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PROVINCIAL WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

Subjects for Prayer and Reading. November—Algoma, and South America, and Mexico, December—Diocesan, Corea

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

The General Corresponding Secretary, Miss Montizambert, begs to notify the officers and members of the W. A. and all other correspondents, that after the 1st December her address will be no longer Quebec but "Post Office," Toronto, Ont., until further notice

A meeting of the Board of Management of the Provincial Woman's Auxiliary was held in Quebec, October 11th and 12th. The members of the Board and others met in St. Matthew's Church at 9.30 a.m. for the opening Service, the Celebration of the Holy Communion. The Rev. Lennox Williams, Rector of St. Matthew's was the celebrant, assisted by the Rev. A. J. Balfour, Rector of St. Peter's Church, and the address was given by the Rev. Osborne Troop, Rector of St. Martin's Church, Montreal, who greatly impressed all who were fortunate enough to hear him.

The business meetings were held in St. Matthew's Parish Room, kindly put at the disposal of the Auxiliary by the Rector, Rev. Lennox Williams. It was a matter of great regret that only ten of the Board of Management were present out of a possible twenty eight. Mrs. Tilton presided in her usual able and happy way. Mrs. W. M. Macpherson entertained the Board at luncheon on Thursday, and the Quebec Diocesan W. A. gave an evening reunion for them, on that day, in the Church Hall. Speeches, music and refreshments.

The Recording Secretary, Mrs. Denne of Montreal submitted the following report of the growth of the Auxiliary since the last meeting in September, 1893.

One new Diocesan Branch has been very recently formed, namely Algoma, but is not quite fully organized yet.

The Dioceses of Quebec, Montreal, Ontario, Toronto, Huron and Niagara report 412 Branches, with a membership of about 10,500. (Last year the Branches numbered 381 and the members 9,904 but in neither years can the membership be properly estimated as many of the country Branches neglect to send in their numbers). The total receipts, exclusive of money spent on Home Missions amount to \$18,993.20. In addition to much material assistance, the Toronto Diocesan Branch, in answer to an earnest appeal from Rev. G. Holmes Lesser Slave Lake, for an assistant matron, undertook the travelling expenses and salary of Margaret Durtnell, who bravely offered her services and left in June for her far distant home.

Miss Garlick and Miss Symonds continue to work devotedly among the Indian children in the Blackfoot Home. Toronto contributes \$300 yearly to Miss Garlick's salary and \$400 to Rev J. Hinchliffe St. Peter's Mission, Peigan Reserve.

Montreal gives \$200 per annum towards the support of a teacher in the Washakada Home, Elkhorn.

Ontario undertakes Miss Brown's salary: Her work is with Rev. J. Hinchliffe, Peigan Reserve.

Quebec has transferred the amount of salary hitherto given to Miss Mellish at St. Paul's Industrial school, to a teacher in the Rev. H. G. Stocken's school Sarcee Reserve.

Huron is responsible for the salary of Miss Wilson who is working under the Rev. F. Swainson at Omokene.

Niagara joins with Quebec to pay the teacher at the Sarcee school

Miss Smith, Medical Missionary to Japan was sent out to replace Miss Sherlock. She has had many and great difficulties to contend with but reports having opened a training school for nurses and writes very encouragingly of her work.

The Zenana Missions are very largely helped by the Auxiliary, the interest in the work having been greatly roused by Miss Sugden's addresses.

In speaking of Miss Paterson's resignation I cannot do better than quote the words of the President of the Toronto W. A. "In the measure in which the Church gives of her best to the Mission field abroad, in that same measure will the fields at home be reaped, therefore in the resignation from office of our invaluable Dorcas Secretary, Miss Paterson and her offer to take up work under Mr. Waller in Japan, we must only see the guiding hand of our Heavenly Father who has bidden her go out and occupy the fields of heathendom to reap a harvest for Him." The prayers and loving thoughts of her

fellow workers on the Provincial Board will, I am sure, follow her in her distant sphere of work.

[The reports of the other officers and committees will follow as space admits. Missionaries' letters must always come before records of work done. For publishing them the Leaflet was first organized, a fact we must never lose sight of. *Ed. Prov. Pages.*]

Rev. G. Holmes, St. Peter's Mission, Lesser Slave Lake, writes as follows:

AUGUST 10th.

"You will be pleased to hear of Miss Durtnell's safe arrival with the Bishop and party and to know we are delighted with her, she is just the one suited for the work, an earnest Christian with tact and good common sense. We see the finger of God in guiding the members of the W. A. to make such a wise and suitable choice. I think she finds things a little rougher, even, than she expected but is quite willing to put up with it for the Master's sake. She will probably write herself later on. All our bales have arrived safely and we have enough, I think, for our girls but not too much. Bishop Young told me that he had rather discouraged the W. A. in sending so much clothing owing to the heavy freight charges from Edmonton to Lesser Slave Lake. So that may answer for our receiving less than last year, but when I showed him how entirely dependent we are upon the bales, he was sorry and promised to write to the W. A. about it. Most of those who so kindly, send us clothing are now sending us the money to pay the freight from Edmonton forward. Our Mission is upheld by the bales so that a failure in clothing means a failure in Mission work at St. Peters.

We have no \$60 per head from Government like those on Indian Reserves. . . . During the Bishop's visit seven of our scholars besides four others were confirmed, two of the latter were converts from Rome. I gave them about three months careful preparation and had personal dealings with them all. To kneel with them at the Lord's Table was a joy which filled our hearts to overflowing. One intelligent man in the H. B. Co's employ remarked to me that he never thought, eight years ago, that our little Mission would see such a day as that.

Will you ask all Christian friends to pray for these dear people? They will need much grace and strength to stand up for Jesus in this place. In spite of the arrival of R. C. Bishop and six nuns, to take up their residence in this place the Indians are still bringing their children to us. I feel sure that we shall have to refuse many this fall, 25 will be the limit to our accommodation and we have nearly that number now. How to express our gratitude to the members of the Toronto W. A. for voting \$325 towards building a hospital, we feel at a loss, but we can assure them that we gratefully appreciate their kindness more than words can express. I want to appeal to the W. A. for a team of horses, harness and plough. At present we are without any of these, yet we have to raise crops for the Home, so far we have had to borrow or hire which costs us about double its worth. Neither

the Bishop nor C.M.S. can make us any grant for these necessaries ; besides the crops there is all the fuel and hay to draw which occupies a team the greater part of winter."

With this number the second year of these four pages begins. Will the W. A. members pray that the words published in them may be the means of drawing many to live and work for Christ.

With the Domestic subject which calls for our attention this month—Algoma—The hearts and minds of the Auxiliary are constantly employed. The Bishop, the Clergy, noble brave men, her people and their spiritual welfare, in fact all that concerns our Missionary Diocese excite a warm and deep interest in our members and we trust this interest may increase and manifest itself in many helpful ways. Let us ask God so to prosper His work there, that we may no longer hear on all sides, "Poor Algoma," but expressions of joy and thankfulness at the way she is being blessed. Women of the Auxiliary, your prayers and self-denials, under God's guidance can do much to bring this to pass. Shall we neglect our opportunities.

Of our Foreign Subjects. South America and Mexico we read "British Guiana has a population of about 300,000, of whom 38 per cent are coolies imported from East India, about 52 per cent are 'blacks, Africans and coloured people;' the remaining 10 per cent being made up of Portugese, Chinese, Europeans other than Portugese, and native Indians. The black people speak English and are as professedly Christian as any white community. The heathen element is made up of coolies, about 110,000 in number and employed on almost every sugar estate in the colony, and the aboriginies estimated at 10,000. The Churches that are at work in the colony are, in order of members, Church of England, Church of Scotland, Methodist, Congregational and Roman Catholic" (For account illustrated see S. P. G.'s "Mission Field," September, '94, most interesting and instructive.) The Republic of Mexico is about half the size of European Russia and the population about 12,000,000 of whom one fifth are white, three tenths Aztec and one half mixed blood. There are nine Protestant Missionary Societies at work Spanish is the language generally spoken. There are over 10,000 Roman Catholic Churches in the country and up to a little more than twenty years ago, the exercise, or propagation of any other worship would have occasioned the death of any one attempting such an enterprise. "We all know what a sad history Mexico has had."

[NOTE—The letter from Moosonee, referred to in September LEAFLET will be found in the October number of the *Church Mission News*, first page.]

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Subjects for Reading and Prayer . November—Algoma, South America and Mexico. December—Diocesan, Corea. .

AUXILIARY NOTES.

With this number the LEAFLET of the Toronto Diocese enters upon its seventh year. Singularly enough the first LEAFLET contained a letter from Essonville and a letter from Cumberland, N.W.T. It is difficult to realize the great assistance given to our W.A. work through the influence of the LEAFLET, and the Editor would earnestly entreat the members of the Auxillary to endeavor by all means in their power to keep up the number already subscribed for in their branches and to increase the circulation if possible. May the blessing of our God be upon each number of the LEAFLET during the coming year.

The Officers of the Toronto Diocesan Board appointed to act as delegates to the General Board, greatly regret not having been able to attend the meeting recently held in Quebec, the lateness of the season and the long and expensive journey were the hindrances in every case.

We hear that Mrs. Young of Athabasca has just returned from England and is now in Winnipeg on her way to join the Bishop at Athabasca Landing. Mrs. Young is now we trust greatly improved in health, we rather selfishly wish we could have kept her with us in Toronto.

The Bolton W.A. have lost by removal to Minnesota, U.S., the Misses Caldwell who were among their most indefatigable workers. Their kindly sympathy and ever ready help will be sadly missed. We hear of the formation of a new branch at West Hill, and rejoice to welcome the women of this parish to the ranks of our Auxillary.

