalid chair and walnut table; also a bale to Kissock Homes, Calgary Dio. J.W.A. sent a bale to Peigan Home. BROCKVILLE (St. Peter's)—Sent a bale to Webbwood, Dio. Calgary.

ANNIE MUCKLESTONE, *Dorcas Sec.*

To Mrs. Bleasdel, Trenton, from. Rev. A. Cooke, Keetawa, Assa.

In fulfilling my promise to write you further of the contents of your bale, I have the pleasure to tell you of its suitability to the wants of those among whom we distributed the contents. I did not expect the character of the contents to be altogether according to my list, or that any not mentioned were to be refused. In reply to your questions about my family, I have only to say that we have a girl five years, and a boy two and a half. I must thank the lady who sent the flannel shirts, for whatever provision we may make for ourselves there is always occasion for using these extra. I have also to thank you for the gift of the surplice. The native dresses were immense, but to be honest about them they were far beyond the measure of the most massive subject here. Many of the women here sew tolerably, and make their own as well as things for their families. Thanking you for your kind wishes, which are manifested by your kind work.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT.—March.

RECEIPTS.

Domestic Missions.	
Merrickville, Lady Missionary North West	\$ 1 50
Kingston, St. James', Shingwauk Home, Dio. Algoma...	3 00
Kingston, St. George's Cath., Missionary's stipend, Fishing Lake, Dio. Qu'Appelle...	25 00
Trenton, Lady Miss. N.W.	1 50
Belleville, St. Thomas' towards support of child, Peigan Mission.....	6 25
Brockville, St. Peter's Lady Missionary, North West...	10 00
Missionary's Stipend, Fishing Lake, Dio Qu'Appelle	29 00
Foreign Missions.	
Prescott, for Japan Missions	10 00
Belleville, St. Thomas', Lady Missionary Japan.....	15 00
Trenton, Lady Miss. Japan...	2 50
Brockville, St. Peter's, Lady Missionary, Japan.....	6 65

Missions Unappropriated.

Trenton, Self-denial offering, Diocesan Missions	1 85
Belleville, St. Thomas', Widows' and Orphans' Fund...	5 00
Diocesan Assessment.	
Belleville, St. Thomas' Juniors	1 50
" St. Thomas'	4 50
" St. John's, Juniors	65
Brockville, St. Paul's	6 70
" St. Peter's.....	3 10
Total	\$133 70

EXPENDITURE.

Paid to Ont. Sec. D. & F. Miss....	\$167 05
Paid Rev. J. Hinchliffe, Peigan Mission.....	5 25
Paid express order to Rev. J. P. Sargent, Diocese Qu'Appelle	29 00
Cost of order	15
Paid to Ont. Dio. Sec	20 00
	\$222 45

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

[May, 1897].

Ottawa Diocese.

 DIOCESAN MOTTO :—" *God is love.* "

OFFICERS: *President*—Mrs. Hamilton, Christ Church Rectory, Ottawa; *1st. Vice-President*—Mrs. Tilton, 37 Gloucester St.; *2nd Vice-President*—Mrs. Pollard, Park Avenue; *Treasurer*—Miss Cath. E. Baker, 5 Arthur Street **SECRETARIES:** *Recording*—Miss Humphreys, 288 Daly Avenue. *Corresponding*—Mrs. Newell Bate, 173' Cooper St. *Dorcas*—Mrs. G. M. Greene, 401 McLaren St.; *Literature and Leaflet Editor*—Miss Whiteaves, 22 Gloucester St.; *J. W. A.*—Miss Parris, 84 Victoria St.; *C. C. M. G.*—Mrs. Mackay, 544 King St.; *Organizing*—Miss A. B. Yielding, 370 Slater St.

The Board of the W.A. for Ottawa Diocese meets in St. George's School-room at 3.30 p.m., on the second Monday of each month. All members of the W.A., whether residing in town or visiting, are heartily welcome. At the April meeting letters were read from Arnprior, Marksville, Cornwall, Hammond, L'Orignal, Carleton Place, Perth, Pakenham, Pembroke, Cornwall and Morrisburg. The organizing Secretary stated that five Branches had been organized during the month, and two Diocesan members added to the list. The Cor. Secretary read an urgent appeal from C. W. Houghton of Nepawa, Manitoba, also an official appeal from Miss Montizambert, on behalf of Moosonee. It was decided by the Board that in future the Corresponding Secretary of the Diocese should be Secretary also for the C.E.Z.M.S. Any communications, therefore, about this department of work will henceforth be forwarded to the Diocesan Corresponding Secretary.

