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PROVINCIAL WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

Subjects for Reading and Prayer. April - Caledonia, India.

A letter of congratulation having been sent in the name of our W.A. to the W.A. of the United States, upon their having taken possession of their new rooms in the Church Missions House, 4th Ave. 22nd street, the following reply was received from Miss Emery,—Thank you so much for your very kind letter. We did move into our own Mission House with the new year, but at that time our rooms in it were very unfinished, scaffolding being up in them, etc., etc. Now we are occupying them, however, although there is still much in the way of finishing to be done. The Auxiliary have been interested to give over \$3,500 towards furnishing the Chapel and Auxiliary Room and it takes time to decide how to expend it to the best advantage.

You must be happy in the growing desire for Christanity among the people of your North-west. With all good wishes for your work, etc."

So many appeals are on hand this month that only a condensed summary of each can be given. One from Rev. J. W. Tims asks for \$1,500 to pay half the cost of a school for fifty children now building at the South Camp of the Blackfoot Reserve. It was undertaken at the earnest request of the Indians themselves, who induced the Minister of the Interior to grant them \$1,500 on condition that Mr. Tims raised the other \$1,500 necessary. It is proposed to open the school in June or July and to furnish it will cost about \$500. When started salaries alone will amount to \$1,000 a year. Mr. Tims asks that every Senior Branch of the W.A. should send \$10 for the Home. Four pupils in the present Home have been baptized during the past year at their own request.

Rev. H. G. Stocken, Sarcee Reserve, writes that his Boys' Home is threatened with having to close unless help to the amount of \$1,000 is sent very quickly. The children now in the Home are getting on wonderfully, and many more are vaiting to be taken in when the funds will permit. Mr. Stocken has appointed Miss Foley matron of the Girls Home and Mrs. Canning matron of the Boys' Home. Quebec and Niagara W. As. furnishing their stipends. We wish them every success in the work. The Lord Bishop of Saskatchewan and Calgary has sent his sanction to both the above appeals and to the appointments made by Mr. Stocken. The General Secretary has photos of Mr. Stocken's mission which she will gladly send to Branches working for him on receipt of two cents for postage.

The Secretaries appointed by the Bishop to correspond with our W.A. are,—for Saskatchewan, Mrs. E. Matheson, of Prince Albert; and for Calgary, Mrs. Bernard, Bonnybrook, Calgary. This Diocese is the one to be prayed for in May, so that by having information regarding its needs beforehand we will know what special petitions to offer for it

Caledonia, B.C., asks our attention this month This Diocese was divided off in 1879, and has for its northern boundry the new Diocese of Selkirk, its neighbour on the south being New Westminster and on the east that of Athabasca; it includes Queen Charlotte Islands The Bishop, Dr. Ridley, resides at Mettahalta, a name which recalls that wonderful conversion some little time ago when the young chief and all his braves threw off heatnenism and embraced Christianity, for it was at Mettahalta that they announced their decision and rejoiced the hearts of those who had labored so hard for this very end Several ladies are devoting themselves to work in this Diocese Miss E. J. Stevenson in charge of the Girls' Home, Miss West and Miss Dickenson nursing the sick, and Miss Hicks, besides Mrs Ridley and the wives of the missionaries, many of whom are true and self-denying helpmeets. For a most interesting account of the work, etc., see "Handbook of North-West Missions," by Dr. J. G. Hodgins, Toronto.

India means to many of us now much more than it did before Miss Sudgen's vivid descriptions brought the suffering and degradation of its poor benighted women so clearly before us. But when we think of seven million of Buddhists and fifty-seven of Mahometans and two hundred millions of Hindoos, it seems simply appaling. However, in the last century nearly three millions have been won for Christ, and it said "there has never been a single backward step in the progress of Christianity in that country." So let us pray for greater blessings in

the future, knowing that God is fathering the work.

The Archbishop of Rupert's Land has appointed Mrs. Fortin, wife of Ven. Archdeacon Fortin, Secretary for the Diocese of Rupert's Land, to correspond with our General Officers and send us news of the work

in that Diocese.

Rev. G. Holmes, of Lesser Slave Lake, sends a most interesting account of the mission. Not being Treaty Indians the children in this Home receive no grant from the Government, and the mission is entirely dependent on roluntary contributions with the exception of a grant of \$200 a year or a teacher. Owing to the scarcity of fish, which is the staple food, fewer children could be taken in though the Home will hold thirty. There is a debt of nearly \$780 still waiting to be paid off and for which Mr. Holmes is responsible. At present the girls have to sleep in the mission house as the matron has not yet gone up. This is close quarters, for the house is only 18 ft. × 26 ft. Mr. Holmes mentions an outbreak of scarlet fever among the Indians which was threatening the Home having to be turned into an hospital.

We are exceedingly sorry to hear since that Mr. Holmes' dear little child of nine months old has been taken from them by this dread disease. They have our sincerest sympathy in their sorrow and loneliness.

Mr. A. E Wilson, of the Washakada Indian Home, Elkhorn, asks for supporters for the children in the Home. The Government gives a grant of \$110 per head, but it takes \$160 to keep a child, so \$50 extra is needed for each. There are now eighty children in the Home, ten

of whom are supported by Sunday Schools.

Miss Boyce, Corresponding Secretary for Diocese of Qu'Appelle, mentions that a set of stoles and markers (Roman colours), a violet Altar fontal and a dossal are wanted by Rev. Owen Owens, also an Fort Pelly needs a green stole, and both missions ask for clothing, particularly boys' things. Mrs. Owens teaches the women to knit and help themselves, so donations of yarn and pieces are very Miss Boyce writes as follows .- "This Diocese, though active, is altogether a very poor one, the majority of settlers finding it hard to provide themselves a natural subsistence; there is scarcely any money in the country, so that it is very hard indeed to provide for and carry on the work of the Church, yet, I am thankful to say, the Church is gaining ground though it is very slowly. The Bishop was telling me the other day how pleased and thankful he is to observe the large number of communicants in this town. In proportion to the congregation, he says, there is scarcely a church in England where you see the same proportion."

It is proposed to hold the next Annual Meeting of the Provincial Board of Management in Quebec, about the middle of October. Will the officers and members of the Board please remember this when planning their summer trips. Full particulars in our next. The D and F Mission Board meet in the Ancient Capital at the time

mentioned above.

JUNIOR REPORT.

The Convenor of this Committee begs the forgiveness of all Junior workers for not having a report in each month's Leafler, unforeseen difficulties have hindered her work; especially does she regret that she neglected sending the interesting report of Mrs. Fienson, Secretary, Niagara Juniors, and Mrs. Carpenter's report of Quebec Diocesan Juniors. Niagara's eleven Branches with their 300 members have done grand work in making clothing and quilts, and supplying Christmas trees to needy stations. We are glad to know these Juniors

appreciate Missionary literature, for there can be no better way to deepen their interest in this cause. Richmond Juniors have for their motto "Always Ready," we therefore expect great things from them.

Mr. Tims is pleading for the Juniors to help in his new Home in South Blackfoot, it will accommodate fifty boys, and is now shingled and the bell-cot ready, but, alas, no bell! He needs \$1500 to pay expenses, and has issued collecting cards, representing five cents each, for this purpose. Who will help? If each Junior Branch in all the Dioceses would fill one we would have \$685. They can be had by applying to Miss Tilley, 544 Spadina avenue.

A Toronto Junior Branch held in February a Song Service, called "Kaeder," which proved most interesting. It is a C.M.S. publication.

Have our workers all seen the Mission Charts, giving the various religions in the world, by means of coloured ribbons, each inch representing a million souls? How the sight of the long black ribbon should make us work to gather in the heathen? We recommend this chart for Junior use especially. Price 35 cts. Also to be had by applying to Miss Tilley. I wonder too, how many have played "Missionary Lotto," the long names are difficult, but it teaches us for one thing how little we know about the spread of the Gospel. If all Diocesan Junior Secretaries will send the Convenor a short report of their work by the 12th of April, we will promise a fuller report next time.

Children, have you read "Beautiful Joe," by Maurice Saunders, a plea for kindness to dogs, like "Black Beauty" is for horses? Ask for it for your next birthday present, and when well read send it to one of the Indian Schools. You know dogs are used to draw men and loads in the North-West and the boys and girls there would enjoy this story quite as much as you will.—ED.

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

Subjects for Reading and Prayer: April-Caledonia, India.

AUXILIARY NOTES.

The dates of the Annual Meeting will be April 25th, 26th and 27th.

The Day Sessions will be held in St. James' School-house.

As usual, Holy Communion will be celebrated in St. James' Cathedral at II a.m., on the first day, and on the same evening a full choral service will be held in the same Church, with a sermon by the Rev. Canon DuMoulin. Ter will be previously served to all W.A. members in the School-house, so that there may be time for informal conferences after the Afternoon Session is over.