The October meeting of the Diocesan Board was held in the School-house of the Church of the Ascension, and was very largely attended. The promised address from Miss Ewart was given and the hearts of her hearers thrilled with emotion as she graphically described the daily life of a Zenana teacher, and the urgent need for more women to go in and out among their heathen sisters, telling them of the love of Jesus and the power of His Holy Gospel. Mrs. Williams, from N. Westminster was also with us, and told something of the work of the Chinese, in which she has been engaged. The large number of guests were most hospitably entertained by the members of the Branch. The

report of the Executive Committee *re* the P.M.A., was submitted to the meeting, and the Branches will, before this LEAFLET reaches them—have given their vote upon the matter. The Devotional Meeting for October, was held in the Parlour of St. James' Cathedral School house, and was most helpful to the members present. Mrs. Broughall took the subject of the Fatherhood of God. We should be glad to see more of our members present at these meetings, held the second Wednesday in the month in the Parlour of St. James School house.

The Rev. G. Gander, of South River, Algoma, writes to say he will be most thankful to receive some gifts for his S.S. Christmas Trees—a small box for St. John's Church, Eagle Lake, about thirty children, about equally divided as to boys and girls from four to eighteen years of age; a box for Grace Church, about forty-five children, boys and girls about equal; books suitable for a Bible Class would delight them. Strong warm clothing of any kind for boys and girls, men and women is most useful. Some good second-hand clothing which has been sent to South River has been of great service. (Algoma being on our list of reading and prayer for this month, readers of the above will be interested in hearing from South River.—Ed.) The Bishop of Athabasca writes that in the proceedings of their Synod we shall find reference to the interest and help accorded by the Woman's Auxiliary; a copy of this report will be sent to us when printed. The Bishop thinks Margaret Durnell fits in admirably and gives great promise of being a help and comfort to Mrs. Holmes. He also says the Life Membership Fees will be employed in the erection of an isolated sick room. The Bishop writes while camping in his half finished residence, 25 x 30 ft., and desires through the medium of the LEAFLET to convey to the Toronto Branch of the W.A. his heartfelt sense of their kindness to Mrs. Young and himself during their stay in Toronto. A postscript is added to the Bishop's letter to say that he has not as yet received the charges for Margaret Durnell's travelling expenses from Edmonton to Lesser Slave Lake, from the Hudson Bay Co., but will send to the Treasurer directly it is received; readers of the LEAFLET will remember that Margaret, was from May 19th to July 3rd before she reached her destination.

DORCAS NOTES.

ROOM 39, THE FORUM, YONGE STREET.

Branches are working for the following places;—ST. PHILLIP'S, Mr. Pardoe, Novar, in December, SUTTON WEST, Rev. Rural Dean Llwyd, Huntsville, November; BRAMPTON, Rev. J. W. Tims, Blackfoot, October; ST. MARGARET'S, Thunder Child's Reserve, Sask., by Christmas; COLLINGWOOD, Rev. G. Gilmour, Rosseau, by Christmas; ALL SAINTS', Rev. G. Stocken, Sarcee Reserve, November; CHURCH OF ASCENSION, Rev. J. Lucas, Fort Chipewayan, January; ST. SIMON'S, Rev. H. Bourne, December; ORILLIA, outfit for two boys

Rev. F. Swainson, Blood Reserve; ST. MATTHEW'S, Shoal River, Mr. E. Bassing, May, PETERBOROUGH, Rev. H. Brashier, Innisfall, November.

Branches have sent to the following places.—ST. PAUL'S, to Rev R. Inkster, Sask., bale, ST. MARK'S, Rev. E. Cook, Cumberland, bale; GIRLS' GUILD, Peterborough, Rev. J. Hinchliffe, Piegan Reserve bale; BRAMPTON, Rev. J. W. Tims, Blackfoot Reserve, bale.

The bale for Rev. G. Holmes, of Lesser Slave Lake, with boys' clothing, which he says is absolutely necessary, is being sent from the Central Rooms. Several Branches have contributed and we hope a bale of good useful articles will reach him before the winter sets in. The Brampton Branch have sent on their bale to Blackfoot Reserve, a baby's outfit, complete with robe for christening included. An extract from a letter of Rev. E. Cook, Cumberland, to Second Seniors, Church of Redeemer:—"We cannot indeed express in words the feeling we have towards you all and indeed the advancement you bring about in our work and the Gospel cause, but the persons that have seen and had experience in this work feel and know exactly how we feel. Two weeks ago another widow was left to us with six children and a mother-in-law. The Indians just get their treaty or rather amncsty, which was all taken in advance, of which they get an order of 25 per cent.; this some of them brought over to me to purchase some of the clothing they wish to have extra, so I take these orders and will keep them; when hard times come I shall hand them over to the H. B. Co., for such things as shall then be required. Now if this is agreeable to you and to your co-workers you will kindly let me know, or you can kindly enter in the LEAFLET if you think proper. It is in this way: sometimes one of my people come for something he admires but at the time he is badly off; but on our part we do not like to refuse him in case of offence, and in this way I shall be glad to get a word from the W.A. The children's clothing I don't part with until the cold weather comes; it will be very useful indeed especially for the little girls that go to school. With every thanks for your kind work, hoping that you will, in God's blessing, find the liberal hearts and hands to join you in the work and will in the future have you reward from Him for whose cause we are now working ever resting and putting all our trust in Jesus.

FANNIE H. BANKS, *Dorcas Sec.*

JUNIOR DEPARTMENT.

Urgent appeals for gifts for Christmas trees have been received from Algoma, and requests having been issued to town and country Branches, a most generous response has been given from the Juniors, whereat the Dorcas Secretary's heart has been set rejoicing.

A charming letter has been received from Miss May Hoskin, giving a bright and graphic account of her life and duties at Yale, B.C. We

all wish the young worker, our first Missionary Teacher from the ranks of our Junior members. every good wish for her welfare and every blessing on her work.

Sent out since May 22nd : 72 Members' Badges, 54 Members' Cards, 22 Collecting Cards. Postage since May, \$1.16.

Any moneys are to be sent direct to Miss Tilley, 544 Spadina Ave., Toronto. Miss Tilley will act as Treasurer for the Junior Branches W.A. and will send receipts in acknowledgement for any sums sent to her.

M. FORSYTH GRANT, *Junior W.A. Superintendent.*

From Rev. Geo. Holmes to Diocesan President.

I am sorry to have delayed so long in acknowledging your very kind expression of sympathy with us in the score of trials it pleased our Heavenly Father we should pass through last winter. Mrs. Cummings forwarded us a copy of the resolution passed by the Board, which I assure you touched us very much. It is a subject which, even now gives one pain to speak about, but we bow to our Father's will. He doeth *all things* well. Besides being a link between us and Heaven, it has made Christ dearer and Heaven more real. I can scarcely find words to thank our kind Christian friends for the \$325.00 they have voted towards the erection of a hospital, but it will suffice to say that our hearts overflowed. We could say with the Psalmist "Our cup runneth over; surely goodness and mercy shall follow us all the days of our lives." Bishop Young has already written, asking permission from the Board, to use part of the money to finish off the interior of the Home which I trust will meet with its approval, since a small separate room is all that will be required for some time to come. Now I am going to tell you about our bales which, I am thankful to say, have reached us safely and in good condition. We found as usual ample of everything for the girls, but you will be sorry to hear we have scarcely anything for our boys. I think there is not more than half a dozen suits besides a little raw materiel, very few shirts and no winter caps. What we shall do for our fifteen boys I don't know. To turn them away would be to send them to the priests and at this crisis prove almost the death blow to our Home. I wrote to Mrs. Cummings a short time ago telling her the same. . . . Last year I was able out of the bale clothing to purchase all the fish required for the Home, besides potatoes and many other necessaries. This year I shall have to pay cash for all these things through H. B. Co. As the Bishop will have told you, we have no grant either from C.M.S. or Government towards the support of the Home. If the latter would only allow us the \$60.00 per head as they do on the Reserves, we should not have the least difficulty. The Bishop told me that some of the ladies thought I was in the habit of looking too much on the dark side of things. "Well," I said, "I will promise to write cheerfully when I am cheered by their liberal response. I am sure that the W.A. did not, until re-

cently, understand the circumstances under which we have to carry on our Home work in these northern Dioceses ; not that I think that the W.A. of Canada could well do more than they do, but I think the Indians outside the Treaty limits who receive no Government grant whatever, have a greater claim on the Church than those on the Reserves , in fact they are entirely dependent upon the Church. The C.M.S. do no more than pay the Missionary's salary. The Church Missionary Leaves have rendered us valuable assistance, but the W.A. of Canada, have done the lion's share for St. Peters Lesser Slave Lake. It would occupy too much space to tell what the different Branches have done, but I may mention a few important items, such as a valuable Communion Set, Alter Cloth, Church Bell, School Bell, \$200.00 last year towards the building of the Home, \$325.00 this year towards the erection of a hospital, besides all the bale clothing, etc. In speaking by way of contrast between our work in the far north and that on the Indian Reserves, I am not speaking for myself but for my fellow Missionaries as well. Before leaving this subject, I will just try as briefly as possible to give you some idea of our present position : We shall have twenty-five children in the Home from the 1st of September to the end of June next. As far as I know, apart from a very few things we may be able to purchase with the bale clothing, we have not a single dollar in hand towards their support. I have ordered in some flour, but for that I am personally responsible until some of our Christian friends release me. The vegetables, I am thankful to say, we are, under great difficulties, able to raise ourselves, tea, salt, soap, and other necessaries I have ordered on my own responsibility. Last year, too, we supplied all these things from our own private outfit. For cultivating the gardens, hauling hay or fuel, we have neither team, harness, waggon or plough ; all these things we have to borrow or hire, for which we pay double their worth. To do all the work about the mission a hired man is necessary, besides all I do myself, for which the Bishop allows me \$125.00. for both board and wages. . . .

From Rev. E. Cook, Cumberland House, to Mrs. Taylor.