BRANCH NOTES.

OTTAWA—The Ottawa Branch held its Annual Meeting, March 30th, in St. Bartholomew's School-room. Reports from the various officers were read. Addresses were given by Mrs. Cummings, Mrs. Boomer of Huron Diocese, and Mrs. Tyrill. This Ottawa Branch consisted of eight parishes, and had a total membership of 396. It was thought by some that greater interest would be aroused if the Ottawa Branch dissolved with

the intention of forming separate Parochial Branches. A resolution of dissolution was brought in followed by two amendments. The amendment that they should dissolve and form two or more Branches. Carried: Since the Annual Meeting, Christ Church, St. George's, St. Alban's, Grace Church, St. Barnabas' and St. John's have duly organized Parochial Branches. The other two Churches, St. Bartholomew's and St. Luke's, have not yet reported anything.

ARCHVILLE—Annual Meeting, March 23rd. Forty present.

CARLETON PLACE—Annual Meeting held at Rectory, March 25th, was very well attended. The J.W.A. reports were extremely gratifying. A paper on Zenana Missions was read by Miss Flegg, and an address on Africa, by Miss Whiteares, Ottawa. Refreshments were served, and a pleasant sociable hour spent.

CORNWALL—Annual Meeting very successful. Twenty-four members present, and seven visitors. Twenty-seven meetings held during year. Three bales sent out, valued at \$113.61. Total receipts, \$95.33.

PERTH—Forty members present at Annual, and five visitors from Balderson. Monthly Meetings held during year. Receipts, \$87.13.

DORCAS REPORT.

We have to report a new working Branch at L'Orignal, they intend sending a bale to Onion Lake. Three bales went out during the month. ALMONTE W.A. and J.W.A. sent two large bales to Combermere, total value of both \$32.14—containing quilts, carpets, blankets, groceries, and one Fair Linen Altar cloth.

MORRISBURG—Sent a bale to Peigan Reserve, valued at \$12.35; containing an outfit for Indian boy, valued at \$4.33.

ARNPRIOR—Has agreed to work for Rev. J. Badger, South Branch, instead of Marksville, Algoma, as before reported.

CARLETON PLACE is working for Archdeacon Tims, Sarcee Reserve.

C. F. GREENE, *Dio. Dorcas Secretary.*

The Editor regrets that the Annual Diocesan Meeting was held just a few days too late for any notice to appear in this issue. A full account will be given in the next number.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

ASSESSMENT FEES—

Moulinette.....	\$ 1 20
Ottawa.....	19 80
Wales, Juniors.....	60
Carleton Place, Juniors.....	2 10
Morrisburg.....	1 50
Cornwall.....	1 30
Archville.....	40
Clayton.....	80
Lanark.....	80
Ottawa, Juniors.....	1 00
Dio. Member, Westmeath.....	1 00
" " Rockland.....	25
" " Hammond.....	10

LADY MISSIONARY, NORTH WEST—

Ottawa.....	50 00
Cornwall.....	5 00
Moulinette.....	2 00
Morrisburg.....	6 00

LADY MISSIONARY, JAPAN—

Ottawa.....	30 00
Moulinette.....	2 00
Cornwall.....	5 00
Morrisburg.....	6 00
Clayton.....	2 00
Balderson.....	1 00
Ottawa (additional).....	9 00

MISSIONS UNAPPROPRIATED—

Ottawa.....	30 25
Archville.....	4 00

DOMESTIC MISSIONS—

Ottawa, Piegan Reserve.....	5 75
Archville, Lady Miss. Onion Lake.....	1 00
" Cowley Ward, Dynevor Hospital.....	2 00

FOREIGN MISSIONS—

Carleton Place, C.E.Z.M.S.....	7 25
Archville, Miss Patterson's Training Home, Japan.....	1 00

EXPENDITURE.

Printing Reports, etc.....	\$200 10
Handed Dio. Sec. D. and F. Missions.....	40 28
Postage.....	268 26
	1 50

CATHERINE E. BAKER, *Dio. Treas.*

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[May, 1897.]

Quebec Diocese.