Papers will be read-by Mrs. Grindlay, on "Our Pledges," and by Miss Osler, on "A Missionary Outlook,"-and Miss Brown, of the Piegan Home (our first Lady Missionary to the Blackfoot Indians), will give an address. "How the business of a meeting should be conducted" will be explained by Miss Tilley, and "How Missionary money may be earned," and "How monthly parochial meetings may be made

interesting," will be two topics for discussion.

The Public Missionary Meeting will consist of beautiful lime-light views of Missions in Diocesan, Domestic and Foreign fields; these will be explained by the Lord Bishop, Canon Mockridge, and other The views belong to the Rev. P. Spencer, of Thorold, who speakers.

will kindly exhibit them.

Voters' Certificates have been sent to the President and two Delegates in each Branch, the Blocesan Officers and Members of Committees, Superintendents of Junior Branches, and Life Members, and no one will be entitled to vote ho does not hold a certificate. Therefore they must be retained by the holders until given up to the Credential Committee. If it is impossible for the President, or either Delegate of any Parochial Branch, or the Superintendent of any Junior Branch, to attend, the certificate should be sent to their City Representative, who in that case will vote for them as usual.

Delegates will be met at the trains on the 25th, and it is urged that all who desire hospitality, but who have not as yet sent in their names

to the Diocesan Secretary, should do so immediately.

A very cordial invitation is extended to any officers or members of the W.A. in other Dioceses to attend these meetings, and hospitality is offered to any who send in their names to the Diocesan Secretary.

At the last Board Meeting, which was held by kind invitation of the Second Senior Branch of the Church of the Redeemer, in their school-house, an interesting address was given by the Lord Bishop of Qu'Appelle, who strongly urged the need of money for the Gordon

School, Touchwood Hills, upon his hearers.

Every member of the W.A. will doubtless share in a feeling of deep sympathy with Rev. G. and Mrs. Holmes (nee Miss Perkes) whose little one has been taken from them, his death resulting from scarle few: and diphtheria. Both diseases have been very prevalent and fatal at Lesser Slave Lake, where there is no doctor and only a very limited supply of medicine. May God comfort the sorrowing parents.

The Bishop of Athabasca and Mrs. Young expect to leave Toronto for their home at Athabasca Landing about the 7th of May. It is probable that Margaret Durtnell will go with them as far on the way to Lesser Slave Lake as possible. Her position will be Assistant Matron to Mrs. Holmes. Donations towards the expenses of this long journey will be gladly received by the Diocesan Treasurer, 561 Jarvis street.

The account of our meeting at Orillia in February was somehow lost in the copy, the omission was not observed by the proof reader who kindly took this duty in the absence of the Editor. In every respect the Semi-Annual was a great success, the attendance was good. the arrangements made by our Orillia entertainers all that could be lesired. The address to the Auxiliary at the morning service, by Canon Sweeny, of S. Philip's, Toronto, was most helpful; the afternoon session for hearing reports, discussion and reading of papers was largely attended; a beautifully prepared tea was served to about 125 guests in the school-house, all then adjourned to the church when, after evening prayer, addresses were given by Rev. C. Owen, Dr Mockridge, Canot Sweeny and the Rector. May God grant that the good seed sown in the hearts of many while attending these meetings may bring forth fruit in increased zeal and liberality in this great work of missions. Two ladies of Orillia, Mrs. Tisdale and Miss Stewart made themselves life members at this meeting.

The Diocesan President asks each reader of this LEAFLET to pray daily that a great blessing may be poured upon our coming Annual. And also asks that each member of the Auxiliary in some quiet hour will think over all causes for thankfulness that have come into her life since joining the W.A., and, having done so, will bring with her, or send a thankoffering to Almighty God, to be presented on the third day of the Annual Meeting. It is proposed that such offerings, unless otherwise designated be devoted to the sending of Margaret Durtnell,

to her field of work in distant Athabasca.

LEAFLET SUBSCRIPTIONS, Feb. 15 to Mar. 22.—Shanty Bay, \$1 50: Norway, \$3.90; St. Thomas, 30c.; Mimico, \$2.40, St. Simon's, \$2.60; Duntroon, \$1.05; All Saints Girls' Mission Band, \$1.35; St James',

\$14.85; Orillia, \$1.50; Peterboro' S.W., \$1.05; Barrie, 15c.; Winnipeg, \$2.50; Campbellford, 60c., Church of Ascension, \$2.40; Lindsay, \$6.35, Woodbridge, 30c., Parry Sound, \$1.05; Stayner, \$1.50.

JUNIOR REPORT.

At Alliston a new Junior Branch of boys has been formed, Miss Hobson, Superintendent. The "Boys" Mission Band" is their name. They are greatly interested in their work, that of making rag carpet, always such a boon in a North-west home. They have raised the very first money on the "Blackfoot Home" collecting cards, which is most encouraging We are especially glad to welcome these young workers who in time to come (and this is I think a point never to be lost sight off will be the fathers of the Church,

M. FORSYTH GRANT, Dio. Supt. Junior Work.

The Literature Committee held a meeting on the 19th March and, among other business transacted, brought up the resolution following:

Proposed by Mrs S. G. Wood, seconded by Mrs. Davidson, and Resolved—"That the Literature Committee of the W.A., feeling it to be most desirable that the Missionary Leaflets and Booklets which are so useful in aiding the Mission work of the Church, shall be written by Church workers, and published under the auspices of the Woman's Auxiliary, are prepared to offer two prizes for the two best stories received, and desire that this subject be brought up at the next Annual Meeting."

Since the publication of Indian Department Government Reports for 1892, from which that portion of the Hand-Book of Missions was compiled, the changes following have been made—Please note them in your books —Instead of "food and clothing," against School 4, page 21, read "\$60 per head for maintenance, and \$12 per head for tuition, if 25 pupils; for boarders over that number rations of beef and flour only" On page 47, in addition to the foot note, read "Many Shot-Ats." See page 21, number 19, and omit words "food and clothing." Page 22, School 36, read "Rev. G. Holmes" instead of "Rev. A. Desmarais."

DORCAS NOTES.

ROOM 39, THE FORUM, YOUNG STREET.

Branches have forwarded the following: Innisfil, Rosseau, bale: Toro::To —St. Agatha's Guild, St. Thomas' Yale, bale; Rosseaubale: Church of Ascension, Sunday school, Emsdale, Christmas gifts: Novar, bale; Church of Epiphany, Blackfoot Home, bale. St. George's

(Second Seniors), Seaton Village, bale. STREETSVILLE, Shingwauk, bale. PORT HOPE, St. John's, Emsdale, bale. SHANTY BAY, Day

Star's Reserve, bale.

Branches are working for the following places. Lindsay, Mackenzie River, May. Cambellford, Day Star's Reserve, November. Church of Ascension, Fort Vermillion, April. St. Bartholomew, Mackenzie River. Bowmanville, Sandy Lake, May. St. John's, Port Hope, Gordon Schools, June. Trinity "Memorial Mission Band," Sarcee Reserve. St. George's, (Second Senior,) The Sisters, Seaton Village, Christmas. St. Luke's, Gordon Schools, May. St. George's. Gordon Schools, May.

The ladies of the Central Dorcas Room, wish to offer their most grateful thanks to Mrs. Williamson, of Deer Park, and those kind friends who assisted her, for the most valuable present of a sewing machine, where it not for this most timely gift, we could not have undertaken to make the boys' clothing, which is now well in hand.

Rev. H. G. Stocken, Sarcee Reserve, writes, saying, that they hope to open the Girls' Home the 1st April, the Dioceses of Niagara 2.1 Quebec having kindly promised to provide the Matron's salary. The girls' outfits will have to be provided, and an immediate need is two dozen pairs of strong stockings. If the Branches could help us in this, we would be very glad to receive their gifts and forward them from the Central Room.

Under the auspices of St. Stephen's W.A., and by the great kindness of Mrs. S. G. Wood and the Camera Club, a most successful entertainment was held in St. Stephen's School House; Mrs. Wood gave a most realistic description of the World's Fair, and the views of it were a dream of beauty. The lecture was in aid of the Sarcee Indian Home, to raise the amount required for the purchase of a cookingstove, a most necessary piece of furniture in any home. The returns

are not yet in. [\$12 more needed. ED.]

Rev. J. Hines of Devon, Saskatchewan, writes .- "I wish to take this opportunity of thanking all kind friends of the W.A., in whatever Diocese they may reside, for their valuable and timely aid to us in the past, and add that as we are leaving for England this summer, and our return to this mission being uncertain, we wish to say their kind help, at least for a time, will not be needed by us. If it be God's will that we should return to labor in this country, we shall not fail to let you know where we are situated, and our several needs. I would further say that any bales intended for us this summer should not be sent off later than the 31st March. I may have time to spend a few weel:s in Eastern Canada, en route for England, but as it will then be nearly seven years since I last saw my only child, parents will readily understand my anxiety to cross the Atlantic. May God enrich you all with all spiritual blessings, and again thanking you all, I remain gratefully yours,-John Hines."

TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

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From Miss Smith, our Medical Missionary in Japan.

Our little training school is making progress, and the nurses seem to be much appreciated by both natives and foreigners who have required their services, we feel continually the need of a small hospital or dispensary of our own, but even without these, we are able to accomplish a good deal. The nurses have one hour's instruction in the Holy Scripture in the morning, then, after prayers, they visit their patients in a hospital near by. The doctor in charge gives them a lesson on the various diseases, and I tell them how each patient should be nursed. When we return to the school, there is a lecture translation into Japanese by my interpreter, in the afternoon another lecture by native doctor. . . . The nurses are a great comfort to me, all bright

intelligent, enthusiastic girls, and earnest wo-kers for Christ, they never work in a Japanese house without trying to do something for the Master. We had a great loss last autumn in the death of my first interpreter, O Chicki San. . . My present interpreter, O Ken San, is a very good girl and a great help to me. There is something very lovable about the Japanese, they have grave faults I know, but they will be eradicated in time, we trust, by the influence of our Holy religion.

We have no cold weather in Kobe until after Christmas. No country in the world has more beautiful scenery, or more wonderful relics of past ages. Civilization has been adapted so readily here, whereone sees electric lights, telephones, and other modern inventions it is hard to realize that this is an Eastern country. The case Mr. Kakuson brought me proved such a blessing to us, the bandages and surgical cotton were especially useful. [This case was sent by Niagara W.A.—ED.].

To St. Margaret's Branch W.A., Toronto, from Rev. D.D. Macdonald, Thunderchild's Reserve.

After long waiting we have this day received the bale you so kindly sent, it has been lying at Saskatoon, and the freight train only recenly brought it to Battleford. As to the contents I cannot begin to express our thankfulness, every article is of great value, and what I have been so long wishing for—coats and trousers for our school boys—have been supplied by your Branch. We get a good many things from the several Branches of the W.A., but nearly everything is for women and girls. Our Chief recently asked me if I ever mentioned we had some poor old men here as well as women, he said we are happy to have our women clothed, but we have men working out in the cold who need warm clothing. You ask of my work; I have three Reserves to attend to, and visit each at least once a month. Our Indians need much prayerful work to make them feel the need of a Saviour. Four years ago we had only six people, now thank God we have baptized ninety on this Reserve, also on Little Pines, and Sweet Grass Reserves. Each of these places have a teacher, they do their work faithfully. We have no church, and if I only had assistance for a small church on this Reserve would be so glad, in a school it is hard to teach the Indians to kneel during prayers, as the school desks are nailed to the floor very close together by order of the Indian Department, consequently big people can hardly sit in the desk seats. I go through the Reserve week by week, teaching and visiting the sick, and hope soon to have a man help the teacher on Sundays, when I am at the other Reserve. Could you in any way help me to get a large flag with C.M.S. in one corner, the one I have is just quite worn out. Again I thank you all for the presents sent to our children.

From Archdeacon Spendlove, Great Slave Lake, to the Dio. Pres.

. . It is a pleasure to return my thanks to the members of your Auxiliary who showed kindness to my dear wife on her passing through Toronto. Since her return I have been able to carry on work for the Master more vigorously than ever, some of our Northern Missions are receivers of gifts from some of your busy workers. I can hardly expect to share in the same, and I know Bishop Reeve is known to and helped by you. Our needs are very great, and without begging the portion of others, we should be very glad of a few crumbs I have now laboured fifteen years in the Arctic Regions, and can assure you that the Indians here are indeed very poor, and as yet many are far from God, it is the work of the Gospel both to relieve and instruct them this we are trying to do, but the great distance from civilization renders all appliances for mission work very expensive, and there are wants connected with the school (which is managed by Canadians) which we must look to Christian friends in Canada to supply Would your W.A. like a letter descriptive of our work and the fountry? Spendlove unites in kind regards.

From Rev. Harold Dee, Fort Pelly, to members of W.A., Toronto Dio. The Bishop has forwared the cheque for \$20.39, which the W A so kindly granted towards the Mission House debt. I wish to express my sincere thanks to the members of the Diocesan Board for this generous aid. I am sorry to say that there is still a large debt of over \$200 on the building, but a very kind friend of this Diocese (Mrs. Knight, England) has promised about \$70 of this, so I hope in time it may be cleared off. Most of the people here are half-breeds, but there are a few Indian families including the chiefs. The band divided some twelve years ago, and part settled here to try and learn farming and stock raising, the remainder stayed at Shoal River, and exist entirely on hunting and fishing. Some of them are doing fairly well with their cattle, and in a few years will be entirely self-supporting, while others do not seem to take to civilization at all, and will always be to a certain extent dependent on the Government. All the children on the Reserve (sixteen) of school age are now in fairly regular attendance, and are making good progress. Most of them can now speak a little English, and others speak it quite fluently. My sister is teaching the girls knitting, sewing, etc., and they are doing well. Those who are Christians are very regular in attendance at church, and join in the services very heartily. We have about 35 Communicants on the roll, but as our visiting Priest (Mr. Teittlebaum) lives so far away, we cannot have a celebration of the Holy Communion as often as we should wish. The few heathen are very stubborn in their belief, and as they are very reticent regarding their religion, it is very hard to find out what they really do believe. [This \$20.39 was half Extra-Cent-a-Day Fund, voted to Mr. Dee in February.] ED.

Buron Diocese.

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

IN MEMORIAM.

Our Heavenly Father has been pleased to call another of our sisters home, Mrs. SARAH MATTHEW died on February oth, at Stratford, and was buried at Woodstock, February 12th, at which place she was married forty-five years ago, and lived prior to her removal to Stratford with husband and family. Her illness was short, only six days; she died as she had lived, a sincere Christian, rejoicing in the hope of being forever with her Lord, whom she had loved so well. She was always interested in every good work-had been a member of the Home Memorial Church Branch of the W.A. here from its inception, never flagging in her zeal for it, and always having an encouraging word for her co-workers, who will miss her sadly, though they know she has gone to be with Christ which is far better." To her was due the successful packing of each bale sent off year by year, to which she devoted much time and labor. To her sorrowing husband and family we extend our sincere and heartfelt sympathy. "They sorrow not, even as others which have no hope."

OUR ANNUAL MEETING.

The Seventh Annual Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese of Huron was held in London, 13th, 14th, and 15th March, inagurated by that of the Board of Management on the evening of the 12th, at which was present sixty-three Branch Presidents, or their substitutes. After devotional exercises, letters of greeting were read from Central Board, Montreal, Niagara, Quebec, and Toronto Dioceses, and the business brought before the Annual was discussed. On Tuesday morning a large concourse assembled for Litany Service and Communion, an impressive sermon being preached by the Bishop of Huron. At 2.30 p.m. work began with the roll call, about 150 names being responded to, representing the following branches: -Ailsa Craig, Aylmer, Brantford, (Grace Church and St. Jude's,) Burford, Chatham (Christ Church and Holy Trinity), Delaware, Durham, Glenworth, Granton, Hensall, Holmsville, Hyde Park, Ingersoll, Kingsville, Lambeth. Listowell, London (eight Parochial Branches), Lucan, Lucknow, Middleton, Mitchell, Munceytown, Oshwegen, Oil Springs, Paisley, Petrolia. Port Dover, Port Rowan, Preston, Princeton, St. Thomas, Sarnia. Seaforth. Simcoe, Stratford (two Branches), Stratbroy, Thorndale. Walkerton, Warwick, Walford, Wilmot, Wingham, Wisbeach, Woodstock (Old and New St. Paul's). The Branches not represented

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were Bayfield, Beachville, Berlin, Bervie, Chesley, Clinton, Colchester, Dundalk, Fordwich, Forest, Galt, Gorrie, Hanover, Kinlough, Kingarf, Lion's Head, Markdake, Maxwell, Oil City, Owen Sound, St. Marys, Shelbourne, Summerhill, Walkerville and Windsor. [Will the Secretaries of these Branches kindly return their badges to Miss Haskett, Recording Secretary, 149 Lichfield street, London.—Ed.)