" In my trip up to the Synod at Prince Albert, I found your kind letter, dated July 22nd, stating that a bale of clothing was forwarded to me, of which I was very glad indeed to know its contents, being the first year that I am getting any help of this sort, and being my fourth year down here, it was somehow an overlook, but I had left it all to the will of our Heavenly Father and He has brought it about by His grace that I am blessed with a good help this year. I shall just give you a brief account of the pleasure we had from the bale in our trip, and also from my mission and Indians. The distance is about or over 250 miles, We went up in a steamboat but had to come down in a flat boat, which took us eight days. As Mrs. Cook and our little girl of seven were with us, and our man, we had not provided much 'iding or clothing ; the

weather being very warm at the time, we did not wish to cumber ourselves with much—but on our return journey the nights were cold. I found your bale at Prince Albert and we were glad of the two quilts in it, and to our joy we found several pounds of tea, which supplied us until we reached our mission. I most heartily thank the givers of these useful articles; "but seek ye first the Kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added unto you." This is how it came about that our Heavenly Father provided for us, at the time of need, and this is how we do him a good service. St. Matthew 25th, 40v. But my Christian friends, it is not only to myself that you have gladdened my heart but also to our poor Indians; it also gives us a great relief in our work, as in repairing our church and dwelling house and other work preparing for the winter, to be able to give something to those that do the work and also to the most destitute of our flock. Their chief occupation is hunting furs, the land not being in a condition for them to make their living entirely by farming, and the country is not nearly so productive as in times past, and it is getting worse and worse, I may say, in everything by which the Indian made his living. We have a daily school, which is closed at present, but will be open in a few weeks. We have both the treaty and non-treaty Indians; some of the latter are very badly off. The H. B. Co. are here on business and give supplies but very little work. Some of the Indians have to go up west amongst the farmers for work, about 250 miles, six and seven days travelling; from this you will know or at least guess in what condition our people are. I thank you all for your great work; please mention to the rest of the W.A. members that have joined in the noble work and thank them in my name. The clothing that you have sent will be very useful, as it is just what we require for the cold, and also the coat is an article that does not come in every bale, and there is always some one that wants a coat. Quilts, though I got quite a number of them, I am still asked for more which I cannot give or supply. These are very useful things and for travelling in the winter they keep out the cold so well. We have nearly two hundred souls belonging to this mission. At times I have to visit these people and the clothing will be very useful for payment and also for giving to the destitute. Our mail is monthly from June till August and our nearest railway station is Prince Albert. It is only in the summer we can get our bales. Hoping that your good work will continue and that you will remember my mission and send another bale in the future."

From Rev. E. Shepherd, Essoville, to Diocesan President.

You asked me to write you a short account of Cardiff and Monmouth Mission. It is a pleasure to me to do so, especially when I consider that those who help us so much here, ought to know a little about the place and people they assist. I know for a fact that a large number of persons wonder why it is that so much money and clothes is sent to one single mission in the Diocese; they wonder how it is the

people do not pay anything towards the salary of their minister, and they cannot understand how there exists such a poor place in Toronto Diocese; but if such persons were to come here, go through each settlement and examine the farms and the actual state of the settlers, their astonishment would cease and they would rather wonder how it is that the Diocese is not called upon to supply larger sums of money, etc. for the extensive missions of Cardiff and Monmouth. First of all let us glance at the various Mission stations: Essonville, the headquarters, there is an exceedingly nice country Church here, service every Sunday at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m., Sunday School at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m., Wednesday night service at 7.30 p.m. Holy Communion once a month. Average attendance in the morning about 50 and evening about 30. Wilberforce, five miles away (from Essonville in each instance), service in a School House every two weeks, average attendance 42 to 44. Sunday School is held in a private house every Sunday. Cheddar, 14 miles away, a nice little Church here, service every two weeks and Holy Communion once a month. Deer Lake, 20 miles away, small Church, services same as Cheddar. Madill's, 6 miles away, services every two weeks, Holy Communion once a month, in a school house at present; a Church is being built, funds are needed for it. Sunday School every Sunday.—Sleep Settlement, 20 miles away, service in a school house every two weeks, Holy Communion once a month.—Hotspur, 6 miles away, service in a school house every two weeks. There is no village in the whole of the Mission, but simply scattered settlements. For the most part, those who have settled in all the settlements mentioned above, are men who have come to the backwoods without a cent in their pockets, located 100 acres of land, none cleared. First they put up a small log shanty (a great number live in such shanties now). For the first few years they work hard in the summer, in the winter they mostly have had to leave their homes and get work at the lumber camp, to earn a little money to carry them through the year, etc. It is only about eighteen years ago since the first settler came to settle in any of the settlements. Let any one visit one of these farms now after fifteen or sixteen years, and what we say about one applies to all. You will see ten, fifteen, twenty, and sometimes more, acres of land cleared, the rest bush, fenced off roughly into fields. You will see a field simply thick with stumps of trees and stones, the ground actually covered with them, and you will wonder how anything grows at all. You will see a barn, stables, &c. and a stock of horses, cattle, pigs, &c.; the dwelling house is sometimes, as I said, a log shanty, sometimes a frame house. Now, a man to get all this accomplished in fifteen or sixteen years, has a hard, very hard time of it to get even so much done as we have described. You will now conclude that now a settler has got so far he will be able to support his Church. Not so—and why? For the simple reason that a man, if he has got thus far has scarcely a cent in his pocket—and how is this? There is *no market*.

A man may have ever so much, he can sell but he cannot get *cash*. Nearly the whole of the buying and selling is done by *trade*, simply exchanging one article for another. . . *The only way* they can now help the Church is by working for it; when a day's work is required it is given willingly. A Clergyman is always, without exception, gladly welcomed by them in their homes and entertained by them. Still these people, a large number of them, are poor and family after family have children they cannot send to Sunday School or Church for want of clothes. How is this? When we consider the hard struggle most of the settlers have had to get even as far as we have described, they naturally have not had much money to clothe their children with. There is continually stock and farm implements to buy, barns and larger houses to be built, and when this is done there is not much left for clothes. Such *in brief* is an account of these first settlers, who are preparing the land for future generations, and I consider it is the duty of our well-to-do Church people to help them as much as lies in their power.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

Diocesan.	
All Saints'	\$14 75
York Mills	5 00
Barrie (Mrs. Morris' Holiday money)	2 15
All Saints' "Chipmunk Band"	5 00
Mrs. Williams	2 00
Christ Church, Deer Park.....	10 00
Algoma.	
All Saints'	2 25
Temiscamingue.	
Mrs Williams	1 00
Qu'Appelle Mission Fund.	
South Ward, Peterboro	5 00
Calgary.	
"Blackfoot Home.	
York Mills	6 00
St. George's	15 00
Mrs. Williams	1 00
South Ward, Peterboro.....	5 00
"Matron's Salary.	
All Saints'	16 05
St. George's.....	15 00
Bolton	6 50
Foreign.	
All Saints'	170
"C. E. Z. S. Per Miss Sugden.	
Omamee	5 00
Education Fund.	
Mrs. Williams	1 00
Gordon Osler.....	1 00
St. Luke's, A friend.....	5 00

St. James' Cath., a member ...	1 00
St. Thomas' a member	5 00
Central Room, Christ Ch. Deer Park.....	2 00
Life Membership Fee.	
St. Philips' Mrs. Merrick	25 00
Collection Monthly Meeting.....	5 25
Extra-Cent-a-Day Fund	65 19
Interest Dominion Bank Account	11 10
Communion Vessels.	
St. Lukes', Mrs. Smith.....	5 00
St. Simon's, C.M.....	1 00
Rupert's Land.	
For Indian Hospital and School	
Mrs. Austin.....	4 00

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EXPENDITURE.

Secretary, Postage	5 00
Micklethwaite, Expenses Annual Meeting.....	2 25
Education Annie Macdonald	50 00
Rent Central Rooms.....	10 00
Ryrie Bros., Communion Vessels	7 75
Diocesan Maple Miss. Building Fd.	25 00
Algoma. St. Joseph's Is. Bdg. Fd.	30 00
Blackfoot Home.....	22 00
Home Lesser Slave Lake	2 00
Home Lesser Slave Lake, gifts (Steve)	10 19
C.E.Z.S. Supt., girl in India.....	77 00

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Huron Diocese.

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

Subjects for Prayer and Reading: November—Algoma, S. America, and Mexico. December—Diocesan, and Corea.

As Algoma is especially before us for reading and prayer this month, a few facts in connection with it may interest our readers:—“This Diocese is part of our own Province; not merely Canada, but Ontario. It extends from Lake Huron north to James' Bay, the Southern extension of Hudson's Bay, that great inland sea, from Manitoba and Keewatin on the west, to Quebec and the N. E. Territories on the east. It comprises the districts of Muskoka, Parry Sound, Nipissing, and Thunder Bay, besides Algoma proper, Manitoulin, and adjacent Islands in Lake Huron. It covers an area of 48,000 square miles. It is four times the size of the Diocese of Huron; larger than Ireland, or Scotland; larger than the State of New York; and nearly as large as England. Its population at the last census was 90,000, but what it will be at the next census, at its growing rate of increase, it is impossible to say. Algoma is practically without any Protestant Church, except the Church of England; twenty-one Clergy only; Catechists and Students for the Ministry filling up as far as they can the several vacant Missions. But what are they among so many? Missions abandoned, mean Churches closed, congregations scattered to the winds, Sunday Schools broken up, the little ones unbaptized, the sick unvisited, and the dying unconsolated.” Algoma's future is largely committed as a sacred trust to the loyal Churchmen and Churchwomen of Canada. It is our Jerusalem, for which we should pray and work.

For the following notes upon our pleasant semi-Annual Meeting, our readers are indebted to Miss Weir, of Brantford.

OUR SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING.