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

OFFICERS: *President*—Mrs. Hunter Dunn, Esplanade; *Vice-Presidents*.—Presidents of the Parochial Branches; *Cor. Sec.*—Mrs. E. Joly de Lotbiniere, St. Genevieve St., Quebec; *Res. 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.

On the evening of March 30th, under the auspices of St. Matthew's Branch of the W.A., a very interesting address was delivered by Prof. Gunn, of Morrin College, on the Indians of the North West, amongst whom he had spent two years. Prof. Gunn most graphically described the manners and customs of those living between Manitoba and the Rockies, and it is with the intention of showing the Indians' from a layman's point of view, that we give a summary of the lecture, which we regret has to be robbed of the polish of Mr. Gunn's eloquence. The lecturer stated that many of us hear constantly of the wants of these people from Missionaries, so to-night he simply meant to draw a picture of Indian Life. If an Indian were robbed of his paint and feathers you would see but little difference between him and a man who had long lived under the southern sun; his nose is of the Jewish type, and his muscles are greatly developed in his lower limbs; he is not idolatrous, but sees in nature a supreme being, and many of their sacred stories resemble those of our Bible; they had a deluge when all were lost but a few, who were saved on a raft; they have for their future abode a good and a bad place, and to reach the former have to cross a slippery log, and when partly over are set upon by six men, who try to drag them into the slimy dirty water below; the good men easily cross it and are then perfectly happy in their new life, blue sky, green fields, buffalo in plenty; the bad Indian goes under, and in vain tries to reach the happy hunting ground. According to the Government the good Indian is he who lives on a Reserve, draws certain rations, and \$5.00 for each wife and child under 14, (but to many the reserve is but a soft bed of death), the bad Indian roams the prairie, the father rides the pony, his wife runs along side with a whip, and the children follow behind; the Indian babies are strapped to a cradle, bound with thongs, and kept in place with hoops, one being placed round the head to protect the child in case of falling, from this is suspended toys, in the centre one of which is kept the good luck stone; these cradles are ornamented with straws and feathers, and if you

part them you will see such a solemn earnest little face; sometimes indeed you will find the cradle is empty, the child has died, but the mother love is so great in the Indian woman, that she still carries the cradle, no matter how weary she be, nor how long the way. If you enter an Indian school you would be struck by the gravity of the children, no bustle or sly looks on your entrance, and apparently no interest taken in any studies until the teacher draws on the blackboard. Here we see the Missionary's work, and if it is true that our accounts are kept in heaven, at the very top in letters of gold will be written the help given in this way; the Missionary has to begin by learning to be more human, less divine, to first of all teach the Indian how to live, to dig, cook, etc., and then to christianize him, to give him plain food to start with, not classical knowledge. When quite young the Indian learns to shoot his bow and arrow; at the age of 18, he, with some 20 companions has to perform the sun-dance; they assemble in the green plain, each youth in turn steps forward, a brave drives a skewer through his breast, and then swings him round; if he can stand this and shows no sign of pain or fear, the same thing is done to his back, then he becomes a brave and can marry; should he faint he is beaten by the squaws, does the menial work and remains a bachelor for ever; in past days many died on these occasions, but now this seldom happens as the mounted police are present to prevent accidents. This brave force control the North West through their pluck; three of these men will enter an Indian camp, and arrest a man without a shot being fired. Another ceremony of a like kind, is of this description: several Indians sit round a fire, others ride up to them, choose a victim and lash him as he passes; the unfortunate man must smoke and look utterly unconcerned, if he does, his friend makes him such a speech as this: "Now I have set my mark upon you, I expect you to do your duty, if you don't you disgrace yourself and me." Mr. Gunn described the death of an Indian Chief, "Redfoot" by name. When his friends to whom he wished to bid farewell had arrived, he dressed himself in his feathers, etc., then lay down, again arose, shook hands all around, and without sigh or groan passed away. The Indian language is difficult to learn, an accent will turn a word meaning "to love," into "hate," and again into "dead horse." To mention a few things that the Indians like: beaver hats, red and green feathers and buttons. One Indian was converted through a beaver, which he ever afterwards wore with the crown out, upside down. Each tribe has its own colour, but it is safe to send any garments of red material, for this colour belongs to no one in particular. The Indian is clever and cunning, although he at one end gets a three-cent handkerchief, and we at the other a sable skin, he places his value on it and is satisfied; his honesty is proverbial, but want of space prevents our giving Mr. Gunn's illustration of this, as well as much else that was both interesting and instructive.