The first subject discussed was the appointment of Miss Kerby as Lady Missionary, Kanyengah. It was decided to ask every Branch to contribute \$1 annually to this fund; Mrs. Tilley undertaking that the King's Daughters would subscribe \$100 annually provided the W.A. raised a like sum. Clauses VI. and VII of the Committee's Report, re the General Fund deficiency, urging "that stamps for answers be enclosed in all letters sent to Treasurer and Secretaries," was adopted, as

as also the resolution re the inability of the Huron W A. to increase its yearly grant of \$100 towards the salary of the Lady Missionary to Japan. The proposed Thankoffering, to be presented at the Triennial (see March Leaflet, first page) and Mrs. Tilton's suggestion (which was adopted), that the said Thankoffering be placed in the hands of the Board of Missions, was discussed, Delegates being requested to commend this project to their Branches. A suggestion being made, that the good wishes of the Huron W A. for their late Lady Missionary, Miss Busby, on the occasion of her marriage should be accompanied by some substantial proof of their appreciation of her services, it was moved and carried that each Branch should be asked to contribute 50 cts. for this purpose, Mrs. Baldwin speaking in the highest terms of her faithfulness and devotion during her term of office Hospital at Omoksene.—The appeal from the Rev F Swainson for funds to meet what has become an urgent need in view of the recent epidemics on that immense Reserve was fully discussed, the Delegates being asked to press the matter upon the attention of their Branches, so that Huron might do its share towards raising the \$1 500 estimated as the cost. Mrs. Boomer read letters from both Mr. Swainson and Miss Wilson, from which despite all her bright, brave endeavours to make light of her ailments, it could plainly be seen that the health of our Lady Missionary has severely suffered in consequence of her long period of nursing the sick children under her care It being fully recognized as absolutely necessary that Miss Wilson should be enabled to have a rest, the Committee appointed to consider the subject recommended that, to secure a prompt provision for the same an appeal be made to those present. This appeal resulted in the sum of \$28 to provide a substitute during Miss Wilson's leave of absence The Committee, specially appointed to consider appeals for the supply of what is necessary for the reverent administration of Holy Communion, reported that they had considered Miss Wilson's request on behalf of the Church at Omoksene, and that two of its members had already promised the cloths,

so that a few yards of carpet for the chancel is all that is asked of the This Committee desires to draw attention to this much needed Branch of the W.A. work, and would invite contributions to enable them to carry it on.] Union Meetings .- On notice of motion by Mrs. English, a resolution, seconded by Mrs. Boomer, was carried, recommending the forming of Local Unions of W.A. Branches in towns or localities where there are two or more Branches, for the "purposes of mutual help and instruction, and of spreading the interest in the work of the Auxiliary " The value of these gatherings, as increasing not only zeal but knowledge, is attested by the practice in Toronto and other Dioceses. Semi-Annual Meeting.—The invitations from Woodstock, Sarnia, Simcoe, St Thomas, Ingersoll, and Stratford to the Board of Management to hold the Semi-Annual Meeting in these places were considered, and that of Stratford, as being most central, was unanimously accepted The Recording Secretary's Report showed that there are now 84 Senior and 43 Junior Branches, but that, owing to several Branches not having sent in reports, it was impossible to ascertain the number of members. The absolute necessity that every Branch, Senior and Junior, should accurately fill in and promptly return the tabulated forms was urged upon Branch Secretaries. After reception and adoption of reports (fuller notes of which will be given in next LEAFLET) followed the President's Address .- The President dwelt on the fact that this was the seventh Annual Meeting of the Huron W.A., adding the prayerful hope that, as seven is the perfect number in Scripture, so this meeting may be very rich in spiritual blessing. Mrs. Baldwin thanked the W.A. for the many prayers offered on her behalf, and the kindly messages of sympathy which followed her during her absence, telling how eagerly she had received both these latter and the LEAFLET. After a brief review of the work, the joys and sorrows of the past year, and many wise and loving words of sympathy and counsel, she concluded with the words:-"without haste, without rest, let each perform his God-given best."

Leaset Report — This showed that the growth and progress of the Leaflet had more than justified the hopes expressed concerning the value of its mission amongst the Branches, individvals and Branches alike declaring "I—we—could not do without the Leaflet." The Leaflet is an educator, teaching the Branches how best to unite in supplying the Missionaries urgent needs, of which it tells them, and in bringing all into loving sympathy. The financial standing of the Leaflet is satisfactory, a balance in hand of \$15.88 remaining after payment of all expenses for 1893, and, owing to the promptnessof many Branches in renewing subscriptions, the first quarter of 1894 being also fully provided for. The subscribers, increased by 264, numbered in January 1526. Mrs. Aytoun Finlay, who from the first so kindly undertook the arduous task of distributing the Huron Leaflets, is,

unfortunately for Huron, leaving Toronto, but Mrs. Fletcher, formerly of Woodstock, has offered to take up this "labour of love." The Branches were asked to make, this year, the sacrifice of one months subscription, in order that the Leaflet year may henceforward commence more conveniently in January. The report called attention to the list of subjects for reading and prayer furnished by the Central Board in the Leaflets of January last, with a view to each member having it framed, or so arranged as to be within easy access. To this list the Huron members were asked to add just two more; the ene a hearty thanksgiving to the Giver of All for the blessing wherewith He has hitherto blessed the little Monthly Messenger, and the other an earnest prayer that His grace might ever prevent and follow it, wherever by the good hand of our God a way of entrance might be made for it.

The Report of Committee on Education of Missionaries' Children was most encouraging and satisfactory. The expenditure for Huron's little daughter has amounted to the moderate sum of \$175 (50 cts. less than the previous year). The reports of her progress and conduct at school and at home are very good, and her parents express themselves as being heartily appreciative of the care and kindness bestowed upon her by the W.A. and individual friends. Another Missionary much desires like advantages for his little daughter, the application on his behalf being warmly endorsed by the Bishop of Algoma, who not not only testified to the excellent work done by this missionary, but also to the absence of school privileges at the Indian Mission in Mani toulin Island in which he resides. Whether or no this child can be taken at an early date depends upon the support given to the Edu cation Fund by the Branches. An earnest appeal was made to all those which have not yet included it in their list to begin to do so this year, if it be only by the contribution of one dollar. The report stated that arrangements were still in abeyance in regard to the child of the Missionary at Staggsville, for whom Grace Church, Brantford so generously offered help at the last Annual Meeting, and for whom it considers itself still pledged, when suitable plans can be made. Before closing the report, attention was directed to the action taken at the meeting of the Central Board upon the representation of the Huron Committee, resulting in the formation of a Central Committee 'o report to the Triennial upon the progress of this Education Branch of Auxiliary Work.

At the close of the Reports came the Bishop's special address to the members of the Huron Auxiliary. He spoke kind words of commendation and encouragement, urging the duty of carrying out the will of the Founder of the Church, desiring always and only to know "what God would have them to do." It is the duty of all "said his lordship, to seek to hasten the coming of the day of God by

prayer and effort, endeavoring always to be in harmony with the mind of Christ, and striving faithfully to copy our great Original."...

Two addresses were given severally to seniors and juniors, by Mrs. Young, wife of the Bishop of Athabasca, who gave many pathetic details of the lives of missionaries, telling of their need of our prayers and sympathies, and suggesting ways and means for helping them. As several Branches have invited Mrs. Young to address them, their members will have an opportunity of hearing her earnest, touching words themselves. Mrs. Baldwin's paper," Travels in the East, "was listened to with the deepest attention, the story of her visit to Egypt and the Holy Land being told in graphic language, which brought vividly before the hearers not only the ancient monuments and modern changes, the sacred and secular history of those old-world lands, but also the matchless southern skies, and the wondrous flora of the East, followed by a most interesting account of Mission work in the Jerusalem of to-day. It is hoped that this beautiful account will appear ere

long in the columns of the Church papers.

Mrs. Lenfesty, of Strathroy, filled her allotted part of the programme very acceptably, giving encouraging details of progress amongst the Junior Branches, pleading that there may not be one parish in our communion where the children are not being trained in definite work for Christ. Surely they should have a part in extending the Saviour's gracious invitation, "suffer the little children to come unto me" "Let your children learn the joy of giving, tell them the meaning of 'Thy Kingdom come,' and ask them to think of missions as they daily use it." . . . Time was all too short for the reading of a large number of missionary letters, which would have been most interesting and instructive. The merest fringe of their contents could alone be touched upon, but it is hoped that a plan can be devised to bring them before such Branches as may desire to have them. LEAFLET will do its best within its limited scope, but Miss Weir, of Brantford, will receive the names of such as desire fuller extracts, and who may be willing to pass on the same to the next name upon the list -ED] One letter of special import, from the Bishop of Algoma, was read, expressing his gratitude for all that the Huron W.A. had done for his Diocese, entreating it to continue to it a definite and pledged support upon which he could rely. This message gave opportunity for urging the earnest co-operation of the Branches in its application for similar systematic help to Mackenzie River, the Lady Missionary funds, Lion's Head, and all such pleas as have from time to time enlisted their sympathies.

The following letter to Mrs. Boomer was read, from Her Excellency Lady Aberdeen, to whom a bound copy of The Letter Leaflet had been sent.—"It was most thoughtful of you to think of letting me have the account of the most valuable work done by the Auxiliary, in so

convenient a form. Please let me add my tribute of admiration of the

energy and zeal with which this work is carried on."