The third Semi-Annual Meeting of the Board of Management of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese of Huron, met at Stratford, on Wednesday, October 17th, in the Schoolhouse attached to St. James' Church; about forty Branch Presidents being present. The morning Session was opened at 10 a. m. by the Rector, the Rev. David Williams, who, after reading and prayer, gave a short address of welcome to those present, and said a few words on the subject of Women's work in the Church. The ever-increasing activity of women in all branches

of Church work, he considered as indicative of a return to the days of the primitive Church, when Deaconesses, and probably an order of widows, worked in conjunction with the three orders of clergy. This recognized order of women having become subject to abuses was set aside at the Reformation, but is being revived in various ways at the present day. Mr. Williams further reminded his hearers that the means of work in the Mission field cannot be measured by statistics, which are generally most discouraging; Mission work is *burrowing* work, by reason of it heathenism is crumbling away, and when it is finally undermined, then the success of Mission work will come upon us as a sun-burst. As Sir Bartle Frere said, "the influence of patient Mission work is absolutely incalculable, not by evident success, but by the revolution it is making in the very being of the heathen." Mr. Williams while urging the claims of the foreign field, would have his hearers not lose sight of those of the North and West, and of the Diocese; the need of the near being little less than the need of the distant. The President, Mrs. Baldwin, then took the chair, and after Roll-call the Recording Secretary read the Minutes of the meeting of the Emergency Committee, held since the Annual Meeting. At a meeting held March 20th, the resolution of the Finance Committee that no Report be printed this year was adopted, and at a special meeting held May 20th, the Bishop earnestly asked the W.A. to help in the Mission work of the Diocese, and with Huron College. In reference to this last, the President stated that Huron College not being a Diocesan Institution was completely outside the work of the W.A.; though the members as individuals, were asked to do what they could to assist it. In regard to Diocesan Missions it has been suggested that envelopes for this special purpose be given to every Branch, the contributions to be placed on the plate on the Sundays when the quarterly collections for Diocesan Missions are taken up in the Churches. This plan not being considered feasible, after some discussion a Committee composed of Mesdames Boomer, (Convenor) Complin, Craig, English, Chance, Misses Battersby and Weir, was appointed to report to the meeting later in the day. The Treasurer then stated that the salary of the Lady Missionary at Omoksene was due, and that she only had \$26 towards it, while for Lion's Head, very little had come in. It was moved and carried, that the collection at the General Missionary Meeting be given to the Lady Missionary Fund. The next subject discussed was the resolution of the Finance Committee, that "the reports be printed as formerly, with the exception that those of the Diocesan Secretaries and Convenors of Committees be so condensed as not to cover more than eight pages," which resolution was adopted. The Corresponding Secretary then read interesting letters from Mrs. Harry Swainson, Miss Wilson, and replies to resolutions of sympathy passed at the Annual. The Dorcas Secretary begged the Branches to mark the bales sent "Diocese of

Huron" as in many cases, Missionaries had not known from which Diocese their bales came. Mrs. Boomer read a letter from Mrs. Shore, offering copy books for Indian Schools. (See Oct. LEAFLET, page 407) and others, which will be found among the "Messages from the Mission field." At noon the Woman's prayer was said by all present, after which, Miss Kerby, Lady Missionary on the Grand River Reserve, gave an interesting account of her work; and Mrs. Boomer spoke of a visit made by her to the W.A. Indian Branch at Muncey Town. The President urged the claims on the W.A. of the Indians, many of them still pagans, on the Reserves in Eastern Canada.

At the afternoon Session the Corresponding Secretary read a letter from the General Corresponding Secretary, regretting that Huron W.A. could not be represented at the Meeting of the Central Board in Quebec, and asking for information in regard to its work. Mrs. Mackenzie, Woodstock, read a letter from Mrs. Stewart of the Chinese Mission, with requests for prayer. Mrs. Boomer then submitted her report as Convenor of the Central Education Committee, which proved the increased interests in this Branch of W.A. work. Huron has three children committed to her charge, two placed with the Misses Penny, the third received in the home of a lady in London. The Grace Church Brantford Branch grant, promised two years ago in behalf of another child, was made over to the Education Committee for the children now under its care. Then followed the arrangements for the next Annual Meeting. Mrs. Patterson, of Preston, was asked to prepare a paper; and it was decided not to call the roll, some quicker method of getting the number and names of delegates to be devised in the interval. It was also suggested, that more time be secured at the Annual Meeting for general discussion, and that the contents of question drawer be not hurried through at the last moment, but taken up at an earlier moment, and in more leisurely fashion. The Branches sending bales to Omoksene, were asked to put in them some yards of denim for Miss Wilson to cover the walls of her room with, paper alone being insufficient to keep out the cold. (N. B. A later excellent suggestion was *felt paper*, as superior for this purpose). Resolutions of sympathy with Canon Matheson on the death of his wife; with St. Jude's Brantford Branch, on its loss, in the death of Mrs. Nugent, one of its oldest, and most active members; and a vote of cordial thanks to the Rector and ladies at Stratford for their admirable arrangements and generous hospitality, were moved and carried, after which the meeting was thrown open for a quarter of an hour's informal talk. This over, the Committee formed to consider the matter of the Diocesan Mission work, presented the following resolution:—"In regretful recognition of the fact that the pledges already given by the W.A. towards the support of a special mission in the Diocese of Huron, have, so far, not been met, this committee hesitates to urge upon the branches the assuming at present of any further responsibility

in regard to any direct claims. At the same time it would earnestly urge upon those branches which have already made such distinct promises, the absolute duty of fulfilling them, and suggests that Miss Weir, as secretary to this committee, be empowered to communicate with every branch of the W.A. on this subject." This report was adopted. The meeting was then addressed by the Bishop who, after a few hearty words of greeting, spoke on certain aspects of the work of the W.A. Judging from letters from Missionaries it is impossible to estimate the help and cheer they derive from the labours of the W. A., therefore branches should endeavour to still further develop Dorcas work, and to find out the needs of the missionaries and distribute their bales as equally as possible. Owing to the withdrawal of the grants of the C.M.S. the North West is looking more and more to the Church in Eastern Canada for help. In regard to Lion's Head, the Bishop said a Clergyman was going there, under promise to remain there five years, and urged the W.A. not to relax its efforts on behalf of that Mission. In the evening a general Missionary meeting was held which was addressed by the Bishop, the Rector of St. James, the Revs. Messrs Steele of Berlin, and Taylor of St. Mary's.

MESSAGES FROM THE MISSION FIELD.

Writing to Miss Moyer, Secretary Berlin W.A., Rev. D. D Macdonald expresses hearty appreciation of the valuable contents of no less than three bales sent to him, "all really good and just what we require, quilts, carpets, blankets, etc. The Indians are badly in need of help and they will receive them ready for the winter. If you were here you would see what an assistance your gifts are to us in our work, a work which God still continues to bless. May He whose cause you are trying to forward be with you all and finally show you the fruit of your kindness to us. We are going to try to build a Church next spring for which we need \$600. Donations to be sent to our Bishop; please help us in this matter also."

In reply to the letter of Mrs. Falls conveying the sympathy of the W.A. to Mr. and Mrs. Holmes in the death of their little son the former writes: "We sincerely thank our dear friends for their sympathy with us in our sore trial. We can thank God that it has made Christ more dear, and heaven more real to us. Such a link between us and our future home tends to make us look more earnestly for the Master's return. All the children in the home were laid up with the fever but I am happy to say all recovered even the little Beaver girl whom I reported as dying. We did think there was not even the shadow of a chance for her. Had she been in the camp instead of the home, she would doubtless have been one of the victims. Until we received Mrs. Baldwin's most kind letter we were quite under the im-

pression that Huron W.A. had dropped us altogether. We have not received anything direct from London, I think, for two or three years, but I see that Holmesville, Summerhill and Middleton, which have this year sent us five bales, are in your Diocese. I am very sorry to have made such a mistake. . . Mrs. Holmes is enjoying much better health I am thankful to say, especially since the arrival of Miss Durnell to relieve her of the heavy part of the home work. We are expecting (D.V.) about the time winter sets in, a little stranger to take the place of our darling little boy, though at present it seems to us that no other could ever be so sweet as he. We hope to have no less than 25 scholars this coming winter, 15 boys and 10 girls. School opens again on Sept. 1st. Our needs are very many, but our Father's store is full."

In writing to thank the Indian branches of Muncey and Oneida for their most useful gifts to the Indians of Cumberland Mission the Rev. E. Cook says:—"I have heard from Mrs. Boomer of your self-denying efforts for our poor people—in God's sight, *deeds of love*. We are so thankful to have these gifts of yours and to be able to tell them of the givers. . . The other day I saw one poor little fellow upon whose clothing I counted seven different kinds of material and they had never been washed since the first day he put them on. . . The children are badly off for clothes, their parents depending on their hunting, and furs are now very scarce. Many are now coming in from their hunt with but small gains. . . In their roaming life it is hard for us to get their children taught as we would desire to teach them, yet in my four years here I have known none of them steal or say bad words to one another. They hardly know the taste of candy, or an apple or a fig; why they hardly know a clean dress from a dirty one, but they are quick to learn and those who have been at school this winter can sing hymns nicely. Our poor old men are sorely in need of clothing. Could not some of your men spare us some of their clothing before the cold winter sets in? I am keeping your gifts until then." To Mrs. Boomer Mr. E. Cook, who was bereaved of three children in a year, says:—"I was just through putting a new foundation to our Church and repairing our graveyard when your letter promising good things to come, arrived. Such good news for the poor fathers working with me, I say with me for I do not sit and look on but lend a hand. Of course our Indians get no pay, but I give them two or three meals, and when I told them that something was coming from the kind ladies for their children as a reward for their work oh! how glad they were. . . Yesterday I visited a sickman, had to lance his knee which was very bad. Besides a widowed mother he has a wife and eight children wretchedly clad, but these are not the only ones we have around us whose bare skin we should like to cover. Truly it does not sound well but it is the case. They have no food, no money, no work, no market of any kind, and for about six months they have to endure this. Fish is their chief

living and the Fishery Act will much affect them unless reduced to briefer time. On Sunday our Church was pretty well filled but all have not returned. *They are regular Church going people when they are here.* On one of our reserves we have a faithful servant in the mission cause who holds services. He, too, is very poorly off. I have another lay reader, too, for whom I should be glad of clothes." In a postscript Mr. Cook adds—"The old man Jebb and another have just come in between forty and fifty miles through marsh and brush and by water for a little aid for himself and people; one has no coat, only shirt and pants. Though the steamboat has not come in they shall not go away empty, and must be provisioned for their return journey. . . . Our mail comes monthly. . . . From June to September we have a chance of getting things down by scow or boat from Prince Albert, but early in July only by steamboat. This is the first year that I am getting THE LEAFLET. I hope it will continue as it is full of interesting information."