BRANCH NOTES.

DRUMMONDVILLE, INVERNESS and LEEDS—Report that meetings have been held regularly, and that they have clothing ready to send away.

LENNOXVILLE—Two meetings held during the last quarter. at the one in March, Canon Adams read a paper.

LEVIS—Meetings held regularly, work has been done on the quilts for the hospitals. A letter of thanks for a bale was received from the Rev. D. D. McDonald, \$5 was given towards Miss Smith's salary; united Thankoffering papers were distributed.

MARBLETON—Not much work done owing to sickness, intend to meet every two weeks during Lent, and hope to send a bale off in the spring.

CATHEDRAL—Weekly sewing meetings held as usual, bargain sale held, at which \$50 was realized, bale sent to the Rev. D. D. McDonald, Thunder Child's Reserve; letters acknowledging bale from Mr. Matheson,

ST. MATTHEW'S—Missionary and Quarterly Meeting held, at which Archdeacon Phair gave an address, collection of \$43 given to him, barrel sent to the Indian Hospital, Dorcas Meetings well attended.

ST. PETER'S—Meetings held regularly, weekly sewing to be held in Lent. Sunday School children have taken collecting cards for Foreign Missions.

ST. MICHAEL'S—Missionary Meeting held, at which interesting lecture on the life of the North West Indians was delivered by Prof. Gann of Morrin College. At Quarterly Meeting it was resolved that this Branch pay the freight on all parcels, etc., to the North West, without asking re-bate from the Government, leaving the distribution of articles to the discretion of the Missionary.

RICHMOND and MELBOURNE—Two meetings held since last Quarterly, agreed to meet every Friday during Lent, greatly saddened by the death of a much esteemed member. Junior Branch, 20 meetings have been held during the year, 25 names on roll; have worked continually on quilts.

SHERBROOKE—Two meetings held since January, at the second Mrs. Dumbell presided.

SHIGAWAKE—Meetings held regularly, a new member making in all eleven.

WINDSOR MILLS—Nothing to report.

From the Rev. J. G. Anderson, Dynevor, to the President of the Branch at Magog, Feb. 5th, 1897.

Dear MRS. LA FRENAYE—I write to thank you for the nice assortment of things which you sent for Indian Missions, through Mr. Dagg. They came to us and have really been so helpful. Personally I feel very grateful for the underwear put in for the incumbent, our means are always so limited that such assistance is much appreciated, as it saves so much which can be utilized in other very necessary wants. Out of your gifts we were enabled to make up a nice box for a Christmas tree for a small new mission at the mouth of the Red River, on Lake Winnipeg, about twenty miles distant. As this was the first Christmas tree they ever had there, I need scarcely tell you that the children and parents were overjoyed. The preserves also have been a boon to us, we have been using them for some consumptive cases we have in our district, and for others suffering from different diseases; you can understand how thankful these poor Indians are for such luxuries in their sickness and want. Some of your things too, we used in fitting out a Missionary's family, one of our Indians, who has gone to preach the Gospel to a tribe of Lotos, at Valley River, sixty miles from Russell. Other things we have given out to boys and girls to enable them to go to school, for really many children are kept home from school in the cold days of winter, simply for the want of warm clothing. The rest we will give out as we see the need, and I can assure you that there is a great deal of that; so please accept our most grateful thanks for your kind assistance. I cannot express in words how valuable we feel your help is to us in strengthening our works, in drawing the people closer to us in bonds of love, and encouraging us to go forward and work with greater energy and hopefulness. I am sure the great Giver of all good gifts will not forget to reward your kindness and love in providing thus for the poor and needy, so thanking you again and praying that God will bless you and yours, I am etc.,

JOHN G. ANDERSON.

From the Rev. Geo. King, Sault Ste Marie, Algoma, to the Secretary of the Branch at Levis, 28th Dec., 1896.

MY DEAR MADAM—I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 23rd inst., advising us of a bale having been sent from your Branch to the Shingwauk. The bale arrived safely and in good order some few days ago. We were glad indeed to receive all your kind gifts, and especially the nice toys and games, candies, etc., which will help so much in making our Christmas tree, which is to be held to-morrow evening in our Drill Hall, a success. I wrote Mrs. Fyles on the 23rd inst., thanking your Branch, and beg you will also assure the members of our gratitude and appreciation of their kind and generous aid.

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