The valued Diocesan Recording Secretary, Miss Labatt, having been compelled, to the great regret of the whole W.A., to resign her post, Miss Haskett was elected in her place, the other officers being reelected by unanimous votes. The Delegates chosen to represent Huron at the Triennial were the Treasurer, the Dorcas Secretary, and the LEAFLET Editor, the other officers to be their substitutes; Mrs. Finkle, Woodstock (Mrs. Hoyt, Substitute), Mrs. Mackenzie, Brantford (Miss Weir, Substitute), completing the list. In reference to the Secretaries' and other reports, the Branches were earnestly requested, when paying moneys or seeking specific information, to communicate with each officer entrusted with that special branch of Auxiliary work. and not in order to save time or trouble to themselves to double the labour and expense of handing on their message (or money) from one Diocesan officer to another, after its reaching London. All LEAFLET communications should go to Mrs. Boomer, Extra-Cent-a-Day to Mrs. English, Dorcas facts or queries to Miss Marsh, etc., etc. (See Annual Report for 1893, page 15.)

The two following resolutions were the result of questions taken from the question drawer:—First, that the present system of Diocesan fees, so cts. annually for Senior Branches, and 5 cts. for Juniors is permanent; and, secondly, that as the W.A. has failed to wholly carry out its promise re Lion's Head, delegates present from non-subscribing branches make a point of placing this claim before their members, the Treasurer to communicate with those not represented at this meeting.

Resolutions of sympathy, congratulation, and thanks were passed, notably one from outside members, for London's hearty welcome and bountifully spread daily luncheon table. One of the pleasant features of the Annual was the presence of our late Diocesan Secretary, Mrs. Newman, who, on the cordial invitation of the President, took her seat upon the platform, where, although it seemed most natural to see her, it recalled the deep regret felt by her Huron sisters at losing so faithful and so capable a fellow worker from their midst. The General Missionary Meeting was very largely attended, a most instructive address by Canon Richardson being followed by one of peculiar interest from the Bishop of Athabasca. The Bible and Prayer Union Meeting at Bishopstowe, on Thursday 15th, was addressed by the Bishop of the Diocese, who illustrated his subject, the "Power of Prayer," by pressing home in earnest tones the lesson taught in Genesis 32 of "wrestling Jacob," who prevailed with God-"I will not let Thee go except Thou bless me." After this, Mrs. Young (Athabasca) said a few sweet words of sisterly counsel, and all too soon-with many special messages from the Mission field left ungiven, pleas unpleaded for, which had been reserved for this gathering, but for which no time remained; over

a hundred members were on invitation of Mrs. Baldwin, most hospitably entertained at luncheon—thus closed the Seventh Annual Meeting of the Huron Woman's Auxiliary, leaving deep down in the hearts of all its members who were privileged to be present, not only many pleasant memories, but a sense of increasing thankfulness for the rich blessing with which the Giver of ail Good has hitherto been pleased to bless their humble efforts in the cause of Missions.

ECHOES FROM OUR ANNUAL.

ECHO I.—From Virs. Young, 61 Winchester street, Toronto. "I feel it a great privilege to have been present at the Huron W.A. Annual It is difficult for me to express the deep interest it has awakened in my heart, and the call it has been to me to continue instant in prayer, that all W.A. workers may 'increase in fruitfulness' to our Father's glory May I add loving gratitude for so much interest expressed in the Lord's work committed to us in the Diocese of Athabasca!"

Echo II.—Whispers the good news that a member of Christ Church, London, W.A., has offered herself for missionary work in Athabasca, and that a candidate for Miss Symond's vacant office at Omoksene is

already in communication with Mr. Swainson.

ECHO III.—From a new Branch. "I and my Delegates thoroughly enjoyed our beautiful, helpful gathering. As yet we have taken no pledges, but we wish to help Algoma our own Missionary Diocese.

It should be first with many."

ECHO IV.—" Mrs. Young made no direct appeal for Rev. M. Scott, of Vermillion, so lately burnt out. We would like to know if something cannot be done to help him and his brave wife in this emergency?" In reply your Editor would say that already a carpet is promised, and should other friends be willing to assist in making up a bale it should be sent during April or very early in May, addressed "Rev. M. Scott, care Hudson's Bay Co., Edmonton, from whence Bishop Young will take charge of it on his arrival there the end of May.

Echo V — "Why was so little allusion made to Mackenzie River? Were we so conscience stricken by the Bishop's message, 'Is Huron doing as much for us as it might do?' that we could not face the fact that last year it only sent him \$103, after all our enthusiasm and expressions of sympathy? Will it not be a positive pain to him to learn from his April Leaflet that but a bare mention was made of a Diocese, the needs of which are so pressing, and whose band of devoted missionaries have to practice daily self-denials, and endure privations possible only to those wholly consecrated, 'body, soul, and spirit' to the Father's will?"

Your Editor ventures most earnestly to commend the above Echo to the readers of the LEAFLEI. Had time allowed for the reading of letters from the Bishop of Mackenzie River, which she held in her hand,

she feels sure that all hearts would have been aglow to help him. It is not too late; but let the matter have your earliest consideration, or the opportunity of the open season will be lost, and the long months be

entered upon when all communication will be cut off.

The following practical form of help to Missions comes from Miss C. Culten, Bird's Hill Mission, Manitoba: "One great want is the supply of fruits, which would flourish in the soil here. If we could only get some of the cuttings and prunings that are every year thrown away in the gardens and shrubberies in the East, it would be of the greatest value here in promoting fruit-growing. Most people have only dried fruits and those far from markets none at all. If some parcels of good cuttings could be sent West, it would be a good beginning of the work, and would prove a stimulus amonast Indian women and children in teaching them the art of providing for the morrow, not at present one of their characteristics. There is some thought of forming a Woman's Fruit Growing Association here, will friends in the East send us helpful suggestions." [W.A. members who have gardens, here is your chance to give practical help to our faithful workers in the North West.—Ed.]

Owing to this issue having to be devoted to the Annual and kindred subjects, all Branch notices and Missionary letters have, alas! to be crowded out. You are asked to note that the address of our new fooding Secretary, Miss Haskett, is 149 Lichfield street, London; also that in future all acknowledgments for Leaflet payments, etc., will be made in the current issue of the same, and to pardon any inaccuracy in delivery of current Leaflets, consequent upon change of hands. Any who may have received more copies than their due of January and February are asked to return them to Mrs Boomer to

enable her to meet new orders asking for back numbers.

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Montreal Diocese.

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

Subjects for Prayer and Reading. April—Caledonia, India.

The purple ribbon of Montreal Diocese and the Winchester Badge of the General Auxiliary, were conspicuous around and in the Synod Hall, on February, 21st and 22nd, as members and delegates from town and country assembled for their eighth Annual Meeting. had been a special preliminary service of prayer and praise in the Cathedral at 11 a m., Revs. Canon Norton, rector, and Mervyn, assistant minister, officiating, and the Venerable Father in God of the Diocese, whom during past months of anxiety his faithful people had scarcely dared to hope to see again in this life, had dispensed to them the Memorials of a Saviour's love, and had spoken to them with all his old-time fervor, words of ghostly counsel and encouragement, he had told them that as followers of Jesus Christ by Baptism and Confirmation they were pledged, and by the Holy Communion they were bound to consecrate themselves to this work. The Auxiliary had tremendous responsibilities, but it must not be discouraged but rather encouraged by its responsibilities to greater energy and power, since God never withheld His favor from those who trusted Him. And, in conclusion, he bade them examine themselves to see where they had been helpful to their relatives, friends and companions in the salvation of souls, and to resolve that, aided by their prayers and example, the association should be more influential in the future than in the past. At 2 30, after function, in the Synod Hall, the Auxiliary convened for its first business session, the Lord Bishop presiding. After prayer and the singing of a hymn, Mrs. Holden, Diocesan President, read her annual address, which we commend to the careful perusal of the Branches, who will receive it when the Annual Report is printed. We had had, she said, our discouragements. Many times had our faith been sorely tried. The angel of death had not spared us, but had thinned our ranks by taking from us some of our most faithful workers. Verily their works do follow them. While we greatly mourn their loss, others, by reason of bereavement, and in some cases illhealth, had not been able to give that steady and faithful attention to Mission work for which they had been specially qualified and prepared. Off times our finances were in a state of depression; for we, too, had felt the financial crisis of the times; therefore much courage and faith had been continually required. Still God had manifestly blessed our efforts, and we could confidently report a state of progress; for during the year six new Branches had been added to our list, which was surely an indication of an increased Missionary

spirit in our Diocese. Some of our Branches had borne much fruit. and had cheered us often by their labour of love and their generous response to appeals from the Board. Others did not yet seem to realize how much they might encourage and aid us in meeting our pledges and expenses, by their co-operation and assistance. She felt sure this apparent indifference was not altogether from want of sympathy, but likely from lack of knowledge and a proper understand ing of the relations existing between the Branches and the Diocesan Board. The LEAFLET was alluded to in terms of highest commendation as one link in our work that binds each Diocese together, and brings us in close touch with each other. Our little magazine, which, although insignificent in appearance, was replete with infor mation which it was impossible for us to obtain otherwise or elsewhere. One was not only interested but astonished to find therein accounts of the amount of work accomplished by the Woman's Auxiliary. Every member should take it, and moreover should read and digest it. Our Delegates would do well to impress upon the members of their Branches the importance and privilege of having such arepository of information at their command and their duty in naking use of the information provided. How, it was asked, could we respond to the many appeals made to us and at the same time not fall behind in our pledges? How could we give more to missions? The answer was emphatically, By daily denial of self, prompted by a sense of loyalty to and love for Christ. The Extra-Cent-a Day supplied a method, the very best, of keeping alive in us the true missionary spirit. The very act of laying aside something daily bringing with it the remembrance that all we had was from Him.