Rev. Gilbert Cook, after making most grateful acknowledgement of the kind offer made through the Education Committee, as well as that from a dear member of the Walkerton W.A. to adopt one of his children, writes of its being utterly impossible for either of them to leave their grandmother whose crippled condition makes her wholly dependent upon their ministrations. (One daughter is being educated in Winnipeg.) Mr Cook's health has improved, but is by no means fully restored. Happily the miserable shanty which has hitherto had to serve as a Mission House is being replaced by a new building, so should Mr. Cook be enabled to continue at his post, he and his family will have some prospect of comfort this winter. The Finance Committee allow him \$300 for material but he has to supply the remainder, therefore, help towards this, as well as towards household needs, will be very acceptable. Will friends making up a bale for Mr. Cook remember the aged grandmother and send her some comfortable, easy fitting underlinen, *canton flannel sheets*, blankets and curtains for the windows. His address is Stagville, Kinosta P.O., N.W.T.

The following quotations are from a letter to Mrs. Baldwin, from Miss Thompson who went from London as a lady missionary to Athabasca :—"We reached Edmonton on May 25th, and from there set out on our hundred mile drive. We were a party of six, and had two box waggons full of baggage, on the top of which the gentlemen sat, a seat being provided for the ladies—Miss Herbert, Miss Durnell and myself—but it was very high, and had no back, and the mosquitos were very bad. It took us four days, at the end of which time I left the others, to continue my journey by steamer. I *did* feel very lonely and homesick as the steamer left the wharf, and I found myself alone among strangers, but I thought of the Friend who never forsakes and was strengthened; *I have never regretted coming.* At Fort McMurray the Rev. Mr. Lucas met me and accompanied me to Fort Chipaweyan.

I did not expect to find such a comfortable home away up here; Mrs. Lucas brought so many pretty things with her. The children here are very bright, but have everything to learn, if we can only get them when they are *quite* young it would be better. The school room is a good size and nicely fitted up. The Church is of logs, and has a little melodion; the children are very fond of singing hymns, and in the school scripture is the first subject every morning. I am trying to learn a little Cree. I do believe my Father has led me here and has a work for me to do here, and will keep me to do it, and I ask you to remember me in your prayers.

From Rev. F. Frost comes the following.—“I am very anxious for a bale. Our friends in the bale line seem to have forgotten us.”

MESSAGES FROM NEARER HOME.

LAMBETH.—Our Branch has only been organized two years, but our having done better this year than last, proves that our interest is keeping up. Our bale goes to Rev. Mr. Stocken. It contains underclothing for boys and girls, warm caps, hoods, quilts, &c., &c. On “packing day” our President sent out a hearty invitation to all members of the S.S. as well as to our W.A. asking each to bring a pound of groceries, &c. A most generous response was given and we had a grand collection. We were most hospitably entertained by Mrs. Thornecroft, and left, feeling happy and content, after singing the Doxology.

Of a dear young member of a Boys' Mission Band now passed away, his sorrowing mother writes.—“I have the assurance that his life was not in vain. He always read THE LEAFLET with interest as also do his father and grandfather. Ever since I have taken *Our Little Messenger* it has been a visitor welcome to three generations in our home and is read from beginning to end.”

To Mrs. Gerald Groyn, of Dundas, our thanks are due for sending us a kind message of greeting and good will and with it some copies of “Missionary Facts and Figures,” “What are we Going to Say?” (extracts from “Do Not Say,”) and of Mrs. Bishop's admirable address, “Heathen Claims and Christian Duty,” all for distribution at our semi-annual meeting.

Tidings from Miss Sandys, Cor-Sec. of Christ Church Chatham W.A., reaches us, telling of her happy training time in the Deaconess Home, Toronto. “It is, she says, “a work of faith and we believe that if it is God's will that it continue, He will send what is necessary for its support. Pray that hearts may be opened to see the importance of this work. . . . I had a letter from Mr. Hartland, Griswold. I do hope that our Chatham Branch will send him a bale this fall.”

The Bishop of Algoma asks special mention of the following notice in THE LEAFLET, hoping that the friends and supporters of the

Shingwauk Home will comply with it as far as possible:—"The late Principal, the Rev. J. Irvine, having left the Shingwauk Home, the Bishop requests that all general communications, asking for information, etc., be addressed simply to "The Principal, Indian Homes, Sault Ste. Marie, Ont." but that *all letters containing contributions, whether by cheque or otherwise, be addressed to the Diocesan Treasurer, D. Kemp, Esq., Synod Office, Toronto.*"

A donation from Mrs. Turville of Amherstburg of \$1, for education fund, sent through Mrs. Falls is gratefully acknowledged, as also 75c. for same from an English friend, per Mrs. Boomer, also \$1 from Mrs. Shaw, Lucan.

Do not forget to send goods for Battleford and Onion Lake via C.P.R. to Saskatoon. The budget of 60 LEAFLETS for St. Pauls, London, and 12 for Ailsa Craig, Huron Diocese, have gone astray. Will any branch secretary who may have received them by mistake kindly send them to Mrs. Boomer, 577 Dundas St., London, Ont.

We would remind the Branches that gifts for Christmas to the three Sunday Schools (besides the Indians old and young) upon the Muncey and Oneida reserves will be very acceptable, also that those of Walpole Island, Ketelo Point, and the Six Nation Indians, under supervision of our lady Missionary at Kenyangah would rejoice to be remembered.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.		Literature	
General Fund.		Woodstock. O. S. P.	10
Galt	\$ 2 50	London. St. John Evangelist ..	10
Galt Junior Branch... ..	1 00	Wilmot Junior Branch	50
Stratford, H. M.	75	Chinese Mission, B. C.	
Mrs. Wright	60	Brantford, St. Jude's	1 00
Stratford, St. James'	60	<i>For Rev. Stringer.</i>	
Zenana		Seaforth Mrs. Kemp	10 00
Miss Street	1 00	Kenyangah.	
Lady Missionary, N. W.		Port Dover	1 00
Galt	5 00	Per Mrs. Kelly, King's Circle. .	25 00
Stratford, H. M.	2 50	Brantford, St. Jude's	1 00
Stratford, St. James' Extra-			
Cent-a-Day Fund	2 74		
A Friend Extra-Cent-a-Day...	3 00		
Stratford Collection Miss M	25 25		
Lady Missionary, Japan.			
Brantford St. Jude's	2 00		
Algoma			
Port Dover	5 00		
Education			
Brantford, St. Jude's	3 00		
Per Mrs. Falls	1 00		
Per Mrs. Bloomer	75		
Lion's Head			
Stratford, H.M.	2 50		
		DISBURSEMENTS.	
		General Fund.—	
		Stamps, Post cards	2 00
		Lady Missionary, North West ..	25 00
		Rev. F. Swainson	31 25
		Japan Lady Missionary	15 25
		Education.—	
		To Mrs. E. W. Hyman	50 00
		Rev. C. Robinson	10 00
		Rev. Stringer	10 00
		Kenyangah Lady Missionary ..	50 00

Montreal Diocese.

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

For various causes Montreal's Delegates to the October, Meeting of the Provincial Board of Management in Quebec, were with one exception, prevented from attending. They much regretted this, and hereby tender their very grateful thanks to their Quebec sisters for their kind offers of hospitality. On Mrs. Dennes' return we hope to hear from her a full account of the proceedings. From the Press Reports we gather that except in point of numbers (many of the Delegates from a distance being unable to attend), the meetings were very successful and much good work was accomplished.

Our City Branches have all resumed their regular meetings and many of them are engaged in working for special Missionary objects, for which appeals were made in October. We are glad to say that the Communion Service for a country Mission, mentioned in our last, is promised and that St. George's Y. L. M. S. will supply a Communion cloth for Rev. L. N. Tucker's Church in Vancouver.

The Bishop of Moosonee and his family are, to the great delight of their many old and attached friends, spending the winter in Montreal. It was necessary that the Bishop should leave Moosonee while travelling by canoe was practiceable, as he must be in Winnipeg early in the spring to start from there for York Factory ; from which place he will proceed to visit all the Stations in the North Western part of his Diocese ; and will return to Moosonee in the end of October or the beginning of November. The Bishop is his own Clerical Secretary, and for him there is no such word as rest. While making Montreal his Head Quarters, he will do a certain amount of Deputation work in the interest of his Diocese, and will also further pursue his study of the Indian dialects. We hope that when he returns

to Moosonee in the spring he may carry back with him abundant substantial tokens of interest in his noble work.

We rejoice to hear that La Colle is about to start a Branch of the W. A. ; will the Secretary please let us hear from her as soon as the work is well in hand.

Farnham has sent to the Diocesan Treasurer for Japan \$4.00 Washakada Home, \$2.00, Printing, \$1.00, Members fees \$1.20 Flood Sufferers, B.C. \$2.00, Algoma Superannuation fund \$1.00 Diocesan Missionary fund, \$2.00. It has also ready to send away \$25.00. Extra-cent-a-day fund.

Waterloo Branch has increased its LEAFLET subscription from 9 to 16 and its Secretary writes:—"It is indeed interesting, and only as we can interest members in reading the LEAFLET, and pamphlets bearing upon our work, can they be deeply interested in the Woman's Auxiliary." The Branch has sent \$16.00. for support of boy in Peigan Mission and has promised \$5.00. for Washakada Home.

DIOCESAN TREASURER'S STATEMENT (CONDENSED.)

From May to September, 1894.

RECEIPTS:—Washakada Home, \$10.00; Algoma, \$1.00; Ahabasca, \$3.50; Selkirk, \$2.00; Rupert's Land, 82c; Zenanas, \$6.00; Japan, \$11.50; Lepers, \$1.00; Printing, \$2.25; M. Fees, \$50.70; Sundries, \$39.92; Total, \$218.87.

DISBURSEMENTS:—Washakada Home, \$100.00; Algoma, W. O. \$10.00; Athabasca, \$3.50; Selkirk, \$10.00; Rupert's Land, \$72.00; Zenanas, \$24.00; Japan, \$41.00; Moosonee, \$10.00; St. Armand East, (New Church,) \$8.00; Chinese Work, New Westminster, \$27.60; Communion Linen, \$7.50; Freight, \$14.37; Printing, \$8.90; Postage and P.O.O. \$3.15; Total, \$340.02.

DORCAS SECRETARY'S REPORT (CONDENSED).

From May to September, 1894.

Flooded District Fraser River, British Columbia, Granville Branch, 13 articles; Waterloo, large bale new clothing and one

second hand ; Montebello and Papineauville, parcel clothing ; Farnham, Girls Branch, 1 quilt and 39, articles, chiefly for children ; Aylmer, bale ; All Saints, for Mr. Brick, 24 articles ; St. Matthews, 24 garments ; Waterloo for Shingwauk Home, 109 articles new, 14 second-hand ; St. Lukes, for Elkhorn, 39 articles ; Grace Church for Mr. Hinchliffe, 53 new and 17 second-hand articles also Magazines ; St. Katherine's Guild, Grace Church, for Peigan Mission, 34 garments, 8 picture books. Ministering Children's League, Grace Church, for Peigan Mission, 2 quilts, 3 garments, 8 scrap books. Grenville for Mr. Swainson, Blood Reserve, 37 articles new, 40 garments not new also papers, books, Christmas cards, combs and fancy articles, freight \$14.10.

JESSIE DAWSON.

Summary of Missionary Journey to Eskimo :—*Continued.*

The second visit was to Herchel Island and was undertaken at the beginning of winter. Taking a train of dogs, sled, provisions and everything necessary for a journey over the snow, and accompanied by an Indian, we left the Mission on Oct. 27th and reached the Island after 14 days travelling. It was a trying journey, a dense fog compelled them to hug the shore and thus increase the distance. The sudden breaking off from the shore of a large sheet of ice nearly caused their being carried out to sea and endangered their lives. They also narrowly escaped a visit during the night from a large polar bear which was looking out for winter quarters and perhaps for a supper too. They fell in with a party of Eskimo, and stayed with them a day ; they seemed to be utterly ignorant of the Gospel. He had their his first experience of living in a snow house and had one of his own. "The first," he says, "I ever owned." About fifteen miles from the Island they came across another party, whom they were glad to meet as their provisions had run out. They were all strangers to Mr. Stringer, and many of them had never before seen a Missionary. He says, "I had seen some of their relations last summer and they plied me with questions about them for they had not heard of them

since last winter. In most cases I was able to tell them some news of their distant friends, and I could scarcely get away from them. But I promised to come back in a few days, and at last broke away, and made for the ships. I was sorry to learn of the death of Oobouk the Eskimo whom I accompanied to the fort last spring. He died the night before I arrived. A number of Eskimo were living near the ships. I visited those as much as possible and taught them what I could. I made two trips to the village on the mainland, staying over night each time and was much pleased with their eagerness to learn. They used to gather in the largest house, and were very attentive as I read them what I had translated, and tried to explain to them the Gospel. Their houses were the half underground ones, built partly of poles and covered with sods and snow. In the house where I stopped there were about twenty people living. The building was about six feet high in the centre, sloped to the sides and would have a floor area of about fifteen square feet. I was kept busy while there holding little services with them and trying to answer all the questions they asked. One man said he had killed another a long time ago and eagerly enquired if there was a chance of his going to heaven. A woman wanted to know if they used tobacco in heaven. Some of them had been at Peel River some time ago and Arch-deacon McDonald or Bishop Bompas had given them some instruction, but most of them were from the further west, and had never been to the fort. And to think of these poor people living and dying without the opportunity of hearing the blessed Gospel. It was little I could do in such a short time and with my limited knowledge of the language, but it was a beginning and surely it was a privilege to bring the good news to them if only in an imperfect and limited way. They were as kind as could be, and wanted me to stay all winter. Then they wanted me to come back and stay all next winter, and said they would hunt for me." The whalers too were very kind and entertained him right hospitably, and when he left after a stay of about a fortnight laded him with such things as were necessary for the journey.—(*Conclusion next month.*)

Ontario Diocese.

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

Subjects for Prayer and Reading for November—Algoma, South America and Mexico.

More and more, as the years pass, and we are shown more of God's ways and methods, as revealed to us by our incarnate Lord, the eyes of our understanding, or heart, being enlightened, it is borne in upon us with ever-deepening conviction that the greatest witness and work for God in the world is the life of the Christian. It is not nearly so much the work that he does, as the life which he lives, that which he is in himself and in his relation to others, that contributes most of all to the proclamation amongst men of the Kingdom of Christ. What strikes us chiefly in the Gospels is the personality of Christ, their vivid portraiture of the man, the Word made flesh, the Son who came to and perfectly fulfilled His Father's will. Again, in St. Paul's epistles, we are impressed with the teaching, but still more with the teacher; the more we read and study his letters the more there takes shape in our minds the picture, the character of a man God-filled, a man on fire with the love of his risen, present Lord, a man full of living faith and enthusiasm and spirituality, a man who is consumed with a burning desire to win souls, who is all things to all men, if only he may, by all means, save some. And so it has always been, and still is a fact, that *certain men and women have made or are making their mark*, not by what they did or are doing, but by what they were or are. Christ's image and superscription is visibly stamped upon their lives. And in this age of high pressure and rush of work and organization, it is good, again and again, to take the thought home and to open our hearts wide to the friendly influences of that gentle voice of God the Holy Ghost, which is so apt to be unheard or forgotten, even in the work we may call His. "Mine own vineyard have I not kept" is so possible a confession simply because we too often give a first place

to our work, and a second to the equipment for that work, not recognizing their true relative order ; or because we allow, as early impressions fade and obligations increase, routine, to lay its fatal finger upon our souls with a weight to which we too easily grow accustomed. But how, if this be the case, are we to hold out to others the Word of Life, how ourselves become luminaries ; children of God without blemish ? " The spiritual man everywhere is meant to be the central man, the fire, the inspiration, the illumination and attraction of mankind. . . The spiritual man is a man who deals with the spirits and the souls of things and lives for them. . . If you do not know him otherwise, no words of mine can set him before your imagination. But you do know him otherwise. . . you have seen other men who you knew had made real within themselves that which in you was only a possibility." A possibility, yes ; for " God has given to every one of us the power to be spiritual ; and by our spirituality to lift, enlighten and enlarge the lives we touch." Surely, then, it is the presentment of the Christ-life in the lives of His people which would do more than ought besides to win souls for Him, to influence, to help others. But in order so to present-it, we must make it entirely our own, setting on one side and absolutely relinquishing all that is un-Christlike, and unlovely and unspiritual ; all that in our intercourse and mingling with others is uncharitable, and small, and mean, and ungracious. We must have a quick sensitiveness to wrong in ourselves, a stern self-judgment, a divine discontent, even whilst we aim at the elimination of self and the more perfect fulfilling of God's will on earth. As Christian workers our ideal must be raised ever higher and higher ; not merely the ideal of work, but the hallowing of the workers. Let us come apart and rest awhile as often as we can ; nay, let us create that inmost cell in our hearts into which at the busiest times we can secretly withdraw, so that we may see and learn, each for ourselves, what Christ was and is, and what he would have us, His followers, to be. The first claim of Christ is not upon our time, or our money, or our varied gifts, though He needs and claims

all of these, and He can withdraw them at any minute. His first claim is on ourselves. He asks the free-will offering of that which alone it is in our power to give or withhold, the personal devotion of the soul He has made for Himself. And in proportion, and only in proportion, as we indeed thus give ourselves to Him, will He give to us the high and inestimable privilege of proclaiming Him, and the redemption he has wrought among men.

A. B. T. in *The Algoma Missionary News*.

NOTES FROM THE BRANCHES.

CATERAQUI.—An old Branch re-organized on Sept. 19th. The Secretary, Miss Brooks, writes: "Six members were present at the first meeting, now increased to twelve, four meetings have been held with an average attendance of ten. At present we are making articles for a sale of work, the proceeds of which will be devoted towards paying off part of the debt on our Church here. We intend devoting as much of our time and funds as will permit, to Missionary work, and hope to be able to send away a box for that purpose after our sale of work, which we hope to hold in December."

ARCHVILLE has also re-organized, beginning with a membership of six, but with a prospect of more very soon. We are very much encouraged and feel sure that the re-opening of these two branches will give pleasure to all who are already working.

CAMDEN EAST.—There are now thirty-six members of the W.A. and fourteen subscribers to the LEAFLET. After the business part of the monthly meeting is over, the President or one of the members, read aloud while the other members knit or sew, as the case may be. A bale is being prepared, which will contain five quilts, socks, mitts and flannel garments. This will be ready before Christmas it is hoped.