Mrs. Everett, Recording Secretary, submitted her annual report and urged upon benevolent women to join an association which would help them to widen their field of usefulness. She had heard a good man say that a cause without an organization was like an egg without a shell, and there was something inspiriting in the sight of numbers. This year the Diocesan Auxiliary had steadily gained. We had now in the Diocese forty-six Branches, with a membership of over 1,000. Fourteen were Junior Branches and six new Branches had been added this year, also three new life members, Mrs. Carmichael, Mrs. Tucker and Miss Mercer. The annual grant of \$200 to the Washakada Home had been continued and \$150 per annum had been promised to our Medical Missionary in Japan, Miss Jennie Smith. Miss Brown, of the Piegan Home, Fort McLeod, had received generous donations in money and kind from the town and country Branches, and contributions had been given in response to appeals from Mrs. Sillitoe, wife of the Bishop of New Westminster, Bishop Bickersteth of Japan, Bishop Young of Athabasca, and others. The LEAFLET was strongly recommended to the Branches.

Mrs. C. E. Dawson, Dio. Treas. and Dorcas Secretary, submitted a report of these departments. Receipts had been \$1,851.23, disbursements \$1,840 24. Fifty-nine bales had been sent out, an increase of fifteen over last year, to Calgary, Saskatchewan, Selkirk, Newfound-

land and our own Diocese.

Miss McCord, Superintendent of Junior Branches, read a statement which showed increased work and interest, two new Branches had been added. Mrs. Evans, LEAFLET Editor, reported over a hundred new subscribers and testimony constantly being received as to the value of the LEAFLET and its helpfulness in the work of the Branches. Miss Hanson, LEAFLET Treasurer, submitted the financial statement. The number of subscribers is now 502. Mrs. Waller, librarian, reported the library in good working order, and a valuable addition received from the S.P.C.K. The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows. President (appointed by the Bishop), Mrs. Holden; Executive Committee, (ditto), Mesdames Carmichael, H. J. Evans, Henderson, Norton, Buchanan, Judge, Cole, Lindsay, and Walter Drake. Delegates to Provincial Board Meeting, Mesdames H.J. Evans, Everett, Miss McCord; substitutes, Mrs. C. E. Dawson, Miss Mills, and Mrs. Norton. Miss Mudge, contributed a very instructive paper on "Mexico, describing the ancient inhabitants and their religion, the Spanish conquest, and Romish Rule, and the rapid spread of the Gospel since 1860, when religious liberty had been proclaimed. Miss Mudge was cordially thanked for her very interesting paper In the afternoon Mrs. Carus Wilson addressed a large assemblage of Auxiliary workers and their friends, on "General Missionary Principles," and in a very able and eloquent discourse showed how religious energy and enthusiasm were often wasted in the effort to prove that one sect of professing Christians was right and others Two thirds of the world's population were without the knowledge of God, and to be without God meant to be without hope. Countries which were heathen were still the habitations of cruelty in its most repulsive form, and this should be one of the most potent incentives to Mission work. Those who made little of the need of Foreign Missions were grossly ignorant of the condition of the people of those heathen lands The Bishop on behalf of the meeting thanked Mrs. Wilson for her very able and eloquent address.

On the second day a paper entitled, "A Pioneer Canadian Bishop," compiled from the Rev. Armine Mountain's life of his father, the Right Reverend George Jehosaphat Mountain, third Bishop of Quebec, was contributed by Miss McCord, and elicited warm encomiums, and Miss McCord was requested to permit it to be published for use of the Auxiliay. The question of how to meet the expenses of printing, for which no

adequate provision was made, and for which the Board was always obliged to draw upon its only unappropriated fund, viz., members'fees, was discussed at length, the Country Branches taking an active part, and one of them, St. John's East, finally moving that each Branch should pledge itself to contribute one dollar annually towards a printing fund. This motion was seconded by Mrs. Lindsay, Waterloo, and carried nem. con. In the evening a delightful reception was given by the Montreal Diocesan Board, and was very largely attended. The music, which was in charge of Miss Bancroft, was, as usual, excellent, and the efficient Decoration Committee had transformed the bare Synod Hall into an attractive and home-like apartment, fragrant with flowers and gay with flags and greenery, while delicious refreshments were dispensed during the evening by the ladies who had charge of that department.

Resolutions of heartfelt condolence were passed at the March meeting to Mrs. Fairbanks, who has recently experienced a great sorrow and bereavement, and to Mrs. Houghton, who for months past has been laid aside by sickness, and whose presence and assistance have been greatly missed from

our Diocesan Board meetings.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

The following donations for the Diocese of Moosonee have been received by the Rev. Canon Henderson, and are hereby thankfully acknowledged from W. A. M. A., London, Ont

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Windsor Branch		
Woodstock Branch, Old St. Paul's	10	00
Aylmer West, Ontario	10	00
Mrs. Sandus	5	00
From Ottawa, per Rev. Mr. Snowdon		
From Mrs. Phelps, England	100	00
St. George's Sunday School, Montreal	30	00

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W. HENDERSON, Commissary.

Miagara Diocese.

DIOCESAN MOTTO .- "Lo! I am with you alway."

The Niagara W. A. will hold their Annual Meeting on April 18th and 19th, preceded by an introductory service in the Cathedral on Tuesday evening the 17th, when Dr. Mockridge will preach. On Wednesday there will be a Celebration at 10 a.m., business meeting immediately after in the Cathedral School-room.

The officers earnestly hope that the President and Delegates of each Branch will attend, and would especially ask them to be present at the services in the church to ask the blessing of God upon the work and our deliberations We shall also be glad to see members of Branches not entitled to vote, and, indeed, hope for the presence of a large number of such, and extend a hearty welcome to any members from our sister Auxiliaries. Mrs. Young, wife of the Bishop of Athabasca, will address us Wednesday, and on Thursday afternoon and evening Miss Brown, of the Piegan Reserve, will speak The evening meeting for children will be illustrated by lime light views. We are sure Mrs. Young's address will be a powerful incentive to further good works, and trust the Piegan Reserve will he substantially benefited after hearing Miss Brown's story. On the evening of Wednesday, the 18th, there will be an At Home, in All Saints' school-house. The Corresponding Secretary writes: "We hope to welcome a large number of delegates to our school-house." We are sure there will be a full response to the generous invitation of this parish. These little social gatherings go a long way in brightening up the routine work of a business meeting.

The quarterly meeting, held in St. Mark's school-room, was largely attended and much interest evinced. The monthly one held in the Ascension School-room was kindly presided over by Mrs. Wade in the absence of the President. This W.A. Branch does much good work for Missions.

From one of the letters read at this meeting we learn that the Superintendent of Indian Missions, Archdeacon Phair, wished each mission under his charge could be supplied with a Christening robe that could be loaned the mother for the occasion. The white robe would be a true object lesson to the Indian parents. There are many little white dresses laid away in our homes, consecrated, it may be, by a mother's tears and deep sorrow for the little one "not lost but gone

before," and what better use could we put these to than to help one more little one to put on the white robe of baptismal regeneration.

In our otherwise hopeful outlook we regret hearing of the proposed disbanding for a time of a Branch W.A., owing to pressing parish needs. Don't you think, dear friends, you could at least meet to say your members' prayer, and keep up in part your contributions, till you could resume work. We shall miss you sadly, and we are sure you will need us. Coming to our meetings will furnish just the rest and change needed for a hard working Churchwoman. Don't look back after undertaking this W.A. work.

In one of our Treasurer's admirable reports I see that a young lady of Hamilton added to our funds considerably by the painting of Calendars for sale. This good use of a talent is full of practical suggestions.

All Saints, Hamilton, W.A., held their annual meeting, Feb. 28. Hon. President, Mrs. Forneret; President, Mrs. Patterson; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Briggs, Cor.Sec., Mrs. Lemon; Delegates to Diocesan Board, Mrs. Briggs and Mrs. Leather. This Branch is still working for Rev. J. G. Brick and will have some good bales to despatch on their long journey in April. Mrs. A. E. Miller has been a most generous contributor, her winter's work of most comfortable looking quilts and garments would almost fill a bale by themselves. From a statement sent by Rev. J. G. Brick, and which we see in both Church papers, we learn of the increased growth of his work, and the need of increased and continued effort on the behalf of the W.A. Mr. Brick says. "Please lend me a helping hand by placing the needs of this Mission before your W.A. Clothing for boys and girls between the age of 5 and 12, and good second-hand clothing for our Indians, also groceries, medicines, etc., will be most acceptable."