OTTAWA.—The destination of the autumn bales was decided upon, the names being chosen from the list sent by the Dorcas Secretary. Christ Church chose the Rev. A. Lindsay, Little Pines Reserve, Sask., St. George's—the Rev. J. Saunders, Biscotasing; St. John's and St. Alban's—the Piegan Reserve. The Dorcas Secretary also wished that Ottawa should undertake the clothing of a girl in Emmanuel College, Prince Albert, which will most likely be done. Mrs. Fitzgibbon, a lady in the parish of Christ Church, has made 16 yards of rag carpet, and sent it with some warm curtains, to Miss Brown, Piegan Reserve,

PRESCOTT.—"We began our W.A. meetings on the 1st of October, and, though a wet day had a good meeting, and all were ready to begin work again. Yet the members had not been idle during the holidays, for a good many garments were brought to the meeting. We are to have sewing meetings every week until the bale is ready for Mrs.

Badger. It was also found that when the fees were paid up, that the Treasurer was able to send off the \$10.00 to the Chinese Mission. The LEAFLET and the *Church Missionary Gleaner* come to hand every month, from which, with the *Mission Field*, *The Net*, *The Grain of Mustard Seed*, and our own *Mission News*, we can find readings for our meetings. The Junior Guild meets every Saturday afternoon, but only the second Saturday in the month is for Missions. A good many of the S.S. teachers help."

BATH.—At one of the late meetings the members had the pleasure of hearing addresses from the Rev. Woodcock and his wife. An excellent paper on Zenana work was read, written by the President. It is proposed to hold a *Zenana tea* shortly, and a Missionary quilt is to be made. Two members have lately joined.

CORNWALL reports the grand bale told of by the Dorcas Secretary, and mentions that they hold two meetings monthly, and are also very busy with parochial work. One of the late meetings was held in the parish of the Church of the Good Shepherd.

DORCAS REPORT.

BELLEVILLE.—St. Thomas' C.C.M.G. sent four lamps and brackets to a Mission in Bancroft Parish, Diocese Ontario; cost \$1.80, freight 60c.

KINGSTON.—St. George's Cathedral sent a small bale to Mattawa, Diocese Ontario, to supply a pressing need; freight, 66 cents.

MORRISBURG sent to Archd. Phair, Winnipeg, for Indian Missions, a bale; cost material and freight, \$14.30. Ten new, fifteen second-hand garments, 4 quilts, sheets and pillow cases

PERTH sent to Emmanuel College, Prince Albert, Diocese Saskatchewan, one bale; cost material and freight, \$37.75. Contents: 43 new garments, 45 second-hand, 4 quilts, blankets, sheets, 6 pillow cases, 6 towels, yarn, working materials, 25 yds. new goods, and groceries.

CORNWALL sent to the Piegan Reserve 1 bale; cost material, \$48.50, freight, \$4.50. Contents: 76 new garments, 18 second-hand, 8 quilts, 6 sheets, pillows and pillow cases, working materials, books, candy, etc. Part of this was an outfit for a girl. The J.W.A. added 25 new garments, 3 quilts, 6 sheets, 5 pillow cases, and working material. Cost new goods, \$12.25.

ANNIE MUCKLESTON, *Dorcas Secretary*.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT.—Receipts, \$49.65; Expenditure, \$85.90. (Items crowded out for want of space.)

The Treasurer desires to express her great gratification in receiving an increased contribution from the W.A. of St. Paul's, Brockville, towards the salary of our lady Missionary in Japan. The delegates from that Branch having reported that at the Annual Meeting it was stated that the required amount for that object had not been received from the Branches last year; this Auxiliary raised the amount given by it from \$5.00 to \$8.00.

Quebec Diocese.

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

In October the Quebec W. A. had great pleasure in welcoming those members of the Provincial Board who could arrange to come here to hold their Annual Meeting. The opening service was held in St. Matthew's on the morning of Thursday, Oct. 11th, and afterwards the Board met in the Parish room. On Thursday evening, an At Home was given for the visitors in the Church Hall; several ladies sang, and Dr. Mockridge spoke a few words about the W. A. and the *Church Magazine*. An address from Mrs. Tilton had been eagerly expected and came towards the end of the evening; it spoke of the necessity for perseverance in our work, and touched on the thought that a woman was the first Missionary; for to a woman, Christ gave the first command to spread the glad tidings of the Resurrection, when He said to Mary Magdalene, "Go to my brethren and say unto them, I ascend to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God."

The Annual Conference of the St. Francis District Association, could not be held this year as arranged, owing to the illness of the President, Mrs. Roe.

The Quarterly meeting of the Quebec Diocesan Branch was held in the Church Hall, on Friday, Oct. 19th, at 2.30 o'clock. In the absence of Mrs. Hunter Dunn, Mrs. Von Iffland presided. The reports of the Secretaries and Treasurer were read and several letters. The necessity was urged, of each Branch notifying the Diocesan Dorcas Secretary (Mrs. F. Wurtele, 65 St. Anne St. Quebec.) of all clothing sent away, enumerating new, and second-hand articles, and specifying the amount spent on new material and freight.

The following resolutions were passed : "That the members of the Diocesan Branch desire to express their heartfelt sorrow at the death of one of their Vice-Presidents, Mrs. Richardson, who had been connected with the Auxiliary since the beginning and was ever an interested and earnest worker. That a copy of this resolution be sent to Canon Richardson." "That a cordial vote of thanks be expressed to Mrs. Tilton for holding the meeting of the Board of Management in Quebec and for her interesting address. All regret that her stay here was so short, but hope to see her again before long." "That all the Branches, and as many members as possible, procure a copy of the map of the C. P. R. now exhibited." "That the following words be added to clause 9 of the Diocesan Constitution, 'and the President shall also have power to fill any Diocesan office becoming vacant between the annual meetings.'" "That the Quebec Diocesan Branch take 50 copies of *Church Magazine* at 33 cents a copy, one to be sold or given to each Parochial Branch." In response to the request of the Provincial President, the editor of the LEAFLET was appointed to send a copy of this resolution to each of the Branches and to ask their wishes on this subject. "That the earnest heartfelt thanks of the whole Quebec Auxiliary, are hereby tendered to Miss. L. H. Montizambert, for her valuable services, not only as Corresponding Secretary, but in every capacity in which she has so ably and cheerfully laboured, for the good and progress of the Auxiliary. All can quite understand that her position as Provincial Corresponding Secretary makes it impossible for her to continue her work as Diocesan Corresponding Secretary and it is with sincere regret that we accept her resignation, trusting still to benefit by her advice and experience."

At the request of the meeting the acting President nominated Mrs. Edmond de Lottinière to act as corresponding secretary, till the Annual meeting.

It was decided to offer to pay the school fees (\$100.00) of the daughter of the Rev. J. Welleman B. C.

The following extracts are from the Diocesan Treasurer's Report. "According to instructions given me at the Annual

Meeting the money voted to meet the special appeals has been sent ; namely, \$75 to the Very Rev. Dean Grisdale for the Bishop of Mackenzie River ; \$50 for the Rev. J. W. Tims, for the school at the South Camp Blackfoot Reserve ; \$50 to the Rev. W. A. Burman for the Rev. Gough Brick, and \$25 to the Rev. Gibbon Stocken, for the Boys' Home on the Sarcee Reserve, and grateful letters have been received from each one. From the Bishop himself and Mr. Brick I have not of course heard, as it is probable that the money has not yet reached their distant homes. It will probably be said (or thought if not expressed) "The Treasurer is never satisfied and is always asking for more money !" and I acknowledge without hesitation and without a blush, the perfect truth of the accusation. The Woman's Auxiliary is no longer a *new* thing, the novelty has worn off, and with the novelty much of the enthusiasm has worn off too. Our efforts are inclined to be spasmodic. An urgent appeal for special help, a case of exceptional distress, or an eloquent address will fan for a moment the flickering flame, and money is immediately forthcoming, but the ordinary work, and the old pledges that we have bound ourselves to fulfil, have in a measure, ceased to interest us and as a natural consequence, our *offerings* diminish. These are the bald facts, and it is well for us to recognize them and set ourselves diligently to the task of altering them. If we could realize for one moment what the work is, which has been given us to do—that we are *permitted* to join in the glorious work of extending Christ's Kingdom, and that in this work we are fulfilling our Saviour's last command—could we ever allow our interest to flag, or our selfish wishes interfere, to measure out what we can *spare*? should we not consider it a high privilege to spend and be spent in such a cause? would it not seem to us a contemptible use to make of money, to simply gratify our own inclinations and give to such a work what is left when our own desires are satisfied? I am convinced that it is want of thoughtful consideration of the awful responsibility of our stewardship, which keeps God's Treasury so low. I have been betrayed far

beyond the legitimate limites of a report, and I crave your pardon, but the subject is one upon which I feel very strongly and it may be that I may have the happiness of inducing some, who are perhaps indifferent now, to become steady, resolute, and untiring workers for the Missions and *systematic* givers to the treasury of God as God has prospered them."

The Dorcas Secretary reports that the only bale reported since the Annual Meeting is from Richmond and Melbourne; it was sent to the Rev. Mr. Frost, Manitoulin Island, and contained 50 second-hand articles of clothing, and 2 new ones."

The Literature Secretary reports. "Since May, when I took office, I have sent parcels of Missionary Magazines to eleven different parishes. A post card was sent with each parcel, with a request that if acceptable they would let me know, that more might be sent. Answers have been received from six parishes and all express a desire for a further supply of the Magazines. Miss Gill sent me a large number of magazines in May, but I have received none since

Quarterly Report of Junior Branches, Cookshire. The barrel containing \$19 worth new material, an outfit for "Alice", also books, soap, etc. was sent to the Rev. J. Hinchliffe, early in July, and a letter of thanks has been received. Regular meetings will soon be resumed.

SHERBROOKE.—Junior Branch, not yet opened.

LENNOXVILLE.—Hopes to begin work next week.

DRUMMONDVILLE.—Resumed work Oct, 11th and doing patchwork; nine members.

RICHMOND AND MELBOURNE.—Meetings are held every Saturday, with reading by the Superintendent during working hours. There are twenty-two members, who hope to do good work during the winter.