From Fairford the Rev. C. Bruce writes Miss Beaven: "Though my thanks are late in reaching you, I trust you will not deem them less sincere and hearty. I cannot tell you the joy I felt when I received your letter last week. When one receives such tokens of sympathy and interest, it cheers their hearts and encourages one to press onward, for sometimes we are inclined to despond and get weary At such a time how valuable is Christian sympathy. I must tell you we have no post office, the nearest one is over fifty miles, and the irregularity of conveying letters is a positive grief to me at times. Having five schools in this district where hundreds of children are daily taught, many of whom are in very needy circumstances, the prizes of clothing will be a great inducement for future perseverance. Last year was the first time a Christmas tree was seen here. but we

were only able to remember a few of the children."

From Fort Francis, Ont., Mrs. Mercer writes Miss Baker:—"We duly received the bale you were instrumental in procuring for us. It was a long time coming as we are in a very isolated district, and over

a hundred miles from the railroad. May God bless your endeavours to help those whom we have always with us."

DIED ON FEBRUARY 9TH.—At St. Peter's Mission, Lesser Slave Lake, N.W.T., of scarlet fever, Frederick George, son of the Rev. G. Holmes, aged 9 months.

We are sure every heart goes out in sympathy to the much-loved President of the St. Thomas' Branch, W.A., Mrs. Champ, who has so lately been called to part from her husband. May our dear Lord comfort the sorrowing hearts.

DORCAS REPORT.

ST. CATHARINES, St. George's, to Rev. A. Allman, 1 bale containing 32 new articles clothing, 32 second-hand, 25 yards flanneiette, dozen prayer and hymn books, and 17 other articles. Cayuga, St. John's Branch, 1 bale to the Rev. A. J. Cobb, containing 57 articles of clothing, 2 second hand, 2 quilts, 3 yards cotton, 6 handkerchiefs, cans of tomatoes, salmon and corn. Queenstown, St. Saviour's, to Rev. Boydell, 1 quilt, flannelette, 2 pairs socks, also Rev. T. H. Pritchard, Lac Seul, 1 dressing gown, 2 pairs socks.

The Secretary Treasurer Literature Committee reports 650 subscrib-

The Secretary Treasurer Literature Committee reports 650 subscribers to Leaflet. We did so want to make up a list of one thousand subscribers. If each parochial Branch would get ten more names that

would just do it.

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TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

From February 8th to March 8th, 1894.

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Ontario Diocese.

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

Subjects for Reading and Prayer: April—Caledonia, B.C., and India May—Saskatchewan and Calgary, Palestine and Assyria.

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Calgary comes before us very opportunely this month, as many of our Branches have lately had the pleasure of hearing Miss Brown. For those who have not, perhaps some details which she is able to give us may be interesting. She speaks of the work on the Piegan Reserve as being very encouraging. Those children who have been brought under Christian influence are very much changed, and now speak of the time when they were wild and naughty with regret. All distrust of the Missionaries' motives has passed away from the minds of the men, and they now willingly bring their children to the Home, for they confess that "the white man's religion is good." Miss Brown, when in Montreal was able to send to the Home a number of useful articles, including shoemakers', carpenters' and gardeners' tools, which were chiefly paid for out of money given by those Branches of the W.A. which she addressed These, with several good bales and the freight, cost about \$300. Several children have also been adopted. There is still plenty to be done, however: fences are needed immediately, or no garden can be made this summer, and cows and horses have to be purchased. It was found impossible to get a good knitting machine for less than \$40, so nothing has been done about it as yet. Miss Brown is much improved in health and is going back to her post refreshed by the change, which, as will be seen, has not been an entire rest.

We wish we had space to quote largely from a letter written by Miss Emery, the General Secretary of the W.A. in the U.S. Amongst many other valuable hints she says, with regard to monthly meeting: "Is it not because so many of us are still unintelligent members of the Auxiliary that sewing assumes so great importance in our eyes? When we have become thorough students in Missionary geography, and history, and biography, we shall gain a true conception of the real needs, and shall learn the value of Missionary arithmetic as well." Then as regards the time given to prayer at these meetings: "Let the prayers be thoughtfully chosen to meet present needs, for new workers wanted, for means for their support, for courage for failing hearts; for the up-building of the faith of converts gathered in; let special prayer be made as suggested by the subjects for intercession. Do not hasten through this time of prayer as a mere preface to duties of more importance. Give it the first place, as being of most importance, and return to it at the close, that going out from the meeting, with words of prayer upon the lips, it may seem of chief importance still."

The following letter from the Rev. John Badger, St. James' Parish, John Smith's Reserve, Diocese Saskatchewan, has been received at Ottawa with some very pretty articles of Indian manufacture:

DEAR MADAM,-You will remember that during the past year we have received a most generous gift from your society in the form of clothing for our poor people. Similar bales have also been received from branches of your society at Prescott and Cornwall. As a slight testimony on our part of gratitude for your thoughtful care in collecting and sending so many articles towards the comfort of our people. Mrs. Badger has collected a few articles made by our Indian women, which we wish you would be kind enough to distribute among the secretaries of the several Branches of your society mindful of us. You will doubtless be interested in knowing that the rogans (baskets) are the work of a woman of some eighty years. Mrs. Beardy, who remarked on receiving some of your gifts, "I wish I might thank those ladies who have been so mindful of us, and will make something for them." Will you be kind enough to divide these articles into three equal parts, one part to be distributed as may be thought best. among the ladies of your society, the other two parts to be sent to the Secretary of the society at Prescott, Miss Mary Lewin, and to Miss J M. Cline, the Secretary of the society at Cornwall respectively, to be distributed in those places in the same manner as in Ottawa. We only wish there were more things, but trust you will believe how very grateful we feel for your kind gifts. Will you kindly let me know

if our box arrives safely and what cost you are put to for forwarding

the things to Prescott and Cornwall?"

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Rev. F. Frost, Sheguiandah, Manitoulin Island, writes to Bath in acknowledgement of a box.—" Many thanks for the good things it contained. The robes are indeed a blessing for which we shall ever feel grateful, for to me they are not only useful in winter but in summer as well, for they are the most suitable camping outfit that one can have for the nights here are always cool. Those last summer outfits are good, so are the things intended for Mrs. F. who is already scheming as to where the rag carpets shall go down. The wrapper and the kid mits seem to suit and I have already cast a greedy eye on the socks. The quilts are all that can be desired to make one warm. The books, too, I shall find useful. We will give the things away that you desire should be so disposed of. Mrs. F. joins with me in expressing our warmest thanks for your goodness."

FROM THE BRANCHES.

Belleville, St. Thomas'. The monthly meeting of the W.A. was held March 5th, and it being the last meeting for business an account of the work of the year was received, and the members present were very much pleased to find that their efforts were fairly successful. The "Kings Daughters" of St. Thomas' Clarch have sent to the Rev. T. Leach, Bancroft, a box of old and new clothing, books, etc., valued at \$18.44, in response to an appeal which was made to the W.A. but which was beyond their power.

PEMBROKE made a special effort and raised \$20 by a missionary tea for the Church fund at Lake Temiscamingue. These teas were discontinued during Lent, but the missionary

boxes were to receive special attention.

BATH is preparing a few useful articles, among them a

quilt for Miss Brown.

OTTAWA held a general missionary meeting for the purpose of hearing Miss Brown, at which the Archdeacon presided. The Rev. F. R. Smith, of Hull, and the Rev. W. A. Mackay also spoke, the former on Foreign Missions and the latter in defence of the Indians.

Christ Church Belleville and Prescott are increasing their subscriptions to the Leaflet.

DORCAS REPORT.

OTTAWA J.W.A., sent "Fair Linen" to Rev. J. W. Plant for one of his missions, value \$5; also a white stole to the Rev. C. Pick, Fitzroy Harbour, Diocese Ont.; value, material and express, \$6.25; also three bags to Rev. A. Tansey, Somerset, Diocese Rupert's Land, value new material \$24, freight \$3.25; containing 38 new and 127 second-hand garments, a cassock, four sheets, medicines, books and papers.

CAMDEN East sent to Rev. A. Cobb, Broadbent, Diocese Algoma, one bale, cost of material \$11.51, freight \$1.25, contents 56 new

garments, 26 second-hand garments two quilts

SHANNONVILLE, —A Diocesan Member sent to Manitowaning a box of toys, books, etc., for Christmas.

BROCKVILLE.—Trinity sent to Miss Brown at Montreal, for the Piegan Reserve, one bale, cost of material \$48, contents 34 new 27 second-hand garments, two quilts, twenty-one yards carpet, two pair blankets, two pair pillow cases, and quantity groceries.