ACTON VALE.—The Junior Branch has eight members who meet twice a month and are working at a log-cabin quilt.

Niagara Diocese.

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

Subject for Reading and Prayer. Algoma, S. America, Mexico.

At the October Board Meeting a letter was read from Mrs. Newcomb, Secretary-Treasurer, Literature Committee, resigning her position owing to removal from Hamilton, and Miss Emma Counsell was elected to fill her place.

N. B. Will the Branches kindly note that in sending accounts of their work to the Editor (which should be in her hands by the 15th of each month if possible) *contents* of bales need not be enumerated, as they are given fully in Dorcas Report, and thus more space can be secured for Missionaries' letters, etc,

BRANCH NOTICES.

HAMILTON—St. Thomas' Branch reports having held its first meeting on Oct. 1st, Canon Curran presiding. After devotional exercises, several interesting letters from Clergymen in the N. W. were read, giving accounts of their work and needs, and after some discussion it was decided to work for Archdeacon McKay, Emmanuel College, Prince Albert, as ten girls were to be admitted to the College this year, and clothing would be required for them. A very grateful letter from Mrs. Hines has been received, acknowledging the arrival in good condition of the bales sent by this Branch in the spring; all the articles in them were most acceptable. The members hope, from the interest already shown, to accomplish this season even more than in the past.

(The following letters were crowded out of October LEAFLET).

Extracts from letter to Secretary St. Andrew's W.A., Grimsby, from Rev. H. G. Stocken (who after acknowledging receipt of two barrels), says:—“We have a very large family to look after, nineteen boys, and ten girls; and we naturally welcome every addition to their wardrobe. If you could watch them in school and see what evident interest they take in their lessons, and hear the clear answers they give to the questions put them, and notice how nicely they write, and could then see them at work making bread, doing little pieces of carpentry or engaged in some household duties; washing, ironing, sewing, knitting, scrubbing, or could watch them play, and listen to their merry peals of laughter; and then could take a peep at them as they sit at their meals so well behaved, and then finally glance at them sleeping soundly between the two white sheets, their little dusky faces being the more noticeable on the white pillow-cases, I think you would say the work was not only interesting, but full of promise and encouragement.”

From Rev. Geo. Holmes, St. Peter's Mission, Lesser Slave Lake to Mrs. Morphy, Grimsby Branch.

"It was only by the last mail that I received kind note of Feb. 21st, enclosing \$3 for freight on the barrel your Branch so kindly sent us last year. I am exceedingly obliged to you for it, I only wish all the Branches could do the same. As a rule I have to pay the freight on bales out of my own salary. Last year I paid over \$300 on freight out of my \$750 salary. As I stated last year, we have no grant whatever for support of our Home, and are therefor dependent upon contributions of money and the bales, and if either were to fail us we should be compelled to close the Home, which I am sure none of our friends would like."

From Rev. R. Inkster, Red Pheasants, to Miss Ridley, Cathedral Branch, giving some details of the work of the mission. He says:—

"We have first the Sunday service and Sunday School; next week-day visitation, and the weekly visits to the Stoney Reserve, where there are 75 souls all told. It is situated seven miles from here. I have no regular interpreter, but have an impromptu one each time I go amongst them. There is a middle-aged man who generally does very well, but he is often absent in Battleford, where they sell dry wood for fuel to the town-folk. With regard to the services each Sunday, they are as a rule very well attended, and what is still better, the congregation behave with becoming decorum, and listens attentively to the preached word. There are some six or eight persons who read the responses very well, as the service is entirely in their own language. The people always appear in their best clothes. The small ones are apt to be noisy, but whenever they become too much so they are taken out. There is one strange peculiarity among these people in their attendance at Church; they all try to get a seat as near the door as possible, they will crowd each other, while there is lots of room. The plan that I find most successful in securing the greatest number of children at the Sunday School, is to open immediately after service, except on Communion Sundays. I have from ten to fifteen scholars, one class in the New Testament, and another in first reader. I must own that it is a little trying to teach right away after the morning sermon. Another reason for teaching so soon after morning service, is that it may not interfere with the afternoon's work, which consists of a drive to the furthest end of the reservation, to preach the gospel to a few families who are rather far from the Church, and who would often go without hearing the word of God. I then take the evening service in Church with only *one* lamp when I have to do all the reading alone; whereas if we had some hanging lamps, it would be simply grand. The great difficulty with these poor people is to shake off old habits. They love smoking, they are fond of visiting and taking meals in each others houses, consequently they can hit a meal with marvelous precision, though they are not in the habit of carrying a watch, especi-

ally gold ones. Another old habit is to sit on the floor instead of sitting on a chair or bench, consequently they soil their clothes much sooner than if they made a rule to get seats. Very often I have to sit on a piece of wood, or on a bed, while I read the Word of God to a family, before kneeling down to implore God's blessing to be sent into their hearts, through the reading of His Holy Word, and operation of the Holy Spirit. They always join heartily in the singing of hymns. "Come Holy Spirit Heavenly Dove" is one of our favorite hymns. These people though easily offended are very susceptible to kindness, and are quite pleased with a cup of tea and a bit of bread. They are so very fond of tea that a long walk is considered no trouble at all if they are longing for a drink of tea. They seem to miss or rather feel the want of it, far more than we who have been accustomed to it all our lives, though its introduction among them is of comparatively recent date, so that even this fact is an additional proof that the characteristic weakness of the red man is to indulge to excess in everything. Before I conclude I will take the liberty of giving you a few hints as to the proper kind of groceries to be sent in the bales (not that I think I have a right to dictate in the least, but to save unnecessary expense) for instance, tapioca is a very costly article in this part of Canada, and we don't wish to get fond of using it, also sago. But rice is always wanted for the sick, and can be prepared in the shape of soup, which does not need sugar, and is always good for a sick person, especially when recovering, and though we use sugar we do it very sparingly, because it is an expensive article, and heavy. But tea is the great article of use by all nationalities and in every household, being the favorite beverage of men and women of whatever complexion. It is not a heavy article, and can be transported at comparatively little cost; send as much of it as you like. A few cans of dried currants are always acceptable." He closes with a few remarks about his youngest son Andrew, who is now at school in Battleford, and doing so well that he would be glad of assistance to give him a higher education than can be obtained there.

In a subsequent letter to Cathedral Branch, he acknowledges safe arrival of all the goods, and while all are useful, mentions particularly the dolls and playthings for a Christmas tree, and the bag of rice, which he has already used for a sick woman. He closes by saying "I will mention one thing, which, though some might think of little importance, yet affords a great deal of pleasure, I refer to the great pile of *Illustrated London News* accompanying the carpet."

DORCAS SECRETARY'S REPORT,

ORANGEVILLE reports—Sent Rev. R. E. Coates, Poplar Park, West Selkirk, one bale containing 42 new articles of clothing, 16 second-hand, three quilts; total 61 articles; cash for material, \$3.25; freight, \$1.80. Total 5.05. HAMILTON (Cathedral.)—To Rev. Mr. Inkster,

Battleford, (not fully reported last month) Melodeon, \$12.50; Font and Communion vessels, \$10; new material, \$35; groceries, \$10; freight, \$12.25. Total, \$79.75 HAMILTON (Church of Ascension.)—One bale to Archdeacon Phair, new material, \$16.11; freight, \$1.43. Total, \$17.54; and to Mr. Scott, new material \$32.22; freight, \$3.84. Total, \$36.06. The Secretary has also received in response to appeal from Marksville; from St. Thoma's Branch, Hamilton, \$3; Church of Ascension, \$3; St. Mark's, \$1. A total of \$7 towards the \$75 needed to pay off the debt of their parsonage. HAMILTON—St. Thomas' intend to work this year for Archdeacon J. A. Mackay, Prince Albert Diocese, Saskatchewan.

JUNIOR SECRETARY'S REPORT.

On Thursday, Sept. 27th, your Secretary accompanied by Mrs. Fessenden went to Burlington to explain to some of the members of St. Luke's Church, the aims and objects of our Woman's Auxiliary. We were most cordially entertained by the Rector and his wife. In the afternoon a meeting was held, at which a number of the young ladies of the congregation were present. The Rector in addressing the meeting spoke most encouragingly of our Society, and said it would give him much pleasure to organize a Junior Branch of the W. A., if after hearing the ladies whom he had asked to speak to them, they themselves were willing. A Junior Branch was organized with Miss Patriarch, Superintendent; Miss Belt, Secretary; Miss M. Young, Treasurer. They agreed to meet weekly, and would prepare some Christmas gifts.

CAYUGA—St. John's have re-organized; Miss Simson, Superintendent. Are at work at their Christmas bale for Rev. Mr. Mitchell, Port Sydney Algoma.

DIOCESAN TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

From Sept. 19th to Oct. 11th, 1894.

RECEIPTS.—Offerory at St. Mark's, Orangeville, \$5.75; Collection at meeting, St. Mark's, Orangeville. \$11.4; from Junior Branch, St. Mark's Orangeville (through Diocesan Secretary, Junior Branches), \$1. *Missionaries Daughters' Fund*—St. Thomas' Hamilton, \$3; Cathedral, Hamilton, \$2.80. *Japan Medical Mission Fund*—St. James', Dundas, \$6.24; Cathedral, Hamilton, \$1.10. *Lady Missionaries' Fund*—Cathedral, Hamilton, \$2.85. *Algoma Missions*—St. Thomas', (H), for Marksville Parsonage, \$3; Ascension, (H), for Marksville Parsonage, \$3. *North West Missions*—Church of Redeemer, for Stoney Creek, towards freight on bale to Rev. Mr. Holmes, \$1. *New Westminster*—Grace Church, Milton, towards Hospital at Lytton, \$1. Total, \$41.78.

EXPENDITURE.—Sept. 22nd. By Miss Ewart, C.E.Z.M.S., amount received at Quarterly Meeting, held at Orangeville, including \$1 from Junior Branch, \$17.79. Total \$17.79

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