BANCROFI to the same place, one bale with twelve new, and ten second-hand garments, one quilt. A member of St. George's Cathedral, sent a feather bed to the same. Freight 44 cts.

BROCKVILLE.—St. Peter's sent to Madoc for outlying missions, one bale, containing 52 new and 60 second hand garments, books, and papers.

Annie Muckleston.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT

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ALICE L. ROGERS, Treas. Ont. W.A.

Quebec Diocese.

DICCESAN MOTTO: - "Ye have done it unto Me."

The Diocesan Treasurer will be much obliged if the Treasurers of the various Branches will be kind enough to send in all the money they intend for this year's statement before the end of April, so as to enable her to prepare the accounts for the Annual Meeting the second week in May. The Diocesan Treasurer would also like to remind the members that, so far, there have been no special collections this year, such as those to which the members responded so heartily last year, and consequently our figures will fall far behind those of 1893. Feeling sure that the givers are none the poorer, but really the richer for the effort, she would earnestly appeal to the members and Branches to give either to the Thankoffering or to some other fund AT LEAST the same amount as they gave to meet the special collections. With so many asking and needing our help we can surely not be content to go backwards. Rather let us strain every nerve to extend our work and increase our offerings, remembering Who it is that gives us the opportunities to send His Word to the multitudes who are asking to have it carried to them.

Will the Branches remember that they are really the Editors of the QUEBEC LEAFIET, and responsible for its being filled with interesting letters and items of intelligence? All communications should be sent in before the 18th of each month, and it would be a good plan if the Secretaries would write "to be returned" on any letters which they wish to have sent back to them. As The Leaflet year begins in April, all subscriptions are now due (being payable in advance), and should be sent in as soon as possible to Miss Burstall, St. Louis road, Ouebec.

A Quarterly Meeting of the Diocesan Branch was held on Friday, March 16th, about fifty members being present. A letter was read from the Rev. H. Stocken, saying that Miss Foley is to begin her work as lady missionary '2 the Sarcee Reserve at Easter; and one from the

Bishop of Saskatchewan, who considers her appointment an admirable one. Appeals were read from the Rev. J. W. Tims, who requires \$1500 to finish paying for his church, and \$510 for furnishing the Home from Rev. H. Stocken, asking for help to pay off the debt on the Home and support the children; from Mr. Wilson, Elkhorn; and from Rev I. Brick. The meeting heard with regret that the Bourg Louis and St. George's, Beance, Branches could not continue. There was some discussion as to whether, now and in the future, the recipient of a Liocesan Life Membership should be asked to name the object to which the money should be given, or whether it should be decided at the Annual Meeting. This question was deferred. The President urged the members to contribute as largely as possible, the funds being so low. After various other suggestions had been considered it was decided to ask each Branch to help by getting up a small concert

The Annual Meeting of the Quebec Diocesan Branch will be held in Quebec, on Wednesday, May 9th. There will be a Special Service in the Cathedral, at which the Lord Bishop has promised to give an address, unless prevented by engagements elsewhere in the Diocese. The business meeting and lunch will be held in the Church Hall. Arrangements for reduced railway fares will be made, particulars of which will be given in the next LEAFLET. We hope to see a great many friends from a distance, and those who intend coming will please write as soon as possible to the convenor of the Hospitality Committee, Mrs. C. Sharples, Grande Allée, Quebec, so that hospitality may be provided. The Parochial Secretaries are asked to kindly send in their Annual Reports as soon as possible after their Annual Meeting (not later than May 4th), and so lighten the work of the Diocesan Secretaries. To those who are writing an Annual Report for the first time, we would say: refer to last year's printed Report, and follow the arrangements of the reports in it, officers, number of meetings, attendance, etc., and lastly, number of members and LEAFLETS; write on one side of the paper and leave a margin. An annual report is a review of all that has been done during the past year, and not a report of the Annual Meeting only, as is still sometimes sent in. Will the Secretaries kindly bear in mind that the reports are to be printed, and so ought to be as concise as possible.

Mrs. Tilton has accepted the invitation of the Quebec Diocesan Branch to hold the Annual Meeting of the Provincial Board of Man

agement in Quebec, next Autumn.

From the Rev. J. Gough Brick, Christ Church Mission, Peace River, via

Edmonton, to Miss Montizambert.

I have just received a letter from our good Bishop, Bishop Young, in which he refers to the very kind interest you were taking in this Mission. I am now taking the liberty of sending you a few copies of the balance sheet of the Mission for the past year, also a few copies

of an accompanying appeal. I shall be exceedingly grateful if you will kindly introduce them to some of your leading Branches of the I do not know how it is, but this Mission in the past has not received one dollar from the Diocese of Ouebec. I think I am safe in saving that there is not another Indian Mission in the Dominion where the attempt is made to carry it on without a grant from some Church Society or Government aid. We have to raise the staple articles in the way of provisions for our own and School requirements, as freight charges on everything we bring into the country are excessively high. I am sorry to say that we are having a very trying time this winter with sickness and horrible cold weather; through a good part of this month the thermometer has been down, running from 50 to 62 below zero, and for weeks it seems as though we had seen neither sun, moon, nor stars, and the whole settlement down with a severe attack of influenza. I have been laid aside myself for nearly three weeks, and at present am hardly able to sit at the table and hold a pen, and here there is no help for us, we are 400 miles from a doctor or from any point where there is the slightest possibility of getting Mrs. Gough Brick is at present in Toronto. She left Peace River in June last, and we miss her very much in our work this winter, but she was certainly entitled to a rest and change after five years of hard toil and isolation. When she left I tried to get a man for our kitchen work, but found it impossible to get a suitable one, so that I was compelled to assume the work myself Here I am, Missionary in charge, Supt. School and Mission Farm, housekeeper, cook and dairymaid. You may think this strange missionary work, and yet there is no getting along in a country like this without it; we can do nothing in the way of school work unless we feed and clothe the children, and to feed them we must raise our own bread, beef, pork, butter and vegetables. We have been very successful with our Mission Farm until last season.

AMONG THE BRANCHES.

COATICOOKE —Owing to illness allong the members and to bad weather, the meetings have been less regular than usual. Some special Mission is to be worked for.

COOKSHRE.—Still helping the Junior Branch in making clothes for "Alice," at the Piegan Reserve. \$12 has been sent to the Zenana Missionary Society, Drummondville. The meetings will be resumed after Easter, having been unavoidably discontinued the last quarter. Members working at home. News received of the safe arrival of barrel sent to the Rev. Alfred Cooke.

COMPTON.—Work has begun again this quarter.

INVERNESS.—Meetings at both Branchès held regularly, and some members wo:king at home.

Frampton.—Monthly meetings held all winter, and well attended.

Three members have left for other parts.

LENNOXVILLE,—Regular monthly meetings and weekly Missionary readings. The Junior members meet every Saturday.

LEVIS.—Usual meetings held, and one extra one.

PASPEBIAC.—Work resumed January 16th. The missing bale prepaid for Fort Alexander has been traced to Selkirk, and the freight authorities of the C. P. R. have been instructed to forward it to the Rev. A. Cooke, in his new Mission of Touchwood Hills.

UPPER IRELAND.— Has finished a parcel and sent it off, also \$7.00

in cash.

CATHEDRAL.—Usual weekly sewing meetings held regularly One bale of clothing was sent in January to Mrs. Pinkham, for distribution

as she might see fit.

ST. MATTHEW'S.—A barrel has been packed for the Rev. J. W. Tims, also one for the Rev. Malcolm Scott, for which were received kind donations of drugs, money, and soap. \$15 has been sent to the Rev. Malcolm Scott for freight on two barrels from Edmonton to Vermillion.

ST. MICHAEL'S.—A barrel has been sent to Mr. Wilson's Indian Home, Elkhorn, and in it a parcel from the New Liverpool Branch. The sum of \$23 was handed to the Bishop of Athabasca, after hi address in the School-house. The quarterly meeting was held on March 13th, when the Rev. R. A. Parrock gave a most interesting lecture. The Junior Branch meets as usual every week, and has several articles of clothing ready.

SI. PETER'S.—Meetings held as usual, with a better attendance.

One member has left the parish.

SHERBROOKE.—At the February Meeting, \$15 were voted to the Lady Missionary to Japan Fund.

STANSTEAD.—It has been decided to hold monthly meetings.

WINDSOR MILLS.—Monthly meetings held regularly.

Upper Ireland.—Sent a parcel to Elkhorn, but has not heard of its arrival.

DORCAS REPORT.

The following have been forwarded. from the Cathedral, one bale to Mrs. Pinkham; St. Matthew's, one barrel to the Rev. Malcolm Scott, and one'to the Rev. J. W. Tims; St. Michael's, one barrel to Elkhorn Indian School, New Liverpool, one parcel in the same barrel; Lower Ireland, one parcel to Elkhorn Indian School; Upper Ireland has sent one parcel, which the Cathedral Branch has offered to make up with its next bale.

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